







PROSVETA THE ENLIGHTENMENT... ORGAN OF AND PUBLISHED BY THE SLOVENE NATIONAL BENEFIT SOCIETY... NARODNA NA ZDRUŽENJE DRUŽEV (IVEN CHICAGO) IN KANADO...

Datum v oglepju na primer (Dec. 31, 1937), poleg vsakega letnika se naštevajo pomeni, da vam je s tem datumom postala naša revija. Poslovje jo pravilno, da se vam list se ustavi.

Ekonomske razmere

Ko je Thomas Jefferson leta 1776 spisal Deklaracijo neodvisnosti, je začel z besedami: "Sama na sebi umevna resnica je, da so vsi ljudje enako rojeni..."

Danes vemo več! Danes vemo, da enakost rojstva še ne pomeni enakosti življenja. Danes vemo, da ni dovolj, če imajo svobodni državljani le enako volilno pravico, kadar je treba izvoliti predsednika republike in zakonodajalce.

Is tega sledi, da je treba še drugih pravic, še več svobodščin, predno bodo "vsil ljudje imeli enake priložnosti za življenje".

Dokazi stranske neenakosti v ekonomskem življenju Amerike nam kriče v obraz sleherni dan in sleherno uro. Pred sabo imamo dva najnovejša uradna dokaza.

Miss Josephine Roche, bivša pomožna tajnica federalnega zakladniškega departmanta, je pred kratkim poročala Splošni konferenci za boljše oskrbo mater in otrok, da je življenje slehernega novorojenčka odvisno od dohodka staršev, zlasti očeta.

V tem poročilu je rečeno, da v zimskega časa je povprečno vsak dan šest milijonov oseb bolnih v Združenih državah (povprečna bolezen traja 10 dni) in vsak sedemnajsti bolnik umre. To je na splošno ne glede na ekonomske razmere.

To je statistika, ki pove dovolj. Ako še vpoštevamo dejstvo, da 65 odstotkov prebivalstva Združenih držav prejema manj ko \$1500 letnih dohodkov, tedaj vidimo, da zimske bolezni najbolj tepejo teh 65 odstotkov in tudi smrt najbolj žanje v tej široki plasti ameriškega ljudstva.

Glasovi iz naselbin

Nas dnevnik Prosveta Cleveland. — Kot dobri in zavedni člani SNPJ, imamo pri jednoti zajamčene pravice glede verskega, etičnega in političnega prepričanja. To je pravilno in dobro. Toda kjer so pravice, tam so tudi dolžnosti.

Naj ponovim: Kaj smo dobri člani SNPJ storili v tem času za dnevnik Prosveto? Ali smo vsi naročniki? Kaj še? Je toliko izgovorov, čeprav je list nas članov SNPJ. Čeprav je dnevnik Prosveta eden najboljših slovenskih dnevnikov, širitelj delavske izobrazbe, vodnik zatiranih, kljub temu nečemu delati za našo lastno korist, za naš dnevnik.

Dnevnik Prosveta je dobro urejen list. Ima toliko izbrana in poudarjena čtiva kot noben drugi list. Naročite se nanj, če ste res napredni. Citajte ga redno. Pridobivajte mu nove naročnike, če hočete svojim delavcem res boljše znanja v delavskem duhu, za lepšo in bolj človeško družbo.

Zadnje čase se je pojavil neki čudni "čuvaj" nad Prosveto. Ko sem bil pred par leti na nekem pikniku, mi je prišel v roke letaku podoben listič z imenom Naprej. Uredniški članek ali bolje: zmazek je bil ostuden napad na urednika Prosvete, katerega je članek dobesedno "raztrgal" na drobne kosce in vrzel na smetišče med staro šaro.

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do skrbi za redno plačanje assessmeta, kajti vseh članov se ne poznam, torej je razumljivo, da ne bom mogel zalagati za assessment.

Družina Suki je se zahvaljuje Richmond, Calif. — Ob času nenadne smrti našega nepozabnega soproga oziroma očeta Antona Suki, člana in predsednika društva 638 SNPJ, smo bili deležni številnih izrazov sozolja in vstranjskih simpatij, za katere se vsem skupaj najiskrenejše zahvaljujemo.

