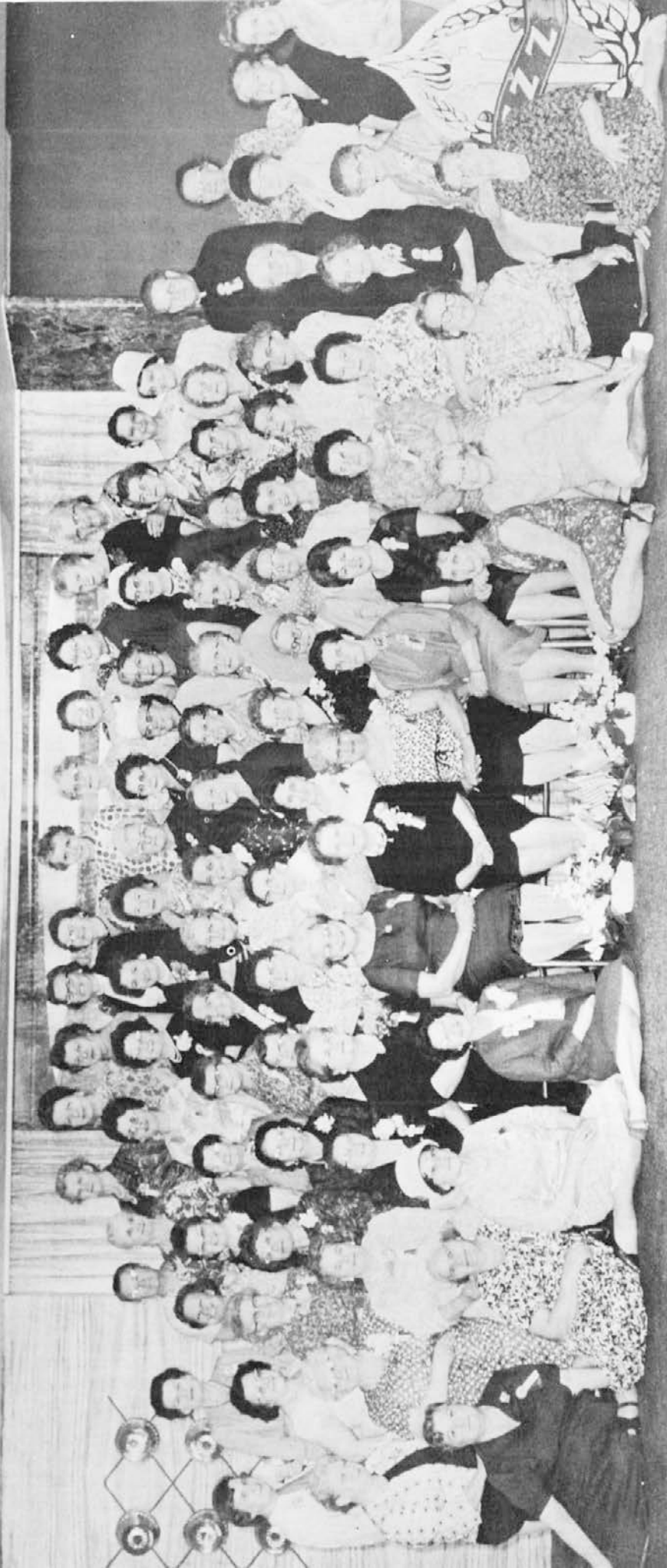


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## HAPPY BIRTHDAY IN JULY

### Supreme Officers:

July 23 — Louise Epley, Juvenile Activities Director,  
Warrensville Hgts., O.

July 28 — Rose Scoff, State President, San Francisco, Cal.  
**Branch Presidents:**

July 2 — Anna Kameen, Br. 7, Forest City, Pa.

July 3 — Anna Trontel, Br. 26, Pittsburgh, Pa.

July 4 — Ann Heinemann, Br. 28, Calumet, Mich.

July 12 — Katherine De Petro, Br. 86, Nashauk, Minn.

July 13 — Ann Richards, Br. 22, Bradley, Ill.

July 21 — Ann Kosteletz, Br. 39, Biwabik, Minn.

July 21 — Pauline Adamic, Br. 105, Detroit, Mich.

July 25 — Mary Messersmith, Br. 8, Steelton, Pa.

July 26 — Ann Petanovich, Br. 80, Moon Run, Pa.

July 30 — Josephine Prebil, Br. 46, St. Louis, Mo.

July 31 — Kathryn Pauline, Br. 94, Canton, Ohio

MANY HAPPY RETURNS OF THE DAY!

HAPPY FEASTDAY TO ALL ANNS ON JULY 26TH!

## DATES TO REMEMBER . . .

July 19th—25th Annual SWU Pilgrimage, Lemont, Ill.

Aug. 19 — Pot-Luck Supper, Br. 23, Ely, Minn.

Sept. 2—Yearly Card Party, Br. 1, Sheboygan, Wis.

Sept. 4 — Junior Hop, Br. 13, San Francisco, Cal.

Sept. 13—Minnesota Zveza Day, Biwabik, Minn.

Sept. 13 — Penna. Zveza Day.

Sept. 14—Wiener Roast, Br. 73, Warrensville, Hgts., O.

Sept. 16 — 35th Anniversary, Br. 34, Soudan, Minn.

Sept. 20 — 35th Anniversary, Br. 32, Euclid, Ohio

Sept. 20 — State Convention, Colo.-Kans.-Mo., Pueblo, Col.

Sept. 27—Miscellaneous Card Party, Br. 17, W. Allis, Wis.

Oct. 14—25th Anniversary, Br. 95, So. Chicago, Ill.

Oct. 22—Annual Birthday Celebration, Br. 73,

Warrensville Hgts., Ohio

Oct. 27—Usinger Sausage Demonstration, Br. 17,

West Allis, Wis., also Card Party, 7:30 p. m.

Dec. 7—Christmas Party, Br. 73, Warrensville, Ohio

## ON THE COVER . . .

Officers and Delegates of the 13th National Convention held in May at Chicago, Illinois, gathered for this souvenir Convention photo at the Morrison Hotel. Joining the official family were members and guests from many parts

of the U.S. Convention meetings and social events were all highly successful and memorable. The first two days' proceedings of the Convention are contained in this issue to be followed in future issues by the concluding day's Minutes and the Slovenian language translation.

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VICKI FALETIC  
S. W. U. CONVENTION QUEEN!

Representing Br. No. 25, Cleveland, Ohio, our Convention Queen, Vicki Faletic earned the title by enrolling most new members. The Coronation of the Queen and Princesses at the recent National Convention was a highlight when Beautiful Queen Vicki, seen here in all her raiment, accepted her crown and scepter!

*Hail, Her Majesty, the Queen!*

# Minutes of the 13th National Convention of the Slovenian Women's Union

MAY 18, 19, 20, 1964, HOTEL MORRISON, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

The 13th National Convention of the Slovenian Women's Union of America is being held at the Morrison Hotel, 79 W. Madison Street, Chicago, Illinois on the days of May 17 thru 20, 1964. The formal opening of the convention is called for Monday, May 18 at 9:00 a.m. at the Embassy Room of the Morrison Hotel.

The following Supreme Officers are present:

Founder — Honorary President, Marie Prislant  
 Supreme President, Antonia Turek  
 Vice-President, Marie A. Floryan  
 Secretary, Albina Novak  
 Treasurer, Josephine Zeleznikar  
 Auditor, Ann Podgorsek  
 Auditor, Vicki Faletic  
 Auditor, Frances J. Gaspich  
 Director of Women's Activities, Eliz. Zefran  
 Editor, Corinne Leskovar  
 State President, Colo. - Kans. - Mo., Anna Pachak  
 State President, Wisconsin, Rose Kraemer  
 State President, Pennsylvania - New York, Mary Tomsic  
 State President, Calif. - Ore. - Wash., Rose Scoff  
 State President, Ill. - Ind., Mildred James  
 State President, Minnesota, Barbara Rosandich

The Convention also is honored by the presence of Spiritual Advisor, Rev. Claude Okorn.

In accordance with the By-Laws, the President appoints Albina Novak and Corinne Leskovar as recording secretaries of the Convention. They will transcribe Minutes daily and distribute copies to the delegates.

#### Report of the Credential Committee:

President of the Credential Committee, Mildred James (95) makes the following report. The 13th National Convention of Slovenian Women's Union of America Credential Committee authorizes the seating of 17 Supreme Officers and Spiritual Advisor and 52 duly verified delegates. The total assembly is 69 members.

The Roll is taken and all are present.

Branch	Delegate
1. Sheboygan, Wis.	Anna Modiz
2. Chicago, Ill.	Frances Zibert
	Stephanie Osterman
3. Pueblo, Colo.	Pachak Anne
	Simonich Frances
	Josephine Turk
5. Indianapolis, Ind.	Josephine Gostisha
7. Forest City, Pa.	Millie Novak
10. Cleveland, Ohio	Mary Camloh
	Frances Plesko
12. Milwaukee, Wis.	Margaret Fager
13. San Francisco, Calif.	Molly Sodja
14. Euclid, Ohio	Mary Iskra
	Frances Novak
15. Cleveland, Ohio	Katie Triller
16. So. Chicago, Ill.	Marion Marolt
17. West Allis, Wis.	Mary Lenich
19. Eveleth, Minn.	Josephine Sumic
20. Joliet, Ill.	Frances Bottari
	Stella Dancull (53)
21. Cleveland, Ohio	Katherine Slogar
23. Ely, Minn.	Angela Strukel
24. La Salle, Ill.	Pauline Stampfel
25. Cleveland, Ohio	Mary Otonicar
	Josephine Golinski

28. Calumet, Mich.  
 31. Gilbert, Minn.  
 32. Euclid, Ohio  
 33. Duluth, Minn.  
 34. Soudan, Minn.  
 38. Chisholm, Minn.  
 39. Biwabik, Minn.  
 40. Lorain, Ohio  
 41. Cleveland, Ohio  
 42. Maple Hgts, Ohio  
 43. Milwaukee, Wis.  
 47. Garfield Hgts, Ohio  
 50. Cleveland, Ohio  
 52. Hibbing, Minn.  
 56. Hibbing, Minn.  
 57. Niles, Ohio  
 64. Kansas City, Kans.  
 66. Canon City, Colo.  
 71. Strabane, Pa.  
 72. Pullman, Ill.  
 73. Warrensville, Ohio  
 84. New York City  
 89. Oglesby, Ill.  
 90. Presto, Penna.  
 95. So. Chicago, Ill.  
 96. Universal, Penna.  
 99. Elmhurst, Ill.

Stephanie Ryan (94)  
 Antoinette Lucich  
 Theresa Potokar  
 Roseann Munsell  
 Mary Pahula (79)  
 Frances Kren  
 Angeline Karish (81-83)  
 Angela Kozjan  
 Mary Debevec  
 Louise Prhne (51-101)  
 Josephine Kolar  
 Jennie Pugely  
 Mary Bostian  
 Rose Chiodo (45)  
 Anne B. Satovich  
 Frances Yerman (59-61)  
 Regina Cop (46-100)  
 Christine Konte (78-92)  
 Mary Bostjancic  
 Wilma Zaggar, (65-86)  
 Louise Epley  
 Angela Voje (93)  
 Frances Nemeth (85)  
 Johanna Aubel (91)  
 Mildred James  
 Pauline V. Kokal (9-105)  
 Mollie Remeck (63)

The President names the following committees:

#### Greetings Committee:

Rose Kraemer, Pres. (43)  
 Stephanie Ryan, Sec'y (28)  
 Frances Simonich (3)  
 Mary Pahula (34)  
 Frances Nemeth (89)

#### Resolutions Committee:

Marie Floryan, Pres. (17)  
 Millie Novak, Sec'y (10)  
 Frances Plesko (12)  
 Pauline Stampfel (25)  
 Angela Strukel (24)  
 Johanna Aubel (90)  
 Mary Bostjancic (71)

#### By-Law Committee:

Marie Prislant, Pres. (1)  
 Josephine Golinski, Sec'y (25)  
 Frances Gaspich (20)  
 Mary Camloh (10)  
 Mary Tomsic (71)  
 Angela Kozjan (40)  
 Frances Hren (38)

#### Salary & Per Diem Committee:

Vicki Faletic, Pres. (25)  
 Rose Scoff (13)  
 Ann Kompare (95)  
 Angela Voje (84)  
 Louise Prhne (42)  
 Christine Konte (66)  
 Katherine Slogar (23)  
 Theresa Potokar (32)  
 Anna Pachak (3)

#### Nominating Committee:

Mary Otonicar, Pres. (25)

Frances Zibert, Sec'y (2)  
 Ann Modiz (1)  
 Frances Novak (15)  
 Pauline Kokal (96)  
 Barbara Rosandich (23)  
 Josephine Turk (5)  
 Mary Iskra (14)  
 Jennie Pugely (47)

#### Youth & Recreation Committee:

Elizabeth Zefran, Pres. (2)  
 Josephine Sumic, Sec'y (20)  
 Mary Bostian (50)  
 Vickie Kastelic (17)  
 Frances Yerman (67)  
 Margaret Fager (13)  
 Angeline Karish (29)  
 Josephine Gostisha (7)  
 Louise Epley (73)  
 Anna B. Satovich (56)  
 Roseann Munsell (33)  
 Rose Chiodo (52)  
 Frances Sterle (19)  
 Pauline Cesar (14)

#### Sentinels Committee:

Monday:  
 Stephanie Osterman (2)  
 Stella Dancull (21)

Tuesday:  
 Antoinette Lucich (31)  
 Mollie Remeck (99)

Wednesday:  
 Mary Debevec (41)  
 Wilma Zaggar (72)

The Greetings Committee is asked to make a report in the afternoon session. Founder Marie Prisland presents a Resolution (Pledge) she proposes be sent to President of the United States, Lyndon B. Johnson on behalf of the S.W.U. It is read and accepted.

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The Slovenian Women's Union of America, an Educational and Benefit organization, convening in Chicago, Illinois, May 17-20, 1964, accepted the following PLEDGE to be forwarded to the President of the United States:

#### THE PLEDGE

To the President of the United States, as a living memorial to our late President, John Fitzgerald Kennedy, members of the Supreme Board and the delegates of the 13th National Convention of the Slovenian Women's Union of America, on behalf of themselves and the entire membership of 12,000, offer this pledge:

That we shall freely accept the torch which has been passed on to our generation, that we shall replace all hate with tolerance, all rashness with patience, all bigotry with love, that we shall commit ourselves to the implications of the brotherhood and sisterhood of man under the fatherhood of God, and thereby spread those ideals for which John Fitzgerald Kennedy gave his last full measure of devotion.

We therefore pledge you, Mr. President, our loyalty, our cooperation and our prayers . . .

(Signed) Mrs. Antonia Turek  
Presiding Officer of the  
Convention

(Signed) Albina Novak  
Secretary of the Convention

Pledge presented by:

Mrs. Marie Prisland,  
Founder  
Slovenian Women's Union of America

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The President calls for the reading of reports.

#### President's Report:

Greetings Father Claude Okorn, officers, delegates and friends. My first term as president has passed very fast and it was a pleasure to work with the officers and members as they all co-operated very well.

Duties that I have performed in the past three years I have written in the Zaria every month.

I had charge of the Cleveland Bowling Teams which consisted of 22 to 24 teams; yearly bazaars that are held in Cleveland by the Cleveland branches. Attended the following State Conventions: Minnesota in 1961 and 1962, Pennsylvania in 1961 and 1963, Ohio State Convention in 1961 and 1962 and Illinois in 1961 and 1963.

With State President, Ella Starin, we helped to organize the new branch No. 101 at Bedford, Ohio in 1961.

I also attended the 35th anniversaries of Branches 10, 14, 21 and 25, and visited the following: Br. 6, Barberton, 73, Warrensville Hgts., Ohio and 28, Calumet, Mich.

Congratulations to our Convention Queen, Vicki Faletic of Br. 25, Cleveland, who enrolled 42 new members. She not only was the winner of this last campaign but also in the previous three campaigns, enrolling a total of 198 members. Congratulations also to the runner-ups who put their untiring effort into winning the honor of "princess" titles: Rose Zelodec (50), Ann Podgorsek (33) and Rose Kraemer (43). In the past three years we have enrolled 1099 new members.

Slovenian Women's Union has made history in the past three years which we should all be very proud of — for our Zveza was the first Slovenian group to ever visit the following places with such large groups: 1st. 1961 Trip to Hawaii under the leadership of Frances Chiodo. 2nd. 1961 trip to the Shrines in Canada with Liz Zefran as leader. 3rd. 1962, Three bus convoy of 117 passengers visited the Washington D.C. area, Gettysburg and Immaculate Con-

ception Shrine, in charge were Corinne Leskovar of Chicago and myself. In 1963 we are also on record of having the largest group visit Europe. Sponsoring tours in this way, we are helping our Zveza members to visit countries, shrines and places of interest where they otherwise would never venture by themselves. We also have enrolled a number of new members through all this fine publicity.

We should strive by all means and ways to keep up all ventures of travel, sports, activities for juniors and keep our Zveza going up and let everyone in this wide world know that you are proud to be a member of the one and only Slovenian Women's Union of America.

We better not forget also that our Zveza was the first to help students with funds that they raised into a scholarship fund, to enable students to reach their goal in education. Other Slovenian and Croatian organizations are following in our footsteps.

Let us all work together and keep our beloved Zveza and help to make her progressive in the years to come.

This concludes my report and wish that our Convention shall be a very successful one.

Antonia Turek

The Vice-President asks for acceptance of this report and it is given.

The President calls for the report of the Founder and Secretary of Finance Committee. Mrs. Marie Prisland prefaces her report with a sincere greeting to the assembly and gives a few highlights of the preceding day's program. She is very happy to have been a part of the successful opening day ceremonies and is grateful to the officers and members of Br. 2, Chicago for their preparations and arrangements for the convention.

#### Triennial Report of Secretary of Finance Board and

#### President Scholarship and Benefit Committee FINANCIAL REPORT

Covering the period from January 1, 1961 to January 1, 1964.

#### Investments sold:

U.S. Government bonds (matured)	\$ 54,000.00
Boston Fund shares	10,115.28
Massachusetts Growth Fund shares	7,283.00
Savings and Loan Associations	15,000.00
Total	\$ 86,398.28

#### Profit on Investments sold —

Dobiček pri prodanih vlogah \$3,726.65

#### New Investments:

U.S. Government bonds	\$ 53,000.00
Catholic Institutional bonds	57,500.00
Savings and Loan Associations	5,000.00
Savings deposit in banks	11,703.00
Total	\$127,203.00

#### Total Investments — Celotne investicije:

U.S. Government bonds	\$ 97,469.00
State bonds	38,558.00
Catholic Institutional bonds	93,174.00
Mutual Funds	4,320.00
Savings and Loan deposits	220,000.00
Central bank in Cleveland, Ohio, savings	5,000.00
Metropolitan Bank, Chicago, Ill., savings	5,000.00
South West State Bank, Sheboygan, Wis.	5,000.00
Real Estate, fully depreciated	11,658.71
Total Investments	\$480,179.71
Checking account January 1, 1964	10,700.58

Grand Total January 1, 1964 —  
Celotna imovina \$490,880.29

Grand Total January 1, 1961 —  
Celotna imovina 450,041.12

Gain — Napredek v treh letih \$ 40,839.16

(The Supreme secretary will report on Standing of Funds).

## SCHOLARSHIP AND BENEFIT FUND

Balance on hand January 1, 1961 — Preostanek	\$ 7,258.68
Income: Interest and contributions	1,534.31
Total	\$ 8,792.99
Disbursements: Scholarship awards. —	
Šolnina in Razno	1,328.40
Balance January 1, 1964 —	
Preostanek 1, jan. 1964	\$ 7,454.59

Scholarship awards have been received by the following: - Šolnina je bila izplačana sledečim:

Richard Grill, Chicago, Ill.	\$200.00
Nancy Beck, Cleveland, O.	200.00
Frances Gerchman, Forest City, Pa.	200.00
Arlene Vojtko, Lorain, O.	200.00
Rosanne Savol, Joliet, Ill.	200.00
Joan Mahaffay, Calumet, Mich.	200.00

## INVESTMENTS OF SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Community Federal Savings & Loan, St. Louis, Mo.	\$ 5,000.00
Sheboygan Savings and Loan, Sheboygan, Wis.	1,928.29
Balance of checking account	526.30
Total Investments	\$ 7,454.59

## BENEFIT FUND — DOBRODELNI SKLAD

Balance on Hand, January 1, 1964	\$ 174.65
Cash gifts and gain from sale of handwork at the convention in Ely, Minn. 1961	623.25
Profit from afgan sold	300.00
Total	\$ 1,097.90
*Donation to Sisters of St. Francis in Lemont for the Home for the Aged	1,023.00
CARE packages sent to Slovenia	38.50
Balance on Hand, January 1, 1964	\$ 36.50
Transferred to the Scholarship Fund	36.40
Balance on Hand Jan. 1, 1964	—

\*The total contribution to the Sisters' Home for the Aged in Lemont, by the S.W.U. and its two branches, No. 2, Chicago (\$600.00) and No. 16, So. Chicago (\$175.00) amounts to \$1,798.00. — The Benefit Fund is now closed.

The Scholarship Committee is pleased to have been able to assist, to date, twenty-five young people in continuing their education and reaching their goals. Many and varied interests have been helped: eight teachers, three theology students, two doctors, nurses, accountants and dentists, and one sociologist, engineer, biologist, musician, scientist, and medical technician. The Committee is also indeed grateful for the generous contributions it has received from the public. Mrs. Anna Pachak, State President from Pueblo, Colorado, is the most substantial supporter.

This report would not be complete without mentioning some of my activities. Since the last convention, I attended all the state conventions in Wisconsin and one in Illinois. It was my pleasure to be present at the anniversary celebrations of Branches No. 12, 17. Besides giving the scholarship awards, I also have administered the Benefit Fund and invested Zveza's surplus and gains in the best securities on the market.

Two new projects which I completed were the "History of the Slovenian Women's Union," in English, and an article entitled, "Christmas Customs in Slovenia" which appear in the current edition of our cook book, "Woman's Glory — The Kitchen," of which I am co-editor. I also compiled the history of our organization in Slovenian for the National Library and University of Ljubljana, Slovenia, which will later issue a book on Slovenian immigration to the United States. This history, together with other historical material, was sent to the University of Minnesota Library for their collection on Slovenian immigration to United States.

The Slovenian monthly column, "Oh, Ta Svet," now in its eighteenth year, appears in Zarja. I no longer edit "Pots and Pans and Pastime." This column is now in the hands of my daughter.

I am most happy to see that our treasury is close to the half million mark. To achieve this with our small as-

essment, and covering the many disbursements, is really an accomplishment. We can be proud of our administration!

On behalf of all of us, I expressed our sincere sympathy to Mrs. John F. Kennedy at the time of the tragic death of her husband, the President of the United States. She replied with a lovely letter of gratitude and enclosed a dear picture of the Kennedy family. (See page 183.)

I am indeed grateful for the friendship and co-operation I have received from the officers and members. I am proud of them and I am proud of the organization! May God bless you all!

With warmest greetings to all of you and best wishes for a successful convention,

Sincerely,

Marie Prislund,

Secretary Finance Board,

President Scholarship and Benefit Committee

The President calls for acceptance of the report and it is given.

## REPORT OF THE SUPREME SECRETARY

Sincere greetings to all who have come to Chicago from New York to California and ten states in between! This fair city extends to each and everyone a most cordial welcome. The official opening yesterday with Holy Mass and the get-together dinner and program surely must have proven to you that we are all most interested in making the 13th National Convention one which will go into the records as the best so far!

Branch No. 2 of Chicago is blessed with a number of very ambitious and congenial officers and members who have been well-aware of the work involved for a successful outcome and they have given their best for the preparations, realizing that to achieve the goal it takes effort and many sacrifices. On behalf of the entire assembly, I extend heartfelt thanks to everyone for whatever part they have had in planning the convention. Our parish, St. Stephen's, is not a large one because the parishioners have been taking an interest in living in the outskirts were they have more land and better homes and also, many have passed on; however, the present members of St. Stephen's, which have been greatly boosted by the new Americans from Slovenia, have every reason to be very proud of the leadership in the clergy and the younger generation which is contributing in many cultural aspects.

I could mention many individuals for their contributions, but, I'll omit names because those who have given much have done it without thought of reward — rather, to have the satisfaction of seeing the happiness on everyone's face. God will surely bless them and we will keep the memory fresh a long time to come.

To all: A BIG THANK YOU from the depths of our hearts!

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This is my twelfth convention, starting with the second one held in Sheboygan in 1930. I began by serving in the Supreme Board in 1930 having had two years of practical experience previously as an organizer and branch officer. Those were the years when we were building, or in other words, "sowing the seed" for a good growing organization. Our Founder, Mrs. Marie Prislund, and those who started from the very beginning will forever remember the many sacrifices that were made for the cultivation of good ground whenever the S.W.U. planted a new root. Time, effort and personal expenses were not counted by the pioneer workers. But, times and conditions over which we have no control, made our work more difficult. No one who lived through the depression will ever forget that money was scarce and it took double-duty work to keep the torch burning. It was at that time that public demonstrations of appreciation became more and more evident. We responded by our own displays of the colorful, uniformed groups that were organized. We spread the good word for our Slovenska Ženska Zveza in every Slovenian community in the United States and also, before the American public. The young ladies of those teams are now home-

makers, mothers and even grandmothers; but, the spirit still lives in many of them as we have seen in the wonderful performance of yesterday. Our brave soldiers showed us that the saying "a good soldier never dies" is true also in their minds and hearts. All honor to them — we hope that much of their energy will rub off on their offspring and that three years from now, we will see the younger generation again taking an interest in public demonstrations because we know that it adds to the beauty of our culture and also the good name of S.W.U.

Perhaps the thought of what happened to our drill teams? has entered your minds before. The Second World War is the cause for most of their disappearance and of course, the few leaders we had to promote and carry out the idea of uniformed groups, were greatly overworked. Too much was expected from the same people and successors were not found. I'm hoping now, after seeing the Cleveland members of Br. 50, that the spark still burns and will start a bigger flame so that this spectacular work will again get going.

