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Good Leaders Are Important Asset

Next month—December—lodge meetings will attract more members than at any other time during the year. It is here that annual business is transacted. Local by-laws are brought up for discussion, resulting in possible addition, revision or amendment, and most important, leaders are elected or re-elected to head the subsidiary lodge during the ensuing year.

Success of any subsidiary lodge, or for that matter any organization, depends greatly on the individual leadership work of its officers. Cooperation of members and active energetic leaders always spells success in any venture or promotion. Such a condition is excellent for the morale of the members who confidently will contribute every effort to add momentum to their lodge in its climb to national prominence and recognition.

In several cases, lodge officers are also officers in other fraternal organizations. It is difficult—especially in the same neighborhood—to give equal, undivided attention to both units. Eventually these officers will turn their favorite unit and let the other lag. It doesn't matter any difference which one it is. In most cases both organizations in which a member holds official positions, suffer. It is like the old saying—"You can't serve two masters." You've got to work for either one or the other—although it doesn't mean you have to drop one of the other organizations.

In other words you must concentrate your energies to make it a complete success. If you are an officer in two lodges, you cannot obtain the full confidence a member expects from a leader.

At the 16th Convention held in Waukegan, Ill., in 1939, delegates saw the seriousness of such a situation. They voted to amend the by-laws referring to qualifications a member must have to be eligible for the office of president or secretary to read as follows:

Members who are Supreme Officers of other fraternal societies; or, are holding the office of president or secretary in lodges belonging to other fraternal societies cannot qualify as president or secretary of any lodge. This same rule applies to those who are employed by life insurance companies.

Any adult member in good standing who is able to read and write, and has been a member of a lodge for at least a six-month period may be a candidate for an office in the lodge.

Each year at annual election, members ballot and elect a president, vice-president, secretary, recording secretary, and treasurer. This unit is known as the executive committee.

Three members compose the auditing committee. The committee elects its own chairman.

At annual meetings, members decide whether superintendence of the sick members shall be in the hands of the secretary; or whether a Chairman for the Committee of Visitors be elected. A local lodge medical examiner and a Sentinel are other officers who complete the lodge.

Election of a lodge judiciary committee is effected at a regular meeting whenever it is necessary. Details outlining duties of officers will follow in future articles.

Betsy Ross Quartet to Introduce Lodge Theme Song at Anniversary Dance Saturday

LAGMAKERS ADOPT TUNE AT SESSION THURS. EVENT SPARKS WEEKEND ACTIVITY

Newest and most sparkling music for this momentous occasion. Following formal introduction by the quartet, the dancers and guests will take up the words and tune and sing the strains until the hall reverberates with rhythm.

Written to the tune of the famous "Notre Dame Victory March" the song will be a feature at all Betsy Ross baseball games, dances, rallies, etc. Author of the song is Miss Dorothy Rossa, president of Betsy Ross.

AT A MEETING OF BETSY ROSS LODGE 186, HELD THURSDAY, NOV. 13TH, A MOTION TO ADOPT THE TUNE AS THE OFFICIAL

Quartet started with colorful splendor, the new Betsy Ross' own quartet composed of Eugene Kocin, Frank Lisjak, Eddie and Tony Malavasic's Blue Quartet who are rendering dance

Mutual's "First Dance" Set For Saturday

Meadowlands, Pa. — Invited? —and why not?

All AFU members and their friends are extended a cordial invitation to be present at the Thanksgiving, "First Dance" sponsored by Mutual Lodge No. 232, AFU, Saturday night in the Bears Hall in Meadowlands, Pa.

Excellent music will be supplied by none other than the good old "Swingsters" who will entertain with the best of music for dancing between the hours of 8 to midnight. There's something about these boys that keeps a person on his toes—that "makes you wanna dance" feeling.

Refreshments? — Naturally! And you can be certain we'll have everything all set to make your evening enjoyable!

Let's give "The First Dance" by Lodge 232, a big whirl—Saturday, November 22 in Bear's Hall!

