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## SRDITA GONJA PROTI UNIJAM NA ZAPADU

Velebiznis v kampanji  
za prisilno inkorporiranje unij

## REAKCIJA SE PO- SLUŽI REFEREN- DUMA

Portland, Ore. — (PP) — Vseh treh zapadnih državah, Washingtonu, Oregonu in Californiji, so torijski in velebizniski interesi pričeli z veliko kampanjo za prisileno inkorporacijo unij. Ce v tem uspejo, bi bilo vse organizirano delavstvo popolnoma odvisno od reakcijskih državnih uradnikov in oddišči.

Na delu, da potisnejo delavstvo v železni jopiči, so iste sile, ki se so leta 1934 zatekile k vladom, par let pozneje k izboru, k omreževanju pa, odkar je pričel razvijati kapitalizem na zapadu. Te sile so bančni, paroplovni, lesni in industrijski interesi. Enake gonje lahko pričakuje organizirano delavstvo tudi v drugih krajih Amerike.

Torijski elementi so se zatekli agitaciji za inkorporacijo unij, ker vidijo v tem najboljše redstvo za njih uničenje. Pričo za to jim je dala tudi civilna vojna med delavstvom, ki je na padu veliko večja kakor v drugih krajih deželi. Toda reakcija je razkol še veliko bolj povečava akor je v resnicu in dan za nem hujška po časopisu in rugače male trgovce, farmarje, profesioniste, pisarniške dejave in gospodinjstva proti organiziranemu delavstvu, katerega rikazuje za najbolj nasilni element, ki se ne zmeni ne za povravo in ne za javno blaginjo.

S to gonjo upa reakcija doseže svoj namen do konca tega leta, bodisi v legislaturah ali pa s plenom glasovanjem o predložnih zakonskih osnutkih. Situacija je najbolj resna v regonu, kjer je v zadnjem zdanju legislature propadel osnutek za inkorporacijo unij le dva glasova. Reakcija je pomembna z akcijo, da pridevar pred volicami z referendumom, za katerega zdaj nabira podpise. Sovražniki unij pravijo, da je posebno med farmarji in rok. Njim pripovedujejo, da so svojih trukov ne bodo meli peljati v mesto, ako ne pride do inkorporacije unij. Interesom je prišla na pogodbu tudi Associated Farmers, organizacija velenfarmarjev in antažnikov v Californiji, ki je Oregon poslala svoje agitatorje.

V Californiji je pričel s slično kampanjo Harry Chandler, udejatelj reakcionarnega Los Angeles Timesa. On je importiral iz Washingtona neko Edino Selvin, ki je organizirala skupino vigilantsko organizacijo "Women of the Pacific", katera pričela z zbiranjem podpisov v sličen referendum kakor v regonu. Ta ženska je zadnjih let postala nekakšna torija za "devico orleanskino" na zapadu. Slovenska je prišla v razbijanje časnikiške stavke pri Intelligencerju v Seattlu red podrugim letom. Njen vodil slično kampanjo v Washingtonu. On je izdajatelj Business Chronicle.

Oregonski osnutek za inkorporacijo unij preveduje vse ketiranje, kjer ni "večina" dečev v konfliktu z delodajalcem. Sodiščem pa daje pravico, da na aplikacijo nekaj članov uprave — spionov in agentov proaktivov — lahko zasežejo ujetne poslovne knjige in "proaktivajo" unijiske blagajne — stvari izplačila. Se bolj drastično pa je Selvinov osnutek v

## Kampanjske vesti

Eno samo društvo v Kanadi je že dobilo 45 otrok v tej kampanji

Sledči tajniki društev SNPJ so zadnji teden poslali pet ali več prošenj novih članov za mladinski oddelek:

Milan Begovič, tajnik društva št. 558, New Waterford, N. S., Kanada, je poslal dvajset prošenj.

Johana Zadnikar, tajnica društva št. 130, Eveleth, Minn., je poslala šestnajst prošenj.

Elizabeth Barufold, tajnica društva št. 669, Sygan, Pa., je poslala deset prošenj.

John Oreskovich, tajnik društva št. 3, Johnstown, Pa., je poslal sedem prošenj.

John Shum, tajnik društva št. 91, Johnston City, Ill., je poslal šest prošenj.

Kanadsko društvo št. 558 je v teku te kampanje že sprejelo 45 otrok v mladinski oddelek in Milan Begovič, tajnik tega društva, piše tajništvo, da je "komaj pričel z agitacijo"!

Tu je dokaz, da polje še ni izčrpano in da je še dovolj prilik za uspeh v naši srebrnojubilejni kampanji. Ako ti bratje in sestre lahko dobre nove člane za mladinski oddelek SNPJ, zakaj jih ne bi ostali?

Na delo vsi, da bo naša kampanja čim bolj uspešna!

TAJNIŠTVO SNPJ.

POPRAVEK

Velika manifestacija društva SNPJ na dan 1. maja v California, na kateri nastopi kot govornik br. glavni tajnik, priejava federaciju društva v San Franciscu, California, in ne v Oaklandu, kot je bilo zandjo sredo poročano.

## Lojalistična Španija ja vztraja v borbi

### Fašistične čete prodriajo proti Barceloni

Madrid, 29. marca. — Lojalistična Španija je mirna, čeprav je nevarnost, da bodo fašisti obrezali Katalonijo od ostalega ozemlja, ki je pod kontrolo ljudske vlade. Madridske avtoritete so naznanile, da bodo vztrajale v borbi, ne glede na to, kaj se zgodi na fronti v severozahodni Španiji.

Vzlič velikim uspehom, ki so jih fašisti izvojevali v prodiranju proti Kataloniji, španska ljudska vlada ni alarmirana. Vsi civilini in militaristični uradniki so ostali na svojih mestih in se stavljajo nove obrambe načrte, katerih bodo skušali izvesti tudi v slučaju fašistične okupacije Barcelone.

