

NACIONSKA PROPAGANDA PROTIPOLJSKI VLADI

Berlin zahteva zatrje proti nemških demonstracij

VARŠAVA ZANIKA OBDOLŽITVE

Berlin, 28. marca. — Medtem, ko Evropa čaka, da vidi, kaj bo storil Hitler po padcu Madrixa, je bila nacionista propaganda načina spet pogana v tek. Načiji so pričeli napadati Poljsko, ker zatira Nemce na nemški zemlji, ki je pod njeno kontrolo.

V Berlinu zahtevajo, da mora Poljska takoj zatreći demonstracije in izrede proti Nemcem. Če se to ne bo zgodilo, bo Nemčija podvzela potrebe korake. Voditelji načije niso zadovoljni s pojasnilom poljskih uradnikov, da niso mogli potlačiti protinemški demonstracije v Bydgoszu in drugih poljskih mestih. Oni zahtevajo, da morajo biti uradniki Poljske zvezne, ki podžigajo demonstracije, kaznovani.

(Bydgosz je mesto ob prekopu v bližini reke Vistule, ki teče skozi poljski koridor, ki loči Nemčijo od vzhodne Prusije.)

V svobodnem mestu Gdansku, kjer so načiji pričeli agitirati za pretrganje zveze s Poljsko, ko je Litva odstopila memelsko ozemlje Nemčiji, je list Danziger Vorposten obdolžil poljske avtoritete, da so pognale skoro vse Nemce iz služb v Tešnju, distriktu, kjer je poljska armada zasedla v zadnjem oktobru.

Berlin, 28. marca. — Uradna nemška časopisna agencija Dienst aus Deutschland, ki ima neke zveze z zunanjim uradom, je objavila vest iz Bydgosza, da so Poljaki napadli in pretepljene in otroki, ker so govorili nemški jezik. Vest dostavlja, da so Poljaki navalili tudi na nemške kmetije ponosi.

Varšava, Poljska, 28. marca. — Vladne avtoritete pobijajo obdolžitve o zatiranju Nemcev v Bydgoszu in drugih mestih. Počelo, da so Poljaki napadli Nemce, nima nobene podlage. Edina manifestacija proti Nemčiji je bila resolucija, sprejeta na shodu Poljske zvezne, v kateri je rečeno, da je organizacija pripravljena na žrtve v obrambnega ozemlja.

Kampanja proti tujim radikalcem

Nekoliko pojasnila, kako se računa solventnost

V tej številki Prosvete je priobčen "Valuation Report" ali ocenitev finančnih obveznosti SNPJ napram članom smrtninskega zavarovanja. Iz te ocenitve je razvidna gospodarska ali finančna stran naše jednote in ta stran je najvažnejša za vsako bratsko organizacijo. Da pa naš "Valuation Report" ne ustvari napačne sodbe ali vtisa med onimi našimi članmi, ki so videli enaka poročila drugih organizacij, naj to reč nekoliko pojasnim.

V smislu zakona morajo biti bratske podporne organizacije ste odstotkov (100%) solventne. To pomeni, da organizacije morajo imeti potrebno rezervo za vsakega člena, ki je po zakonu predpisana za nastale smrtninske obveznosti za člane. Kolikor ima organizacija nad temi sto odstotki rezerve, se to smatra kot boljša garnicija. Vse to izračunajo za vsako organizacijo računski strokovnjaki (aktuarji).

Kakor sem poučen, se v naši državi solventnost lahko računa na dva načina, kar pa v resnicni ne izpremeni dejstva. Ce imate v žepu dolar, v knjigo pa zapisičte, da imate dva, je kljub temu samo eden v žepu.

Naš število solventnosti bi se tudi dalo zvišati nad 116.63%, kadar izkazuje naš "Valuation Report," mislimo pa, da to ni potrebno, in še manj je modro. Poleg rezerve 16.63% na vsakega člena oddelka odraslih in mladinskega oddelka, kakor lahko vidite v poročilu, imamo še vsoto \$475,000 v pomožnem skladu, katera se lahko porabi v vsakem slučaju eventualnih izgub na investicijah ali v slučaju velike epidemije, ne da bi pri tem kaj trpe la naša solventnost. Iz poročil raznih bratskih organizacij je videti, da nekatere imajo le dva ali tri odstotka nad predpisano stodostotno solventnostjo, imajo pa milijone dollarjev v pomožnem skladu, kar lahko pomeni, da gospodarsko stoji bolje kot na primer organizacije, ki so 150.00% ali še več solventne, nimajo pa posebnega pomožnega skladu.

Gospodarska stabilnost SNPJ je dovolj očitna s tem, ker je opustila smrtninski asesment enega meseca vsem članom!

F. A. VIDER, gl. tajnik.

Nov spopad med Slovaki in Ogrji

Hitlerjev minister na poti v Budimpešto

Budimpešta, 28. marca. — Vest o novih obmejnih bitkah med Slovaki in Maďari je bila objavljena v momentu, ko so se pričela pogajanja glede ureditve meje med Slovakijsko in Ogrsko. Bitke so se vrstile v distriktu Kisikolonu, kjer je meja med Slovakijsko in Rutenijo, katero so ogrske čete zasedle zadnji teden. Osem Slovakov je bilo ubitih v spopadu in večje število ranjenih.

Ogrska računa na pomoč Nemčiji v pogajanjih s Slovakijskim. Paul Joseph Goebbels, minister nacione propagande, je odpotoval v Budimpešto, kjer upajo, da bo podprt ogrske zahteve. Slovakijsko je pod "začito" Nemčijo, dočim je Rutenija postala avtonomna provinca o-grske države.

Japonska armada zasedla Nančang

Ruska pomoč kitajskim brambovcem

Sanghaj, 28. marca. — Japonska armada je sinoči zavzela Nančang, strategično mesto v provinci Kiangsi. Okupacija je bila udarec generalu Kaišeku, vrohovemu poveljniku kitajske oborožene sile.

Nančang je prišel v japonske roke po ofenzivi, ki se je pričela pred enim tednom. Ta je bila največja v zadnjih petih mesecih. Japonci trdijo, da je bilo v zadnjih dveh dneh 3700 Kitajcev ubitih in ranjenih, 770 Kitajcev pa so Japonci ujeli.

Z okupacijo Nančanga je bila železniška zveza med province Kiagi in Čejanjang pretrgana. Vzhodna Kitajska je zdaj odrežana od province Hunan, kjer so municije in orodje tovarne.

Vroče bitke med Japonci in Kitajci se nadaljujejo ob reki Siao, 50 milij severno od Nančanga. Kitajske čete pri Wuningu, 75 milij severozapadno od Nančanga, so dodači tamorec in peonaji. Postavljeni so bili pod poročilo tisoč dolarjev vsak.

Napole uradna kitajska časopisna agentura Kuomin poroča iz

Francosko sodišče obdolžilo šponia

Pariz, 28. marca. — Vittorio di Resta, uslužbenec v uradu italijanskega konzula v Anneyju, je bil spoznan na obravnavi pred francoskim vojaškim sodiščem za krivko šponiže in obvojen na štiri leta zapora. V Lille je vojško sodišče obdolžilo šponia Nemca Karla Sulzera na dvajset let zapora. Gonja proti nemškim in italijskim šponiom v Franciji se na-

ljudje.

CIVILNA VOJNA V ŠPANIJI KONČANA!

