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Sweet Valentines come from all over — and when a
loved one is far from home, his letter is lovingly wel-
comed by mother and sweetheart.

ON THIS ST. VALENTINE'S DAY

(Feb. 14, 1959)

We're far apart on Valentine's Day
And wish that needn't be,
But friendship's not a thing of miles
Or of geography.
And that is why you may be sure
When Valentine's Day is due
Across the miles between us,
Our loving greetings go to all of you!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY IN FEBRUARY!

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Feb. 19 — Sophie Sorcan, Br. No. 90, Presto, Pa.

Many Happy Returns of the Day!

Midwest Bowling Tournament

March 14-15, 1959 • PLA-MOR Alleys, La Salle, Ill.

Eastern Bowling Tournament

March 1, 1959 • EAST 80th ALLEYS, Cleveland, O.

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THE PRESIDENT'S MONTHLY MESSAGE

Dear Officers and Members:

Time passes very swiftly from us. We are in the second month of the new year and I hope you are planning your work systematically so you may be able to carry it out throughout the year. The seven State Presidents elected at the last Convention are already diligently at work with the cooperation of all branches within their State, to carry out successful State Conventions in their respective states, this year; dates to be announced by state presidents. Branch officers and members are expected to fully cooperate in these affairs.

We have a courageous leadership that is ready to cope with any problem that might confront them, providing they receive the assistance from all members.

May the year 1959 bring to each and everyone of us a better understanding in our everyday problems and may God give us strength to carry on for the betterment of individuals and the groups in which we are interested and for which we feel the responsibility of their progress.

Reports are coming in that the bolwers are just about

ready for the Midwest Bowling Tournament which will be this year in La Salle, Ill., March 14-15. More details will be given by Sports Director, sister Zefran.

As we pass through the month of February each year, we always pause to celebrate the birthdays of two of the greatest Americans that ever lived. We again recall the courage and faith of George Washington and the compassion and tolerance of Abraham Lincoln, qualities needed so much today. Most juniors are joyfully awaiting St. Valentine's Day so they can send out the Valentine.

In closing, I wish to express my sincere appreciation for the splendid cooperation in securing new members during the campaign just closed. Congratulations to everyone who took part. Continue with your splendid work and may your blessings be bountiful. A hearty welcome to the new members and may they love to attend the meetings. My "Thanks" for the numerous cards sent for the Holidays, they mean so much to me.

Happy Valentine's Day to all!

Josephine Livek, President

MIDWEST BOWLING TOURNEY SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 14-15

Chicago, Ill. — Entries for the 23rd Midwest Bowling Tournament which is to be held at Pla-Mor Alleys in La Salle, Ill., on March 14 and 15, 1959, are in the hands of local league directors and secretaries. La Salle has always been very hospitable and the girls are grand hostesses. A good time was had by all last time we were there and I know this year's tourney will be another huge success.

A new event in the tourney this year will be the Grandmother and Granddaughter, Mother and Daughter or Sisters event. You do not have to bowl on the same team to be eligible for the prizes. If you are bowling in

all-events, your highest series are to be added together, including handicap. Trophies will be given for this event. Also, don't forget that the Grandmother's event will be also one of our special events with a trophy.

A chartered bus is being arranged for the Chicago group. Everyone is welcome to join in the trip and even if you do not bowl, may enjoy the fun in La Salle.

Liz Zefran, Secretary
Midwest Bowling Ass'n



Activities

LA SALLE HOSTS TOURNEY

No. 24, La Salle, Ill. — Attention all bowlers! As you all know, the S.W.U. Bowling Tournament will be held in La Salle on Saturday, March 14 and Sunday, March 15. All singles and doubles will be rolled on Saturday and team events on Sunday. Anyone interested in bowling on a team for the tournament only can call me, 6196, so that I can arrange all teams in order, young and old. The tournament will be held at the Pla-Mor Bowling Alleys, 51-3rd St. Hotel reservations are being made at the Kaskaskee on Marquette St. Mrs. Martha Radliff will be in charge of accommodations. We will try to make all our out-of-towners' visit enjoyable. Some lucky person will also be awarded \$100 at the event.

The Mass schedule for St. Roch's Church is 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 a.m. Both Fr. Michael and Fr. Richard will be at your service at St. Roch's. Hope to see many of you in La Salle on March 14-15. God bless all and pray for the sick.

Ann Pelko, Director
Midwest Bowling Ass'n

No. 1, Sheboygan, Wis. — Greetings from Sheboygan! Our monthly meeting was held on the second Sunday afternoon of January and was very well attended. Hope you will keep up that way, gals! Officers were installed for 1959 by Mrs. Marie Pris-

EASTERN BOWLING TOURNEY — MARCH 1

Eastern Bowling Tournament will be held Sun., March 1, 1959, at 2:30 p.m. at East 80th St. Bowling Alleys in Cleveland (Newburgh), Ohio. It will be run on 80% handicap of 200. Entry fee is \$3 per person and \$15 per team. Team event will only be bowled and after bowling a luncheon will be served and prizes awarded.

Two years ago, a tournament was

held in Newburg and everybody enjoyed it very much. The prizes were terrific. It was directed by capable Alice Arko of Br. No. 15. We have decided to run it on the same basis as before.

We are inviting all branches to participate; not only in Ohio but also adjoining states. Teams interested contact either Antonia Tanko, 6313 St. Clair Ave., EN. 1-7336 or Alice Arko, 7816 Union Ave., DI. 1-7544.

Antonia Tanko
State Pres. of Ohio-Mich.

land. Please come a little earlier so you can pay your dues before the meeting.

I have sad report for the New Year that being of the death of sister Frances Krolnik's husband, Max Krolnik and the death of sister Josephine Klancher. Our deepest sympathy.

Mrs. Joseph Barback got a baby girl. Congratulations!

Also wish our sick members Mmes. Josephine Hlade, Nada Urbas, and Mary Brezonik a speedy recovery.

Now gals, get your dress costumes ready for the February meeting. The funnier, the better. There will be several door prizes, so get out the gear! A fine will have to be paid for any member who doesn't take interest in dressing up for the occasion.

Our volunteers for the Chest X-Ray Mobile Unit are the Mmes. Mary Godez, Mary Miskewicz, Marie Prislant and Mary Vertacic.

Mrs. Ursula Marver has been chosen Mother of the Year. Congratulations, Urska!

Well gals, this is your Zarja reporter saying: Come one, come all to our next meeting and see who will be the ?
Mary Vertacic, Treas.

No. 2, Chicago, Ill. — We are happy to see President Mrs. Zeleznikar on the road to recovery but sad to know that our secretary Mary Muller was too sick to come to the January meeting. Hope that all our members will fully recover in the very near future.

We welcomed two new members: Josephine Marie Bogolin in Juvenile Class and Edith M. Koren in Class B. Thank you, grandma Mrs. Zeleznikar for enrolling your granddaughter and to Mrs. Mary Koren for enrolling your daughter. A wonderful example for all to follow!

In December we lost a dear member. Mrs. Anna Velbl, age 54, departed from us on December 27. She was convalescing at St. Ann's hospital and died suddenly. Surviving are husband Christian, son Anton and daughters Mary and Hanna, who are our members. We express our deepest sympathy to the bereaved. May she rest in peace everlasting.

At our January meeting we had lots of fun and same is promised for every meeting this year. The business session starts promptly at 7:30 p.m. and at 8 o'clock the game starts. Don't miss it! We will be looking for you on February 12th at which time we will also celebrate St. Valentine's Day. Do come and make us happy!

Albina Novak, Rec. Sec'y.

No. 14, Euclid, Ohio. — Sometimes I think that the colder the weather the better the attendance at our meetings. We know there is progress in unity and we don't have to talk to empty chairs.

Something new has been added for our Cleveland branches. On July the

In Memory of the Passing of Father Alexander, Feb. 9, 1958!



IT'S already one year since our beloved Spiritual Advisor Very Rev. Alexander Urankar, O.F.M. departed from our midst. He dedicated his 30 years of priesthood for the high ideals that make life beautiful and bring us closer to God. His love for the homeland, his family and friends, young and old, can be found in many of his poems and prose he wrote so well!

All who knew, respected and loved Father Alexander as we did, will forever pay tribute to his memory!

4th this year we will have Zveza Day at St. Joseph's farm. Circle this date on your calendar for a day of fun with your family and friends.

We have chosen Sister Josephine Blatnik to be our Mother of the Year.

Donors to our "good time treasury" were Sisters: Frances Gorse, Mary Pirc, Margaret Mestek, Urska Trtnik and Mary Walters.

Very sick in Euclid Glenville Hospital is Sister Helen Somrak. We wish her a speedy recovery. Convalescing at home after a stay in the hospital is Jennie Yaksetic. Hope to see you at our meetings soon.

Welcome to Sister Margaret Baron who transferred to Branch No. 14 from Br. No. 25. She will now be able to join our friendly group at our monthly meetings.

A very Happy Birthday to all members who will celebrate during the month of February: Frances Cesen, Sylvestra Evatz, Frances Fortuna, Mary Grajzar, Jean Gribbons, Anna Jelenic, Julia Jenko, Mary Jersin, Frances Keber, Mary Knez, Frances Kog, Mary Koren, Josephine Kovac, Anna Lazor, Jennie Longar, Frances Mezgec, Sylvia Milavec, Julia Novak, Frances Pirc, Josephine Poje, Jennie Rasperger, Marian Rolih, Margaret Sadar, Frances Skufca, Marie Son, Caroline Stanonik, Jennie Stefanic, Katherine Tomazin, Anna Turk, Virginia Vance, Julia Vidrich, Anna Zadnik, Agatha Zajc, Frances Plesivic, Mary Zalokar, Eleanor Grdolnik and Lucille Korencic.

Please remember that the dues have been raised this year. All dues are .05 cents more a month. If you paid \$4.80 a year you now pay \$5.40 and if you paid \$7.80 a year you now pay \$8.40. The secretary would appreciate it if you would pay your dues soon.

Pauline Cesar, Secretary

No. 19, Eveleth, Minn.—Reflections on the past year: we lost four members by death and had many on the sick list. We hope the new year will take care of their ills and offer a return to good health to all.

The officers thank all for cooperating in making our Bake Sale so successful; treasury gained in the amount of \$247.

The election of officers which took place at the December meeting resulted in the following: President, Antonia Nemgar, Vice-President, Jennie Vrhovnik; Secretary, Treasurer and Reporter, Mary Lenich; Recording Secretary, Matilda Rebetz (whom we welcomed back after an absence of eight months due to illness); Auditors, Frances Sterle, Katherine Pollak and Annie Skriner. Spiritual Advisor is Fr. Jershe.

Meetings will continue to be held on the second Wednesday every month. It was decided that the branch offer for a Mass in honor of the members on Mother's Day. At the death of a member, our branch offers a \$5 Mass stipend and every ill member is remembered with a get-well card.

Thanks to the hostesses of the December meeting: sisters Polak, Zadkovich, and Vrhovnik, also donors of prizes: sisters Nemgar, Vrhovnik, and Lenich.

Congratulations to sister Kranc and family who welcomed a new grandson.

We happily listen to the radio program which features our Slovenian boys singing under the direction of Mr. William Kuntara, once every month. Good luck to them. Our branch has donated \$5 toward this program and urges all other local groups to support them, too. Best regards!

Mary Lenich, Secretary

No. 20, Joliet, Ill. — We mourn the loss of our first member who passed away this year on Jan. 3rd, Mrs. Anna Agnich from Bluff St. Mrs. Agnich is the mother of Anna Korevec, our long time past officer of the branch. Mrs. Agnich was born in Crnomelj, Bela Krajina, Slovenija, Feb. 20, 1874, from where she emigrated to Joliet many years ago. Her husband also passed away many years ago when the children were all minors. She joined the branch Dec. 16, 1928 (almost from the beginning) recommended by her daughter Anna Korevec. She is also survived by another daughter Betty Theobald, two sons Joseph and William, also by two granddaughters, Mary Theobald being our member and her great granddaughter, besides three other great grandchildren, and many relatives who mourn her. Mrs. Agnich was well known here, and while she was still able she came to our meetings with her pleasant smile. Our members recited the rosary at her bier and attended the funeral. We

express our condolences to the bereaved family, and may she rest in peace.