Hendaye, Francija, 29. marca. — Fašistična armada še vedno prodriajo v Katalonijo in poročilo s fronte se giasi, da je že zasedla Lerido, strategično mesto, od koder se odpira pot proti Barceloni, glavnemu mestu Katalonije, kjer je sedež španske ljudske vlade. Lerida je okrog 80 milij oddaljena od Barcelone. Neko drugo poročilo pravi, da Lerida še ni padla, pač pa jo fašistične čete oblegajo.

Včeraj se je vršila besna bitka pri Fragi, ki leži 15 milij južnozahodno od Leride. Lojalisti so v protinaskoku potisnili fašiste v pozicijo, ki dominira Franco, obmejno katalonsko mesto.

Na južni fronti so fašistične čete zasedle Rafales in se približale mestu Valebrobresu, ki je oddaljeno od Barcelone 110 milij.

Na 150 milij dolgi fronti operira fašistična armada 250.000 mož, v kateri je tudi veliko število Italijanov, Nemcev in Maročanov. Zadnje zmage so povečale obseg teritorija, ki je zdaj pod fašistično kontrolo. Tri četrteine španske ozemlja so v fašističnih rokah. Ljudska vlada kontrolira samo osem izmed 47 španskih provinc.

Washington, po katerem bi unjam lahko zabranili zbiranje stavkovnega fonda ali drugih izrednih skladov.

Ce bi bilo delavstvo enotno, bi ne bilo nobene bojazni, da bi reakcija uspel s temi skemami v Washingtonu ali Californiji. Najbolj resna situacija je v Oregonu, kjer je skoraj v časopisje zaprto delavstvo in četrti slišajo le eno plat, gonijo reakcije.

### Devet ubitih v izgredih v Palestini

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# Glasovi iz naselbin

Obvestilo

Cleveland, O. — Obveščajo se vsa društva SNPJ in društveni zastopniki v Clevelandu, da se vsi sestanki radi nabave izletniških prostorov v četrtek, dne 31. marca, v SND na St. Clair Ave. Na tej seji se bo izvolil direktorji, ki bo vodil upravo te korporacije za leto 1938. Torej društveni zastopniki, kateri ste bili izvoljeni, da zastopate svoje društvo na tej seji, se opozarjate, da se gotovo udeležite te seje. Vabi se tudi splošno članstvo, katerega zanima napredek naših društev. Vsak navzoč član ali članica ima le posvetovan glas. Na tej seji imajo pravico odločevanja le pravomočni zastopniki društva. Zato se društveni tajniki prosijo, da svojim zastopnikom dajo potrebitno izkazilo, da so bili izvoljeni na tej njihovega društva. Na svetovanje v četrtek ob 7.30 v SND na St. Clair ave.!

J. F. Terbičan, tajnik.

"Napredne Slovenke" organizacija mladinski krožek

Cleveland, Ohio. — Vse kaže, da leto 1938 prinese marsikatero koristno spremembo društvtom in jednoti. Mladinska kampanja obeta biti dokaj uspešna. Obiski našega federalističkega predsednika oziroma gl. odbornika br. Petrovicha pri lokalnih društvtih bodo imeli tudi svoje uspehe. Br. Petrovich ima izreden dar govorja, ker zna v javnih stavnih svarno obrazložiti to, kar hoče povedati. Njegov močan glas in preprivezen nastop vpliva izdatno na poslušalce.

Na naši marčevi seji je govoril približno 30 minut in je v tem času natanko pojasnil udobnosti zavarovanja v novih razredih "D" in "E"; priporočal je mlajšim članicam prestop iz starega načina zavarovanja v nove, zgoraj omenjene razrede in odgovarjal na razna vprašanja, tikača se prestopa v nov način zavarovanja.

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Prešernov koncert

Chicago. — Na stotine naših pevskih društva v tej deželi, kjerko je kaj naših mladih ljudi, goji našo pesem. Med temi je tudi tukajšnji moški pevski zbor "Prešeren", ki vabi vse naše rojake in rojakinje iz Chicaga in okolice na svoje prireditve trikrat na leto: enkrat na letu vas kliše na piknik, ki se navadno vrši v juliju, dvakrat

pa na svoja letna koncerta, da vam nudi pevski in dramski užitek.

Sedaj vas vabi na svoj po-mladni koncert, ki ga poda pri-hodno nedeljo popoldne, 3. aprila v dvorani SNPJ na 2657 S. Lawndale ave. Na tem koncertu nastopi okoli deset novih moči. Program je vrla bogat, pesmi srečno izbrane. Z zborom sodeluje več čikaških pevskih društev. Prvič boste imeli priliko slišati malo Jeriečev dekliko, ki nam bo zaigrala nekaj komadov na mandolinu. Naši mladi in podjetni kvartet nas misli pre-senetiti s povsem novim programom, ki ga celo ostalim Prešer-novcem prav skrbno prikriva.

Po koncertu uprizori naš dramski odsek pod Renarjevin vodstvom sila kratkočasno burko "Kmet Herod", ki nas bo vse pripravila v tak smeh, da še niko kaj takega. Domišljaj kmet pride trem prebrisanim v pre-vajenim študentom v roke po lastni krvidi. Kmet bi rad vide igro "Trije kralji", pa misli v drugo nedeljo za Savo in španske lojaliste in na-polnite dvorano SNPJ do zadnjega koticika. Ono, ki imajo vstopnice v predprodaji, se prosi, da jih poravnajo, če mogoče na koncertu, da bomo lahko čim prej poslali denar španskim lojalistom.

Antoinette Simčič,

Clanom SNPJ v Clevelandu

Cleveland, O. — Tista zgagarska reč, ki sliši na ime Naprej (pravilno bi bilo Nazaj) hodi nazaj v Cleveland in hodi na seje društva SNPJ. Zdaj išče o-glase in menda ne bo nekaj časa "nič hud" na urednika Molka in Prosventu.