Before assuming the office of Supreme Secretary, I served in three very important administrative positions. As an auditor, I had the experience of finding out what is the central office and what is administrative work. As an editor, I had the experience of encouraging publicity and creating contacts with members who had the inside news of every branch. As president for six "hard years," I had the top executive experience and it was in 1952 that I took over the office of Secretary that the reins of the big team were really put into my hands. With the knowledge of the business part of our organization as a good basic beginning, I knew that it would be a new era of work for me and that it would take time to get fully acquainted with the work that deals directly with the subordinate branches and secretaries, in other words, the "money-collectors." Suffice it to say, our secretaries are our mainstay and we could not function without them. I must admit that at the present time, the Home Office is not only dealing with financial reports but as an administrative and counseling office. Most of all, the Supreme Secretary must be a humanitarian to keep the wheels moving while understanding each problem as it comes. There are times when the wheels have to be greased to keep a good motion, but, with the many good mechanics that we have in branches, we somehow keep going . . . There are times, with full speed ahead and then again, with a slow-down, as for instance between campaigns.

Being that our Home Office is actually operated by one person, who had the good fortune of having a family dedicated to Zveza service, no one should judge too fast in criticism or complaint, because there are times when it is physically impossible to do everything at the same time. I have had the patience and good will of many of our secretaries and hope they know I appreciate their friendship and cooperation.

I would like to present a serious thought to you and I hope that you will make full consideration of it. We should have an assistant at least on a part time basis who will acquaint herself with the properties of the Home Office so that the work will be familiar to her in case of sickness or death. I would not wish that anyone would have to come into this job without having someone to help her or guide her. Remember, we are aging and the responsibilities of the office are many. It isn't merely a book-keeper's job . . . there is much more to it than that. From personal experience, I must state that this realization must be made that we are no longer a small business operation.

This being the time and place for serious business, I wish to mention that my proposal is not a suggestion alone, but a thoughtful appraisal of the situation. I propose that the future Board of Directors be given the authority to make a decision in this respect. You may rest assured that the Directors will not waste any money because they do their work very conscientiously; however, they'll not act on their own rights, although they have them, because

of the possible misunderstanding on the part of the membership.

With all these points in mind, please accept the following suggestion, as it fits in best at this time. There is an absolute necessity of asking the members to contribute two cents per month for the increased expenses for printing official organ, ZARJA. It seemed that the main argument centered around the fact that this increase of 2¢ was decided after the convention of 1961. The Directors, assuming their rightful authority, felt that it was their duty, not just a privilege, to ask for this small contribution from each member because they were well aware of the State Insurance Department opinion that demands all added or increased expense be distributed, at least in part, among the membership.

The resentment on this decision was based on the argument that the convention should have decided. We were given notice on the increase six months after the convention, just as our December 1961 issue was being printed. Immediately, we consulted with authorities in the printing business, but no one would give us any satisfaction that we could get the same amount and quality of work for a lesser price. There was nowhere to turn for a lift out of this problem. The Dec. issue of Zarja was printed for the old price but from January, 1962 on, we have had to pay the new, additional cost which is over \$6,000.00 per year. At the Feb. 1962 Directors' meeting, many hours of discussion were spent on this increase and the best course agreed upon was that members be asked to contribute a small sum to at least cover one third of the cost. The organization still is paying the remaining two thirds. To take care of the entire increased cost, it would necessitate 75¢ per year from each member. My first suggestion was that we ask for a \$1 contribution from every member and use the extra 25¢ for the cost of having a 32 page issue every month. But, being careful not to excite the membership too much, it was decided that we stay within the very minimum. Time has proven that it would have been almost easier to collect a dollar per year from each member and be able to give them an official publication which would be a pride for the organization and the best publicity in getting new members. I do not know that by being economical we are wisest. I believe that if every member were asked, the majority would take the larger Zarja for a dollar a year increase, for they'd realize they would be getting their money's worth. Our S.W.U. has the most popular official organ of any similar organization and if anything is going to be added to our program for the real benefit of the membership, it should be the continuation and expansion of Zarja, and to make it yet finer and appealing. We must not be afraid to approach our members for something that is worthwhile and needed for the promotion of our growth because as things are now, the future depends solely on the solicitation of new, young members and it is our solemn obligation and duty as true representatives of the entire membership to do everything we know to make S.W.U. known and still more popular among the Catholic element in the U.S.A.

The point that comes in order now is the decreased assessment of members attaining the age of 75 years and the free assessment for those over 80 years. There are times when we let our hearts rule our minds. Such was the case when we let generosity take hold of us. It is known fact and statistics prove it, that the average age for us mortals is much higher than it was ten years ago when the decision for free assessment was made.

At the present time, we have 712 members who pay only 15¢ in the mortuary fund and nothing to the expense fund and 310 members who pay nothing at all. Of the 712 members there are at least 300 who will be 80 years old this year. This takes a big slice out of our monthly income. The State Insurance Dept. Examiners have cautioned us against this article in our by-laws and I had to make them a promise that this convention in 1964 will dissolve this amendment to the article on dues. In fact,

they are of the opinion that the dues are too low and should be at least 50¢ per month for every Class A member. They base this on the fact that we are offering our members protection, a social and cultural activity through our programs and mostly because the age average is getting higher and the provision for the solidity of our funds must be our main concern if we are to continue in operation.

In the past three years, we successfully sailed through three campaigns. The Post-Convention campaign enrolled 430 members. The top honors went to Vicki Faletic, who was credited with 82 members, and branch 25 was thereby the first place winner. The Supreme President's Campaign which followed, enrolled 339 members. In first place among workers again was Vicki Faletic with a total of 42 new members which again brought first place honors to Br. 25. The Convention Queen Campaign which closed March 31st enrolled 373 members. The title of Convention Queen belongs to Vicki Faletic of Br. 25 with 42 new members. As has been the regulation of previous campaigns, the workers who enrolled 25 members or more were honored with the title "Princess." We have three Princesses to honor at this Convention, namely: Ann Podgorsek (32), Rose Kraemer (43) and Rose Zelodec (50) through whose hard work and efforts the branch was increased considerably. The total of new members enrolled by workers of Br. 50 is 62 members which brings their membership to 202 at the close of the recent campaign. They counted only 116 in Jan. 1961. This increase in membership of 88 members is an achievement worthwhile complimenting in the highest manner! Adding to these totals the new members solicited between campaigns, we can report 1,300 new members enrolled in three years! To all who have helped in the progress of our membership, goes our deepest gratitude. If there were only more such good and faithful workers! The campaign awards were paid in the amount of \$850.70.

Death has also visited the homes of 516 members. This number is counted as of Dec. 1963. We have lost 65 members since then among them, our very worthy member, Mrs. Barbara Kramer of Br. 13 in San Francisco. She wished more than any other person, to be in Chicago for the 13th National Convention because number 13 meant more to her than almost anything. But, God called her from our midst on Feb. 27, 1964 and she is now looking down on us and surely wishing us best and hoping that the work of the pioneer officers will be recognized with honor.

An amount of \$54,025.00 has been paid to the 516 claims. These were 480 in Class A, 33 in Class B and 3 Juveniles. A solemn memorial tribute will be presented on Tuesday evening of the Convention. May their souls rest in peace everlasting.

Every year, for some years back, an annual award of .05 per member is mailed to the secretaries who have striven to keep their membership in good standing. Secretaries in small branches receive a very nominal amount but it shows our good will to them and we receive letters of appreciation from many. In the three years, these awards amounted to \$1,793.45 which is actually small in comparison with the actual service our secretaries render. They deserve to be remembered in this special way.

Bowling is the only sport that is very much alive among our members. There are two main tournaments, one for the Midwestern section that brings over 35 teams together annually and the other the Eastern Tourney for that section which actually sponsors an adult and junior tournament. We have given \$1,594.00 in prize money to these Tournaments. Officers active in this sport include Director, Eliz. Zefran, herself an ardent bowler who takes a great interest in the sport. Branch 2 of which she is an officer has ten teams in its regular bowling league. It's no simple matter to manage a sports club of this size and Mrs. Zefran holds the group together nicely. Our Supr. President, Mrs. Toni Turek, another champ in bowling is certainly doing her part in Cleveland and so is Mrs. Pauline Vegal among the 50 junior bowlers. Let's hope that

this convention will formulate an interesting program for the sports minded members, both young and old.

Our office has tried to keep the administrative expenses down to a minimum. Nothing new has been installed in equipment during last three years. However, the regular expenses for supplies and postage were only for the absolute necessities.

As secretary of the Finance Committee, Mrs. Priland has prepared the report on investments. There is no need in repeating these figures as they are accurately reported by her. She works untiringly for the welfare of the organization and sees to it that our investments are made in the very best institutions where they receive the highest interest and at the same time, deposited and held in institutions which are good and sound.

The work involved in editing and publishing our cookbook, Woman's Glory — the Kitchen, until the convention of 1961 was all that I wanted to have a part in, because it's no small job and most of all, I detested the work of handling, that is, mailing and distributing the books. I resolved at that time that I was completely through with this work. However, when the stock was depleted and orders kept coming in, the thoughts on another supply of cookbooks began to grow again. President, Toni Turek felt that we should start the ball rolling on another printing because she, too, was receiving so many requests in Ohio. At the Directors meeting in 1962, the urge for another book spread to all present. But, to make the book a more wanted one, the deliberation on a revised edition became a reality. Mrs. Priland was assigned to gather some new material and since the material in the previous book was still very popular, we decided to use it — or a good portion of it. It took months and months of work to get everything in order and the book, as you know, was ready for the market around Christmastime. Since Woman's Glory — The Kitchen is not merely a seasonable book, the popularity of it is endless. When the supply that was ordered will be sold out, we should net a substantial gain for our great cause.

Some of the branches, that is, individual officers and members, are wonderful salespeople. We only wish that their big help would rub off on other officers and members. There is no reason why every member isn't a promoter of our cookbook because it is one of the best on the market. Mrs. Priland and I are very proud of the work put into the book and we are also thankful to President, Toni Turek for taking over the job of distribution. If more members would do as much good for the organization as do a few, what big progress we would all enjoy! It could be done. The old proverb: "Where there's a will there's a way!" still counts in this world!

#### MEMBERSHIP STANDING

Membership:			
Class A, March, 1961	7150		
Class B, " "	2138		
Juvenile Dept. "	2857	12,145	
Class A, March, 1964	6599		
Class B, " "	2324		
Juvenile Dept. "	2670	11,593	

The complete financial statement from Jan. 1, 1961 to Dec. 31, 1963 appeared in the April edition of ZARJA. You have a copy of it in your supplies.

If there are any further questions, don't hesitate to ask because we are here to explain.

I hope that we will all concentrate on the future benefits of our membership and S.W.U. and spend these precious hours together in deliberations which will be lasting and meaningful.

In closing, I wish to thank my associate members of the Board and especially Mrs. Josephine Zeleznikar with whom I have almost daily contact and our editor, Corinne Leskovar for the many acts of kindness generously given to our Home Office.

Submitted by:

Albina Novak

The President calls for acceptance of the report and it is given.





## S. W. U. HONORS THE CONVENTION PRINCESSES

At the Coronation Banquet of the recent Convention, our three outstanding officers who were named "Princesses" of the Convention received their crowns and gifts. From left to right, the Supreme President who did the crowning honors, Toni Turek and seated: Princesses, Rose Kraemer (42), Ann Podgorssek (33) and Rose Zelodec (50). They were escorted to the stage by their respective delegates who are standing behind: Josephine Kolar (43), Roseann Munsell (33) and Mary Bostian (50). At right is Corinne Leskovar, Editor of Zarja, who was emcee of the program. The delegates and guests who witnessed the beautiful coronation ceremony and musical entertainment were treated to an exceptionally delightful evening at the Morrison Hotel.

The President calls for the report of the Supreme Treasurer.

### Supreme Treasurer's Report:

I greet you warmly today, my sister members. My report is in the Slovenian language for the benefit of our older delegates. I greet our Spiritual Advisor, Supreme Officers and Delegates with a welcome to Chicago. My detailed report was in Zarja, in which I state complete agreement with the financial report given by the Supreme Secretary. All records are in constant check and examined every six months according to the by-laws. If you read it carefully, you will learn more of our organization's operation of business. Your funds are put away in good order, kept in the proper way and in the proper place. I do not wish to take precious time for more words. Be assured, your organization has been well-cared for in the past term as before.

Josephine Zeleznikar

The President calls for acceptance of her report. It is given.

The President calls for the report of the 1st Auditor.

### Report of the 1st Auditor:

Greetings Rev. Claude, Supreme Officers, friends and sisters. My report will be brief. My convention report was in the April Zarja. Also, every 6 months, I have made reports at our Board meetings which are also printed in Zarja.

I am very happy to report that we, the auditors, have always found everything in the best of order. We should be very proud of our wonderful officers. It is always a pleasure to come to our Board meetings.

In my office I have met many nice people. I have tried to do my best at all times. In the membership drives, I have always been able to get new members. I must also comment on our wonderful Br. 33 in Duluth, Minn. We have a very active and diligent membership and they give support to all our projects. I hope and pray that our con-

vention will be a huge success. Thank you.

Ann Podgorssek

The President calls for acceptance of the report and it is given.

The President calls for the report of the 2nd Auditor.

### Report of the 2nd Auditor:

Thank you Madam Chairman, Rev. Father, Officers, Delegates and guests. My report is also in the April issue of Zarja, page 82.

It has been a very busy 3 years since the last convention. Being in office kept me closely posted on what other branches accomplished. In reading the Zarja we could picture their activities because meeting branch members I made numerous and friendly acquaintances. Also, I attended many of their doings and again, meeting more and more wonderful people that belong to our organization. When one holds an office, they tend to have a keener interest.

Branch 25 with the help of its officers, namely, Pauline Stampfel, Mary Otonicar, Josephine Golinski, Dorothy Strnisa, who have a tremendous drive in whatever project is undertaken — the members, too, do pitch in and prove they are good 25ers.

The proof is in the pudding as the saying goes. We have expanded in membership and the meeting room is beginning to bulge. That surely is a good sign.

My thanks to all the Supreme Board members who have made my three year stay in office an enjoyable and happy one. With best to all. Thank you.

Vicki Faletic

The President calls for acceptance and it is given.

President calls for the report of the 3rd Auditor.

### Report of the 3rd Auditor:

Reverend Father, Supreme Officers, delegates and guests. May this convention be successful and bring good results and blessings on all to help us in our task at these sessions.

As the third Supreme Auditor, I must compliment our officers on the fine state that the books and ledgers of the Supreme Secretary, Treasurer, Chairman of the Finance Committee and Editor are kept and we have found everything in good order.

My sincere good wishes to you all.

Frances J. Gaspich

The President calls for the acceptance of the report and it is given.

The President calls for the reports of the State Presidents.

**State President of Colorado — Kansas — Missouri:**

Rev. Spiritual Advisor, Fr. Claude Okorn, Hon. President, Marie Prislund, Pres., Antonia Turek, other Supreme Officers, delegates and sisters. First may I express my deep sadness at the recent loss of our hon. delegate, Barbara Kramer, may she be in our memories at this convention.

All too fast have the last 3 years passed. Much has been done during this time. Our S.W.U. can be proud of the progress made. We are happy when we can enroll a new member and keep activity going.

At every Supreme Board meeting in the past three years, I have sent reports on our work in the states of Colo.-Kans.-Mo. I have always been happy to report the fine cooperation among branches and successful state conventions. We have had three state conventions in Colorado in the 3 years.

I wish great success for this convention and once more wish to ask that my recommendation for a larger Zarja — on 32 pages each month — and with larger printing — be accepted by this delegation.

In conclusion, I wish to state that our S.W.U. is the heart of Slovenian womanhood, we must cherish and nurture it. Greetings to all.

Anna Pachak

The President calls for acceptance of the report and it is given.

**State President of Wisconsin:**

Greetings. Rev. Father Okorn, Supreme Officers, Delegates and Visitors. Everyone loves a convention, it follows marked routine as does my report. It is compiled from the three years serving as Wisconsin State President.

In September, 1962 the fourth State Convention was held in Willard, Wisc. and Br. 102 was the host. A group of 80 members were represented at the meeting. Here are some of the approvals and disapprovals: Approvals: Social Activities, Charitable Donations to Lemont, Cookbook and Education tours. Disapprovals: Size of Zarja (put back to former size), Lack of Interest in the organization.

In May, 1962, the fifth state convention took place with br. 12 as host, and about 50 members were present. Approvals: Sociability, Happy to hear Zarja might be enlarged, Holy Mass on Mother's Day, Christmas Party for Juveniles and Zarja recipes. Disapprovals: Need more copies of by-laws, postponement of 1964 State Convention due to nat'l convention.

My most urgent and vital pleas at these convention meetings were the need for new membership, and reaching a 1000 membership goal. Thus far, each drive brings us closer to that goal. Truly, these meetings are inspiring and display a great interest among the members. The co-operation from our Spiritual Advisor, Rev. Okorn, Honorary Pres., Marie Prislund, Supr. Vice-Pres., Marie Floryan, the officers and members of all Wisconsin branches has been most inspiring. These convention meetings have indeed been memorable occasions. I also attended the Lemont Pilgrimage and three midwest Bowling meetings.

As state president of Wisc., may I extend my congratulations to the Supr. Board, one and all, for their fine work. We all can realize that nothing succeeds "success" and success in our S.W.U. comes from the fine leadership. Now, my best wishes for a successful convention.

Rose Kraemer

The President calls for acceptance of the report and it is given.

**State President of Pennsylvania - New York:**

Heartfelt greetings to Spiritual Advisor Okorn, Supr. Officers and Delegates.

Since the last convention, we have had three state conventions. Everyone was a fine success. I wish to thank the members of our state and all visitors for their support.

We have tried to support all the activities of our organization. We thank Mrs. Turek, Supreme President, for her interest in our doings and attendance at them. She has encouraged us with her words.

It is a pleasure to attend the branch meetings and to plan for future activities.

Compliments to our Supr. Officers for their hard work and responsibility they show for our Zveza. Also, to Corinne Leskovar our editor for the nicely edited Zarja.

Congratulations to our Convention Queen and Princesses. The Penna. State Convention will take place on the second Sunday in Sept. You are all most cordially invited. Best wishes to all.

Mary Tomsic

President asks for approval of the report and it is given. The President calls for the report of the Ella Starin, State President of Ohio - Michigan. The report is read by delegate Pauline Stampfel of Br. 25 and accepted as read.

**State President of Ohio-Michigan**

Esteemed Supreme Officers and Delegates of S.W.U. By way of our agile Vice-President of the combined Ohio branches, sister Pauline Stampfel, I send heartfelt wishes. I wish for a unified convention that will benefit the membership. I am very sorry that I am not able to be with you in person, but my thoughts are with you always.

My convention report was given in Zarja. At this time, I wish to send along my heartiest congratulations to the Convention Queen, sister Vicki Faletic and princess, sister Rose Zelodec of whom we are very proud for they represent our Cleveland very well. First, Br. 25 and secondly Br. 50, can be very happy that they have such industrious members.

The decision of our combined branch meeting of May 6th when we discussed the problems of the organization, and particularly how to keep Zarja without having to hear complaints from the membership about extra collections or from the secretaries about difficulty in collecting, we concluded that the best solution is to eliminate two or three issues of Zarja a year so that the expenses will be less.

Since there have been so many more death claims made in the last three years than before, we must look to the most economical way so that we save what we have for the greater number.

I hope that you will, with God's help, arrive at the best solution and benefit for our membership. God be with you.

Ella Starin

**State President of Calif. - Wash. - Ore.:**

Rev. Okorn, Officers, sister members and guests. I bring you greetings from California. I am very happy to be here, representing the San Francisco, Br. 13, area and to be given this opportunity to visit with all you nice people.

It has been a long time since I have had the opportunity to attend their meetings, and, of course, time makes many changes. Some of our members are no longer with us, some are unable to attend for various reasons.

We in San Francisco are a very active group. We work for Zveza and love it. We are very happy with the Zarja because it brings us closer together. Best wishes to all.

Rose Scoff

The President asks for approval of the report and it is given.

The meeting is adjourned for luncheon at 12:30 p.m.

The second session convenes at 2:00 p.m. Reports are called to continue.

The president calls for the report of the Pres. of Ill.-Ind. State President of Ill.-Ind.:

Rev. Claude Okorn, esteemed officers, delegates and guests. I am much indebted to all of you for the opportunity to be present today and to be able to compare notes, exchange ideas and discuss the growth and progress which has been made at our Illinois-Indiana State Convention. On Oct. 8th, 1961, it was a pleasure for me to preside for the first time, as State Pres. to celebrate the 35th anniversary of Br. 2, which was held in conjunction with the state day. I am not going to give you a historical review of the branches that are in my jurisdiction, because that report was published in the Zarja, instead, I am going to assume that you already know certain things about us. Among the things we assume you know, without going into detail are: The following branches who attended the first session are namely: Br. 2, 16, 20, 22, 24, 30, 89 and 95, along with our guests of honor who came from Cleveland to be with us that day. This indeed was a fruitful meeting because it was one of the largest groups of delegates present and those who took part in the lovely discussions left with a satisfactory feeling.

Br. 20 of Joliet consented to be hostesses for our 1962 convention, but unfortunately, they could not accept the commitment due to a heavy schedule of events throughout the year.

Br. 2 again accepted the convention for the year of 1963.

It has indeed been a cherished privilege that was accorded me to be the presiding officer of the convention. I was happy to be surrounded by our Supr. Officers, Marie Prislund, Founder of S.W.U. and Hon. Pres.; Antonia Turek, Pres., Albina Novak, Sec'y, Jos. Zeleznikar, Treas., Auditors, Ann Podgorsek, Vicki Faletic and Frances Gaspich who did a magnificent job of covering the highlights of the convention as the recording secretary.

Reports of the following branches represented by their delegates were: Br. 2, 22, 24, 30, 72, 89, 95 and 99. It would be impossible to adequately emphasize all the highlights and happenings at this convention, but, I do want to express my gratitude to every member of the delegation for the kindness shown me. To Rose Kraemer, Pres. of Wisc., and her guests for taking time out to come here, and for many good wishes you all sent. Let us not forget the greatest problem and danger facing our branches today, is still unresolved, and neither overlooked nor ignored by our directors who are running the business. Many of us who are now entrusted to the leadership of our branches draw inspiration from our proud heritage as we face a rapidly changing world with honor, integrity and dignity. I like to think this represents progress.

For the past three years, I have rendered faithful conscientious and valuable services to our organization. Despite the fact that during this period of time, occasions have arisen when pressing personal problems at home were impaired, nevertheless with great personal inconvenience and sacrifice, I carried on my responsibilities. However, I have every reason to believe that without the help of Albina Novak for her sterling qualities and generosity extended to me, to Corinne Leskovar our very capable officer who has always captivated her audience in an impressive manner, whether it be in writing or her entertaining program, and in conclusion to Josephine Livek who possesses a remarkable thoroughness in all her undertakings and who has helped me to go forward with the sparkle to work for harmony in preparing our next convention for 1964 which will be held on Aug. 30th. And Br. 89 will be in charge. Please do not think me too serious the expression of much of this comes in moments of fun and pleasure as well as moments of seriousness. This concludes my report and I do hope that you accept it in good faith, because I deeply sense the great obligations of this position to which I was appointed I shall regard it duty and privilege to advance your policies with the greatest vigor

I possess. With the help of God and the cooperation of the members of this mighty organization, I shall devote myself unswervingly toward the attainment of your objectives. Thank you very much.

Mildred James

The President asks for approval of the report and it is given.

The President calls for the report of the Pres. of Minn. State President of Minnesota:

Rev. Father, Supr. Officers, Delegates and Friends. My state president's report was in the Zarja.

From America's vacation land, the Slovenian Women's Union of Minnesota wishes to extend greetings to each and everyone of you.

As a State President of the Minnesota S.W.U., I extend these best wishes for an enjoyable and memorable convention. Let us continue to enjoy the pleasure of renewing old acquaintance and may we further the cause of our sisterhood.

We in Ely enjoyed having the 12th convention in 1961.

In regard to Zarja, all members of Br. 23 favor the 25¢ contribution members are asked to make.

Barbara Rosandich

The President asks for approval of the report and it is given.

The President calls for the report of the Supreme Vice-President.

Report of the Vice-President:

Madam President, Founder, Rev. Okorn, Supreme Officers, delegates and guests to the 13th National Convention.

Sincere greetings to each and everyone and it is nice to see and renew old acquaintances at this convention.

It is a pleasure to meet again with the greatest anticipation that we may conclude all matters towards the success of our purposes in leading the S.W.U. to the highest ideals, not principally those of greater membership, but those in giving our present members the best satisfactions of our associations.

Bowling that taken a great hold and it is an incentive for membership, as it is a sport that the young and old enjoy.

The activities displayed thru-out the branches show the willingness to success and with unity there is success.

I would like to compliment our Supreme President, Mrs. Turek, for her diligent work, Rev. Okorn for his interesting and inspiring articles and Corinne Leskovar, the editor who works hard to make every issue of the Dawn interesting and pleasing.

A tribute to Mrs. Marie Prislund and Albina Novak for the Woman's Glory — The Kitchen cookbook and recognition for S.W.U.

Compliments to all of the Supreme Officers for their wonderful work and State Presidents as well. We have every reason to be proud of them.

It was my great happiness to attend and participate in the many events of the S.W.U. thru the years and for having the opportunity to work with such fine officers and members who have the organization at heart, and now, my best wishes for a successful convention.

Marie A. Floryan

The President asks for approval of this report and it is given.

The President calls for the Editor's Report.

Editor's Report:

Greetings, Supreme Officers and delegates gathered together here in our fair city for the 13th National Convention.

I, too, extend the warmest wishes of our locality to you and wish you have a pleasant stay. The preparations for this convention were done with wholehearted enthusiasm and a sense of pride which our members felt for the organization and prestige that is given it by others. I think it was well in evidence yesterday at St. Stephen's hall that the Slovenian Women's Union has the admiration and respect of everyone. This is partly due to the fine ladies who make up our local committee and also due to the re-



## MARIE PRISLAND CADETS, 1964 STYLE!

In uniforms which they made themselves, the Marie Prisland Cadets of Br. 50, Cleveland, Ohio, did themselves proud at the recent S.W.U. Convention, surprising everyone with their precision drill work and spirit. Seen here are 16 drillers with their Captain, **Fran Sietz**. Pres. of the group is **Mary Bostian** who instigated the idea and with the help of **Josephine Trunk** selected the material and pattern and got things rolling. Their accompanist is **Carole Traven** who also did some of the sewing. Sub. **Mamie Marin** is not on the picture but she actively participated in their organizing. From left, front row: **Ernestine Jevc**, **Mary Susnik**, **Nettie Leslie**, **Rose Zelodec**, **Mary Bostian**, **Mary Cesnik**, **Josephine Trunk**, **Christine Duche** and Captain, **Fran Sietz**. Back row: **Ann Dekleva**, **Ann Maver**, **Sophie Zagorc**, **Nettie Hlad**, **Evelyn Hlad**, **Toni Turek**, **Mary Hocevar** and **Stella Roitz**. We'll be hearing and seeing more of these ladies at the Ohio Bazaar, Oct. 11th in Euclid, Ohio.

putation of S.W.U. in our city as around the country. On behalf of the committee, entertainers and workers, thank you for your grand reception of our efforts.