During the past year we lost ten members. Those who passed away were: Frances Likar, Mary Molek, Mary Zbacnik, Vera Golick, Anna Buchar, Catherine Jontes, Johanna Kosmerl, Agnes Kozuh, Mary Zupancic and Julia Skufca. We all miss these members as there is a vacancy among our ranks which can not be replaced. We all shall remember these members in prayer, and may they rest peacefully in eternity.

At our annual meeting, there were three names chosen, of those members who had their dues paid up for the year of 1958. The chosen members on the last meeting were, Mrs. Helen Pluth, who received \$15.00, Mrs. Josephine Kolenc, \$10.00 and Mrs. Agnes Verblischer. This money was taken from our treasury as a refund for the extra dollar every member pays annually for the expenses of the branch. As you know we do not mail you any tickets to sell during the year, or have any other kind of collection for the benefit of the branch as during the year various expenses occur, still we are not compelled to burden you with collection of prizes and other donations. This one dollar covers everything. But, besides this, you are compelled to pay an extra five cents per month for your monthly dues as passed by the last convention.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Scheidt who have a baby boy. They already have twin boys, who at present are in the third grade in St. Joseph's School. Congratulations to Grandma Mrs. Mary Popek.

Those reported ill are, Mrs. Anna Wardjan, Mrs. T. Kodrich, Mrs. M. Valentich who are convalescing at home. In the hospital we have Mrs. Mary Skroko from Elizabeth St., the mother of member Mrs. Walter Bozich and Mrs. Jennie Krall from N. Hickory St., and Mrs. Anne Kuzma.

We are wishing all our members who are on the sick list a very speedy recovery and an early return among their many friends.

With best wishes to all,

Josephine Erjavec

No. 20, Joliet, Ill. — S.W.U. Bowlers News! — A Christmas buffet style dinner was held recently by the S.W.U. bowlers in the Rival's beautiful club rooms. The main table was spread with a white lace cloth and centered with a miniature flocked Christmas tree. The other tables were covered with white cloths and centered with flocked wreaths.

Members of the bowling league were assisted by Bernice Suski, Chairman, and Theresa Trishner, Co-Chairman.

Our wonderful and special dinner was prepared by our own Josephine Sumic, and oh boy! can that girl

cook! She was also General Chairman.

Our special guests for the evening were Mary Jane Hamrin, the Joliet Bowling League Sec'y. and Mrs. Frank Troph; also officers of Branch No. 20: Mrs. Emma Planinsek, Pres.; Josephine Erjavec, Frances Gaspich, Lill Berge. Bowlers Committee Jo Mlakar, Pres., who is right now vacationing in Florida (lucky, Jo!); Jo Goran, our Sec'y. (who is not in Florida); Edna Grohar, Treasurer (who might go to Florida — who knows?); Mary Rudman, Publicity (who has been promised by her husband, Johnny, to vacation in Florida one of these years before they get too old); and Mary Nahas, Sergeant-at-arms (who I am sure has been in Florida).

Later, Santa Claus was played by that wonderful girl and a 200 average bowler, Lorraine Rothlesberger, who also led the group in singing Christmas Carols. Special prize winners were Mrs. Hamrin and our new 1958 Bowler, Agnes Koerber. A gift exchange was held.

We want to congratulate Ann Papesch on her 225 game last Monday eve. See, Ann, you should have been in the pot! Next time Lorraine goes by with that Golden Pot, don't pass it up because you never know! Our team standings as of now are:

1. Shep's D.X. Serv. Station
2. Northwest Rec. Club
3. Horvath's Bakery
4. Papesch Funeral Home
5. American Slovenian Home
6. West Pines Hotel
7. Kraus Radio & T.V.
8. Merichka's Restaurant

Individual High Games:

Wajchert, Mary, 244; Rothlesberger, Lorraine, 211; Nickleski, Jean, 211; Klainsek, Jen, 211; Gasmovic, Jen, 210; Savol, Ann, 201; Kubinski, Betty, 201.

And all the rest of us are looking for a 200 game!

On behalf of all the officers and myself, we want to wish all our wonderful sponsors and S.W.U. branch and all the members, a blessed 1959.

Mary Rudman, Reporter

No. 23, Ely, Minn. — Dawn Club. — In spite of the cold weather our December dinner meeting was very well attended. It was a very delicious dinner, prepared and served by some of our members. The tables were beautifully decorated in a Christmas motif. Santa visited us all also, with a nice gift for each. Then, the business meeting opened with prayer by the president. We had some discussion on our future meetings. The election of officers took place resulting in as follows: Mrs. Rose Pucel, Pres.; Mrs. Ann Miklaucich, Vice-Pres.; Mrs. Margaret Somrock, Treas.; Mrs. Ann Rowe, Reporter; Mrs. Rose Lobe and Mrs. Stephanie Vranasich, Auditors. Miss Mary Stubler won the door prize.

The lunch committee for January was Mrs. Margie Preshiren, Mrs. Ann Miklaucich, Mrs. Mary Pucel and Mrs. Emma Pucel.

We were happy to have Florence Markovich back with us again after several months of illness. Mrs. Emily Malner is a patient in a local hospital. We wish you all a speedy recovery.

Till the next time, I remain,

Ann Rowe, Reporter

No. 24, La Salle, Ill. — Our 1959 board of officers are the following: President, Mary Krogulski; Vice-President, Justina Anglevar; Secretary, Angela Strukel; Treasurer, Mary Kastigar; Auditors, Justine Anglevar, Anna Jakse and Mary Uranic. Recording Secretary is Mary Krogulski and Fr. Michael Zeleznikar is our Spiritual Advisor.

Our Christmas social followed the December meeting with hostesses Mary Krogulski and Justine Anglevar.

On Dec. 27, 1958 our neighborhood was saddened with the news that Frances Kastigar passed away. She was ailing for a few months and convalescing in the hospital at the time of her death. Surviving are three sons, two daughters, six grandchildren, and many relatives and friends. Our deepest sympathy to the bereaved family. May God reward her with eternal happiness.

Deepest sympathy to our member Agnes Kastigar on the loss of her father Joe Certalic who passed away at the age of 82 years. Also, condolences to the family of Paul Ferrenchak who died suddenly. The bereaved include his wife, Antoinette, our member, three sons, two daughters (our members), three grandchildren and three brothers.

We express our sympathy to Josephine and Jennie Pohar on the loss of their mother Josephine Brekan.

On the sick list are Ann Danczak who underwent a serious operation; Mathilda Switek and Mary Jaklich are also recovering from their illness.

Our meetings are the first Monday of the month and I urge all members to attend and take care of dues payments. Please notice the increase in dues by 5¢ per month. Pay them for months in advance rather than to be in arrears because your secretary is worried whenever you dues are not paid. We never know when death may call, therefore it's for your benefit to be in good standing.

Greetings to all members,

Angela Strukel, Secretary

No. 33, Duluth, Minn. — At the October meeting it was decided that because everyone worked so hard for the huge success of the Minnesota Day Banquet for all Minnesota branches that the members deserved a treat, the treasury to finance the affair. A dinner was suggested to be

held on our regular meeting night November 12th. The younger members insisted that they put on the dinner. We surely are and can be proud of them. The menu was to be a surprise, and it surely was.

Dinner music was furnished by Dick Hossalla. Snapshots were taken by Sister Margaret Radosevich. Everyone was happy. Prizes were awarded to the two old members of our branch, 1st, Mrs. Mary Mrak, now residing in Milwaukee, Wis., and 2nd, oldest Mrs. Mary Spehar, a pioneer of New Duluth who was present.

A full evening of entertainment was enjoyed by all and will long be remembered. The following committee was in charge of this gala affair:

Chairman, Francis Starasich; Co-Chairman, Margaret Radosevich, Kitchen Chairman, Rose Ann Munsell; Assisted by, Winifred Ellena, Mae DelZotto, Ann Puhl, Madeline Abbott, Ida Dineau, Alice Moretto, Francis Blatnik, Helen Budimir, Mathilda Budimir, and Nina Panyan.

Thank you Sisters, this date will be remembered and appreciated.

The annual meeting was held on Dec. 10 with our president, Mrs. Helen Krall presiding. Following the meeting a Christmas party was held along with a gift exchange. The following members were in charge of the party: Mesdames: Frank Krall, Anton Blatnik, George Tomich, Joseph Danko, Mary Popovich, Anna Hren, Mary Jaksha, Mary Trombley, Julia Jacobs, Rose Krizay, Elizabeth Smolnikar, Alice Lubina, Marie Diskin, Marion Laskey, and yours truly,

Ann Podgorsek

No. 43, Milwaukee, Wis. — Our first meeting this year was held on Sunday, Jan. 11th at St. John's Auditorium, where all meetings from now on will be held. New officers were appointed for the coming year. They are: Pres. Josephine Kolar, Vice-Pres. Ceil Groth, Secretary Rose Kraemer, Treasurer Anne Hren, Rec. Sec'y. Rose Howe.

The next meeting will be held on Feb. 8th at 2 p.m. at the same place. On Feb. 15th our branch is going to have a Juvenile and Adult Valentine Party and all members are invited. All juveniles from birth through 12 yrs. of age will receive a gift and goodies, and to other members, coffee and cake. We shall also play popular games. It will be held at St. John's Auditorium, 1028 So. 9th St.

To all the sick members of our branch, we wish them a speedy recovery, and our sympathy goes to the family of Mary Wuky, whose mother passed away just recently.

Any member who is behind in her dues please pay up as soon as possible. Let's start this year right, and with the old Branch No. 43 spirit.

Rose Kraemer, Sec'y.

No. 45, Portland, Ore. — Our last meeting of the year was not fully attended. There should have been more of our members present. Let's see that in the future our members will be present at the meetings. Remember, it takes all of us to make a successful branch. A reminder to all who have not paid their dues to do so because the books must be in order for the new year of 1959.

At this time, we want to thank our officers for a wonderful job done, may God bless you all! Our new officers for 1959 are: President, Mary Roso; Vice-President, Augustina Knez; Secretary, Violet Fazio; Recording Secretary, Olga Mircovich; Treasurer, Rosemary Roso; Sentinel, Mary Golik and Auditors, Ann Carlisle, Florence Lolich and Yustina Misetich. Thanks to all the officers for taking on the responsibility for another year.

Please sisters, we ask that you notify our sick committee as soon as you hear of anyone being sick. We want you to notify Ann Carlisle, CA. 7-5893, Mrs. Satalich, 1901 N.W. 23rd, Mary Roso, AL. 4-3683 and Violet Fazio, AT. 7-0486. Anyone of these ladies will appreciate your cooperation. The meetings will be held on the first Thursday of each month at 2221 N.E. Morgan, time—7:30 p.m.

We want to congratulate all mothers and grandmothers for the year 1959. Thanks to Mrs. Cecilia Pezel for bringing a new member to our branch. Welcome to sister Mildred Quinn — Mrs. Pezel's daughter.

Our members are reminded that the assesment is increased 5¢ so your dues payments will be 45¢ and 70¢ a month for Classes A and B respectively. Many happy returns to all birthday celebrants, and speedy recovery to all our sick members.

Violet Fazio, Sec'y.

No. 50, Cleveland, Ohio. — Our Christmas Party was held Dec. 14, 1958 in the Sodality Room of St. Vitus School. We had a good attendance; but the event was saddened by the death of Joseph Stevens, brother of our President, Frances Seitz and of Carol Traven. We wish to extend to the bereaved family our deepest sympathy. We all went to the funeral home after the meeting to pay our last respects.

The following officers were elected for the coming year: Frances Seitz, Pres.; Antonia Tanko, Vice-Pres. and Recording Sec'y.; Mary Loushin, Secretary; Ann Dekleva, Auditor; and Antoinette Celesnik, Auditor.

Many of our members brought donations to the Sisters of the Poor which Antonia Tanko and myself delivered during the following week. The Sisters were very grateful for the donations because as one said, they hadn't been able to go outdoors the previous week because of the storms, and they were low on food. It did our

hearts good to be able to do something for the homeless poor old folks.

Another Rummage Sale is being planned for the spring; so, ladies save what you don't need and we will pick it up if you can't bring the things yourself. More on this later.

One of our members, Carol Menart, had an operation due to an accident in which she was involved. I hope you are well on the road to recovery, Carol. I don't know if any of our other members are sick; but, if they are please let us know so we can at least send a card of cheer.

The meetings will be held the third Monday of the Month and I am looking forward to a good attendance and a good year.

I am wishing each and everyone of our members and their families a very Happy and Blessed New Year.