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Savin koncert se bliža

Chicago. — Se dobrih deset dni je do Savinega pomladnega koncerta, ki bo v nedeljo dne 10. aprila popoldne v dvorani SNPJ. Zopet bo donela naša pesem iz grl Savanov in Savank, katerim se je od zadnjega koncerta pridružilo več novih moči. Program bo orisan v Prosventi prihodnji teden.

To bo obenem tudi priredba kluba št. 1 JSZ in Save za pomoč lojalistični Spaniji. Njen položaj postaja z vsakim dнем bolj obopen, čeprav se lojalisti že skoraj 21 mesec v heroično upirajo oboroženi premoč mednarodnega fašizma. Zadnje dni se je barcelonska vlada ponovno obrnila za pomoč na mednarodno delavstvo, ker je od takzvanih "demokratičnih" držav ne more dobiti. Odbor strokovnih unij za pomoč Spaniji s sedežem v New Yorku se je obrnil na vse unije v Ameriki in Kanadi z apelom za prispevke. Zbratili želi \$50,000. Tudi North American Committee za pomoč Spaniji je obnovil kampanjo s podvojeno silo. Španska vlada prosi za kondensirano mleko za otroke in za ambulance. Njen problem prehrane je izredno težak, ker je že pred sedanjo fašistično ofenzivo moralna skrbeti za okrog dva in pol milijona ljudi, večinoma otrok in žena, ki so pogbenili pred fašisti na njen teritorij.

Br. Vognič poroča o sledenih mesečnih sejih, shodov in sestankov — "dead", nepotrebitno zapravljajmo časa! — Frank Barbic, 53.

Prešernov koncert

Chicago. — Na stotine naših pevskih društva v tej deželi, kjerko je kaj naših mladih ljudi, goji našo pesem. Med temi je tudi tukajšnji moški pevski zbor "Prešeren", ki vabi vse naše rojake in rojakinje iz Chicaga in okolice na svoje prireditve trikrat na leto: enkrat na letu vas kliše na piknik, ki se navadno vrši v juliju, dvakrat

pa na svoja letna koncerta, da vam nudi pevski in dramski užitek.

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## Lodge Anniversaries

GOLDEN EAGLES PREPARE TO  
OBSERVE ACTIVE DECADE

GIRARD, OHIO.—On May 7-8, the Ukrainian hall at Youngstown, Ohio, will be the mecca for all Slovener and their friends. The SNPJ Golden Eagles have set those two days aside in order to celebrate ten years of active and progressive existence. Although our official birthday comes somewhat earlier in the year, it was decided to advance our anniversary in order to cooperate with Barberville and Cleveland, and by so doing we hope that all organizations will benefit financially as well as numerically.

Our program would not be complete without a thought or two to the older Slovener and our parents. Joe Umeck and his Rhythm Kings will greet you on Sat., May 7. Extremely popular in Ohio, this young man has even penetrated into Penna and we predict that as the months roll by he will become equally well known in both states.

On Sunday afternoon, May 8, our attention will be centered on the older folks. In keeping with our policy of first-class entertainment, we have contacted a talented group of Slovener players from Cleveland. They promise us one of the finest comedies of the year in a play entitled, "Moš Gospodinja." It is a play filled with laughter and ticklish situations. Songs of our native country should also prove interesting to the afternoon audience. The Cleveland group was carefully selected and trained so that we can expect an excellent program. The Supreme President will make the principal address of the afternoon. As this little resume indicates, the entire afternoon program will be brought to you in our native tongue. As such a program comes to us only upon occasions, you owe it to your parents and their friends that they have full information of this affair.

For the Sunday evening dancing we have secured the services of Frank Yankovic from Cleveland, Ohio. His constant return appearances acknowledge his well-deserved popularity. It will be his first appearance in Youngstown, so plan to make his acquaintance then.

Between the afternoon feature and the evening's dancing, supper will be served. You can attend our two-day affair fully satisfied that you will be well taken care of. Arrangements are being made to secure quarters for our out-of-town guests. Those of you who desire such accommodations please inform the writer at 167 Trumbull ave. It is not too early to send in your request now. A prompt reply will benefit all parties concerned.

Today we spotlight our "sunshine" boy, Ed. Bradish. Dark clouds disappear in his presence. Possesses a winning personality that goes hand in hand with his ever-ready smile. Always ready to advertise the Eagles' lodge. Canonsburg is his favorite "hangout." Recent addition to the Traveling Bachelors.

FRANK REZEK JR., Lodge 643.

PLAN TO CELEBRATE BUCKEYES  
10th BIRTHDAY

By "Oh"

BARRINGTON, O.—It gladdens the heart to know that Our Tenth Anniversary, April 23 and 24, is being acclaimed far and near by our many friends who want to celebrate with us. We're sure to see a busload of Girard Golden Eagles, carloads from points Penny (if not busloads) and Cleveland will come as usual with gaily well-wishers. Our Comrade friends are doing things by trying to get a busload. West Allis, Detroit, and Chicago are also comin' to town. We are working with thoughts of everyone of our friends in mind and we hope that our efforts will prove successful.

You have been asked to write in and state how and when you expect to arrive in our city and whether you wish home or hotel accommodations. Home reservations are limited as several people have already reserved their places. Either write to O. Vallencheck, 393 Third st., or to Mary Apchak, 611 Hopocan ave.

