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FILIPINSKA FRONTA

Američke in filipinske čete so se umaknile v dobro utrjene in tekoče dostopne gorske postojanke zapadno od Manile, kjer se upajo dolgo ustavljati japonski premoči. Manila, glavno mesto Filipinov, je bilo proglašeno za odprto mesto in so bile iz istega umaknjene vse čete in obrambne priprave. Japonci so torej lahko zasedli mesto brez boja. Ameriški vojnomoštarski departament označa za japonske trditve, da so v pristanišču Manile zasedli več ameriških ladij in v mestu večje število ameriških in filipinskih vojakov. Iz pristanišča so bile umaknjene vse ladje in iz mesta vse vojaštvo, predno so se Japonci približali mestu.

Z BRITISKIH FRONT

Britiški odpor na Malajskem polotoku je postal odločnejši in zdi se, da važna britiška baza Singapore za enkrat ni v neposredni nevarnosti. Britiški letalci so razbili več japonskih transportov. Na Atlantiku so nemške podmornice več dni napadale angleški konvoj, sestojec iz 20 trgovskih ladij, katerega pa je angliška vojna mornarica tako dobro čuvala, da je bila nepotopljena le ena tovarna ladja. Angleži so sicer pri tem izgubili dve manjši vojni ladji, toda potopili so tri nemške podmornice. V Afriki britiške čete še vedno potiskajo nazaj Nemce v Italijane.

Z RUSKE PRONTE

Rusi na vsej dolgi fronti iztrajno potiskajo Nemce nazaj in jim ne dovolijo nikakega oddiha, da bi se utrdili ali si ustvarili zimske baze. Rusi so zavzeli vrsto važnih postojank in zaplenili velike množine vojnega materiala. Posebno važne uspehe so dosegli na Krimu in pri Možajsku na moskovski fronti; v slednje imenovanem mestu so baje z obkoljenjem zajeli 100.000 Nemcev.

BOJI NA KITAJSKEM

Na Kitajskem so Japonci z več dni trajajočo ofenzivo skušali zavzeti mesto Čangša, pa so jih Kitajci odločno porazili in vrgli nazaj. V teh bojih so Japonci izgubili nad 50.000 mož.

ENOTNO POVELJSTVO

Za vrhovnega poveljnika vseh zaveznikih sil na Pacifiku, to je ameriških, britiških in nizozemskih, je bil imenovan britiški general Archibald P. Wavell, za pomožnega vrhovnega poveljnika pa American major-general George H. Brett, načelnik ameriške letalske sile. Poveljnik za Pacifiku je ameriški admiral Thomas C. Hart, poveljnik za Indio-Kini in Thailandu pa general Čang Kajšek.

LIGA NARODOV

V Washingtonu je bila predložena ustanovljena nekaka nova Liga narodov, ko so zastopniki 26 dežel podpisali pogodbo, da bodo vse prizadele vlade sodelovale z vsemi močmi za pomoč državam osi in da nobena ne bo sklepala separatnega premirja ali miru z njimi. Podpisane države pakta so: Zedinjene države Amerike, Velika Britanija in Severna Irska, Sovjetska Rusija, Kitajska, Avstralija (Dalje na 2. strani)

KAKO JE RAZKOSANA JUGOSLAVIJA

Ugledni bostonski list "The Christian Science Monitor" je v svoji številki z dne 19. decembra priobčil sledeči članek znane pisatelja g. R. H. Markhama:

"V začetku tega leta je bila Jugoslavija enajsta država v Evropi po svoji površini in sedma po številu prebivalstva. Njena površina je znašala 95.551 kvadratnih milj, torej približno toliko kot država Oregon; število prebivalstva je bilo okrog 16.000.000.

Sedaj je razdeljena v deset raznih delov, njeno prebivalstvo razkrojeno v osem držav ali lutk-držav.

Uradno ime Jugoslavije je bilo dolgo časa Kraljevina Srbov, Hrvatov in Slovencev. Njene tri glavne pokrajine so bile Srbija, Hrvatska in Slovenija. Slovenija, mala, izredno lepa pokrajina z milijonom prebivalstva, ležeča v najsevernejšem delu kraljevine, je razdeljena med Italijo, nacijsko Nemčijo in Madžarsko. Hrvatsko sta si razdelili Madžarska in Italija; Srbijo Madžarska, Bolgarija in Albanija.

Med vsemi Jugoslavi so Slovenci pretrpeli največ — vsaj z enega stališča sodeč — izgubili so vsako najmanjšo sled svobode. Večino prebivalstva te male pokrajine so oropali vsake možnosti nadaljevanja svojega narodnega obstoja. Ze se izvajajo nasilna prizadevanja, da se jih prekrsti v Madžare, Nemce ali Italijane.

Slovenci so med najnaprednejšimi, najmiroljubnejšimi in najkulturnejšimi narodi v vsej Srednji Evropi. Oni so slejko prej najnaprednejši med vsemi Slovani, ne izvemši Čehe.

Njihova prestolnica Ljubljana je bilo vzorno mesto s 60.000 prebivalci, ob vznožju slikovitih planin. Njen glavni park je prehalj alpe. Njene ulice so bile čiste, javna poslopja lepo vzdrževana in njene šole so bile vzor prosvetnih ustanov.

Ljubljana je bila znamenito glasbeno in književniško središče, bila je glavni sedež zelo razširjenega mednarodnega sodelovanja, ustvarila je boljše razmerje med delavstvom in kapitalizmom kot so bile v večini drugih pokrajin in bila je vir prosvete najvišje stopnje. Tamali gorski narod skoraj ni poznal nepismenosti in njihova večina je čitala dober tisk. Slovenske ceste, vijoč se skozi prevladujoča alpska pogorja, so bile med najboljimi v južno-vzhodni Evropi.

Slovenija je bila zelo prepričevalen dokaz koristnosti in vrednosti države v Jugoslavije. Nikdar v svoji zgodovini Slovenci niso bili dalj časa svobodni. Celih tisoč let so bili pod nemškimi gospodstvom, večino tega časa so bili pod Habsburžani. A decembra 1918 so dobili svobodo kot enakopravni del v kraljevini Jugoslaviji.

Res je, da so Slovenci v teh 23-ih letih čisto grenko pritoževali zaradi razlik, ki so jih z njimi delali njihovi močnejši sonarodnjaki Srbi. In vendar so napredovali v vsakem pogledu. Mreža njihovih cest je postajala vse boljša. Ljubljanska univerza je doživela napredovanje kakor nikdar, slovenska književnost je vzcvetela, življenjski standard se je dvignil in Slovenci so dobivali važna (Dalje na 2. strani)

STOLETNICA LISTA

Danes, 7. januarja, je poteklo 100 let, odkar je izšla prva izdaja lista Cleveland Plain Dealer, ki je eden izmed treh velikih v angleščini pisanih dnevnikov v Clevelandu, Ohio. Cleveland Plain Dealer je jutranji list, prilično naprednih smernic, ki ga že čase čitajo tudi tisočeri clevelandski Slovenci. Iz tega vzroka ima stoletnica lista še nekoliko več pomena za nas.

Sploh pa se lahko trdi, da je stoletnica vsakega ameriškega lista važen dogodek, ker je Amerika sama še mlada dežela. Saj sega neodvisnost republike Zedinjenih držav komaj 165 let nazaj. Iz navedenega je razvidno, da je gori omenjeni list začel izhajati, ko je bila naša republika komaj 65 let stara. Danes je Cleveland šesto največje mesto v Zedinjenih državah in šteje približno milijon prebivalcev, toda, ko je začel Cleveland Plain Dealer izhajati, je šlo mesto le nekaj nad šest tisoč prebivalcev. Statistika iz leta 1840 navaja 6.071 prebivalcev.

Tekom sto let svojega obstanka je časopis zabeležil mnogo dogodkov, ki so bili velikega pomena za Ameriko in za ves svet. Ko je začel list izhajati, je bil telegraf šele v svojih otroških letih; pet let prej je bil izumljen prvi res praktični sistem telegrafiranja, ki je z raznimi izboljšavami še sedaj v rabi. Leta 1865 je, zadet od krogle atentatorja, umrl šestnajsti predsednik Zedinjenih držav, Abraham Lincoln, eden največjih predsednikov, ki jih je imela ta dežela. Malo prej je bila uspešno zaključena ameriška civilna vojna. Leta 1876 je Američan A. Graham Bell izumil prvi praktični telefon, ki je danes skoro v vsaki hiši. Kaj bi bil danes časopis brez telegrafskih, telefonskih in radijskih poročil!

Za časniške reporterje je danes velikega pomena avtomobil, ki pa je v rabi manj kot pol stoletja. Prvi patent na avtomobil na gasolinski pogon je dobil leta 1896 George B. Selden iz Rochester, N. Y. Razume se, da so takratni časopisi dosti pisali o novih vozovih brez konjske vprege. Prvi avtomobil v Clevelandu je bajle lastoval župan Tom L. Johnson, ki je bil izvoljen leta 1901, ki se ga mestna zgodovina spominja kot enega najboljših županov; ima tudi spomenik na glavnem trgu, Public Square.

Leta 1898 se je vršila špansko-ameriška vojna, ki je osvobodila Kubo in Filipine. Razume se, da so vsi časopisi o tem dosti poročali. Velika novica za časopise je bila smrt predsednika Williama McKinleya, ki je pod roko atentatorja izdihnil dne 6. septembra 1901 v Buffalu. McKinley je bil rojen v državi Ohio in njegov napadalec Leon Czolgosz je bil iz Clevelanda. To je bila novica lokalnega in narodnega pomena.

Sledile so velike novice, kot požar gledališča Iroquois v Chicagu, ki se je pripetil 30. decembra 1903, in v katerem požaru je izgubilo življenje nad 600 oseb. Dne 20. aprila 1906 je hud potres, kateremu je sledil požar, skoro uničil mesto San Francisco v Californiji. V marcu leta 1908 je zgorela šola Lakeview v Collinwoodu, ki je sedaj del Clevelanda, v katerem požaru je izgubilo življenje (Dalje na 2. strani)

DRUŠTVENE IN DRUGE SLOVENSKE VESTI

V Chicagu, Ill., in sicer v šolski dvorani na Cermak Rd. in Wolcott St., se bo v nedeljo 11. januarja popoldne vršila veselica, skupno aranžirana po družstvih Ameriške bratske zveze v Chicagu in okolici. Na programu veselice bo veseloigra "Babilon," petje in plesna zabava. Začetek je določen za 3. uro popoldne.

Dransko društvo "Anton Verovšek" v Clevelandu, Ohio, vprizori v nedeljo 11. januarja zabavno igro "Vražja vdova" v Slovenskem delavskem domu na Waterloo Rd. Pričetek je določen za pol četrto uro popoldne.

Prvo dete, rojeno v Clevelandu, Ohio, v letu 1942, je sinček slovenskih staršev. Oče in mati sta Edward in Jennie Gorišek.

Na dopustu v Barbertonu, Ohio, so se zadnje dni mudili sledeči naši fantje-vojaki: Edward Grum, Mike Zadel, Jacob Verhotz in Frank Okolish. Zadržana dva zelo pogrešajo športniki pri društvu št. 44 ABZ.

