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Delavstvo proti kupčijem davku... Veselica brezposelnih... Beda med brezposelnimi v New Yorku...

One Hundred Dollars in Ten Prizes

Prizes Will be Awarded to Ten New Members Submitting Best Contributions Either in Slovene or English

First Prize TWENTY DOLLARS Two Prizes FIFTEEN DOLLARS each Three Prizes TEN DOLLARS each Four Prizes FIVE DOLLARS each

THE CONDITIONS

The contest is open to all male and female members who join the SNPJ during the current campaign which opened July 1 and will close Dec. 31, 1935.

To win one of these prizes contestants must tell in not more than one hundred words or less, either in Slovene or English, what induced them to join the SNPJ and what they expect from the SNPJ.

The judges who will name the winners are the following Supreme board members: President Vincent Calkar, Secretary Fred A. Vider, and Editor Ivan Molek.

Only one contribution from each contestant shall be considered.

The contest opens Oct. 1 and closes Dec. 31, 1935.

Contributions to this contest will be published in the official organ in order as they will be received.

Do not forget! The contest is open to new members only, to those who join the Society during the present campaign; that means that it is open also to those who shall join the SNPJ up to and including the December meeting at which they must be properly admitted into the Society to be eligible for one of the prizes.

Two Contests

The Supreme Board of the SNPJ at its half-yearly session laid plans for two contests to be conducted in connection with the present jubilee campaign, one for the newly-acquired adult members and one for new juvenile members.

The first contest, as announced above, is open to members who join the Society during the current campaign. These new members—a great majority of them—are sons and daughters of workers and with a very small exception are workers themselves; they are sons and daughters of our immigrants and former farmers who in their hard struggle as wage earners succeeded in building their existence in this country.

The main object of this contest, however, is to get the newly-acquired members interested in our organization and to give them an opportunity to introduce themselves through these means to the entire membership; that is, of course, those who wish to do so, with brief write-ups in the organ.

Did they come to us purely on account of insurance involved? For sick and disability and other insurance? How many among them joined the SNPJ out of their conviction and conscious of the fact that our Society, according to its basic principles, is a workers' fraternal organization based on free-thought principles?

This is the question which prompted this contest. Our pioneers who organized and promoted the growth of the SNPJ joined our lodges because as free-thinkers and class-conscious workers strove to build a fraternal organization of their own choice. What about our younger generation? What are their principles and convictions? They can answer this, partly at least, in the contest.

Terms for the second contest, conducted for and open to juvenile members only, along with necessary instructions, will appear in the Mladinski List for September. Parents should call their children's attention to this contest. Let them state their own thoughts about their organization.

Planinski Raj Juniors

St. Louis, Mo.—The Planinski Raj, Jr., No. 107, SNPJ held another meeting, Friday, Sept. 13, where plans were discussed for the coming lotto and dance to be given on October 20 by the Planinski Raj Juniors and Seniors. Many beautiful prizes are being collected. We are sure that this lotto will be a success. After the lotto we are going to hold a dance. Don't miss this big time. Music for young and old. Admission to lotto will be 25c and a little extra amount will be charged those staying for the dance in the evening. Why not make it a date? Of course we will serve a little lunch after the lotto. Keep the date in mind. If you want tickets ask any Planinski Raj Jr. or Sr. for them.

P. R. Jr.'s, be sure and attend all meetings before the lotto and dance as we will have quite a few things to discuss before the big date. The cooperation of all the members is needed so don't be the one to stand back and say, I can't. Notice of our next meeting will be given and we shall expect to see every member present.

A. P. R. Jr.

Friendly City News

Johnstown, Pa.—Our 6th anniversary celebration having passed successfully, we are now planning our first dance for the fall, a round and square dance, at the Bon Air Slovene hall, Sept. 28. All friends and neighboring lodges are cordially invited.