The Blue Hour dance starts at 8 o'clock Saturday night, April 23, Sunday morning on April 24 and early afternoon can be spent in any manner, visiting, sightseeing, sleeping or what have you. We aim to please!! Bowling will occupy one crowd Sun-

day afternoon. We'll reserve alleys if you want 'em. Then there is the "balina" court beside the hall. See if you can hold your own with some of Barberville's best balina bowlers! Bet you can't!! Sunday at 5 p.m. begins the "SNPJ Radio Program" which will feature musical selections (sublime and ridiculous) by various Buckeyes, a short speech from our Mayor Marvin and the main speech by Supreme Pres. Cainkar. Other things we'll leave as a surprise.

Immediately after the program will come the farewell dance and meanwhile you will be filling your souvenir book with autographs of friends. The booklet will be one to be proud of. You may even find your picture in it under "SNPJers everywhere."

The Buckeyes extend their best wishes for a successful anniversary dance to the Strugglers who are also celebrating on April 23. We'll be looking for you on the following day. The Golden Eagles and the "Tri-lodge Willows" dances are being awaited by some of our members.

Don't fail to attend the next meeting on Thursday, April 7. Get your finger-in-the-pie of preparation. Now that plans are practically complete, it will take every member to carry 'em out. As Ely would say, "Tain't always you can celebrate a 10th anniversary."

Soap Chips: A word of appreciation to well-wishers such as Kuhel, Strauss, Bogatay, Ambrozic, Rezek and others. A big ditto to Michael Kumer and you'll be hearin' from us soon.—A nosegay of posies to Nellie who's contributing some fine copy to this organ.—A word of warning to Jolly Allis' "We Three": Those pins fall when we aim for 'em, so practice up!!!—A welcome to our new transferred member, Frances Selak, who came to us from Lodge 736 of Thomas, W. Va. We'd like to see a lot of you!

I've been reading quite a bit about this juvenile campaign, and I think we should add a little "oomph" to our own campaign. So far we have over fifty juveniles in our lodge, but there is always room for improvement. Our Secretary has been setting a very enthusiastic pace, and so far he alone has enrolled more than fifteen members. Don't you think that that is a very good example to follow? I think that more of us should get behind this movement, and let loose with some of that excess energy. Don't forget that the welfare and future of the SNPJ depends upon these little tykes, whom you are enrolling now, just as much as it does upon us who are now keeping it moving. So let's get down to work and roll 'em in.

But in the meantime we shouldn't forget about our adult membership.

We have over two hundred and fifty in our rolls now with a splendid showing of fifty-three new members in 1937. Let's see if we can't beat that record and hit well right over three hundred for 1938. Let's see if we can't have over four hundred adult and juvenile members at the end of 1938.

Out-of-town lodges please reserve this night for the Little Fort party.

For no reason we again remind all Little Fort men who wish to be members of the team which will represent the lodge in the men's division of the National SNPJ Tournament to come to the next meeting, please.

The admission will be twenty-five cents. Tickets can be secured from any member of this committee. A dance and refreshments will follow the card playing.

We are coming towards the end of the winter social season and some of the dates to keep in mind are the 20th anniversary dance of SNPJ Virovia on April 23. Be sure to try to attend this affair. Then we have our own Athletic dance April 9 for the benefit of the bowlers going to Chicago for the national tournament.

We have four men's teams and one girls', and I certainly think that we'll make a very good showing. Also keep in mind that our May Ball is the first Saturday in May, in the upper Turner hall. The committee has already been chosen, and I'm pretty sure that they will do a good job.

Also remember that Jolly Allis is having their ball on May 14. We should attend this affair also because they always have a large representation at our doings.

Don't forget about Integrities' 10th anniversary on April 23 and 24. Be sure to try and go.

THE EYES AND EARS OF BADGERS."

VERONIAN VIEWS

VERONA, PA.—Final arrangements have been made for the Comets Ramblers - Veronian Tri-Lodge Dance to be held on May 14 at "The Willows," one of Penna's most exclusive night clubs, on the beautiful Allegheny river. Featuring Ken Martin and Joe Umek. Reserve this date for this affair. Admission tickets are 65c per person, but if purchased at the door there will be an extra 10 cents added. A special meeting will be held at the Verona Narodni Dom April 3 at 3 p.m. for the Comet-Ramblers-Verona girls concerning the SNPJ Tri-Lodge Affair. We hope that everyone who is able will attend for it is very important.

At our last meeting we had the pleasure of having with us as our guests some of the Comets and the Pioneers. We wish that more of our members would attend these meetings for many important topics are discussed, such as mushball etc. So try to be at the next meeting and make it 100%—The Veronians wish to thank the Manor Cadets for the fine hospitality shown at their last meeting.

MARY AND VIC.

SPIRIT-O-GRAMS

By Whoosit

ST. LOUIS, MO.—Spring is here again, and if one reads the Prosverta and notices the number of lodges that are busy preparing for various social activities you can readily see that no one seems to be down with "spring fever."

No, sir, even the Spirits have finally got down to business and are launching a dance for the 1st of May. We haven't been asleep but have just changed meeting place, so our meet-

For Members of Slovens National Benefit Society and American Slovener

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30

## Comments On This and That

By IVAN MOLEK, Editor

### What Is Most Important to Us at This Moment?

To have many friends is to tap everyone on the shoulder and to bow to every opinion.

To write this column so that almost everyone getting the Prosverta will read it and like it is to fill it with personal pleasantries, the sweet side of gossip, and give everyone a whoopee-slap on the back.

That would be entertainment a la vaudeville. We doubt whether the majority of our readers would prefer such stuff, yet that is immaterial. The Prosverta was not established to promote showmanship. And that's that.

The Prosverta was established to seriously educate. Educate how? That is all boiled down; no use to repeat it every week.

Happily, we point out with pride that education is the order of the day only in a democracy. Totalitarian states and institutions "know everything" already; therefore, they reject education with scorn and threat. The fact that our Society, since its beginning, provides for education besides the many benefits in dollars and cents is the proof positive that the SNPJ is not, and refuses to be, a totalitarian institution.

