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Nova Doba

AMPLIFYING THE VOICE OF THE ENGLISH SPEAKING MEMBERS

Over 3,000 People Participated in 40th Anniversary Celebration Held in Ely July 16, 17 & 18!

By Little Stan

Ely, Minn. — Beginning with a banquet in Ely's famed new community center, and continuing with a picnic at Sandy Point, concluding with an impressive ceremonial in the office with high dignitaries and over 3,000 people present, our South Slavonic Catholic Union celebrated the 40th anniversary of its founding. Supreme officers — every one of them from nine different states — were all in attendance as were the living charter members of our organization. So impressive was the occasion, that it seemed like an electric current sputtered throughout the cafeteria, gripping people with emotion. They applauded vigorously. Supreme officers were all introduced. Lack of time, however, prevented proper introductions of supreme officers who live in Ely.

All supreme officers gave short talks, fitting to the occasion. Main speaker of the evening was Dr. Vladimir Rybar, in Charge D'Affaires of the Jugoslav Legation at Washington, D. C. He spoke Slovene with great finesse. Gist of his remarks were concerned with Jugoslavia — the homeland of the Slovene people. He spoke eloquently, wrung the hearts of his attentive audience, especially when he said, in effect, "Jugoslavia, (Our mother country), is sorry that her children had spread throughout the world, which occurred at a time when she was under the rule of Austria. Following the world war she was created as a Nation in her own right. You who have found a new country here should obey its laws, and be loyal to it, and take an interest in what it is doing. But at the same time, do not forget your folks and your people and your affection for the country of your birth." Dr. Rybar was particularly fond of the Arrowhead country. He hated to leave, but he did manage to take in a part of the picnic at Sandy Point the next day.

In English, Bro. Frank E. Vranichar, supreme trustee, gave a talk which held the interest of everyone. Speaking in a rich and clear voice he said: "This is a very solemn and memorable occasion. We are gathered to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the birth of the South Slavonic Catholic Union of America, here in Ely, Minn., and to pay our respects to the yet living founders who are our honored guests here this evening. Also to reverently honor the memories of those among the founders who have passed on to the great beyond." Gripping the audience in masterful oration, Bro. Vranichar re-visualized the hardships under which our pioneers founded and nursed our Union through its first hard years of struggle. "Had they not been super-loyal and sacrificing, our Union would not have survived."

"The task to which we must dedicate ourselves is that of proving by our actions that we are worthy of the sacrifices of the men who organized our Union and who are leaving to us a legacy of over two million dollars."

"It rests with us — with the younger members to make this 40th anniversary milestone one of the major stepping stones in the future history of our Union. Let us show by our deeds that we are fit and worthy to be the heirs of the men who founded this Union, sacrificed for the Union, and set for us an example which should give us inspiration. Let us follow the slogan: "Pulling together, lightens the load."

"That we are joined together as members, and so to speak, stockholders, of our strong Union is our good fortune. Because this is an organization which has a bright future, operating on the truly American principle of Equality, Tolerance and Freedom, respecting every individual's private opinions."

"It is like a tree, with roots so firmly imbedded into the ground of stability and service, that its growth is high and strong. Its widely spread branches are loaded with fruits which we are privileged to pick."

"I appeal to the sons and daughters of the men and women who worked for the growth of the Union during the past 40 years, and to the descendants of the pioneers. I appeal to the women as much as to the men, for our Union has grown and prospered only because, at every

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John P. Lunka, Sec'y.

Members of the United States of the SSCU with Bro. Zbasnik, supreme secretary, as general chairman, spared no expense in assuring an excellent time and a proper observance. Although a trifle late in reporting, Little Stan nevertheless will relate the complete anniversary celebration to you in all its detailed details.

BRIEFS

Lodge 132, SSCU of Euclid, O., will observe the SSCU's fortieth anniversary with a big picnic on August 14.

On August 28, Lodges 66 and 92, SSCU of Joliet, Ill., will sponsor a joint picnic at Rockdale, as a means to commemorate the Union's 40th anniversary.

The next meeting of the Illinois and Wisconsin Federation of SSCU lodges shall be held on October 2. A dance and a play will feature the entertainment to follow the meeting. The SSCU's fortieth anniversary shall be observed on this day.