Obrambni svet odredil demobilizacijo

FASISTI ZASEDLI VEC MEST

MADRID, 28. marca. — Zmanjševanje fašistične armade je danes vkorakala v Madrid, glavno mesto republikanske Spanije, in civilna vojska, ki je trajala skoraj tri leta, je bila končana. Bele zastave, znamenje kapitulacije, so zavirale nad mestom, ko so voditelji obrambnega sveta počeli z Madrixa in se ji mesto podalo brez odpora. Kapitulacija je naznani polkovnik Adolf Praha, nov poveljnik lojalistične armade, ko sta generali Jose Mijana, načelnik obrambnega sveta, in vojni minister Segismundo Casado počeli v Valencijo.

Madrid, 28. marca. — Vse kaže, da bo Madrid kmalu kapituliral pred fašisti. Lojalistični obrambni svet je sinoc naznani, da bo pomagal onim, ki hčijo pogebnitki iz Madrixa v bojazni, da bodo kaznovani, ko pride mesto pod Francovo kontrolo. Več lojalističnih voditeljev se je že umaknilo v Valencijo.

Naši milwauški bolniki

Milwaukee. — Kristina Bergant, žena dobro znanega Fr. Berganta, je že dolgo časa bolna. Njeni številni prijatelji ji žele, da se ji čim prej vrne ljubo zdravje.

Domače vesti

John Movern umrl v Duluthu Duluth, Minn. — Dne 27. marca je umrl John Movern, ki je bil v zadnjih tridesetih letih dobro znan med vsemi našimi rojaki v Minnesota kot unijski agitator in politični ter kulturni delavec. Star je bil 57 let in rodil se je v Crešnjevcu pri Semiču v Belli krajini. Umrl je za posledični mrvouda, ki ga je zadel še lani. Leta 1907 je bil Movern tajnik rudarske unije WFM v Evelethu in vodil je rudarsko stavko po Renču, ker pa je stavko propadla in z njim vred unija, je Movern seveda trpel posledice. Leta 1938 je organiziral v dolgu let vodil Jugoslovansko-ameriško zvezo, neodvisno politično organizacijo, ki še obstoje in zadnji volini kampanji je sodelovala s farmer-labotisti. Movern je bil aktiven tudi s perešom in je za neki duluthski list prevzel več kratkih Jurčičevih povesti. Napisal je mnogo članov za Prosveto in druge liste. Bil je član društva 205 SNPJ in zapuča ženo in več odraslih otrok. Naj mu bo ohranjen lep spomin med nam!

Illinoiske vesti

Auburn, Ill. — Po dolgi in mučni bolezni rakom je 26. marca umrl Frank Speiser, star 68 let in rojen v Trbovljah. Tu je živel od leta 1921, prej pa mnogo let v Mineralu, Kans. Započela ženo Mary in sina Franca. Bil je član društva 335 SNPJ in tudi član JSKJ. — V Springfieldu, Ill., v bolnišnici St. John's se nahaja Christine Nadvesnik, ki je bila zadnje dni operirana v nosu. Član društva 567 SNPJ, Lincolnites, jo lahko občiščo.

Vesti iz Penne

Yukon, Pa. — Zadnje dni je v bolnišnici umrl Cecilij Koracič, star 49 let in rojen v občini St. Peter pri Novem mestu na Dolenjskem. Bila je članica društva 117 SNPJ in tu zapuča moža, sina, pet hčer in dve sestri. — V Cheswicku, Pa., je 24. t. m. po dolgi bolezni umrl Ana Stanič, star 36 let in rojena na Westfalskem v Nemčiji. Bila je članica društva 586 SNPJ in zapuča moža, starše, dva brata in dve sestri. — V Pittsburghu je pa umrl Geo. Lukšič ml., cigar oče je uposlen v gl. uradu HBZ.

Clevelandske novice

Cleveland. — V Newburghu je umrl pionir naselbine Anton Fortuna, star 75 let in rojen v Marinči vasi pri Krki na Dolenjskem. Bolan je bil tri dni. V Ameriki je bil 55 let in tu zapuča tri sinove in štiri hčere. — Dne 25. marca je umrl v bolnišnici Louis G. Serpan, star 34 let in rojen tu. Započela ženo, sina, hčer, starše, tri brata in dve sestri.

Zaključeno predavanje

Chicago. — Prihodnji petek, dne 31. marca, ob 8:30 zvečer bo v Tomanovi javni knjižnici na ulici Pulaski Rd. (Crawford ave.) v 27. ulici predaval Mary B. Gilson, ekonomistka z članske učnive in voditeljica gibanja za enakopravnost žene. Predavala bo o vlogi žene v današnji kritični dobi. Vstop je prost. S tem predavanjem bo zaključena zimska sezona prireditev v tej knjižnici.

Senat dovolil milijone za armado

Washington, D. C., 28. marca. — Višja kongresna zbornica je včeraj sprejela načrt, ki določa \$513,188,000 za ojačanje oborožene sile. \$13,330,000 več nego je dovolila v te svrhe načrt zbornica. Načrt je bil izročen skupnemu

Anglija pustila Rumunijo na cedilu

Chamberlain proti bojkotu Nemčije

London, 28. marca. — Premier Chamberlain je v svojem govoru v parlamentu naznani, da je Velika Britanija zapustila Rumunijo, kar pomeni, da je postal odvisna od moči nemškega diktatorja Hitlerja. Na vprašanja poslancev, ki so zahvalili pojasnila glede nove trgovinske pogodbe med Rumunijo in Nemčijo, s katero je slednja dobila velike koncesije, je Chamberlain odgovarjal, da je bil informiran, da Rumunija izgubila ekonomsko neodvisnost s podpisom pogodbe. Razvoj dogodkov bo pokazal, kaj je Hitler pridobil s pogodbo.

Premier je izjavil, da bo poslal trgovinsko misijo v Rumunijo, ki pa povedal, kakšne koncesije bo njegova vlada podvzela, da ohrani tržišča za angleške proizvode v Rumuniji, obenem pa bo poučaril, da Anglija ne bo bojkotirala nacione Nemčije. Chamberlain je ignoriral vprašanja, kakšno stalische zavzema glede Hitlerjeve aneksije Melama. Njegova vlada je izrekla simpatije Litvi zaradi izgube memelske ozemlja in to je bilo vse.

Chamberlain je naznani, da bo danes podal deklaracijo v parlamentu o napredku diplomatskih pogajanj s Francijo, Sovjetsko Rusijo in Poljsko glede formiranja skupnega bloka proti agresiji nacione Nemčije. Ciani francoškega kabinta so na svoji seji razpravljali tudi o ojačanju bojne mornarice, industrijski mobilizaciji in utrjenju meje. Premier Daladier bo odgovoril jutri Mussoliniju. Ako bo diktator zahteval več od Francije nego mu je pripravljena dati, se Daladierjeva vlada sploh ne bo pogajala z njim. Premier je v svojih govorih v zadnjih tednih naglašal, da Francija ne bo odstopila niti pedi svojega ozemlja Italiji.

Berlin, 28. marca. — Nemčija je sedela Italiji in naznani, da bo tudi ona zahtevala besedo v upravi Sueškega prekopa. Dalje je naznala, da mora tudi Japonska imeti iste pravice v upravi kot druge države.