But in trying to live up to our established educational policy we nowadays strike a snag. This indicates that while the large majority of the ESL members do not give a hang as to what educational policy we pursue, there are some who insist in the name of democracy to ridicule democracy in our organ. True, there are others who ably aid us in our endeavor, but the question is, why there should be a conflict in the Prosverta columns about democracy. In other words: does it make sense to have an educational program with democracy as its cornerstone and then shoot it full of holes?

Our organ was never intended to be a Town Hall Meeting of the Air. We have a policy which in itself is debatable only when the time is up for its change, and we should stick to that fundamental. Otherwise we should admit that we have no policy, that our constitution, by-laws, and resolutions are only a joke, and anyone's notion is just as good as the other!

From the foregoing it is plain that we take the Prosverta educational program seriously, and that all those who choose to disagree with this program and would like to substitute it with their own brands of education should take notice that they should wait until their time comes.

Of course, we know that the stuff we are supposed to write in this column (and we do write it) is boresome to many of you; it does not interest you because it is not your "stuff". It probably forces you to think, and, we know—thinking is an awful job. Nevertheless, we must go on. Real education IS thinking, and our duty is to stir new thoughts.

New thoughts, new ideas mean a revolution in your brain, and without that inner revolution there never will be any worthwhile change in general.

Conditions in general at the present time are amazing. The whole world seems to be topsy-turvy, and humankind is surely passing through a severe crisis. Everyone of us is more or less affected by this crisis, and every red-blooded man who works for his living is called upon to do a whole lot of serious thinking.

What else, then, is more important at the present time—in fact, all of the time—than right kind of thought-provoking education?

Either mankind will be saved and uplifted by education, or it will go down to its doom.

## Lodge Letters

### J. Z. JRS. BRIGHT SPOTS

LIBRARY, PA.—The J. Z. Jrs. are planning another gala affair to be held on April 23. Yes, sirree, you guessed it, it's to be a polka dance, the first one ever attempted by the J. Z. Jrs. for their own benefit. Good music has been obtained for this affair. Who? Frank Podobnick's Universal Trio, the perfect music for both young and old, so I am asking all the young lodges as well as the old to come and help make this affair a successful one.

CHAS. PRIJATELJ.  
Pres., Lodge 682.

### JOLLY ALLIS LODGE 686

WEST ALLIS, WIS.—Ah, yes, the months that we have been longing for are here, and with them come the season's amusements. Talking about amusements, let's not forget the event of the year—the SNPJ Bowling Tournament in Chicago, April 30 and May 1. However, we should do our best to attend the following affairs if possible:

Badgers' Athletic dance, April 9.

Badgers' May Ball, May 7.

To satisfy all those who wish to attend domestic affairs and those who wish to travel can attend either of the following: Buckeyes' 10th Anniversary April 23 and 24; Integrities' 10th on April 23 and 24, and Lodge Violet 747 Domaca Zabava April 23.

To top off all the above mentioned we have the Jolly Allis' May Ball on the 14th of May at the beautiful St. Rita's ballroom, South 60th and Lincoln.

Looking through the knot hole we see that Augie has the title of being the Devil in his own home town. And again Bart was caught holding hands. It is a well known fact that "Freshie" is the cause for Snippy's absences at our latest affairs. A strange lass of Minnesota has captured our "little, dark and handsome" chap better known as Adie. "Red's" fiery temper

was aroused two Saturdays ago by

the "saucy little redhead."

Johnnie has a hobby and here it is, folks. It happens that he goes to the movies on Saturdays and Sundays "eyeing" the beautiful ticket sellers, but the nearest he could get to them is the window. The G-Man has some "stolen snapshots" of Johnnie. They are now on display.

Spring really must be here when Ann Yersin and Ann Martinsek sit around and talk about Easter bonnets and such which means—

Angele Kuhel of the Calumet Sentinels paid us a visit and seemed to have had a jolly time. Who is the "Locomotive"? Stephie, Mary and "Oh" of the Buckeyes are kept in touch with the particular boys of Jolly Allis lodge.

We also hear that congratulations are being extended to Nellie Valencheck on the article "Burned Pie." Accept ours also.

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## Supreme Secretary Answers Questions of Local Secretaries and Members

QUESTION: How much credit does a member receive upon his present insurance if he transfers into either of the new classes, plan D or E?

ANSWER: The credit which a member receives upon transferring from plan A to D is based upon the age of the member, his age rate, and membership period. For instance: if a member who is at present 26 years old transfers from plan A to D, and he has been paying assessment at the age rate of 18 years in plan A, which means that he has been a member of the Society for a period of 8 years, he would receive 6 years' credit in the new insurance, and he would pay assessment at the age rate of 20 years. If you will turn to page 130 of the by-laws, you will find how much assessment a member would pay at the age rate of 20 years in plan O. If the same member designated above transferred into plan E, he would receive 2 years' credit, which would make his age rate 24 years. On page 131 of the by-laws you will find a scale showing the amount of assessment that such member would pay. If a member transferred from plan B to D there is hardly any change. The age rate would be raised about one year at the most, and if a member transferred from plan C to E, the age rate would not increase much over 2 years as far as present statistics show.

QUESTION: Can a member insured in any of the new classes borrow immediately upon his certificate for payment of assessment?

ANSWER: No member who is insured in the plans which provide for loans for assessment can borrow upon his certificate for the above purpose until he has been insured in that particular class at least 3 years.

QUESTION: Can a member, whose certificate provides for a loan of assessment, obtain a loan for all his insurance (including sick benefit and disability insurance) upon his certificate?

ANSWER: A member may borrow upon his certificate to pay his assessment only into the mortuary and general expense funds. If he cannot pay assessment for other insurance he may submit an application for a loan from the special benefit fund for payment of same.