Matthew Zofchak, secretary, Lodge 232, AFU

Lodge No. 112, AFU, Stresses Meeting Dates

Kitzville, Minn. — Members of Lodge 112, AFU of Kitzville, Minn., are hereby reminded of our meeting dates for November and December.

Our November meeting will take place at the regular time, that is, at 7:30 p. m.

Important annual meeting of our lodge at which officers will be elected to serve during 1942, will be held at 10 a. m., Sunday, Dec. 21st. This is a reminder to all our members, and we hope they remember to attend.

Frank Shega, secretary, Lodge 112, AFU.

SLOVENIAN CLASS

Cleveland, O. — The Slovenian class under the instructorship of Antoinette Kennick will meet Thursday, at the Slovenian National Home, Room 4, at 7:30 p. m. This is an opportunity for those of Slovenian descent to learn a new language in a few months. Those interested should register at the class meeting, Thursday, or register with Mrs. Kennick by telephone, HE n. 2383.

Gala Program Featured by Lodge 66 on Occasion of 35th Anniversary

Joliet, Ill. — The 35th anniversary of our Peter and Paul Society, No. 66, AFU, which took place Sunday, Nov. 9, was a grand success, carrying out a program with many features—resulting in a most appropriate commemoration of the founding and past 35 years of a lodge which to this day is recognized as one of the most active in this Slovene community, as well as in the American Fraternal Union—very much a leading fraternal organization in America.

Federation Cooperates

With the cooperation of the Illinois, Wisconsin and Indiana Federation of American Fraternal Union whose representatives came to Joliet to hold their re-

BRIEFS

Cuyahoga county's 35th annual tuberculosis Christmas Seal sale will be launched Monday, Nov. 24th, with a goal of \$62,500 to finance the Anti-Tuberculosis League campaign against the "White Plague," it was announced.

A meeting for Yugoslav Relief, Slovene Section will be held in the church hall in Waukegan, Ill., Saturday, Nov. 22 at 7 p. m. Present will be Vincent Cankar, president, and Joseph Zalar, secretary of the Yugoslav Relief Committee of America, Slovene Section.

The Slav Congress originally scheduled to be held in Pittsburgh, Nov. 21, 22, and 23, has been postponed indefinitely.

Lodge No. 1 informed that it has lost 8 members through death so far this year. 20 aged members receive benefits from the Welfare Fund. Mrs. Frank Shober of Savoy Location, Ely, Minn., left Nov. 10 for the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn.

In Kitzmiller, Md., died Frank Vodipivec, aged 62 years, a member of Lodge 121, AFU. Survivors are: his wife, two sons, three daughters, and other relatives. He was born in Jugoslavia.

Lodge 16, AFU, Johnstown, Pa., lost Mary Pesich who died Nov. 9. She was born in Jugoslavia; and was 69 years old.

In Cleveland, O., Nov. 13, Jernej Knaus passed away at the age of 73. Born in Yugoslavia, he came to Cleveland in 1892. Survivors are: wife, three sons, and four daughters.

Anton Urbas, age 59 years, died October 28 at the Indiana, Pa., county home. He was born in Jugoslavia where relatives and survivors reside, and did not belong to any fraternal society in America. He lived here 40 years.

Following a two week illness, Jozefa Kovsek, age 55 years, died in Beaverdale, Penna., Nov. 10. Her maiden name was Jakus, and she was born in Jugoslavia; lived in American 40 years. Burial rites were conducted Nov. 13. Surviving are four grown children.

Bro. Zefran Gets Turkey for High Bowling Score

Chicago, Ill. —Turkey Night! That's what we called Friday evening!

And who do you think should be the winner of the 10 lb. bird donated by Puddy, the proprietor of the bowling alleys? None other than Louis Zefran of the Maryton Cafe five—the gentleman who has the crowd always in jolly mood with his jokes and fancy shooting.

Louis rolled a 214 game and a total series of 570. Hard luck was with Tony Kovacic who shot a 565—five pins short; and Joe Zefran with 549. But cheer-up, fellows, there always has to be a loser.

Marytons 2; Gottliebs 1

Maryton's Cafe continued winning at least two games each bowling night, stretching this winning streak to five straight nights. This time the victims were the Gottlieb Florist five.