Mary Loushin, Sec'y.

No. 52, Hibbing (Kitzville Loc.), Minn. — Dear sisters, the new year has begun. Our meeting took place at the Little Grove, Jan. 7, 1959. It seems that the holidays were just a little bit too much for us, for just a few members attended our meeting. The officers were installed; our secretary and treasurer read off the financial status of the past year. It seems that we are all going to get busy and do a little something for the benefit of the branch. We had a brief discussion on holding a bake sale but nothing definite has been decided upon. So, please think it over and come up with a solution to our little problem at our next meeting which is to be held at the Little Grove, February 4, 1959.

Thank-You cards were read from our sick members. And we wish Sister Florence Techer who was at the Hibbing General Hospital and is now at home and to all our other sick members Godspeed to a rapid recovery. And to Sister Verdala Musech, congratulations upon the arrival of the newly born baby. Get well soon and we hope and pray that we will see you all at our next meeting. President, Sister Josephine led us in prayer at the closing of the meeting.

The social of the evening then took place, at which time Sisters: Josephine Oswald, Rose Choidi and Rose Zidarich served a delicious lunch.

The following were honored with lovely gifts, Sisters: Rose Chiodi, Julla Mancuso, Gertrude Kochevar, Betty Strazishar, Angeline Hrovat, Evanna Prelesnick. Thus bringing a delightful evening to a close.

Gertrude Kochevar, Reporter

No. 54, Warren, Ohio. — In Dec. a few changes were made: The meetings regularly held on the third Thursday of the month, will now be held on the first Thursday of each month. This will go into effect in February.

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Election of officers was held and they are: President, Rose Racher; Vice-President, Mary Ponikvar; Secretary and Treasurer, Mary Waltko; Recording Sec'y., Joanne Ponikvar; Sergeant-at-Arms, Josephine Kasson; Auditors, Anne Simpkins, Elsie Persin and Angela Petrich.

A Christmas party was held following the meeting and "Old St. Nick" was there to pass out goodies.

Mrs. Jennie Shine recently celebrated her 75th birthday and we wish her the best of health and happiness. She is one of our most faithful members.

Speedy recovery to all our shut-in members, especially Mrs. Mary Rubinc, who was recently hospitalized.

Home for the Christmas holidays from Texas were Dr. and Mrs. Frank Strukel, son of Mrs. Agnes Strukel.

From the other officers and myself, we want to wish all of you a happy and prosperous New Year.

Joanne Ponikvar, Rec. Sec'y.

No. 56, Hibbing, Minn. — In November, two new members were initiated, Myrtle Simmons and Ann Marie Bauer.

We had rummage and bake sales, the proceeds going towards our trip to Canada next July. There are about 15 of us members in this project.

We had a very good attendance at our December meeting, it being our Annual Christmas Party night. We all had Christmas corsages made by Ann Selvo. Table decorations carried out the Christmas theme. The kitchen committee had a lovely turkey dinner; it was delicious! The Novel Tone orchestra played Christmas carols and some of the members got up to dance; they just couldn't sit still at all. Santa Claus passed out some goodies; then we exchanged gifts and sang our favorite songs. After the dinner, Pres. Ann Satovich called the meeting to order. Mary Meadows read the roll call and Amelia Domen read the minutes of last meeting which was approved as read. Our treasurer Caroline Kozina didn't feel good so Mary Drobnick read the treasurer's report which was approved as read.

A new member, Margaret McDonald was initiated at this meeting.

To our sick members and shut-ins we wish them all a Happy New Year and best of everything.

Mary Drobnick, Reporter

No. 57, Niles, Ohio. — Well, here we are starting off a New Year again. We hope that our meetings are well attended as they were in the past year with the full cooperation and support of all members.

An enjoyable Christmas party was held on Dec. 9 at the Rice Electric Hall with 30 members present and 15 juveniles. This being a covered dish dinner, we had many different varieties of food and delicious baked goods to eat. To all the ladies, special

OHIO'S FIRST ZVEZA DAY picnic will be held Saturday, July 4th, 1959 in the afternoon at St. Joseph's Grove, Cleveland (Chardon), Ohio. All preparations and plans for the event were outlined and officers elected at the first meeting of the year held at St. Clair Recreation Center on January 8, 1959.

The following Officers will serve: President, A. Tanko, #50; Vice-President, Pauline Stampfel, #25; Secretary, Mary Iskra, #14; Treasurer, Ella Starin, #41; Recording Sec'y., Mary Filipovic, #15; Auditors, Mille Novak, #10; Frances Leskovec, #10; Frances Novak, #15.

Following branches were represented: Nos. 10, 14, 15, 25, 41 and 50. These branches and members are greatly enthused and are going out all the way to make this first Ohio Zveza Day a grand success. A few branches were unable to attend due to bad driving conditions but I hope they will try to be present at the March 12, 1959 meeting at St. Clair Recreation

Center at 8 p.m. as these meetings are of great importance to your branch and your members.

I wish to thank all representatives who have attended these meetings and are cooperating 100% with me. Really, ladies it is a great pleasure working with you.

On this Ohio's Zveza Day a "Zveza Queen" will be appointed. All details on how to become Queen can be heard at your branch meeting in February.

Please attend as the meetings are interesting, educational, relaxing and a nice place to meet old friends and make new ones. **Antonia Tanko**

thanks for preparing such tempting goodies. After our dinner, we held our gift exchange. There sure was a lot of happy faces when they opened their gifts. Santa was there to present each juvenile with a gift. Mary Strah, you did a wonderful job being Santa.

Last but not least our meeting took place. We want to thank Rose Shabla for securing a new member, her daughter-in-law, Helen Shabla into our branch. She was the last member to join our branch for 1958.

Congratulations to Patti (Mollis) Armijo of Cheyenne, Wyoming on the birth of a daughter recently. Patti is the daughter of Frances Mollis and the granddaughter of Mrs. Theresa Racher, all are members of our branch. So, that makes our beloved member, Theresa Racher a great grandmother. Jo Perusek and her husband and daughter Carol spent the holidays with the young Bill Perusek's and family in Kentucky.

See you at the next meeting,

Frances Hribar, Reporter

No. 66, Canon City, Colo. — Our meeting of Dec. 21, 1958 was held at the "Lodgeroom" and began with a Christmas dinner featuring turkey and all the trimmings provided and prepared by the members present. The dinner was held at one o'clock with 22 adults and 6 juvenile members present for the occasion.

Mrs. Lukeman, in behalf of the elder members, expressed their thanks and sentiments to the younger matrons for preparing the bountiful meal. Visiting and the exchange of gifts added much merriment to the affair. Candy canes were given to the juvenile members.

A short business meeting was conducted by President Dorothy Legan. Notices, reports of the secretary and treasurer, were read and accepted.

Mrs. Anna Pachak, District Presi-

dent, informed members by letter that temporary plans for a "Zvezin Dan" were set for the third Sunday in August of 1959 to be held in Pueblo, Colorado. Members were also reminded of the five-cent per month increase in dues to be effective January 1959.

Election of officers was held. All present officers were retained for the coming year. They are: President Dorothy Legan, Vice-President Hannah Adamic, Sec'y. Cecile Adamic, Treasurer Mildred Pierce, Reporter Catherine Scavarda; Auditors: Mildred Adamic, Mary Penny and C. Scavarda.

Best wishes to all the other branches for a very progressive and successful year. May the New Year bring an abundance of good health, happiness, and prosperity, to all the members.

Sharing the enjoyable afternoon were: Mmes. Lukeman, Pierce, Zupan, Chesnick, Lukezik, Zallar, Skerjanec, Sustarcic, Lauriski, Strazicar, Plautz, Lippis, Penny, Scavarda, Sophie Starika, Julia Javernick, Hannah Adamic, Mildred Adamic, Jeanette Adamic, Cecile Adamic, Legan, and the Misses: Linda Yekovich, Eileen Starika, Arlene Legan, Kathleen Javernick, and Joan Javernick.

Catherine Scavarda, Reporter

No. 67, Bessemer, Pa. — We held our last meeting of the year on December 7th at the Croatian Hall. After the usual business portion, we had election of officers. The following ladies were re-elected for the year: President, Mary Snezic; Vice-President, Louise Serjak; Secretary, Frances Samsa; Treasurer, Mary Brodesko. Congratulations to you officers, keep up the good work! Following the meeting we held our annual Christmas party and gift exchange. Each lady brought some lunch and a dollar gift. After everyone was filled with sausage, potica, and all the other

goodies, Mary Sepic taught the ladies to square dance. We really enjoyed ourselves. Some of those ladies could really lift their feet. We hope to continue learning to square dance at future meetings. Please remember our treasurer Mary Brodesko. She is in the New Castle Hospital. Best wishes for a speedy recovery.

Our first meeting of the New Year was held January 4th at the Croatian Hall. After a short business meeting, plans were made to celebrate our 23rd anniversary on February 8th. The ladies decided to go out to eat and have some fun. A bus will be hired to drive the ladies.

We'll see you all at the next meeting.
Clara Simoncic, Reporter

No. 72, Pullman, Ill. — What a nice Christmas party we had at our December meeting! We had a fine crowd. In fact, for a while we thought at the rate the ladies were coming in, that we might have to push out the walls of Mrs. Orazem's apartment. It was good to see so many of our members. The refreshments were delicious — homemade sausage, made by Mrs. Bezlay and Mrs. Orazem; potica, homemade cakes and cookies, and other goodies. A good time was had by all.

We had our election of officers at this meeting, and all the officers were re-elected to their same offices. They are as follows: Mrs. Angela Bezlay, Pres.; Mrs. Mary Klun, Vice-Pres.; Mrs. Jenny Orazem, Treasurer; Mrs. Mary Drescher, Secretary. There were no meetings in January and February. So our first meeting of the New Year will be held on March 18, at 1:30 p.m.

At this time it is with sadness that I have to report the loss of another one of our good members. Mrs. Mary Mlakar passed away very suddenly on December 17th. We extend our sincere sympathies to her bereaved family.

Another sad loss at this Christmastime was the death of Frank Brolich, husband of our member Mrs. Christine Brolich of Grand Haven, Mich., and nephew of our treasurer, Mrs. Orazem. We extend our sympathies to this family, too.

Best wishes for a joyous New Year.
Wilma Zagar

No. 79, Enumclaw, Wash. — Our last meeting was held at the home of our president, Mrs. Mary Mihelich. After the regular business, election of officers took place, most of which remained the same except for a couple of changes: Pres., Mary Mihelich; Vice-Pres., Mary Bratovich; Fin. Secretary, Fannie Ramshak; Rec. Sec'y., Antonia Remitz; Treasurer, Jennie Beaver; Auditors, Rose Lobe, Mary Sader, Ivana Chacata; Sergeant-at-Arms, Frances Hren. Spiritual Advisor is Father Farrelly.

We are happy to announce the ad-

A LOVING TRIBUTE ON THE FIRST ANNIVERSARY



† MARIA LAVRIC DERCAR

*"There's a link death cannot sever,
Love and remembrance last forever!"*

Beloved mother and grandmother Maria Dercar, nee Lavric, passed away a year ago, on February 2, 1958. She was born on July 12, 1875 in Ribnica, Jugoslavia and came to New York over 50 years ago.

Mrs. Dercar had a gentle disposition and a heart filled with love for everyone she knew. She was also a wonderful homemaker and enjoyed knitting and crocheting. The Slovenian pioneers in New York lost a great friend in her passing.

Daughters Iva Ferrari and Frances Graf belong to Br. 84 in New York. The family residence is at 6046 - 68th Rd., Brooklyn 27, N.Y.

May she rest in peace everlasting.
A. N.

dition of two adult members, five juniors and two social members.

Deepest sympathy to the family of Mary Jost of Cumberland who passed away recently after a long illness. She had been a member for many years.

Our next meeting will be held at the home of Mary Barquist on February 8 at 1:30. Many thanks to Mrs. Mihelich for a delicious lunch.

Fannie Ramshak, Sec'y.

No. 92, Crested Butte, Colo. — Our branch met on the second Sunday in November at Frank's Cafe.

Mrs. William Lacy and Josephine Krizmanich were hostesses.

At this meeting we decided to have a banquet and Christmas party at Frank's Cafe treating our husbands.