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ANSWER: Not necessarily. It is sufficient that the application is properly filled out, signed and mailed to our office by the lodge secretary.

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## S.N.P.J. Sports

### MID-WEST MEETING

CHICAGO.—The minutes of the S.N.P.J. Mid-West League meeting held at Waukegan, Sunday, March 20, at 2:30 p.m. Present were Frank Babik, Little Fortis; Leo Morella and Louis Baffetti, Integrity; John Klansek and Ludwig Vogrich, Mohawks; Adolph Yersin and Anton Kostanjev Jr., Jolly Alijs; John Resnick Jr., Moderns; Harry Uhle and Anton of the Badgers, and Frank Groves of Pioneers.

The minutes of the previous meeting approved. Treasurer's report was also approved. Vogrich reported that lodges should make a better effort to draw larger crowds to the games this summer; this can be done by taking advantage of publicity in local newspapers. After a lengthy discussion on the six months eligibility rule which is now in force for all athletic events, a motion was made by Pilki seconded by Resnick that the Mid-West league go on record recommending that the National Athletic Committee change the eligibility rule from six months to three months, since new members enjoy all other privileges in three months. Vogrich moved, seconded by Yersin, that players of new lodges in the league would be eligible to compete after being one month in the S.N.P.J. and must be in by June 1. Motion carried. Motion by Vogrich, seconded by Yersin, that the Mid-West League recommend to National Athletic Comm. that starting date of eligibility be the date applicant is accepted by local lodge. Motion carried.

Motion by Morella, seconded by Yersin, that Mid-West League recommend to Nat. Ath. Comm. that rule on softball be changed so that metal spikes will not be allowed. Motion carried 6 to 5. Since the La Salle Hawks are the only lodge having a softball team this year, no basketball tournament will be held. Motion by Uhle, seconded by Baffetti, that N.W.L. recommend to NAC instead of expensive trophy for National softball tournament, more less expensive trophies and medals be purchased. Carried. Motion that National softball rules be adopted for the coming season, with exception of clause concerning metal spikes, carried. Motion by Groser, seconded by Yersin, that MWL should support and help interest for National Balins tournament this year, carried. Definition of league plans to be arranged during the National Bowling tournament, adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

FRANK GROSER, Sec'y., Mid-West League.

conducted some crazy new games added to the spirit of the party. In the women's cigarette rolling contest, Mrs. J. Debelak came in first with the best hand-rolled cigarette, taking the first prize, a lovely jar of expensive cold cream. The married men won the Weak-Horse game, making it one victory apiece, as the single men won at our January 22 Party. The championship will be decided at a later date. Al Farnetti won the drawing board prize, a quart of seven crown, which he promptly passed around like a good sport. These parties given about once a month are proving quite successful as indicated by new faces and larger crowds, also in obtaining new members.

The bowling drawing, held as scheduled on March 6, was won by Miss Frances Satke, 7304 St. John ave., and high honors for salesmanship go to Jay Bernick, who sold 130 tickets.

HELEN NADVERNIK, Lodge 750.

### Integrity Broadcast

CHICAGO, ILL.—The March meeting of Lodge Integrity, No. 631, S.N.P.J. was fairly attended. The early rain kept some members away. The three dollar attendance award was again postponed until the April meeting because the winner failed to be present. (The winner was Sister Augusta (Alich) Dezenzo. Sorry, try your luck at the April meeting by being present.) The award at the next meeting will be \$4.

On Sunday, April 24, Lodge Integrity will give a treat to Chicago S.N.P.J. members. With the Vadal Quartet and many other short and peppy numbers on the program, and also a two-act play, it will really be a treat for all who will attend. Dancing in the evening to Homer Hieft and his orchestra in the upper hall and to Gradišek-Omerza music in the lower hall. Get your tickets now!

MICHAEL FLEISCHACKER, Sec'y.

### Revellettes Club

AMBRIDGE, PA.—Four girls showed up for last Wed. nite meeting. Plans are being made for Revellettes Spring Dance on May 28, at the Slovenc hall, Revellettes will hold their Annual Anniversary Dance on May 21 in the Croatian hall. Let's all boast this dance among our friends.

The following girls that are mentioned please meet at the Slovenc hall at 8 o'clock: Jewel, Marge, Mitzi, Jennie K., Stellie, Dorothy, Mildred on Wed. nite, it is very important.

A surprise is in store, for everyone on April 13, Revellettes girls are going to bowl Aliquippa girls in Ambridge sometimes in April.

Revellette Ceilie Larrick is recuperating from an operation in the Sewickley hospital.

We wish her a speedy recovery. More of our members should attend meetings. Kate Grandovich has moved to Maplewood ave. "Hoopla," why don't you continue writing, we miss your articles.

A REVELETTTE, Lodge 699.

U. S. millionaires are marching to the tune of Fascism, William E. Dodd, former U. S. ambassador to Germany, warns.

Blackshirts in Italy, brownshirts in Germany, stuffed shirts in America.

Returning to the music and my

thoughts, I see adorable ladies in beautiful gowns, and handsome gentlemen in their Sunday best, swaying in even tempo with the orchestra. Though the array of gowns will give an observer the impression that this is a formal, you will notice, however, that informality prevails. I see crowds here, there and everywhere. Old friends, new friends, fathers, mothers, brothers and sisters enjoying to full extent the music, food and the atmosphere of the Marine Ballroom.

If you enjoy the finer things of life, come to the Tri-Lodge Dance without fail! This dance is being sponsored by the S.N.P.J. Veronians-Ramblers-Comets and will be held at the Willows on May 14. The admission will be 65c in advance and 75c at the door. Music for this gala affair will be furnished by Ken Martin's broadcasting orchestra. Those of you who have heard this famous orchestra over the air waves will be thrilled at the prospect of dancing to such a fine band. A special feature of the dance will be Joe Umek. His selections will be enjoyable to young and old. Everybody, Willows-bound!