Wencel's-2; Zefran's-1

Even with Louis Zefran's high series, the Morticians were beaten twice by the Wencel Dairy team. Joe Tabor of the Wencel's shot a 202 game and a high series total of 511—also short of winning the turkey.

Captain Chester Harey, is up and around again after being sick for the past two weeks. We hope he'll be back in the line-up next Friday night.

Don't forget, Louis Zefran, I'll be over for a turkey dinner! Oh Yea!

Your reporter,
Louis Dolmovich, jr.
Lodge 70, AFU.

Champ is Member of Lodge 66 AFU

Joliet, Ill. — According to the Joliet Evening Herald-News, Miss Dorlynn Steiner, a member of Lodge 66, AFU, has a bowling average of 175 for the past two years. Considered Joliet's Woman Champion bowler, she rolled against Mrs. Sally Twyford who has a 12-year average of 180, in an exhibition match Saturday sponsored by the Rivals Club in conjunction with the Brunswick-Balke Collender Co. bowling alley manufacturers. AFU bowlers may remember Miss Steiner's brilliant performance with the Joliet Ladies team at tournaments held in Cleveland and last year in Indianapolis, Ind.

Janko N. Rogelj, Supreme President, American Fraternal Union:

Our Government Calls!

We have been firmly entrenched in America for many years! We are the sons and daughters of brave and proud immigrants who sought prosperity and a bright future for themselves and families in the new world! Most of our members are of Yugoslav parentage; remainder is of other nationalities who migrated for the same purpose.

Our parents arrived in these United States and this country and immediately became a part of them. To those of our parents who fled prosecution and political oppression, this new country offered them the breath and life of liberty.

America accepted them, offered them the liberty and freedom that was not theirs in the old country. Our parents rolled up their sleeves and went to work. At first many entertained ideas of making a fortune after which they would return to their native land. But this free nation that offered liberty and a democratic way of life appealed much more. We found that our parents sent for their families and kin, helping them to become a part of these great United States of America.

Then we were born. America has provided our parents and us with a home. Our parents became active citizens, continuing and contributing to the progress and culture of the United States. We were given higher education and our standards of living were much greater than anything our parents experienced in the old days.

America gave us new life, freedom, security with promise of a bright future. Our parents are thankful! We are thankful! For we have everything! But suddenly the skies darkened. There is a rumbling in the East and West—across both huge oceans which border us. The rumbling casts a grim shadow on our erstwhile happy

life. Our government keeps in close touch with these chaotic conditions across the seas which may envelop us without a moment's notice. Our government looks to our future safety and security! Vast facilities swing into action as the wheels of industry churn faster and faster to manufacture materials which will insure and protect our country from its raging fanatic enemies.

Our government—a government that has given us homes and a future—is now calling upon us to cooperate and help it protect that future. Everything depends on us! We must help in every possible manner! We dare not think of the results if we fail. If we fail, our government fails! And this we cannot let happen!

Recently, our government, in its call for individual cooperation from every citizen, through every conceivable channel, submitted a letter to the Home Office of the American Fraternal Union. The letter asked the 100 per cent cooperation of every member of our organization to exert every effort to participate in the National Defense program by purchasing Defense Bonds, Stamps, etc.

It is an investment in our country—an investment in the future of America.

Most everyone has a few extra dollars saved. We can help by investing these dollars in United States Savings Bonds and Stamps. And you must remember that in addition to getting your money back, with interest, you are investing your dollars toward the safety of the future of our United States. And it is ours! Every grain of soil in it!

AMERICA HAS GIVEN US A HOME! LET US PROTECT THAT HOME BY INVESTING OUR MONEY IN OUR GOVERNMENT AND NATIONAL DEFENSE! LET'S PAY OUR DEBT TO AMERICA!

Nationality Editors Hear British Envoys

By Little Stan

Cleveland, O. — Editors of nationality papers in Cleveland were guests of Mr. Spencer Irwin, of the Cleveland Plain Dealer at his home on Ashbury Road Saturday evening. Purpose of the meeting was two-fold—one to discuss functions with other prominent leaders of the "Committee to Defend America" group; and the other to hear two prominent British Envoys in the persons of Mr. Donald Hall, author of "Roumanian Furrow," now associated in this country with the British Press Service; and Mr. Bisiker, British Consul stationed in Cleveland.