Plesno veselico priredi v nedeljo 25. januarja društvo št. 190 ABZ v mestu Butte, Montana.

V **proslavo** predsednikovega rojstnega dne in v pomoč narodnemu fondu za pobijanje otroške paralize se bo v petek 30. januarja vršila prireditev bogatega programa v Slovenskem narodnem domu na St. Clair Avenue v Clevelandu, Ohio. Pričetek bo ob pol osmi uri zvečer.

V **uredništvu** Nove Dobe se je pred par dnevi oglašil Anton Fortuna iz Forest Citya, Pa., potujoč na obisk svojih dveh sinov v Californijo. Njegov sin Emil je v službi strica Sama pri obrežnem topništvu v San Franciscu, drugi sin Anton pa je zaposlen kot inspektor v tovarni vojaških letal v Los Angelesu. Oče Anton Fortuna je član društva št. 50 ABZ v Brooklynu, N. Y.

Plesna veselica društva št. 221 ABZ v Centru, Pa., je naznanjena za soboto 24. januarja.

V **Sharonu, Pa.**, je umrla Anna Lumbert, članica in soustanoviteljica društva št. 174 ABZ. Pokojnica je bila doma iz Ledečje vasi pri št. Jerneju na Dolenjskem in je bivala v Ameriki 32 let. Zapušča soproga in več drugih sorodnikov. — V Anoki, Minn., je umrla Frances Kochevar, rojena Simončič, stara 50 let, članica društva št. 120 ABZ. Doma je bila iz Sinjega vrha pri Vinčici v Beli Krajini in je bivala v Ameriki 25 let. Zapušča dva sina in hčer.

KROKODILOVE SOLZE

Znanstveniki pravijo, da krokodilove solze niso ljudska izmišljotina, ker krokodil se res solzi, kadar njegovi zobje zagrabijo nesrečno žrtev. Tište solze seveda ne pomenijo, da se krokodilu njegova žrtev smili. Pritisk grizljaja v krokodilovem žrelu izvaja pritisk na solzne žleze in krokodilove oči se solzi.

Spomnite se na Pearl Harbor! Kupujte federalne obrambno varčevalne bonde!

NISMO MED ZADNJIMI

Stoprocentni amerikanizem si radi prisvajajo potomci starih priseljencev, tistih, ki so se v to deželo priselili pred stoletji. Ni dvoma, da večina tistih zasluži to ime in je pripravljena na vsako žrtev za obrambo dežele, če se pojavi potreba. Tista večina pa se ne ponaša z dejstvom, da izhaja iz starih priseljencev. S tem se ponašajo le nekateri maloštevilni, toda glasni naduteži, ki skušajo na ta način zapostavljati potomce poznejših naseljencev, ki so bili v znatnem številu Slovani. Poudariti je treba, da je takih nadutežev primeroma malo in da se pravi Američani zavedajo, da je ameriški narod nastal in nastaja iz priseljencev in potomcev priseljencev vseh narodov.

V teh časih je vredno poudariti, da pravi, stoprocentni amerikanizem pokažejo posebno tisti, ki se prostovoljno prijavijo za službovanje v obojevojeni sili Zedinjenih držav. In med temi je zelo veliko število fantov, ki imajo tipična slovenska imena. Clevelandski dnevnik "Cleveland Press" priobča zadnje čase slike in imena mornarjev, ki služijo v ameriški vojni mornarici na Pacifiku in ki prihajajo iz Clevelanda in okolice. V bojični izdaji omenjenega lista je bilo priobčenih kakih sto takih slik in pod temi slikami je bilo najmanj četrtno tipičnih slovenskih imen: čeških, poljskih, hrvatskih, ruskih in slovenskih. Med njimi smo videli taka tipična slovenska imena kot Rupnik, Gerbec, Marn in Poje. In ni dvoma, da je gotovo število slovenskih imen popačenih, da niso videti kot slovenska. Pomniti je treba, da dosedaj obstoja vse moštvo v ameriški vojni mornarici iz prostovoljcev. Ni dvoma, da se bori tisoče prostovoljcev slovenskega pokolenja za čast zvezdaste zastave na Pacifiku, mnogi pa tudi na Atlantiku. Saj vemo, da je bil med prvimi 11 žrtvami nemške podmornice na Atlantiku tudi clevelandski Slovenec Dobnikar. Znano nam je dalje, da služi v vojni mornarici nekje na Atlantiku slovenski mornar iz Clevelanda, brat Fink, član društva št. 160 ABZ. Vemo dalje, da sta prostovoljno vstopila v armado strica Sama dva bivša delegata 16. redne konvencije ABZ, Patsy Krall in Anthony Drenik iz Clevelanda. Zadnje imenovani večkrat kaj zanimivega napiše iz vojaškega življenja za Novo Dobo.

Škoda je, da nimamo vsaj približne statistike o naših fantih, ki služijo v armadi in mornarici Zedinjenih držav. Podatki, ki jih dobimo, so samo drobci od tu in tam. Saj nam ni na tem, da bi se s tem ponašali, ampak želeli bi samo pokazati tistim redkim zagrizenim Anglosaksoncem, ki poudarjajo svoj "stari" amerikanizem, da so Američani mladega slovenskega pokolenja prav tako dobri in nunaški branitelji Amerike in njene svobode, kot potomci tistih priseljencev, ki so prišli z ladjo Mayflower.

Pred par dnevi smo prejeli iz mesta Canon City, Colorado, izrezek iz lista Denver Post, kjer je navedeno, da so zadnje mesece prostovoljno vstopili v vojsno silo Zedinjenih držav kar vsi štirje sinovi tamkajšnjega rojaka Martina Jankoviča. Najprej je stopil v vojsno mornarico najmlajši sin William. Družina Martina Jankoviča lastuje (Dalje na 2. strani)

REGULACIJE ZA TUJCE IZ DRŽAV OSIŠČA

V treh bistveno enakih poglasih je predsednik Zdrženih držav objavil prvo serijo regulacij in omejitev, pod katerimi morajo živeti tukaj nastanjeni inozemci nemškega, italijanskega in japonskega rojstva toliko časa, dokler traja vojna proti državam osi. Približno 1.100.000 ljudi, živčih v Zdrženih državah, se sedaj smatra za "sovražne inozemce" (enemy alien). To so osebe iz omenjenih držav, ki niso ameriški državljani.

Izvajanje teh regulacij je poverjeno generalnemu pravdniku (Attorney General) Biddleu, ki je že zagotovil inozemcem in tujerodne Amerikance, da bodo njihove ustavne pravice varovane, in izjavil, da oni inozemci, ki se vestno ravna po zakonu in regulacijah, se nimajo ničesar bati.

Manj kot 2.500 inozemcev iz vseh treh sovražnih držav je bilo zaprtih tekom petih dni po napadu Japonske in vojni napovedi Nemčije in Italije. Kakor trdi generalni pravdnik, večina teh ljudi je bila že leto dni pod posebno pažnjo oblasti. Kdorkoli izmed njih trdi, da ni imel nikakega posla z nelojalnim delovanjem, bo po povoljni preiskavi izpuščen brezpogojno ali na parolo. V vseh slučajih se bo vodila obravnava tam, kjer inozemec živi, in le, ako priče dokažejo resnico, na podlagi katere je bil dotičnik aretirani, ga morejo izročiti vojni upravi v svrhu internacije. Iz malega števila aretiranih osumljenih oseb se vidi, da inozemec mora biti resnično v opravičeni sumnji, predno je aretirani kot tak, in da ta sumnja mora biti bolj kot vtemeljena, predno je interniran.

Jedro regulacij po prvih poglasih predsednika o inozemcih, ki so državljani sovražnih dežel, je sledeče:

1. Sovražni inozemci naj ostanejo daleč od sosedsstva trdnjav, vojašnic, vojaških tabornov, rezervarjev, pomolov, ladjedelnic, kakor tudi od vseh tovarnih, livarn, delavnic in skladišč, ki imajo opravka z vojnimi materialom ali so sploh v kaki zvezi z narodno obrambo.

2. Ne smejo imeti v svoji posesti ali shrambi nikakega orožja ali snovi za izdelovanje streliva, nikakih kratkovalnih brezžičnih aparatov za oddajo ali prejemanje vesti, fotografiranih aparatov, narisov vojaških naprav in česar koli se tiče narodne obrambe.

3. Ne smejo voziti po zraku z nikakim zrakoplovom brez posebnega dovoljenja oblasti.

4. Nimajo pristopa do nikake ceste ali prostora, ki ni splošno pristopen javnosti.

5. Ne smejo biti člani ali odborniki nikakih organizacij, navedenih v seznamu, ki bo kmalu priobčen od justičnega departamenta, niti ne smejo zastopati načela teh organizacij, sodelovati ali biti prisotni na njih sejah oziroma razdeljevati njihovo literaturo in propagando.

6. Ne smejo spremiti svoje bivališča in posla ali potovati od kraja do kraja razun v skladu z regulacijami, ki bodo kmalu izdane v to svrhu.

Na sploh se ti inozemci svarijo, naj se vzdržujejo od vseh dejanj, ki bi mogli biti na škodo Zdrženih držav ali v podporo sovražnika. (Dalje na 2. strani)

VSAK PO SVOJE

Srečno novo leto 1942 smo si voščili vsestransko, toda vsi smo se zavedali, da so tisto le želje, ki se bodo izpolnile ali pa ne. In čudovito je, kako smo se zavedali, da nam je zdaj res dobro. Vsi smo si želeli, da bi nam ob letu le slabše ne bilo kot nam je zdaj, toda le malokateri je to izrazil z besedami. Se najbolj odkrit se mi je zdel rojak, ki mi je na novoletni dan dejal: "Ako bodo ob letu razmere take kot so danes, bo jako dobro, in, če bodo za polovico slabše, nam bo še vedno jako dobro."

Tisti, ki vedo, pravijo, da je letošnje novo leto primarširalo na pozornico z vojaško čelado na glavi in s puško na rami.

Prihajajo tisti časi, ko denar ne bo vse. Na primer, že zdaj ne morete kupiti novega avtomobila ali nove avtomobilske pnevmatike, pa če ste do vratu zakopani v dolarje. Seveda bo tudi pri teh restrikcijah nekaj butleganja tu in tam, toda ne pojde tako gladko kot je šlo tekom pokojne prohibicije. Avtomobilov in avtomobilskih pnevmatik se ne more fabricirati v domačem kotlu iz rži, krompirja, fig, bezga in rozin.

Sicer bo pa tudi avtomobilska prohibicija imela svoje dobre strani. Po mestih bo več prostora za parkanje avtomobilov. Ljudje bodo morali več hoditi in bodo bolj zdravi, trgovci bodo prodali več čevljev, zdravniki in pogrebniški bodo imeli manj posla in ljudstvo v splošnem bo imelo več denarja za investiranje v obveznice Zedinjenih držav.

Duce se je oni dan širokoustil, da bosta Nemčija in Italija uničili Ameriko. Nekoliko nevarno res postaja zdaj, ko so Ameriki napovedale vojno tudi nemško-italijanske zaveznice Slovaška, Bolgarija, Hrvatska in Albanija!