Our "Mock Wedding" plans which were somewhat discussed last spring are again brought forward, and I believe, will be in readiness by the first part of the coming new year.

The great time is coming for the Pioneers. It will mean an enjoyable trip and conference to the brothers or sister elected from the E. S. Branches to go to Chicago in behalf of their Branch. Bro. Joseph Culkar was elected as Friendly City's delegate.

The Slovene Singing Club "Jugoslavija" is holding a dance in the Moxham Slovene hall, Oct. 12. All friends, near and far, are invited to attend, if you wish an enjoyable evening.

"Naša Sloga" Lodge 600, SNPJ are putting on a play for their anniversary celebration which will be held in November. "Roda Roza" has been proven a play amongst the best ever played in Johnstown. This play is in 4 acts—and will prove entertaining and educational to both young and old. Elsie Culkar.

Buckeyes' Bits

Barberton, Ohio.—Everyone should be familiar with the fact that a conference of English Speaking Lodges will be held in November, and now the various lodges will be selecting delegates to attend. This dept. was chosen to represent the Buckeyes and although I was absent from the preliminary conference, am following the various writeups with interest. The November conference, from every point of view, should be a success.

And, to quote the Supreme President, "Every lodge shall show its gratitude to the Society for granting this conference, by securing new members and taking full advantage of our campaign that is in full swing right now."

Members, do you really try to get new members? During this 6 month campaign we have not gained one new member and that fact should incite us to great efforts in these last few months. What's the use of the Society granting special concessions if the various branches don't make an effort to benefit by them! If you've tried before, it won't hurt to try again!

All those planning to attend our Wiener roast this Sat., Sept. 21, must be in front of the Domovina hall on 14th st. at 7:30. This is important as we can't give you written directions for reaching Apchak's farm. Those who will drive their own cars are urged to take on other passengers if there is room. There will be a number of people without transportation.

Gowanda Boosters

Gowanda, N. Y.—Our trip to Cleveland's Federation 10th anniversary of the E. S. L. on Aug. 31, was a success. We left in company with some local SNPJs in two buses and upon reaching our destination were cordially greeted in the SWH on Waterloo rd. by our Cleveland SNPJs who were ready to serve us a very appetizing dinner.

Next morning we went to the Federation picnic on Pintar's farm, where everyone enjoyed the anniversary program. In the evening we went back to the SWH, Monday, some of us attended the informal conference of the E. S. L., after which we were served a delicious lunch. Soon after that we left Cleveland determined that we shall return at the first opportunity to again enjoy ourselves in the company of our many friends.

Our thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Maslo for putting us up over night and for the wonderful hospitality and friendship. We hope that we may be able in the near future to return your kindness. The Cleveland celebration was a

Universal Comets

Universal, Pa.—Summer is nearly over, autumn will soon be here. With the coming of autumn great things are happening and the more we think about them the more worthy they seem to appear.

Saturday, October 26, marks the date of another annual event—the Comets Masquerade Dance. The committee takes great pride in extending a cordial invitation to all SNPJ members, their friends here and elsewhere.

Music will be furnished by a very popular and well known orchestra, in fact, the best obtainable to satisfy all you dance lovers. If you will go a little way back, you will remember that our previous dances satisfied everyone. Come, attend our dance and spend a delightful evening with your old friends and make new acquaintances. Stay at home and you will put in disappointment in missing a dance that will surpass all of our previous ones. Watch the Prosletia for future topics on this dance. Joseph Caesar, Lodge 715.

Jolly Allis Lodge

West Allis, Wis.—Our meeting held Tuesday was fairly well attended. We got down to business and completed it in short order. Bro. A. Yersin was elected delegate to the convention in Chicago on Nov. 2. Discussion of our anniversary dance took up most of the time, and plans are now entirely completed. Bro. Tony Kostanjek who was just initiated into our lodge, immediately left for a belated vacation in Detroit and Canada. We received one transfer from the juvenile dept., Sis. Frances Yamnik, and one transfer from our Senior lodge, Bro. William Planinsek. Welcome to all of you, be sure to come to all of our meetings.