The catchy British accent as personified by Messrs. Hall and Bisiker added to the interest of the evening. These two gentlemen discussed in detail Great Britain's position in the War and answered question after question of guests, explaining the situation of the world strife

in connection with United States aid. Much travelled, well-acquainted, with official and unofficial matters pertaining to the present strife, these men especially stressed the prestige held by the United States in foreign lands. They predicted the ultimate defeat of Hitler and his policies. United States aid to the allies is a big factor toward this end.

Attending the affair were a large group of people representing several nationalities. The patriotic feeling of America was personified in everyone. Attending this session with Little Stan were also Anton Sabec and Vatro Grill of Enakopravnost and Napredok.

It was Little Stan's first contact with Roumanian "Siwicka"—a really exhilarating refreshment. Newspaperman Irwin told anecdotes, among them one about Donald Hall and his particular liking for "Siwicka." It resembles somewhat our own "Slivica" brandy. Another one told at the humorous expense of

with your presence. Wouldn't it be great if the leaders of the warring nations across the Atlantic would do likewise? — Instead of persecuting one another just for the sake of control, power and other selfish motives, sweeping along with them and with the bloodiest of tactics crucifying the innocent who only believe in righteousness, and are satisfied to live and let live!

And to those suffering from such persecutions and destruction — may they have the strength to bear and survive it until our Yugoslav Relief action now being organized can be administered to them.

Pathfinders

Gowanda, N. Y. — We regretfully announce the passing recently of one of our popular Pathfinder members, George Samson, jr. Those who knew him will remember his accordion playing and his perpetual joviality.

Bro. Samson had been ill for some time prior to his passing on Nov. 10th at the Townsend Hospital. His father preceded him in death some years ago. Survivors are: his mother, and a brother, Frank, who was home on a leave of absence from the army to attend the funeral. To his family we extend our deepest sympathy.

LITTLE STAN'S ARTICLE

A guest of Scottish descent was, "How did the Grand Canyon originate?"—Answer: A Scotchman dropped a nickel in a gopher hole.

John L. Jevitz, Lodge 66, AFU.

Betsy Ross Wins Two from Boosters to Gain Tie for Lead

Cleveland, O. — As the start of the second round of the bowling schedule got under way two changes resulted in the team standings. The first of these changes was Betsy Ross' climb back to a tie with Iliriska Vila No. 1 team for first place.

Rozanc Leads Flagmakers With Ivan Rozanc providing the big noise for the Betsy Ross team with his 558 series and closely followed by "Willie" Quinn and "Blackie" Krall with 533 and 529 respectively.

Johnnies Newscast

Cleveland, O. — Our monthly meeting took place at the Slovenian Hall on Holmes Avenue Nov. 16 at 9:00 a. m.

Ivan Cankar Play for Yugoslav Relief Sun.

Cleveland, O. — "Faith In Resurrection," is the title of the second production of the 1941-42 season by the Ivan Cankar Players which will be presented Sunday at 3 p. m.

Iliriska Vila No. 2 Wins Two Paced by their Captain Laddie Debevec with a 505 series the Iliriska Vila No. 2 team were able to gain two games from the Napredok's Bums.

Zagorc Leads Saints The St. John's Saints pulled a surprise in upsetting the Iliriska Vila No. 1 team for two games.

Two Hundred Circle The select two hundred circle was entered by the following: Willie Quinn 220, Ivan Rozanc 219 and Joe Shubert 200.

Standings as of Nov. 14, 1941. Table with 2 columns: Rank and Name/Score. 1. Betsy Ross 15 9, 2. Iliriska Vila No. 1 15 9, 3. Collinwood Boosters 13 11, 4. St. John's Johnnies 13 11, 5. Iliriska Vila No. 2 12 12, 6. Napredok's Bums 11 13, 7. Napredok's Cavaliers 9 15, 8. St. John's Saints 8 16.