Neko inspirirano poročilo iz Stockholma na švedskem pravi, da bi bili Finci morda pripravljene skleniti mir z Rusijo, če bi jih Amerika še enkrat poprosila za to. Poročilo se sliši nekako tako kot tista storija o rojaku, ki je prišel k sosedu v vas, in ga je gospodar povabil, da prisede h kosilu. Mož je prvo povabilo odklonil, upajoč, da bo povabilen še enkrat, ker pa takega drugega povabila ni bilo, je skušal dati migljaj z vprašanjem: "Kaj ste že prej rekli?"

V Berlinu in Rimu imenujejo našega predsednika lažnjiveca. Zdi se, kot bi se bili tega naučili od pridigarja Coughlina.

Clevelandski časnikar Frederick Sterbenz je nedavno v "Pressu" zapisal, da če bo ruska ofenziva kar naprej tako uspešna kot je zdaj in če bodo nemške čete pogonane iz Rusije nazaj v pravo Nemčijo, bodo Hitler in drugi nacijski veljaki pobegnili v inozemstvo. Ugledni časnikar pa je pozabil povedati, kam bi v takem slučaju mogli nacijski veljaki pobegniti in kdo na svetu bi jim nudil zavetišče. Musso in Pavelič še sama ne bosta imela jerperg.

Cigarette se ne smejo podražiti. Tako je ukazal Leon Henderson, čarovnik, ki lahko za-

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Leto 1942

Vstopili smo v novo leto 1942. Pričelo se je novo leto, ki nam bo prinašalo slabe in dobre novice; živimo v letu, v katerem se bje strašen svetovni boj za obstanek in povrnitev svobode, demokracije in bratstva. Skoro ves svet je v bojnem požaru, ki se razširja preko celin in morja in grozi kot krvoločna in pošastna zver.

V tej vojni je tudi Amerika, naša nova in adoptirana domovina. V tem odločilnem boju smo tudi mi, bratje in sestre Ameriške bratske zveze v Ameriki.

Sedanje razmere so resne. Bodimo tudi mi resni, predvarni in pripravljani. Vojnim razmeram bomo morali tudi prilagoditi poslovanje naše podporne organizacije.

Naši mladi člani odhajajo v ameriško armado, da odkupijo svojo svobodo na krvavih poljanah. Za svobodo in bratstvo, katero so uživali njih očelje in matere, se borijo njih mladi sinovi, kajti takš je pač cena sedanje svobode.

To bo prva zadeva, katero bomo morali urediti v poslovanju našega bratskega udejstvovanja. Dvojno delo nas čaka: prvič, da čuvamo naše premoženje v mejah zdrave varnosti; drugič, da v slučaju smrti naših članov-vojakov izkažemo našo lojalnost napram demokratični Ameriki. Na to vprašanje bo moral odgovoriti glavni odbor pri prihodnjem zasedanju.

Naši društveni tajniki in tajnice bodo morali gledati na to, da število članov in članic ne bo padalo v vojnem času. Držite slehernega člana v društvu, skušajte ga obdržati za vsako ceno, kajti novih mladih članov ne bo kaj preveč, da bi jih vpisali v društvo. Treba pa bo posvetili vso pažnjo mladinskemu oddelku: prvič, da vpišemo v mladinski oddelk kolikor mogoče več otrok, kajti sedaj je prilika, ko je prosperiteta v deželi; drugič, ne smemo zamuditi ne ene prilike, da ne bi zapisali dozorele članice mladinskega oddelka—v odrasli oddelk.

Vsak društveni odbor bi moral vzeti v resen poštev to priporočilo in navodilo.

V vojnem letu bodo prišle morebiti še druge in neznane zahteve pred glavni odbor, pred društvo ali posamezne člane. Dolžnost naša bo, da se odzovemo nujnim klicem naše svobodne domovine z vso svojo zvestobo in močjo. Naj nam ne bo ta dolžnost neprijetna in prisiljena: to naj bo naša sveta in vzvišena predprava. Dajte in pomagajte, da ohranimo naše bratske organizacije, kajti v deželah, kjer ni svobode in demokracije, tam ni tudi bratskih podpornih organizacij.

Članom in članicam Ameriške bratske zveze naj bo na tem mestu povedano iz urada glavnega predsednika, da je treba, da se vsi zavedate sedanjega vojnega položaja v Ameriki. Pazite, kaj delate in govorite; ne spozabite se tako daleč, da bi z vašim dejanjem pomagali ali koristili sovražnikom naše demokratične Amerike. To bi bilo v nesoglasju z našimi pravili. Točka 195 naših pravil pravi, da se lahko vloži obtožba proti vsakemu članu ali članici, ki je bil spoznan krivim ščunjanja proti sedanji obliki vlade Združenih držav ameriških. Glavni porotni odbor Ameriške bratske zveze bi gotovo v tem slučaju izrekel sodbo, ki bila v soglasju vojnega časa.

Kdor bi danes ugovarjal in nasprotoval delu in boju demokratične Amerike, ta ne sme biti več član Ameriške bratske zveze v Ameriki.

Zborujte v vaših zborovalnih dvoranah, kjer je gotovo tudi na dostojnem mestu razobešana ameriška zastava. Tej zastavi ste prisegli svobodo, ob njeni prisotnosti tudi zborujte in sklepajte v prid naši organizaciji in Zedinjenim državam ameriškim. Po tem znaku vas bodo spoznali drugi ljudje, da cenite vašo svobodo.

Tudi pri delu v tovarni, v premogokopih, na poljih, v pisarnah, v delavnicah ali kjer koli delate, kažite vašo dobro voljo in sprijetnost, da hočete pomagati v tem boju do končne zmage demokratičnih držav. Če so naši ameriški vojaki pripravljani žrtvovati svoje življenje, žrtvujte se tudi vi, ki jim pripravljate orožje in orodje, s katerim bodo uničili sovraga demokratičnega in svobodnega življenja.

V letu 1942 se mora izkazati naša dobra Ameriška bratska zveza, da je vredna njenega lepega imena. Zato pa smo poklicali vsi, bratje in sestre, da vsak po svoje doprinesemo svoja dela in svoja imetja na altar neprecenljive in zlate Svobode.

V tem letu, v znamenju in razpoloženju vam želim veselo, plodovito in zmagovalno novo leto 1942.

VSAK PO SVOJE

(Nadaljevanje s 1. stran)

mrzne cene priljubljenih potrebnih in nepotrebnih. Nekaj nas je, ki upamo, da se Leon na sličen način spomni tudi na cigare.

Nemški propagandni minister Goebbels se pritožuje, da Nemci nihče v inozemstvu ne ljubi. Čudno, tako dobre, pohlevne, plemenite, tolerantne in angelske duše so Nemci, pa jih nihče ne ljubi!

Učeni zdravnik dr. Desloges v Chicagu pravi, da bo človeštvo v prihodnjih sto letih zblaznelo. Nam, ki nismo učenjaki, pa se zdi, da ne bo treba čakati sto let.

Preroki, ki napovedujejo končni poraz Hitlerizma, se vedno bolj pogosto oglašajo in vedno več jih je. Morda se v do glednem času tem prerokom pridruži celo senator Wheeler in letalec Lindbergh.

Prvi koledar, ki je zabeležen v zgodovini, so uredili stari Egipčani in prvi datum je zabeležen v letu 4241 pred Kristom. Kar se je zgodilo pred tem datumom, je zavito v neprodirno egiptovsko temo.

V lovski sezoni se po nekod po našem severu najdejo sarkastični napisi, namenjeni nepredvidnim lovcem. Značilna sta sledeča:

"Srna ima štiri noge. Lovski vodnik ima samo dve. Preštevajte noge srne, na katero čvaka. Če ima dve nogi, vprašaj, če je srna. Če pravi "ne," poglej natančno, da se prepričaš, če ne kajdi pipe. Če "kadi" pipo, potem je mogoče, da ni srna."

"Krave, konji in mule imajo tudi po štiri noge. Ako je srna vprežena v voz, zamore biti konj ali mula. Ako ima zvonec na vratu, je mogoče krava. Če pa po volčje tuli in zavije, je morda volk."

Slovenec je regrat star znanec. Raste kjer koli, tudi tam, kjer ga ne maramo, lepo rume no cvetje ima, cvete prvi spomladi in zadnji v jeseni, daje nam okusno solato in marsikje se pripravlja tudi kot špinača. V dobi prohibicije je igral tudi imenitno vlogo v produkciji regratovega vina. Ta odličnost je pri spremenjenih razmerah odpadla, toda dobil je novo. Znanstveniki pravijo, da nudi regrat tudi zelo uporabno surovino za izdelavo gumija. To smo izvedeli zdaj, ko je gumij vreden zlata in v pravem pomenu besede. Ali si morete misliti bolj vsestransko uporabno cvetlico! Dajal nam je opojno vino, da nam zdravo solato in špinačo in dajal nam bo pnevmatike za naše avtomobile. Three cheers for dandelion!

A. J. T.

KAKO JE RAZKOSANA JUGOSLAVIJA

(Nadaljevanje s 1. stran)

mesta v vseh krajih kraljevine. Slovenski voditelj je bil med najodličnejšimi premijerji.

Zlata doba Slovenije, ki je trajala malo več kot dve desetletji, je sedaj končana. V predelih, ki so jih vzeli naciji in Maščari, se že izvajajo krute mere raznarodovanja. Tisoče Slovencev so že pregnali iz teh predelov, skoraj vso inteligenco so bdi izgnali bodi onesposobili, zaprte so vse slovenske šole in sedaj si na vse načine prizadevajo, da bi Slovence prepričali, da so oni prav za prav Nemci ali Maščari. Večino njih so tudi oropali posestev in narodnosti.

V delu Slovenije, ki ga je vzela Italijo, v katerem je tudi glavno mesto Ljubljana, je manj

nasilja in manj preganjanja. Univerza je še odprta, stari listi še naprej izhajajo, imenovano duhovništvo je še naprej v službi in prirejen je bil vsakoletni velesojem. Ker je ta del Slovenije edino, kar leži med Nemčijo in Jadranom, si Italijani prizadevajo, da bi Slovence do nekih mej zadovoljili kot podložnike.

Po številu so bili drugi narodni element v Jugoslaviji Hrvatvi z nekaj manj kot 4,000,000 prebivalcev. Po uradnih štetjih v Jugoslaviji je bilo 5,217,847 katoličanov. Od teh je bilo približno 1,100,000 Slovencev, drugi sto tisoči pa Nemci in Maščari — Jugoslavija je imela celo nekoliko Albancev katoličanov — pa je tako število Hrvatov nekoliko manj kot štiri milijone.

Od teh jih nekaj manj kot 2,500,000 živi v novo ustanovljeni "neodvisni Hrvatski," ostali del pa so dali Italiji in Maščarski. Z eno besedo, prvo delo diktatorja Ante Pavelića pri ustvarjanju "neodvisne Hrvatske," je bilo, da preda celo tretjino svojega naroda njegovim večnim sovražnikom, da jih oropajo narodne samobitnosti. A del naroda, ki ga je obsodil v sužnost — je najbolj moški in najbolj tvoren.