Laddie Zakrajsek of 1053 E. 72d St., Cleveland, hurled a no-hit game Sunday, July 24, in a Class D game while his teammates, the St. Clair Giants, collected five hits to win by a score of 3 to 0. Among the Slovenes that comprise the St. Clair Giants team are Kudal, Debelak, Marolt, Pecnik and Zakrajsek.

Virginia Mikolich, member of Cardinals lodge, No. 229, SSCU of Struthers, O., is visiting Cleveland friends this week. Virginia attended both the first and second juvenile conventions held in 1935 and in 1937.

Supreme Secretary To Attend Anniversary Picnic

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Slavonic Editor Is 'Glad To Be Out West Again'

Editor's note: The following article, including the heading, is reprinted from the Rock Springs Rocket, daily of Rock Springs, Wyoming, issue of July 28. It is an interview by a Rocket reporter with our editor-manager Anton J. Terbovec, who at the present time is "out in the west", where at Enumclaw and Cle Elum, Washington, for instance, he was the principal speaker at a dance and picnic sponsored by six SSCU lodges located in the State of Washington. By the time this issue reaches our readers, Bro. Terbovec shall return to Cleveland and be hard at work in the Nova Doba office.

"It's grand to be out west again."

That was the comment made here Wednesday by Anton J. Terbovec of Cleveland, Ohio, editor of Nova Doba, official organ of the South Slavonic Catholic Union.

Terbovec has not been out west since becoming editor of the weekly publication 14 years ago. "While I like Ohio and the people who live there," Terbovec asserted, "there is just something about the beauty of the west, its mountains, forests, and lakes, and the friendliness of its people that cannot be duplicated elsewhere."

Terbovec was surprised at the growth of Rock Springs since last he was through here. At that time, the editor recalled, Rock Springs was just a "sprawling village". Increased building, paving of streets, and other improvements had so changed the appearance of the city that Terbovec scarcely recognized it when he stepped off the train Wednesday afternoon, he said.

The editor used to make regular trips through this section years ago when he was a jewelry salesman. During his visits here he made many friends who he plans to visit during his short stopover in Rock Springs.

Terbovec is en route to Cleveland from Seattle, Wash., where last Saturday and Sunday he spoke, as official representative of the supreme board of the South Slavonic Catholic Union at a celebration in observance of the 40th anniversary of the founding of the organization.

The organization now has more than 14,000 adult and 9,000 juvenile members in its 185 lodges throughout the United States, according to Terbovec. Headquarters of the union are in Ely, Minn., where on July 18 this year a celebration was held in observance of the 40th anniversary of the founding of the union.

Defined

All men are not homeless, but some are home less than others. secretary, Anton Zbasnik. This is his first trip out west to Colorado. Let's all turn out and meet him. Remember the place, Slovene home; time 2 p.m. till midnight on Sat. Sept. 3, 1938. Watch this column for more details next week.

Chas. H. Chitwood, Sec'y 201.

MINUTES

OF THE SEMI-ANNUAL SESSION OF THE SUPREME BOARD HELD AT THE HOME OFFICE OF THE UNION IN ELY, MINNESOTA DURING THE MONTH OF JULY 1938.

Translated from the Slovene by Frank Tomsich, Jr., Assistant Supreme Secretary

FIRST SESSION

Supreme president Paul Bartel opened the first meeting of the semi-annual session Thursday, July 14, at 9 a. m. After an appropriate address of welcome, he remarked further that this session in itself has its historical importance being held directly before the 40th anniversary jubilee of the SSCU, and should be held not only for the benefit of the organization but must be considered an honorary event for the entire membership.

Present are the following supreme board members: Paul Bartel, supreme president; Paul J. Oblock, second supreme vice-president; Anton Zbasnik, supreme secretary; Frank Tomsich, Jr., assistant supreme secretary; Louis Champa, supreme treasurer; Dr. F. J. Arch, M. D., supreme medical examiner; Anton J. Terbovec, editor-manager of Nova Doba; John Kumsa, chairman of supreme board of trustees; Janko N. Rogelj, first trustee; Frank E. Vranichar, second trustee; Matt Anzelc, third trustee; and Andrew Milavec, fourth trustee.