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Poročila društvenih zastopnikov Br. Žagar od društva št. 9 iz Yala poroča, da so pri njihovi društvi v kratkem umrli 3 člani: Joe Grošelj, Frank Pristernik in Lovrenc Seřina.

Predsednik omenja, da letos praznujemo 30 letnico kanaške federacije; pričeli smo s skupnim rednim delom, sejami in prireditvami 1. maja 1908, ko smo razvlili tudi skupno zastavo.

Sklenjeno, da se nadaljuje s pridobivanjem izbrkov zapisknika v Prosveti v kolikor se nanašajo na važnejše zaključke in sklepe. Ne pridobuje se pa po drobnosti in stvari, katere nimajo nobenega pomena za splošno javnost.

Sprejeto, da se federacijska prireditelja na Delavski dan vrši skupno z družtvom št. 92, ki praznuje svojo 30 letnico. Federacijski odbor je pooblaščen, da preskrbi in uredi vse potrebno za skupno prvomajniško letno proslavo federacije.

Malo tega in onega

Ivan Molek Iz starega kraja je prišla "žalostna vest". Katoliško tiskovno društvo v Ljubljani je uradno naznanilo, da Dom in svet, katoliška revija, ne bo več izhajala. Ta katoliška revija, ki je nepretrgoma izhajala 50 let, je prav za prav umrla že v začetku preteklega leta, ko je v njej izšel znani članek katoliškega profesorja Kocbeka, ki je v njem kritiziral fašistični upor proti demokratični španski vladi.

Pittsburska komunistična trojica, ki skriva svoj komunistični "label" kakor kača noga, se postavlja za nekakšnega sodnika in cenzorja Prosvete. Diktira, kaj in kako bi morala Prosveta pisati, da ne bo "trockiistična". Vse, kar ni trojici po volji, označi trojica za "trockiistično".

Trojici je treba povedati, da pri Prosveti nismo otroci, da ne bi vedeli, kaj delamo, in da tudi nismo več zelenci v Ameriki in ne na svetu. Uredništvo Prosvete priznava samo enega sodnika in cenzorja — in to so pravila ter ostali sklepi konvencij SNPJ, za tolmačenje teh pravil in ostalih sklepov je pa postavljen edini odbor SNPJ in nihče drugi.

Ako trojica misli, da sta Louis J. Pirce in "father" Trunk moja "zaveznika", ker "z vsemi štirimi podpira" nekatere moje ugotovitve glede Stalinske diktature, naj bo prepričana, da ji ista moja "zaveznika" gromko ploskajo, kadar trojica zavije oči proti nebu in s Pircem, Trunkom in franciškani vred vzdihuje, da Prosveta "žali verski čut članov SNPJ".

Budimpeštanski kemik Georg Janoska poroča o svojih eksperimentih, ki so ga dovedli do odkritja novega vitamina. Imenoval ga je vitamin alfa.

Ta vitamin je sposoben pomnožiti donosnost setev. Rastlinsko seme, ki ga je obravnaval s njim, je raslo dosti hitreje in bolje, daje pa tudi več sadu. Pri vrtnih rastlinah je dobil po obravnavi s vitaminom alfo za štiri sto odstotkov večji pridelok. V sadežu je bilo tudi več sladkorja in kisline.

Na nekem zemljišču, ki ga je obravnaval s vitaminom alfo, je pridelal Janoska 36 metrskih stotov, na isto tako velikem zemljišču, ki ga ni obravnaval, pa je požel samo 11 metrskih stotov. Tudi v sadovnjakih je bil pridelok za 200 odstotkov večji nego normalno.

Janoska pravi, da je v zemlji odkril mikroorganizem, ki je za rastlinsko življenje nad vse važen. Izločine tega mikroorganizma pospešujejo nastanek barvila B v zelenilu, to barvilo pa je važna sestavina rastlin. A tudi v najboljši zemlji je omenjeni mikroorganizem zelo redek.

Po dolgih poskusih mu je uspelo, da je vredil čiste kulture tega mikroorganizma. Z njegovo pomočjo je prišel do vitamina alfa, ki ga uporablja s takšnim uspehom. Za posevek 1 oralna zadostuje 16 g novega vitamina. Kakor smo že omenili, rastline pod njegovim vplivom hitreje rasejo in dozori, a postanejo tudi bolj odporne.