Klasična Hrvatska, zibelka Hrvatske, planine, s katerih so prišli slavni hrvatski voditelji, deli, v katerih je bilo nekoč proglašeno edino neodvisno hrvatsko kraljestvo, so bili izročeni v sužnost Italiji. Voditelji "Neodvisne Hrvatske" so dajajoče najlepše dele svoje zemlje, skoraj vsa svoja pristanišča, največji del ozemlja in svojih narodnih svetinj Italiji, poudarili, da ima Italija "pravico do teh predelov." Težkim zločinom so ti "narodni prvaki" dodali tudi temeljno izdajo.

"Neodvisna Hrvatska," ki je lutka Nemčije in Italije, je ostala brez enega samega primernege pristanišča. Obržala je nekatere pravice do Dubrovnika, ki leži ob koncu vijugaste, po ozkih tračnicah se vzpenjajoče železnice, pozimi često zametene s snegom, ki vodi dolge milje skozi divje in nerodovitne predele.

Ante Pavelić, vstaški voditelj Hrvatske, ki je več kot eno desetletje bil brezpravni terorist in italijanski plačanec, često izjavlja, da ima njegova nova država sedem milijonov prebivalcev, kar je pa težko pretiravanje. Meje njegove države so še vedno nejasne, dočim je velik del njegove zemlje pod italijanskim gospodstvom, tako da je zelo težko reči, kje zares začne "neodvisna Hrvatska." Vendar bi po najbolj širokem presojanju dali Pavelićevi Hrvatski največ 5,000,000 prebivalcev. Od teh je 2,500,000 katoličanov, okrog 1,500,000 pravoslavni in nekaj manj kot 1,000,000 muslimanov. To pomeni, da so Hrvatje v Hrvatski manjšina.

Z eno besedo je "neodvisna Hrvatska," ki jo je ustvaril Hitler, poleg Slovenije najzlastnejša, najnezmogljivejša in najmanj zakonita karikatura države v zadnji zgodovini Evrope. V njej se ogorčeno upirajo Srbi, obsejajo jo muslimani in še več, nje ni hotela večina hrvatskega prebivalstva. Postavile so jo izključno tuje sile, upravljajo jo ljudje brez kakšnega političnega zaledja v narodu, gospodarsko je odvisna od svojih sosedov in varna je tako malo, da so jo zasedle tuje vojske, da vzdržijo red.

Ta "neodvisna Hrvatska," napravljena iz ruševin Jugoslavije in "svobodna Slovaška" iz razvalin Češkoslovaške so prvi plodovi Hitlerjevega novega "evropskega reda."

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STOLETNIKA LISTA

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163 otrok in dve učiteljici. Dne 23. marca 1909 je bila velika novica, ko so ugrabljalci vrnili proti odkupnini deset tisoč dolarjev ugrabljenega osemletnega dečka Billya Whitla, sina nekega bogataša v Sharonu, Pa. Ugrabljevalci so imeli otroka zaprtega v neki hiši na Prospect Avenue v Clevelandu in so ga vrnili očetu v hotel Hollenden. Ugrabljevalca, moški in ženska, sta bila pozneje prijeta in kaznovana.

Velika novica je bil dne 31. avgusta 1910 polet enega prvih letal iz Euclid Beacha v Clevelandu do Cedar Pointa. Letalo je vodil Glen Curtiss in tisoče gledalcev je gledalo ta čudež z obale Erijskega jezera. Sledeča velika novica je bil potop luksuznega parnika Titanic, ki je na Atlantiku dne 16. aprila 1912 zadel v ledeno goro in potegnil v morsk grob nad poldrugi tisoč ljudi. Leta 1913 so silne poplave napravile ogromno škodo v južnem delu države Ohio, posebno v okrožju Columbusa in Daytonu.

Največja novica leta 1914 je bila seveda začetek prve svetovne vojne, ki se je pričela v Evropi in ki je leta 1917 potegnila tudi Zedinjene države v svoj vrtinec. Vojna je bila končana 11. novembra 1918; in to je bila seveda ena največjih in najbolj zaželjenih novic.

Važna novica je bila leta 1920 izvolitev W. G. Hardinga za predsednika Zedinjenih držav in leta 1923 njegova smrt. Dne 28. junija 1924 je silen tornado opustošil mesto Lorain v državi Ohio. V maju leta 1927 je Charles Lindbergh poletel preko Atlantika v Francijo. Leta 1929 se je pričela v Ameriki velika depresija in v februarju 1933 so se začeli bančni prazniki. V marcu istega leta je novo naetopiški predsednik Franklin D. Roosevelt odredil začasno zaprtje vseh bank, da se reši, kar se da rešiti. V istem letu je bila tudi odpravljena narodna prohibicija. V novembru 1940 je bil predsednik Roosevelt izvoljen za svoj tretji termin. Dne 7. decembra 1941 je Japonska napadla Havaj in Filipine in istega dne napovedala vojno Zedinjenim državam. Dne 11. decembra sta napovedali vojno Zedinjenim državam tudi Nemčija in Italija. Še istega dne je bila Amerika tudi od svoje strani oficijelno v vojni z Japonsko, Nemčijo in Italijo.

Zanimiv je bežen pregled "novic", ki jih je Cleveland Plain Dealer priobčal v prvih sto letih svojega obstanka, toda zdi se, da bodo novice drugega stoletja še večje. Vsaj začetek tako kaže.

NISMO MED ZADNJIMI

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v Canon City malo farmo, kjer se bavi z zelenjavo in sadjerejo. Ko je bila letošnja letina pospravljena, so prostovoljno stopili v armado strica Sama še ostali trije bratje: Rudolph, Louis in Frank. Mr. in Mrs. Martin Jankovič in vsi štirje sinovi-vojaki so člani društva Triglav, št. 147 Ameriške bratske zveze.

Uredništvu je bilo te dni tudi sporočeno, da je že prilično eno leto v vojaški službi Zedinjenih držav mladi Frank Slavec, sin družine Victorja Slaveca v Lafayette, Colo. Frank, ki je gradiral iz coloradske univerze v letu 1940, je zdaj letalski kadet v vojaški avijatski šoli na Ellington Fieldu, Texas. Pisal je, da bi rad dobival Novo Dobo, da ne bi čisto pozabil slovensčine, ker po njegovem mnenju mu bo znanje enega slovanskega jezika v tem času morda dobro služilo. Vsa družina Victorja Slaveca je včlanjena v Ameriški brat-

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Zvezni državni pravnik Francis Biddle je s 7. januarjem izdal nove regulacije, s katerimi se bodo državljanje Nemčije in Japonske, ki bivajo v Zedinjenih državah, morali inozemci morajo takoj oddati lokalnim policijskim oblastem vse strelno orožje, fotografirane kamere in radijske aparate, rejene za sprejemanje ali izvajanje kratovalnih poročil. Omenjeni tudi ne smejo brskati iz svojih okolišev brez sebnega dovoljenja državnega departmanta.

DOVOLJ ŽIVIL

Zedinjene države imajo svojih farmah in skladiščih dovolj živil kot kdaj prej v svoji zgodovini. Tako je izjavil poljski tiskar Claude R. Witek. Po njegovem mnenju nekatere živila nekoliko manjka, toda le za toliko, kolikor treba za zvišane stroške prevoza letošnjem letu težje, zaradi manjkajočih delavcev, poljskih strojev in umetnih gnojil. Vsekakor pa se ni bati nikoli pomanjkanja živil.

PROGRAM ZA BODOČNOST

Po naročilu zvezne vlade stavlja skupina najboljših spodarskih ekspertov nacionalne varnosti za povzročanje bo kodo vojne industrije in hale obratovati. V tem programu bo vključena oskrba osebnih stvari, ki so bili pozvani v vojni službo; obenem bodo v projektih, pri katerih bodo možni ljudje našje vojske, po zaključku vojne, in razširjen bo tudi sistemskega zaavrovanja in, no brezposelne osebe.

Spomnite se na Pearl Harbor! Kupujte federalne obrambno varčevalne bonde!



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AMPLIFYING THE VOICE OF THE ENGLISH SPEAKING MEMBERS

A Message for 1942

By Bro. FRANK J. KRESS, Fourth Supreme Trustee
Pittsburgh, Pa. — This is the time for all of us to realize our responsibility to our country. War has been wantonly thrust upon us and all of our efforts must be concentrated and directed toward National Defense.

Many of our members will be called for active duty in military forces and those of us who remain home must protect their interests as far as is humanly possible.

Individually, we face more intense application to our tasks and greater effort as we are called upon to take over the duties of those entering military service.

Liberty Bell Lodge Reviews Holiday Events

DANCE AND PLAY JANUARY 11th

Chicago, Ill. — Christmas and New Year and all the parties are gone, but not forgotten. It wouldn't be right, if I didn't mention at least one party, which was held on the 20th of December. It was the party for the Juvenile members of the Chicago Lodges. The attendance was great, in fact, we were slightly over-crowded, but the folks didn't mind it at all.

The children were all happy over their nice gifts, and even the grown-ups enjoyed the stories of "Our Gang Comedy" and "Mickey Mouse," which were shown by Mr. Louis Zefran and Mr. Frank Ribich Jr. I'm sure we all want to thank these two gentlemen for entertaining us in such a nice way.

On Saturday, December 27, we had our yearly meeting. The attendance was certainly greater than any other year, which shows you that there is a greater interest in the lodge.

There were two decisions made at this meeting, which I think are worth mentioning. First, the lodge has decided to buy some U. S. Savings Bonds; second, every member of the lodge who

goes in the army is to receive a gift of two dollars for cigarettes. After the meeting, we all went to celebrate the birthday party of Mr. and Mrs. Anton Golenko. Their birthdays are on the same day. Everyone had a grand time. We sang songs and danced till the early morning hours. In fact, we got home just in time to pick up the milk left there by our milkman.

I just bet that for the year of 1942, you all made some new resolutions. Well, here is a dandy one, which should be on the list of every AFU member.

I resolve, to get at least one new member during the year of 1942.

Folks, here is the last call to that wonderful five-act play and dance given by the Chicago Lodges, which will be held on January 11, 1942 at 3 p. m. at the School Hall, Cermak Rd. & Wolcott Ave. Make an effort to be present. Start the New Year right by attending this program given by your lodge. I'll be seeing you!

Fraternally,

Anna Krapenc
Lodge 70, AFU

LODGE NO. 132 WILL INSTALL 1942 OFFICERS JANUARY 9th

Euclid, O. — Members of Lodge 132, AFU, are invited to attend the next meeting scheduled Friday, Jan. 9th at 7:30 p. m. At this meeting 1942 officers will be installed, majority of which are hold-overs from last year. The annual report will be given and other important matters for the benefit of the lodge and Union will be trans-

acted. I would also like to notify members that I still have a plentiful supply of 1942 AFU calendars. Those who haven't received their calendars may get them by attending the next meeting or calling at my home.