List Hamburger Fremdenblatt piše, da je administracija prekopa kapitalistična tvorba, ostanek najslabše dobe imperialistične eksploatacije. Francija bistveno kontrolira administracijo prekopa. V upravi je devetnajst Francovcov, deset Angležev, dva Egipčana in eden Holandec.

Nacijski uradni krog menijo, da mora Francija nekaj storiti, da zadovolji Italijo, ki zahteva koncesije v Sueškem prekopen. Džibutiju in Tunisiju.

Rim, 28. marca. — Italijanski tisk piše, da so Mussolinijevi zahtevi, katere je očrtal v svojem govoru, kolonialnega značaja. Nekateri listi poudarjajo, da je čas prišel za revisijo situacije tudi v Sredozemlju v prilog Italiji.

Sodišče odobrilo obdavčenje plač

Stari precedenti zavrnjeni

Washington, D. C., 28. marca. — Federalno vrhovno sodišče je vrglo na smetišče 120 let stare precedente z odlokom, da federalna in državna vlade lahko obdavčijo plačila federalnih in državnih ter mestnih uradnikov in uslužencev. Tako obdavčenje je predlagal predsednik Roosevelt in vrhovno sodišče je zdaj s svojim odlokom odpovedalo konfuzijo v zvezi z vprašanjem plačevanja dohodninskega davka.

Sodnik Stone je podal mnenje večine, ki je odpravila doktrino medvladne davčne imunitete. To mnenje je podprlo šest članov vrhovnega sodišča, dva pa sta bila proti. Kako veliko

Federacije S. N. P. J.

Seja bridgeportske federacije
Bellaire, O.—Naznanjam društvo okrožne federacije SNPJ, da se vrši prihodnja seja naše federacije dne 23. aprila ob dveh popoldne v društveni dvorani na Boydsville.

Glavno vprašanje na tej seji bo praznovanje 35-letnice jednotne. O tem smo razpravljali že na zadnji seji, toda smo stvar preložili na prihodnjo sejo, na kateri bodo storjeni definitivni zaključki za skupno praznovanje tega jubileja pod okriljem naše federacije. Na dnevnem redu bodo tudi druga vprašanja.

Na to sejo naj torej pošilje vseh 11 pridruženih društev svoje zastopnike. Pozivam pa tudi ostala društva SNPJ v tem okrožju, naj se pridružijo federaciji. Saj ni treba k nobenemu zdravniku in tudi ne plačati zastopnine. Ravno obratno je resnica: federacija pomaga potrebnim članom s tem, da jim plača asesment, prav tako tudi vozne stroške zastopnikom, ker se zaveda mizernega položaja članstva v tej okolici. Naprej, bratje in sestre, za močnejšo SNPJ! Na svidenje dne 23. aprila na federacijski seji ob 2. popoldne na Boydsville.

Louis Pavlinich, tajnik.

Uredniška pripomba: Naslov jugoslovanskih konzulatov dobiti v Ameriškem družinskom koledarju.

Zapisnik westmorelandske federacije

Irvin, Pa.—Sledče je zapisnik seje westmorelandske federacije SNPJ, ki se je vršila 29. januarja v Hermelinu. Zastopana so sledče društva: Št. 317, 749, 583, 232, 223, 613, 63, 739, 683, 200, 320, 725, 7, 87, 64. Po ročila zastopnikov vzeta na znanje. Blagajnik poda finančno poročilo, tajnik poroča o zadnjih prizrebi, ki se je vrnila v Greensburgu dne 24. oktobra, nadzorni odbor pa poroča, da je pregledal knjige. Poročila vseh odborov in odbornikov vzeta na znanje.

Seja odobri prošnjo angleško poslujočih društev za gojitev atletike. Federacija jim bo dala \$25 kadar hitro ustanove tako znano ligo westmorelandske federacije SNPJ z ne manj kot tremi softballskimi teami. Federacija ostane v Prosveni matici JSZ z letno članarino 12 dollarjev. Br. Franku Zaitzu, gl. odborniku, se plača \$5 za vožnjo v zvezi s predavanjem. Odobri se prošnja br. Franka Novaka, člana društva 7, in se mu plača asesment za dva meseca v vstopi \$4.26. Izvoljen je odbor za federacijsko priredo v Greensburgu dne 30. maja, kakor tudi odbor za program. Razpravljalo se je zopet o združenju, nakar je sklenjeno, da se pritiška na glavne odbornike obeh organizacij.

V odbor federacije za tekoče leto so izvoljeni: Predsednik John Fradel, podpredsednik br. Mahkovec, tajnik Anton Zornik, blagajnik Joseph Zorko, zapisnikar Frank Shuster, nadzorniki br. Drap, Sorinček in Turk, v agitacijski odbor br. Sorincev in Urana. Frank Shuster, zapisnikar.

Prvomajska proslava in filmski v Kansusu

Arma, Kans.—Običajna majnska proslava-kanskih društev SNPJ se letos vrši v soboto 29. aprila v frontenski dvorani. Program se prične ob 6. uri zvečer, tako da se omogoči udeležba tudi onim, ki imajo kako delo čez dan. Dvorana pa bo odprtih že ob 3. uri popoldne.

Ker bo Prvomajska proslava, bodo na programu kratki govorji in zraven sodelujejo člani mladinskega krožka z raznimi pevskimi točkami.

Glavna zanimivost pa bo predvajanje jednotnih filmskih slik, ki so tako velika privlačnost na vseh društvenih priredbah širok Amerike. Ponovno in ponovno so bile zelo pohvalno opisane te slike in nam ni treba še enkrat tega ponavljati. Nikomur torej ne bo žal, če pride na takoj majnsko proslavo, ker bo videl tudi lepe slike iz stare domovine.

Vstopnice, kupljene vnaprej stanejo za moške 25c in za ženske 15c. Dobe se pri vseh društvenih tajnikih. Vstopnice pri vratih pa bodo za moške 25c in za ženske 15c. Preskrbite si jih torej vnaprej. Člani mladinskega krožka (Juvenile Circle) so vstopnine prosti. Izkažati se pa morajo z jednotinimi znaki ali gumbi, ki so jih dobili pred nekaj meseци.

Po programu bo ples. V ta namen smo najeli znano in priljubljeno godbo "Frontenac Brass-Band". A. Shular.

Proslava 35-letnice

Chicago, Ill.—Federacija društev SNPJ za čikaško okrožje obuhaja petintridesetletno obstanka Slovenske narodne podporne jednote v nedeljo, dne 16. aprila, v jednotini dvorani na vogalu Lawndale in Sedemindvsete ceste. Vse članstvo tega okrožja se torej s tem ujedino vabi, da se te velike in imponantne priredbe tudi v polnem številu udeleži!

Program, ki se bo pričel ob dveh popoldne v dvorani, še ni v celoti sestavljen. Znano pa je, da bo vsebovo kratko igro o zgodovini jednote, govor o začetku in postanku iste ter krásno petje po pevskih zborih, duetih in solistih. Nastopila bo naša mladina in starina, zato ne bo manjkalo duševnega užitka najbolj zakrnjenim srcem. Ni vrag, da bi del programa ne ugajal tudi nam, takim, ki smo telesno in duševno že precej skriveni in otopeni. Zato le koraj, pa določimo 16. aprila, ko naš dan za proslavo 35-letnega rojstva naše najboljše slovenske podporne organizacije v Ameriki!