Bro. Joe Zorko reported sick. Let's see some of you members go over and cheer him up.—A card from Bro. Don Lotrich informs us that his swell gang of Pioneers will be at our Anniversary dance.

Don't forget our dance on Oct. 5. Be sure to attend. Until next time, so long. The Old Man of the Mountain.

Yough Valley Knights

West Newton, Pa.—A great and glorious time is awaiting you brothers and sisters at the Slovene hall on Saturday, September 28.

On this day the Yough Valley Knights, Lodge 739, SNPJ, are sponsoring a good old Polka Dance with Frank Rebarnik and his Aces furnishing the music.

How about it, Silver Stars, Keystonians, Blue Moon Strollers and everybody else; may we be honored with your presence? A Knight.

NOTICE TO FRIENDLY CITY MEMBERS

Johnstown, Pa.—I will be at the Conemaugh hall to collect dues September 25 from 7 to 8 o'clock daylight saving time.

There will be a Round and Square dance September 28 at the Bon Air Slovene hall. Plenty to eat and drink and good music. There will be a good time for any one attending. Anna Bricely, Sec'y Lodge 684.

Cleveland News

Cleveland, Ohio.—The big celebration held in honor of the tenth anniversary of the founding of the English speaking lodges of the SNPJ held in Cleveland, is three weeks old. What with all the out-of-towners present to participate, it couldn't help but be a grand success. I'm sure all of us had a very enjoyable time.

The Socialist Singing Society Zarja will hold another outing at Tancok's farm, Sept. 22. In case of rain, the affair will be held in Room 1, Old Building, Slovene National Home, St. Clair ave. There will be plenty of refreshments.

A big affair, celebrating the 30th anniversary of Proletarec, Slovene Socialist weekly, will be held Sept. 29. For its thirty years of existence, the Proletarec has been crawling through a period of hard striving to bring the message of Socialism across. Through thick and thin it withstood the hard knocks. Participating in this affair will be Branches 27, 28 and 49; singing societies Zarja and Delavec. Speeches in English and Slovene will also be listed on the program.

The Yugoslav Section for Unemployment Insurance will hold a mass meeting on Sept. 27 at Slovene National Home on St. Clair ave. Films showing the May Day demonstration and parade, and several outstanding speakers will constitute the program. Don't fail to attend this mass meeting, as it is being sponsored for the benefit and education of you—the workers. Fred Kluck.

Pioneer News

Chicago.—Too much cannot be said about the Cleveland trip and the wonderful SNPJ spirit displayed at the 3-day celebration of the E.S.L. in Cleveland, sponsored by the Cleveland Federation of SNPJ Lodges. We met many people from Penna, Gowanda, Detroit and other points, and everyone was enthusiastic about the Cleveland SNPJ manifestation. The entire program was brought to a successful end. The conference was well attended and will, no doubt, prove beneficial to the Society.

The Pioneer boys put up a hard battle against the All-Stars, leading 3-1 until the sixth inning, but lost to the Stars, 8-3.

Lodges should begin making plans for next Labor day celebration which will be held in Penna. A good SNPJ tournament could be held.—Jolly Allis Lodge can expect the Pioneers at their Oct. celebration. So far, three carloads are promised to make the trip.—Almost forgot to mention that the Pioneer Girls lost two battles, 20-0 and 19-2.

Pioneers, don't forget the next meeting—the girls will be in charge. Frank Groser.

Silver Stars No. 729

Imperial, Pa.—Enthusiasm is running high at the date of the Lucky Stars' Fifth Anniversary celebration is approaching. Everything in the Lucky Stars' power is being done to make this affair incomparable. This grand event will mark five years of fraternal work and cooperation done by the jubilant Lucky Stars. We are proud of our accomplishments. All neighboring lodges are asked to attend this affair.