As your editor for the past twelve years, I have come to know the feeling of our members through close contacts with reporters and officers who assume double-duty in reporting for Zarja as well as serving in their offices. They are the mainstay of Zarja and the reason for its popularity. When a branch has an active reporter or reporters, the branch gets more active and meetings become more interesting. It's as simple as that. I personally salute these energetic members who write in the publication. This kind of interest is so rare and so hard to achieve, I know many organizations would envy us in this respect. A dull and uninteresting future would await us if the reporters failed. So, while we have them, let us keep them and encourage even more to write regularly. It is for the good of the organization, I assure you. I believe that in the past 12 years, we have doubled our staff of branch reporters and surprisingly, the number has not lessened among the Slovenian speaking branches. This is grand. We are doing a service even in this, to our nationality and culture, to keep the written Slovenian word alive. I only wish there were more space and versatility allowable so that we could expand ever faster.

As far as the workings of Zarja are concerned, and the actual work of editing. I only wish to state that it is a big job that takes many hours to do. I know you realize that in being a two language publication, there is more care taken and more knowledge necessary to do the work. We also have many more problems because our printers are only so far acquainted with the language as any ordinary person would be, therefore, Slovenian typesetting presents a problem. Presently, they have been searching for the person to do this type of work and we hope to overcome the language-barrier in the coming months. Otherwise, there are just a few of us working to produce the monthly publication, it is not a large staff as you might think, but just a few dedicated persons who work the long hours. I do wish to compliment our printers for their wholehearted interest in doing a good job with Zarja. Naturally, I expect to have more to say on the subject of Zarja costs and operations as the meeting continues, but

for now, you should know that you have a very able and willing group producing your monthly organ, tho it is small.

I love the work and perhaps that is because I have always been involved with the organization in one way or another — so this is just natural for me. I am proud of the work we are doing and feel it is worthwhile and should be continued. An organization which as ours is unique in many ways, and our potential is strong. We can accomplish many things ahead if we are courageous and keep active in the little things which we are doing every day. The days are long but the years are short. A lot has been done already which our pioneers look back on by saying: how fast the time has gone but how big we have become. The Supreme Boards elected at these conventions have always been inspired by the faith and loyalty of the membership and convention after convention I think, the delegates have given of themselves to make sure the S.W.U. would go on to greater achievements. From the smallest branch we see progress on all sides. The secret rests with activity among the branches, large and small, then, state-wide activity and finally, with a Board which is able and willing to go ahead with foresight, to plan and carry our ideas for the good of the Union. You have yourselves seen this to be true. Give your confidence to one another and to your leaders and I'm certain that the kind of members you want will always keep the Slov. Women's Union growing and strong. **Corinne Leskovar**

The President asks for approval of this report and it is given.

The President calls for the report of the Dir. of Women's Activities.

**Report of the Director of Women's Activities:**

Greetings, Fr. Okorn, Supreme Officers, Delegates and Visitors.

Since the last convention, we have had two trips to the Shrines of Canada. Mrs. Sophie Petrovic has been my assistant. Rev. Renefret of the Shrine of Our Lady of the Cape, checked the records before we arrived and stated that we were the first of our nationality to come to Canada as an organized group, representing an organization of this kind. The group consisted of 45 ladies and the 2nd group had 50 ladies. We are planning another trip this year with Mrs. Petrovic and myself leaving July 25th. There

will be a Slovenian Day celebration at Three Rivers, Canada and we will be staying at the Pilgrim House right on the grounds of the shrine. There will be a candle-light procession every night. Anyone who is interested in the trip can receive all information here at this convention or read it in the Zarja.

The bowling tourneys have been increasing in numbers and interest since the last convention. Our last one held at Milwaukee, Br. 17 being the hosts, had an entry of 26 teams, 52 doubles and 106 singles. We, the Board of Directors, will plan more interesting future tourneys if possible and anyone's ideas are always welcome.

In Chicago we have ten teams bowling weekly. Our sports club meets every month, keeping activity going. As you saw yesterday, the girls waiting on tables were from our league and they all co-operated in many ways including baking, etc.

My best wishes to you all — hope you have a nice time in Chicago.

#### Elizabeth Zefran

The President asks for the acceptance of this report and it is given.

The President next calls upon the Spiritual Advisor for his remarks.

Rev. Claude Okorn, Pastor of St. John the Evangelist Church in Milwaukee, Wis. addresses the body. He sees a direct tie between personal efforts of the members and success for Zveza. It needs the efforts of every member for success. Women can do a lot with the right spirit behind them but not without some sacrifice for nothing is gained for nothing — you cannot expect achievement without work.

The president thanks him for his message and calls committees to gather after early adjournment.

Founder, Marie Prisland addresses the assembly with thanks extended to the Marie Prisland Cadets who belong to Br. 50 and perform at the Sunday program. The delegate responds that Br. 50 was eager to do it and hopes for a busy future with a new drill team spirit.

The Delegates are called upon for their reports which are given individually.

#### POINTS PROPOSED IN THE REPORTS OF THE DELEGATES

**Br. 1, Sheboygan, Wis.** Members in favor of keeping the 25¢ contribution and all things as they are.

**Br. 2, Chicago, Ill.** The branch will go along with all decisions of the convention. Invitation is extended to all to attend Lemont Zveza Day on July 19, 1964, celebrating the 25th anniversary of the S.W.U. pilgrimage. Branch has newly organized sewing club and members very active.

**Br. 3, Pueblo, Colo.** Members request large Zarja every month and larger print. They request that dues be not increased in classes A or B.

**Br. 7, Forest City, Pa.** Best wishes are extended for the very best convention ever. Delegate brings to mind memory of Mrs. Christine Menart, deceased member of Supr. Board. She thanks all officers of home branch for helping her as well as Supr. Sec. and Editor for their help. Greetings to Fr. Okorn and all delegates.

**Br. 10, Cleveland, O.** Esteemed Reverend Father Okorn, all Supreme Officers and Delegates. Our members greet you all and hope that this will be a successful convention. They request that everything remains as before with no extra assessments.

**Br. 12, Milwaukee, Wis.** Members find it hard to pay and they request no extra assessment.

**Br. 13, San Francisco, Cal.** Delegate very happy to be present — joy to meet all. Organization is doing wonderful work. Hope to bring the knowledge gained at convention to San Francisco to show them what is being done throughout the Union. Especially delighted by Mass and singing at St. Stephen's.

**Br. 14, Euclid, O.** Hon. Fr. Okorn, Supreme Officers and delegates. As the others have reported, Br. 14 also extends very best wishes for a successful convention and our mem-

bers have asked to have Zarja remain as it is and no raise in assessment.

**Br. 15, Newburg, O.** Greetings are extended to all. The members request that everything stay as it is with no raises in assessment or Zarja.

**Br. 16, S. Chicago, Ill.** Members wish Zarja to be issued on 16 pages, also no raise in assessment or expenses.

**Br. 17, West Allis, Wis.** Best wishes for a very successful convention. Branch proposes that if possible conventions be held every 4 or 5 years in order to save expenses; that there be no raises in salaries and assessments and that the Dawn magazine be kept in the two languages.

**Br. 19, Eveleth, Minn.** Greetings are extended to Fr. Okorn and Supreme Officers. Compliments to the Supr. Board for their past work and especially to Mrs. Prisland for her column in Zarja. To the Editor go our compliments, also to President Turek and Secretary Novak for all their work; to the Treasurer, Mrs. Zeleznikar who has all the money in her charge, also. This is the delegate's first convention and she is proud to be present. Extends greetings from Mrs. Lenich and asks that no raises be made.

**Br. 20, Joliet, Ill.** Eight recommendations are made: Reference to by-laws Sect. 39, Union shall pay traveling expenses for all delegates; That the Union pay per diem to all delegates; Article 115, free assessment for members from 75 years on; No raise to Supreme Officers; No raise in assessment; Social Security be taken out of wages of Supr. Officers; Sport page in Zarja every month; News of non-members be omitted in Zarja to save space.

**Br. 21, Cleveland, O.** Sincere greetings to Fr. Okorn, Supreme Officers, delegates, members and guests. We have two main activities: Mother of the Year celebration and annual Christmas Party with refreshments. Branch celebrated the 35th anniversary and dinner in 1963 with honored guests including Supr. Pres. A. Turek, Auditor, V. Faletic, State Pres. Ella Starin. Members request no changes and are in favor of 25¢ per year. Compliments to editor for wonderful work. Branch sends greetings.

**Br. 23, Ely, Minn.** Best wishes to our Spiritual Advisor, Officers and all. Branch is totally in favor of all convention decisions as they will be made and all are satisfied with Zarja which they love reading.

**Br. 24, La Salle, Ill.** Members ask that there be no raise in assessment, nor special assessment. Zarja is satisfactory on 16 pages.

**Br. 25, Cleveland, Ohio.** Greetings extended. The delegates agree with reports as given until now and add their members wish no raises on any subject. Members over 80 should be free and no raise in assessment.

**Br. 26, Pittsburgh, Pa.** Delegate is not present. Her report is read by M. Tomsic. Branch lost three members this year. Members are against raises in Zarja fund or assessment. The members attend meetings well and branch enjoys many activities.

**Br. 28, Calumet, Mich.** Greetings are extended. All members agree to continue as in the past; they are in favor of all convention decisions and will accept them. To pay out Zarja Fund for their members, they sponsor money-making socials. Members appreciate Zarja very much. They believe that success lies in combining entertainment with business and thus the branch is progressing nicely. Scholarship student, Joan Mahaffey extends her heartfelt thanks to Union for recent award. Mother, Pauline Mahaffey is good member. Branch is very proud of their student.

**Br. 31, Gilbert, Minn.** Members have given delegate full power to vote as she sees proper. Will agree with all convention decisions for the best of the membership. Expresses greetings of all members to convention assembly.

**Br. 32, Euclid, Ohio.** Greetings are extended to all. Members are satisfied with everything but do not favor additional raises. They like reading Fr. Okorn's articles in Zarja. They extend invitation to attend their 35th anniversary celebration on Sept. 20, 1964.

**Br. 33, Duluth, Minn.** Greetings to the assembly. This is delegate's second convention and she is honored to be present. Extends wishes for success. Duluth always well-represented at Minnesota doings, much loyalty and good will exists among their members. All are in favor of the Zarja Fund contribution and hope for agreement on all problems will be amicably reached.

**Br. 34, Soudan, Minn.** Members are satisfied with things as they are. The branch celebrates the 35th anniversary this fall. Extended greetings to entire assembly.

**Br. 38, Chisholm, Minn.** Delegate reports they have a wonderful branch, all going along fine in their many functions. Ask for no raises but no decreases either. None are so poor that cannot pay the Zarja Fund contribution. Thanks Union for the Scholarship grant awarded her daughter in 1958. Delegate is proud of accomplishments of her children. She is pleased and happy to be attending convention. She is also president of Branch.

**Br. 39, Biwabik, Minn.** Members think the world of S.W.U. and can't wait for their monthly Zarja. Members are very loyal and branch is progressing nicely. The State Convention of Minnesota takes place in Biwabik Sept. 13th. Invitation is extended to all to attend.

**Br. 40, Lorain, O.** Rev. Father, Supreme Officers and Delegates: Of our 100 members there are approx. 25 active who attend all meetings. Six are over 80 years old, and 16 over 75. On the committee are four 25 year officers, namely Frances Bresak, Agnes Jancar, Louise Mahnic and Angela Kozjan. Lorain is happy to have had a scholarship winner, her granddaughter, Arlene Vojtko who is thankful for scholarship and is putting it to good use. She will graduate this June from Miami Univ. in Ohio. Members recommend that membership totals entitling number of delegates to a convention be changed to allow greater representation, specifically from 100 members to 75 members for one delegate, etc. Thanks are extended to Antonia Turek for her promptness in distributing cookbooks recently — to founder Marie Priland, all Supreme Officers, Editor Corinne Leskovar, for their hard work. No increases in assessment or Zarja are desired. The members extend best wishes for a successful convention.

**Br. 41, Cleveland, O.** Expresses greetings to all assembled at convention. Asks for harmony and good will to prevail in all discussions. Members are against raise in assessment. They have many older members of long-standing. Also desire no increase in salaries. Refers to last convention when it was decided Zarja not be raised — suggest cheaper paper be used and more careful mailing. Asks for acceptance of recommendations proposed.

**Br. 42, Maple Hgts., O.** Greetings to all and wishes for successful convention. There is no trouble at Br. 42 to collect for Zarja even with many older members. 2/3 of membership is over 50 years of age. Delegate extends wishes from Br. 101 which she also represents.

**Br. 43, Milwaukee, Wis.** Delegate expresses greetings of membership. They request changing conventions to four or five year periods; ask no raises in adult classes but rather in juvenile class.

**Br. 47, Garfield Hgts., O.** Warmest wishes are sent for a good convention. No raises for older members desired, only for new members enrolled. Zarja should not be raised or sent to deceased members. Only two issues per year on 32 pages or cut down to only 6 issues per year to save money. Asks for reporters to cut down on articles in Zarja for the benefit of the membership at large.

**Br. 50, Cleveland, Ohio.** Delegate brings greetings to all. Branch is very active now, the membership has increased and spirit as well. Since the time when Fran Seitz gave them her energetic viewpoint, the branch has prospered. Delegate herself has donated gifts to bring in added funds and with success in their first venture, other successes followed. Today, they are working hard. Members desire shorter Ritual for installation of officers. No complaints in collecting from members for Zarja and they see no reason why other branches do.

**Br. 52, Kitzville, Minn.** Rev. Father, Supreme Officers

and delegates. Sister members left full responsibility to delegate with message that they are all satisfied with everything and they extend best wishes for a successful convention.

**Br. 56, Hibbing, Minn.** Delegate has confidence of branch — she is also president — and brings message from them for a successful convention. The branch traveled to St. Ann's Shrine in Canada, had an excursion to Lemont in 1961 and plans another for this summer.

**Br. 57, Niles, Ohio.** Branch has a nice gathering every month with committees in charge to see that there is an enjoyable social time. They have gifts and a large Christmas party. Celebrate their 25th anniversary this year. The members do not complain and send greetings to all at convention.

**Br. 64, Kansas City, Kans.** Greetings, one and all. Members are not against paying 25¢ Zarja Fund but ask for no further raises.

**Br. 66, Canon City, Colo.** Branch had privilege of hosting grand State Convention last year and is planning anniversary celebration this year. Zarja is satisfactory but wish for larger printing for older members, in Slovenian section. Ask for no raise in dues.

**Br. 71, Strabane, Pa.** Members extend greetings to all. They are active in their own community and attend branch functions. They are in favor of 25¢ contribution but ask for no further raises.

**Br. 72, Pullman, Ill.** This is a smaller branch but members are loyal and attend regularly their meetings and functions. They were well-represented at Convention Banquet at St. Stephen's. Will also attend state convention as they have in past. Request four year intervals for convention in the interest of saving money. Greetings to the assembly are offered.

**Br. 73, Warrensville Hgts., O.** Warmest wishes are expressed by happy delegate. Branch is 28 years in existence and continues to be active and progressive. Schedule of events is given by Delegate — also, ways of making money for the treasury. Suggestion is offered for getting new members: To attract younger members they would discontinue payments at earlier age, i. e. 72 years. Members express compliments to Supreme Officers for endless effort to unite the Union, to Editor of fine magazine, Zarja and publishers of finest nationality cookbook, Women's Glory.

**Br. 84, New York, N. Y.** Members have given full energies to progress of branch and are interested in continued good operation of S.W.U. and Zarja. Satisfied with things as they are and commend good work of officers.

**Br. 89, Oglesby, Ill.** Members have given delegate authorization to speak for them in all discussions and to decide what is best for them according to convention decisions. They ask for no raise in salaries and find the 25¢ hard to collect from all. They agree that officers carry the key to branch success and urge all branch officers to do what is best for their membership. Also represents Br. 85 at De Pue, Ill. and extends their greetings and satisfaction. On Aug. 30th, Ill.-Ind. State Convention will take place at Oglesby and hopes many from neighboring branches will attend to show their people how wonderful the organization is.

**Br. 90, Presto, Pa.** Members express satisfaction with the organization as it is.

**Br. 95, Chicago, Ill.** Greetings extended to all. Branch has excellent record of achievement, is financially strong and has loyal members. Schedule of events is noted and ways in which branch makes funds grow. Officers are cited for their work. Members who are confined to convalescent homes and are unable to pay dues have them taken care of by branch — also charity is shown in many ways during the year. Birthday and get-well cards are only part of their program. Proud to have State President as their own president. Planning currently to celebrate 25th anniversary on Oct. 14th to which all are invited. Suggest that branches plan something different

each month to assure greater interest in coming to meetings. Expresses gratitude to many who are generous with time and money to help branch prosper.

**Br. 96, Universal, Pa.** Branch is represented by president who brings message of greetings to all. They wish success to convention and compliments to officers.

**Br. 99, Elmhurst, Ill.** Even though it is a small group, branch is made up of ladies who are not small. Brings greetings to convention. They have no complaints and are happy with present situation.

The reports are accepted as given.

Adjournment is called at 4:00 p.m. Delegates assemble for committee meetings.

#### MINUTES OF THE SECOND DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

The President calls for the convention to come to order at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, May 19, 1964 at the Embassy Room. Invocation is given by Rev. Claude Okorn.

Minutes of the previous day's proceedings are read by the recording secretaries, A. Novak and C. Leskovar. They are accepted as read.

The President calls for the report of the Greetings committee. The President, Rose Kraemer (43) and Sec'y, Stephanie Ryan (28) report that greetings from the convention were sent to the following:

Governor Otto Kerner of Illinois, Mayor Richard J. Daley of Chicago, Mrs. John F. Kennedy, President Lyndon B. Johnson, H. E. Albert Cardinal Meyer, Most Rev. Aloysius J. Wycislo, Sen. Frank J. Lausche, Congressman John A. Blatnick, former Supr. Pres. Josephine Livek, former Supr. Sec'y, Jos. Erjavec, Charter President of Br. 7, Anna Kameen, Lud Andolsek, U.S. Civil Service Commissioner, Judge August Pryatel of Cleveland, John Kovacic, U.S. Customs Officer and Edward Kovacic, Gov. Relations officer of Cleve. Transit System, Rev. Francis Baraga, Pastor of St. Lawrence Church, Cleveland, Rev. Vital Vodusek, Pastor of Nativity Church, San Francisco, Rev. Matthew Kebe, Pastor, St. Mary Assumption Church, Pittsburgh and former Spir. Advisor, Mrs. Ella Starin, State Pres. of Ohio, Rt. Rev. Msgr. Matthem J. Butala, Pastor of St. Joseph Church, Joliet, Ill., Rt. Rev. Louis B. Baznik, Pastor of St. Vitus Church, Cleve., Ohio.

The committee is dissolved upon acceptance of the report.

The President calls on the By-Law Committee for their report. Pres. of the Committee, Marie Prislund responds that the committee is not ready and wishes to meet for a few minutes in an anteroom. They are excused.

The Secretary, Mrs. Novak shows the new Memorial Plaque designed for the organization for use at the funerals of departed members. She explains how the idea came about to use this type of memorial and the way the design was decided by herself and the editor. The plaque is free standing and engraved "In Loving Memory" — "V blag spomin" and shows the emblem of the organization in a gold frame standing on a walnut base. The Union will supply every branch with as many of these plaques as needed for their locality so that each funeral director will have one to place near the bier of a departed member of S.W.U. Scattered districts will have other provisions for the keeping of the plaque — for instance it may be kept with the officer in charge and placed at the time of need. The delegation is very much in favor of the idea and admire the beauty of the plaque, approving wholeheartedly with the idea.

The Secretary then explains the procedure for the Wednesday morning Memorial Mass at 10:00 a.m. at St. Peter's Church across the street from the Morrison Hotel when the Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago, Most Rev. Aloysius J. Wycislo will offer a mass in memory of our departed members. She shows mass cards which have been prepared at the Home Office for each delegate to carry to the mass. On the cards are names of the deceased members of each branch in the past three years. The names are to be remembered during the mass and cards may be taken home and given to the branch for further remembrance. The delegates also approve this means of memorial for the deceased members.

The President calls for the report of the Resolutions

Committee. President of the Committee, Marie Floryan gives the following report. A recommended resolution was sent to the following governmental officials: Hon. John A. Blatnick, M.C., Hon. Frank J. Lausche, U.S. Senator, Hon. Michael J. Feighan, M.C., Hon. Roland Libonati, M.C., Hon. Paul H. Douglas, U.S. Senator, Hon. Everett M. Dirksen, U.S. Senator. The resolution is as follows:

The Slovenian Women's Union of America, an educational and benefit organization, convening in Chicago, Illinois for their 13th National Tri-ennial convention representing 13,000 Catholic women throughout the United States.

We kindly submit the proposals accepted at our first Convention meeting, May 18, 1964 and ask your support of them when legislation is before Congress.

1. An appeal for the aged. There are many elderly people who are in need of medical aid through a plan which would benefit them under the Social Security Act.

2. The establishment of Trade Schools and Free training facilities and centers in every major city for the Youth who need guidance.

3. Enact legislation to prevent pollution of the air and water by harmful industrial wastes and fumes which are endangering human beings, plants and wild life.

4. Conserve our national resources, forests, farmlands, water supplies, and national parks.

Respectfully submitted by

Marie A. Floryan

Chairman of the Resolutions Committee

It was moved by Stella Dancull (21) and seconded by Rose Scoff (13) that the resolution be adopted. It was carried.

The President calls for the report of the By-Laws Committee. The President of the committee, Marie Prislund, gives the following report:

#### By-Laws Committee Report:

The By-Laws throughout the years have required many changes and additions to keep the organization abreast of times. At this time, however, not many changes are needed and the most important revision concerns the organization's investment program. The investment by-laws reads as follows:

Article 89: "The Finance Committee shall invest the Union's funds into reliable banks, in State and Government bonds, in Catholic institutional securities, in Mutual Funds and in such institutions where investments are insured by the Government" . . . meaning Savings and Loan Associations.

The Finance Committee, — especially the secretary, — is responsible for all investments. Of course, we are under the supervision of the insurance department of the State of Illinois under whose laws Zveza is incorporated. We are limited to purchase only those securities which are prescribed for organizations such as ours. A few years ago, bonds of religious institutions were not permissible, but mutual funds investments were. Now that is changed. Mutual shares are not permissive investments while Catholic bonds are. The following are the kinds of bonds we can buy today:

1. We can invest without limitation in United States Government bonds. The interest rate of 3-4% is a little lower than in some other investments. We have invested at least one-fourth of our total assets in United States Government bonds since this is our patriotic duty regardless of interest yield.

2. We can invest any sum of money into State bonds which carry direct obligation; that is, where the state has direct responsibility through its tax laws. The interest rate of 3-3½% is also low.

3. Savings and Loan Associations, which carry Government insurance of \$10,000 are permissible investments and there are no limitations on the amount of investment. These are our good interest producing investments with rates of 4-4½%.

4. The allowable single investment in bonds issued by religious institutions is 2% of total assets. That is why we do not hold more than \$10,000 of any one issue. In this type of bonds we can invest only 23% of the total of Zveza's assets. At present it will mean about \$150,000 can be invested. We now hold close to \$100,000 of these securities and have only \$50,000 to go to the limit. These bonds bring us the best interest of from 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ -5 $\frac{1}{2}$ %.

5. Public utility bonds include such companies as gas, electric, telephone, etc. We can invest 2% of our assets or \$10,000 in any one issue. The limitation is 33% of our total assets. Interest from these bonds vary from 4-4 $\frac{3}{4}$ % for long term investment. Very long term investments are questionable since we do not know how much the dollar will be worth thirty years from now. The maturity of our present investments does not exceed fifteen years.

6. City, Village and County bonds which carry direct obligation are good investments, but carry low interest of only 3-3 $\frac{3}{4}$ %. Sometimes we can buy these under par — that is, below a hundred — which increases the interest rate.

To insure a continued program of safe and good yielding investments for the future, we propose that article 89 be amended to include investments in public utilities and city and county bonds. Article 89 should be amended as follows:

"The Finance Committee shall invest Union's funds in reliable banks, United States Government and State Securities, in Catholic institutional bonds, in Savings and Loan Associations which carry \$10,000 government insurance, in high rated public utility bonds and in city and county bonds which carry direct obligation."

By "high rated" public utility bonds it is meant that all bonds, including Catholic bonds on the market, are rated even if they are not sold on the Wall Street market. The highest rating by "Standard and Poor" is AAA (prime), AA (high grade), A (sound). Then comes BBB (medium grade), BB (lower grade), B (speculative). The bonds rated CCC, CC, and C are also on the market which are sometime risky investments.

All our bonds are highly rated and carry direct obligation to protect Zveza's investments. So far we have not lost one cent in bonds during these 37 years, but have made good profits when bonds were sold.

Mrs. Prislund moved that the amendment of Article 89 be adopted. The motion was seconded by Josephine Zelnikar, Supreme Treasurer, and carried.

Further changes in the by-laws were proposed as follows:

Article 50 A — The last paragraph should be omitted since the Benefit Fund is now closed.

Article 105 — The first sentence of this article should read: "The right of membership shall begin on the first day of the month when the member is accepted by the Branch and at that time, her assessment is paid."

Article 112. Assessments.

The By-Laws committee offered three proposals for convention's consideration:

1). A raise of 5 cents per month per member of Class A and B. The present 25 cents special yearly assessment shall be deleted, reducing the raise to only 3 cents per month. Members will pay full assessment until they reach 75 years of age. After that they will pay for Zarja and administrative expenses 20 cents per month for the rest of their life membership. Zarja will not be altered but will be issued as of now: 6 issues on 32 pages and 6 issues on 16 pages.