Ko bo program v celoti sestavljen, ga bo federacijski tajnik priobčil v glasilu jednote. Na sejah pripravljalnega odbora se je precej skriveni o načrtu opernih pevcev za nastop na tej proslavi. Dozajn je gotovo toliko, da bodo na odru poleg lokalnih dobrih pevskih moći, nastopile tudi dobro pozname slavne pevke iz Clevelandu. Poleg tega bodo predvajane na odru razne godbene in vodilskie točke, tako da bo naš program na tej proslavi jednotno precej raznolik.

Federacijski pripravljalni odbor deluje na to, da bo šel del tega programa po radiu do skrajnih mej severne Amerike. Morata dosežemo toliko, da bo oglašanje naše prireditve in košček programa oddan po radiu že do poldne, večji del pa popoldne.

Kot rečeno, bo o vsem podrobnejše poročano v prihodnjih sredinah številkah.

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Uspela priredba

Kansas City, Kans. — Poročalo je bilo v Prosveti, da se obe tukajšnji društvi SNPJ, Bodobnost in Hearts of America, pravljata na skupno priredbo, ki se je vršila dne 19. marca. Udeležba je bila večja kot smo pričakovali in tudi program zanimiv. Obe društvi se zahvalita zboru Croatian Community Players, ki je zapel štiri pesmi in del velik aplavz, da je moral še ponoviti.

Za pcvje je kot govornik nastopil naš glavni odbornik Anton Sular. Ker je bilo dobiti zunanjih ljudi, takih, ki še spe "spanje pravčnega", so strme poslušali br. Sularja, ki je govoril, kaj vse je že SNPJ storila in koliko že pomagala od svojega postanka do danes Slovencem in Hrvatom. Obe društvi sta bili zadovoljni z govorom, kakor tudi udeleženci. Torej hvala, Tone. Ako te bomo še kdaj potrebovali, tem bomo zopet poklicali, kajti s tem pomagamo društvu in jednoti.

Sledile so slike, ki so še najbolj zanimalne vsakega, ker vsakdo rad vidi kaj iz starega kraja. Kot je pisal br. Valentinci, bi bilo dobro, da bi jednota navrhila še več slik iz starega kraja, to je kako ljudje tam delajo in kakšno je življenje. To bi naš mlašje še najbolj zanimalo, pričakovali pa so tudi mi starji.

To bo prvi večerni koncert v naši čikaški naselbini. Ker se bo vršil v soboto zvečer, ko gre vsakdo rad kam na zabavo, napomo, da boste prišli vse ljubitelji petja in zabave v soboto zvečer dne 20. maja v dvoranu SNPJ. In sicer dovolj zgodaj, da bomo s programom lahko začeli vsaj ob 8. uri, ob 10. pa bomo lahko že vsi plesali. Vstopnilna v predprodaji samo 35c. Imeli bomo tudi fino muziko v obeh dvoranah. Torej rezervirajte si tretjo soboto v maju za Savin koncert. Boste videli kako bo lušno.

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Zbor Prešeren bo preslavil svojo 10-letnico dne 23. aprila v dvorani SNPJ z bogatim programom, ki bo vseboval koncert, veselo igro in ples. Podana bo zanimalna pevska točka naših mladih fantov. Na tej prvi slovenski koncert v Chicagu. Igrala bo izvrstna godba 10 mož, v spodnji dvorani pa tudi dobra godba.

Pripravljalni odbor je pridno delu in bo skrbel, da bodo posetniki zadovoljni s programom in postrežbo. Zbor se trudi, da bo podal lepe pesmi. Zadonel bo tudi večerni zvon. Apeliram na vse, da se udeležite tega koncerta in vam ne bo žal. Udeležijo naj se ne samo Slovenci in Hrvatje, marveč vse Slovane, kajti na programu bodo razne slovenske pesni — slovenske, hravtske, srbske, češke, poljske in ruske. To bo prvi slovenski koncert v Ameriki, na katerem bo naša mladina pelia v toljih jezikih pod vodstvom Louis Sema.

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Poročano je že bilo, da bo možki pevski zbor France Prešeren obhajal desetletnico svojega obstanka dne 23. aprila v dvorani SNPJ. Spored bo pester in bogat. Nastopilo bo več tukajšnjih zborov in uprizorjena bo enodejanka "Mutasti muzikant". Vloge so v dobrih rokah in mislim, da bo igra dobro izpeljana. Mladi člani Prešerna se tudi pripravljajo na posebno točko, na nekaj, kar še ni bilo na čkaškem odru. Kaj bo ta točka, nimenam pravih podatkov. Toda najbolje bo, da bomo navzoči in se prepričali na lastne oči ter sodili njih zmožnost.

Victor Zupančič, 131.

Koncert Zvončkov

West Park, O. — Mladinski pevski zbor Zvončki priredi svoj letni koncert v nedeljo dne 16. aprila v JND na McGowan Ave., pričetek ob 3:30 popoldne. Po koncertu bo ples.

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dnevnih novic, dopisev iz raznih krajev,

povesti in druge zanimosti, kot v tedniku, ker ta je večinoma posvečen društvu in jednotini zadevam.

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For Members of Slovene National Benefit Society and American Slovenes

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25

The Jubilee Campaign Is On!

The jubilee campaign of the SNPJ is open and all active members will begin earnestly next week to enlist new adult and juvenile members for our Society.

The machinery for the nine-month drive is set. Now it is up to the membership to set it in motion and operate it successfully.

Advance information for the launching of the campaign was given out simultaneously with the news that the Society at its 35th anniversary has presented to its members a handsome gift by suspending one monthly mortuary assessment amounting to about 37 thousand dollars.

Observance of the anniversary is in itself a reason for cooperation on the part of each member. But the unprecedented gift is an added reason for the kind of work that will break all previous campaign records.

In the 1938 campaign it was the younger set that captured most of the top prizes, the Keystone state climbing to the highest rung in the campaign ladder. This was a memorable feat worthy of our Pennsy English speaking lodges.

What section or state or city will show an early lead in this year's jubilee campaign?

Will it again be Pennsylvania?

We know that the Keystone state can do it again—but will the other states be satisfied to remain in the cellar positions?

What about Cleveland—our Slovene metropolis—with its nearly 30 lodges of the Slovene National Benefit Society?

How did it fare in last year's campaign by comparison with other proportionately smaller Slovene centers?

Cleveland has always been a strong SNPJ city. It has more SNPJ lodges than any other city or area of similar size. It has plenty live wires. It is SNPJ conscious. It has more potential members than any other industrial community.

We venture to say that this year Cleveland will offer stiff competition not only to Pennsylvania but also to all other SNPJers in the contest.

What state will shine in '39?

Strugglers' Anniversary Program and Dance to Feature Varied Attractions

CLEVELAND, O.—What are you doing on Sunday, April 16? Remember you have a date with us on that day at the Slovene Workmen's Home on Waterloo at 3 p. m. sharp! The Strugglers have always been known for their vaudeville programs and this year have gone ahead and secured a real hill-billy band, namely, Dixie Lee and her Trio. You no doubt have heard them over the air, and can she yodel a mean selection and no doubt you will want her back encore after encore.