Follows a motion that Joseph Mantel, first supreme vice-president, who resides in this city and who is not bound to attend the sessions, be requested to participate because this session is held on the eve of the 40th anniversary of the Union, and because the above mentioned was one of the founders of the SSCU serving on the first supreme board. The motion was seconded and unanimously adopted. Bro. Mantel was requested to attend the sessions.

For recording secretary the usual rate of compensation was declared and Anton J. Terbovec, was unanimously elected recording secretary.

Adopted that sessions of this meeting be held from 9 a. m. to 12 noon, and from 1:30 p. m. to 5 p. m.

Read are the minutes of the last annual session and approved as read.

Follow reports of supreme officers: After the reading of reports of the supreme officers, editor of the English section of Nova Doba, who is also athletic commissioner, and the report of the chairman of the national juvenile publicity department, a motion was unanimously adopted that the employees in the home office be given a holiday on July 18, for on this date the SSCU will celebrate its 40th anniversary.

Follow matters for discussion which are presented by the supreme secretary and are as follows:

Martin Barlich, member of Lodge No. 3, requests the cash reserve from his plan "AA" certificate, after which he would return to his place of birth across the ocean. The supreme secretary is instructed to pay half of the accumulated reserve before he leaves, and the balance after proper information is received from abroad.

In the matter of Anton Ule, member of Lodge No. 6, after listening to the explanation of the supreme secretary, supreme medical examiner and Bro. John Kumsa, it is decided that in accordance with provisions of the by-laws no indemnity or special benefits can be paid, as the member is still receiving disability benefits and will continue to receive them for some time hence.

Submitted is the matter of Helen Brady, member of Lodge No. 11, who requests some special operation benefits which are not payable according to the by-laws. After much discussion it is adopted that no special benefits can be paid.

Arthur Taucher, member of Lodge No. 18, underwent an operation for which the Union pays no benefits. After a lengthy discussion it is adopted that \$25 in special benefits be awarded him in compliance with section 307.

In the matter of John Zebre, member of Lodge No. 28, in regard to an operation which is not covered in the by-laws of our Union, it is adopted, after a lengthy discussion, that the petition for special benefits be denied.

In the matter of Dallas Hankin, member of Lodge No. 31, in regard to an operation which is not covered in the by-laws, no special benefits can be paid.

Frank Reven, member of Lodge No. 31, had his sick benefit held up because of a small technicality for which the member was not at fault. It is decided that the benefits in the amount of \$13 be paid.

Ralph Jerman, member of Lodge No. 35, underwent an operation for which our by-laws do not specify payment. After miscellaneous information is submitted the petition for special benefits is denied.

In the matter of Anton Vicio, member of Lodge No. 37, who died in 1937, a lengthy debate ensues. On the opinion of the legal counsel it is adopted that the matter be fully adjusted by a payment of \$50.

The first meeting adjourned at 12 noon.

SECOND SESSION

The second session was opened by the supreme president Thursday, July 14th, at 1:30 p. m. Present are all supreme board members who attended the first session.

Continue discussions on matters submitted by the supreme secretary, as follows:

Frank Gostisa, member of Lodge No. 82, underwent an operation for which the Union pays no benefits. After further information it is adopted that with reference to section 307, \$25.00 be paid.

Joe Polich, member of Lodge No. 88, in regard to an operation which is not payable under our by-laws, is denied any special benefit after additional information is submitted.

Discussed is the matter of Anton Brovar, member of Lodge No. 88, who had his sick benefit rejected. After a many sided de-

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bate and additional information, it is adopted that the decision of the last annual session of the supreme board be rescinded and the sick benefit paid.

Read is a letter from Katherine Penica, active secretary of Lodge No. 88, who suggests that our Union send some supreme board member to Montana, and to the West, as she believes that by doing so, a new interest would be created for our organization. The letter is acknowledged with the understanding that request will be honored whenever possible.

Mary Grahovec, member of Lodge No. 131, underwent an operation for which no benefits are payable under our by-laws. After further consideration it is adopted no special benefits can be paid.

In the matter of Andrew Champa, member of Lodge No. 2, ensues a lengthy debate, finally it is adopted that the withheld sick benefit be paid.