Pred dvajsetimi leti

(Iz Prosvete z dne 2. februarja 1918.) Domače vesti. Po sklepu gl. odbora SNPJ se je začel nov kontest za tisoč novih naročnikov dnevnika Prosveti. Iz gl. urada SNPJ. Jednota je po sklepu gl. odbora naročila za \$30,000 vladnih vojnih dolžnic in za \$10,000 vojnoročilnih znamk. Delavske vesti. V Nemčiji je izbruhnil generalni štrajk. Samo v Berlinu je 700,000 delavcev v stavki, v državi pa čez milijon. Svetovna vojna. Italijani poročajo, da njihova ofenziva v benških gorah napreduje. Sovjetska Rusija. Sovjetske čete so potokile ukrajinsko armado in prodrle do Odese. Leon Trocki je izjavil, da Avstro-Ogrska mora biti razbita.

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Kaj je z našimi brati v Kanadi?

Po dolgem presledku moramo spet spregovoriti nekaj besed, ki so namenjene v prvi vrsti našim bratom v Kanadi. Izgleda, kot da nam ni nobenega pravega zanimanja za napredek, nobene resne živahnosti za našo stvar.

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Little Forts Make Final Plans for 12th Anniversary

Announce Complete Program for Sunday, February 6

WAUKEGAN, ILL.—The cast of "Polishing Papa," the three act comedy to be presented by the SNPJ Little Fort Lodge 568 in celebration of the Twelfth Anniversary on Sunday, February 6, at 8 p. m. at the Slovene hall, was in rehearsal when we timidly ventured into the spacious hall...

Soon it came to our attention why the scene was so strange. This was just an ordinary rehearsal and not the dress-rehearsal we had expected to see.

A synopsis of the play was given by us a few weeks ago so it won't be necessary to give one now. The members of the cast are: Jennie Siffer as Mrs. Stevens, the kind, complaisant housekeeper; Christine Grom as the saucy, talkative maid; Sweetie Mihovec as cast as Mr. Smith, an easily touched and easily ruffled Babbitt...

We scouted around and found out that the Little Fort juveniles will perform between the acts of the play, "Red" Edwards, local dance music sensation...

The Girls' bowling team wants to bowl against any out-of-town girls' team on either Saturday evening, teams wishing to bowl against them should get in touch Sunday morning, or immediately after the play.

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE, Lodge 568.

Beacon Highlights

CLEVELAND.—With a touch of the Orient and coupled with the spirit of romance the Beacon Valentine Party following the February 10 meeting promises to be quite a gala event. The novel piece de resistance will be the serving of chow mein and chop suey.

A meeting of local ESL representatives will be called this month to discuss plans for the formation of a Cleveland SNPJ softball league. Lodges having already announced their intention to join are the Stragglers, Comrades and Loyalties.

Though it is, still a long way off, the Beacons are planning their 10th anniversary early enough to make certain it will be their greatest affair.

The singing society "Cvet" will hold a Valentine Dance, Saturday, February 12, at the Slovens Labor Hall on Prince ave. Music will be furnished by Johnny Baumlich's Troubadors.

BEACONS.—If you're unable to pay your monthly dues at the time of the meeting, please do so before the end of the month at the home of the Secretary.

Whiteboard

The blackboard and the white chalk marks on it is a sight which was so much a part of our schooldays that it seems it must remain so forever.

Our Campaign in January

The jubilee campaign for new members of the Juvenile Department of the SNPJ during its first month netted the Society 156 new members.

This is the number of children enrolled into the SNPJ lodges in January as reported by lodge secretaries.

Brother Filip Katic, secretary of Lodge 543, Steubenville, O., sent in 17 applications; Brother Louis Racič, secretary of Lodge 752, Sudbury, Ont., Canada, sent six applications; Brother Michael Fleischhacker, secretary of Lodge 631, six applications; Brother Anton Rožanc, secretary of Lodge 300, Braddock, Pa., six applications;

We are mentioning only those secretaries and lodges who send in at least five applications together. There is, however, a much greater number of those who are sending in less than five applications and their work is just as much appreciated.

To all Brothers and Sisters who are active in the campaign for the increase of our Juvenile Department, regardless of the number of new members they secure, we are thankful.