Did you ever hear of a Slovene ventriloquist? Well, here's your chance not only to hear one but see him also. Our own Rudy Jelercic and Johnny Zaic will sing a few selections. And a dance number in which the Minuet will be gracefully enacted. Anne Zarnick of the Commodores will sing also. Song and tap by Marie Di Capua. Instrumental numbers by John Knifitc trio, and possibly the Ulie Dance Team and Richard Lauriette. Our masters of ceremony will be Eddie Zeitz and Rudy Loker. When these two get together then you know it will be something worthwhile attending.

Johnny Pecon will play for dancing immediately after the program, and supper will be served in the lower hall by the Strugger girls. At eight o'clock there will be dancing in both halls to the tunes of Johnny Pecon's orchestra and Frankie Yankovich's orchestra! May we expect YOU? And I do mean YOU!!!

Strugglers' Newsy Notes

The most important date on our minds is April 16. At the last Bowling meeting Joe Zabukovic made it plain that he expected all of the members of the Athletic Board to be present at our affair. Even Walter Lampe seems quite enthused over the fact we may have a skit. And what is this I hear? Our neighboring Lodge the Progressives are having a dance on May 13 at the Slovene Society Home on Recher. We will be there!

MARY AZMAN, Lodge 734.

Lucky Star Lodge Plan Dance April 22

IMPERIAL, PA.—Final plans for the April 22 dance to be held at Slovene hall are in charge of the various committees. This is our first social affair of the year. Music by Joe Kocarinc and his Slovene Aces, well-known to fans of station WHJB, Greensburg. To Sygan, Strabane, Moon Run, Harmarville, Ambridge, Universal, Ladies' Club of Imperial as well as Cliff Mine and to members of Lodge 106—a cordial invitation is extended to all.

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J. M. MAGLICH, Lodge 716.

Cadets Give Spring Dance Easter Sunday, April 9

MANOR, PA.—Our Spring Dance will be held at the Pleasant Valley Slovene hall on Easter Sunday, April 9, and will start at 6 o'clock in the evening. Music by the well-known Joe Koranic's Slovene Aces. A pleasant evening is assured to all. The Cadets extend a most cordial invitation to all friends and members of SNPJ.

President John Basic attended a special marshall meeting at Herminie on March 9. They have informed us that the Federation is awarding a trophy at the end of the season to the winning team. Our boys are determined to bring home the trophy.

More news on the ball team after the Federation meeting to be held Friday, April 14.

Remember our dance on Easter Sunday, April 9. Here's hoping to see you all.

RECORDING SECRETARY,
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SPIRITS SPONSOR SPRING FESTIVAL SAT., APRIL 22

By Whoosit

ST. LOUIS, MO.—At last Spring is here! Our Spring Festival Dance is coming closer and closer, April 22, and every member has to work just as hard as he can to make this dance one of the most successful we ever had.

The committee held its last meeting at the home of Bro. Stanley Hervatin. The next meeting the committee will hold is going to be at the home of Bro. Ben Ducote in Lemay, Missouri, on April 12. How many tickets did you sell? If you need any more tickets, please write to one of the members on the committee.

Our next regular meeting will be held on Friday, April 7, at 8 o'clock sharp. Let's have a record breaking attendance at the last meeting before our Spring Festival Dance.

Don't forget the wonderful contest the SNPJ is giving. I am sure that every member will do his and her best in securing new members during this campaign.

TRAIL BLAZERS TO CELEBRATE 8TH BIRTHDAY

MEADOWLANDS, PA.—To members of Trail Blazers Lodge 734, April marks their birthday. On April 8 the Eighth Chapter of Trail Blazers' fraternal history will unfold and members are planning a grand celebration honoring the occasion. The members already filled with an exhilarating spirit over the coming anniversary and under the influence of its friendly characteristic will again sponsor a mammoth dance which will take place on Saturday, April 8, at the New Russell Hall at Meadowlands.

A most cordial invitation is extended to all neighboring lodges of the SNPJ, SSPZ and KSKJ members and friends to come and help the Trail Blazers honor this Gala Celebration. By popular request Frankie Watt and his orchestra has been engaged to furnish the syncopating dance music. We know his enchanting style will thrill you just as it has thousands of others throughout this community.

On April 8 we'll be awaiting you and you and you to be present at our 8th anniversary dance. We assure you of a real enjoyable time.

MARY AZMAN, Lodge 734.

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Comments on This and That

By IVAN MOLEK, Editor

CULTURAL AND SOCIAL PICTURE OF OUR SOCIETY

In a further enumeration of the achievements and good work of our Society as we approach its thirty-fifth birthday, the most outstanding feature, one that makes the SNPJ a unique phenomenon among all other Slovene fraternal societies, is its cultural and social sideline.

The amount of this work that has been done by the Society indirectly is far greater than that, which has been achieved directly. The complete evaluation of this work defies description.

The Society has published many books of fiction and popular science, booklets of plays and recitations, and also a large literary work, the largest book in the Slovene language ever printed in the U. S.; it deals with American history in general, Slovene history of this country, and the history of the Society up to the twentieth year of its existence. True, these books were a financial loss to the SNPJ, but, culturally, our members and our people in general profited by them greatly.

Much more, however, has been done by the Society through its financial and moral support—mostly by the individual lodges and by the endorsements in the organ—to other cultural institutions worthy of this aid. The Society, moreover, has always and still does in many ways encourage our amateur stage, the singing societies, lectures on science, and art. The only Slovene painter in America who won some recognition was discovered and helped along to achieve some success by our Society; it aided him to arrange his first exhibition of paintings in Chicago; it also bought many pieces of his works. When, ten years ago, some notable Slovene opera singers began to visit America on their concert tours, the Society cheerfully helped them along.

Looking at the social and union labor side of the picture, what do we see? No one will ever compute the exact sum of dollar

that were donated by the Society and its lodges, also by the individual members, for the cause of labor struggles in many a strike, political campaign, and economical or social betterment of any description; donations for the Slovene orphans in the old country, for the Russians at the time of the great famine, for the victims of fascism in Spain, for our own flood victims, etc. Our Society was the first one to adopt a rule for the expulsion of strikebreakers. In one strike only, that of the miners in 1927 and 1928, the SNPJ donated \$3000 to their strike fund.

In many a case of civil liberty violation or unjust persecution the Society took active part to save the accused from prison or worse; it gives for many years a steady financial aid to the American civil liberty union. At least in two cases our Society saved men from death penalty.

All these are only the small part our Society has played in 35 years of its existence in furthering its cultural and social aims.

This part should be remembered during these days when we celebrate the Society's 35th anniversary and when we commence another jubilee membership campaign.

Little Forts Highlight Own, Other Affairs Planned for Coming Months

Meeting Resumes

WAUKEGAN, ILL.—The March 16 meeting of the Little Fort Lodge, No. 568, saw about 25 members attending.

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With an excellent orchestra, an enthusiastic committee—with Little Fort's Florence Zakovsek as chairman—preparing all the little details, and excellent support from everybody, the Co-op Youth League, too, will have a successful affair.

North Chicago a knowledge of beauty, expressed in song, comparable to the singing of the "Ljubljana" singing society of Slovene hall's infancy, back some 20 years. This department's favorite Tales of Vienna Woods was never sung more beautifully than at the Choral Society's Fourth Concert.

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FLASHES

CHICAGO.—Pioneers should please take note that something entirely new is to take place at the next meeting on April 21. At this meeting, Bro. Jacob Zupan, who filmed many beautiful scenes in the past, will be on hand to take pictures of the Pioneer meeting. After the meeting we will have barn dancing and it is possible that some film might be spared for the dancers, also.