2). The present 25 cents extra assessment remains. All members will pay full assessment until they reach 80 years of age. After that they pay 25 cents monthly for Zarja and administrative costs as long as they are members. Zarja would be 16 pages for 10 months and 32 pages only in May and December.

3). No raises in the assessment and no 25 cents extra assessment per year, but all members pay full assessment as long as they are members. There will be no free as-

essment for anyone and no cut-off at 80 years. (Insurance department of the State of Illinois, where Zveza is incorporated, does not approve of free assessments into expense funds). Zarja will be decreased to only 16 pages per month.

4). The membership which now pays 15 cents at 75 years of age would keep on paying this amount as long as they are members. Those who are now free of assessment after 80 years will remain free. All those, being 75 years this month, (May 1, 1964), and after, should comply with the new laws.

Mrs. Prislund gave the following information which bears on these proposals:

Members are now paying ten cents per month for Zarja with their regular assessment, which amounts to \$10,105 per year. This covers only two-thirds of Zarja's expenses since the present cost of Zarja is \$15,600 per year excluding editor's salary. The 25 cents per member special yearly assessment amounts to \$2,200 per year, leaving \$3,000 deficit. Five cents additional assessment per month per member — if adopted — will bring in \$5,100 a year which with the 10 cents present assessment will just about cover Zarja's present printing and mailing costs.

The president opened the discussion of the three proposals of the assessment as offered by the By-Laws Committee.

Mrs. Golinski, secretary of By-Laws Committee, read the proposals and Mrs. Prislund explained thoroughly each proposal. She reported that the By-Laws Committee voted the adoption of proposal No. 2, providing that every member will pay the extra 25 cents per year. According to the report of the supreme secretary only half of the membership has paid that extra assessment. In that case Article 113, must be enforced, which reads: "Any extra assessment must be paid by each member or her regular assessment is not accepted."

The delegation recommended that proposals No. 1 and No. 2 be discussed. Recommendation No. 3 did not receive vocal support. Since the majority of delegates are secretaries at their branches they were of the opinion that it will be much easier to collect a raised assessment than the extra 25 cents per year now in force. Many members pay the assessment once a year — some by mail — and an extra contact must be made for the additional 25 cents which they forget to pay. Being evident from the supreme secretary's report that only half of the membership has paid the extra 25 cents, this has resulted in mounting the deficit in expense fund. The delegation is also fully aware of the trend of times and the higher cost of publication. The final vote was 64 for increased assessment and 5 against, with an expressed wish to keep Zarja in the same proportion as now.

The raise of assessment of 5 cents goes into effect on January 1, 1965.

Proposal No. 4 will become law effectively May 1, 1964.

Article 115. Proposed that two last sentences be deleted and the following inserted as replacement: "After a member reaches 75 years of age she shall pay — for Zarja and administrative expenses — 20 cents per month for the duration of her membership."

Article 195 will be changed to conform with date and place of the next national convention.

Changes and Amendments respectfully submitted by the By-Laws Committee.

Marie Prislund, President	Frances Hren, branch 38
Josephine Golinski, Secretary	Angela Kozjan, branch 40
Mary Camloh, branch 10	Mary Tomsic, branch 71
Frances Gaspich, branch 20	

It was moved by delegate Mary Otonicar (25) that all the changes and amendments as proposed by the By-Laws Committee be adopted. The motion was seconded by delegate Anna Modiz (1) and carried.

The president thanked the By-Laws Committee for its diligent work and then discharged them from further duties.

The meeting is adjourned at 12 noon for luncheon.

(To be continued.)



REV. CLAUDE OKORN, O.F.M.

## SIMPLICITY IN PRAYER

A man's prayer should be simple. We should appear before God as we are without pretension. While praying we should think about God and not about ourselves.

Three young men discussed prayer.

"My ideal of prayer," said one, "would be to lie out here in the sun, day after day and away from all contact with the world, and contemplate the Being of God. Just the sky and the sea and my own soul. No exams to work for, no piano practices, no manual labor . . . nothing. The very occasional flight of a gull and gentle lapping of waves would be a help rather than a distraction; they would take the mind on from the natural to the supernatural, from space and time to limitless eternity. What about you two?"

"To me the ideal would be," said the second member of the group, "to get myself bricked up in a sort of niche or very small tribune overlooking the Blessed Sacrament exposed. And it would have to be so arranged that nobody could see me and that I could see nobody else. And there should not be any bells, any calls . . . nothing. And you?"

"I would like to be locked in a cabin trunk," said the third man, "with just enough air to allow me to breath. I have to be very ill — aching in every limb with the fever of some sort and raging temperature — but still not quite unconscious or delirious. I would need just enough presence of mind to accept my condition as the will of God and unite my little discomfort with the Passion of our Lord. Yes, I think that's all. Except that to complete the picture I would have to have the guilty feeling that somehow it was my fault, and that really I should be doing my garden work or going to shop or sitting down to study or answering bells."

Well, that was all very nice. But each man was seeing prayer in terms of himself and as reflection of himself. And a prayer is raising heart and mind to God.

The three men in question would have given a far more accurate picture if they had deliberately avoided projecting themselves. They would probably agree today in their middle-age, that prayer is a very different business from feeling remote from the world, concentrated on the Blessed Sacrament, or resigned to considerable discomfort. Far better take the lead of the Gospel and the saints: forget about your reaction altogether, and if you are making the use of mental images, be sure that they are drawn from the things which have no feelings. Nothing misleads like feeling. Given a chance, it can spoil almost anything.

## INVITATION TO LEMONT, ILLINOIS FOR ZVEZA DAY!

### S.W.U. TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY PILGRIMAGE

For the last 25 years, Br. 2 has carried on with the tradition of Lemont Zveza Day and this year, will again prepare for the crowds that will attend on July 19th. The morning will begin with the procession around the miniature island of Bled and stop for prayer and wreath-laying at the grave of Fr. Alexander Urankar, a custom that has been held since his passing 6 years ago. Then, Holy Mass will be offered at the Shrine at 11:00 a.m. and this year, the S.W.U. Spiritual Advisor, Fr. Claude Okorn of Milwaukee will be celebrant. Following Mass will be time for dinner and refreshments on the grounds and in the afternoon vespers at St. Mary's chapel. The children will enjoy races on the hill behind the Retreat House in the afternoon.

Visitors from all over Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Missouri and Wisconsin are expected and this year, there is a special bus coming from Biwabik and Iron Range of Minnesota. There will be members from far and near enjoying this day together.

It will be Sunday, July 19th and we hope, another beautiful day! Everyone — members and friends are invited to attend.  
Committee

## ACTIVITIES

No. 2, Chicago, Ill. Congratulations to our juniors who are St. Stephen's grammar school grads: Vicki Crnekovic, Susan Mladic, Annie Rehar, Sandra Schultz and Mary Zeleznikar, also Nancy Tomazin, granddaughter of Mrs. Mary Tomazin, Alan Bare, grandson of Mrs. Frances Kozel, Roger Russell, grandson of Mrs. Luba Troha and Frank Soukal, son of Mrs. Milena Soukal.

To them and all our grads — best wishes for a fruitful, rewarding life ahead.

Happy trip is wished to all our members excursioning to Canada this month.

No meeting til Sept. — we'll see you in Lemont on July 19th and at our next meeting Sept. 10th!

Corinne Leskovar

No. 10, Cleveland, Ohio. Hello everyone — you and you! I'm happy to be back again as last month I was absent due to a trip to Chicago, Ill. for a conference. We went thru the Avon Products plant and saw how everything is made nice and fresh. I would like to thank Antonia Repic for doing such a good job taking my place.

Our May meeting was held with a Mother's Day celebration. Our Mother of the Year, president, Anne Markovic, was presented a corsage with our best wishes, also extended to all mothers present. We had four new faces among us and our two delegates were also present, Mary Camloh and Millie Novak. We wished them a nice trip to Chicago.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Unetic of 155th St. for their Golden Anniversary. Mrs. Unetic is our member; we wish them many more years of wedded happiness with good health and fortune.

Happy Birthday greetings to sisters, Ivana Valencic, Helena Moze and Millie Novak.

During July and August, no meetings, but we will have our annual picnic to be decided later. Tickets are now on sale for the Bazaar of Oct. 11th, at Rechar Hall in Euclid.

We had quite a party after the meeting, celebrating Mother's Day and birthdays of ladies present. There were a lot of goodies and something to quench our thirst, too. A happy time for all.

Get well wishes to all our ailing members and happy birthdays to July and August celebrants. God bless all of you.  
Sophie Magayna

No. 13, San Francisco, Calif. — A farewell party was given to Rose Scoff and her sister, Margaret Fager, who went to Chicago to attend the Convention. A lovely cake with chocolate icing and a little train going east decorated the cake. Rose and Margaret thanked all the ladies for the lovely send-off and promised to work for the benefit of Zveza while at the Convention. It was suggested by Rose that our branch donate \$12.00 per diem for Margaret as was suggested by the Supreme Board but due to the fact our branch does not have a large treasury this matter will be shelved to see what the other branches will do. We know the girls had a nice time in the company of our sister-members throughout the U. S., and, needless to say Chicago is a wonderful city to visit.

Breakfast honoring our Mother of the Year was held on the same Sunday as the Convention. We honored Barbara Nemanich who was one of our Charter Officers and a very active and diligent worker. It was easy to tell when looking around the table that her many friends were present. She was honored with the presence of FOUR generations of her family. Barbara was presented with a lovely prayer book in Slovenian which she accepted with a lovely speech. To say

she is well-deserving of her honor would be an understatement as Barbara has kept Zveza uppermost in her mind and her family have all worked for the benefit of Zveza. Daughter, Ann Stich, is our Financial Secretary and has worked very willingly at all our functions. With a family like the Nemanich family it is little wonder we prosper. Granddaughter Jackie is always in attendance at the meetings and works like an old trooper in the kitchen at all times. Jackie will be chairman at our Junior night.

Junior members are asked to get in touch with Jackie or Fran Chiodo for our Junior Hop that will be held on September 4th. All you gals can bring your beau or a friend as a good time is promised. Music via a recorder so bring a record you enjoy and make this a HAPPY HOP.

Blessings from our home to yours for the coming summer and may you all enjoy a very nice vacation.

Fran Chiodo, Reporter

No. 14, Euclid, Ohio. — Our meeting was very well-attended, in fact, it was the largest gathering of the year. Mother's Day and birthdays were the order of celebration. The food served was every excellent, thanks to the help and co-operation of donations made by the following ladies: Mary Perusek (Potica), Anna Pinculic (Pohanje), Antonia Sustar (2 Raisin Poticas), Jennie Creek (Apple and Raisin Pastry), and Mary Kusar (2 bottles of Cheer). Special mention must be made of Mrs. Josephine Cebuly's baking of delicious krofee, her cooking and all-around help. She also became grandmother recently for the fourth time. Congratulations.

Birthday felicitations to the following: Antonia Sustar, Jennie Vidovich, Mary Perusek, Jennie Lenarcic, Jennie Creek, Vida Kuhar, Mary Kusar, Olga Ozanich, Anna Pinculic, and Mary Fakult.

A Golden Wedding anniversary was celebrated by Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Setina, (Josephine) at an open house held at their home, 18208 Rosecliff Rd. Mr. Setina retired in 1947, after operating a meat market for many years on E. 195th St.

We wish to extend the best of wishes to Janet Angela Arko, who became the bride of Stanley Bizay. Janet's mother, Angela, is also a member of our branch.

Mr. Edward Pike, son of our member, Mrs. Mildred Pike, recently was betrothed to Patricia Ann Nosse. Three of his aunts and grandmother, Mrs. Jennie Vodnik, are also members of our branch. We extend to the couple our heartiest good wishes.

Helen Mihelich and Frances Plevnik are both at home recuperating after surgery at hospitals. Let us hope they will have a quick recovery.

Donations to our good-time treasury were made by the following: Mary Smdel, Jennie Vidovich, Antonia Ipa-

## Convention Rulings

Decisions of the 13th National S.W.U. Convention will be found in the Minutes of the Convention in this issue and in succeeding issues; however, there are several major rulings which are of interest to all members.

**ASSESSMENT:** An increase of .05 a month for Classes A & B will be in effect, January 1, 1965. Juvenile Class assessment remains at 10¢ per month. Members reaching the age of 75 years by July 1, 1964 will pay 20¢ per month. Those 80 or more before July 1st remain free. The Zarja quarter contribution is in effect for 1964.

**ZARJA:** The monthly organ of S.W.U. will not be changed in any way — in the future it will continue to be published monthly, 6 months on 16 pages and 6 months on 32 pages. Women's Activities, Sports and Juvenile Activities will be promoted through the officers in charge.

**JUVENILES:** Each branch will receive a contribution of 25¢ for each juvenile participating in a yearly event, an educational or cultural program or party.

**COOKBOOKS:** The current order of cookbooks is nearly depleted; with a little further effort by the branches, it will be in the next few months. A new supply will be ordered for the fall.

**HISTORY OF S.W.U.:** will be printed in booklet form as compiled by the Founder, Marie Prislund and available in the next year to all branches.

**New Officers:** Convention reelected all officers with a vote of confidence and elected two new officers: Mary Bostian (50), State President of Ohio and Louise Epley (73) as Juvenile Director. Congratulations.

vec, Vida Kuhar, Frances Globokar, Mary Perusek, Mary Mandich, Olga Ozanich, Pauline Krall, and Mary Fakult. Also Antonia Sustar donated three aprons for our party at the meeting. Many thanks to all of them.

Condolences to the family of Anna Burjak in the passing of their mother and grandmother due to an unfortunate accident. Also to the family of Alice Yerak, who passed away after an extended illness.



PFC Martin Kuhar

On July 30th, 1944, PFC. Martin Kuhar was killed in action in the Burma Road fighting operation in Japan. Survivors include his father and mother, Martin and Vida, sister Lee and brother Walter. Vida is a member of our branch. We know that Martin will never be forgotten, and he will always be remembered in our prayers.

In closing, we hope that everyone will have an enjoyable summer.

Molly Sodja, Secretary

No. 16, South Chicago, Ill. At our May meeting we welcomed back our long absent member, Katherine Zlogar. Her leg injury kept her away almost a year.

Our branch was well represented at the S.W.U. Convention banquet, which was held at the Morrison Hotel. We all enjoyed the wonderful program immensely. Congratulations to Br. No. 2 for hosting it so well, also to the rest of the committee who were in any way responsible for its success. I am sure it made a great impression on all the delegates.

Mrs. Matasich, her daughter, Mary Breberick and Katie Triller left for a trip to Europe the 16th of June. Happy landing, gals and may you enjoy yourselves to the utmost.

Thirty-one of us participated in the "Annual Chicken Dinner" which was held at "Cholaks." We all thank our member, Mary Cholak for providing such a wonderful, tasty meal, and the good time we had following it.

July birthdays are: Amelia Zec, Ann Springer, Anna Buck, Marge Prebil, Mary Cholak, Marie Cieslik and Gloria Serapin.

Remember ladies, we have no meeting in August so we will look for you again in September. May you all have a nice summer.

Rose Salakar, Recorder

No. 17, West Allis, Wis. Due to the Convention, no meeting was held during the month of May, but we did have one in June. As you know there is no meeting in July and August. We will resume our meetings again on September 20.

Members, friends, and neighboring branches are cordially invited to attend our affairs. The first one is a Miscellaneous Card Party on Sunday,

**No. 20, Joliet, Ill. Bowling News.** On May 11 we concluded our bowling season with a banquet held at Autumn Acres. After the banquet we held our meeting and election of officers. Our new officers for the coming year are Helen Golobic who automatically became president by being the captain of the winning team; Josephine Sumic, vice-president; Mary Lou Bluth, secretary; Marge Gasperich, treasurer; Marilyn Nemanich, reporter; and Gert Padovich, Sgt. at-arms.

Trophies and cash prizes were awarded to the winning team, Bluth Sausage, which consisted of Lil Anderson, Marilyn Nemanich, Gert Padovich, Agnes Verbischer, and Helen Golobic, Captain. Ann Papesch was the recipient of the Achievement Award, Gen Klainsek received the high series award and earlier this season, Jo Mlakar received the WIBC All Spare Game Award. Our Sweepstakes winners were, Marge Gasperich, Sophie Stiglic, Edith Rosenquist, Barb Terlep, Agnes Verbischer, Bea Zobel, Agnes Lovati, and Dot Buldak.

Congratulations to our new Officers, winners in the various categories, also a big Thank You to our Social Committee: Mary Rezick and Mitzi Mrozek for all their work thru the course of the year.

On May 31 Merichka's Team was awarded first place honors in the Midwest Bowling Tournament by being presented with Trophies by our Branch President, Mrs. Emma Planinsek. Bowlers receiving trophies were Ann Sternisha, Marge Wajchert, Agnes Lovati, Gen Klainsek, and Mary Rudman, Captain.

My sincere thanks to all the members for all the wonderful co-operation shown me during the past season and I'm sure they will give the same courtesies and co-operation to our new officers for the coming year.

And now, before signing off, I would like to offer a few congratulations. First of all to my mother Mrs. Joseph Schmidberger who has been chosen "Most Popular Mother of the Year" by the Council of Catholic Women of the Joliet Diocese. Heartiest congratulations to Mrs. Edward (Olga) Ancel selected as "Mother of the Year" for Branch

## JOLIET CHAMPS!



**BLUTH SAUSAGE TEAM — CHAMPS IN THE JOLIET LEAGUE! — Seated: Helen Golobic, Captain, Gertrude Padovich and Marilyn Nemanich; standing: Agnes Verbisher, Bernie Bluth and Lil Anderson.**

#20. Congratulations also to Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Yuvan on the birth of their new daughter born May 30. We hope to have Jean back with us again next year, and I hope that the rest of us will be able to give Mary Lou a big YES when she starts to make her calls for the coming season.

Agnes Lovati, Sec'y.

Sept. 27, 1964 at St. Mary's Auditorium, So. 60th & W. Madison at 8:00 P.M. The proceeds will go towards our treasury. The next affair will be a Usinger Sausage Demonstration with a card party. This one will be held on Tuesday, October 27, 1964 at 8:00 P.M. at St. Mary's Auditorium. The proceeds from the card party will be towards the window of St. Mary's New Church Building. All donations, cash or merchandise will be greatly appreciated.

Our President, Marion Marolt was unable to attend the convention as a delegate, so the alternate, vice-president Vickie Kastelic took her place. Vickie drove our treasurer, Frances Piwoni, Louise Meyer and Mary Cvar, guests, and myself to Chicago for the 13th National Convention. On Tuesday Mrs. Jackie Nimmer of Elm Grove, Wis. and Mrs. Mary Petrich, Supreme Officer of K.S.K.J. came down and were guests of the SWU Convention and attended the banquet. We were very happy to have you there!

In behalf of our delegate, our visitors, and myself, many thanks to Branch #2 and the Committee for the wonderful entertainment, for their hospitality and everyone else that was connected with the convention, who made our stay in Chicago a very memorable event.

Congratulations are in order for the Convention Queen, Vickie Faletic, the 3 princesses, Rose Zelodec, Ann Podgorsek, and Rose Kraemer, our State President.

Mrs. Priland who is continually writing and searching for history about the Slovenian people, has now completed the history of the Slovenian Women's Union for the Univ. of Ljubljana in Slovenia. Histories take time and effort and we are proud of her in giving us such prestige. It had been decided to translate this history into English so we can all benefit by it.

Am sorry to say that we had lost another member, Gertrude Pugel, who was a charter member. Our deepest sympathy to the children and her sister, Anna Godec, and other surviving relatives. May she rest in peace.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Clement Zborowski on the arrival of a baby girl, Beth Ellen. Dianne is the daughter of our Vice-President Vickie Kastelic, and granddaughter of Mrs. Julia Tacl. Also congratulations to the paternal grandmother, Mrs. Mary Kastelic. We are very proud to have the 4 generation family in our branch.

Bon Voyage to our Supreme Officers, and to our organizer and Honorary President, Mrs. Josephine Schlosar, Mr. & Mrs. Val Stroj, (our recording secretary), Mr. & Mrs. Jacob Stariha,

and Mrs. Vida Yakos who are all going to Europe. Have a nice vacation. As you know after vacations are over, it means the work will resume and a new campaign will get under way and that means "Let's all get out and get at least one new member."

Happy vacationing to all members and friends and may God watch over you where ever you are.

Marie A. Floryan

**Joliet, Ill. Hail the champs!** Bluth's Sausage in Branch #20 Bowling League, Helen Golobic who lead her SMOKIES, Lil Anderson, Marilyn Nemanich, Gert Padovich and Agnes Verbisher on to the pinnacle of S.W.U. honors with a quiet and calm — never getting excited and always putting them where they were needed. The Team finished with a 8 game lead from 2nd place team, The American Slovenian Home, followed by, 3rd place Krause Radio & TV, 4th place North West Recreational Club, 5th place Papesch Funeral Home, 6th place Merichka's Restaurant, 7th place Shep's D X Service Station, then the PILLARS — 8th place Ellena Builders. Congratulations girls, all of us in the league are most proud of you and it couldn't have happened to a better team.

We are most proud of our charter member in the league Mrs. Ann Pa-

push, who is a recipient of the W.I. B.C. Achievement Award, she has raised her average 10 pins starting out the season. Ann is remembered as one of the team which took the awards in the S.W.U. second annual Bowling tournament from Joliet in 1938. Her son, Michael Papesh, is one of our sponsors. Congratulations! Ann.

Our most faithful bowler Jo Mlakar received the W.I.B.C. All Spare Game Award; she bowled an all spare game of 182 — Congratulations, Jo.

Oh! yes, our SWU Midwest Bowling Champs, Mericka's Resturant Team, were the winners of the S.W.U. 28th annual tourney held in Wisconsin. The entire league and Branch #20 congratulates you—Ann Sternisha, Marge Wajchert, Agnes Lovati, Gen Klainsek and Captain Mary Rudman, we are so proud of you.

We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Yuvan on a new (SWU) baby girl. Mother Jean is one of our Bowlers.

Our sponsors — we are greatly indebted to them in many ways and we thank them. The best way to show our gratitude is in giving them our patronage and soliciting that of our friends.

With the best of luck to all the bowlerettes — may they spend their summer in the most enjoyable leisure and all in view of the competitions in the coming 1964-65 series. I also want to compliment the Midwest S.W.U. Bowling Association in their grand supervision in the 28th annual S.W.U. Tournament.

As President of the League—thanks to everyone who assisted me in the many ways needed for the success of our League, and most especially our champion team sponsor, Bernadette Bluth, who was our official sub with 90 games to her credit.

THANKS AGAIN, ALL!

**Helen Golobic**

No. 21, Cleveland, Ohio. We had a lovely time at our dinner honoring the Mother of the Year, Frances Perusek. She received our most sincere congratulations and good wishes along with a beautiful orchid corsage from the members, presented by Cecilia Brodnik. She surely was happy and all her daughters were present for this occasion. The dinner was delicious catered by our member, Sophie Borek, an excellent cook. Thanks a million to all the wonderful members who donated to our treasury, door prizes and spirits. Many thanks to our Councilman, John Cimperman, and his wife, for attending the dinner; also, to Al Skoda. Hope you enjoyed yourselves.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lach celebrated their 42nd Wedding Anniversary recently. Mrs. Lach is our president.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kosak celebrated their 43rd Anniversary. Good health and best wishes for the future.

Many thanks to our Spiritual Ad-

## A MESSAGE FROM HER MAJESTY . . .

No. 25, Cleveland, Ohio. The best way to express one's feelings is to do it and say it with a great big "Thank You." Having been favored many times by our members with thoughtfulness and consideration I take this opportunity to "THANK" Pauline Stampfel, Mary Otonicar, Josephine Golinski, Mary Kolegar and all the ladies of various branches that helped make the queen's coronation at the Convention a highlight in my life. It will always be remembered as an unforgettable and resplendent event. Those "special" people who go out-of-their-way to make a person happy like that "lovable" Corinne Leskovar and "energetic" Albina Novak continually dedicating their efforts with the wonderful spirit toward organizational support. Adding a spark to my happiness were my two roommates — Louise Epley and Louise Prhne, taking care of me as if I were

truly a queen. Reflecting on this and all the pleasant surroundings, the beautiful program outlined, the candle-light dinner, the outstanding autographed queens' folder and gifts will be a cherished memory with an expressible appreciation. Therefore, with gentleness in my heart I pray Our Lord rewards you for your kindness.

We are very pleased at our br. # 25 with the addition of the brand new members. It's a pleasure to see them attend the meetings, they represent youth, beauty, color and gayety. Millie Chesnik, Kay Guist, Vida Zak and Ann Bizjak, we missed you at our last meeting, please try to make it next time, we'd love having you.

Vicki Faletic

P. S. Dear Teta Mary Kovacic, I hope you are feeling much better. Pozdrav. Vicki

visor, Rev. Claude Okorn, O.F.M., for the inspirational words during our convention meetings. I wish to express my sincere thanks to all Chicago No. 2 members, for the warm welcome we received in Chicago and each and everyone of the hard working officers and members, especially our Supreme Secretary, Albina Novak; Treasurer, Josephine Zeleznikar and Editor, Corinne Leskovar, also to Elizabeth Zefran, the cooks and all who participated. Br. 2 is very fortunate to have such talented, outstanding young singers and performers in their community. The program was one of the best I've seen in a long time. Special thanks to our President, Toni Turek for her job well done, kindness, patience, to all of us. I gave a full report of the activities of the convention.

On hand, I have the latest edition of the cookbook; if anyone wishes a copy, I would be glad to send it. Call me at TU 4-8217.

No meetings in July and August. To our sick members, speedy recovery.

We hope you all enjoy a happy vacation time. **Stella Dancull, Sec'y**

No. 23, Ely, Minn. Dawn Club. — Bringing our winter session to a summer recess, was our annual May Banquet which was at the Maid-Rite Cafe. More than 50 percent of our membership participated in a delicious dinner preceded by a cocktail hour.

At a short business meeting presided by our president Mary Shikonja, it was decided that we hold a potluck supper on Aug. 19th at Zupancich's cabin on Farm Lake.

Let's all have a restful and healthful summer. So long until Aug. 19th!

**Margaret Somrock, Reporter**

No. 26, Pittsburgh, Pa. The committee and I wish to thank all the members and friends who attended

our luncheon in May and a thank you also to the members who donated prizes.

Again, a reminder that we have no meetings in July and August. Our next meeting is Sept. 15th and we hope to have a nice attendance it being the first after a long vacation.

Remember the sick in your prayers and God bless you.