Onward for a bigger SNPJ Juvenile Department!

SECRETARY.

Comrades

In 1937

CLEVELAND, OHIO.—Another year has gone, some will say it was uneventful, others will disagree, opinion depending on the activity of the individual.

The job of Vice President was capably performed by John Allech and a great deal of credit is due him for our many successful ventures. It was with regret toward the end of his term he found it necessary to disassociate himself from active duty.

Flashes

CHICAGO.—One of our friends inquired what kind of labor happenings we talked about at the last meeting of the Social Study Club.

Gov. Elmer Benson of Minnesota traveled to California to speak at a big rally in behalf of Tom Mooney.

The year 1937 saw the Comrade lodge: 1. Participate in the many SNPJ convention affairs.

2. Participate in juvenile and adult membership drive.

3. Increase its membership.

4. Arrange forum discussion between local editors.

5. Sponsor boys' baseball team.

6. Payment of sick benefits held at low figure.

7. Aided cultural groups in their many affairs.

8. Staged one of their most successful dances in its history.

9. Provide entertainment after meetings, climaxized by a December meeting, voiced by all as the best in years.

Notice of Supreme Board Meeting

Official notice is given hereby that the time for yearly meeting of the Supreme Board of the Slovene National Benefit Society is set for the second week of this month.

APPEAL TO FEDERATION SECRETARIES

The roster of our local lodges and federations is ready to be printed with the exception of the names and addresses of some of the federation officers elected for the year 1937.

VINCENT CAINKAR, Supreme President.

Comments On This and That

By IVAN MOLEK, Editor

THE SERIOUS ANSWER TO THE SERIOUS QUESTION

"I want to ask Brother Molek a serious question. Does he believe we can legislate the capitalist class (in America, presumably) out of existence?"

So asked Bro. J. D. Lotrich in his article in last week's Prosveta.

Proceeding on the assumption that "we" means all the working people of the country, I will answer seriously and without hesitation: Yes! I do believe so!

We are the BIG MAJORITY of the voters, and we have the initial tools to work with, the political tools, whenever we WANT TO USE THEM!

The American colonists did not have these tools, so they were justified in rebelling against their oppressors in order to get the tools to work out their political liberty.

There is nothing wrong with these tools—the American political democracy. Rather we should look at OURSELVES, the big majority, and ask seriously: WHAT'S WRONG WITH US?

It is not the capitalists' fault. They know what they are doing. It is the majority's fault, — OUR fault, generally speaking — because it does not know what it is doing.

The only way to fight ignorance is EDUCATION. Exactly this has been the way of all real, sincere American socialists who were telling the workers for years to use the ballot intelligently for their own benefit.

Why do some American socialists of today talk differently? There is only one answer. They are partly ignorant and partly impatient.

Yes, it is plain that as yet the majority does not want to vote capitalism out of existence — and you are terribly impatient about it. What are we going to do? Force the majority to take the course which I agree would be best for all workers but of which they are ignorant?

And let us not forget another thing: When we are building for progress, we are building something which we ourselves might not attain in our lifetime.

Let us be patient! Let us stick to education! Let us have faith in the principles and tactics of democracy as the best measures for the achievement of the social ideal which we rightfully think the highest and best in the history of mankind thus far!

Loyalite News

LATEST LOYALITES' SPORT NEWS

COLLINWOOD, O.—Tuesday, January 25, the boys got together for bowling practice, and did they go to town! The teams were made up of the following members—first team: Frank Smerdelj, Stanley Zapon, Louis Zedell, Edward Kromar; second team—Frank Gregoric, Frank Zedell, Louis Sajevec and Frank Chaligoy.

One of our newest members, Frank Smerdelj, who recently came from West Virginia, bowled for the first time. He did astonishingly well for his first games. Let's hope he keeps up practicing.

Excelsiors' Echo

W. ALQUIPPA, PA.—Broadcasting direct from our station of West Aliquippa announcing the Excelsiors' Get-Acquainted Dance on Feb. 26, to be held at the Slovak hall.

By the time this article is still hot from the press, we will have had played another practice game. We also hope some of our feminine members will be present that day to organize their team.

Do you know one of our bowlers boxed at the recent Golden Glove Tournament held in Cleveland? His name, as some of you probably guessed by now, is Louis Sajevec.