Officers for 1942 are: Jacob Skur, Sr., president; Frank

ko, 19600 Arrowhead avenue, secretary; Robert Kunstel, treasurer; Frank Zagar, recording secretary; Joseph Korencic, Mary Golob, and Louis Sajovec, board of trustees; Frank Sesek and Stanley Pozun, athletic supervisors; Anna Slopko and Frank Sesek, representatives to meetings of Ohio AFU Federation; Jacob Gruden, Sr., and Frank Sesek, representatives to the Yugoslav Relief Committee, Slovene Section; and lodge medical examiners, Dr. Anthony Skur and Dr. Carl W. Rotter.

Our meeting take place every second Friday evening of each month in regular quarters.

John Tanko, secretary,
Lodge 132, AFU.

"Watch Our Smoke!" Ladies Say

THEY PREPARE FOR LODGE 159 DANCE, JAN. 17th

Cornwall, Pa. — The annual meeting of Lodge 159, AFU, was held at the lodge hall Dec. 28th. The following officers were elected for 1942:

Carl Looser, president; John Yocklovich, vice president; Paul Yocklovich, Jr., treasurer; and Russell Getz, chairman, board of trustees.

An entertainment committee was appointed from the women of the lodge to sponsor the next dance which will be held Satur-

day, Jan. 17th, in the lodge hall. Sisters Ada Yocklovich, Mary Zek and Anna Podjed who are on the committee say they'll show the male members what a crowd really looks like when they hold this dance. Go to it, girls! But watch our smoke at the next dance!

We cordially invite all our friends from nearby lodges and especially from Reading, to attend this dance as a really good time is assured for all!

Thanking everyone who pat-

Fister Re-elected Eveleth Lodge Head

Eveleth, Minn. — According to the Eveleth Clarion, Philip Fister was re-elected president of Lodge 25, AFU, at the annual meeting held Sunday, Dec. 29th. Other officers were: Mrs. Mary Verhovnik, recording secretary; Tony Cerjance, treasurer; Louis Govze, chairman, John Verhovnik, and Frank Frantor, board of trustees; John Laurich, re-elected secretary; Joseph Orehek, athletic supervisor and chairman of publicity; and Dr. F. R. Kotchevar, lodge physician.

THE LODGE HAD MEMBERSHIP INCREASE OF 58 DURING THE PAST YEAR.

At the annual session, \$15.00 was donated to the Red Cross; and the following members were given amounts for being present: Joseph Kaminikar, first, \$2.00; Anton Russ, sr., second, \$2.00; Joe Bonach, third, \$2.00; Anton Strlekar, fourth, \$2.00; John Kotnik, fifth, \$2.00; and Matt Usenik, sixth, \$1.00.

Lodge 237 Set for 1942

Westland, Pa. — According to a letter received from John Beddick, secretary of the newest lodge in our American Fraternal Union — No. 237 in Westland, Pa., — the unit has appointed every officer of the lodge on a joint publicity committee for 1942.

Each officer will contribute news items at various times during the coming year.

In addition, the lodge elected John Allshouse as athletic supervisor.

Judging from the above actions transacted, the AFU can look forward to considerable activity from this unit in 1942.

Not quite a year old, this lodge is destined to make a name for itself. It was organized during our New Name Campaign and Fourth Juvenile Convention membership drive by Edward Bizzack and Andrew Milavec, the latter a supreme trustee of our society.

Lodge 84

Trinidad, Colo. — Members of Lodge 84, AFU, are hereby notified that all the 1941 officers were re-elected for 1942 at the annual meeting in December. Members are requested to attend the next meeting, Jan. 11th to help transact unfinished business not completed at the December meeting. Officers will also be installed, and the financial statement for 1941 will also be given at this meeting.

Every member should make it his business to see that his regular monthly lodge assessment is paid on time. Assessments can be paid at the regular lodge meeting; or at the homes of the lodge secretary, or the treasurer, Bro. Frank Tomazin. This is the duty of every member — to pay his lodge assessments on time. Those who do not live up to this rule and don't pay assessments on time will be subject to suspension from the lodge.

Jacob Prunk, secretary,
Lodge 84, AFU.

ronized our dances in the past and extending also our Season's Greetings to all members of the American Fraternal Union.

Paul Yaklish, secretary,
Lodge 159, AFU.

BRIEFS

On Army furlough in Barberton, Ohio, last week were Edward Grum, Mike Zadell, Jacob Verhotz, and Frank Okolish. Latter two men were very active with athletic activities in Lodge 44, AFU. Bro. Okolish is the son of our Supreme Judiciary Anton and Mrs. Okolish.

Annual President's Birthday Ball, proceeds of which are placed into the national fund for the fight against infantile paralysis will be held in the Slovene National Home, E. 65th and St. Clair Ave., Cleveland, O., Friday, Jan. 30th.

Anton Fortuna, of Forest City, Pa., visited the editorial offices of Nova Doba and spent some time with relatives in Cleveland, O., prior to departing for California where he plans an extended visit with his two sons. Bro. Fortuna Sr. is a member of Lodge 50, AFU, Brooklyn, N. Y. His son, Emil is with the U. S. Coast Artillery in San Francisco. The other son, Anton Jr., is an inspector in the Douglas Aircraft Co., plane manufacturing plant in Los Angeles, Cal.

In Sharon, Pa., Anna Lambert, a charter member of Lodge 174, AFU, passed away. Born in Yugoslavia, she lived in America 32 years. Surviving are her husband and other relatives.

At Anoka, Minn., Frances Kochevar, aged 50 years, a member of Lodge 120, AFU., passed (Continued on page 4)

Center Ramblers

Center, Pa. — Now that the holidays are over we can breathe a sigh of relief and relax a little. The hustle and bustle and running around makes one nervous and tired, so, I for one, am glad to settle down to the daily routine.

In the month of January, we usually celebrate the anniversary of our lodge by holding a dance.

This year, we would like to dedicate this occasion a "Victory Dance" to the boys of our lodge Center Ramblers who have left to serve our country!

They are Vencil Oblak and John Oberch in the Army; Ed Subic and "Linky" Robert Yearm, in the Navy!

We are proud of our boys and we all wish them luck wherever they may be. It would be wonderful to have our boys with us at dance time but we know that is impossible.

Vencil Oblak and Ed Subic were home for Christmas and it was with great pride that we gazed upon them in their splendid uniforms. "Butch Arn," a friend of our members, was also home. We hope to see them again soon.

The "Victory Dance" will be held Jan. 24th and not the 17th as previously announced. It will be held in Center Slovene Hall. A very good orchestra has been engaged and a good time is assured to all. Something novel has been arranged for this occasion, so come out and see for yourself.

LET'S BE PATRIOTIC AND TURN OUT IN GREAT NUMBERS!

Antoinette Mozina,
Lodge 221, AFU.

Apple Crop Harvested, Yankovich Brothers Join Army

AFU Family of Canon City, Colo., all Members of Triglav Lodge No. 147 Gives Four Sons to Uncle Sam

Lodge 144 Announces 1942 Officers

Detroit, Mich. — Officers elected to head Lodge 144, AFU during 1942 were as follows: Frank Hostnik, president; Frank Pavlich, vice president; Mike Bahor, 17496 Omira ave., secretary; Mary Bishop, treasurer; Albert Naprudnik, recording secretary; Jacob Kauckeck, Joseph Zunich, and John J. Zunich, board of trustees; Frank Pavlich and Albert Naprudnik, representatives to the National Home; and Dr. John McKinnon, lodge medical examiner.

Meetings are held at the regular place and time.

I would also like to mention that I will collect lodge assessments at meetings and at my home on the last day of the month. Members are requested to make it their duty to cooperate and work for the progress of the lodge and the secretary will return the same kind of good work. This will result for better future progress of our lodge.

Mike Bahor, secretary,
Lodge 144, AFU.

Lodge 138

Elect Publicity and Athletic Heads

Export, Pa. — In a letter to the athletic commissioner William Skerly of Lodge 138, Export, Pa., advised that his lodge prefers duckpin bowling over the regular ten pins, and promised that his unit would be represented at the National Duckpin Tournament.

At the annual meeting of the lodge, Bro. Skerly was elected athletic supervisor; and Rose J. Kuznik, who has been doing an excellent job so far, was elected publicity chairman. She has seen to it that Lodge 138 is regularly represented in the columns of Nova Doba, and will continue doing so in the future.

Lodge 207

McIntyre, Pa. — Members of Lodge 207, AFU., are invited to make every effort to attend the next meeting of our lodge scheduled Sunday, Jan. 11 at 2 p. m. in regular quarters. At this meeting we must elect officers for 1942 as we could not do this at our December meeting. Therefore, everybody please attend!

Frank Starina, secretary,
Lodge 207, AFU.

Center Ramblers Anniversary Dance will be held Jan. 24th at the Center, Pa., Slovene Hall. Music will be supplied by Joe Kramer and his Slovene Trio.

"Anton Verovsek" Dramatic Club of Cleveland, O., will present a play, entitled: "Vražja vdova," Sunday, Jan. 11, at the Slovene Workingmen's Home on Waterloo road. Time: 3:30 p. m.

Remember Pearl Harbor! Buy U. S. Defense Savings Bonds!

Canon City, Colo. — Proudest family in Canon City, Colorado is that of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Yankovich, who have given four sons to the service of our country, the United States of America.

ALL MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN FRATERNAL UNION, THE YANKOVICH FAMILY IS A SHINING EXAMPLE OF THE PATRIOTIC SPIRIT OF OUR SOCIETY. AND EVERY SINGLE MEMBER OF THIS VAST ORGANIZATION FEELS THE PRIDE THAT BELONGS TO THE YANKOVICH FAMILY!

Newspapers of Denver, Colo., blared impressive tribute to the Yankovich Brothers and family. With photos and stirring articles, they pointed out to their thousands of readers the true American spirit of the family.

Characteristic is the vein of the many newspaper stories. The Yankovichs operate a three-acre combined apple-orchard and truck garden at Canon City.

Repeating a newspaper story excerpt from the "Rocky Mountain News": "The apple crop was all harvested yesterday and the three Yankovich brothers of Canon City were in Denver ready to take a crack at the army because they figured that 'Uncle Sam has a lot of work to be done.'"

"We'd have volunteered quite a while ago, but we decided to stick around and help pa get the apples in," they explained. "Now we're ready to do our part."

The brothers are Louie Yankovich, 24; Frank 27; and Rudolph, 22. The fourth brother, William, 17, has been in the U. S. Navy since last October.

"William's the youngest, but he beat the rest of us to it," Frank said. "We decided we'd rather get in the Army than the Navy, though. We're all going to try to get into the field artillery after we have our basic training. We want to stick together if we possibly can."

Army Looks Good to Them
The brothers, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Yankovich of Canon City, have been engaged in truck farming on their father's land.

"I think we're going to like the army," Louis said. "In some ways it's a lot better than farming. It should take us a while to get used to obeying orders and doing things at a certain time, but after that it should be fun."

"That \$21 a month and keep, with opportunities for promotion doesn't look so bad!"

In the news story, a picture shows the three brothers finishing three big steaks presented with the compliments of Uncle Sam.