At the Pioneer Bowling League banquet and party at the Slovene Labor Center Saturday, April 22, the officers of the league will distribute the cash awards to every member of the league. It doesn't necessarily mean that the last place men will not get anything. Notwithstanding their positions in the standings, sometimes the lower bracket players receive more than the upper bracket and it looks like that is about to happen again this year.

Thrills, enjoyment! If you have been to the Ace Arcade for a league session, by all means do so in the remaining two nights. The women's league is really tied up in knot, because the *Bubeniks*, the last place in the league, trimmed *Wenzel's* Dairy, the leaders, in three games last Wednesday, while the *Seetekas* took the second place *Pat-Ra-Colas* into their confidence for two games. Only one game separates the first place from all the rest, and if that isn't thrilling, then we don't know what it means to have a complex problem.

DONALD J. LOTRICH, 559.

BUCKEYES REVEAL 'ELEFANT' SECRET

By Oh

BARBERTON, O.—It's the season for housecleaning. There are so many things that one has on hand that require care and yet there is no recompense. That, then, would be called a "White Elefant" by some people. And that is what the big mystery is about. After the next Buckeye meeting on April 6 we're going to have a "White Elephant Party." Every member is to bring something from home that they can't find use for but perhaps someone else can use. Wrap your article mysteriously and then, after the meeting, these articles will go as prizes in bingo games. Winners will choose whichever package appeals to them. Refreshments will be served by the members of the entertainment committee. There are oodles of things you can bring as your "White Elephant" on April 6 to the Domovina Hall and Harry Andrews, 200. It was Rudy Hoeven's first 200 games for this season and since he is only a newcomer in the game, we have assurances that he will bring in more of them.

During the week Anne Taut and Millie Balogroski have had to go to the hospital for appendix operations. Anne is at the St. Anthony Hospital and Millie is at the Lutheran Deaconess Hospital. Joseph Gasperich has reported well. Mike Reaching writes from California again to re-

Keystonians Hold**Dance Sun., April 9**

HERMINIE, PA.—Fun seekers and dancers: Please note the change in time and orchestra of the dance to be held in the Slovene hall in Herminie on April 9. The dance will begin at 8 o'clock and not midnight, as stated in the previous issue, and the music for the occasion will be furnished by Frank's Trio. They broadcast every Saturday from 11:30 to 12:00 o'clock noon. Those of you who haven't heard his music are in for a pleasant surprise and a joyous evening; and those of you who have heard Frank's Trio will agree they are an "up-and-comer" band.

LOU, Lodge 613.

From Comrades' Note Book

CLEVELAND, O.—A crowd, small in attendance, which, however, increased in number as the meeting progressed, were on hand for our March meeting.

Another note on the handle of success was chalked up. Results reported by the Secretary indicated that the 13th Anniversary dance went over. As Sis. Spik brought out, "cooperation of the many individuals involved again demonstrated a winner."

A welcome sight were the many faces we had not seen in many a year. Family threesomes were in evidence, namely, the Tomsic sisters and the Spik sisters. We hope Julia will continue to show up now and then.

The music was everything desired, the crowd happy and lucky, leaving not much to be asked for.

Bowling. That is all that is heard of late. With the A. B. C. and the numerous other tournaments being held in Cleveland at present and in the near future, the fever is spreading. The Comrade boys and girls are busy lining up as many teams as possible for the NSPJ tournament. As far as inducement the lodge is going to contribute \$1.00 towards the expense of every team that is entered.

With the coming campaign for members it behoves all of us to get actively engaged and increase our number. Bro. Yartz commented at the meeting on the necessity of action.

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REPORTER.

LODGE 345 WILL HOLD 2 AFFAIRS, APRIL AND JUNE**Union Miners Ask New Wage Scale and 6-Hour Day**

SOUTH FORK, PA.—Ah! Now 'tis spring and things are beginning to bud in these old hills. The grass is getting greener and the trees will soon be a beautiful sight again. Then, too, the boys are getting ambitious. We have planned our opening dance for April 22. This dance will be for the benefit of Lodge 345's mushball team. Music will be by the popular gang who play on station WHJB in Greensburg every Saturday. They are known as Frank's Trio. These boys are very talented musicians and play both popular pieces and polkas. Hope to see all our friends at our spring coming-out dance.

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Chatter of the Valley:—Recently interviewed those Bergant Sisters and found that they are really hard working lassies besides being talented musicians (which I understand is the result and teaching of "Papa" Bergant and their fine mother who hold them together). Very fine hostesses those girls are, too. I understand there is to be a "purge" against this scribbler by our lodge lassies, who think they are being neglected. Gosh, I'll have to keep my chin well guarded. They did turn out very well for our last meeting.

Leat I forget I must mention that the committee is hard at work planning for our 29th birthday. This affair will be held June 17 (and will probably last a couple days).

The committee promises something new and different and something doing all day long. Music in the evening will be by the "Quintuplets of Rhythm," but more about this is a later edition. Reservations are already coming in from very distant points.

Our meetings are very well attended of late by both lads and lassies and everyone is very much interested, too, but I'm a bit disappointed with my publicity aides. It seems they are a bit sluggish of late but spring, ah spring! in all its enchantment is sure to pep them up.

Gosh, the talk for a while has been the "Beer Barrel Polka," but now I see Flood City has come up with some "Beer Barons." I see by the Prospective that our lodge led all others in our federation in the last juvenile campaign. Here's hoping this new campaign will swell our ranks more and more.

GEORGE RESICK, 345.

Important Dates

LIBRARY, PA.—Important dates and events to keep in mind:

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Juvenile Circles**Circle No. 2 Meets Twice Monthly**

CLEVELAND, O.—Our circle meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month, and also on the third Friday. Our meetings are interesting.

I wish to announce that we started to sew already. If you did not come to the last meeting, be sure to come to the next one which will be held April 6 at the usual meeting place and time. You can get your sewing then. We are having a lot of fun sewing, and the boys are going to work with wood. They will also do some art work.

Mothers, will you please send your children to our meetings. If they are not members yet, please have them join our circle where they can learn to do some sewing.

MARIAN TRATNIK, President, Circle No. 2—Lodge 137.

Circle No. 11 Meets April 2

GIRARD, KANS.—Circle No. 11, "Jolly Kansans," meet the first Sunday of each month. Our next meeting, as announced in last week's organ, will be held this Sunday, April 2, at the Franklin Community hall in Franklin at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

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OLGA KNAPICH, Secretary.

Strabane "Juvenile Stars"

STRABANE, PA.—We hope our Juvenile members are aware of the coming meeting which will be held on April 4. We know this meeting will be very interesting and enjoyable.

We have 950 feet of comedy films to be shown at this meeting.

We know you will be waiting to see Popeye in "Lots of Baloney" and in "The Champ." You will be sorry if you miss these.

Many matters of importance to all of our members will be discussed.

In reading all the Juvenile Circle News, we have noticed how rapidly the various Circles are growing. We would enjoy hearing from any of the Circles and we promise to answer any letters that we receive. We would like to know what the other Circles are doing in the way of business and social affairs.

JOHN TROH, JOHN ZIGMAN and JOHN KOKLIK were elected advisers by Lodge 137 for the Juvenile Circle.