Lodge No. 201, in Denver, Colo., requests the supreme board to send the supreme secretary or some other outside member of the supreme board to the 40th anniversary celebration, which the above mentioned lodge in conjunction with Lodge No. 21, will celebrate on Sept. 3rd. Adopted that Anton Zbasnik, supreme secretary, attend the celebration as the representative of the Union, and Frank E. Vranichar, second supreme trustee, alternate if the supreme secretary cannot attend.

Read are the recommendations of the Federation of SSCU lodges of Western Pennsylvania, which request that the supreme board suspend the five-cent special assessment in the disability fund, and recommends the suspension of a few assessments of the juvenile department, and further recommends the establishment of juvenile circles or units. Before further discussion of this matter a letter from the Colorado Federation of SSCU lodges is read, which also requests the suspension of the special assessment of the disability fund, and further requests a donation from the Union toward the promotion of picnics for the younger generation and thus more easily retain them in the organization.

In view of the above requests it is adopted that the special assessment of the disability fund cannot be suspended until it is known what demands the insurance department of Illinois will make in regard to reserves of said fund. In regard to the juvenile department it is adopted that at this time no assessments can be suspended because funds must be retained for the coming juvenile convention, which must be held next year, as directed by the last regular convention. It is further adopted that no financial assistance can be given for the establishment of juvenile circles, units or similar purposes as long as juvenile conventions must be financed, which until this time have been very fruitful. To promote various activities in the above would call for additional large disbursements and create more work and most likely would call for additional help in the home office. The advisability of having such circles can be decided by the next regular convention. It must be understood however, that individual lodges have full power to establish such juvenile activities, some lodges already having done so.

The Illinois Federation of SSCU Lodges requests some financial assistance which has been given to other federations. Adopted that \$50 be appropriated from the sports fund for this purpose.

The Illinois Federation of SSCU Lodges will celebrate on Oct. 2, the 40th anniversary of the Union. This celebration will take place in Chicago, and the federation requests one or more supreme board members as honorary speakers. Designated for this purpose are Bro. Paul Bartel, supreme president, of Waukegan, and Bro. Frank E. Vranichar, of Joliet.

The above federation further requests an advertisement in their programs which will be promulgated during this celebration. An advertisement for \$10 is approved, which must be prepared by Bro. Bartel and Bro. Vranichar.

A letter from the dramatic society "Anton Verovšek," of Cleveland, O., which requests an advertisement in their program during their 15th anniversary is read and filed.

A letter from the United Juvenile Singing Group, of Cleveland, O., which requests the Union for financial assistance is read and filed.

A letter from a representative of the "Ave Maria," which requests an advertisement in the publication is read and filed.

A letter from the "Family Calendar," requesting an advertisement is read and filed.

A letter from "Amerikanski Slovenec" requesting an exchange of advertisements is read and filed.

Letter from "Cankar's Foundation" regarding the renewal of an advertisement in the above review is read and filed.

Letter from the Slovene National Home, of Indianapolis, Indiana, regarding an advertisement in the program to be published during their 20th anniversary, is read and filed.

The management of the Slovene National Home, of Indianapolis, Indiana, asks whether or not the SSCU wishes to renew the advertisement on the stage curtain, said advertisement to cost \$25 for a two-year period. Adopted that the advertisement is not to be renewed.

In conjunction with this is adopted after a lengthy discussion, that the SSCU shall not renew advertisements in other national homes after their terms expire.

From the correspondence which is received by the supreme secretary, is noted by the supreme board, that certain lodge officers and other members neglect the by-laws which state that members living in foreign countries, are not entitled to sick, accident and indemnity benefits. This since January 1, 1937. It is understood that lodge secretaries must not collect assessments of such members after January 1, 1937, for the above mentioned funds. Secretaries must construe that Canada is also considered a foreign country. If there are any members living in foreign countries since January 1, 1937, and have contributed to the aforementioned funds, such assessments will be returned upon request. The second session adjourned at 5 p. m.

THIRD SESSION

Supreme president Paul Bartel opened the third session Friday, July 15, at 9 a. m. All members are present who attended the two previous sessions.

The recording secretary reads the minutes of the first session, which are approved as read. Read also are the minutes of the second session which are in like manner approved without corrections.

The supreme secretary submits the matter of Joseph Spahn,

member of Lodge No. 2, who requests that assessments be paid for him. From submitted reports the supreme secretary is instructed to abide by the ruling of the by-laws of the Union in this matter.