We extend a special invitation to all out of town lodges. Come and help the Lucky Stars make merry at their fifth Anniversary dance on September 21.

From reports received quite a number of lodges are expected to be represented. Will you be there? Kindly accept our invitation and we assure you, your evening will be well spent.

I wish to take this opportunity in thanking all the SNPJ members for the beautiful flowers and everything else they sent me while I was at the hospital.

Now don't forget we will see you all at the Slovene hall at Imperial, Pa., on September 21. L. L. Zupanic.

"Sunflower Seeds"

Gross, Kans.—This is to remind the Sunflowerers of our Sept. meeting, which is to be held Friday evening, Sept. 20. Make it a point to attend as we have very important business to take care of. We'll be expecting each and everyone.

Two members of the Strugglers, Bro. Fred and Adolph Homec, have just returned to their homes in Cleveland after a few days' visit here in Kansas. We hope they enjoyed themselves and that we'll be seeing them again soon. Mary Shular, Lodge 609.

Off the President's Pen

Cleveland, Ohio.—Going by without a defeat all season the Comrades lost their first game Sunday to the powerful Ore! Club in 11 exciting innings. It was the first of a three game series for the Inter-Lodge league title and unquestionably the most thrilling series game ever staged, at least every fan who witnessed the battle will attest to that. After gaining a three run lead in the early innings the Comrades gave up that lead and were hopelessly trailing 6-3 in the ninth and supposedly the last inning. But like on many other occasions the Comrade sluggers after one unleashed their famed batting power and registered three runs on four hits to tie the game. This last minute attack created pandemonium amongst the frenzied Comrade boosters for if ever a ball club appeared to be defeated it was our crew until the fireworks exploded. Entering the 10th inning our boys tallied a marker only to have the Ore! even the count. In the 11th, Comrades registered 2 runs but could not hold the Ore! bludgeons in check as they scored 3 runs to win and put an end to a tense battle. Comrades were first to win the Inter-Lodge title 7 years ago. Since then they have never reached the finals until this season.

A very good number of Comrades were represented at the game. Those who have seen last Sunday's game are sure to pass the word along to their friends. Let's come out 200 strong and cheer one of the best SNPJ teams in local history. In view of their defeat the boys will be fighting with their backs to the wall, for another loss will eliminate them. A victory, however, will necessitate a third game which will be played the Sunday after. The game this Sunday will be played at 2:30 p. m. in Gordon park. Their worthy opponents, the Ore!, have won the Inter-Lodge title twice and finished in the finals four times. A great battle should ensue. You will be the loser if you don't attend.

The Comrade ball team has been consistently getting a favorable amount of publicity in the local papers. The past week the local English page of the Enakopravnost, which is edited by Mr. Frank Sodikar, carried a headline streamer across the entire page announcing the Comrade series game. The lodge and the organization have been well recompensed from the standpoint of publicity in the newspapers and in the park during the past season. Jimmy Slapnik Jr., Florist at 6620

Don't. The Commodores favor the cooperative plan as outlined in this column three weeks ago. The plan for a friendly alliance of as many local lodges as care to pledge the selves to buy 10 tickets outright for the one SNPJ Cooperative Day affair which will be staged by each of the respective locals. It is a guaranteeing the actual exchange courtesies. Heinie Martin Antonic, Lodge 568.

Ramblers' Spotlight

Harmarville, Pa.—(Concluded.)—As for the incident cited by Bro. Kumer, the purchase of the "Native's Return." Why not go a little further? Might it not be the Subject Matter? So long as we are members of a Slovene Fraternal Organization we should learn to appreciate the good work of our kind and if by so doing we can become learned, to some extent, of the goings-on and mode of the homeland, is it not a good thing to do? But does this necessarily mean that we will end up with the waving of red, white, or blue flags? Hardly so. Were we to step out and purchase books that are worth reading, regardless of Subject Matter or the author, the Federation would soon be in the position to begin a circulation library. As for Bro. Kumer's view upon the works of the late Edison, that adds little if any light to his issue.