We also elected officers which are as follows: President, Frances Greenfield; Vice-Pres., Helen Cobai; Secretary, Josephine Somrak; Treasurer, Margaret Malensek; Reporter, Helen Cobai; Auditors, Frances Pogorelz and Ann Malensek; Sergeant-at-Arms, Mary Kapushion.

On December 14 at 6 p.m. the branch members and their husbands

gathered at Frank's Cafe and enjoyed a delicious turkey dinner and all the trimmings.

After we ate, gifts were exchanged and secret pals were disclosed.

The rest of the evening was spent in playing games and visiting. An enjoyable time was had by all, everyone saying we should do this more often.

Frances Greenfield and Ann Malensek were on the committee to set tables, provide entertainment, etc. We thank both ladies and Kate Starlka for a very enjoyable evening.

The grade school gave their annual Christmas play December 18. Santa Claus distributed candy and pop corn balls to the youngsters.

Our regular meeting was held January 4 at 7 p.m. Several members were absent. We chose Josephine Krizmanich as our Mother for the Year 1959. Margaret Malensek and Frances Pogorelz were hostesses at this meeting.

We enjoyed the evening playing canasta and also partook of delicious refreshments.

Mr. and Mrs. Lacy are spending some of the winter in Pueblo.

Mrs. Theresa Krizmanich is in Denver.

Mr. Gregory Stajduhar is spending the rest of the winter in Los Angeles, California with Dr. and Mrs. Marvin Sava and Family.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Spritzer are at Golden.

God bless you all,
Helen Cobai, Reporter

No. 105, Detroit, Mich. — The holidays are over—the new year just begun—and at this opportune time I do want to wish everyone a very happy and most prosperous New Year.

Our Christmas party at Mrs. Kathryn Musick's was well attended. Our hostess was just wonderful, and everything was very "Christmassy" including everything any of us wanted to eat, to drink and to be merry! Thank you, Kathryn, so much from all of us; you couldn't be a nicer hostess!

We had several guests. Among them was Mrs. Ault's daughter who went home with two prizes donated by the hostess. Guests are always welcome at all of our gatherings.

In my last letter I extended our sincere thanks to Mrs. Mary Zimmerman who so graciously entertained us at her home in October. She also went all out to see that we enjoyed ourselves. By the way, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Zimmerman left for Florida early in December. We wish them a very enjoyable winter vacation in that nice warm climate.

Mr. and Mrs. Zimmerman have also become proud and happy grandparents for the first time. Their son and his wife presented them with a darling baby girl. Congratulations to the new parents as well as the grandparents.

See you at the next meeting,
Rose Jamnik, Reporter



Marie Prislant:

OH, TA SVET...

Kot znano, Slovenija pred zadnjo vojno ni mejila na Jadran. Po zadnji vojni je z dostavo znane Cone B in delno Cone A dobila okno na morje. V prejšnjih italijanskih obmorskih mestih kot Piran, Koper, Izola, Portorož, so zdaj naseljeni Slovenci. Povsod pa se še pozna prejšnja italijanska okupacija.

V Portorožu sva se s prijateljico Josephino Schlossar nastanili v hotelu Palace. To so bile moje najlepše počitnice. Neprestano biti na potu ni oddih, temveč napor. Tukaj sva dva tedna uživali krasoto kraja, gorko sonce in osvežujočo morsko vodo.

Iz Portoroža sva se z Josephino Schlossar neko jutro odpeljali v Trst. Z nama so bile tri naše sopotnice, izvrstne družabnice: Gospa Tončka Champa iz Willarda ter gospe Novak in Košir iz Clevelanda.

Trst sem želela videti, ker sem tukaj kot 5-leten otrok s starši živela nekaj časa. Rada bi spet videla cesto, kjer smo stanovali, a „Vie Romagne“ ni več, vsaj jaz je nisem mogla najti. Iz tržaškega pristanišča sta moja roditelja pred 60. leti odšla v daljno Brazilijo za srečo. Nikdar več se nismo videli. V vzgojo me je sprejela stara mamica na Rečici, dokler se starša ne vrmeta — bogata seveda — kar se ni nikdar zgodilo. Mama je umrla eno leto po prihodu v Brazilijo, oče je ostal tam, je zopet oženil in zdaj ga že več let krije tuja zemlja. Oba roditelja sta pokopana v mestu Sao Carlo v Braziliji in jaz — njih edini otrok — jima ne more niti prsti na grobu zrljati...

Trst je lepo mesto. Pozidano je v hrlbe kot na primer Duluth v Minnesoti. Za časa Avstrije je bilo važno pristanišče; pod Italijo le životari.

Zunaj Trsta, tik ob morju, se nahaja grad Miramar, katerega smo si ogledale. Tukaj je moja mama služila kot kuharica. Zdelo se mi je, da sem v njeni bližini, ko sem z vrha stopnic zrla na prekrasni grajski vrt, kjer sem kot otrok hotela utrgati rožni cvet, pa me je mama prišla za roko: „Mičica, ne smeš utrgati...“

Grad Miramar je zgodovinsko znamenit. Avstrijski princ Maksimilijan, poznejši nesrečni mehiški cesar, ki je dal življenje za ambicije avstrijskega dvora, je grad prejel kot poročno darilo. Po njegovi tragični smrti je njegova žena Carlota tu živela več let. Od žalosti za možem se ji je omračil um. Pred nekaj leti je v visoki starosti umrla v Belgiji.

Grad je opremljen kot je bil za časa Maksimilijana. Vsebuje dragocene slike skoro vseh takratnih vladarjev Evrope. Ima krasno pohištvo, znamenito knjižnico ter najlepši razgled na Jadransko morje. Kako mirno, kako nebeško lepo življenje bi tu bilo! A usoda je Maksimilijana pognala v svet in v prerano smrt.

Prišedši nazaj v Ljubljano sva z Josephino Schlossar bili povabljeni na koncert, ki ga je na Bledu priredil slavni Ljubljanski oktet. Pridružila se nama je gospa Ambrose iz Joliet. Kako smo uživale krasno, umetniško petje! Nepozaben večer!

Ljubljanskega mesta ne bom podrobno opisovala, ker smo vse potankosti brali že v drugih potopisih, omenim naj le, da je Ljubljana postala moderna metropola. Šteje 150,000 prebivalcev. Širi se na vse strani. Vljudnost meščanov me je presenetila. Tuje prijazo pozdravljajo kot bi bili stari znanci. Na tramvaju so mi večkrat tudi starejše žene odstopile prostor, otroci pa vselej.

V Ljubljani sem obiskala gospo Milko Šefman, nečakinjo Zvezine gl. blagajničarke Josephine Železnikar. Ga. Šef-



Trst s pristaniščem.

man je bila zelo vesela, ko sem ji poročala o ljubi teti iz Amerike.

Sestala sem se z zastopnicami Zveze ženskih društev za Slovenijo. Prijazno so me informirale o programu in udeleževanju njihove organizacije.

Zveza ženskih društev ima svoj lastni zavod, kjer prirejajo tečaje o praktičnem gospodinjstvu, o negi otrok, o vzgoji mladine in o splošni izobrazbi. Tukaj imajo šivalnice in pralnice s poukom o šivanju in kako uporabljati moderne pralne stroje. V družbi zastopnic Zveze sem si ogledala nova, obširna stanovanjska naselja Ljubljane ter mestno knjižnico.

Pozanimala sem se, kako poslujejo bolnišnice.

Bolnišnice in bolniški zavodi imajo samostojno upravo ter se vzdržujejo največ s Socialno zavarovalnino. Socialno je namreč zavarovan vsak državni uslužbenec in delavec, ki ima v bolezni prosto zdravniško oskrbo. V bolnišnicah se nahaja 75 odstotkov bolnikov, ki so zavarovani; kakih 20 odstotkov je vojakov-invalidov, za katere oskrbo plača država, ostali so privatni bolniki. Za vsakega bolnika, zavarovanega ali privatnega, bolnišnica računa 2,000 dinarjev na dan. (Po uradnem kurzu je dva tisoč dinarjev pet dolarjev.) To vključuje postrežbo, hrano, zdravila, operacije, obveze, Roentgenske slike (X-Rays), vse preiskave, sploh vse, kar je z zdravljenjem v zvezi. Ljubljanska bolnišnica ima 2,030 bolniških postelj, Mari-borska 1.280, Celjska pa 800.

Obiskala sem tudi Otroško bolnišnico v Ljubljani, ki je popolnoma moderen zavod. Ima 280 otroških postelj. Lansko leto je sprejela 3,945 otrok. Zanimalo me je poročilo ravnateljice o kuhinjskem stroju, ki prihrani 5 delavk. Stroj je leta 1954 bolnišnici podarila naša Zveza.

Naj omenim dr. Roberta Neubauerja, šefa klinike za tuberkulozo v Ljubljani in Sežani, ki je izza svojega obiska takoj po vojni znan tudi Ameriškim Slovincem. Dr. Neubauer je član Svetovne zdravstvene organizacije v okviru Združenih narodov. Bil je dve leti na otoku Ceylon, kamor ga je v svrhu proučevanja tamošnjih zdravstvenih razmer poslala omenjena organizacija. O razmerah na otoku je pisal jako zanimivo knjigo CEYLON.

(Dalje prihodnjč.)

POTOVANJE V STARO DOMOVINO

Letos bomo imeli več skupin za potovanje v Slovenijo. Potujete lahko:

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- z *Queen Mary* - 20. maja,
- z *Queen Elizabeth* - 27. maja.

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Potniki, ki bodo potovali z ladjo *Queen Mary*, 20. maja in z letalom 24. maja, bodo istočasno dospeli v Pariz ter se nato skupno odpeljali v Ljubljano. S to skupino bo potovala tudi Zvezina gl. odbornica. Prijavite se za potovanje takoj!

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Rev. Claude Okorn, O.F.M.:

Spomni se, človek...

Pepelnica sredi je. Drug za drugim prihajajo ljudje k pepeljenju. Vsem brez razlike, starim in mladim, bogatim in revnim, velja beseda duhovnikova: Spomni se človek, da si prah in da se boš v prah povrnil. V udobno življenje, ki ga živimo, pa taka čudna beseda. Z Judi bi radi rekli: Pretrda je ta beseda, kdo jo bo poslušal. Ali nekaj nas sili, da jo premislimo.

Adam-grešnik stoji pred Bogom in se opravičuje. Božji sodnik mu nalaga kazen: V potu svojega obraza boš jedel kruh. Zemlja ti bo rodila trnje in osat, dokler se ne povrneš v njo, iz katere si vzet. Na svet je prišla bolečina, obup, smrt. Življenje bi bilo strašno, da ni v ta obup posijal žarek božjega usmiljenja, da ni posmehljivega krohotu pekla bliskoma ustavljal klic od zgoraj: o odrešenju.

Božji Sin je prišel na svet, da zadosti za greh človeka. Pravic božji je zadoščeno, a ljubezni božji ne. Trpeti in zadoščevati mora tudi človek. Bolečina ni odvezeta, a lajša jo milost, zadobljena po Kristusovem trpljenju. Jezusov prilož na svet je posvetil vse človekovo življenje.

Satan, naš stari sovražnik, išče vedno prilike kot pri prvem človeku, da nas onesreči. Prikazuje nam mike tega življenja v najlepših barvah in človek nasede. Ali čimbolj sega srce človekovo po teh mikih, kakor po časti, slavi, se vdaja poželjivosti, visi na denarju, hiši, ljudeh, zatira uboge, nima srca za bližnjega, izzema delavca, tembolj je srce prazno. Razumeli boste zato klic cerkve: Spomni se, človek...

14. marca 1912 je ležal na smrtni postelji eden največjih dvomljivcev v življenje, v posmrtnost, v Boga, Avgust Strindberg. Okrog devetih zvečer je pristopila smrt k njegovi postelji. Njegova hčerka Margareta je stala pri njem. Tedaj bolnik vzame v roke skoraj čisto novo knjigo sv. pisma nove zaveze ter jo da hčerki z besedami: Jaz sem končal z življenjem in napravil sem obračun in to tu — pri tem je pokazal na sv. pismo — draga hčerka, je edino pravilno. To so bile njegove zadnje besede. Nova zaveza, življenje in nauk Kristusov je edino pravilno. Zato nazaj h Kristusu. Zato opomin cerkve: Spomni se, človek.