CATHERINE ZOLET, 680.

### Lodge Vermillions

OGLESBY, ILL.—Our regular monthly meeting was held last Monday with almost all our members present. We debated on starting a softball team, but our boys weren't very enthusiastic about it. We discussed the Juvenile Campaign, which hasn't had any results in Oglesby as yet. Doesn't this campaign mean anything to you, members? Why don't we each go out and bring in at least one new member? So far no one has shown the least bit of interest in bringing in new juveniles. Let's try and make the Vermillions a bigger and better lodge. It doesn't seem to be growing any. We haven't had a new member yet this year. So let's hurry up and do something about it.

On Sunday, April 10, the Mohawks of La Salle are presenting the "Supertime Frolics" of Radio Station W. J. D. at the Dom. Tickets can be purchased for 35 cents from Sister Mary Skopore, our secretary, or John Klansek.

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# Minutes of the Semi-Annual Meeting of the Supreme Board

Held February 10th, 11th and 12th, 1938, at Society's Headquarters, 2657-59  
S. Lawndale Avenue, Chicago, Illinois

## REPORT OF SUPREME SECRETARY

Owing to present conditions and drastic changes of laws pertaining to fraternal benefit societies, more so than in the last decade, by which our Society is also more or less implicated, it is natural that these unusual current developments disturb some of our members who are accustomed to the old traditions, and believe that everything should remain unchanged. For instance, some of our members cannot comprehend the ruling of the Insurance Department of our state according to which the by-laws of fraternal benefit societies are legally recognized only in the English language; likewise, they do not like the decision in regard to applications for new members, which must also be filed out in English by the local lodge secretaries. Undoubtedly, new rules and regulations cause many secretaries considerable inconvenience, and impose extra work upon our office such as photographing applications, etc.; nevertheless, we must assimilate ourselves to new methods. It is essential to mention these facts because I have noticed that some members are under the impression — perhaps deliberately disturbing other members — that these changes are simply prescribed by the Supreme Secretary or the Executive Committee. For a better understanding, I wish to state that the Executive Committee still understands the Slovene language better than the English; nevertheless, we must comply with the new rules and regulations of the Insurance Department. Although we may not agree with all recent requirements demanded by some state departments, there is no justified reason, according to my opinion, for any particular disturbance. If we observe other countries, we find considerably less freedom for the foreign element than here.

The increase in membership last year was not very satisfactory, and from the report already published you have probably noticed that in general we have increased our membership by only 293 members. The reason for this slight progress was to some extent already explained in my previous report; however, I wish to add that experience has shown that the best investment of money for securing new members is by appropriating prizes for agitators.

In the year of 1937 the amount of \$2502.21 was appropriated for promoting athletics. No one is so optimistic as to anticipate miracles from our younger members in the field of expansion of membership; nevertheless, I believe that the arguments of those at the 11th regular convention were somewhat exaggerated when they pointed out what important results can be derived through athletics. Experience proves that youth does not "dash" into our Society at bowling alleys, nor on baseball fields; in order to be successful, young members must agitate for new members from house to house just as is done by the senior members. How much money shall be donated in the future for athletic purposes depends entirely upon the members themselves, and it is my sincere desire that the English-speaking members take this into consideration. The Juvenile Jubilee Campaign is now in full progress and we are receiving very inspiring reports from our active members, as can also be noted from the Slovene section of the official organ. However, in the English section, with a few exceptions, there is more interest shown for bowling and athletics in general than for the current campaign. Delegates at the last convention supported athletics in the hope that same would benefit the Society; i.e., to serve as an attraction for new membership, and the younger generation should not be under the impression that donations were granted for athletic purposes only. To avoid any misunderstanding, may I say that I am in favor to grant financial support for athletic purposes within the Society, under the condition, of course, as emphasized at the last convention, that this shall serve the purpose for which it is intended—the expansion of the membership.

The new certificate (Cert. II) of the juvenile department is exceptionally good for those who can afford to pay a little higher assessment. Upon attaining the age of 16 years the child or parents may receive a cash amount upon the certificate, which up to the present time probably has not yet been paid by any other organization for the assessment collected. This is possible in our Society because the juvenile department has an exceptionally high reserve.

In connection with the juvenile department may I also mention the fact that the sum of \$10,254.09 has been paid to those members who transferred from the juvenile into the adult department last year. This is of considerable aid to the parents of such children who transfer, as some of them do not have to pay any assessment for months.

For the first time in the history of our Society we are able to announce the actual number of members of each sex within our organization. This will, no doubt, interest you, and a new actuary system which was installed not long ago, enables us to obtain this information. Statistics show that we have 21,083 male members and 14,826 female members in our Society, or 6,257 more men than women. In the juvenile department we found that we have 7,067 boys and 6,628 girls, or 435 more boys than girls.

The 11th regular convention, as well as the previous, devoted considerable time to find a way to facilitate those members, who were forced to leave the Society due to the economic depression, to be reinstated. Finally a resolution was accepted by the last convention whereby all those in this category were able to become reinstated under favorable conditions within a period of 6 months. The result, unfortunately, was poor as only 240 members were reinstated under this resolution. This proves that all of our efforts in trying to help people do not amount to very much, if the people themselves are not interested in their own destiny.