Stars' Dust. As we promised last week, here is the first in the series of sketches of our Juvenile Circle advisers. Long a familiar figure in SNPJ affairs is Frances Podboy, one of our advisers. Frances was the first secretary of Lodge 589 and at the present time is secretary of the Pioneers. She enjoys dancing the polka and she bowls in the girls' bowling league. Her ambition is to travel all points of United States. Her favorite hobby is photography. She enjoys being an adviser of our Circle.

MILDRED CHESNICK.

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE:

MARY KUMER.

JOHN RAK, 712.

S.N.P.J. Sports

MIDWEST ATHLETIC NEWS

CHICAGO.—All lodges that are members of the league should cooperate with the League Secretary for their own and their lodge's benefit. Baseball season will open soon. In order to make an early start, the lodges should send their first choice for dates on which they would like to have the visiting teams to play with them on their home grounds. Also, send your 1939 dues. Bro. Gorence is working hard to have a team from Lodge 8 of So. Chicago. We wish him luck.

The standing of the Midwest League lodges in the 1938 juvenile campaign: Lodge 631 .49 new juv., 379.75 points. Lodge 564 .58 " 247.66 " Lodge 559 .30 " 65.70 " Lodge 568 .10 " 62.10 " Lodge 686 .3 " 32.94 " Lodge 573 .3 " 26.40 "

Total 153 "

The standing is based on the membership as of Jan., 1938.

MICHAEL FEISCHHACKER.

CLEVELAND SNPJ ATHLETIC FESTIVAL

CLEVELAND.—They're off! The striking spectacle of pins falling to the tune of crashing mineralites and whirring newsreel cameras sent the longest tournament in the 39 year history of the American Bowling Congress off to a flying start last week here in Cleveland. The 58-day-and-night pageant of pins will be covered by 4,145 teams from 36 states and Canada. There is virtually a forest of shiny maples—42,000 gleaming ten-pins—waiting to be battered down. On this particular occasion the battle cry is "Don't spare the maples, strike 'em down."

That's that for the biggest tournament ever staged, so now let's venture forth to our own Annual SNPJ Bowling Tournament, which is being staged here in our good ol' Cleveland May 6 and 7. It's practically a certainty that the Cleveland 5 men teams are endeavoring to bowl their games on Friday evening, May 5. A splendid idea, I say, and in this manner allow the out-of-town teams the preference of time according to the schedule. Furthermore, the more workers we have available the more cooperation and spirit we will have to enable us to put this spectacle over with a bang.

Hurry, hurry, hurry and obtain your entry blanks from your secretary. Fill in the blanks properly and be sure to mail them, plus the entry fee before the deadline. May I remind all team captains and secretaries that all individual bowlers are required to wear the SNPJ emblem on their bowling shirts. The emblem in question can be obtained by writing the Supreme Office. So with a thousand dollars (yes, I said a thousand dollars) for prize money there's no reason why you shouldn't have the incentive of entering.

EDWARD A. SEITZ, 614.

IN DEFENSE

UNIVERSAL, PA.—Three weeks ago there appeared a supplement to the regular issue of Prosveska containing the minutes of the last Supreme Board meeting, and in these minutes is a section in English devoted to a report of a special committee to investigate an athletic controversy. The report, I feel is incomplete, and misleading to those not well informed of the situation.

It is unfortunate that this controversy has reached the point it has, because it has reflected very unfavorably on a branch of our activities that may well help to build a bigger and stronger SNPJ. I have tried to keep harmony between the aggrieved parties and the Society, and I have refrained from commenting too much upon it because the matter could have been settled as a minor issue with the proper understanding of all concerned. But since the report is now a part of the Supreme Board minutes and I am directly involved, there is no other way open to defend my position.

The "investigating committee" reports that the district representative on the national athletic board permitted the Pioneer Lodge 589 to use an ineligible player in a play-off game for the sectional championship against the Triglav Lodge 82.

That is an amazing statement. Not only is it untrue but just about unpardonable. In lengthy letters, of which I hold copies, to both these lodges prior to the play-off game, I made it clear that every player must be an SNPJ member and further, as I understood the ruling, that the 60-day eligibility ruling applied only to the final championship games at the SNPJ DAY in Detroit.

The arrival of the Triglav Lodge 82 in Detroit was a complete surprise to me. They came as the result of a letter from Bro. Vider, at the request of Bro. Vidrich of Johnstown, in which the membership status of certain members of Lodge 589 was given and which contained the information that a player by name of Steve Curtis of Lodge 589 would become member effective Sept. 1, 1938. The play-off game was played on August 28, one week before Labor day. From the above information it is obvious that the Triglav Lodge considered player Steve Curtis as ineligible and went to Detroit to contest Lodge 589's representation.

Lodge 589 went to Detroit because I recognized them as the rightful representative. It was not yet the policy of the Athletic Board to certify all the players of all teams at the Supreme Office. We merely made rules by which the teams were to abide and be guided. Even so, to anyone familiar with the Penna. situation, with two leagues totaling ten teams and three independent teams desiring a chance to compete for the sectional championship, certification was impossible in 1938. In the case of the Conemaugh Valley League, the first notice I received of their definite organization and schedule, set-up was in a letter from Bro. George Resick dated June 27, only a little more than two months before Labor day. However, I feel very confident that Lodge 589 would not knowingly use an ineligible player. They assumed that because Bro. Steve Curtis had already been examined by the doctor and accepted by their local lodge prior to the play-off game, he was already an SNPJ member and therefore eligible.

From the above it is quite conclusive that every party involved can justify their action. Perhaps the fault lies in the fact that athletics in our Society is a somewhat new venture, and there has not yet been sufficient experience to set up rules definite and broad enough to close all the loopholes and preclude any possibility of misinterpretation.

But there is a little more to be said—which is also very important.

First, most of the ill-feelings, time,

and work could have been prevented if the Executive Committee handled the case differently. At no time was I asked for a report of the incident, and for this negligence they deserve criticism. They remained unwisely adamant in their stand to withhold compensation to both teams without having the necessary information, thus prolonging the case and thereby creating more bitterness. Time and again I had hoped to send them a report but decided to await their request. I did, however, submit a report last November to Bro. Frank Groser, Sec'y of the Athletic Board. Could it be that our Executive Committee is just naturally hostile to athletics in our Society and played the game called "passing the buck," when it realized that most of the membership and Supreme Board did not entirely agree with it?

And another thing. Our "investigating committee" could well stand some lessons from J. Edgar Hoover when it makes statements about which it does not have complete information. I do not know whether the intent is the same as is reported, but in any case the report is sadly in error and should have been more carefully prepared.

In the interest of peace, I intend this to be my last comment on the matter. Athletics is an integral part of our lives and it can be made an integral part of our lodge activities to further the best ideals and progress of our organization. But it must be given a fair trial.

FRANK OBLUCK, Lodge 584.

(Editor's Note: Omitted part next week.)

Badgerland News

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—On April 22, the Milwaukee juvenile circle will hold a dance at Sostarsich's hall. Proceeds will go towards buying equipment for athletics this summer.

Our annual spring dance will be held at the Lower S. S. Turn hall, April 29.

On the following day, April 30, singing society NAPREJ will sponsor a singing festival. All those enjoying good Slovene singing are urged to attend the concert. Many local singing groups will participate in the festival.

And don't forget the JOLLY AL-LIS' May 13 dance. Let's see the Badgers well represented.

The Badger picnic will be held at Sagadin's Grove on July 16, and the Federation will hold their picnic on July 30.