Dve poti vodita h Kristusu. Ena je pot pokore, ki jo

hodi grešnik, druga pa je pot dobrovoljne odpovedi, ki jo hodi pravični. Obe poti Bog hoče. Sam je pokazal na svojem Sinu, da mu ni nič bolj všeč kot pot bolečine, trpljenja, križa, ki ga človek sprejme radovoljno v zadoščanje za svoje grehe, kakor tudi za grehe drugih. Cerkev nam, ko kaže na zgled Kristusov, posebno za postni čas, to kliče v spomin. Po preroku Joelu nam govori Gospod: Obrnite se k meni z vsem srcem, s postom, jokom in žalovanjem. Obrnite se k Gospodu, svojemu Bogu, ker je dobrotljiv in milostljiv in potrpežljiv in velikega usmiljenja in pripravljen odpustiti hudobijo. Posvetite post, zberite ljudstvo, posvetite srenjo, med vežo in oltarjem naj plakajo duhovniki, služabniki Gospodovi, in naj reko: Prizanesi Gospod, prizanesi svojemu ljudstvu in ne daj ga v sramoto, da nam bi vladali pogan. Ali ne bomo radi sprejeli ta klic božji?

V sv. pismu beremo, da je Bog poslal preroka Jona v mesto Ninive oznanjevat pokoro. Pojdi in oznanjaj pokoro, mu je rekel Gospod, ker sicer bom mesto uničil. Mesto je bilo razsežno za tri dni hoda. Ko je Jona prvi dan začel hoditi v mesto, je klical meščanom: Še štirinajst dni in Bog bo Ninive uničil. Ninivljani so verovali v Boga, so proglasili post in se oblekli v raševino, vsi od velikih do malih. Za oznanjevanje je zvedel tudi kralj. Stopil je s prestola, odložil kraljevska oblačila in se potresel s pepelom v znak pokore. Ukazal je za vse Ninive: niti človek, niti žival, niti vol, niti ovca ne sme jesti in ne piti. Vsi ljudje se morajo obleči v raševino in z vso močjo naj kličejo k Gospodu in vsakdo naj pustí svojo slabo pot in popravi storjene krivice. Kdo more reči, da Gospod ne bo spremenil svojo voljo in odpustil in ne bo spremenil svojo strašno grožnjo in ne poginemo? Gospod je videl njih dela, da so se obrnili od svojih slabih potov in se jih je usmilil in jim ni storil tega, kar je bil rekel, da jim bo. To je storila pokora. To velja tudi za nas.

Danes, ko je toliko svet pretresujočih idej in se v imenu enakosti delajo razlike, se govori o bratstvu, a skoraj vsak poskuša oslepiti svojega brata, se govori o ljubezni, a se seje sovraštvo, se rešuje svet na podlagi človečanskih pravic, ki jih nikjer ni, se dajejo obljube, da se zakrije laž, je dovolj vzroka, da se vrnemo h Kristusu, ki je pot, življenje in resnica sama. Koliko je stvari, ki jih moramo popraviti in se zanje pokoriti. Zato klic cerkve: Spomni se, človek...

V spomin patru Aleksandru!

Dne 9. februarja 1958 je trpko odjeknila v naših srcih novica o smrti Zvezinega duhovnega svetovalca p. Aleksandra Urankarja, O.F.M.

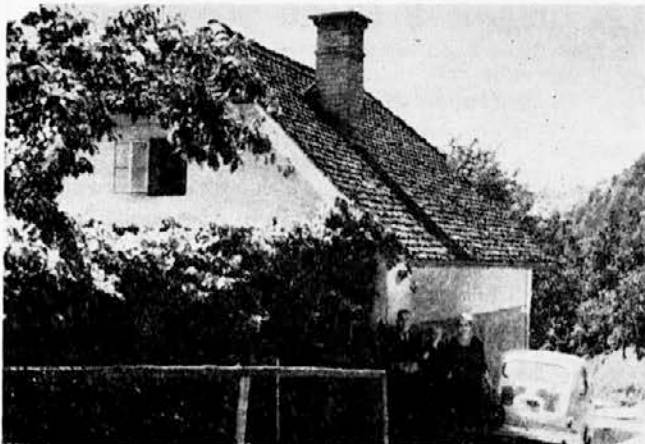
Nekaj mesecev pozneje sem ob priliki obiska Slovenije osebno izrekla sožalje staršem pokojnega p. Aleksandra, katerih dom je že mnogo let v Laškem. Mesto leži blizu Celja in je splošno poznano po svojem zdravilišču. Ob robu mesta stoji na grličku prijazna hišica, sredi brijad in sadnega drevja. Odtod je krasen razgled daleč naokoli. V tej hišici očetovi je tekla zibelka p. Aleksandru, tu prebi-



vata Urankarjev oče Jožef in mati Katarina, ponižna in skromna žena, ki mu je dala prvi pouk in ga usmerjala v svet. Vesela sta bila obiska iz Amerike in zanimanjem sta poslušala novice iz zadnjih dni življenja njenega sina, ki je prerano zapustil to solzno dolino. Koliko spominov ju še veže z njim, posebno iz leta 1954, ob priliki kratkega bivanja p. Aleksandra v rojstnem kraju. „Zdi se mi, da ga še vedno vidim,“ je v pogovoru omenil oče, „kako se spreha po sadovnjaku in kako se zanima za najino življenje.“ Res dragoceni so spomini...

Čas nam je prehitro potekel in srečna sem odhajala iz gostoljubne hiše, kajti spoznala sem starše, ki so nam dali priljubljenega in požrtvovalnega dušnega pastirja, patra Aleksandra.

Albina Novak



Dopisi

Št. 1, Sheboygan, Wis. — Prva seja v tem letu je bila pri naši podružnici dobro obiskana. Vidno je, da članice rajši pridejo na sejo v nedeljo popoldan kot zvečer. Upamo, da bo skozi vso leto udeležba tako lepa.

Na seji je bil ustoličen odbor za leto. Imena odbornic sem že zadnjič navedla, danes dodam le to, da bo poročevalka za angleščino blagajničarka Mary Vertacic, ki dobro piše.

Tajnica je podala finančno poročilo. Primanjkljaj je v blagajni in potruditi se bo treba, da ga odpravimo. Če boste vse sodelovale, se bo to prav lahko zgodilo.

Za Častno mater podružnice za to leto je bila imenovana sestra Uršula Marver, dolgoletna rediteljica in pridna sodelavka pri vseh prireditvah. Čestitamo!

Za delavke v državnem "Mobile X-Ray Unit" so sprejele: Mary Mizkewicz, Mary Vertacic, Mary Godez, Marie Prislund.

Zgubile smo dobro in zvesto članico Josephino Klancher, ki je preminula 4. januarja. Žalujemo soprogu, sinu in hčerki, ki je naša članica, izrekamo srčno sožalje.

Sestri Frances Krolnik in Maxine Krolnik žalujeta za blagim soprogom in očetom, ki je pred kratkim preminul. Obema sestrama, kot ostali družini izrekamo našo globoko sožalje.

Prihodnja seja se vrši 8. februarja, na pustno nedeljo. Ker je ta nedelja zadnja pred postom, je bilo na seji sklenjeno, da bomo imele nekoliko zabave. Vsaka, ki se bo seje udeležila, se naj smešno obleče. Zapisnikarica Anna Modiz bo poklonila darilo tisti, ki bo najbolj smešno oblečena, jaz bom pa darovala "prize" oni, ki bo najbolj pusto napravljena. Članice, ki jih ni volja preobleči se, bodo pa nekaj malega v blagajno prispevale. Tako bomo vse zadovoljne. Vabimo na veliko udeležbo! Let's have a little fun, girls!

Marie Prislund

Št. 2, Chicago, Ill. — Prva letošnja seja je potekla ob lepi udeležbi članic. Veseli nas, da je predsednica, sestra Josephine Zeleznikar toliko okrevala, da je mogla priti na sejo; odsotna radi boleznimi pa je bila tajnica, sestra Mary Muller. Želimo ji hitrega okrevanja.

Nanovo sta pristopili k podružnici dve članici: Josephine Marie Bogolin, katero je vpisala stara mama, sestra Zeleznikar, in sicer v mladinski oddelek; v razred B pa je pristopila Edith M. Koren, katero je vpisala njena mama, sestra Mary Koren. Upamo, da bomo vpisale še nekaj novih pred zaključkom kampanje koncem januarja.

Sestra Petan, ki se nahaja že dalj časa v bolnem stanju, se lepo zahva-

luje za božično darilo. Operacijo je prestala sestra Josephine Zeleznik, iz Clarendon Hills. Bolna je tudi M. Garbais. Bog Vam daj zdravja!

V mesecu decembru 1958 je umrla naša članica Ana Velbl. Zapustila je žalujočega soproga Kristijana, sina Antona in hčeri Mary in Hanna, ki sta tudi naši članici. Sestre smo se udeležile molitve ob krsti pokojne ter jo spremile na zadnji poti. Naj blaga pokojnica v miru počiva; preostalim sorodnikom izrekamo naše sožalje.

Po seji se je vršila igra s pokrivanjem števil, ki je bila vsem navzočim v zabavo. Članicam ponovno sporočam, da se letos pričnejo seje ob pol osmih zvečer (ne ob osmih), to pa zato, ker ob osmih že začnemo z igro. Prihodnja seja bo 12. februarja. Takrat bomo slavile tudi Valentine's Day. Pridite v čimvečjem številu!

S sestrskim pozdravom,

Albina Novak, zapisnikarica

Št. 3, Pueblo, Colo. — Naša Zveza je 19. dec. 1958 dopolnila 32 let. Ob takih obletnicah pišemo, da pogledamo v preteklost, ki je v resnici lepa. Od svojega rojstva naprej je članice izobraževala v naprednem duhu, katerega so modro začrtale naše prve pionirke SŽZ. in je orala uspešno zadnjih 32 let. Naj bi orala še mnogo let!

Mr. in Mrs. Nick Stajduhar sta preteklo leto v novembru obhajala zlato poroko ali 50-letnico. Še na mnogo let, sestra Stajduhar.

Mary Fabian se zahvali za številne obiske in darila ob času njenega bivanja v bolnici. Frances Grebenc je prestala nevarno operacijo, zdravi se povoljno. Toplo se zahvali za vsa dobra dela, katerih je bila deležna ob času boleznimi. Doma se zdravita Mollie Golob in Mary Zupancic. Frances Mikatic se je nezavestna zgrudila v cerkvi. Takoj je bila odpeljana v bolnico, njeno stanje je povoljno. Molimo za bolne sestre.

Vse priznanje zasluži naša nanovo pristopila članica Lucille Jesik. Vpisala je tudi svoje 3 sinčke in hčerkico, včlanjene so pa že več let 3 hčerke (eno jim je Bog vzel v avto-nezgodi). torej vseh skupaj od te družine je 8 članov pri naši podružnici. Mrs. Jesik je bolniška strežnica pri operacijah v bolnici. Dela 5 dni na teden po 8 ur na dan, potem po še svojo družino vzorno opravlja doma. Vsa čast taki materi in gospodinjini! Vsem novopristoplim, katerih imamo lepo število, ključemo: dobrodošli!

Poročam žalostno vest, da je umrla Frances Lesar, stara 83 let. Bila je zelo priljubljena med nami in pred leti je vestno poročala novice v glasilu KSKJ. Gotovo se še vsi spominjamo, kako je opisala ribniško ohect. Kako ganljiv je bil zadnji pozdrav in nagovor, ko so se članice poslovile z belo cvetko, katero so položile na rakev. Ta prizor nam vedno priključ solze v oči. Draga sestra, počivaj v

miru v jamici tih. Umrla je 23. decembra 1958. Sestra Jennie Kočevar, sprejmi moje osebno sožalje, ker sva bili s Tvojo pokojno mammo vedno dobri prijateljici. Naši podružnici bo ostala pokojna Frances Lesar za vedno v lepem spominu.

Zelo žalujemo za izgubami članic v preteklem letu — bilo je 7 smrtnih slučajev.

Dne 21. nov. 1958 sem bila prisotna pri obredih, ko je bila sprejeta za č. sestro sv. Rešnjega Telesa deklica po imenu Perko. Sestrsko ime je dobila Sister Mary Martin. Mimogrede iz kapelice se nam predstavi oče in reče v slovenskem jeziku: „To je bila moja hčerka in jaz sem zdravnik iz Clevelanda, Ohio.“ — Bila sem presenečena, ker nas je tako lepo ogovoril. Jaz stanujem samo pol bloka od tega samostana. Hvala, dr. Perko, za pogovor z Vami. Z menoj je bila navzoča tudi sedaj bolna F. Mikatic.