Read is a letter from Foreign Language Information Service, which requests a donation for circulating information regarding citizenship and other important matters. Adopted that \$10 be appropriated for this purpose.

The committee on preparations for the convention of the Slovene Mutual Benefit Association, which will take place during September, in Cleveland, O., sends a written invitation to the SSCU, to send a representative to the banquet September 14. For this purpose is chosen Bro. John Kumse, of Lorain, O., and as alternate, Anton Okolish, of Barberton, Ohio.

The supreme secretary submits various booklets which contain important information in regard to fraternal organizations in America. After some discussion, it is decided to have secured for each member of the supreme and judiciary committee one copy of the Fraternal Compound Digest, for the year 1938. In connection with the above, the supreme secretary is instructed to prepare and have printed a number of tables of assessments and non-forfeiture values of certificates for the new plans.

Letter of Lodge No. 40, greeting the supreme officers and founders of the Union, is read and acknowledged.

The supreme secretary Anton Zbasnik submits the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS there are certain sections of the Constitution and By-Laws of the South Slavonic Catholic Union of America which are in conflict with the requirements of the insurance laws of Illinois and Ohio relating to certificates which may be issued in those States, and

WHEREAS the Constitution and By-Laws of the Union authorize the Supreme Board to make such amendments as may be necessary, in the interim between sessions of the Convention, to meet the requirements of any State in which the Union is licensed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that from and after January 1, 1938 all benefit certificates shall be based upon an interest assumption of 3½% instead of 4%; and that any and all provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws of the South Slavonic Catholic Union of America now in force which conflict in any way with the provisions and requirements of the Insurance Code of the State of Illinois shall be inoperative and of no effect as to any and all certificates hereafter issued in said State;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the next meeting of the Regular Convention to be held in the month of September, 1940, proper amendments be offered for enactment to remove any conflict with, and to conform in all respects to the requirements of the Illinois Insurance Code.

Anton Zbasnik, supreme secretary, moves the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

Frank Tomsich, Jr., assistant supreme secretary, seconds the motion.

Follows an open vote by name in this order: Paul Bartel, yes; Joseph Mantel, yes; Paul J. Oblock, yes; Anton Zbasnik, yes; Frank Tomsich, Jr., yes; Louis Champa, yes; Dr. F. J. Arch, M. D., yes; Anton J. Terbovec, yes; John Kumse, yes; Janko N. Rogelj, yes; Frank E. Vranichar, yes; Matt Anzelc, yes; Andrew Milavec, yes.

The above resolution was thus unanimously adopted at this semi-annual session. Previously the resolution was unanimously adopted by all supreme board members by way of Referendum No. 33—1938.

The Kentucky Counties Bondholders Committee is awarded \$10 for its work with the "Perry County Kentucky" bonds.

Louis Champa, supreme treasurer, is authorized to exchange \$5,000.00 of Elizabeth City, N. C. bonds, which pay interest of 5%, for new bonds of same amount dated May 1, 1936 and maturing May 1, 1967 which will pay interest the first ten years at 4%, the following ten years at 4½%, and hence to maturity at 5%.

The supreme treasurer Louis Champa, is further authorized to exchange Morton County, N. D., bonds in the amount of \$15,000.00 which bear interest at 6%, for new bonds of like sum which will bear interest at 4½%. In connection with the above transaction it is understood that the SSCU will receive a premium of \$15.00 for each thousand dollars, and the interest rate of 6% will be paid to January 1, 1938.

In regard to Everglades Drainage District bonds, a plan submitted by the Bondholders Protective Committee June 28, 1938, is approved.

The meeting is adjourned at 12 noon.

FOURTH SESSION

The fourth meeting of the semi-annual session was opened by the supreme president Friday, July 15, at 1:30 p. m. Present are all supreme board members who attended the three previous sessions.

The supreme secretary submits a letter from the American Fraternal Congress, for which the annual fee is \$10. After a short discussion it is adopted that the SSCU pay the above amount.

Letter of Josip Rems, of Yugoslavia, is read and filed.

Read is a letter of Bro. Joseph Sneler, chairman of Pennsylvania Federation of SSCU Lodges of Western Pa., who in beautiful words sends greetings and congratulations and hopes for a successful 40th anniversary of the SSCU. The greeting and congratulations are acknowledged with applause.