Focusing the Spotlight, we see that:—The Ramblers' meeting is a day away. Friday, Sept. 20, the date. All Ramblers be present at Bergin's Beer Garden that evening 7:30. Last week-end saw us now much heard of Jolly Juniors Sygan celebrating their anniversary at Morgan's park Sunday, Sept. 15. The J. J.'s secretary, Tom Gantner is still acting as good-will ambassador and enjoying himself every event. Oscar B. Godina postcarding from Cleveland, Labor Day. Until next week, this light flicks away.

Friday eve of this week round off another meeting nite for the Ramblers. Members will note the meeting place, Bergin's Beer Garden in Harmarville, at 7:30 p. m. Let's have a record attendance at the meeting, combined with promptness. The sooner we all gather, the earlier we can get under way. What's this? — F. J. Progar, Lodge 713.

Excelsiors' Echo

Aliquippa, Pa.—Plans for the OCTOBER 26 ANNIVERSARY Dance are under way. This being our biggest affair of the season, attempts will be made to make it an outstanding affair. An appropriate dance hall, and the securing of some well-liked, well-known orchestra will help make it outstanding. Neighboring lodges will, no doubt, keep this date open for the Excelsiors and be on hand to join in the drollery. Detailed information will appear in print from time to time leading up to the date. Watch for it.

Much has been said about the membership campaign, and there is still more to say. If every lodge received 32 new members like the Jolly Juniors did, well, the campaign would really be a tremendous success. Can we manage to get at least one-half as many members at one meeting? The offer of concessions by the Society still holds good. What share

St. Clair ave., has been the chief benefactor. He has been liberal in his financial contributions and is deserving of your support. Comrade Fish Fry, Friday, September 13, which was staged in the city crowd, attracted a city crowd. Everybody talking and repeating with another. Judging the enthusiastic comments we made that the next time we may have use the main auditorium to accommodate the crowd.

One of the traditional fall dances everybody looks forward to is Comrade Harvest dance which will be held Saturday, September 28, in the auditorium of the Slovene National Home. The ever popular Shang Jenkins 12 piece orchestra which has always scored a distinct hit amongst discriminating patrons, will furnish the music.

Tid-Bits.—Congratulations to Sister Ann Rupnick of the Struggler lodge who won the Popularity Contest; likewise to Sister Agnes Gack who represented the Comrades and finished a close second. The English speaking conference Cleveland was a success due to Donald Lotrich's studied and planned program. It saved the even we Clevelanders will admit. Sister Straus was a busy girl acting as recording secretary at conference in the morning and a waitress in the afternoon.

Heinie Nassem, pitcher for the Cleveland team, was the batting star the day. Incidentally he represented the Comrades. Sister Joe Gorshe has fully recovered from operation as evidenced by the splendid work at the fish fry. Him, other prospective bride, Vic Tomzic. Now that Otto Tekantz married we feel certain that former Marie Seteka of Chicago become a Comrade. Joe Fik always manages to break into print. Perhaps passing out cigars is spectacular but the hand that offering them is that of a proud daddy. Congratulations to Joe and Doni.

The Commodores favor the cooperative plan as outlined in this column three weeks ago. The plan for a friendly alliance of as many local lodges as care to pledge the selves to buy 10 tickets outright for the one SNPJ Cooperative Day affair which will be staged by each of the respective locals. It is a guaranteeing the actual exchange courtesies. Heinie Martin Antonic, Lodge 568.

Secure New Members for the S. N. P. J.

Minutes of the Semi-Annual Meeting of the Supreme Board of the Slovene National Benefit Society

held at the Society's headquarters in Chicago, Ill., August 8, 9 and 10, 1935

In the first half of the current year \$5,497.42 more sick benefits were paid than in the same period of the previous year...