## REPORT ON MEMBERSHIP

July 1st to December 31st, 1937

## ADULT DEPARTMENT

Membership as of July 1st, 1937..... 35,473  
New admitted members..... 814  
Cancelled reinstated..... 422

Cancelled reinstated under the provisions adopted at 11th Convention..... 135\*

Total..... 36,844

Died..... 156  
Cancelled..... 780 935

Membership as of December 31st, 1937..... 35,909

Membership as of July 1st, 1937..... 35,473

INCREASE IN THE SECOND HALF OF 1937..... 436

## JUVENILE DEPARTMENT

Membership as of July 1st, 1937.....	14,053
New admitted members.....	359
Total.....	14,412
Died..... 10	
Transferred to the Adult Department..... 516	
Canceled..... 191 717	
Membership as of December 31st, 1937..... 13,695	
Membership as of July 1st, 1937..... 14,053	

## DECREASE IN THE SECOND HALF of 1937..... 358

Membership of the Adult Department as of December 31st, 1937..... 35,909

Membership of the Juvenile Department of December 31st, 1937..... 13,695

Total Membership as of December 31st, 1937..... 49,604

Total Membership as of January 1st, 1938..... 49,311

INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP FOR 1937..... 293

NOTE:—Number of reinstated by resolution entered as at December 1st, 1937..... 135

Number of reinstated by resolution entered as at January 1st, 1938..... 105

Total admitted under the provisions of the resolution..... 240

## REPORT ON OPERATIONS AND DISABILITIES

from July 1st to December 31st, 1937

Operations	Number of cases	Amount
Appendicitis	87	\$5,882.50
Hernia	52	3,660.00
Laparotomy	32	2,182.50
Gall bladder	28	1,982.50
Hemorrhoids	27	1,300.00
Hysterectomy	18	1,860.00
Goitre	15	1,087.60
Open reduction of bones	10	250.00
Varicose veins	8	275.00
Cancer	3	225.00
Osteomyelitis	3	150.00
Gastric ulcers	3	225.00
Empyema	3	175.00
Cataract	3	225.00
Threphining	3	225.00
Resection of glands	3	185.00
Mastoidectomy	2	150.00
Nephrectomy	2	150.00
Thoracoplasty	2	100.00
Hydrocele	2	70.00
Tubercular glands	2	70.00
Gall Stones	1	75.00
Cesarean operation	1	75.00
Ectopic Pregnancy	1	75.00
Laminctomy	1	75.00
Total operations	312	\$20,220.00

Disabilities:

Loss of arm.....	2	600.00
Loss of leg.....	3	900.00
Loss of vision or eye.....	7	2,100.00
Loss of fingers.....	5	150.00
Loss of thumb.....	1	50.00
Broken back.....	1	600.00

Total disabilities..... 19 4,400.00

Compromissary claim..... 1 125.00

TOTAL OPERATIONS, DISABILITIES AND COMPROMISSARY CLAIM..... 332 \$24,745.00

## REPORT ON DEATH CLAIMS

from January 1st to December 31st, 1937

Cause of death:	Number of cases	Amount of Insurance
Heart diseases	76	\$51,500.00
Cancer	48	32,450.00
Pneumonia & Influenza	46	35,150.00
Tuberculosis	38	32,000.00
Cerebral hemorrhage	24	15,800.00
Various accidents	13	11,100.00
Auto-accidents	12	7,400.00
Mine Accidents	11	8,400.00
Peritonitis	11	8,600.00
Apoplex	8	5,500.00
Suicide	7	7,550.00
Septicemia	7	5,100.00
Nephritis	6	3,750.00
Paralysis	6	4,450.00
Diabetes	6	4,300.00
Gastric ulcers	5	3,700.00
Silicosis	4	4,600.00
Burns	4	2,700.00
Alcoholism	4	2,800.00
Asthma	4	2,650.00
Meningitis	3	3,000.00
Encephalitis	2	1,450.00
Erysipelas	2	1,200.00
Homicide	2	2,000.00
Pellagra	1	1,800.00
Thyroid	1	1,000.00
Poisoning	1	1,000.00
Epilepsy	1	500.00
Obstruction of bowels	1	500.00
Bright's disease	1	1,500.00
Embolism	1	600.00
TOTAL	356	\$262,850.00

## REPORT ON DEATH CLAIMS

as at December 31st, 1937

ADULT DEPARTMENT

Incurred death claims (155).....	\$125,300.00
Unpaid death claims July 1st.....	18,947.29
Total.....	\$144,247.29
Death claims paid July 1st to December 31st.....	\$126,279.50
Amount of death claims scaled down.....	302.25 126,581.75

AMOUNT OF DEATH CLAIMS UNPAID DECEMBER 31st, 1937..... \$ 17,965.54

## JUVENILE DEPARTMENT

Incurred death claims (10).....	\$ 3,745.00
Death claim unpaid July 1st.....	160.00
Total.....	\$ 3,905.00
Death claims paid.....	3,655.00

DEATH CLAIM UNPAID DECEMBER 31st, 1937..... \$ 250.00

## PROSVETA

FINANCIAL REPORT

July 1st to December 31st, 1937

### ADULT DEPARTMENT

#### MORTUARY FUND

RECEIPTS

DISBURSEMENTS

Balance July 1st, 1937..... \$6,000,910.96

Unpaid death claims July 1st, 1937..... 18,947.29

Assessment..... 197,064.83

Net income from investments..... 104,561.24

Death claims paid..... 126,279.50

Cash withdrawal and Compr. Claims..... 1,140.02

Unpaid death claims..... 17,665.54

Balance December 31st, 1937..... 6,176,389.26

\$6,321,474.32

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DISABILITY FUND

Balance July 1st, 1937..... \$ 77,105.86

Assessment..... 33,245.28

Claims paid..... 24,745.00

Balance December 31st, 1937..... 85,606.14

\$110,351.14

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SICK BENEFIT FUND

\$1 Class

Balance July 1st, 1937..... \$ 201,800.95

Transfer of 50c Class..... 2,192.66

Assessment..... 88,696.30

Initiation fees..... 8.00

Claims paid..... 78,939.25

Balance December 31st, 1937..... 213,758.66

\$ 292,697.91

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GENERAL FUND

\$2 Class

Balance July 1st, 1937..... \$ 143,729.97

Regular assessment..... 79,012.50