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Women's Round Table

By MARY JUGG

A Treat for Chicago

Word has reached the Round Table that the Cleveland Vadal Quartette will make an appearance in Chicago. These are the four youngsters who so spiritedly entertained the delegates at the last SNPJ Convention.

The occasion is the tenth anniversary of the Integrity lodge.—Chicago members should welcome the opportunity to see and hear this truly delightful group, especially after we are accustomed to so much tooth of the horn for many other things that need a touch of imagination to agree that they are really good.

And last we hear any remarks that the item does not belong under the Round Table: it is the mother of these four children who has given them all the training, and to whom credit is really due. If you see them perform, you will not wonder why she deserves special mention in our column.

Democracy?

Here is only another angle of that much-banded word "democracy." The Chicago Daily News, of Jan. 17, in a double column on the front page had an editorial with this heading, "Whither Goest Thou, Franklin?"

Can you imagine headlines like the following in those countries that some of our "leaders" have begun to envy of late: "Art thou a real god, Adolf?" or "Where dost thou get thy castor oil, Benito?" or "Wherefore doth the axe rear its ugly head, Josef?"

Beauty and Brains

More and more some of our Hollywood ladies whose only achievement used to be that Nature made them beautiful are beginning to show that they achieved something themselves, too.

The latest is Claudette Colbert, who refused to pose beside a basket of flowers from which waved, among others, a swastika flag.

A University at Home

One of our women readers who believes in putting her time to better use than listening to radio dramas that are manufactured in the studios has called attention to a broadcast that she found quite by chance. It is not listed in the radio programs, neither is it mentioned in the "Pick of the Air." It is the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, broadcasting directly from the campus.

You can listen in to the lectures that professors are giving before their classes, the questions asked by the students, and the answers. The 15-minute and half-hour periods are varied in interests. Sometimes there will be musical programs, and again, facts of practical value. This continues throughout the day.

The woman who spends some of her time at home and is in question how to put it to best advantage can profit by nothing more than this. Surely other readers know of similar programs in their vicinity that would be equally beneficial to others if the word were passed along.

Our Silk Boycott

It is an encouraging sign to ask the salesladies in the downtown department stores about the demand for lisle hose since the boycott on Japanese silk. They report an ever-increasing demand and also an increasing supply from various manufacturers.

'Comet Tails'

UNIVERSAL, PA.—We are sure—yes, we promise an exceptionally good time to those who attend the Comet dance this Saturday, Feb. 5. With Joe Umeck and his Girard Slovene Kings sounding forth their rhythmic tunes, we can safely predict a large and hilarious crowd.

Last Friday night our basketballers out-bucketed the Verona Hilltoppers at the Wm. McKinley school, 36 to 27. With Bertovic and Remese dropping them from all points on the floor, the game provided several good thrills.

Juvenile Campaign

In this 25th Anniversary Juvenile Campaign year, I ask this question: Have you determined to interest yourself in this campaign and do your part in bringing it to a successful conclusion? If not, decide to join now, and vie for some of the awards and prizes.

Realizing the importance of this campaign and, in fact, one of its functions, the national athletic board drafted a statement calling for the united and earnest support of every lodge and individual member.

LOUIS KUMER, 715.

Except Men and Monkeys

Bulls see red! Bulls are color blind! Both of these statements cannot be true, and when such an authoritative scientist as Dr. Roy Chapman Andrews backs up the second idea, the odds are that he is right.

So another of our beloved traditions goes overboard. He bases his conclusion on a long series of tests made with 30 bulls, in which it was proved that a bull will go for a waving white cloth as he will for a red one.

The Reveliers' Column

AMBRIDGE, PA.—A good start was made by the Reveliers in their work to enlist new juveniles. Two juveniles were accepted at the first meeting and five juveniles proposed for membership.

Slovene Speaking Federation this summer. A planning committee of five members includes Julia Bogatay, Betty Ambrozic, Jennie Prince, Frank Ambrozic and Louis Kosela.

vival of our one time sport—Baseball. Former players and prospects will please attend and efforts will be made to start preliminary arrangements.

Golden Eagles

GIRARD, OHIO.—It is undoubtedly best, from the point of view of the entire membership, that these columns occasionally depart from their customary current subjects and focus the spotlight on their members and social activities.