The winner of the bowling ball and bag given at our tournament was C. Heiman, 2707 So. Quincy, Milwaukee.

We were very sorry to hear of the accident of our So. Chicago friends on their way home from Milwaukee. We hope that Angeline and Dorothy have fully recovered and are their same old selves again.

FRANK OBLUCK, Lodge 584.

LOUIS V. KUMER, Lodge 715.

LOYALITE BOWLING

CLEVELAND, OHIO.—O week or so back we had the pleasure of having with us for the week-end three of our well-known Wolverine boosters, "Lefty" Kovach, "Boss" Obed, and Tony Steffler. As always, we had a rip-roaring time. The evening started with a bowling match between the Wolves and Loyalties. Shorty and Chewbie transferred to Wolverines for that evening. After the exciting matches we had Lefty show us moving pictures of our boys. It is my sincere hope that the Wolverine boys had their best St. Patrick's day celebration ever, and welcome back anytime.

Notice to Loyalite Bowlers:—Just a note to keep reminding you that if you want to bowl on a team in the tournament, be present at the meeting April 12—otherwise, you will not be included in a team for which entry fees will be paid.

Dances. With our June 17 Barn Dance a little far ahead to mention, I am left to remind all our members that Strugger Dance tickets can be obtained from our secretary. It's a date, we're going to meet at the SWH on Waterloo. Another dance to boost the dance given by the Young Slovanes on Easter Sunday, April 9, at the Slovene hall on Holmes.

Membership Campaign. I believe that at the climax of this gigantic membership drive the organization will be a bigger and better SNPJ. A suggestion made last week by E. Seitz that the Slovene program on May 7 be an SNPJ program is fine one. With as large a listening audience as has the Slovene program in Cleveland there can be no better way of making the people SNPJ conscious with the bowling tournament on that day also.

Sympathy. It is here I pause to express my deepest and most sincere condolences to Mary Gornik and her family on the loss of her beloved mother, Mrs. Mary Gornik.

First and Last Chances. Gals! Lady has a new Lincoln-Zephyr and Ed Axman is the chauffeur. Lefty K. couldn't understand that mutual understanding between Chewbie and me. So that's why you called me Mrs. Jay Bernick should stay home

again we have Old Country Style Hickory Smoked Sausage, Stomachs, Soft Summer Sausage, Boneless Smoked Butts.....lb. 35c Short Shank Picnics.....lb. 25c 4 to 6 lbs. average.

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VALUATION REPORT OF SLOVENE NATIONAL BENEFIT SOCIETY as of December 31st, 1938

VALUATION EXHIBIT

(Section 23-a Method—Basis other than Accumulation)

ASSETS—Actual and Contingent

(Excluding assets of expense and special funds)

LIABILITIES—Actual and Contingent

(Excluding liabilities of expense and special funds)

*28. Present mid-year value of future net contributions on following forms of certificates:

*29. death only \$

*30. Total

*31. Assets available for payment of death losses determined as follows: Admitted Assets, item 38, page 4 of annual statement (including loans and interest thereon secured by reserves or accumulations actually maintained on the corresponding individual certificates) \$7,000,192.42 less sum of general or expense funds \$38,679.09; sick and accident funds when not valued \$489,452.25, and special funds (include all funds other than general or expense funds not available for payment of benefits) \$175,824.82.

6,296,237.26

*32. Assets—Actual and Contingent—sum of items 36 and 37, above \$6,296,237.26

47. Total

48. Deduct liens and interest thereon, not included in Admitted Assets, and not in excess of required reserves on the corresponding individual certificates valued according to Section 23-a Method—Basis other than Accumulation.

49. Balance, item 47 less item 48, above.

50. Liabilities of mortality or benefit funds determined as follows: Total Liabilities, except reserve, page 5 of annual statement \$182,347.64 less sum of liabilities of general or expense funds, page 5 of annual statement, not in excess of balance in corresponding funds (item 37, above) \$139.06; liabilities of sick and accident funds when not valued, page 5 of annual statement, not in excess of balance in corresponding funds (item 37, above); and liabilities of special funds (funds other than general or expense funds not available for payment of benefits), page 5 of annual statement, not in excess of balance in corresponding funds (item 37, above) \$30,835.14.

51. Liabilities—Actual and Contingent—sum of items 49 and 50, above.

52. Ratio per cent of Assets—Actual and Contingent (item 38) to Liabilities—Actual and Contingent (item 51) Dec. 31, 1938 116.03% Dec. 31, 1937 113.87% Dec. 31, 1936 112.27% Dec. 31, 1935 108.39% Dec. 31, 1934 109.28% Dec. 31, 1933 104.61%

SCHEDULE A

(1) Mortality and Interest Assumptions Used	(2) Form of Certificates	†Is Form Still Issued?	(4) Certificates in force Dec. 31, 1938		(5) Formula Used in Valuation
			No.	Amount	
(a) NFC 4%	N.F.C. 4%	Plan A—Whole Life	No 1937	\$21,682,130.00	Attained Age Method—Level Ne
(b) Am. Exp. 4%	Am. Exp. 4%	Plan B—Whole Life	No 1937	2,082,100.00	Mean Terminal Method—Level Ne
(c) " "	" "	Plan C—20-Yr Pay Life	No 1937	1,013,800.00	" " " "
(d) A. Exp. 3½%	Am. Exp. 3½%	Plan D—Whole Life	Yes 2,164	1,263,650.00	" " " "
(e) " "	" "	Plan E—20 Pay Life	Yes 1,080	656,050.00	" " " "
(f) Total Adult			36,831	26,697,730.00	
(g) Standard Indust. 4%	Standard Indust. 4%	Term to age 16	Yes 14,067	5,794,225.00	Mean Terminal Method—Level Ne
		Cash Settlement at 16	Yes 245	30,935.00	
		Totals	51,143	32,522,890.00	

EXPECTED AND ACTUAL MORTALITY ON GROSS AMOUNT AT RISK

78. Adult Juvenile
†Expected mortality on gross amount at risk. \$294,129.00 \$25,327.00

79. Total death losses incurred during the year determined as follows: Death losses paid during the year including the com- muted value of installment death losses J \$5,285.00 (item 1, page 3 of annual statement), plus such death losses unpaid A15,252.53

December 31, of current year J \$45.00 (line 1, cols. 1-4 incl., page 5 of annual statement), and less such death losses unpaid J 250.00

year), giving actual mortality on gross amount of risk.

80. Ratio per cent of actual (items 79, above) to expected mortality (item 78, above) on gross amount at risk during 1938 84.82% 26.05% 1937 95.86% 28.21% 1936 98.24% 45.75% 1935 87.39% 26.92% 1934 100.51% 50.21%

INTEREST INCOME FROM INVESTMENTS

(Excluding items belonging to general or expense funds)

NOTE. The figures entered in items 81 to 88, inclusive, below should relate to benefit funds only. The general or expense fund figures are to be excluded from these items. For example: The interest, dividends and rents and investment expenses of general or expense funds are to be excluded from items 81 to 88, inclusive, below; and in calculating the percentages shown in items 86, 87 and 88 below, the assets of general or expense funds are to be excluded.

81. Interest, dividends and rents received during the year, per items 12 to 18, inclusive, page 2 of the annual statement (less item 41, page 3, and less \$.... amortization and plus \$.... accrual) \$253,382.17 \$20,249