**Ann Frankovic, Sec'y.**

No. 28, Calumet, Mich. On May 17th approximately 60 members gathered at St. Joseph Church to honor the Mother of the Year and to celebrate our 35th anniversary.

President, Ann Heineman, led grace after which a delicious turkey dinner was served by the committee. The charter members and past Mothers of the Year were recognized. Mrs. Stefanie Ryan was commended for her 22 years of service as an officer. Mrs. Ryan was elected a delegate to our national convention and will report at a later meeting on that historic event.

Mrs. Mary Jakovich read a brief history, highlighting the activities of our branch. There were 25 women who organized Br. 28 and today there are but 11 still living.

In our history we remember a drill team being organized by the Jr. members in 1937. It was a very colorful unit in red and white uniforms with red pill-box hats. They participated in parades and special events for many years. Members of St. Joseph Church Senior Choir sang several appropriate selections both in English and Slovenian. After the program a social time was enjoyed by all.

Several congratulatory cards and messages were received including one from the S.W.U. Founder, Marie Prislund who came to Calumet in 1929 to organize Br. 28. Many thanks!

**Theresa Niemi**

# Supreme President's Message

## ABOARD THE "QUEEN ELIZABETH"

A memorable day, Sunday, May 17th, the opening of our 13th National Convention, when members, delegates and friends assembled at St. Stephen's in Chicago and marched together into their beautiful church, escorted by the new Marie Prislund Cadets of Br. 50, Cleveland. The cadets stood as a guard of honor at the entrance, and added color and brilliance to the ceremony. It was very impressive and we felt full of good spirit. Holy Mass was offered by our Spiritual Advisor, Rev. Claude Okorn, O.F.M., and the St. Stephen's Choir sang the mass under the direction of Fr. Vendelin Spendov, O.F.M. They sang just beautifully.

Afterward, St. Stephen's Hall filled with guests who enjoyed a delicious dinner prepared by the members of Br. 2. Following this, we all relaxed and delighted in the magnificent program arranged under the direction of our capabel Albina Novak, Corinne Leskovar and members of Chicago.

On Tuesday evening, the Coronation Banquet held at the Morrison Hotel was also very well-attended. The dinner was followed by coronation of our Convention Queen, Vicki Faletic and three Princesses. The ceremony was impressive and beautiful. The focal point on the stage in the lovely Cotillion Room was a flower cart arranged with all the Queen's and Princesses crowns, trophies and gifts. Founder, Marie Prislund placed the golden shining crown on Vicki's head and pronounced her Convention Queen while a blue velvet robe was placed on her shoulders. This robe, we learned later, was used by the first convention queen and has been kept in good condition all these years. Vicki was dressed all in white, so she made a beautiful picture with her crown, scepter and robe. She is a pretty woman and the mother of four boys besides.

I had the honor of placing the crowns on our three princesses who were, Rose Zelodec of Br. 50, Ann Podgorsek of Br. 33 and Rose Kraemer of Br. 43. The Queen and Princesses were escorted by their branch delegates to the stage and they were thrilled with this honor. Her majesty and court received beautiful gifts which included golden loving cup trophies with their names engraved, gold bracelets and a Memory Album was presented to each by the Editor, Corinne Leskovar who prepared the books with letters of congratulations, pictures of their activities with Zveza and even a place for the convention picture taken that evening. Everyone in the room was asked to sign their autographs in these books and they will truly bring nice memories each time they are opened.

My congratulations to the Queen and Princesses. Keep up the good work.

The banquet program continued and we especially liked hearing such beautiful words spoken by our honored guests, Prof. John A. Zvetina, of Loyola University and the Union's Actuary, Carl A. Tiffany. There were greetings given us by our Spiritual Advisor and a grand message in Slovenian by our toastmistress's husband, Dr. Ludwig A. Leskovar. The musical portion of the program was delightful beyond words.

At this time I would like to express my thanks and appreciation to each and everyone who in one way or another took part in making our Chicago convention such a pleasant and enjoyable one. It would be impossible to thank you all individually, so please accept these words with our gratitude. This convention was truly wonderful and memorable every minute of the time.

I would also like to thank the delegates for showing their fine ability in making decisions intelligently and for the betterment of the entire organization. The business sessions went along smoothly and this was all due to the good judgment shown by the delegates and officers.

All former officers were re-elected and we welcome newly-elected Juvenile Director of Br. 73, Warrensville Hghts., Louise Epley and new State President for Ohio-Michigan, Mary Bostian of Br. 50.

There is also a new change in the assesment. The 25c contribution each member was asked to pay has been dropped and instead, a nickel a month will be asked from each member of the adult classes. This actually is only 3c more a month than you have been paying with the quarter Zarja contribution of the past year and a half. This nickel a month will make it easier for the secretaries and also, we will be on more solid ground with our expense fund. We will also have our Zarja remain as it is, with 6 issues on 32 pages and 6 on 16 pages per year.

It gives me great pleasure to know that you all had the confidence in me during the past three years to elect me again for the next term. For this I thank you and promise to do my best for the betterment of the organization and membership.

**Toni Turek**



Maria Fischinger, mezzo-soprano who thrilled the delegates with her beautiful singing at the Convention Programs and at the Memorial Mass, is presented a bouquet of flowers by Miriam Leskovar on stage at the St. Stephen's Hall. Read more of the Convention in the Supreme President's column adjoining.

No. 32, Euclid, Ohio. Our President, Theresa Potokar was our delegate to the Convention held in Chicago. She had so much to tell us about it and said that it was one of the best conventions yet. It seems that so much was done and yet in so short a time. Please read Zarja for all news about it.

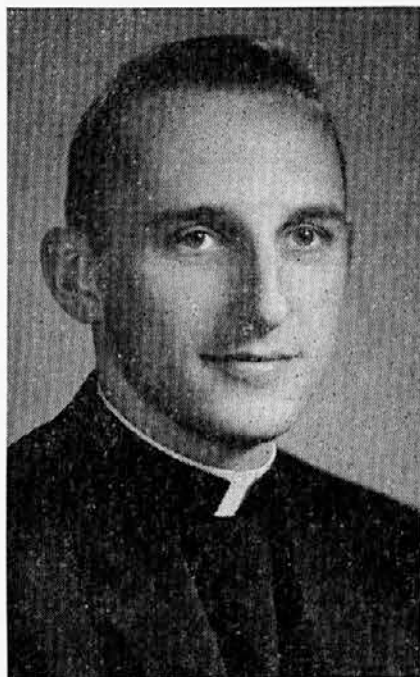
Our president's son, Thomas Potokar married Isabelle De Bartolomeo on May 30th. May God bless this young couple. Tom is the youngest of four sons and three daughters in the family, all married. Congratulations to this nice family!

Mary Kalin is recuperating after an operation at her home. May she get her strength back quickly — we pray for her and all our sick members.

Ray and Anne Perme were proud parents of a son, born June 1st, their 2nd son and fifth child. This makes Mr. and Mrs. Louis Perme grandparents for the 8th time. Frances Perme is our vice-pres. Congratulations to parents and grandparents.

Golden anniversarians are Mr. Anton and Mrs. Josephine Fenc, June 13th the date. God bless both of you

# OUR SCHOLARSHIP STUDENT IS NOW FATHER SHUBITZ!



REV. JOHN A. SHUBITZ

with many more anniversaries.

Back to business, the committee in charge of the 35th anniversary dinner will meet in August. To all members, don't forget to bring ticket returns to the Sept. meeting. The tickets will be sent by mail and we ask each member to buy one.

Keep busy during the summer and make items for our Bazaar Oct. 10th and 11th at Rechar Hall. We already have tickets for this and ask you to help dispose of them.

Have a nice vacation and while relaxing, think what you can do for our Union. May God bless you all.

A. Tekavec, Rec. Sec'y.

No. 34, Soudan, Minn. Our May meeting was held on the 28th — a week later than usual so that we could have Mrs. Mary Pahula back with us to report on the proceedings of the National Convention held in Chicago — it was interesting to all of us and the women asked her many questions about it — both regarding to business sessions and the "social" aspects too.

At our business meeting presided over by Mrs. John Pahula tentative plans were made for the celebration of the 35th anniversary of our Branch (34) on our meeting night Sept. 16th. Since we will not meet during the summer months (members can pay their dues directly to Mrs. Mary Pahula), the president and her committee will take care of arrangements which will be announced in our local paper.

A social hour followed the business meeting and prize winners were Mmes. Anthony Yapel, Louis Zupanich, John Pahula and Leo Wilson. Mrs. Mary Pahula won the attendance prize. Ap-

John A. Shubitz, son of Mrs. Mary Shubitz of Duluth, Minn. was ordained to the priesthood on May 30, 1964 at his home parish, St. Elizabeth's. Following his ordination, Fr. John celebrated his first Mass at 10:30 a. m. and was guest of honor at a banquet. There he gave his blessing to each guest individually. An open house was also held later in the day.

Fr. John was born in Duluth on July 29, 1938. He attended St. Margaret Mary school and Cathedral High, furthering his studies at the College of St. Thomas and St. Paul Seminary at St. Paul, Minn. He has a brother, Fr. Thomas Shubitz who is pastor of Mary Immaculate Church at Bovey, Minn. and a sister who is principal of St. Clement's Catholic

school in Duluth, Sr. Mary Vianney of St. Scholastica's priory.

There are two other brothers and three sisters who are all sharing in the happiness of the family.

Mrs. Mary Shubitz, his mother, is the secretary of Br. 33 and has been so for many many years. She is a wonderful person and beloved by all the members. Fr. John was given an S. W. U. Scholarship grant some years ago, so the entire membership has been made a part of his prayers as he himself has written in the attached letter.

God's blessings to all the Shubitz family and a special blessing is our wish for our new priest, Fr. John.

Ann Podgorsek.

## FATHER SHUBITZ'S LETTER

Dear Mrs. Prislant:

I just thought that you would like to know that one of your beneficiaries made it! Last Saturday, May 30th, through the imposition of the hands of Bishop Francis Schenk, I was ordained a priest for service in the Diocese of Duluth.

There are many people to thank for helping me reach this goal, and the Slovenian Women's Union of America is among them. The help you gave me back in the school year of 1956-1957 was much appreciated then, and even more now since it has borne its fruit.

May the blessing of Almighty God descend upon you and all the members of the Slovenian Women's Union.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

(Rev.) John A. Shubitz

Dear Fr. John Shubitz! We send you our best wishes for a most rewarding and meaningful lifetime in the service of God. May He bless you with good health so you may fulfill all your ambitions. Your family and the members of S. W. U. will always be proud of your achievements!

pointed as hostesses for OCTOBER were Mrs. John Pahula and Mrs. Mary Pahula.

Following the social hour Mmes. Joseph Skala and Joseph Gornick served a delicious luncheon.

A happy and accident free vacation to all SWU members!

Mrs. Anthony F. Yapel, Reporter

No. 40, Lorain, Ohio. First of all, thanks from all of us to the Convention Committee of Br. 2, Chicago for the wonderful program they put on at our recent Convention. Each member had her own duty to perform which was very well done.

Congratulations to the chairman of this historic event, Albina Novak who did a fine job; to Ann Zorko, the main cook and to her helpers for the delicious dinner they prepared on Sunday; (Ann Zorko is a very happy lady and was the life of the party with that broom dance!); to Corinne Leskovar for the wonderful work she has done training those little tots and senior group of Slovenian folk dancers; to the Choral Club singers for a very well-done performance and their young director, Richard Grill; to the choir of St. Stephen's for their thrilling singing and their director, Rev.

Vendelin Spendov, O.F.M.; to the lovely Marija Fischinger for her wonderful singing at both programs, to the Marie Prislant Cadets of Br. 50, Cleveland who did their fancy drill-work which none of us thought they could do anymore! (Just proves that ages don't make any difference when girls are in good step) and their director, Fran Seitz and Mary Bostian, pres. of that group who is our newly-elected State President of Ohio-Michigan; to Elizabeth Zefran and Josephine Zeleznikar, Supreme Officers who did so much to arrange things and oh, I must not forget our Spiritual Advisor, Fr. Claude, O.F.M. He set the tone by his inspiring words and prayers. I also recall the dedication to mothers and our own mother of S. W. U., Marie Prislant, who was presented a lovely floral tribute by a little child of Br. 2 who said: naši mami v poklon! Oh, I could go on and mention and praise many more, but space will not allow. I will say, congratulations and thanks to all who took part in every way. You did your work well. May God bless you and keep you in good health.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Kos who celebrated their Golden Wedding and had a little get-

together with Mrs. Louise Maticic (Mrs. Kos' sister) who came from California for the occasion. WOW! Mr. and Mrs. John Dougan, Sr. celebrated their 54th Wedding Anniversary with their children, grandchildren and great grandchildren! May they have many more anniversaries.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Seskar are visiting their relatives in Europe; we wish them a safe journey.

Happy Birthdays to all members with birthdays in July and August; may you all have many more happy and healthy ones. I can't resist telling that Mrs. Frances Tomazic was 82 years old in June. What a wonderful feeling it must be to have all her family home for this occasion, 3 sons and 5 daughters (all members of S. W.U.) and many grandchildren. Mrs. Tomazic, "naj ljubi Bog Vas ohrani še na mnogo zdravih in zadovoljnih let."

Deepest sympathy to Mrs. Mary Mlach and Mary Ferlic, her daughter, on the loss of husband and father, Frank Mlach. May his soul rest in peace.

Thanks to the following members who donated to the Convention Handwork Exhibit: Mary Kobal (embroidered pillow-cases), Frances Bresak (apron), Rose Kragely (apron and pot-holders), Helen Skrjanc (bathroom "fish"), Angeline Voytko (scatter pins), Arlene Voytko (embroidered apron) and yours truly (scatter pins, large apron etc.) All proceeds went toward the Scholarship Fund. There were many nice things brought in by the delegates and made a nice profit. Thanks to all.

A pleasant summer is my wish for you.  
**Angela Kozjan, Sec'y**

**No. 42, Maple Hts., Ohio.** — The meeting of April 22nd opened with prayer and roll call was taken. The officers and members agreed that a telegram of appreciation would be sent to Louise Phrne who represented us at the convention in Chicago. The trip must have been for both business and pleasure according to the beautiful picture post card I received from Louise. The door prize donated by Mary Yemec was won by Frances Legan.

Our Mother of the Year, Pauline Hribar, looked absolutely stunning on May 3rd, the day in which our branch attended a Mass in her honor. Afterwards everyone enjoyed a delicious chicken dinner with all the trimmings prepared by Theresa Simoncic. I'm sure that Pauline's family is very proud of her, for she was the "Queen of the Day!"

Rev. Paul J. Wysocki, son of Vida, was ordained on May 23rd at St. John's Cathedral. He celebrated his first high Mass the following day at Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Wickliffe. Our best wishes are extended to Fr. Wysocki and his mother, who has been bestowed with the honor of

being a mother of a priest. Thomas Tomsic, son of Frances, graduated from Borromeo High School on June 7th, and he plans to continue his education at Borromeo College studying for the priesthood. Frances Tomsic has been recovering from a serious illness at Cleveland General Hospital. A note of good cheer and some prayers from members might help to put her on the road to good health. Julia Lipnos recently recovered from a fractured toe injury. It seems that she did quite a bit of sitting for a few weeks but is now walking fine.

A trip to Florida gave Mary Filips and her husband Fred a beautiful golden tan which everyone seeks this time of year. Maybe we should follow their footsteps and go south next spring! Mr. and Mrs. Ludwig Vreck will celebrate their Golden Anniversary next month. Congratulations to them and their family. Jennie Intihar extends her gratitude to all those who have so generously helped her daughter in a time of tragedy. Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated.

If any member or their families are celebrating a special occasion or have been ill, please notify me as to the current events. I hope that everyone had a safe and happy holiday.

Keep smiling and keep this little thought in mind: "The most completely lost of all days is that on which one has not laughed."—Chamfort.

**Marie Matis**

**No. 50, Cleveland, Ohio** Hello, everyone! May meeting was opened with a prayer by our past president, Mrs. Seitz. Absent were our Supr. Pres., Mrs. Turek and our lovely reporter who was a delegate, Mrs. Bostian. Our own pres., Mrs. Tomc was detained at work and our campaign manager, Mrs. Zelodec was the delegates at the Convention as the Princess.

The Drill Team girls, tho a little tired from their trip, all came to tell us what a wonderful time all had. May God bless them and give them the energy to keep up the good work. Br. 50 is proud of you.

All the credit goes to Mary Bostian who organized the team and called all 17 ladies and worked so hard to keep the interest lively. She also selected their uniform that was then approved. Thank you, Mary, your work really paid off for all the girls looked just wonderful and showed up what Br. 50 can do. Second honors to Frances Seitz as the instructor who was there at every practice and her patience and hard work, succeeded in making drillers out of the girls. Thank you, Fran.

Our branch held a "white elephant" sale and bake sale on May 1st. Mrs. Turek sublet us her store and we stocked it very well. The profit came to \$145.00. Thanks to one and all

for the donations and the effort put behind it. It would take up too much space to thank you individually.

A birthday song was sung to all who celebrated in May. I want to thank you for all the cards I myself received.

Sympathy was in order to Mr. & Mrs. John Cesnik on the loss of her beloved father.

At this point, members of Br. 50 wholeheartedly thank our new member, Julia Woda, who so diligently worked and in such short time made a beautiful afghan for our October bazaar.

Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Peterly on the arrival of a new baby; hope will be our new member.

Congratulations to Mrs. Toni Turek on being re-elected our Supreme President and to Mary Bostian our new State President. We are proud to have both in our branch, these two hard-working gals will do their best for the Union and branch.

Month of June was dedicated to our own "queen" Rose Zelodec who enrolled so many new members. Another campaign and we'll have a thousand members like Br. 25! Rose was ill at the convention but stuck it out until the end.

After the meeting adjourned, members met at Mamie Marin's and a good time was had by all.

And now, dear members, remember to pay up your dues and keep active. By the time you read this, your secretary will be far away. It's been 28 years since I left Sodražica na Dolenjskem and I am looking forward to seeing it again. We'll report on the trip — pray for me and God bless you all.

**Marie Beck, Sec'y**

**No. 52, Kitzville, Minn.** Our meeting was again held at the Little Grove with 24 members present. Congratulations were again extended to sister Rose Zidarich our Rec. Secretary on her marriage to Ray Trombly on May 2nd. Good luck to both. May you have many, many years of blissful happiness.

To our sick members, sisters, Lena Strazishar and Patricia Hrovat who were confined to the Hibbing General Hospital, we wish Godspeed to good health. And, to all our sick members, hope you are all on the road to recovery. God be with you all

Our deepest sympathy is also sent — far more than words could ever express as we all know what is felt at the time of one's bereavement, to sister Ann Shuster who lost her dearly beloved father, Martin Jemec and to sisters Rose Zidarich, Laura Mancuso on the loss of their dearly beloved father, Dominic Mancuso and to all relatives and friends who have lost their dear ones after carrying a heavy cross, we all pray they are in

heaven. Eternal light shine upon them forever.

Congratulations to sister Rose Chiodi on her successful trip to the Convention. On her return, she gave us the latest on the rules and by-laws of the organization and told us the next convention will be held in Washington, D. C. Our dues will be increased as of January 1965 and she also told of the wonderful time she had while in Chicago. This report ended our business meeting and our pres. Josephine Oswald was then presented a rose and a rosary from the S. W. U. for her 29 years of service as president of the branch. She then led us in the concluding prayer.

The social with games and refreshments followed. Winners were Josephine Oswald, Ivana Prelesnik, Rose Trombly, Dorothy Russo, Celia Pallitano, Julia Mansco, Gertrude Kochevar and Frances Shega; door Prize went to Carmela Bonazza. Hostesses for the evening were sisters: Veronica Krizmanich, Margaret Pogorels, Patricia Mancuso and Patricia Hrovat. This brought a delightful evening to a close.

July meeting is cancelled — next meeting is Aug. 5th at the Little Grove. Hope you have nice summer vacations — drive safely. May God bless you and keep you in the best of health.

Gertrude Kochevar, Reporter

No. 54, Warren, Ohio Our May meeting was a lovely Mother-Daughter Banquet held at the Brown Derby Restaurant. Honored at this time was our Mother of the Year, Josephine Kassin who was presented a lovely corsage by the members. The large attendance was wonderful and everyone seemed to be enjoying themselves.

At our June meeting, we had a Bon Voyage party for our president, Rose Racher and member Hattie Gradishar who with the Rachers and Helen Kogovsek of Girard are making the S. W. U. a jet trip to Europe. It was a surprise for our dear president and I know it pleased her very much to see that the members thought so much of her. Good luck and a safe trip, is our wish. It won't be the same this summer without mom Racher around for our family cook-outs and get-togethers, but I know she'll enjoy herself visiting my uncle Lou whom she hasn't seen for years and all our other relatives.

Congratulations to Father Lozier, son of our good friend, Theresa Lozier of Girard who recently celebrated his First Mass. To me, that would be the greatest honor and joy of a mother's life.

High school grads to be congratulated from our branch are Carole Gorsick and Joyce Ann Mlakar. Good luck and may you have a bright and prosperous life ahead of you. To our

sick members, wish you a speedy recovery. Hope you have a lovely summer.

Joanne Ponikar, Sec'y

No. 56, Hibbing, Minn. Our meeting opened with the recitation of the rosary in honor of our heavenly mother and all mothers on earth. Mrs. Frances Bozich was honored at this meeting. Special guests at this meeting were her daughter Mrs. Celia Holmberg and Mrs. William Obert and her granddaughter, Patricia Obert. Mrs. Bozich was presented a gift and a corsage. As Mrs. Bozich has a beautiful voice we all joined her in several Slovenian selections. A buffet lunch was served with Mrs. Obert, daughter of Mrs. Bozich, presiding at the refreshment table.

A new member, Mrs. Walter Latick, was introduced at this meeting. We are sorry to report our good member, Fran Puhek, is in St. Mary's hospital for back surgery. We all wish her a speedy recovery.

Games were played during the evening with prizes going to: Mmes: Clair Simmons, Leslie Gaige, Clifford Barkis, Frances Prosnik, George Muhvich and Anthony.

There will be no meeting in July and August. They will start again in September. Hope all will have a happy summer.

Liz Draskovich, Reporter

No. 57, Niles, Ohio. It was nice to see so many new faces at our Mother's Day Banquet tho we did miss a few old ones, namely Mrs. Flere who is ill and Mrs. Kosance who is also ill. Hope they feel better soon. Mrs. Theresa Racher and Mrs. Nancy Segreto were away vacationing. Mrs. Racher went to Wyoming to visit a daughter and to California. Somewhere along the way she broke her arm so we send our best wishes to her for a speedy recovery. Mrs. Segreto was in New York visiting a sister.

At the banquet, Mrs. Mateyko was presented a gift from the branch.

Frances Yerman attended the Convention in Chicago where she had a marvelous time. Your card was appreciated, Fran — we'll be all glad to hear your report.

A new juvenile member has joined our circle and so, a very nice welcome to Cheryl Marie Stringer, granddaughter of Louise Mateyko and daughter of Joanne Stringer. Three generations belong to our branch.

Hope all who have birthdays in the summer have happy ones and safe vacation to all. See you at the next meeting.

Mary Moler, Rec. Sec'y

No. 68, Painsville, Ohio. Our May 17th meeting at the Fairport Slovenian Club brought out many members. Instead of regular business, a pot-luck dinner was held in honor of Mother's

Day. The ladies are all such wonderful cooks and bakers so I'm sure everyone enjoyed themselves.

Our member, Mrs. Julia Klammer was back among us after spending a month visiting her mother in Europe.

We would like to send our sympathies to Mrs. Troha on the loss of her husband.

Celebrating birthdays in May were Josephine Ulle, Adeline Kutie, Edith and Dorothy Hrvatin and Mrs. Jenie Mohorcic, our pres.

Best wishes to all.

Julia Grabelsek, Reporter

No. 73, Warrensville Hgts, Ohio. — At the last meeting until Sept. 14th, we will have a picnic at J. Furrk's backyard; and on July 12th, at 2 p. m. at L. Epley's backyard we are having a family picnic — husbands, too, so please come. This is especially a treat for the junior members, so please mark these dates on your calendar.

A new grandmom again is S. Mauer when P. Mauer had a baby girl. Congratulations and hope both are fine.

On our graduation list: John M. Novak graduated from Holy Name High and will attend Ohio U. at Athens, Ohio. He plans an engineering course. At Holy Name, he was pres. of the National Honor Society and was on the varsity basketball, football and baseball teams for two years. Congratulations, John, a job well done. Good luck in college!

Mrs. Epley gave a complete report on her trip to Chicago for the convention which she attended as our delegate.

On our sick list is E. Pesek — hope she is better now and to all sick members, God send you a speedy recovery.

Hope all our members are having good luck selling their booklets. We ask you each to do your part so we can get back lots of money for selling the most again this year. See you on July 12th at L. Epley's for our picnic — bring your basket.

Betty Bayus, Reporter

No. 85, DePue, Ill. The May meeting, held on the 24th at the Dom had 12 members present. We usually meet on the 3rd Sunday of the month but it was postponed a week because of various social activities. Those who attended the doings in La Salle reported the singing was wonderful.

At the meeting, delegates were chosen for the State Convention in Oglesby on Aug. 30th; they are: May Stupar, Pres., Angela Spolar, Mary Zugich, Frances Kopina, Jennie Blatnick and Frances Machek.

At 6 p.m. the Men's Slovenian lodge had a pot-luck supper with all kinds of goodies. Slides were shown of various scenes at the 60th anniv. of our local SNPJ lodge in April. The evening was spent singing Slovenian



songs and all this was taped by my husband, Vince on his recorder. Each member expressed good wishes for a safe journey to Mr. & Mrs. John Zuegich and Mrs. Agnes Resetich who were to fly to Slovenia in June with the S.W.U. tour.

Next meeting is in Oct.; may everyone have an enjoyable summer.

Happy birthday to Angela Spolar this month — hope her trip to Calif. is a pleasant vacation for her.

Thanks to all the members for their birthday wishes, flowers from Mrs. Resetich's garden (beautiful roses) and card & hanky from our pres. Mrs. Stupar. God bless you for making my birthday such a happy and memorable one. **Frances Machek, Reporter**

**No. 93, Crested Butte, Colo.** Hello to everyone! Our April meeting was held at the church basement with hostesses, Mary Kapushion and Carolyn Kochevar. We were honored by the presence of Fr. Woodward.