Najlepša hvala sestri M. Lenich v Evelethu, Minn., za poklon naši podružnici z božičnim voščilom.

Seji v decembru in januarju sta bili povoljno obiskani. So pa sestre, ki jih sploh ne poznam, da so naše članice, posebno mlade. Vzroki so vseh vrst — stara navada, da se ne zanimajo za društvene stvari. Pridite in si privoščite in lep večer na mesec na vsako prvo sredo v mesecu ob 7:30 zvečer. Vse lepo pozdravljam,

Anna Pachak

No. 7, Forest City, Pa. — Prazniki so za nami in novo leto je že postalo mesec dni staro. Zopet smo za eno leto starejši in drugo je vse ponavadi: za nekatere so bili časi veselja, za druge pa žalostni. Koliko nesreč je bilo na cestah in v zraku ter v požarih. Brall smo o velikem požaru v Chicagu in v naši bližini, Scranton, Pa., kjer je teden dni pred Božičem pogorelo 21 trgovskih poslopij ter je bilo za nad milijon dolarjev škode. Kakšne praznike so imeli ti reveži? Svojim otrokom sem povedala: Pri nas smo zgubili pred več leti mladega očeta in pred dvema letoma sina in brata, duhovnika, ki je bil šele 49 let star. Ozrite se okoli, kako drugi trpijo. Mi mislimo, da smo najbolj nesrečni, pa so drugi še bolj in zato bodimo zadovoljni, da ne pride še kaj hujšega.

Naša podružnica je zgubila v preteklem letu več dobrih članic, ki jih zelo pogrešamo, posebno še našo večletno blagajničarko Rose Kotar Owen, katera je nahitro zapustila to solzno dolino. Na oktoberski seji je bila še vesela in zdrava, v torek 16. oktobra se je nekoliko slabo počutila in šla

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počivat. Naslednjega dne je zjutraj še napravila svojemu sinu Lewis zajtrk — in ko je prišla hči Rose pogledat, je bila mati že nezavestna. Hitro je poklicala pomoč in prihiteli so, duhovnik in zdravnik, ter ugotovili smrt. Sestra Rose je bila dobra članica, zvesta blagajničarka in skrbna mati svojim otrokom. Rada je tudi pomagala pri delovanju v korist podružnice. Pokojnica je bila rojena v Št. Lovrencu na Dolenjskem. Tukaj zapušča sinova in hčeri, ki so zelo lepo skrbeli za mater. Mlajša hči Ann in sinček sta prihitela na pogreb iz Nemčije, kjer je njen mož major Schumacher uslužben pri U.S. armadi. Hči Rose Dagavalo in sin Lewis prebivata v Forest City, Lawrence pa v Minnersville, Pa. Vsem preostalim izrekamo naše sožalje. — Našim članicam, ki so umrle v letu 1958, naj bo rahla zemljica in naj v miru pri Bogu počivajo. Me se jih spomnimo pri vsaji seji z molitvijo.

Bolnih je več članic in nanovo je zbolela Mary Janezic, Susquehanna St. Vsem našim bolnim želimo ljubelega zdravja in voljno prenašanje trpljenja.

Decemberska seja je bila dobro obiskana in je bilo prav domače. Lahko je žal tistim, katerih ni bilo. Upam, da pridejo drugič. Izvoljen je bil sledeči odbor za leto 1959: Preds. Anna Kameen, podpreds. Molly Bechy, tajnica in zapisničarka Christine Menart, blag. Josephine Gostisha (novozvoljena); nadzornici: Mary J. Kameen in Margaret Kamin.

V letu 1958 smo izgubile vsled smrti sedem članic. Upam in želim, da bi se članice pozanimale in pridobile nekaj novih, da nadomestimo izgube.

Vsem, starim in mladim, članicam kakor tudi gl. odbornicam želimo veselo in srečno novo leto!

Anna Kameen, preds.

Št. 10, Cleveland (Collinwood), Ohio. — Na decemberski seji je bila udeležba pičla. Res je, da je bilo tisti večer slabo vreme, toda vseeno bi lahko več članic prišlo, ako bi se le malo zanimale za delovanje podružnice. Vsaj tiste naj bi se potrudile in prišle enkrat na leto k seji, katere prebivajo v bližini. Pa kakor se sliši, so pri vseh društvih slične težave. Pred leti ni bilo tako. Seje so bile dobro obiskane in vsaka članica si je štela v čast, ako je bila izvoljena v kakšen urad. Danes pa, kdor je izvoljen v urad, je gotovo, da bo ostal do smrti, ker ga nobeden noče nadomestiti. Pri naši podružnici še nismo volile novi odbor, odložile smo volitve na januarsko sejo, to pa zato, ker je bila naša dolgoletna predsednica M. Urbas odsotna. Nahajala se je pri hčeri Mary v New Yorku, katera je ravnokar zgubila ljubelega so-proga. Vse članice naše podružnice ji izrekamo iskreno sožalje.

Veliko naših članic je bolnih in želimo jim, da bi jim ljubi Bog povrnil zdravje.

V decembru so slavile rojstne dneve

sledeče članice: J. Batich, F. Salmich, M. Matoh in J. Sustarsic. Pogostile so nas z raznimi dobrotami, za pijačo pa sta poskrbeli sestri Salmich in L. Cebular. Še predno smo vse to pospravile, smo bile tako vesele, da smo pozabile na vse krize in težave, ki nas tarejo vsako po svoje. Prepevale smo vsakovrstne zdravice in zraven je še nekdo parkrat zaukal tako lepo, da sem mislila, da je naša pokojna F. Sušel prišla med nas. Ona je bila pravi mojster v tem.

Drage sestre, ljubi Bog naj Vas ohrani še zanaprej mnogo let zdrave in vesele. Sestrskoe pozdrave vsem,

Antonia Repič, poročevalka

Št. 12, Milwaukee, Wis. — Redna seja naše podružnice se bo vršila dne 4. februarja ob običajnem času v cerkveni dvorani. Prosim vse članice, da se zagotovo udeležijo, ker na programu je več važnih zadev. Ob tej priliki lahko plačate asesment zanaprej ali pa ga poravnate, če še dolgujete. Meni ni mogoče več zalagati.

Odbor za leto 1959 je sledeči: Preds. Frances Plesko, podpred. Anne Grahek, tajnica Mary Schimenz, zapisničarka Mary Mesarich; nadzornice Mary Jamnik, Agnes Gornik, Mary Krznarich. Duhovni svetovalec je Rev. Claude Okorn. Seje se vršijo vsako prvo sredo v mesecu v cerkveni dvorani ob 7:30 zvečer.

Članice prosim, da se pozanimajo za nove, da nadomestimo tiste, ki so se za vedno od nas poslovile v preteklem letu.

Bolne so sestre: Mary Jeray, Elizabeth Lončarich, Anna Troger, Mary Gross, Anne Marn, Gertrude Pintar, Conny Dobersek, Madeline Levar, Amalia Sagadin, Fanny Zuzek in Margie Pistotnik.

Veselo in srečno novo leto želimo vsem članicam in hvala za kartice in božična voščila.

Mary Schimenz, tajnica

Št. 12, Milwaukee, Wis. — Veselo je bivati med človeškimi otroci — to so besede Kristusa v sv. pismu, ko je bival med prijaznimi ljudmi v svojem življenju. Ravno tako se sestre počutimo vesele med miroljubnimi članicami na društvenih sejah. To omenjam zato, ker smo se dobro razumele na januarski seji. Bilo je lepo število članic, ki so izvolile odbor po svoji želji, dobro vedoč, da odbor deluje kolikor mogoče v prid celokupni Zvezi in članic podružnice. Hvala za lepo udeležbo, posebno še sestri Helen Presečnik, ki nas je lepo zabavala in obenem tudi podprla društveno blagajno. Ostanite nam zdrave, da se tako lahko udeležujete bodočih sej, ker seje brez številnih članic bi bile kot dan brez sonca.

Mesec februar nas spominja na umrlo bližnjo rojakinjo in vestno članico naše podružnice Louise Jeza, ki nas je zapustila pred letom dni, odkoder ni več vrnitve.

Z ljubeznijo mislimo na Te, ki rada si nas članice imela vse, zato spomin na Te bo ostal med nami do konca dni.

Spavaj mirno, spavaj sladko.

Pozdravljam vse članice SZZ po širni Ameriki in želim najboljši uspeh pri pridobivanju novih članic.

Mary Mesarich, zapisničarka

Št. 14, Euclid, Ohio. — V imenu podružnice želimo članstvu in gl. odbornicam veselo in blagoslova polno novo leto. Naj bi vse podružnice lepo napredovale.

Pri nas zelo dobro napredujemo, to pa največ zato, ker se članice udeležujejo v velikem številu sej. Tudi na januarski seji je bila lepa udeležba, čeprav je bilo mrzlo vreme. Predsednica je bila zelo vesela in nam je obljubila, da se bomo v poletnem času peljali tudi ven v prosto naravo. Poleg tega se nam obeta še dobro kosilo, kar je več kot verjetno, saj imamo izvrstne kuharice. Kadar se Mrs. Čebulj in Mrs. Blatnik česa lotita, je res dobro. Vsaka nekaj reče, pa se vse najboljše speče.

Odbor za letošnje je ostal postarem in tako tudi vse druge stvari, zato ne bom podrobno poročala. Za častno mater je bila izbrana Mrs. Josephine Čebulj, iz Lindberg Ave.

V zadnjem mesecu sta umrli dve naši članici: Mrs. Petrič in Mrs. Zahar. Družini obeh pokojnih se lepo zahvaljujeta za molitve in udeležbo pri pogrebu. V letu 1958 je umrlo devet članic. Molimo zanje! Večna luč naj jim sveti.

Tudi me gremo vsak dan bližje smrti. Pomislimo na to najbolj važno stvar, ki je nelzoglobna. Ko obiskujem bolne članice, mi vedno kaj povedo. Ena prosi, da bi jo Bog čimprej rešil trpljenja; druga si ne želi smrti. Jaz jih tolažim, da Bog ni prišel radi pravičnih na svet, ampak radi grešnikov. Imejmo zaupanje v Njega, saj je rekel: Pridite k Meni vsi, ki se trudite in Jaz vas bom poživil. Torej imejmo zaupanje. To naj bo tolažba našim bolnim članicam.

V „good time“ blagajno so darovale sestre: Pirc, Mestek, Trtnik, Valter in Gorše. Po seji smo imele prigrizek. Štrudel je spekla Mrs. Legat in je bil res prav dober.

Antonija Sustar, poročevalka

Št. 15, Cleveland (Newburg), Ohio. — Seja meseca decembra ni bila tako dobro obiskana, kot bi bilo pričakovati. Skušajte v tem letu malo bolj redno in v večjem številu posečati naše seje. Več nas bo, lažje bomo kaj storile v prid podružnice.

Za leto 1959 je bil izvoljen sledeči odbor: Duhovni vodja Msgr. Oman; preds. Frances Lindič, podpreds. Helen Mirtel, tajnica Frances Novak, blagajničarka Rose Rodic, zapisničarka Mary Filipovič; nadzornice: Verona Škufca, Jennie Zupančič in Angela Stražar; zastopnici za Narodni

dom: Mary Hrovat in Rose Vatovec; zastopnici za ohijske podružnice: Mary Filipovic in Frances Novak; rediteljica Jennie Barle; poročevalka Helen Mirtel. Častne pogrebne ostanejo postarem.

Sklenjeno je bilo, da se zopet prične z klubom rojstnih dni. Katero vesel, lahko pristopi, sili se pa nobene. Vsaka plača nekaj malega v ta sklad in meseca novembra skupno praznujemo rojstne dni naših članic.

Po dolgi in mučni bolezni je preminula sestra Anna Stimec. Bolehala je 15 let. Naj blaga sestra v miru počiva. Preostalim naše sožalje.

V bolnici se ta čas nahaja Mrs. Zupančič, mati naše prejšnje tajnice Helen Krofl, ter Mrs. Emily Vatovec. Iz bolnice pa se je vrnila Mrs. Frances Kastelic, iz Prince Ave., in se zdravi doma. Vsem bolnim članicam želimo hitrega okrevanja. Zdravim pa priporočamo, da obiščejo bolne. Vsaka ve iz lastne skušnje, kako obisk prijateljice razveseli bolno sestro.