Average monthly receipts amount to \$29,559.34, average expenses \$25,866.08, therefore the average monthly surplus was \$4,818.86.

The membership insured in the sick benefit classes increased by 276 members.

During two years from July 1, 1933, to June 30, 1935, the balance of all sick benefit classes increased, through regular assessments...

It is difficult to predict future changes or developments in the sick benefit classes.

I have also to mention that at the end of June the sick benefit of many members expired...

There is always—as usual—plenty of work with sick benefits for two persons.

Our Society has in Canada still sixteen lodges

\$25,000; a total of \$235,000, face value, for which we paid \$241,486.57.

The following bonds were purchased for the juvenile department: Home Owners' Loan Corp., \$15,000; U. S. Treasury, \$5,000; City and County of San Francisco, \$5,000; total face value of \$20,000, for which we paid \$20,885.12.

In six months we invested in both departments \$262,371.69.

MATURED OBLIGATIONS

Golden Valley County, Mont., \$3,000. Matured January 1, 1935, and paid.

San Patricio County, Texas, \$3,000. Matured April 10, 1935, and paid.

Matagorda County, Texas, \$7,000. Matured June 10, 1935, and paid.

In February of this year we sold \$20,000 Strouss-Hirshberg First Mortgage Real Estate bonds, and received for them \$19,392.00.

In June Reeves County, Tex., Road Distr. No. 3, bonds were called, in the face value of \$35,000.

During the past six months we have had matured, called and sold bonds with a face value of \$68,000, for which we received \$67,392.00.

REORGANIZATION OF DEFAULTED BONDS

Reorganization was completed for the following obligations: State of Arkansas, \$77,000 in adult and \$10,000 in juvenile department, a total of \$87,000.

Arizona Water Conservation District No. 1, \$25,000. Epply Hotels Co., \$50,000. Park Ridge School District No. 64 (Chicago), \$35,000. Sebring, O., \$5,000.

All these bonds are now in good standing, respectively in normal condition. Park Ridge and Sebring bonds yield the same interest as the original bonds, only the date of maturity having been extended.

The condition of loans or mortgages on properties has not, in general, changed much.

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from our readers, it seems that our members as a whole are satisfied with our organ—there are not many who criticize.

MLADINSKI LIST.—We print, as usual, around 7,500 copies of Mladinski List monthly, and our juvenile members as well as their parents, enjoy it.

BOOKS.—We receive no orders whatever for books, and those which we still have in stock we will probably dispense with this coming winter, if in no other way, by presenting them to NEW subscribers.

PRINTERY.—These haven't been any changes in the Printery excepting that there has been more work because of the enlargement of Prosveta, and we also had a little more outside printing than has been customary, and consequently, our pay roll is higher than it was in the last six months of last year.

The books and records were examined by the state examiners, by our regular accountants at the request of our supervisors, and by our own supervising committee.

PHILIP GODINA.

REPORT OF THE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

The first half-year since "Prosveta," after a lapse of two years, resumed its former size of seven columns, has passed in a most satisfying manner, as far as the editorial staff is concerned.

The editorial work is being performed smoothly. The assistant editors now are working one more day a week and are earning correspondingly more.

All the material that we need, in addition to the general daily news and the releases of the workers' agency, "Federated Press," is received promptly, so that we are never short of articles for the paper.

In the past half-year we have had no controversies with contributors of reports nor with SNPJ members, in general; although formerly such controversies often took place.

This time again, I have no special recommendations to offer concerning "Prosveta" or "Mladinski List." Perhaps it would be expedient, because of the new membership campaign, to start a contest in the English section of the "Prosveta" again, if it can be financially arranged.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

To the Supreme Board of the SNPJ:—During the last six months, from January 1st to June 30th, 1935, the following investments have been made by the finance committee:

Table with columns: Date, Amount, Kind, Int. Rate. Rows include Jan 12, Feb 19, March 18, Apr 14, May 27, June 30.