In May we motored to Gunnison for a delicious chicken dinner at the Columbine Cafe. Each member brought a guest so there were about 32 present for the Mother's Day celebration. After dinner we played popular games and had a most enjoyable evening. Thanks to Eva Lubin for her help. We will plan another such pleasant gathering soon.

For June we planned another trip to Gunnison to the home of Rose Carricato. She and Donna Christolf were hostesses. We are most proud of our group from Gunnison. All during our winter storms, they were most faithful in attending every meeting.

Our last few days have been warmer and at last the snow seems to be melting. We had snow only last week — it's about time we have some sunny days! (Postmarked in May).

Get-well wishes to Rose Carricato and Frances Guiereri — both were in a car accident and are at present recuperating at home.

Because I have forgotten to mention this before, I would like to extend our branch's sympathy to the family of Mollie Svigel. We were so saddened to hear about her death as we met her only a few months ago at the state convention. May her soul rest in peace.

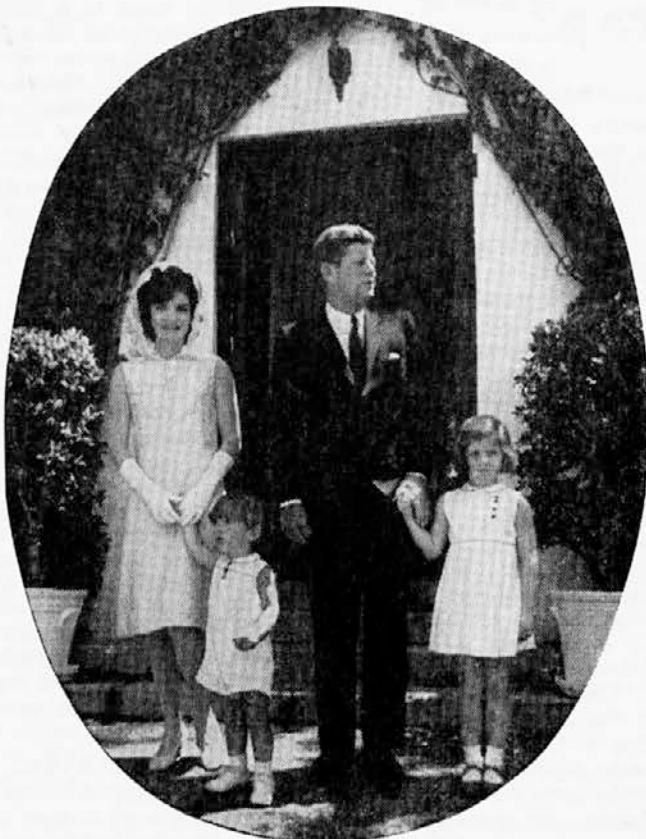
I must say that one of the nicest gifts I received on Mother's Day was having my daughter Darlene as the May Queen, crowning the Blessed Virgin on Mother's Day. The whole ceremony was very nice. Mary Ann Gallowich and Vicki Ruggera were her attendants and the youngsters who participated all looked so nice, just like little angels.

I also was honored by a phone call from my children — my son, John in the Navy called from Midway and his voice sounded very clear.

Until next time, take care, all. God bless you! **Helen Cobai, Reporter**

## A Cherished Moment in the Life of a Great Lady

*Mrs. Jacqueline Kennedy's birthday is this month:  
God Bless Her!*



Mrs. Marie Prisland, our Founder has expressed on behalf of all of us the deepest sympathy to Mrs. John F. Kennedy at the time of the tragic death of her husband. She has received a nice letter from Mrs. Kennedy together with the lovely picture above.

Her letter to Mrs. Prisland:

*Dear Friend:*

*Mrs. Kennedy wishes to thank you for your thoughtful message, and she is only sorry that the tremendous volume of mail prevents her from personally responding each letter she has received.*

*Sincerely,*

*Nancy Tuckerman  
Secretary to Mrs. Kennedy.*

**No. 101, Bedford, O.** Meeting opened with prayer by Fr. John Paulin. A very nice attendance, ladies, and we also had a guest speaker, Mrs. Louise Prhne, delegate from Br. 42, Maple Hgts., who represented our branch at the convention. She gave an interesting talk on the convention proceedings. Thanks loads, Louise, also for your donation of two door prizes.

Our sympathy to Doris Burdyslaw whose Dad passed away recently.

On the agenda we have our Card Party in October. Ladies, please get your tickets out to friends and gather your donations of prizes — let's make it a huge success.

Once again, sincerest appreciation to all members who surprised me as Mother of the Year. God love you!

Congratulations to all graduates — may success be yours. Birthday greetings to all members celebrating in June, July and August. Many happy returns.

Try to attend one of our meetings — you will find them a diversion from your every day life . . . not conventional at all. You're with friends! Invite a Catholic friend to attend with you. Next meeting is in Sept. Happy and safe vacation to all.

**Reporter**

Hermine Prislund Dicke:

## FOODS & DRINKS and PASTIME

### SUMMERTIME

Eating outdoors is fun. A few food preparations pointers are:

1. Salad vegetables travel well in a crisper pan or plastic bag with some ice cubes.

2. If you are cooking over a fire, rub soap on the outside of cooking vessels. The soot from the campfire will wash off more easily.

3. Plan a well balanced meal. A meal of hot dogs, buns, potato chips, pickles, frosted cakes and cokes may appeal to young appetites, but it doesn't supply its share of the basic food needs for the day. Add some vegetables such as carrot and celery sticks, green pepper strips, fresh tomatoes, cucumbers or lettuce. Milk or fruit juice and fresh fruit all add to the nutritional value.

4. Don't heat unopened cans of food — they may explode.

5. Sandwiches taste better if made on the spot. They will be fresher and each person can make his own.

6. According to Col. Edgar W. Garbisch, chairman of National Barbecue month suggests these barbecue tips:

Line bottom of grill with two thicknesses of heavy duty Reynolds Wrap, and place fuel in center of foil. Allow fire to burn 10 to 15 minutes, or until briquets are covered with a fine white ash, before starting to cook. Later — gather up ashes in foil, after using, for easier cleaning.

Brush meat before and during cooking with Kitchen Bouquet, to seal in flavors and add tempting, mouth watering color. Have can of baking soda handy to fight flareups.

Place grill about 4 inches above coals, unless for quick searing. If placing food directly in fire, wrap in double thickness of foil.

### KABOBS

For each person allow:

$\frac{1}{4}$  pound meat (beef cut into 1 inch squares)

1 slice bacon cut into thirds or fourths  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  medium onion cut lengthwise into thirds or wedges of  $\frac{1}{2}$  tomato.

Use long metal skewers, or a green stick of sweet wood about 4 feet long peeled and sharpened at one end. Now "thread" pieces of meat, bacon and onion or tomato alternately on the stick. Broil over coals until cooked through. For well-done meat leave space between the foods. For medium and are meat, pack pieces closer to-

gether. Place between halves of buttered large buns.

Kabob variations:

1 inch cubes of cooked ham and pineapple chunks.

1 inch cubes of lamb soaked for an hour or more in a mixture of 2 tablespoons salad oil, 1 tablespoon vinegar, some onion slices, 1 clove garlic crushed, and a bay leaf. Combine with partially cooked potatoes cut into large chunks. Fresh mushrooms can also be used.

### GRILLED STUFFED FRANKFURTERS

12 frankfurters

Prepared mustard

$\frac{1}{4}$  pound cheddar cheese

2 dill pickles

$\frac{1}{2}$  pound bacon, sliced thinly

12 frankfurter rolls

Cut frankfurters lengthwise, almost through but not quite, and spread cut sides with mustard. Slice cheese and pickles into long strips and lay a strip of each in the frankfurters. Wrap slice of bacon around in spiral fashion, fastening the end with toothpicks. Arrange frankfurters, cut side down, on broiling rack and broil 4 to 5 minutes or until bacon is crisp. Turn and broil 5 minutes longer or until cheese starts to melt. Tuck into hot rolls and serve. Stuffed frankfurters can also be baked in oven at 350° until bacon is crisp.

### GARLIC BREAD

To  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup softened butter add 1 to 2 peeled cloves of mashed garlic. Remove garlic after 30 minutes. Cut crusty French bread diagonally into thick slices down to but not through the bottom crust. Spread garlic butter between slices. Wrap loaf in aluminum foil and place near the fire until warmed 10 minutes or so. Can also be heated in oven at 350° for about 10 minutes. (Delicious).

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Mrs. Antonia Turek, our Supreme President from Cleveland, Ohio, shares one of her favorite recipes with us:

2 packages strawberry jello

1 and  $\frac{1}{2}$  cups of boiling water

1-10 ounce package frozen strawberries and juice

1 small can crushed pineapple and juice

$\frac{1}{2}$  cup chopped pecans

1 cup sour cream

Dissolve jello in boiling water; add frozen strawberries, pineapple and nuts. Pour half in jello mold (jells fast); set in refrigerator to jell. Pour sour cream over jelled jello. Pour rest of jello on top.

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One of the members from Greenwood, Wis. wrote: "I am in the Cafe business. I use your recipes from time to time. I am in need of a recipe for chocolate covered frozen bananas. I have searched in books, papers, etc., but in vain. Can you help me?"

After telephoning a number of prominent eating places in Madison and a large Dairy Company with no success, in desperation, I finally phoned the home economist at the Madison Gas and Electric Company. She, much to my joy, had a very detailed recipe which she was glad to share. It is as follows:



### CHOCOLATE COVERED FROZEN BANANAS

4 ripe bananas

1 - 6 oz. package chocolate chips

1 cup cold water

1 teaspoon ascorbic acid

Peel bananas. Cut in half crosswise. Quickly dip in 1 cup cold water to which has been added 1 teaspoon ascorbic acid (this prevents fruit from darkening; most stores carry it). Then freeze about 3 hours until firm. Melt chocolate chips over hot (not boiling) water. Spread chocolate with knife over each banana half working quickly because chocolate hardens fast. Place on lightly greased baking sheet and return to freezer. When frozen wrap separately in foil or plastic bag getting out as much air as possible. Return to freezer. Serves 8. Store up to one month. To serve: remove from freezer and let stand in refrigerator about 10 to 15 minutes. Serve before completely thawed.

● Sweater of man-made fibers may pill or form small balls of fiber on the surface. The pilling doesn't brush or break off easily because of the strength of the fiber. You can remove the pills by running a safety razor across the surface. To do this place one layer of the sweater over a foam rubber pillow and hold it tight. Use a new blade in the razor and run it carefully across the sweater.

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Have an enjoyable summer!

P. CLAUDE OKORN, O.F.M.:

## SVETI GRAL

Svet danes zelo nerad misli o grehu, še manj pa o poljšanju. Zelo se nekateri prizadevajo, da bi napravili greh samo za človeško slabost. Ali nauk božji glede greha je jasen. Greh je zlo, je žalitev Boga. Greh nespokorjen kliče božjo jezo in zahteva pravično kazen. Sam božji sin je prišel na svet, da bi pomagal človeku. Umril je na križu, da bi zadostil za greh in priklical božje usmiljenje. Resnična pokora in osebna žrtev človekova naklanjata božje prijateljstvo človeku.

Blizu mesta Barcelone na Španskem stoji samotna gora Montserrat (Gora odrešenja). Sedaj stoji na gori znamenit benediktinski samostan s slovečo Marijino božjo potjo. Tudi sveti Ignacij Lojolski je poromal tja, ko se je odločil, da bo služil samo Bogu in Mariji in je obesil svoj meč pri Marijinem oltarju. To goro je srednjeveška poezija okrasila s čudovito krasoto. Stal naj bi na nji grad kralja Artusa. V gradu je bolan ležal kralj, ranjen z zastrupljeno puščico v boju z Mavri. V grajski kapeli pa je bil spravljen sveti Gral. Bila je to tista alabastrska skledica, iz katere je pri zadni večerji jedel Kristus in v katero je vjel Jožef iz Arimateje nekaj Jezusove krvi. Kralj pa je imel dvanajst izbranih mladih vitezov. To je bilo Artusovo omizje. Bili so varuhi sv. Grala; po štirje in štirje so stali z golimi meči pred svetim Gralom, vedno pripravljeni, da ga proti vsaki nevarnosti varujejo s svojim življenjem. Vsak večer so prinesli bolnega kralja v kapelo, da je počastil kri Gospodovo, ki mu je dajala moč in tolažbo, da je mogel prenašati hude bolečine. Če mu je bilo zelo hudo, je zvečer grajski duhovnik nesel sv. Gral v kraljevo spalnico, vitezi pa so z golimi meči spremljali sv. Rešnjo Kri. To je bila najčastnejša služba. A je ni mogel biti vsak deležen, samo najčistejši mladi vitezi. Kdor se je potegoval za to čast, se je moral postaviti pred sv. Gral. Če ni bil vreden, če je že kaj imel na vesti, je sv. Kri postala motna. Le če je ostala povsem čista, je bil vitez sprejet.

Da bo Bog tudi sprejel moramo hoditi skozi svet s čistim in skesanim srcem. Psalmist nas v tem potrjuje ko pravi: Čistega in skesanega srca, O Bog, ne zavržeš.

Le kratek čas nam je odmerjan, da se skazemo vredne božje milosti. Greh pa je tisti, ki nam to pravico do božje milosti jemlje. Čas je že, da spoznamo, da je greh naš sovražnik in ne naš prijatelj pri vsej prikupljivosti, ki nam jo nudi. Tisti, ki misli, da more brez pokore ugajati Bogu se zelo moti. Samo en Bog je. Samo en Odrešenik je. Je samo en vir življenja in sreče. Kdor se od tega vira odtrga, se izgubi.

Sedaj je čas milosti. Delajmo dokler je dan. Prosimo s kraljem Davidom; Čisto srce, o Bog, mi ustvari in pravega duha v meni obnovi. Le tako bomo vredni biti sprejeti pri Bogu.

## OB 25 LETNICI

## ZVEZINIH ROMANJ

## V LEMONT

Naše pionirske članice se še spominjajo skromnih početkov Zvezinih dnevov na ameriških Brezjah v Lemontu. Iz malih početkov, se je razvilo redno letno romanje članic iz vseh delov Amerike.

Idejo Lemontskih Zvezinih dnevov je sprožil priljubljeni pok. duhovni svetovalec, p. Aleksander Urankar, leta 1939 ko je bil župnik slov. fare Sv. Štefana v Chicagu. Svetovalec je skupni izlet članic na prelepi lemontski hribček k Mariji Pomagaj. Po verskih svečanostih se je vršil piknik v prosti naravi. Članice št. 2 v Chicagu in št. 20 v Jolietu so imele na skrbi vse priprave.

Vsako leto se je program Dneva razširil in udeležba je bila večja in večja in odkar so naši slov. frančiškani zgradili prelepo lurško votlino, imamo — če le vreme dopušča — sv. mašo na prostem pri votlini.

Prve odbornice št. 2, so pridno delale, da se je Zvezin Dan redno vršil vsako leto zadnjih 25 let, in med njimi je zavzemala vidno vlogo ses. Mary Tomazin iz Chicaga, ki je bila takrat gl. odbornica ter ses. Frances Sardoch, takratna preds. št. 2. Seveda so vse odbornice in članice vneto pomagale, toda ses. Tomazin je bila ojunučena od prvih uspehov ter je neumorno delovala za večje lemontske slavnosti po želji p. Aleksandra.

Gotovo se vse članice, ki so se udeležile naših dnevov v Lemontu, istih z veseljem spominjajo, saj je tudi Bog nam skoro vedno bil prav naklonjen z lepim vremenom.

Zadnjih 10 let, nadaljuje tradicijo lemontskih dnevov podr. št. 2 in za letošnje leto zopet pripravljajo nepozabni dan, ki se bo pričel s procesijo okoli miniaturnega blejskega otoka, nakar bodo položile venec na grob g. Aleksandra in ob 11 uri dop. bo slovesna sv. maša pri lurški votlini. Letos bo sv. mašo daroval naš duh. svetovalec č.g.p. Klavdij Okorn. Po maši bo kosilo in okrepčila ter popoldne večernice v kapeli. Otroci bodo imeli tekme za romarskim domom z nagradami. Napovedani so obiskovalci iz vseh krajev Illinois-a, Indiane, Ohio, Mo. in Wisconsin. Letos pričakujemo tudi posebni bus iz Biwabik, Minn. ter drugih mest železnega okrožja. Članice in prijatelji od blizu in daleč se veselijo tega dneva.

Vabljeni prav vse, v nedeljo dne 19. julija. Pričakujemo, da bo zopet krasni in nepozabni dan! Ob tej priliki bomo proslavile ne samo 25 letnico Zvezinih Dnevov, ampak tudi 40 letnico ustanovitve Lemonta. Corinne Leskovar

## KONVENČNI SPOMINI . . .

Za nami je 13 redna konvencija SZZ, ki je bila kronana z uspehom. Po prihodu v čikaško velemesto smo se najprej registrirale v hotelu Morrison, nakar nas je bus prepeljal k svetoštetfanski cerkvi, kjer je naš duhovni svetovalec g.p. Klavdij Okorn daroval slovesno sv. mašo in imel krasni nagovor. Čikaški pevci so krasno peli cerkvene pesmi pod vodstvom g. p. Vendelina Spendov. Zdi se mi, da nam njihovo prelepo petje še vedno doni v ušesih. Vežbalni krožek iz Clevelanda je delegatkinje spremljal v cerkev in iz cerkve v dvorano, kjer so nam gostiteljice št. 2 postregle z okusnim kosilom. Res, izvrstna slovenska kuhinja s potico, flancati in drugimi

dobrotami. Zahvala in priznanje odličnim kuharicam!

Po pozdravu gl. blag. in preds. št. 2, Josephine Železnikar, se je pričel izbran program petja in plesov. Pevski zbor št. 2 je po odpetju ameriške in Zvezine himne, predvajal izbor slov. ljudskih pesmi pod vodstvom Richarda Grilla in spremljavi gdč. Mary Sholtis.

Najmlajši plesalci čikaškega slov. radio kluba so s pesmijo "Mi se imamo radi" in ljubkim plesom zajeli srca vseh. Telovadkinje pod vodstvom Viole Strupek so bile res zabavne in kadetke Marie Prinsland od podr. 50 iz Clevelanda pod vodstvom Frances Sietz in Mary Bostian, so bile odlične in upamo, da bodo nadaljevale. St.

Clair Cadets pod vodstvom Ernestine Jevce so predvajale "baton twirling." Ses. Frances Zibert in Stephie Osterman sta vse spravile v dobro voljo s komičnim prizorom v "amerikanski slovenščini." Mladinski člani št. 2 so deklamirali pozdrav materi, ki je segel v srce. Slov. radijski plesalci iz Chiso plesali slovenske narodne plesne pod vodstvom Corinne Leskovar in ob spremljavi Frankie-ja Kovačiča. Njihove pestre narodne noše in poskočni plesi so zadivili vse navzoče kar je potrdilo živahno ploskanje.

Slišali smo lepo petje dueta Milene Soukal in Corinne Leskovar ter solo Marije Fišinger, katero je spremljal prof. A. Fišinger. Petje Mladinskega zbora Sv. Štefana pod vodstvom p. Vendelina nam bo tudi ostalo v vedno



Marie Prislant:

# OH, TA SVET...

Glavnemu odboru in delegatkam srčen pozdrav! Upam, da ste srečno dospele na svoje domove ter, da ste iz konvencije odnesle lepe spomine.

Program ob otvoritvi konvencije v nedeljo je gotovo vsem ugajal: Krasno petje, narodne noše, umetno koračkanje vežbalnega krožka, plesi, nastop malčkov, okusno kosilo in polna dvorana. (Iz Sheboygana je bilo navzočih 40 članic, družina moje hčerke pa je dospela iz 200 milj oddaljenega Madisona). Občinstvo je pazno sledilo izvajanim točkam ter se divilo lepemu programu. Vso priznanje zasluži vežbalni krožek, ki nosi moje ime, za njih požrtvovalnost in zanimanje za Zvezo. Prišle so na svoje stroške 500 milj daleč, da osvežijo spomin na nekdanje vežbalne krožke, ki so bili duša in življenje Zveze in podružnic. Energična voditeljica Frances Seltz je poročala, da gre priznanje delegatki Mary Bostian od pod. št. 50 v Clevelandu, ki je članice pridobila za ponoven nastop. Lepa hvala, dekleta! Fejst ste se postavile!

V torek zvečer je bil banket v hotelu, kjer smo zborovale. Sestra glavna predsednica je kronala kraljico in princezino, ki so to čast prejele za pridobitev novih članic v zadnji kampanji. Program je vseboval krasno petje cerkvenega pevskega zbora fare Sv. Štefana. Občudovale smo lepoto in kvaliteto glasu naše članice Marije Kranjc Fišinger. Lahko se meri z vsako operno pevko. Najlepša zahvala gl. tajnici Albini Novak in urednici Corinci Leskovar za ureditev obeh programov.

Konvencijo so tvorile inteligentne in gospodarske delegatke, zato je zborovanje potekalo lepo in mirno. Največ razprav, predlogov in proti-predlogov je povzročil asessment. Ker konvenčni zapisnik v slovenščini ta mesec še ne bo priobčen, bom o tem poročala na tem mestu.

Glede asessmenta je bilo pred konvencijo podanih več nasvetov, naprimer: Uradniki Zavarovalniškega oddelka države Illinois, kjer je Zveza inkorporirana, so izjavili, da razen Zveze ne poznajo nobene druge organizacije, ki bi svojim članom ne računala članarino za tekoče stroške. Članstvo lahko oprostimo asessmenta in smrtninski sklad, če so ti skladi dovolj močni, nikakor pa ne v stroškovni sklad.

ZARJA je življenska vez Zveze z članstvom. Če zmanjšamo obseg lista bomo zmanjšale tudi zanimanje za zvezo, kar bo pomenilo nazadovanje in ne napredek. Sedajni članski asessment za ZARJO znaša približno \$10,000.00 na leto, ZARJA nas pa stane nad \$15,000.00. Primanklaj celih 5 tišoč, ki se že kopiči in se bo kopičil z vsakim nadaljnjim letom.

Na podlagi goriomenjenih faktov je predsednica odbora za pravila sestavila tri priporočila ter jih predložila direktoricam in konvenčnemu odboru v presojo in nato konvenciji v izbiro. Priporočila so bila sledeča:

**Priporočilo št. 1.** — Povišek 5 centov mesečno za članice razreda A in B. Sedajna letna naklada 25 centov odpade, s tem je aktualen povisek samo tri cente na mesec. Članstvo plačuje poln asessment do starosti 75 let, nato pa 20 centov mesečno za ZARJO in poslovne stroške. ZARJA ostane kot je, namreč; 6 krat na 32tih straneh, 6 krat na 16tih straneh.

**Priporočilo št. 2.** — Sedajna naklada 25 centov letno ostane, a plačati jo mora sleherna članica. Članstvo plačuje poln asessment do 80 let starosti, nato pa 25 centov

mesečno za ZARJO in poslovne stroške. ZARJA izide na 16tih straneh 10krat, meseca maja in decembra pa na 32tih straneh.

**Priporočilo št. 3.** — Asessment ostane kot običajno. Nikakega poviška in nobene naklade. Članstvo plačuje poln asessment do smrti, oziroma za vso člansko dobo. ZARJA izide na 16tih straneh vsak mesec.

Glavna predsednica je odprla razpravo o priporočilih odbora za pravila:

Priporočilo št. 3 ni dobilo odobravanja. Pri priporočilu št. 2 so tajnice delegatke bile mnenja, da bi veliko lažje bilo pobirati zvišan asessment kot letno naklado, na katero članice rade pozabijo. (Gl. tajnica poroča, da je letno doklado plačalo le polovica članic). Nekaterim delegatkam ni ugajala zmanjšana ZARJA, ker rade čitajo. Slišale so se priznalne besede o krasnih člankih našega duhovnega svetovalca, o koloni OH, TA SVET... , o POTS & PANS and PASTIME ter o Mladinskem listu. Z zmanjšano ZARJO bi se morda morale opustiti gradivo teh popularnih spisov. Primanjkovalo bi prostora za ZAPISNIK sej glavnega odbora. Po nadaljnjem razmotrivanju je bilo sprejeto priporočilo št. 1 in to z tako večino — le 5 delegatk je glasovalo proti — da med članstvom ne bi smelo biti nikakega ugovora radi poviška treh centov mesečno. Novi asessment gre v veljavo 1. januarja 1965.

Glede članic, ki so stare 75 let in točasno plačujejo 15 centov mesečno, je bilo sklenjeno, da se jim članarina ne zviša, temveč še naprej ostane 15 centov. Članice, stare 80 let, ki so zdaj popolnoma proste asessmenta, ostanejo proste tudi nadalje. Vse članice pa, ki so s prvim majem letos in bodo zanaprej stare 75 let, bodo stalno plačevale 20 centov mesečno za ZARJO in poslovne stroške. (Pozneje določeno od prvega julija naprej).

Vse imamo Zvezo rade saj smo vanjo vložile neizmerno veliko dela in truda. Upam torej, da zanimanje in ljubezen za Zvezo ne bo odnehalo, ko pride na vrsto — žep. Povišek treh centov je tako malenkosten, da res ni vreden ugovora. Naša ZARJA je lep list, ki nam dela čast! Ameriški listi, ki jih kupujemo tudi me, so zadnja leta zvišali ceno od 100 do 300 odstotkov. Nedeljsko izdajo smo včasih kupili za 5 centov, zdaj stane 25 centov. Naša ZARJA je list deloma pisan v slovenščini, ki jo vse tako rade čitamo. Sicer bo angleščina končno slovenščino izpodrinila, kar je pač naravno, a dokler še lahko pišemo in dokler rade beremo, naj ne bomo me tiste, ki bi z varčnostjo par centov pomagale dati uvod ukinitvi ljube nam slovenske pisane besede.

Konvencija se je zavedala važnosti šolninske podpore mladini. Delegatke so se vrstile z zahvalo za podeljeno šolnino hčerkam, sinovom, sorodnicam. Darovano je bilo lepo število ročnih del, ki so v prodaji prinesla \$174.00. Darila v denarju znašala \$276.00, številke pa \$90.00. Skupno \$540.00. Po konvenciji sem prejela še \$30.00, da je Šolninski sklad podprt z \$570.00. Nisem pričakovala tako lepega odziva! Vsem darovalkam prisrčna zahvala! Imena in darovane vsote bodo objavljene v mojem šestmesečnem poročilu.