Iskrene čestitke slavljencam rojstnih dni v mesecu januarju in februarju. Na svidenje na prihodnji seji.

Helen Mirtel, poročevalka

Št. 16, So. Chicago, Ill. — Januarska seja je bila dobro obiskana. Naša korajžna dekleta so prišla, čeravno je zunaj pritiskal hud mraz.

Vršile so se volitve odbora, in z izjemo zapisničarice, je ostal ves stari odbor. Naša nova zapisničarica je Mrs. Rose Salokar. Ona je bila že pred leti zapisničarica, zato ji je to delo znano.

Razmotrivale smo o naši prireditvi, katera se bo vršila 1. marca. Vsaka naj naredi krog na koledarju okoli 1. marca, da ne bo pozabila. Ker imamo to samo enkrat v letu, zato prosim sodelovanja, ker blagajna je skoro izčrpana.

Mrs. Kralj je zopet postala stara mati. Naše čestitke na obe strani!

Za častno mater podružnice v letu 1959 smo izvolile Mrs. Frances Kralj. Tudi njej čestitke, ker tako rada pride na seje.

Pred kratkim smo naredile presečenje Mrs. Sašek. Ona je namreč odpotovala s hčerko v Takoma Park, Maryland, za čez zimo, in spomladi, je rekla, da se zopet vidimo. Mrs. Sašek je ena izmed tistih, ki nam je podarila mnogo lepih heklanih stvari, da smo jih dale za dobrotke in je prišlo spet nekaj denarja v blagajno, ki ni nikdar polna. Poklonile smo ji majhen spominek in žena je jokala od presenečenja. Rekla je: „Le kdaj Vam bom jaz povrnila?“ — Le dobro se imejte, Mrs. Sašek, in ko pridete spomladi nazaj, Vas bomo vesele zopet videti.

Več članic je bolnih in želimo jim hitrega okrevanja, da bodo zopet lahko prišle na naše seje.

Iskrena hvala Rev. Claude Okornu za poučne verske članke.

Pozdrav celokupnemu članstvu,

Katie

Št. 17, West Allis, Wis. — Pristrčne želje za srečno in zadovoljno nastopno leto celokupnemu članstvu SZZ. Na decemberski seji je bila lepa udeležba in pri volitvah odbora so se članice izjavile za prejšnji odbor, ki je sledeč: Predsednica Ana Kegel, podpreds. Josephine Schlossar, tajnica Marie A. Florjan, blagajničarka Fanny Piwoni, zapisničarica Fanny Medle. Seje se vršijo v novi dvorani, soba št. 3, na 60. cesti vsako tretjo nedeljo v mesecu. — Po seji smo si izmenjale božična darila. Za častno mater v letu 1959 je bila izbrana Mrs. Marija Kosmino. Kakor vam je že znano, se je z novim letom zvišal assessment za pet centov. Članice prosim, da bi se zanimale za delovanje podružnice in se redno udeleževale sej. Pomnite, da je napredek odvisen od vašega sodelovanja. Nadalje smo odločile, da se bomo udeležile Zvezinega dneva v Lemontu. Upam, da bo letos dovolj prijav za poseben bus (kar lani ni bilo). Članice, pomislite, da je naše življenje z dneva v dan krajše.

Komaj smo nastopile novo leto, že smo izgubile članico Thereso Raich. Bog daj njeni duši večni mir; preostalim naše sožalje.

Nanaglomla je umrl John Kastelic, soprog Viktorije Kastelic, ki je naša dolgoletna članica in poštvalno deluje pri podružnici. Izrekamo nji in vsem preostalim naše globoko sožalje. Bog Vas tolaži in Vam daj moč prestatl težko izgubo.

Poročila se je Miss Joan Reible, hčerka Mrs. Josephine Reible in vnučinja Josephine Schlossar. Želimo ji obilo sreče v zakonskem stanu.

Sestrski pozdrav vsem skupaj,

Angela Kastelic, poročevalka

Št. 18, Cleveland, Ohio. — Zadnja seja, 6. januarja, je bila dobro obiskana. Na tej seji so se vršile tudi volitve odbornic. Ostalo je postarem: Predsednica Nettie Strukel, podpreds. Ann Goznik, tajnica in blagajničarka Josephine Grebenc, 1140 E. 67th St., Cleveland 3, Ohio. Tel. EX. 1-5084. Seje se vršijo vsak prvi torek v mesecu v Slov. del. domu na Waterloo Road (basement).

Hvala sestrama Jos. Praust in Alice Kokal za pozdrave in darila. Iskrena hvala tudi Louise Pylick za lep dar v

blagajno! — Bolnima sestrama Ann Goznik in Helen Tibjash želim skorajšnjega zdravja! Pozdrav!

Josephine Grebenc, tajnica

Št. 18, Cleveland, Ohio. — Tem potom izrekam zahvalo vsem članicam podružnice št. 18, kot ostalim prijateljicam, za poslano kartico in voščila k minulim praznikom. Dobro de srečo ob spominu na zvestobo dragih, nepozabnih oseb, in ponovno se budi iskrena želja, zreti v oči blagim dušam tam v oddaljeni Ohio.

V naš Jacksonville se baje ne drzne zima s snegom ovita, a presneto brije včasih okoli oglov, in kot sem že nekoč omenila, prav pogrešani so tukaj „kevdri“ za bolj pogreta tla! Kurimo z oljem in večkrat je le glava vroča — well, pa kaj tožim? Pravijo „da nas Slovencev ne sme vsaka sapica izpodnesti“ in to naj velja, kajne? Za božično sezono so bile v mnogih krajih v najlepšem cvetju visoka (do 6 ft.) grmovja krasnih poinsettias, bele in rdeče barve, vmes vrtnice in krizanteme vseh vrst; res lep pogled teh nasadov! Hčerke iz Ohio pa mi sporočajo o snežnih zametih, da je res kot pravljica usode pojav!

Cerkveni običaji so tudi tukaj isti kot baje povsod ob božični sezoni. Mladine in otročičkov vse polno, in zdí se mi, da današnji svet sploh dopušča vso popolno prostost malčkom. Tudi v cerkvi je čestokrat cel živ-žav, in otroških igrač ž njimi, a baje prevladuje zavest, da otroci morajo biti s starši, ne pa med njih odsotnostjo v kakš „nursing home“, ki so pa tudi za enako svrhu bila že odobrena od različnih duhovnikov, ki služijo v farah. Tako je vedno kot pravi tista naša: „vsaka glava ima svojo pamet“, in mamice so le predobre po širnem svetu v srcih enake!

Pa kam sem zašla? Namen prvotni mi je bil le želeti pravo srečo vsemu članstvu naše Zveze in apelirati na svojo „št. 18“ podružnico, da si ostanete zveste, drage sestre, in se udeležujete redno mesečnih sej. S tem bo ustrezno odboru, in kar je „za ta velik gvišen prav res“, tudi blagajni za obstoj in ugled Slovenkam.

Iskren pozdrav Mrs. Ann Goznik in vesel „Valentine's Day“ vsem posameznim!

Josephine Praust

Veseli rojstni dan, 3. feb., Mrs. Praust!
(Ured.)



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Št. 20, Joliet, Ill. — Poslovalo se je staro leto in z njim razni spomini, nekateri bridki in žalostni, drugi zopet veseli. Vsaka izmed nas je lansko leto doživela nekaj, kar jo bo spominjalo na prejšnje dni. V tem novem letu, ki smo ga nastopile, želim vsem članicam, da bi jih Bog blagoslovil ter jim dal zdravja in sreče, kakor tudi vsem ostalim v njih družinskem krogu.

Lani 18. nov. je ležala na mrtvaškem odru sestra Julia Skufca. Prejšnji mesec sem poročala, da je bolna, toda kmalu potem je umrla v bolnišnici. Ob smrti je bila stara 78 let. Rojena je bila 23. aprila 1880 v Sloveniji. K podružnici je pristopila 1. 1920. priporočena po Katherini Petric. Pokojna je bila zadnja leta večkrat v bolnišnici, dokler ni končno bolezní podlegla. Pred leti smo jo večkrat videli na seji. Bila je vdova in zapuščala pet sinov, in sicer: Joseph, George, Frank, Anthony in Louis, ter dve hčeri: Miss Ann Skufca in (Mary) Mrs. Martin Govednik, ki je naša članica že mnogo let. Zapuščala tudi 11 vnukinj (vnukov) in 13 pravnukov ter brata Franka v starem kraju. Poleg naše podružnice je bila pokojna tudi članica raznih drugih organizacij. Prizadeti družini izrekamo tem potom naše sožalje; pokojnica pa naj v miru počiva. Naše članice so se poslovile od pokojne z molitvijo ob rakvi in jo spemile k večnemu počitku. Stanovala je na 1006 N. Broadway.

Umrli je tudi Mrs. F. J. Krenek, na 102 Williams St. Poleg soproga in hčere zapuščala še sestro, Mrs. Josephine Karl, katera je naša članica ter tri sestre in brata. Njeno deklinško ime je bilo Jaklich. Ob smrti je bila stara 48 let ter je dolgo bolehal. Bila je pokopana iz cerkve St. Raymonds na farno pokopališče sv. Jožefa. Naj v miru počiva. Naše sožalje vsem sorodnikom.

Letos smo izgubile že prvo članico, in sicer Mrs. Anna Agnich, iz Bluff St., mama naše prejšnje odbornice Mrs. Anna Korevec. Mrs. Agnich je bila rojena 20. feb. 1874 v Črnomlju, Bela Krajina, odkoder je prišla v Ameriko pred mnogimi leti. K podružnici je pristopila 1. 1928 (skoraj od začetka) priporočena po hčerki Anna Korevec. Bila je vdova več let. Poleg hčere je naša članica tudi njena vnukinja Mrs. Mary Theobald in pa pravnukinja. Dokler je bila pokojna Anna Agnich še pri zdravju, smo jo videli večkrat na sejah. Bila je prijazna do vsakega. Poleg hčere Anne zapuščala tudi Betty Theobald in sinova Joseph in William. Naše sožalje prizadeti družini in ostalim sorodnikom. Pokojni Mrs. Agnich naj sveti večna luč. Na njeni zadnji poti so jo spemile naše odbornice ter se od nje poslovile.

V letu 1958 smo vsled smrti izgubile deset članic: Frances Likar, Mary Molek, Mary Zbacnik, Vera Golik, Anna Buchar, Catherine Jontes, Johanna Kosmerl, Agnes Kozuh, Mary

Zupancic in Julia Skufca. Vse zelo pogrešamo in to izgubo bomo težko nadomestile. Naj v miru počivajo in ohranjamo jim blag spomin. Spominjamo se jih tudi v svojih molitvah.

Na letni seji so bila dvignjena tri imena naših članic, ki so imele plačan assessment za leto 1958, in te so bile: Helen Pluth, je dobila \$15; Josephine Kolenc, \$10, in Agnes Verbiscar, \$5. Predlansko leto je bilo sklenjeno, da se vzame iz blagajne vsota \$30 ter se jo razdeli med tri srečne članice. Ta denar je iz posebnega sklada v pomoč društveni blagajni za kritje raznih stroškov, za kar prispeva letno vsaka članica po 1 dolar. Zato pa med letom ne prirejamo nobenih zabav in ni članicam treba kupovati tiketov ter darovati dobitke. S tem dolarjem pridejo članice skozi mnogo cenejše, saj je tako dovolj drugih zabav pri fari in nasebini.

Pri družini Marie Scheidt so dobili sinčka. Prej so imeli dva sina (dvojčka) in sedaj imajo po tolikih letih zopet sina. Naše čestitke Mr. in Mrs. Frank Scheidt in stari mami Mrs. Mary Popek.

Bolne so: Mrs. Anna Wardjan, Mrs. T. Kodrich, Mrs. Mary Valentich (na domu), Mrs. Mary Skroko in pa Mrs. Jennie Krall (se nahajata v bolnišnici sv. Jožefa) in Mrs. Anna Kuzma. Bolnim članicam želimo hitrega okrevanja in na svidenje na naših sejah.

Josephine Erjavec

Št. 21, Cleveland (West Park), O.—Zadnja seja je hitro minila. Pohvaliti moram naše odbornice, ki vestno vodijo društveni posel in še posebno tajnica Stella Dancull in blagajničarka Josephine Weiss. Naša ročna blagajna kar dobro napreduje.