Another Paper Said:

In a picture above a similar story: "The Farm Will Be Lonely Without the Three Yankovich Brothers." All passed physical examinations in Denver and were inducted. In this article, submitted to Nova Doba by Julia Skrabec, secretary of Lodge 147, AFU, the address of Frank Yankovich was given as Battery A; 26th C. A. T. B., Camp Wallace, Texas. The three brothers are depicted being told what to expect of army life by Sgt. Edward C. Burns, chief clerk at the army induction center in Denver.

The paper reported the sons would have volunteered sooner, but that "our father needed us badly. Anyway, our draft numbers would not have been called for several months yet."

The brothers have many friends who are in the field artillery and from reports they were given to understand it is one of the finest branch services. They wanted to stick the war out together all the way.

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Lodge Publicity Committees in Action

By Little Stan

Cleveland, O. — An excellent example in starting the New Year right is represented in the pages of Nova Doba this week as publicity committees of lodges have begun to go to town with colorful articles covering events of their lodges. A quick glance at various headlines will see many comparatively new contributing lodges.

And we'd like to see them keep coming!

Real January Minnesota weather greeted Clevelanders just after they ushered in 1942 in a blaze of colorful, noisy excitement! Several inches of snow and thermometers dropped to the near zero mark which is pretty cold for Cleveland.

This busy Monday morning we find time in front of the typewriter to dig out the story of how Slovenes and fraternalists in Cleveland ushered in the New Year. Big scene of festivity was the Slovenian National Home on 85th and St. Clair. Both halls were filled to capacity. Downstairs delicious chicken dinner was served. Mixing in with everyone, things were moving entertainingly fast near the "zero" hour.

Enroute home from a speaking engagement in connection with Lodge 26 banquet in Pittsburgh at which the unit commemorated its 40th anniversary was our supreme secretary, Bro. Anton Zbasnik. He stopped in with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gianotti and Mr. and Mrs. William Lindgren, (nee Margaret and (Continued on page 4)



Little Stan

AMERICAN FRATERNAL UNION

Founded July 18, 1898 HOME OFFICE: ELY, MINNESOTA

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SUPREME JUDICIARY COMMITTEE:

Chairman: Anton Okolish... 1078 Liberty Ave., Barberton, Ohio; 1st Judiciary: Frank Mikec... Box 46, Strabane, Pa.;

Urges Better Attendance at Meetings; Lodge 228 Gives Election Report

Cheswick, Pa. — At the annual meeting of Lodge 228, Cheswick, Pa., I was asked to submit a report covering our annual meeting transactions.

Officers for the coming year are: William Stavor, president; Ludwig Kokal, vice president; Fred Yeskevar, recording secretary; John Siplive, treasurer;

a Christmas gift the Saturday preceding Christmas.

The lodge voted to send a gift for Christmas to Fred Jug, our member, who is serving our country. A collection was taken up for this purpose and sent to Bro. Jug.

As a new member of the AFU I would like to see more of you attend the meetings which are held the second Friday, once each month.

Come on! Let's cooperate and be active — not backward! Let's be good members of this organization!

Mrs. I. Vertachnik, Lodge 228, AFU.

Fighting 71st Johnnies

By Elsie M. Desmond

Cleveland, O. — New Year's! With the beginning of a New Year, we're extending Happy Greetings to all and may the arrival of the New Year bring you the greatest happiness, prosperity and peace.

Well, New Year's Eve. We're glad it only comes once a year. To top off the celebration we found ourselves at the Laurich's home. Undecided we stopped at the newly opened Kern's Cafe where the Prijatelj's of Conneaut, Ohio were with many of their friends...

And for a first article of the year, that's about all only don't forget our bowling teams that bowl every Friday night at the E. 152nd Recreation.

write in words. Only one more item: Tony and Frankie dropping in, only at the door of Betty Plevnik's where she held a stag or pajama party and the boys really being refused admission! Well, it was a nice New Year's Eve and now we'll be looking for another one, but not so anxiously.

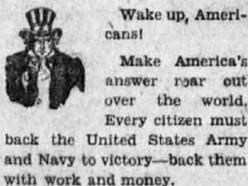
St. John's meeting will be held Sunday, January 18 at the Slovene Home on Holmes Avenue and everyone is asked to remember this date as this is first meeting of the year and much new business. So mark this date now!

We're saving the date of Saturday, January 31st to be at the Slovene Society Home, Recher avenue for Napredek's No. 132 AFU Patriotic Dance with music to Vadnal's orchestra so expect to see many of you there!

Until next week, so long from y. t., Elsie M. Desmond.

No. 71 AFU

Wake Up, Americans!



Wake up, Americans! Make America's answer near out over the world. Every citizen must back the United States Army and Navy to victory—back them with work and money.

Briefs

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away. Born in Jugoslavia, she lived in America 25 years. Surviving are two sons and a daughter.

Concern for the safety of their son, Andrew Bovitz serving with the U. S. Navy was greatly alleviated last week when parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bovitz of Lodge 30, Chisholm, Minn., received news direct from their son who said: "I am feeling fine. Am safe and sound. Don't worry." Bovitz had been reported missing since the Pearl Harbor incident.

Lodge 159, AFU, Cornwall, Pa., is sponsoring a dance Saturday, Jan. 17th in the lodge hall. Everyone, especially friends in Reading, Pa., is invited.

A five-act play "Babilon" and a dance under the sponsorship of the United AFU Lodges of Chicago will be held Jan. 11 at 3 p. m. in the school hall, Cermak Road and Wolcott Ave.

Private Theodore Loushin, formerly of Ely, Minn., now stationed at Fort Bragg, N. C., visited with friends in Cleveland last week-end.

First New Year's baby in Cleveland, Ohio, was a son born to Slovene parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gorisek.

Lodge No. 190, AFU, of Butte, Montana, is sponsoring a dance January 25, 1942.

Apple Crop Harvested, Yankovich Boys Join Army

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Proud to Enlist

Not the least of their reasons for wishing to take part in the defense effort, the three brothers said, was that they are proud to know it will mean preparing themselves to help defend their country, if it ever should be necessary, against the fate that has befallen the native land of their forefathers, Yugoslavia.

"Our father and mother came straight here from the old country and their people before them were born there," Frank said. "We want to help keep this country safe for them!" The others nodded in solemn assent.

The Yankovich family are 100 per cent members of the AFU, Julia Skrabec, secretary of the Lodge 147, declared in her letter.

The father, Martin Yankovich joined the lodge Dec. 15, 1912. His wife, and mother of the boys, joined Oct. 19, 1913.

The sons that enlisted were members since they were little youngsters. Frank was 10; Louis was 7; Rudolph was 5; and William was one year old. They all joined Lodge 147 AFU on the same day, March 15, 1925. William is still in the Juvenile department—youngest of the brothers, he is somewhere at sea with the U. S. Navy.

Wishing all members a Happy New Year!

Julia Skrabec, secretary, Lodge 147, AFU.

Ed Note: Editorial Staff of Nova Doba warmly thanks Sister Skrabec for supplying this office with fine material concerning our good and patriotic members of Canon City, Col. Our hearty congratulations to the entire Yankovich family—for placing their service to their country first, above everything!

Johnnies Newscast

By Florence E. Poznik Lodge 71, AFU

Cleveland, O. — Three sensational bowling games were won by the "Saints" on Friday, Dec. 2nd at the East 152nd Bowling Alleys. Their opponents were the Ilirska Vila No. 1.

Jim Ruzic was top man in all three games, his total being 579 which is mighty good... Tony Malavasic and "Esquire" Baraga both bowl left-handed, and played their super (slay'em) game... Henry (Baker) Bokal never seemed to miss in getting his strikes... Frank Znidar was score keeper. Because of an infection in his finger he was unable to bowl... Stan Zagorc our star bowler, cannot bowl anymore because his working hours has been changed to nights...

There was quite a rooting section. There was Zora Valencic, who incidentally celebrated her birthday on Friday. She was sweet sixteen, and never been missed. Right or wrong, Zora? May many happy birthdays bring a world of joy to you!... Tony Moze... Jenny Kranjc... Frances Kapel... Hedy Kozel... Mrs. Kapelj... and many others. How can we help winning all three games with such a nice attendance.

Tony Drefnik and his charming wife Rose (whose maiden name was Yankovich) were also at the bowling alleys to watch our boys. They're okay, aren't they, Tony? We had a nice little talk concerning the lodge and also about our new secretary, Elsie. He left Sunday evening...

The "Johnnies" bowled against Napredek Cavaliers on

alleys 7 and 8. The "Johnnies" won two out of the three games which is great. Everyone on the team played very well. They were: Joe Jermain, who never misses his 180 average... Vince Hart... Bob Osolin... Joe Zabukovec... Martin Yeric...

I noticed a very charming lady at the bowling alleys. She looked very familiar and when she turned around it was none other than Alice Laurich. By the way, Alice, I think you look pretty sharp in your new permanent. (Don't forget that date we have).

At a dance Jan. 3rd, we saw: J. P. Morgan... Johnny Fidega... Johnny Kapelj, who made all the girls laugh with the jokes he told... Kocin (who has officially been called "Lemon")... Lina... Eddy Kovach... Molly Liben... and many others. It turned out to be a grand evening.

I want to congratulate Elsie on her new position of being secretary of St. John's Lodge. They could not have appointed a better person for the job.

Cadets are sponsoring a dance on Jan. 10th at the Slovenian Workmen's Home on Waterloo Rd. Tony Malavasic and his Blue Jackets are furnishing the music. Admission is only 35 cents. It starts at 8 p. m. and ends??? So what do you say we all go there for a good time.

P. S. I want to thank all of you for your beautiful Christmas cards and also wish you a Happy New Year even if I am a little late.

Lodge No. 94 Reports Results of Annual Meeting

Purchase \$75 in Defense Bonds

Waukegan, Ill. — Our December meeting of Lodge 94, AFU, was very well attended, and the business session was completed in fine fashion. I hope that members will continue to attend meetings throughout the year in the same fine manner.

At the January session the annual financial statement will be read and new officers will be installed for 1942.

Lodge officers for 1942 are: Anton Kobal, president; Frank Belec, vice president; Anton Stanovnik, secretary; John Zalar, treasurer; Math Jereb, recording secretary; Frank Brence, John Jelovsek, and Vincent Mathias, board of trustees. Lodge medical examiner is Dr. Louis F. Kompare. Athletic supervisor is Frank Brence.

1942 meetings will be held every third Sunday of each month at 2 p. m. in the regular quarters, Slovenian National Home.

At this annual meeting, the lodge decided to contribute \$25.00 to the Yugoslav Relief Committee of America, Slovene Section;

AND ALSO VOTED TO PURCHASE \$75.00 IN UNITED STATES DEFENSE BONDS.

Members are notified that a local lodge assessment of 10c per month has been levied on all members who are insured in the death and other benefit funds; and 5c per month on those members who are insured for death benefit only. This assessment will go into the lodge treasury to help cover expenses. Happy New Year to all!

Anton Stanovnik, secretary, Lodge 94, AFU.