Končam z zahvalo glavnim odbornicam in delegatkam za prijaznost, ki sem je bila na konvenciji deležna. Njih skrb za moje zdravje me je res ganila. V lep spomin mi bodo darila in spominki od organizacije in delegatk. Ljub mi je spomin na malega Tončka Leskovarja, sinčka naše urednice, ki je prisrčne besede korajžno deklamiral in mi poklonil košarico cvetic. Spominjala se bom tudi zabavnega poklona moje male vnukinje Kathy Dicke. Po končanem programu v nedeljo me je namreč vprašala: "Grandma, ali si ti res ustanovila to društvo?" Ko sem ji pritrdila, je rekla: "But that was a big job!" — Torej, če je 12-letnemu otroku Zveza imponirala in ji je ugajal slovenski program, ki ga je v takem obsegu videla prvokrat, mora nam starejšim toliko bolj biti jasno, da imamo organizacijo, na katero smo lahko upravičeno ponosne!



**PRIZOR IZ KONVENČNEGA BANKETA** v hotelu Morrison, kjer so gl. odbornice, delegatkinje in častni gostje prisostvovali izbranemu kulturnemu programu in kronanju kraljice in princesinj.

Stoječe: Paula Stampfel, preds. št. 25, Mary Otonicar, blag. št. 25, in bivša gl. odbornica, Frances J. Gaspich, gl. nadzornica, Marie A. Floryan, gl. pod-preds., Corinne Leskovar, urednica Zarje, č.p. Vendelin Spendov, O.F.M. pomožni župnik fare Štefana v Chicagu, Ann Podgorsek, gl. nadzornica, Prof. John A. Zvetina iz Loyola Univerze v Chicagu, Dr. Ludwig A. Leskovar, director slovenske radijske ure. Sedeže: ga. Carl A. Tiffany in g. Tiffany, Zvezin aktuar, Albina Novak, gl. tajnica, Tončka Turek, gl. preds., Vicki Faletic, gl. nadzornica in Kraljica Konvencije, Marie Prislant, ustanoviteljica Zveze, č.p. Klavdij Okorn, O.F.M., duhovni svetovalec in Josephine Zeleznikar, gl. blagajničarka.

#### KONVENČNI SPOMINI . . .

prijetnem spominu. Saj ni lepšega, kakor lepo zapeta slov. pesem!

Po programu se je razvila domača zabava z godbo Fr. Kovačiča.

Stoloravnateljica je bila gl. taj. Albina Novak, ki je kakor vedno izvršila svoje delo nad vse izvrstno. Med točkami je predstavila odlične goste, ki so bili v dvorani. Prečitala je tudi pozdravne brzojavke, med njimi pozdrav čikaskega župana Richarda Daley-a.

Podr. št. 2 ter konvenčnemu odboru gre priznanje in zahvala za tako odlični program.

17. maja je bila odprta prva konvenčna seja v amabasadni dvorani hotela. V torek popoldne smo imele skupni

ogled mesta, med drugimi znamenitostmi smo tudi videle slavni McCormick Place na jezeru, in zvečer je bil v Cotillion dvorani hotela slavnostni banket in kronanje kraljice in princesinj. Naša urednica Zarje, Corinne Leskovar je bila stoloravnateljica tega programa, ki je presegal vse ter ji ga naše iskreno priznanje in zahvala za njen trud. Vse moremo biti ponosne na njo, ker je izredno sposobna in prijazna do vseh. Zopet smo slišali petje ge. Marije Fišinger, Mladinski zbor ter bariton g. Marjana Ermana. G. Fišinger je mojstersko zaigral na klavir in ga. Margie Prah-Leff je predvajala prelepo baletno točko, nakar so mladinski člani lepo predstavili sim-

bolično sliko Molitev Sv. Frančiška.

Višek programa je bil v kronanju konvenčne kraljice Vicki Faletic po ge. Marie Prislant. Princesinje Rose Zelodec, Ann Podgorsek in Rose Kraemer so bile kronane od preds. Antonije Turek in podelitev nagrad je izvršila gl. taj. Albina Novak.

Slavnostni govor je imel prof. John Zvetina iz Lojolske univerze, ki je hvalil Slovence kot pošten in marljiv narod ter bodril SŽZ k nadaljnjemu važnemu delu. Navzoče je pozdravil tudi aktuarij Carl Tiffany in dr. Leskovar. Po petju Mladinskega zbora pod vodstvom p. Vendelina, je bil zaključen ta nepozabni program.

V sredo se je zasedanje pričelo zgodaj in ob 10 uri je čikaski pomožni škof prevz. Alojzij Wycislo daroval sv. mašo v krasni novi cerkvi Sv. Petra v centru mesta. Velika cerkev je bila skoro polna rojakov in drugih gostov. Bilo je prvič, da je bila v tej cerkvi slov. pridiga g. p. Fortunata Zormana, urednika Ave Maria ter lepo slov. nabožno petje ge. Fišinger ob orgeljski spremljavi g. p. Vendelina.

Konvenčna zborovanja so bila zaključena ob 5 uri, nakar smo se vrnile na naše domove, toda s seboj smo vse odnesle neizbrisne vtise in prelepe spomine. Konvenčni dnevi bodo nam vsem ostali v srcih kot dnevi ko smo ponovno navezale vezi pristrčnega prijateljstva med ženami naše Zveze od vsem ostali v srcih kot dnevi ko smo mnogo kulturnega razvedrila. Še enkrat velja naša pristrčna zahvala vsem, ki so se trudile, da uspeh ni izostal.

Vsem želim vesele in srečne počitnice ter na svidenje na Zvezinem Dnevu v Lemontu, dne 19. julija. Naj vas Bog blagoslovi!

Marie A. Floryan,  
Gl. podpredsednica



**ČIKAŠKI SLOVENSKI MLADINSKI PEVSKI ZBOR** pod vodstvom č. g. p. Vendelina, ki je že mnogokrat ponesel slov. pesem v javnost, je bil deležen živahnega odobravanja na Zvezinem konvenčnem programu.

## DOPISI

Št. 3, Pueblo, Colo. Lepo pozdravljene vse moje drage soses. SZZ, posebno tiste, s katerimi smo se osebno videle na konvenčnem zborovanju. Marsikateri se je oko osolžilo od sreče, ko smo se sešle in konvencija se je vršila v najlepšem redu. Bodimo hvaležne Bogu in vodstvu gl. uradnic, katere točno in natančno urejujejo našo organizacijo. Ne bom podrobno opisovala potek konvencije, ker je dolžnost vsake članice, da pazno prečita konv. zapisnik. Omenim le naklado 5¢ mesečno na članico, kar stopi v veljavo z novim letom. Vse druge točke pravil ostanejo nespremenjene. Naša prihodnja konvencija se bo vršila v Washington, D.C.

Moram pa pohvaliti vse točke programov za naše razvedrilo. Globoko priznanje zasluži naša ljubka in prijazna Corinne Leskovar in vsi drugi, ki so ji bili v pomoč. Bilo je res nekaj posebnega videti malčke, ki so zapeli "Mi se imamo radi . . .", dalje naša dekleta in domači pevski zbor SZZ, kakor tudi drill team pod vodstvom Frances Zaitz. Vse stvari so nas očarale in nam bodo ostale v lepem spominu. V imenu mojih sopotnic Frances Simonich in Christine Konte, hvala vsem za lepe čase polne užitkov med vami. Hvala tudi cenjeni delegaciji za poverilnico, da bom še nadalje zastopala kot drž. preds. za Colorado, Kansas in Misouri.

Smrt se še vedno oglašja. Umrli so Frank Pečnik, ki je bil znana osebnost v naselbini in oče Helen Miklich in Frances Babich. Mary Mezner mati Frances Adamich, Stanley Cullig še mlad oče 7 otrok, ki so vsi člani podr. Vsem prerano umrlim naj ostane blag spomin. Preostalim naše sožalje.

Iskrene čestitke Mr. in Mrs. Martin Slanec v Cal. k obletnici zlate poroke. Hvala tudi za spominčke prinesene po Milki Heningsman.

Materinski dan smo obhajale ob bolj pičli udeležbi članic. Počastile smo zaslužno mater, Lucile Jesik. Hvala mojim souradnicam podr. za šopek in krasni rožni venec. Zelo sem tudi hvaležna gl. uradnicam za spominček, katerega ste mi poklonile na konv. v priznanje mojega skromnega dela za Zvezo.

Naša drž. konvencija se bo vršila 20. sept. v Minnequa Club.

Resno so bolane naše sestre Edith Tezak, Mary Papish in Mary Kočman. Obiščite jih!

Naj še izrečem čestitke Fred Peček Jr., ki je kot odlični dijak bil deležen odlikovanja ter je nastavljen kot pomožni profesor telesne vzgoje na slavni univerzi Notre Dame v South Bend, Ind. V času ko bo poučeval na tej univerzi, bo pa tudi nadaljeval svoje študije v šolski upravi. Čestitke veljajo tudi njegovim nami, ki je dobra članica Zveze.

God bless you all!

Anna Pachak

Št. 6, Barberton, Ohio. SPOMIN NA DOMAČO LIPO:

Pred hišo mi rojstvo, lipa stoji; z vrhom stoletnim ponosno vihra. Prav kot nekdanj nje senca hladi, in tam pri lipi mladost moja je b'la.

Na klop tam pred hišo, domači ljudje, in fantje ob večerih so zbirali se; je pesem zvenela, a danes Bog ve, al' pesem prelepa razlega se še?

Na tebe, o lipa, ne zabim nikdar, spominov srečnih preteklost se vrača; A sreča od doma je šla za vsikdar, zgubljena je zame in hiša domača.

K tebi tja, lipa, želim si sedaj, s ptičko bi rada tja k tebi zletela; bi listov nabrala in listov zakaj, v grob bi si listja od lipe želela.

Pozabljena bom spala daleč od tebe, vsem mojim tam z listi naštel; na zgubljene nade in strto srce v tujini na grob moj listov naštel.

Jennie Ozbolt

Št. 7, Forest City, Pa. Naša članica, Mrs. Mary Zagar je obhajala 80 letnico rojstva. Njena hči, Jennie Matjan in njen mož Martin sta ji priredila veliko zabavo v tukajšnji Legion dvorani, kjer s se zbrali tudi njena dvo živeča sinova z družinami, nečaki in nečakinje z družinami ter sosedje in mnogo prijateljev. Bilo je vsega v izobilju za jesti in piti in vsi so se zabavali do zgodnje jutranje ure. Želimo ji, da bi dočakala še mnogo let v zdravju.

Naša predsednica, Mrs. Ana Kamin je postala prastara mati, ko sta Mr. in Mrs. James Calpin dobila prvorojenka. Njena mati je bila Joan Kamin.

Stara mati je zopet postala naša letosnja članica, Mrs. Ana Princ, ko so dobili sinčka pri Mr. in Mrs. Albert Princ, da bo delal družbo sestrici.

Mary Kotar

Št. 12, Milwaukee, Wis. Vabim vse članice na sejo dne 17. sept. ob 1 uri popoldne v St. John's Hall, 1028 So. 9th Street.

Na bolniški listi imamo več naših sester in to so: Mary Erman, Josephine Martinčič, Kathie Stuller, Josephine Selko, Mary Koropec, Josephine Berginc, Anna Pšček, Ellen Marciniak in Josephine Jaklich. Vsem želimo hitrega ozdravljenja.

Izrekamo prisrčne čestitke družini Zbinovec, pri katerih se je oglasila teta štokrlja.

Na prihodnjo sejo pripeljite s seboj tudi nove članice, da nadomestimo tiste, katere nam je vzela kruta smrt.

Vsem članicam, ki obhajate svoje rojstne dneve v juliju in avgustu, želimo vse najboljše. Pozdrav glavnim odbornicam in vsem sestram pri Zvezli, posebno članicam št. 12.

Mary Schimenz

Št. 14, Euclid, Ohio. Poročilo naše mesečne seje, dne 3. junija. Pred nami je ta večer sedela kar lepa udeležba. Sestri Cesar in Iskra, ki sta se vrnile iz konvencije, sta nam poročale kaj

KONVENČNA ZAHVALA

Chicago, Ill. — Podr. št. 2 izreka prisrčno zahvalo vsem, ki so sodelovali in pripomogli k lepo uspešnim konvenčnim programom. V posebno veselje in zadoščenje nam je, da so delegatnje in gl. odbornice odnesle kar najlepše vtise iz našega čikaškega velemesta, kjer so našle slovensko gostoljubnost in uživale sadove slovenskega kulturnega udejstvovanja.

Iskrena zahvala velja ne samo našim sodelavkam in sodelavcem, ampak tudi Vam, dragi zunanji gostje, zaradi Vaše prijaznosti in hvaležnih izrazov cenitve našega truda.

Za podr. št. 2:

Josephine Železnikar, preds.  
Elizabeth Žefran, blag.  
Albina Novak, taj.  
Corinne Leskovar, zap.

je bilo sklenjeno na konvenciji za bodočnost naše Zveze. Malo so zagodrnjale ko so poročale, de se je list podražil, toda našo Zarjo vsaka komaj čaka, zato bo že vse mirnim potem poravnano, ko se to prične s prihodnjim letom. Poročale so tudi, da bo za mlade članice poslan malenkostni dar in se še nekaj priloži iz društvene blaganje, da se tako otrokom napravi nekaj zabave, ali piknik.

Mrs. Vodnik se je pismeno zahvalila našim trem članicam, ki so jo prišle obiskati v bolnici in ji prinesle dar. Obiskale so sestre Strazisar, Spehar in Iskra.

Zopet so obolele dve naše članice: Plevnik in Mihelcic. Želimo jima, da bi jima ljubi Bog kmalu vrnil dragoceno zdravje.

Mr. in Mrs. Šetina se zahvalujeta za dar, katerega sta prejela od našega društva ob priliki njune 50 letnice poroke. Vse članice jima želimo da bi še mnogo let dočakala v zdravju in zadovoljstvu in srečno slavila svojo biserno poroko.

Za skupni bazar, ki ga priredijo združene podružnice v jeseni, se tikci sedaj že dobijo. Če jih katere želi, jih lahko dobi pri naši tajnici, Mali Sodja.

K naši članici Amaliji Povirk, pri deju na obisk iz domovine 2 hčerke, Francka in Mici. Želimo jima prijetno bivanje v Ameriki.

Ses. Cebul je zopet postala stara mama, ko so pri sinu Franku in sinahi Jennie Čebul dobili zalo punčko, katero bodo klicali, Francka. Naše čestitke! Ses. Cebul zastopa kuhinjo na vsaki seji ter nam vedno postreže z okusnim kafetom.

Prav tako je zopet postala stara mati, ses. Agata Zajc, ko so pri sinu Johnu dobili punčko. Čestitke na vse strani!

Ta večer je darovala v good-time blagajno, ses. Stopar \$1.35. Iskrena hvala!

Vsem sesterski pozdrav.

Antonia Sustar

Št. 15, Cleveland-Newburgh, Ohio. — Najprej poročam veselo novice, da se je poročila članica Mary Zbikavska z Mr. Esper. Poročno mašo je imel brat,

ki je duhovnik, kateri jih je tudi poročil. Njena mati je tudi naša članica. Vse jima želimo mnogo sreče v zakonu.

V enem mesecu smo izgubile dve članice, ses. Josephino Smrekar in Josephino Gregorčič. Obe zapuščata velike družine. Preminule sta po dolgi bolezni. Naj v miru počivata. Žalujícím družinam naše globoko sožalje.

Na očesu je bila operirana, Mary Skubca. Angela Gregorčič je tudi bila v bolnici. Vsem želimo naj jim ljubi Bog in Marija skoraj podeli zdravje.

Globoko sožalje izrekamo članici Veroni Skubca, kateri je mož nepričakovano umrl. Zapustil je veliko družino. Naj v miru počiva.

V mesecu maju so nas pogostile dve članice, ki sta obhajale rojstne dneve. Mary Novak je prinesla sirov strudel in Frances Novak pa orehovo potico. Zelo dobro smo se imeli in prepevali, da je bilo veselje. Srčna hvala obema.

V juliju in avgustu ne bomo imele sej, zato pa upam, da se bomo vse po počitnicah v septembru zdrave zopet zbrale, ko bo nas več obhajalo rojstne dneve.

Pozdravljam ves glavni odbor in vse članice SZZ po širni Ameriki, posebno pa naše od št. 15. Na svidenje na septembski seji.

**Frances Lindich, poročevalka**

**Št. 20, Joliet, Ill.** Naše čestitke zmagovalkam naše kegljaške skupine, ki so imele večerjo "zmage" v Autumn Acres restavraciji. Zmagovalke so dobile svoje nagrade in izvoljen je bil odbor za prihodnje leto. Bil je lep večer in sejo je vodila zelo lepo preds. Helen Golobich, ki je bila zopet izvoljena.

Toda zmagovalna kegljaška skupina, ki je odnesla prvo mesto Srednje-Zapadne tekme v W. Allis, Wis., je dobila trofeje na naši redni seji. V tej skupini so naslednje sestre: Anne Sternisha (članica 21 let), Marg. Wajchert (čl. 9 let), Agnes Lovati (čl. 23 let), njena sestra Gen Klainsek (čl. 23 let), Mary Rudman (čl. 18 let), Anna Savol (čl. 18 let). Oddana je bila tudi velika trofeja iz Athletic fonda. Nagrade je zmagovalkam izročila preds. Emma Planinsek, s čestitkami in željami za še nadaljne zmage.

Na tej seji smo tudi praznovali materinski dan. Članice so lepo počastile mater podr. Olgo Ancel, ki je mati šestih otrok. Preds. ji je pripela lep corsage in jo posadila poleg sebe, nakar so jo tudi truge odbornice obdarile. Olga Ancel se je vsem zahvalila. Sledilo je slikanje in filmanje in prizor boste lahko videli na seji 5 sept.

Na seji so podale poročila delegatkinje zadnje konv.: Frances Gaspich, ki je gl. nadzornica ter Josephine Sumic in Frances Bottari.

Kakor navadno smo poleg prigrizka imele tudi petje našega zbora pod vodstvom Jennie Sprengel.

Bolne so naslednje članice: Frances Šega, Jennie Pluth, Joan Tezak, Anna Knez, ki so bile v bolnišnici; na domu

se zdravi Antonia Struna in več drugih. Vsem želimo hitrega okrevanja.

Sklenjeno je tudi bilo, da bomo zopet imele piknik pri vodi na Kunstek prostorih v Yorkville, ki je prav pripraven kraj. Preskrbljeno bo tudi za igre za male in velike. Kdor ne ve za pot do Yorkville, naj pokliče taj. Frances Gaspich 726-5105 ali pa Josephine Sumic 723-0570 za navodilo. Pridite vse in pripeljite s seboj svoje družine, prijatelje in znance. Piknik so bo vršil dne 19. jul.

Čestitke ses. Mayme Schmidberger, ki je bila počaščena kot odlična mati ne samo od naše župnije, ampak tudi od Catholic Women's Council naše škofije. Bila je lepa slavnost pri kateri so bili zbrani vsi bratje in sestre ter otroci. Njene hčerke Agnes Lovati in Gen Klainsek so naše dolgoletne članice.

Iskrene čestitke k zlati poroki Johna in Mary Nemanich, katero sta slavila pred kratkim v krogu družine in sodrobnikov. Bog ju živi!

**Josephine Erjavec**

**Št. 21, Cleveland, Ohio.** Sinoči smo imele prav veselo sejo. Najprej želimo čestitati ses. Meiss, ki je obhajala 50 letnico zakonskega življenja. Prav vse ji želimo mnogo let zdravja in sreče. To ji želi vsa Zveza.

Naša tajnica Stella je tudi obhajala 35 letnico. Obe sta prav pridne odbornice naše podružnice, ki tako lepo vodijo naše društvo.

Vnučki ses. Terese Kožuh prav pridno študirajo in kar 4 bodo graduirali iz višje sole. Čestitke ses. ko imate tako pridne vnuke.

Mr. in Mrs. Joseph Hunter bosta obhajala 34 letnico zakonskega življenja dne 16. avgust. Za to priliko se bosta podala na božjo pot v Mexico City in Gvadalupe, kjer je Marijina božja pot. Vse jima zelimo zdravja in sreče.

Vse članice najlepše pozdravljam in vam želim srečne in zdrave počitnice, ker v juliju in avgustu ne boj sej, zato pa upam, da se bomo videli zdrave v septembru.

**Frances Kavc**

**Št. 26, Pittsburgh, Pa.** Žal mi ni bilo dano, da bi se bila udeležila konvencije v Chicagu, vseeno se zahvalim našim članicam, ki so me izvolile za to častno službo. Moj mož je moral v bolnišnico, zato mi ni bilo mogoče iti in moja namestnica je imela tudi tako nesrečo, da ni mogla iti, zato smo povedile našo drž. preds. Mary Tomsic, da nas je zastopala za kar ji velja iskrena zahvala.

Naša luncheon party, 26. maja se je tudi lepo obnesel in odbor se želi res prisrčno zahvaliti našim članicam za tako lepo sodelovanje in ker so prinesle toliko lepih daril, da je uspeh bil prvovrsten. Vse je bilo zelo okusno pripravljeno in naši dobrotniki so prispevali, kakor vsako leto. Posebno se moramo zahvaliti Allegheny Valley Bank za \$10 v denarju in Mr. Hudak, pres. Stanton Loan Ass'n za kuhinjski set, McCandles Loan Ass'n \$1, Mike

## Zvezini konvenciji

(Ob priliki narodne konvencije v Chicagu je spisala ga. Milena Soukal, čl. št. 2, naslednjo priložnostno pesmico katero so na banketnem programu pela ge. Soukal in Corinne Leskovar.)

1.

Danes smo se zopet skupaj zbrale, da konvencijo bi praznovala, Zvezin dan največja je odlika, praznovat ga hočmo kot se šika.

Refren:

Saj danes vse narobe gre, nihče ne ve, kaj pride še.

2.

Z nami Zarja danes god praznuje, let veliko nas že obiskuje, je prijazna, ima lepo lice, nam prinaša z naših gred cvetice.

3.

Svet, politika nas malo briga, saj vse skup je ena pasja figa, rajš pokregamo doma se malo, mal zares, en majčken pa za šalo.

4.

Včasih možek siten je kot muha, ženka kar nič več mu prav ne skuha, pa recept iz Kuharce pomaga, da pomiri se ta sitna zgaga.

5.

Kuharca zares je pomočnica, vsem, ki všeč jim sklada je potica, saj obrajtajo jo, kot se sliši clo v vašingtonski Beli hiši.

6.

Tudi nam, kakor je že navada za konvencijo kraljica vlada, kaj u London bi ponjo hošile, rajši v Cleveland smo jo dobile.

7.

Dosti je kadetov pri armadi, vsi marširajo v paradah radi, naše so po letih spet se zbrale prav korajžno so se v marš podale.

8.

Za slovo želimo, da blestečo Bog podaril vsem bi lepo srečo, da bi vedno rade se imele in kot danes bi veselo pele.

Zugel za lepo posteljno pokrivalo, Mary Hudak za hair perm., Ed Zinzer Florist za 2 lončka rož, Mrs. Trontel in Mrs. Stajdunar za steklenico wiskija, John in Raymon Frlan za lepo šunko, J. Stajdunar za basket groceries, T. Zbasnik za grocerijo, Magdalena Vidina \$3, Mary Dekleva \$1, Anna Lokar \$1, Izali Golob \$1, Anna Bubnovich \$1, Josephine Jorgel \$1, Mary Sherlong \$1, Krasny Bakery za lep cake, Bags Hrdwr. in Diborof Store ter Gordon Dry goods za njihova darila. Hvala Ančki Lokar in Mary Dekleva, ki so pomagale v kuhinji, kakor tudi Frances Gold, ki pomaga ob vsaki priliki.

Upam, da se bodo vse naše članice kmalu pozdravile. Posebno želimo, da bi ses. Magdalena Vidina, ki že dalje boleha, se zopet udeleževala naših sej.

V jul. in avg. ne bo sej zaradi počit-

nic, zato vas vse lepo vabim, da pridete v velikem številu na našo sept. sejo. Do takrat vsem na veselo svidenje, gl. odboru pa mnogo napredka.  
Mary Bahor, blag.

Št. 29, Broundale, Penn. Ker imam dovolj časa, sem se zopet namenila, da napišem par vrstic v našo priljubljeno Zarjo, katero vso prečitam od prve do zadnje vrstice, kakor tudi Ave Mario iz Lemonta. Sedaj se nahajam pri sinu Pavletu. Godi se mi dobro, ker nič ne delam, samo heklam. Imam že 75 let, pa mi lepo strežejo kar potrebujem.

Žal je mnogo mojih prijateljic že odšlo v večnost, ali pa so ravno tako bolane, kakor jaz. Hvala Bogu, da nam ptički sedaj v poletnem času res lepo prepevajo in nam krajšajo čas.

Vesela sem, da je konvencija sklenila, da obdrži Zarjo v sedanji obliki. Želim, da bi v složnosti tudi naprej lepo skupno delovale za napredek naše organizacije.

Upam, da so očetje lepo obhajali svoj očetovski dan, ki je že za nami in vsem romaricam, ki se bodo udeležile Zvezinega dneva v Lemontu, želim prijetno potovanje.

Prejmite vse najlepše pozdrave od vaše zveste članice,

Mary Pristavec

Št. 32, Euclid, Ohio. Iz konvencije sem prinesla domov prav lepe spomine. Slišala sem lepo petje v cerkvah, kakor tudi lepo pridigo našega duhovnega vodja, Father Okorn in Father Fortunat. Pripravljen je bil res lep program, fina jedila za kar gre vsem, ki so se žrtvovale prisrčna hvala. V hotelu smo tudi imele lepo postrežbo. Zahvala vsem, ki so vse to organizirale v zadovoljstvo vseh.

Prisrčna zahvala tudi za lepo priznanje za 25 letnico uradovanja kot predsednica naše podružnice. Dobila sem lep rožni venec in spomnila se bom vseh, ki ste do tega pripomogle v molitvi. V imenu podr. se tudi zahvalim za lep podstavek, ki se postavi kot spomin Zveze k umrli članici pri krsti, mesto zastave.

Konvencija je dobro izpadla. Mogoče kateri članici ne bo po volji, da se prične drugo leto plačevati 5¢ več mesečnine, toda katera razume, da se vse draži, ne bo godrnjala, ker se je tudi naša Zarja podražila in ni drugega izhoda. Vemo, da je veliko vredna, saj je nanimivo branje in to nas vse veže skupaj.