In like manner are read 40th anniversary congratulations sent by Lodge No. 26, of Pittsburgh, Pa., and acknowledged.

Lodge No. 149, of Canonsburg, Pa., wires greetings to all supreme board members and founders of the SSCU and wishes them the best of success. The wire is acknowledged.

Congratulations and greetings on the Union's 40th anniversary and to all participants during the honorary event are acknowledged from Anna Mahne and Mary Pluth, members of Lodge No. 230, of Chisholm, Minn.

Greetings and congratulations for future successes of the SSCU are acknowledged from Mrs. John Kumse, Miss Martha Kumse, and Miss Victoria Kumse, members of Lodge No. 6, of Lorain, Ohio.

Congratulations and greetings on the Union's 40th anniversary and wishes for further successes are acknowledged from F. J. Kress, president of Lodge No. 12, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Greetings from John Gottlieb and Andrew Bavetz, president and secretary respectively of Lodge No. 70, Chicago, Illinois, are acknowledged.

Greetings and congratulations on the Union's 40th anniversary,

in behalf of Lodge No. 21, Denver, Colo., from president Steve Mauser, are acknowledged.

The committee of Lodge No. 66, Joliet, Illinois, sends warm congratulations and greetings to the founders and present supreme board members of the SSCU.

Congratulations on the Union's 40th anniversary are acknowledged from the membership of Lodge No. 6, Lorain, Ohio. Congratulations on the Union's 40th anniversary are acknowledged from Katherine Penica, secretary of Lodge No. 88, Roundup, Montana.

Ignac Benkse, secretary of Lodge No. 130, De Pue, Illinois, sends greetings to the Union on its 40th anniversary.

Lodge No. 190, Butte, Montana, sends greetings to the SSCU on its 40th anniversary.

All greetings by mail or wire are acknowledged and the senders given sincere thanks.

Letter from Anne Leskovar, secretary of Lodge No. 190, is read and filed.

The supreme secretary gives a detailed description of our investments, which as a whole are sound and much better than elsewhere. The officers disclose much interest in the report.

Follows a discussion of the forthcoming juvenile convention which by mandate of the 15th regular convention must be held next year. The discussion took place several hours and various ideas were broached. Finally it was adopted that during the forthcoming year, 1939, there be held a juvenile convention which will be conducted in connection with an athletic or sports convention.

Before this combined convention a campaign for new members will be held and candidates for delegates will qualify on the merits of the campaign. The campaign will begin Jan. 1, 1939, and will continue to June 30, 1939. The convention will be held during the month of August 1939, in Ely, Minn. To this combined convention, members of both the juvenile and younger adult members will have the opportunity to qualify, as delegates, provided they have enrolled the specified quota of new members. With this will be retained the present juvenile campaign system which to date has been very fruitful. At the same time an opportunity will be given to the young members of the adult department, especially those interested in sports, to attend the convention in Ely, which will be instructive and in conjunction present also a program of entertainment. These young members of the adult department have on many occasion shown an active interest for our organization; this group will require greater recognition daily, yet they have no opportunity to attend either the juvenile convention or the regular conventions in many instances. With a combined juvenile and athletic convention, this condition will be remedied. This combined convention will be financed proportionately from the juvenile and sports funds.

The system of conducting the combined juvenile and athletic convention will be prepared by a committee of three members in the person of Paul Bartel, supreme president; Anton Zbasnik, supreme secretary; and Janko N. Rogelj, first supreme trustee. From their final selection of ideas a plan will be prepared which shall become effective upon approval of the majority of supreme board members through a written referendum. This plan must be prepared and approved soon enough so the lodges will have this plan complete at their December meetings. Thus the campaign can be started January 1, 1939.

With the conclusion the work of the semi-annual session of the supreme board was completed and the supreme president remarked to the board members to attend the combined session to be held in the Home Office Monday, July 18th, on the 40th birthday of the SSCU, starting at 9 a. m. The president adjourned the regular and semi-annual session of the supreme board at 5:30 p. m.

Paul Bartel, President
Anton J. Terbovec, Recording Secretary

LITTLE STAN'S ARTICLE

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opportunity, the enthusiasm of our women has flamed as high as that of its men.