Napredek Notes

Euclid - Cleveland, O. — Seems that Napredek bowlers started out the New Year right by getting the edge on their opponents in two games for each of our teams. We hope this speaks well for their future schedule. There was plenty of excitement, too, last Friday, as the games were won by very narrow margins, particularly when the Cavaliers photographed ahead of the Johnnies by two pins. The Johnnies, however, took it as real sports, which they certainly proved themselves to be.

The Cavaliers missed their jolly captain, Stan Pozun. Too bad he can't be with us on Friday evenings, owing to night defense work, but we hope that before the season is over, he will be able to rejoin us.

We were happy to welcome in our midst Johnny Krince. Although his games were not included in the scoring for the "Bums," he seemed to bring them luck.

Among our rooters we were glad to see Rose and Margaret, the Minnesota girls. Also, Mrs. Slapko, Mrs. Sterlekar, and Mrs. Sesek; and later in the evening Pvt. Ed Sesek, home on leave from Camp Shelby, also came to pull for us.

Our lodge brother Frankie Tanko is recuperating from a recent appendix operation, and from last reports is getting along first rate. We hope that by the 31st he will be 100 per cent again, and be able to attend our Patriotic Dance.

We are pleased at the interest shown by our friends for this Napredek event. Plans are going ahead for a gala party. The date is Saturday, January 31st. Vadnal Orchestra has been engaged for the occasion. So, make it a date, and bring your friends with you.

For Napredek, 132, AFU.

Fr. Sesek

Lodge 28

Kemmerer, Wyo. — Those members of Lodge No. 28, AFU., who did not attend our annual meeting in December are hereby notified that it was decided at this session to levy an assessment of 15c on every adult member monthly during the year 1942. So that we may understand—this 15c monthly assessment will go into the lodge treasury. The Home Office assessment is the same as in the past.

The by-laws state that the local lodge has the privilege of levying an assessment on its members for the benefit of the local lodge, and stresses that every member in the adult department is obligated to pay it. If a member refuses to pay this local lodge assessment, he is not allowed to pay his regular lodge assessment. Therefore, for the year 1942, every adult member of Lodge 28 will pay a local assessment of 15c each month.

Members should bear in mind that each month the local lodge has certain expenses to pay, and funds must be obtained from some source to pay for these expenses. Everyone knows that the profits from the lodge picnic and party were not large. Sometimes a loss resulted, and sometimes the result was different.

Also, every member in our lodge has equal rights and equal duties, and that is why it is right, that everyone pay this lodge assessment. Some members attended the picnic and party while others did not. Everyone must, however, pay the assessment. That is why I believe, this system of bolstering the lodge treasury is most reasonable.

At this writing I would like also to mention that lodge officers elected at the annual meeting were the same as last year. All members are requested to pay their regular lodge assessments promptly at the correct time and are urged not to wait until the last day of the month.

Frank Krusich, secretary, Lodge 28, AFU.

Lodge 149 Announces 1942 Officers

Strabane, Pa. — Annual meeting of Lodge 149, AFU., which was held Sunday, Dec. 14 was very well attended. For 1942, all old officers were re-elected by acclamation.

They were: Frank Mikec, president; John Koklich, vice president; John Bole, secretary; Anton Tomsic, treasurer; Frank Zele, recording secretary; Joseph Sabec, Mary Tomsic, and Anna Sterle, board of trustees. Lodge medical examiners are Dr. James Wilson and Dr. James Bell.

Members are requested to attend the next meeting on Jan. 11 where business not transacted at the annual December meeting will be completed. Financial statement for 1941 will also be given.

At the annual meeting it was decided that all members in the adult department of our lodge will be levied an additional five cents per month assessment during 1942. This extra five-cents per month will go into the lodge treasury. Payment of this extra assessment begins with the month of January.

It was further decided that the lodge will pay out of its treasury the January assessments of all its juvenile members. This was substituted for a Christmas present.

I would like to extend New Year greetings to all members of the Supreme Board and all members of the American Fra-

LITTLE STAN'S ARTICLE

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Mary Mantel of Ely) to join our editor and supreme president at the National Home to usher in the New Year.

A really fine get-together was held. As usual Mr. and Mrs. Little Stan came "a little late. Heh Heh! Bro. Zbasnik reported the Lodge 26 Anniversary was nothing short of sensational and praised the event very highly.

Came the Zero hour. Everyone scurried about wishing for other the best during the New Year. Jack Gianotti, quite an accomplished pianist, slipped over to the piano and dashed off the patriotic melody of our national anthem, "Star Spangled Banner," and followed up with "God Bless America" and "Auld Lang Syne." Hundreds of voices took the tunes and their voices reverberated through the hall, sending the patriotic tingles up and down your spinal column.

Merry-making continued after that and Little Stan took time out to visit Betsy Ross and John's at Holmes avenue. Here a good-sized crowd was putting the finishing touches on the welcome of 1942 and some darned good polish sausage. That's what we call them. Minnesota! Heh Heh. And in the New Year was ushered in in grand patriotic style!

As the snow swirled about outside Sunday night, a knock on our door revealed four young former Ely gentlemen, one of them in natty army uniform. They were Eddie Volk, Frank Perovshek, Vincent Zergo, and the man in uniform, Private Ted Loushin stationed at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. "That's Private Ted's nickname, dropped off on a short furlough and certainly was nice to see him. His brother in the marines had been reported missing, but we all confident he'll show up soon.

Private Ted related a patriotic short: Waiting for a street car at five points a little girl came up to him and queried "Are you a REAL soldier?" Private Ted laughed and said "That's right!" Fortwith the little girl waved a Defense Bonds youngsters are inbided with the spirit of patriotism!

Monday morning a short note from Mrs. Agnes Markovich of San Francisco, California. She reported many soldiers and sailors from Ely, Minn., visited on Sundays and whenever they had a day off. Among the visitors were Sergeant Joe Stan's two big brothers. She was doing in Frisco for Minnesota what Joe Birk is doing in Cleveland! Makes everyone feel right at home and at ease!

In closing, Little Stan sends a reminder to all members to attend the January meeting scheduled in the inner building of the Slovene National Home on Saturday and St. Clair Tuesday, Jan. 31 at 7:30 p. m.

A five-act comedy and a dance will feature entertainment planned by Chicago AFU lodge at the School Hall, Corner Road and Wolcott St., Jan. 31, 1942.

Napredek Lodge 132, AFU, Cleveland, Ohio is sponsoring a Patriotic Dance in the Slovene National Home on Recher avenue in Euclid, Saturday, Jan. 31. Two \$25 Defense Bonds will be given away.

ternal Union. Those of our members who are ill and under doctor's care I extend wishes for a speedy recovery and hope to see their faces at the next meeting.

John Bole, secretary, Lodge 149, AFU.

IDLE CHATTER

Enumclaw, Wash. — Perhaps some of you are wondering how Christmas was spent in the many homes on Pacific coast. During the 18 days that spanned between that fateful day of Dec. 7, and Christmas day, an almost normal display of holiday spirit was carried on. It was something akin to packing every second of pleasure into a vacation period... knowing full well that on a given day a return to the serious matters of living must be experienced.

Trees were decorated, presents wrapped, Christmas carols sung. For the youngsters it was just like any other Christmas, only perhaps that Santa was a bit more generous this year.

But it was a Christmas far different than any we've ever had before. Everywhere there were sailors, soldiers, marines, home guards. Yes, and blackouts, radio silence, the constant warning that an air attack was imminent, the ominous drone of planes overhead. — Yes, there was joy... but sorrow touched many homes. War and Japan were seen. It was Christmas in wartime.

of those days as they occur, doing what is demanded of us and refraining from doubt and worry. For those who have dear ones in the service, we know of course this is especially different, yet it can actually be protection for those in uniform. The enemy always wants confusion and worry among the people, hoping that in this way it can be transferred to our armed forces. By standing firm and positive we can do our part to build an imperishable wall of determination that will withstand any assault.

Save Scrap Paper
And now a word about saving scrap paper for defense. I wonder if the women of America realize how much paper they throw away? Cigarette cartons for instance — cereal boxes, paper bags and yes, even your old bills. Let's hasten victory for our great U. S. A. by saving in every way for defense. Save all your scrap paper!

Eyes of the entire world are focussed on the White House these days as the historic meeting of the Prime Minister and our President is taking place. The responsibilities heaped on the President's shoulders in these chaotic times must bear down pretty heavily. Here I would like to quote an excerpt from an article written for the Seattle P. I. by Dorothy Thompson. "Mr. President," she said, "do not worry about us. Take care of yourself. We love you. The burden upon you has been beyond endurance. Take it from our shoulders and put it on ours."

When the terrifying news was flashed to us on Dec. 7, it brought fear and anxiety to the hearts of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sasek. Their son Louis was stationed somewhere near the scene of the disaster and to date is still reported missing. Mr. and Mrs. Sasek, we all hope the doubt will very soon be removed and that the news will be good news. The Sasek family holds 100 per cent membership with our AFU. Mr. Sasek is a past president of Lodge 162.

Hunting Experience
As a sort of a grand finale to all the hunting experiences I've been telling you about, I'd like to tell you of the hunting prowess of our lodge treasurer, Mary Mehlich. She did wind up the season with a direct hit and with it a \$5.00 reward. The Mehlich's live on the outskirts of Enumclaw, at the foot of Mt. Peak. They have a modest little farm and each year raise chickens which are blue ribbon winners any time. One sunny afternoon as the Mrs. was preparing dinner, a disturbing cackling

symphony greeted her ears. She rushed out doors and right at her doorstep she witnessed a coyote picking up one of the hens. With a verbal barrage — not fit for print, (heh, heh) she momentarily scared off the animal. Returning to the house for her gun she emerged once again only to find the coyote at his stealing act again. Up went the gun—aim—fire—and the coyote was no more! Oh gosh, — I'd hate to be caught in her hen house after dark! The state bounty for coyotes is \$5.00.

More S. O. S.
I want to say thanks to Agnes, for her quick response to my SOS. Don't stop there Agnes. Let's join forces and try to get a buzz out of the other lodges. Let's work on Tacoma. So to Mr. Udovich, Mr. Porenta, and all the other good AFU'ers in Tacoma I say, "Come on." Gee, surely you won't let your unit be outshone? If you prefer to write in Slovenian, why go to it. Just so you let us in on your lodge activities. We'll be right on deck, waiting for your answering "Ahoy" to our distress signal!

And thanks to the many friends for their friendly holiday wishes. Special thanks to L. P. B. for the nice letter, to the Vranichars for their friendly message and to "Konfuzija," for remembering. Very special thanks to the senders of greetings, "across the miles." Very nice sentiment, that. Was very glad to hear from you, pal. How about following it up with a nice long letter?

Jugoslav Relief Appeal
I would like to ask all the AFU members here in Washington to what extent if any they have gone in answering the heart-rending pleas of our Supreme President for war relief funds for our Slovene brothers and sisters across the waves? Surely, we won't just sit back and let it pass unnoticed. It's time we put our heads-together to find ways and means for raising funds. Let's make it a generous contribution, one which will do our organizations, here in Washington, credit! Read again the appeals of our AFU President, and the excellent article by Frank Kress, fourth supreme trustee, and open up your hearts. Tell you what — I'll start the ball rolling with a \$10.00 donation. Who will carry on from there? Let's hear from you and you and you!