Pozdrav vsem,

Terezija Potokar

Št. 41, Cleveland, Ohio. Na zadnji seji smo imele prav lepo udeležbo. Radi odhoda predsednice v domovino, je sejo vodila podpredsednica, Mary Markel. Dobile smo prošnjo od Mrs. A. Stokar, za umetne roke ujenemu nečaku v domovini. Priporočana in odobrena je bila primerna vsota, katera je bila poslana na Mrs. Stokar.

Ses. Katie Matkovic je v korist blagajne darovala krasne robčke, katere

## ZAHVALA OB SINOVNI NOVI MAŠI

Št. 33, Duluth, Minn. V veliko dolžnost si stejem, da se najprej zahvalim Bogu za milostno naklonjenost, da je naš sin dne 30. maja bil posvečen v novega mašnika in da je dne 31. maja daroval prvo sveto mašo. Lepo vreme je še povečalo našo slavnost. Prisrčno se zahvalim vsem sorodnikom in prijateljem ter vsem faranom, ki so mu pomagali do oltarja. — Posebna zahvala pa velja tudi našim članicam, pridnim kuharicam, ki so pripravile tako veličastni banket. — Iskrena zahvala naši Slovenski Ženski Zvezi, ki je bila prva pomoč našemu Janezu, ko mu je naklonila \$200 scholarship, ko je leta 1956 šel v St. Thomas College. Prav lepa hvala vsem skupaj.

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Drage članice, ne pozabite, da letos obhajamo 35 letnico v mesecu oktobru. Žal je letos dne 24. aprila umrla naša ustanoviteljica. Ob veliki udeležbi smo jo spremile k večnemu počitku. Ne smemo je pozabiti v naših molitvah, ker ona je veliko storila za našo podr. št. 33.

Vsem bolnim članicam želimo ljubelega zdravlja.

M. Shubitz

Op. urednice: Tudi Zarja se pridružuje z iskrenimi čestitkami novomašniku in vsej družini. Naj jih Bog blagoslovja tudi v bodoče!

V angleškem delu Zarje je slika in dopis o novomašniku.

bomo oddale na prihodnji seji. V blag. so tudi prispevale ses. F. Kern, M. Dobida, A. Kozelj, A. Markic, A. Mrsnik in M. Poje. Vsaki posebej prav prisrčna hvala.

V nedeljo 17. maja sta v krogu družine in prijateljev obhajala zlato poroko, Mr. in Mrs. Joseph Jerman. Zahvalno sv. mašo je daroval Monsignor Kelly v St. Anselm cerkvi. Strežnik je bil vnuk zlatoporočencev. Popoldne je bil sprejem sorodnikov in prijateljev na domu slavljenec. Mr. in Mrs. Jerman sta bila poročena leta 1914 v St. Mary's cerkvi v Rankin, Pa. Imata tudi dve hčerki: Marie Roth, Margaret Nicholas in sina Josepha ter sedem vnukov in vnukinj. Mrs. Jerman je ustanoviteljica podr. št. 18, kjer je bila vedno aktivna, dokler se niso preselili v Chesterland, Ohio. Zlatoporočencema iskreno čestitano in jima želimo še mnogo srečnih in zadovoljnih let.

Ako katero zanima izlet v Cedar Point to poletje, se priglasite pri eni izmed odbornic. V bolnišnico se je morala podati ses. Frances Pintar. Njej in vsem bolnim sestram, želimo čimprejšnjega okrevanja.

Po seji smo praznovala rojstne dneve sester: Nellie Pintar, Nettie Stru- kel in Anne Lekan. Gostiteljice so bi-

le ses. Stru- kel, Pintar in Markel. Vsem želimo še mnogo zdravih let.

Vsem članicam pa želimo mnogo lepega razvedrila tekoma poletnih mesecev.  
Ella Starin, taj.

Št. 55, Girard, Ohio. Lepo število članic se je udeležilo majske seje in Mother - Daughter Banquet. Uživale smo par ur veselja in zadovoljstva, kar se je čitalo na obrazu vseh prisotnih članic. Preds. Barbara Umek je podarila darilo ses. Matilda Cigolle, ki je bila Zaslužna Mati leta. Sestre Matilda Cigolle, Linda Juvancic, Susan De Mas in Judy Juvancic so deklamirale v srce segajoče pesmi mamican. Patricia Robsel je igrala na organ. Naša preds. in njen sin Terry sta pa igrala poskočne valčke na gitaro in harmoniko. Ses. Nettie Juvancic je zaigrala poskočne polke na harmoniko. Tudi petja ni manjkalo, starejše smo prepevale slovenske pesmi, mlade mamicke pa angleške. Josephine Perusek je bila chairman ter je vse izvrstno uredila. Iskrena ji hvala.

Preko poletje ne bomo imele seji, to je v juliju in avgustu, toda tajnica Mary Mehalco bo biralala asses.

Vesele smo, da je Emma Zore doma iz bolnišnice in se počuti boljše. Ses. Theresa Pavlinac se je nahajala v bolnišnici in se sedaj zdravi doma.

Bolnim sestram želimo trdnega zdravlja in vsem članicam vesele počitnice.

Amelia Robsel

Št. 71, Strabane, Pa. 13 redna konvencija, ki se je maja vršila v Chicagu, je prav lepo potekla. Gl. uradnice in delegatkinje so se zavedale, da so prišle na konvencijo za dobrobit Zveze in podružnic.

Večinoma je vse ostalo po starem z manjšimi spremembami, vključno mali dodatek k assesmentu. Lepa hvala tudi Father Okornu, ki so tako lepo nadzorovali, da je bilo vse v redu. Zelo sem bila vesela, da sem zopet videla in pozdravila mnogo prijateljic. Upam, da ste se vse zdrave in srečno vrstile na domove.

Poročati moram novico, da je 28. aprila umrla sestra Anna Pugar, ki zapušča žalujočega soproga in 2 sinova ter 2 hčeri. Družini izrekamo naše sožalje, pokojni pa mirni počitek.

To leto smo izgubile že dve članice, zato prosim sestre, da bi pridobivale nove članice in tako izpolnile vrzeli.

Dne 13. sept. se bo vršil ZVEZIN DAN ZA PENNA. v Acmetonia dvorani. Že sedaj vabim podružnice, da se boste udeležile te proslave.

Več članic se odpravlja na obisk stare domovine in tudi naša gl. tajnica, Mrs. Novak. Njej in vsem izletnicam želimo srečno pot, mnogo veselja med domačimi sorodniki ter srečen povratak.

Lepo pozdravljene gl. odbornice in vse delegatkinje ter Mrs. Priland, ki ste se kljub slabemu zdravju udeležili konvencije. Naj vam Bog utrdi vaše zdravje. Mary Tomsic, preds.



# Financial Report for the Month of March, 1964

## Finančno poročilo za mesec marec, 1964

Št. 77, Pittsburgh, Pa. Najprej se moram zahvaliti vsem, ki ste se udeležile naše majske prireditve in tako lepo pripomogle do lepšega uspeha. Udeležba bi bila lahko še večja, pa kaj ko ne moremo dobiti članic na naše prireditve.

Sedaj smo v lepi poletni dobi, katero smo željno pričakovali in dne 16. julija se nam bo nudilo, da se skrijemo v prijetni senci pred vročim soncem; to je na tretji četrtek v juliju bomo imeli svoj letni piknik, ki se bo vršil na Riverview Park v takozvani Activities Lodge, ali Shelter, to je eno poslopje pred lanskim, tako da ne bomo imele daleč za hoditi. Vse članice ste vljudno vabljeni, da se tega piknika udeležite v polnem številu, da se pogovorimo in nekoliko razvedrimo v družbi znancev in prijateljev.

Na letni seji smo sklenile, da to poletje ne bomo imele sej v juliju, avgustu in septembru. Prva prih. seja bo 14. okt. Katere dolgujete svoje mesečne prispevke, bi prosila, da poravnate, kajti asesment bi rada poslala na gl. urad za prih. 3 mesece.

Katere boste šle na počitnice, ali pa boste dosti potovale to poletje, bodite previdne, ker nesreča ne počiva, da se ja bomo vse videle na okt. seji.

Vsem članicam in njihovim družinam želim ljubelega zdravja.

Minka Chrnat, taj.

Št. 96, Universal, Pa. Prav lepa hvala ses. Sophia Funfar za tako izvrstno gostoljubnost in postrežbo, ko smo bile pri njej na junijski seji. — Druga seja se bo vršila pri Ančki Podobnik na Center, dne 29. avgusta.

Gospe Kržišnik in hčeri pa kličemo iskreno zahvalo, ko ste tako daleč prišle k nam na sejo.

Ne pozabiti Pensilvanijski Zvezin dan se bo vršil dne 13. sept. v Acmetonia Slovenskem Domu.

Iskreno sožalje ses. Mary Jerich ob izgubi mamice, dne 29. maja. Naj bo blagi ženi, lahka ameriška zemlja.

Sesterske pozdrave,

Mary Klemenčič, taj.

Št. 100, Fontana, Cal. Naša seja 3. junija je bila zadnja za to poletje, ker julija in avgusta ne bo sej. Naša predsednica Jennie Kurilich in njen soprog sta 15. junija odpotovala na obisk Slovenije s skupino S.Ž.Z.

Prav na dan naše seje je bil pogreb naše članice Jennie Dremolj (Patepon). Naše članice so se udeležile pogreba v velikem številu.

Da namestimo vrzeli, smo dobile novo članico Rose Mochon, kateri kličemo dobrodošlico v naši Zvezi.

Zelo rada čitam dopise ses. Josephine Erjavec iz Jolieta, ker sem živela v njihovem mestu več let in me zanimajo novice iz Jolieta. Tudi ses. Marija Prislund piše lepe članke.

Pozdravljam vse članice SŽZ, posebnost še urednico.

Frances Lukanich, poročevalka

Branch No.	Assesments		Membership		No.	Total	Adult	Junior
	Total	Adult	Junior	Adult				
1.	80.50	160	45		83.	11.45	23	5
2.	186.50	348	159		84.	—	69	6
3.	142.65	288	163		85.	11.30	29	5
4.	4.85	19	—		86.	9.95	20	—
5.	—	106	41	#	88.	25.60	46	7
6.	48.65	123	18		89.	42.30	98	58
7.	68.40	112	122		90.	22.20	54	25
8.	—	62	1		91.	32.15	55	13
9.	—	34	3		92.	13.15	23	2
10.	147.05	367	45		93.	—	65	6
12.	—	209	70	\$	94.	—	18	1 #
13.	51.35	115	19		95.	99.25	171	39
14.	140.10	319	31		96.	23.65	51	2
15.	111.40	243	27		97.	11.50	21	6
16.	70.95	140	82		99.	8.75	21	—
17.	75.15	164	57		100.	21.45	43	9
19.	59.80	136	43		101.	30.95	48	21
20.	179.75	432	127		102.	—	17	4 \$
21.	42.60	90	53		104.	8.55	23	—
22.	—	22	—	#	105.	9.70	19	5
23.	101.70	229	60		106.	—	20	1
24.	78.20	173	78			\$3,962.74	8922	2670
25.	364.80	749	235					Total members 11,593
26.	46.40	110	12					# Paid in Feb., \$ Paid in Jan., ¢ Paid for Jan., * Paid for March and April, % Paid for Jan. and Feb., & Paid for Feb. and March.
27.	32.90	66	5	¢				Disbursements — Stroški:
28.	39.20	83	10					Theresa Centa, 3, Pueblo \$ 100.00
29.	12.60	32	7					Theresa Ferri, 13, San Francisco 100.00
30.	—	18	—	#				Barbara Kramer, 13, San Francisco 100.00
31.	50.45	104	40					Barbara Kerrar, 17, West Allis 100.00
32.	60.29	117	32					Mary Rupert, 19, Eveleth 100.00
33.	79.25	151	87					Jennie Kerzich, 25, Cleveland 100.00
34.	18.05	40	7					Johanna Gornik, 25, Cleveland 100.00
35.	36.15	67	41					Helen Terbic, 25, Cleveland 100.00
37.	9.25	25	5					Frances Sherek, 39, Biwabik 100.00
38.	58.45	139	1					Amalia Svigel, 63, Denver 100.00
39.	23.70	67	23					Anna Stanich, 67, Bessemer 100.00
40.	46.10	100	5					Johanna Turk, 81, Keewatin 100.00
41.	102.65	265	29					Julia Adamic, 84, New York 100.00
42.	23.35	50	—					Anna Butorac, 83, Crosby 100.00
43.	58.90	120	75					Frances Gardin, 89, Oglesby 100.00
45.	—	60	7					Adeline Kopac, 72, Chicago 100.00
46.	13.20	30	5					Zarja — The Dawn, March 32 pages 1,584.22
47.	54.00	120	26					Salaries and administration 955.00
48.	4.30	13	3					Secretaries' award 585.50
49.	28.80	36	—	*				Rental income of Home office 75.00
50.	101.20	158	90					Fuel, electricity 96.39
51.	7.80	17	—					Miscellaneous, tel. postage 227.01
52.	26.30	53	15					Campaign awards 396.00
53.	17.45	27	8					Total \$5,519.12
54.	37.80	72	66					Balance Feb. 29, 1964 \$492,644.07
55.	30.10	68	7					Income in March, 1964 4,695.29
56.	47.05	110	19					\$497,339.36
57.	39.80	76	35					Disbursements, March, '64 5,519.12
59.	—	31	7					Balance March 31, 1964 \$491,820.24
61.	—	13	—					Albina Novak, Sec'y
62.	17.50	35	1					KONVENČNI ODMEVI
63.	61.25	118	58					Na predzadnji strani te Zarje so izrezki mnogih časopisnih poročil o naše konvenciji. Gotovo je v ponos organizaciji, da se poleg našega slov. časopisja, tudi ameriški listi posvetili precej pažje Zvezni konvenciji v Chicagu.
64.	40.45	57	2	%				
65.	27.10	61	24					
66.	26.75	53	20					
67.	81.20	76	27	&				
68.	24.95	43	5					
70.	—	14	3	\$				
71.	56.00	106	21					
72.	12.95	33	4					
73.	51.00	110	57					
74.	23.25	44	4					
77.	25.45	56	32					
78.	—	25	20					
79.	18.65	34	21					
80.	17.70	19	—	&				
81.	8.85	26	—					

# JUNIOR'S PAGE

## Hi Boys and Girls!

This morning, as I write this letter, our eldest son left by bus with his Catholic High School Band for Niagara Falls. There at the Carmelite Seminary they will live in dormitory, spend their free time sightseeing and present two concerts. Group traveling can be great fun and something to look forward to. Just talking and preparing for such a trip is exciting. Will you be a lucky part of such a trip this summer?

On the first of July we celebrated the Feast of the Precious Blood of Jesus, and on the 9th is the feast of St. Maria Goretti, the girl-saint. Fourteen years ago and the first time in history a mother was present for the canonization of her child, a virgin-martyr at the age of twelve. Pray to her for the all-important virtue of Purity.



Through the American Legion sponsorship, bells will ring throughout our country on July 4th commemorating the Declaration of Independence—the document which guarantees a birthright of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness to every citizen of the United States. An inspiration to every patriotic American are its stirring words, proclaiming freedom, equality and justice.



National Pet Week commences July 19. The common pets of children are dogs, cats, birds, fish, turtles, frogs and toads. Some of the unusual pets of the world are young bears, raccoons, whitetail deers, owls and hawks. Whether you are the proud owner of a common or unusual pet remember the following in caring for

## Mothers Honored

No. 1, Sheboygan, Wis. Our branch celebrated Mothers Day with a program. Recitations to the Mothers and Grandmothers were recited by: Mary Lynn Mahler, Margie Fischer, Tonelle Suscha, Joe Rupnik, Marilyn Kotnick, Kimberley Modez, Mary Linda Gustavson and Mary Ann Vertacic. Accordionists were: Stanley Kregel, Donald Shircel, Richard Dameuse, Anthony Rakun, Sandra Saucbeck, Karen Kotnik, Sandra Fritz, Amy Ribich and Steven Kregel. Mary Ann Kolar played a piano selection. Mary Linda Gustavson did baton twirling. Donald Shircel, Richard Dameuse, Roland Shircel and Ronald Pitzel did vocal numbers.

Mrs. Olga Saje our branch president was the director for the musical portion and my grandmother Priland had charge of the recitations.

Mrs. Mary Vertacic Mother of the Year was presented with flowers. The ladies served refreshments after the program.

I enjoy very much reading the Junior page.

Hope all you Junior members have a nice vacation. Margie

One month of vacation is already gone. How are you spending your days? Here's a little prayer to help you:

"Lord God, I thank You for these days of fun and rest. Let me always remember that each one of them is a special gift from You. Let me use them to grow ever stronger in Your grace. I promise to receive the Sacraments regularly during these vacation days.

I promise to choose my companions with care, and to stay strong in my faith, come what may. Let me spend these days knowing that I live them before Your eyes. My Lord and My God. Amen." REGINA

## ANSWERS TO PUZZLERS:

1. Blackbird; 2. Swallow; 3. Bluebird; 4. Meadowlark; 5. May Fly; 6. Dandelion; 7. Violet.

a pet: (1) the right kind and amount of food at regular times; (2) plenty of fresh water; (3) proper shelter during summer and winter; (4) clean living quarters; (5) least handling possible.

**BACKYARD GAMES** to wile away the time on certain days of summer are important. Here are a few:

**Bowling:** Knocking down blocks, coffee cans, empty milk cartons or detergent plastic bottles by rolling or throwing a ball. You can arrange them on top of each other, as they do at carnivals or set them up in your own "bowling alley" in the drive-

## NATURE PUZZLERS

1. My suit is black. I eat weed seeds and grasses. Sometimes I also eat the farmer's grain, and then he puts up scarecrows to chase me away. But I am not really afraid of them. I love to gather with my friends and raise my head and sing "Gurgle-lee, gurgle-lee" for a long time. What am I?

2. My wings are long and strong. My tail is long and usually forked. I eat insects and catch them while I fly. My nest is made of mud. I am not a song bird. Do you know me?

3. I have a lovely light blue sit, and a very colorful red vest. I eat insects for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. But in the winter I eat wild berries and the seeds of weeds. My babies are black at first, and then they get blue feathers. People like to hear me sing, and say that I "warble." What am I?

4. I come in the early spring. My legs are long and strong, and my breast is yellow, with a black half-moon on it. My song is a clear whistle, and I built my nest right on the ground. I help the farmer by eating bugs. Can you guess my name?

5. Alas, I live only one day! I have no need for food, and often I have no mouth or stomach. Yet I love light, and always fly towards it. Then in a little while, I die. I am very delicate, and have two slender threads floating out behind me when I fly. Can you guess my name?

6. I like to grow where the sun is bright and the grass is green. I bloom very early in the spring. I wear a cap of brightest gold, and my leaves are sharp as swords. But as I grow older, my crown of gold turns white. Can you guess what I am?

7. I grow best where the shade is cool on mossy banks. My leaves are shaped like flowers, and my blue flower has five petals. They say I am shy and modest, because I hang my head. Do you know me?

way. A hard sponge ball, or a big soft ball—the kind that babies play with—completes the equipment.

**Miniature Golf:** We've all seen these tricky courses where, with a putter and a golf ball you can go around the traps and hazards—for a fee. You can set one up in your own backyard if you like. Build inclines out of boards, cover with old rubber mats; a piece of stovepipe makes an excellent tunnel; pounded sand or grass itself makes an excellent green. Or just dig a few holes, put empty cans in them to hold out the dirt, and have your own course!

# SLOVENIAN WOMEN'S UNION 13th NATIONAL CONVENTION

The festivities commemorating the 13th National Convention of the Slovenian Women's Union were held Sunday, May 17. The solemn High Mass at St. Stephen's church, offered by Rev. Claude Okorn, O.F.M., marked the religious opening.

At 1:00 p.m. the civic celebration started with a delicious dinner followed by a delightful program. The invocation was by Rev. Claude Okorn, O.F.M., Spiritual Advisor, S.W.U. The welcoming address was given by Mrs. Joseph Zelesnikar, President of Branch #2, Chicago, Illinois. After the singing of the national anthem and "Zvezina himna" the Choral Club of Br. 2, directed by Richard Grill and accompanied by Miss Mary Sholtis, rendered a medley of Slovenian folk songs. This group was followed by the Slovenian American Radio Tota who sang "Mi se mame radi" and how wonderful these children were, ranging in ages of 3 and 4, it was a joy to listen to them. The next number on the program were the Slovenian American Radio Club Juniors, directed by Mmes. Corinne Leskovar and Margie Prah Liff and accompanied by Frankie Kovacek who sang "Predilčev pes." On the humorous side, we were regaled with laughter at the performance of "We are the Gym Girls," members of the Choral Club of Br. 2, directed by Mrs. Violet Strupeck. They were indeed hilariously funny and oh those old fashioned gym suits (black bloomers), recalling the olden days.

Back again to serious things we were then treated with a magnificent performance. Guest appearance by Mrs. Priska Leskovar, recalling the olden days.

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Cleveland, Ohio, in fancy drill work which was truly precision-like and ended in the form of a cross honoring our late President John F. Kennedy. The drill team was directed by Mrs. Frances Seitz. Memorial was sung by Mary Bostian, Preside, accompanied by Miss M. ;

The next to perform the baton twirlers of St. Cadets of Br. 25-50, Cleveland, Ohio, directed by Mrs. vec. The girls did a sp job and were applauded cordingly.

Mrs. Albina Novak, S. secretary, then proceeded to introduce guests who came near and far and were too numerous to mention here space is limited. There was good attendance of out of delegates.

The dancers of the Slovet Hour, heard every Saturday at 4:00 p.m. on station WEDC, in their colorful Sknian costumes delighted audience with several lively dance numbers. What a happy group they are. The Junior branch #2 presented a dedication poem to all mothers a then Luddie Leskovar presented Mrs. Marie Prislant of Sheboygan, Wis., with a beautiful bouquet of flowers, which she accepted most graciously.

Mrs. Marija Fischinger, mezzo-soprano, accompanied by Prof. Alfred Priska, father-in-law, lectured.

## CONVENTION SCRAP BOOK, MAY 1964! Clips from Slovenian and American newspapers!



SLOVENIAN WOMEN'S UNION OF AMERICA convention drew 120 delegates from 14 states here May 17-20. Photographed at banquet are (seated) Rev. Vendelin Spredov, assistant at St. Stephen church; Mrs. Antonia Turk, supreme president from Cleveland, O.; Rev. Claude Okorn, O.F.M., spiritual advisor from Milwaukee, Wis.; (standing) Mrs. Marie Prislant, founder of union from Sheboygan, Wis.; John Zetina of Loyola university, speaker; Mrs. Corinne Leskovar, editor of union magazine.

Delegates and visitors from 14 states will attend the 13th National Triennial Convention of the Slovenian Women's Union in America May 17 through 20.

Bishop Anthony J. Wyrwick, Auxiliary of Chicago and pastor of Immaculate Heart of Mary parish, will celebrate a Pontifical Mass in tribute to deceased members, May 20 at 9 a.m. in St. Peter church, 10 W. Madison.

A SERMON in Slovenian will be given by the Rev. Fortunat Oman, O.F.M., Leonard, editor Ave Maria, a Slovenian publication.

The opening day's activities start with a concert by the Slovenian American Radio Club of Br. 2, directed by Richard Grill and accompanied by Miss Mary Sholtis, rendered a medley of Slovenian folk songs.

Chicago's AMERICAN PEOPLE AND EVENTS hood Neig!

Slovenian Women Hold Convention

About 100 delegates and officers of the Slovenian Women's Union of America hold their 13th national triennial convention here Sunday thru Wednesday. Opening day ceremonies will be highlighted by a 16-member drill team of grandmothers in St. Stephen's church, this year 1852 W. 22d pl. Meetings Monday is 11:45 thru Wednesday will be 10:00.

oči so se zasvetile oči kronacij in vseh slovenskih matric. Res, krasno in častno v vse Slovence.

Pa to še ni vse. V sredo zjutraj ob desetih je zopet sledila slovenska sv. maša v prelepi cerkvi sv. Petra v sredi velenesta.

Tudi tukaj je zadonela slovenska beseda in slovenska melodija. Lepa pridiga č. p. Fortunata in krasen glas Mrs. M. Fischinger (Kranje) sta polnila mnoga srca.

Pri takih stvareh si človek ne mora pomagati, da ne bi mislil tudi na vse tiste, ki tako dela vodijo in pripravljajo. Koliko žrtev je za takimi stvarmi, ve samo Bog. Zato zahvaljujmo se jim in jim v prošnji Ga, naj nam še dolgo ohranja tiste, ki se za slovenske organizacije in druge stvari trudijo. Tako nujna idealne ustanove kot jih imamo Slovenci, redko najdemo. Zato sku ne v stran, ampak za skupnost srbimo. Samo v skupnosti je gnani in zmaga! Torej še enkrat umrjoklon SZZ, ki je toliko lepega belon slovenskega prikazala zadnji za k

eden v Chicagi, Ill. — Živela!

G. Hozian

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CHICAGO, Ill. — V nedeljo so zabela tu triletna konvencija Slovenske ženske zveze, po vrsti. Pri njeni otvoritvi delovala vezbalna skupina

**16-member drill team of grandmothers to add sparkle to Slovenian Women's Union of America 13th National Triennial Convention in Chicago**  
The 16-member drill team of grandmothers to add sparkle to the Slovenian Women's Union of America 13th National Triennial Convention in Chicago will be the first to perform at the opening ceremony on Sunday, May 17, at 1:00 p.m. at St. Stephen's church, 10 W. Madison. The drill team was directed by Mrs. Frances Seitz. Memorial was sung by Mary Bostian, Preside, accompanied by Miss M. ;

## 14-State Convention Of Women Meets Here

A 16-member drill team of grandmothers from Cleveland will add sparkle to the 13th triennial convention of the Slovenian Women's Union of America, which meets on Chicago's West Side Sunday, May 17, through Wednesday, May 20. Opening day program will start with a solemn ceremony

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**LEMONT DAY — JULY 19, 1964 — 25th ANNIVERSARY!**

Everyone is invited to attend this year's annual ZVEZA DAY IN LEMONT, ILL.

SUNDAY, JULY 19, 1964

Procession gathering at 10:30 a.m. at Retreat House

Holy Mass at the Grotto, 11:00 a.m. followed by Picnic and Vespers at 2:30 p.m.

Branch No. 2, Chicago, cordially invites all!

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