Federal bonds are sold today at a higher price than ever before. We are forced to pay a premium even on the bonds with the 3% coupon rate and the average yield on the federal bonds purchased during the last six months is only about 2.75%.

According to the by-laws of our Society, 20% of our assets should be invested in federal bonds. That percentage has now been reached, and in the month of May, after a period of about two years, we have again purchased municipal bonds.

A constant study of the bond market, particularly as to the safety of the bonds is necessary, in order to enable us to make a proper selection.

We are of the opinion that the administrative board did not have good and sufficient reason for the rejection of these purchases.

Over 27,000 copies of the Wednesday issue of Prosveta are printed weekly. This is about the same amount as was being printed in the last six months of last year.

In the past six months our subscriptions increased a little. We received some new subscribers, not many, but it is at least a gain.

There have been no other changes, and from the letters and personal messages which we receive

The Home Owners' Loan Corporation has discontinued to accept applications for government loans. Many of our members have tried to secure HOLC loans, but have not succeeded.

We examined all cases given to us by the treasurer for our consideration. The decisions and recommendations will be recorded in the minutes of the meeting held on August 6th and 7th.

Various properties now in our possession and also those that are now being foreclosed, are badly in need of repair and some of them should be re-modeled.

The exchange of our defaulted bonds has often been discussed at our meetings. So far, the Finance Committee has not taken any action for two reasons.

Bro. Petrovich stated that the finance committee had discussed many loans during the last few days and that it had handed its decisions to the administrative committee.

REPORT OF THE JUDICIAL COMMITTEE

Dear Members of the Supreme Board:—From February to July 31, 1935, the supreme judicial committee handled 13 cases; nine of these pertained to sick benefits, of which two were approved and seven rejected.

During this period we had no personal investigations, also no especially complicated matters, except one, which is now being investigated.

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE

The firm, Philip B. Heller & Co., certified public accountants, were instructed by us to make a detailed audit in all departments as usual, and make a customary financial report for the months ended June 30, 1935, with all the data comparative statements.

We had a meeting with Mr. P. B. Heller August 5, 1935, discussing with him various items and recommendations.

The following departments are included in financial report covered by the above mentioned firm of accountants:

Insurance department. Juvenile department. Minor Beneficiary Department. Publications Department. Printing Department.

They stated in the reports, and Mr. Heller declared verbally at the meeting of our committee that the books and records of all departments were found in good order.

We also went through the records and bills, put out from various departments and found them in order.

Every member of the Administrative Committee with the exception of Brother I. Molek, was asked to tell all in regards to the differences, if any exist, between them and the Finance Committee.

After lengthy conversations with the officers of the Supreme Office we found that there are accusations against the Finance Committee and definite criticism, but only of a general nature.

Bro. Zaitz, after making the above and similar explanations, reported for the supervising committee:

MINUTES AND REPORT OF THE SUPREME SUPERVISING COMMITTEE

The Supreme Supervising Committee started with its regular semi-annual audit on August 5, 1935. As usual, we went over the business of the period of the last six months (January-June) through every department of the SNPJ.

As we started with our task the supreme secretary, Brother F. A. Vider, came before us, stating that it is his duty to explain the opinions of the State Auditors of Illinois about our committee.

According to his statements, they were critical about our committee in the sense that we are not auditing but a supervising committee for all departments of this organization.

Another complaint, according to the Supreme Secretary, was that we did not conduct the meetings, if any, of this committee in proper fashion, that is, that our minutes were not incorporated in the minutes of the Supreme Board meetings.

They also recommended that the minutes and the reports of our as well as of all other committees be kept in the English language which will enable any and all investigators of this State, authorized by law to supervise organizations of this type, to inform themselves from the proceedings of the Supreme office, the Supreme Board and its various committees.