Next meeting of 162 will be Jan. 19, 1942. Initiation of officers will take place so let's have a good attendance. Also on that day the "Horror committee," will meet out just deserts to one Jerry Cankar! Be sure he comes over, Mrs. Pogotnik.

"That's the guy I'm laying for," said the hen, as the farmer passed by.

After that — it's "bye!"
Marie
Mary G. Balint, secretary,
Lodge 162 AFU.

Lodge 99 Dance
Moon Run, Pa. — Opening of New Year's activities by Lodge 99, AFU., of Moon Run, Pa., will be marked by a dance to be held Saturday, Jan. 31st in the Slovene hall at Moon Run.

For this affair we have engaged the services of Martin Kukevich Jr., and his Slovene Commanders to furnish swing for the jitterbugs; waltzes for the old folks; and familiar polkas for everybody!

To all local lodges we extend a most cordial invitation. Plenty of refreshments and a swell

Johns Climb; Upset Ivies No. 1 Team; B. R. Stretches Lead

By Joe Kozar, Secretary, Cleveland AFU Bowling League

Cleveland, O. — After occupying the cellar position for the greater part of last year the St. John Saints resolved for the new year that they will give some other team the privilege of occupying that way down position. This they did when they opened up the new year with a blast by making a clean sweep of the Ilirska Vila No. 1 team. As result of their three game win the Saints made a hurried exit of last place and climbed into sixth place in the race. The three game reversal has now extended the Ivies No. 1 losing streak to six games.

Again capitalizing on the runner-ups' downfall the Betsy Ross Flagmakers extended their lead to six games by knocking off the Collinwood Boosters for two games. The Flagmakers' winning streak was snapped at eight games when the Boosters gained their lone victory in the final game of the encounter. The win for the Boosters ended their string of losses at five games.

The Napredeok Cavaliers continued to stay in their winning form as they downed the St. John Johnnies for two games. For their two games victory the Cavaliers were enabled to gain a tie for third place with the Boosters. The two setbacks pushed the Johnnies into a tie for the cellar position.

After losing the first game to the Ilirska Vila No. 2 crew the Napredeok Bums found their range in the remaining two games and came out the victors. The two reversals dropped the Ivies No. 2 team from number four position to number five.

Ruzic Paces Saints
With Jim Ruzic, captain of the Saints, setting the pace with a resounding 579 series the St. John Saints were able to bag all three games from the Ilirska Vila No. 1 team. Ruzic's series is the third highest thus far this season in the league. For the deflated Ivies No. 1 crew Tony Prime with 481 was high.

B. R.'s Lead by Six
It was Frank Martich with 535 and Ivan Rozanc with 528 totals that enabled the Betsy Ross Flagmakers to extend their lead to six games by taking two games from the Collinwood Boosters. The highlight in this encounter was Blackie Krall's 240 solo in the first game which was more than enough for the Flagmakers to win. Krall's 240 game was high for the evening and placed third on the board. "Gustie" Fortuna and "Luddie" Laurich with 494 and 500 respectively were high for the Boosters.

Smrtnik Leads Cavaliers
Pacing the Napredeok Cavaliers to their two game victory over the St. John Johnnies was Frankie Smrtnik with a 514 count and closely followed by Rudy Sterlekar with 488. For the Johnnies the mainstays were Joe Zabukovec and Vince Hart with 469 and 450 respectively. The Cavaliers gained one of their wins by the mere margin of two pins.

De Bums Win Two
The main offensive weapons for the Napredeok Bums' double win over the Ilirska Vila No. 2 crew were Billy Kern with a 438 total and Frankie Orazem with 425. For the Ivies Frank

evening of entertainment are assured all.
Come one! Come all! Help us get off to a good start in the New Year by making this affair a success!
Charles Matyas, dance comm.
Lodge 99, AFU.

Benigar Sr. with a 491 count was high. Laddie Debevec could not repeat his previous week's feat and thus the Ivies lost the last game by the slight margin of three pins.

Two Hundred Circle
The select two hundred circle was entered by the following, "Blackie" Krall 240; Frank Smrtnik 227; Frank Martich 207 and Jim Ruzic 202.

American Fraternal Union Standings as of Jan. 2, 1942

	W	L
1 Betsy Ross	30	15
2 Ilirska Vila No. 1	24	21
3 Collinwood Boosters	23	22
4 Napredeok Cavaliers	23	22
5 Ilirska Vila No. 2	22	23
6 St. John Saints	20	25
7 St. John Johnnies	19	26
8 Napredeok Bums	19	26

Team High 3 Games

1 Ilirska Vila No. 1	2566
2 Betsy Ross	2562
3 St. John Johnnies	2544

Team High 1 Game

1 Betsy Ross	925
2 Collinwood Boosters	908
3 Ilirska Vila No. 1	894

Individual High 3 Games

1 Stan Zagorc	623
2 Ivan Rozanc	592
3 Jim Ruzic	579

Individual High 1 Game

1 Joe Jermain	255
2 Bill Quinn	244
3 Frank Krall	240

Individual Averages

1 Rozanc	173
2 Quinn	170
3 Poklar	169
4 Zagorc	167
5 Martich	167
6 Kozar	166
7 L. Debevec	163
8 Prime	163
9 Ruzic	162
10 F. Smrtnik	161

Schedule for Friday, Jan. 7th

Ilirska Vila No. 2 vs. Napredeok Cavaliers
Alleys 3-4
Napredeok Bums vs. St. John Johnnies
Alleys 5-6
Ilirska Vila No. 1 vs. Collinwood Boosters
Alleys 7-8
St. John Saints vs. Betsy Ross

Center Ramblers

Center, Pa. — The following members were elected to office at the last meeting of the Center Ramblers: Joseph Sobr, president; Helen Righi, vice president; Paul Oblack, secretary; Frances Kuchna, recording secretary; Frank Kalik, treasurer; Mary Peternel, athletic supervisor; Antoinette Mozzina, Bertha Oblock, Stephonia Shieffler, trustees. I am sure all members will give their support to the newly elected officers.

A sports meeting will be held after the regular monthly meeting in January. All members interested in being on the bowling teams be present at this meeting on January 18, at 2:30 p. m.

January 24 is still the big day of the month for the Center Ramblers' celebration of their 11th anniversary. This will be a "Victory Dance." Tickets are on sale and can be purchased from any member of the Center Ramblers. Buy your ticket now and be sure of a good time at the Victory Dance on the 24th of January.

Dora Peternel, secretary,
Lodge 221, AFU.

Lodge 99, AFU, of Moon Run, Pa., will sponsor a dance in the Slovene Hall Saturday, Jan. 31st. Music by Martin Kukevich and his Slovene Commanders.

Invest Money In Defense of America, Morgenthau Urges! Calls for National Unity to 35 Million Americans!

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For that reason, it seems to me, our major effort now must be directed particularly at those in all walks of life who receive regular pay from wages and salaries. Inflation feeds on current income, rather than on the money that now rests in the vaults of savings banks. It may seem heartless to speak of excess spending on the part of millions of people in the middle and low income groups; but in wartime, in the face of a limited and dwindling supply of civilian goods, there is such a thing. In wartime, excess spending means the buying of any commodity that we can safely do without. Therefore, the most effective course for us, as we have known from the very beginning, has been to enlist current income and to divert excess spending, to persuade our people to set aside a part of their pay every pay day in Defense Bonds and Stamps.

Let's now make every pay day Bond Day. And when I speak of regular investment every pay day, I am speaking not only of the millions of factory workers, not only of the teachers and accountants, the clerks and civic employees who live on regular salaries, but also of the farmers who are earning solid incomes for the first time in many years and who will be the first to suffer if we allow inflation to get out of hand.

All these are the people we must reach, with a determined effort that will have an impact in Berlin and Rome and Tokyo, an effort that will give new heart and courage to the free peoples who are fighting on our side everywhere.

I have been asked many times whether we have a goal, a quota for the United States. I have always avoided answering with a money figure because I have been much more interested, firstly, in reaching vast numbers of individuals, and, secondly, in absorbing current income rather than accumulated savings in the banks. But I will tell you now what my goal is, what our goal shall be and must be. It is to reach quickly, within the next few months, every single recipient of regular current income in the United States, and to have every one of these 35 million people setting aside some part of their pay regularly within the shortest possible time. And when I say "some part of their pay," I am not thinking merely of a token contribution. I mean a real investment, the very limit that each person can afford without actually taking food and other necessities from himself and his family.

When this meeting ends, I hope that this organization will set to work in every State and every community, throughout this great front line of freedom that is the United States, with the same devotion and determination that is now being shown by the men in our fighting forces.

I have complete confidence in the ability of this great group to reach the goal I have set for you today. We have been more than fortunate in the men and women who have rallied to our help since the first of May in all parts of the country. It has been a truly thrilling experience for me as Secretary of the Treasury to see the superb cooperation we have had from labor and industry, from Republicans and Democrats, from foreign-born and American-born, from all the assorted groups and nationalities of which this united American people is composed.

I am genuinely glad to see all our State leaders assembled here in one room, and to thank them and their volunteer helpers on behalf of their Government for the work they have already done.

Now that the greater and more insistent call has come, we are ready to meet it. Our organization has been set up, our people are hard at work, our country knows what Defense Bonds are and what they do. It is up to each and every one of us to do our part.

Our fighting men in the Philippines and Iceland, in Hawaii and Wake and Midway, in all the posts of danger on all the seven seas, are looking to us to supply them with the planes and guns they need. The whole country is looking to us, right here in this room, to raise billions of dollars to win this war — and let none of our enemies make any mistake about it, we are going to win it. Our allies in all continents, who have been fighting our battle with our common enemy for long, hard years, are looking to us, and also the oppressed peoples in the conquered lands who are now living in darkness — they, too, are looking to us to sweep that darkness away.

It is by far the greatest test and the grandest opportunity that has ever come to our country. We in this room must prove ourselves worthy of that challenge. The words that Winston Churchill addressed to his own people a year ago can now be applied to ours: let us so bear ourselves that if these United States should last for a thousand years, men will still say, "This was their finest hour."

Lodge 45 Meeting Notice

Indianapolis, Ind. — Regular monthly meeting of Lodge 45, AFU., will be held Sunday, Jan. 11 at 1 p. m., at the Holy Trinity School Hall. This meeting is very important to all our members especially to those who failed to attend the annual meeting.

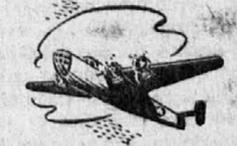
As you know, at our annual meeting it was voted that those members who were not present would be fined \$1.00. Now my idea is to rescind this motion if I have enough support. A complete report of progress, during 1941 will be given.

Following our meeting the AFU Federation of Indiana lodges will hold their meeting. It is the duty of every member to be present. Especially members of St. Joseph's, Sloga, and Samaritans lodges. Preparations will be made for 1942 activity. Refreshments will be served after the meeting.

Louis Milharic, secretary,
Lodge 45, AFU.

Lodge No. 190, better known as Western Sisters, is sponsoring a dance Jan. 25th, 1942 in Butte, Montana.

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