Sheboygan News

SHEBOYGAN, WIS.—The first Modern meeting in 1938 was interesting and well attended. The installation of officers took place, and our New President, Ljudmila Sheek, took the reins from the previous.

Young American News

DETROIT, MICH.—Young American enthusiasm is high this year and we mean to make it a red-letter year in the fond memories of posterity.

Jolly Allis Lodge

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Morning Stars

PITTSBURGH, PA.—With new year in full swing and new officers for 1938, it is about time that Morning Stars begin to cooperate with officers to put the lodge back to active column, by attending meeting on Feb. 15.

Friendly City News

JOHNSTOWN, PA.—Again Friendly City presents "Sweethearts at Auction" in the form of a Valentine dance.

Veronians

VERONA, PA.—The meeting held recently by the Bowlers was a complete success. There seemed to be some misunderstanding as to rules, etc. After a revision of rules and new ones added, it finished to the satisfaction of all.

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Lodge Letters

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MUSKETEERS' MUSING MOON RUN, PA.—The Musketeers take this opportunity to thank those who attended our dance on Jan. 22. We had a large crowd and trust that all had an enjoyable evening.

YOUNG AMERICAN NEWS DETROIT, MICH.—The New Year's resolution of the Young Americans, to make this a bigger and better year, is being carried out with success.

FITTSBURGH, PA.—Pennsylvania's only Slovene lawyer, Ludvik Zupancic, is taking another step ahead. He has entered his name as a candidate for the Legislature in the 11th Legislative District.

HOLD DANCE FEB. 12 DETROIT, MICH.—Dig out your glad rags and tattered clothes to attend a Hard Time Party given by the SDD Ladies' Club at the Slovene Workers' Home, 437 S. Livernola, Saturday evening, Feb. 5. Bring your neighbors and friends. Music will

PERSONAL TO ALL COMRADES AND THEIR FRIENDS: You have a date on Friday, February 25., Dancing, eating and laughing in the Slovene National Home Lower hall and bar at a grand PEP NIGHT sponsored by Comrades for all Comrades and friends to boost our Anniversary Dance on March 12. Fish Fry plates—yum—for only 20c. DRINKS? A little bit of everything at reasonable prices. ADMISSION? NONE, with dancing free, too.

FRANCIS A. ARCH, 706.

LODGE NO. 39 GIVES DOMAČA ZABAVA CHICAGO, ILL.—What has the year 1938 in store for you? Time flies by so fast that "Old Father Time" is creeping up on all of us. To get the most out of our lives, we should go out to enjoy the affairs that come within our limits.

DANCE OF LODGE NO. 285 SOUTHVIEW, PA.—The dance held here at the SNPJ hall was a great success. We wish to thank everybody that attended this dance, especially the members from nearby lodges.

COMRADES CLEVELAND.—A 1938 resolution: Keep the Comrades entertained and "on top" of activities. Mainly, our Twelfth Anniversary Dance on March 12, the synopsation by Frank Yankovich and his Boys at the Slovene National hall on St. Clair Avenue and East 65th Street. An evening packed with fun for only 30c! Comrades would love to be hosts to out-of-town guests and other SNPJ lodges in this city for this dance.

COMRADES UNIVERSAL, PA.—The recent comments on democracy by Brother Lotrich would be amusing if they were not so tragic. By some queer twist of reasoning he says he wants democracy in one breath, and does everything to discredit democracy in the next breath. Funny, isn't it? Why, Leon Trotsky, the famous world revolutionary, or even our ex-brother, Professor Maynard Krueger, couldn't have done a better job.

Sundry Comments

Now, the principle of democracy is

so elemental and basic that there can be no "sitting on the fence" about it. Defined, democracy means the rule of the people, and is in direct contrast with the dictatorship idea of government. Democracy (the people) gives to majorities the right to exercise their will over the nation, subject only to the limitations as expressed in the constitution or supreme law of the land. Furthermore, and at least as important, democracy gives to minorities the right to voice their protest, to win over supporters of their cause, and, when powerful enough, to change existing conditions through the use of orderly and democratic processes at hand. Broadly speaking, that's all there is to it. We have just got to choose between this democratic idea of government or the dictatorial idea, which rules by force and terror and espionage.