Schedule for Friday, Nov. 21 Alleys 1-2 Betsy Ross vs St. John's Saints Alleys 3-4 Col. Boosters vs Ilir. Vila No. 1 Alleys 5-6 Na. Cavaliers vs Ilir. Vila No. 2 Alleys 7-8 St. John's Johnnies vs Na. Bums

Joe Kozar, Secretary AFU Bowling League

Injured Fatally in Mine Accident

Red Lodge, Mont. — Burial rites for Ludwig Meyer, 35, fatally injured in a Brophy mine mishap, about one mile north-east of Washoe, Mont., Friday, were conducted from the Olcott Funeral Home chapel Nov. 11, with the Rev. A. W. Seebart of Billings officiating.

The accident occurred at 4:30 p. m., Friday, Nov. 7, when rock fell upon a man-trip car in which were also riding Johnny Meyer and William Fatur, all of Red Lodge.

Born at Pueblo, Colo., Dec. 18, 1905, Ludwig came with his parents to Bear Creek 25 years ago.

Survivors include, his wife, Mrs. Alice Meyer of Red Lodge; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Meyer, sr., of Bearcreek; two sisters, Mrs. Mike Meatovich of Bearcreek and Rose Meyer of Hardin; and three brothers, Joe Meyer, jr., of Bearcreek; Johnny Meyer of Red Lodge; and Tony Meyer of Detroit, Michigan.

This accident shows that fate does not play favorites in accidents and death, affecting also the young and healthy people.

As long as a person is well and happy he doesn't miss the few cents paid each month for lodge assessment.

Kaj. Erznok, secretary, Lodge 58 AFU.

Notice To Uncle Sam's Recruits

All lodge members in the American Fraternal Union are notified to send in addresses of those members who have been recruited in Uncle Sam's Selective Service Army.

The aircraft carrier Lexington holds the record for running time between San Francisco and Honolulu—72 hours and 36 minutes to cover 2112 miles.

The word "taps" originates from the Dutch "Tattoo," or time to close up all the taps or taverns in garrisoned towns.

Sam. As thick as bombing planes over England.

Idle Chatter

Enumclaw, Wash. — Getting off to a flying start and still gaining momentum, the Krain Ballroom is retaining its reputation of being a popular dancing center.

Seen in the crowd were Mary and Elmer, Johnny and Julia, Olga and Rudy, Charlie and Jen and Uncle Rudolph and Aunt Mary.

Preview of Winter Br-r! The chill of winter is in the air. What a dark, gloomy day it is.

Roosters For the past five minutes I've been watching a rooster atop the toolshed stretching his neck and crowing at the top of his voice.

The Magic Carpet Juvenile Page MUSIC AT KENT STATE Cleveland, O. — The Kent State University Band is one of the most colorful in the country.

that house but the owner would eventually lose all his possessions. It was once said that bad habits would leave a man if he drank of a solution containing the dried comb of the bird.

Just noticed a fresh bouquet of garden flowers on the kitchen table. What a lot of cheer they bring into the room.

Nature's Splendor For the past few weeks the center of interest has been focused on various state and city elections.

Mary G. Balint, Lodge No. 162, AFU.

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MUSIC AT KENT STATE

Band Cleveland, O. — The Kent State University Band is one of the most colorful in the country. Last year co-ed's were added to it, making it a band of some 100 members.

Orchestra The orchestra is another popular music organization. Beside several concerts, the orchestra furnishes the background music for the plays the university presents.

Glee Club There is a men's glee club and a women's glee club.

Capella Choir No music department is complete without a Capella Choir. Kent, too has

its choir. It consists of forty students and has presented several public appearances in town and in other local towns.

Messiah The Messiah, a tradition at Kent State University is presented just before the Christmas vacation.

Other Features Music at Kent is not limited to student work only.

Singers and soloists from the leading music houses of America present music for the students.

This year Kent State University will be host to the United States Marine Band. The students are anxiously awaiting Wednesday, Sept. 24 when the Marines will open the music season with its concert.

Florence Prosen (Age: 13) Lodge 173, AFU