I will use a modification of words Webster spoke many years ago, when he said:

"Standing hand in hand and clasping hands

We should work and remain united

As our Union has for forty years.

Members of the same Union, Citizens of our great country, United, —

All United now and united forever."

"As flaming-tongued evangelists, let us unceasingly talk the fraternal benefits established by our founders, for their names are immortal — because:

"The work that they have built,

Oft in sorrow and tears and in terror and in anguish

Shall not perish with the years;

It will rise and shine transfigured

In the final reign of right; It will merge into the splendors,

Of the city, of the light."

Bro. Vranichar's talk, impressively concluded, was met with fine applause. Others were introduced. Even your Little Stanley who was called, "Uncle Ray." Heh Heh!

After the banquet was over, a large part of the crowd remained and visited. Dancing

in the auditorium upstairs to music by Johnny Smreker and his orchestra concluded the affair.

Next day dawned bright and beautifully. It was the gala picnic day, and cars swarmed in from all entrances to the city. Fully 3,000 people gathered on Sandy Point, beautiful peninsula which stretches its way into Shawaga lake. Refreshments and concession stands were busy all day. Supreme officers rubbed elbows with many of their old acquaintances and with our Union's members. Bro. Janko Rogelj supreme trustee, particularly drew the attention of many, who queried about his recent trip to Europe. Little Stan got a cowbell souvenir from Bro. Rogelj which is inscribed "Lake Bled." The little bell tinkles in his "40th anniversary Ahs-tin."

Peppy Louis Kotzian and another accordionist from the Range attracted large crowds to the refreshment stands, where songs were sung and played with vigor. Little Stan recalls the pretty damsel who so spiritedly led the singing. Excellent music was played by the Ely Municipal band, directed by Maestro Frank V. Dinino. Later on in the afternoon, John Grahek and his little German Band hit the high spots with swell music. People danced in the pavilion the evening. Through the fine courtesy of E. W. Hribar, Gilbert, a sound amplifying unit was placed on the stand for the speaking program. Much appreciation for this great favor given Hribar.

Bro. Anton Zbasnik, chairman of the speaking program. Bro. Paul Bartel, supreme president, opened the program with a short but well given address. Other speakers were Frank Yetka, state commissioner of Insurance for Minnesota and Mr. Sletterdahl, editor of Northwest Insurance, Minneapolis. Bartel recalled the struggles of our Union in early days coupled with a short outline of history. He officially welcomed the thousands of visitors. Yetka, in figures showed that our SSCU was the largest fraternal insurance organization in the State. He compared with two old-line life insurance companies in Minnesota, which do not equal that of the SSCU. Sletterdahl talked on the fraternal side of the organization. Honors were given Joseph Vach, who was the only one to attend the entire organization to help in the campaign conducted by our Union this year.

Many attended the dance in the evening, which concluded activities Sunday. There were boat rides and airplane rides. Monday morning a solemn memorial service, attended by all members of the supreme board, supreme judiciary committee was conducted in the home office. Rain fell much in solemnity. Every supreme officer gave a short address in memory of the workers those other active workers members of the organization who had passed away in last 40 years.

Automobiles were pressed to service as the entire rode to the cemetery. Very impressive services, a wreath was laid on the grave of Joseph Agnich, deceased, first supreme president of our SSCU. A film seemed to cover the faces of the people who gathered around the grave while supreme president Paul Bartel eulogized. Some brushed their eyes, as if to prevent which so solemnly threatened to flow.

And so into the records of Union's history passed great observance. May it be all of us to continue on the well beaten path, and attain new goals and reach for the wonderful organization — our South Slavonic Catholic Union of America.

Next day supreme officers left. As the train pulled out the station, handkerchiefs were being waved in fond farewell until the last car rounded the curve. Thus ended the 40th anniversary celebration.

One at a Time

The doctor was interviewing the last patient in his office when a woman rushed in crying: "Doctor! Doctor! My husband has swallowed a mouse!"

"Get back to him," said the doctor, "and try waving a piece of cheese about in front of his mouth. I'll follow."

Five minutes later the doctor reached the house. A man lying on a settee with his mouth wide open, while a hysterical woman was waving a kipper close to his mouth.

"You foolish woman," cried. "I told you cheese."

"I know that," she shrieked. "But I've got to get the cat first!"

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