But we believe we understand Brother Lotrich. What he wants in the long run is precisely what we want: an end to exploitation and economic slavery! The building of a system in society where men are really free and equal and secure, and where the profit motive in life gives way to the cooperative idea. Fine! The big and vital difference, alas, is that Brother Lotrich has no faith in our democracy to right our wrongs. Ours is a bogus democracy, he says, a "grift" that is as easy for the ruling class to take away as to give. Democracy must first be scrapped; power must be seized. These devils, the Morgans, Mellons, DuPonts and their ilk, must be crushed. Then on to some imaginative thing called "a workers' dictatorship!"

We strongly disagree. We reaffirm our faith in democracy to correct our injustices, and there are many, however imperfect, we do not take democracy lightly. We cherish the democratic idea of government, won after generations of struggle, and will fight to improve upon it. And we are just as determined to oppose anyone who would sneer at it, who would accept any part or kind of dictatorship!

Unity in the labor movement is one of the most important, pressing problems of the day. And there is reason to rejoice when we hear that the powerful International Ladies Garment Workers' Union will never stop in its fight for peace between the A. F. of L. and the CIO.

If we had to choose between peace in the labor movement and the passage of certain progressive measures in Congress at the sacrifice of peace, we would unhesitatingly want peace. Unless there is a united and alert labor movement to enforce them, labor laws do not mean much.

In normal times, division in labor's ranks is tragic. But in times like these, when labor's organized enemies flood the press, the radio, and the film with paid and subtle propaganda, in times when labor must assume a large share of the responsibility of averting war, in times when unemployment retards labor organization and undermines unionism, division of labor is unespeakable.

Let us hope that the breach will be healed and labor will move forward united. We can then expect some labor and progressive laws with "teeth" in them. And more—we can look hopefully forward to the time when labor's own representatives will occupy the seats of government.

LOUIS V. KUMER, Lodge 715.

WEST TECH GRADUATE CLEVELAND, O.—Mr. and Mrs. Mike Biacy, 3175 West 54th street, announce the graduation of their daughter, Olga Katherine, from West Technical high school.

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EMIL PIKE, Lodge 145.

Official Proceedings

FINANCE COMMITTEE

September 18 Meeting

The meeting is called to order at 8 a. m. All members of the Committee were present.

Mr. Paul Schneller Jr., secretary of the St. Clair Savings and Loan Association of Cleveland, appears and is granted time to explain the manner in which servicing of any mortgages made or purchased in Cleveland could be done thru this organization.

Attorney Phillip B. Heller appears to report on the numerous transactions, reorganizations and refundings in which he has participated. A copy of his report is attached herewith as part of the minutes. A discussion follows the report.

Moved that we work in cooperation with the SSPZ on the Central Texas Telephone bankruptcy proceedings. Carried.—Moved to accept the Racine hotel refunding agreement. Carried.—Moved that we exchange the City of Hollywood, Broward County, bonds when 90% of the outstanding bonds, including ours, are deposited for exchange. Carried.

It was agreed to approve the reorganization of Bluffton College, where-in we hold \$25,000 in bonds.

The Six Point Realty refunding is discussed and Mr. Heller called to give his opinion. Since no final plans have been submitted by the firm, no further action is taken.

Mr. Willis J. Erd, of the Federal Housing Administration, was invited to attend this meeting to explain the FHA Insured Mortgage system. He appeared and spoke for a good hour after which the Committee discussed the FHA plan at length. Mr. Heller, being present during this talk, was asked for his opinion of the FHA Insured Mortgage and from what he had heard; he opined that it looked like a good proposition.

Brother Cankar moved that we designate the St. Clair Savings and Loan Association as our servicing agent for FHA Insured Mortgages in Cleveland. Brother Zupan added an amendment that the Yugoslav Building and Loan Association of Chicago be designated to service FHA Insured Mortgages for us in Chicago. The motion as amended carried unanimously.

It was carried that the chairman and the secretary prepare an agreement for the conduct of this servicing.

Upon question of Brother Vidar it is explained that since the Yugoslav Building and Loan Association would do the servicing and not Brother Lotrich, as an individual, that such transaction would be in conformity with proper ethics and practices.