In regards to the Finance Committee, it is their opinion, according to Brother Vider, that it is the duty of our committee to supervise their work rather thoroughly.

It is our opinion that the spirit of good will could greatly eliminate most of the misunderstanding in regards to new investments.

That exists between these two committees is of such nature that could be done away with, without sacrificing the principle and right of free expression of opinions by members of either committee, and both could remain within their designated duties and fulfill them as designated in the By-Laws.

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Committee are voting in regards to investments and, also, we should state in our reports if investments in question were executed in proper manner.

According to the minutes of the Administrative Board of July 17, Brother Supreme Secretary reported that the State Auditors asked to be duplicitous as to the financial part of the report.

It is rather unpleasant for us to go into kind of a statement because it should be unnecessary. But to make the matter clear to all concerned, we state:

1. We do conduct our meetings semi-annually, if necessary, at any other time.

2. We do supervise all the departments and committees.

3. We always did investigate the work of Finance Committee as well as of the Administrative Committee and all others.

4. All our reports, which in effect are our minutes, are proof that we did supervise all the committees and departments in accordance with By-Laws of this Society and to the best of ability.

5. If the State Auditors are of a different opinion, then they were wrongly informed. No member of our committee was consulted by them, invited to the office by the Administrative Committee.

6. In our reports we could not "repeat" or "re-report" the reports of the Supreme Secretary and Treasurer, because they do not submit them to us.

7. Our reports always did include all departments, our figures were arranged mostly in informative, statistical manner for the benefit of the members of the Supreme Board and the membership of this organization in general.

8. We are aware of the fact that our functioning is supervising, but it is also the fact that according to the By-Laws and decisions of the conventions it is our duty to audit.

9. It is our custom to make financial and other reports also of the departments and functions (Hall, Athletic, Legal expenses, etc.) that are usually covered in the reports of other officers' committees.

These facts we are stating for the reason already explained.

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STATEMENT REGARDING CANADIAN LODGES. Table with columns: Lodge No., No. members, Receipts (\$1, \$2, \$3, Total), Disbursements (\$1, \$2, \$3, Total). Rows include lodges 70, 109, 276, 608, 558, 582, 587, 619, 625, 648, 651, 662, 671, 674, 691, 703, 16.

with a total membership of 264, or two lodges and eight members less than on December 31, 1934.

The regular assessment for sick benefit fund during preceding six months amounted to \$1,520.60, and special assessment \$2,034.00, total \$3,554.60.

The report was accepted without objection.

REPORT OF THE SUPREME TREASURER for the period from January 1 to June 30, 1935

ADULT DEPARTMENT Balance January 1, 1935:

Harris Trust & Savings Bank \$ 91,013.30

Continental Illinois National Bank 17,297.24 \$108,410.54

Deposits Jan. 1 to June 30, 1935 612,354.51

Total \$720,765.05

Disbursements Jan. 1 to June 30, 1935 614,550.59

Balance June 30, 1935 \$106,214.46

BANK STATEMENT: Harris Trust & Savings Bank \$117,635.21

Unpaid checks 25,738.58

Total surplus in Harris Trust Bank \$ 91,896.63

Continental National Bank & Trust Co. 26,535.78

Unpaid checks 12,217.95

Total in Continental Illinois Bank \$ 14,317.83

Balance of checking accounts in both banks \$106,214.46

JUVENILE DEPARTMENT Balance January 1, 1935:

Lawndale National Bank \$10,945.55

Deposits Jan. 1 to June 30, 1935 26,119.11 \$37,033.66

Disbursements Jan. 1 to June 30, 1935 35,538.47

Net surplus of checking account \$ 1,495.19

Unreturned checks 5,970.00

Bank statement Balance June 30, 1935 \$ 7,465.19

BONDS BOUGHT

The following bonds were bought for the adult department:

Home Owners' Loan Corp., \$165,000; U.S. Treasury, \$45,000; City and County of San Francisco,