Regarding the loan request of the Sharon, Pa., Slovene Workingmen's Educational Home, after reports were submitted by Petrovich and Vidar, the Committee needed additional information on the ruling adopted at the last Supreme Board meeting. It was agreed, therefore, that we ask all Supreme Board members for the correct interpretation of what is considered a Slovene Lodge Home and what interest the respective lodges should have in such Homes before loans are granted.

A letter informs us that the Ohio Forge Machine bonds were called for redemption at par.

Brother Olip moves to determine price of the rights and that a mail vote be taken, if necessary, to sell the rights. Carried.

Brother Petrovich reports that the loan No. 22 property has been rented for \$65 monthly after the former owner signed quit claim deed.

Highland County, Florida, was refunding. Between 65% and 75% of the bonds have been deposited. For the next meeting we will find out if enough of these bonds have been deposited to make the exchange.

please the young and old. Refreshments and beer will be served. No charge for admission.

PAULINE ADAMIC.

Proviso Township School District bonds were priced at 107.—Moody recommends their sale.—Moved to sell these at 106 or better. Carried.—Further, that Moody recommends disposal of Jonesboro School District. Ordered to get bids for next meeting.—Further, that Glades County, Florida, went into default and that loans 117 and 128 and Minor's Fund 10 were repaid. Loan 35 was renewed and loan 119 property was in foreclosure.

It was agreed to renew loan 140. The Committee reviews the situation in connection with the South Chicago Hrvatski Dom and the property at 5134 West 25th street.

Moved and seconded that we purchase \$60,000 FHA Insured Mortgages. Carried unanimously.

Brothers Vidar, Vogrich and Lotrich are selected to inspect properties before purchasing mortgages.

Purchases \$10,000 U. S. Treasury 2%—1955-60—2.77 yield. Unanimously adopted. The meeting adjourns at 5:40 p. m. MATT PETROVICH, Chairman; F. A. VIDAR, Secretary; DONALD J. LOTRICH, Recorder.

Integrity News

CHICAGO, ILL.—Sunday, Feb. 6, the SNPJ Little Fort Lodge 588 of Waukegan, Ill., is celebrating its 12th anniversary. I will appreciate to see more than the three carloads who promised to be there. Make up your minds and attend. See Sister Mesjasch for arrangements.

Our own (integrity) 10th anniversary will be observed April 23 at 3 p. m. and the members know that it will take quite a little help and work to make it a big success. As Chairman of the Tenth Anniversary Program I want all the cooperation from all members as per our past affairs.

Some of you Integrity members, get busy and secure a new juvenile case meeting. Let's hit the big 400 mark at the end of 1938. So far we have quite a few prospects.—Our bowling teams are progressing wonderfully under the direction of Brother Paul Herrmann. LOUIS BAFFETTI, Lodge 651.

Badger News MILWAUKEE, WIS.—Little Forts, be prepared! The Badgers are ready to invade your domain this week-end, a whole flock of them, so you know what to expect when our gang hits town. Any member still intending to go along and haan't done anything about it yet, get busy and do so as there are a few seats still available. Get in touch with the secretary this instant at 721 West Mineral st. or phone Mitchell 3946.

At the present, we have three members on the sick list; they are: Mary Stiglitz, 717 West Scott st.; Herman Jerkic, 621 West Orchard st.; John Iren, 1014 South 4th st. Bring them a little cheer by paying them a visit.

SESTMESEČNI RAČUN MED DRUŠTVI IN JEDNOTO od 1. julija do 31. decembra 1937 FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR SIX MONTHS from July 1 to December 31, 1937 (Nadaljevanje s 5. strani)

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Vera and Eddie Sostarich, students at the University of Wisconsin, visited with their parents this last weekend.

Don't forget the SNPJ Federation Dance at the South Side Turner hall, on the 19th of February. The Badgers are requested to attend. Bear in mind, members, the Badgers are having a dance at the Sostarich hall, the 26th of February. Watch

Pauline Adamic.

Forwards for further details.—The Badgers are holding their Annual Dance at Tame's hall, February 12. All the Badgers are requested to get together and give them our wholehearted cooperation on this occasion.

From all reports the Badgers had a grand time at the Vanguards' Dance last Saturday at the Sostarich hall, with a spirit of good fellowship prevailing throughout the entire evening.

ANTON OBLUCK, 584.

The John Smiths By Harold Magin