Sestram, ki obhajajo svoj rojstni dan ta mesec, želimo obilo božjega blagoslova in zdravja.

Bolan je Mr. Anton Vehar, mož naše sestre Mary Vehar. V bolnici se je nahajal deset tednov in zdaj se zdravi na svojem domu. Dolgo časa je bolan tudi Mr. Frank Lah, mož naše sestre Terese Lah. V daljni Kaliforniji pa se nahaja bolna sestra Mary Struna. Vse bolne priporočam v molitev za skorajšnje okrevanje.

Sporočam žalostno vest, da je umrl John Zalar, sprog naše sestre Ivane Zalar, ki je ena izmed naših bivših predsednic. Za njim žalujejo: žena, sinova in štiri hčere. Vsej družini naše iskreno sožalje. Pokojniku pa večni mir. Tako je na svetu; danes tebi, jutri meni zapejo mrtvaški zvon. Moja mama so mi zmeraj rekli: Molimo, kot da bi jutri umrli.

Voščim vsem skupaj srečno novo leto! In želim, da pridete prav vse na prihodno sejo.

Frances Kavc, poročevalka

Članice podr. št. 25, Cleveland, Ohio želijo Mrs. Otonicar vesel rojstni dan 6. februarja!

V BLAG SPOMIN

Dne 24. oktobra 1958 je za vedno zatisnila svoje oči nepozabna žena in mati



† FRANCES BRANCEL

Pokojna je bila rojena 10. februarja 1887 v Št. Petru na Krasu, odkoder je prišla v Ameriko leta 1910. Zapuščala moža Franka, sinova John in Rudolph ter hčeri Frances, por. Cerar, in Millie, por. Vidmar, in 12 vnukov. V starem kraju pa sestri M. Servula in M. Auctora ter tri polbrate.

Pokojna sestra Frances Brancel je bila ustanovna članica podružnice št. 25, Cleveland, Ohio. Mnogo let se je požrtvovalno udeleževala v društvenem življenju, posebno je bila poznana po svojih oderskih nastopih. Ob času, ko je clevelandska slovenska naselbina pogosto proslavljala razne obletnice, je pokojna rada sodelovala v paradah narodnih noš po St. Clairju. Poznana pa je bila tudi kot vneta pevka ter je v družbi vedno poskrbela za dobro voljo.

Pri podružnici št. 25 je zavzemala razna odborniška mesta in si veliko prizadevala za napredek naše organizacije. Bila je večkrat delegatka na Zvezinih konvencijah ter je bila poznana tudi članicam izven Clevelanda.

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O prijateljica, ko so krizanteme krasile vrtove, si odšla od nas, in to prelepo jesensko cvetje je krasilo Tvojo odprto krsto. Težke bolečine si trpela zadnje tedne, a trpela si Bogu vdano. Vsak, kdor Te je poznal, je vedel, da si vse svoje trpljenje darovala za svojo ljubečo družino. Bog je gotovo sprejel Tvojo daritev in jo po svoji neskončni pravičnosti razdelil Tvojim in za Teboj jokajočim. Počivaj v miru božjem!

Te vrstice Ti posveča v spomin Tvoja prijateljica,

Albina Novak

Št. 26, Pittsburgh, Pa. — To je moj prvi dopis v novem letu in ob tej priliki izrečem željo, da bi bile vse zdrave in vesele, redno prihajale na naše seje in pridobile podružnici veliko novih članic. Ve dobro veste, da stare članice umirajo, zato potrudite se in pridobite nekaj mladih članic.

Decembarska seja je bila precej dobro obiskana. Le tako naprej, drage sestre. Z vašo navzočnostjo in nasveti lahko mnogo koristnega storimo.

Za leto 1959 je bil izvoljen večinoma prejšnji odbor. Nanovo je bila izvoljena nadzornica Anna Ferlan, namesto Kristine Mihelcic, in tajnica Anna Frankovic namesto Mary Coghe. Želim veliko uspeha moji naslednici in sploh celokupnemu odboru. Seje se vršijo vsak tretji tork v mesecu ob 7:30 zvečer v navadnih prostorih. Pravila podružnice so bila brez spremembe sprejeta. Če članica umre, se plača iz društvene blagajne za dve peti sv. maši in vsaka članica prispeva 5 centov v društveno blagajno. To sem napisala, da bo znano vsem članicam, tudi tistim, ki se niso udeležile glavne seje. Po seji smo imele božični party in vse vesele smo si voščile druga drugo lepe božične praznike in srečno novo leto 1959, kar želim tudi vsem članicam Zveze. Hvala članicam, ki so darovale za božični party: Anna Trontel, Jennie Tomsic, Antoinette Stayduhar, Mary Hudak, Mary De Mauro, Frances Zugel in Mary Coghe. Bog vam stotero povrni!

Hvala našim odbornicam za tako lepo in složno sodelovanje v preteklih letih in članicam za vestno prihajanje na mesečne seje. Na glavni seji pa sem pogrešala članice, ki so sicer redno prihajale na seje: Mrs. Magdalena Widina, Mrs. Barbara Gasper in naša Mrs. Katica Plantan. Imenovane so bolj rahlega zdravja in jim želim, da bi se kmalu pozdravile in zopet prišle na naše seje.

Pozdravljam vse gl. odbornice in članice Zveze. **Mary Coghe**

Št. 29, Browndale, Pa. — Lepa hvala članicam podr. št. 7, ki so nam priskočile na pomoč, kar ne bomo pozabile. Tudi me se bomo odzvale ob priložnosti. Imamo pa tudi res dobre prijatelje in trgovce, ki nikdar ne odrečejo pomoči v denarju ali dobrotah.

Vsa čast naši Cilki Kovačič, katera tako lepo uči male deklice slovenskega petja. Ne vem, če imajo še kje tako lepo naučene, kakor pri nas v Forest City, pri cerkvi sv. Jožefa. Čast, komur čast! In tudi fantje so bili zraven. Prav lepo pojeta brata Slavic in še nekaj malih. Naš Father Sotkovski ima 28 ministrantov (altar boys). Kako ganljiva je bila procesija na sv. večer, ko je Father nesel kip Jezuščka in ga položil v jaslice. Na koru je pa zadonela pesem „Sveta noč...“ In zvončki so se oglasili. Bil je res velik užitek za farane. In ves božični čas so se razlegale lepe božične pesmi v naši cerkvi.

Naša sestra Mary Merlak je tako nesrečno padla, da si je zlomila nogo. Njena hčerka Mary Zupancic je prihitela iz Clevelanda, da ji streže. Želimo, da bi kmalu okrevala.

Poročila se je hčerka sestre Mary Markelj. Novoporočencema obilo sreče na skupni življenjski poti.

V soboto, 10. januarja, sta obhajala 45-letnico zakonskega življenja naša sestra Ana Blodnikar in soprog Frank. Vzgojila sta pet sinov in tri hčere, ki so vsi poročeni in lepo katoliško vzgojeni. Lahko sta vesela, da sta dočakala toliko srečnih let v zakonu. Bog ju blagoslovi in jima daj zdravja še mnogo let. Čez pet let bo pa zlata poroka! S pozdravom, **Mary Pristavec**

Št. 32, Euclid, Ohio. — V januarju nismo imele seje radi male udeležbe. Bil je le prijateljski sestanek in sporočila sem pozdrave in voščila od Kristine Filipis in Antoinette Donat iz Kalfornije, ter Ana Petrovic iz Floride. Pristrčna hvala! Tudi me Vam želim vse najboljše, posebno Ane Petrovic, da bi se kmalu pozdravila (poškodovana si je nogo). V bolnici se nahaja tudi Mary Kolman, ki se zdravi za srčno hibo. Bog daj vsem našim članicam ljubega zdravja.

Na tem sestanku so darovali: Angela Barkovic \$1.20 v ročno blagajno; in \$1.00 v blagajno za obhajanje rojstnih dni, kot tudi Mary Praznovski \$1.00. Lepa hvala!

Sedaj še nekoliko razlage radi zavarovalnih polic tistih, katerim so dediči že pomrli. V tem slučaju morajo članice spremeniti ime dediča, če ne so v slučaju smrti sitnosti. Pri tajnici se dobe pole, katere se izpolnijo s podpisano pričo in jih potem tajnica pošlje na Glavni urad, da tudi tam uredi spremembo, nakar pošljejo po tajnici listine nazaj članici.

Še par besed o asesmentu. Članice ste naprošene, da redno plačujete svoj mesečni prispevek. Bolje za naprej kot za nazaj. S tem prihranite tajnici veliko skrbi. Najbolje je tudi, da plačate tajnici osebno, ne pa po drugih osebah. Katera ne more na sejo ali plačati osebno, naj pošlje po pošti potom čeka in priloži plačilno knjižico, katera se ji potrjena potem vrne. Naslov tajnice je: Teresa Popovic, 24631 Glenforest Rd., Euclid, O.

Želim, da bi složno delovale v prid naše podružnice in Zveze in mnogo blagoslova v novem letu.

Frances Perme

Št. 41, Cleveland (Collinwood), O. — Kljub snegu in mrazu je bila udeležba na prvi seji tega leta prav povoljna. Po običajnem ustoličenju sta prevzeli svoje uradne poste novoizvoljeni predsednica Rose Pujzdar in blagajničarka Mary Debevec. Uverjene smo, da bosta prav vestno uradovale. Podani so bili računi za zadnjih šest mesecev, in je kar lep preostanek v blagajni, za kar gre pohvala našim zavednim članicam, katere na vse na-

čine pridno pomagajo v prid blagajne.

Sklenjeno je bilo, da se vse premoženje podružnice prenese in nalaga v North American banko.

Za zaslužno mater podružnice smo izbrale našo marljivo sestro Francko Meše, kateri ob tem času pristrčno čestitamo in ji želimo najboljšega zdravja in dobre volje, da se bo tudi v bodoče zanimala za napredek podružnice in Zveze v splošnem.

Poznana sestra Frances Zakrajšek in soprog Joseph, iz Ridpath Ave., sta se za stalno preselila v sončno Florido in želimo jima tam prijetno bivanje. Njun naslov je: Mr. in Mrs. Joseph Zakrajšek, 5430 Grove St. South, St. Petersburg 5, Florida.

Tudi več drugih naših članic in njih družin se je moralo preseliti radi velenosti v collinwoodski naselbini. Tudi tem želim mnogo zadovoljstva v novih domovih.

Na oddih v Florido za par mesecev sta se podali sestri Katie Plemel in Ana Skolar. Obema želimo lepega razvedrila in zdrav povratek.

V blagajno sta darovali sestri Louise Sever in Cecilia Young. Lepa hvala!

Vesele smo bile sporočila, da je sestra Nellie Pintar sedaj že na potu okrevanja, katerega ji prav od srca želimo v najkrajšem času.

Naša podpredsednica sestra Mary Markel je zopet postala stara mamica krepkemu vnučku, katerega so dobili v družini hčerke. Vsem skupaj iskrene čestitke in najboljšega zdravja.

Za nove članice nismo imele dosti sreče tekom kampanje, imate pa vedno še priliko pripeljati vaše sorodnice in prijateljice na našo lepo žensko organizacijo, kjer bodo z veseljem sprejete. Vpišite tudi svoje malčke, za 100 dolarjev zavarovalnine je prispevek samo 10 centov mesečno. Torej sestre, vsaj malo se potrudimo v tem oziru. Vas sestrsko pozdravljam,

Ella Starin, tajnica

Št. 47, Garfield Hgts., Ohio. — Malo sem pozna z voščili, pa vseeno je še mlado novo leto, v katerem želim vsem članicam zdravja in zadovoljstva. Na naši glavni seji so bile sprejete naslednje spremembe: Za umrlo članico plačamo \$10 za sv. maše, gremo molit rožni venec na predvečer pogreba in se po možnosti udeležimo pogreba. Odobreno je, da bomo imele „kokoško večerjo“ dne 25. aprila v Slov. delavski dvorani na Prince ave. Sklenile smo, da za to prireditev vsaka članica kupi eno vstopnico za \$1.50, skuša pa naj jih še kaj več prodati. Če se bomo vse potrudile, bo tudi prireditev uspešna. Druge določbe so ostale po starem.

V novembru smo sprejele novo članico sestro Pauline Močnik. Hvala sestri Rose Brgoč, ki nam je v kratkem pripeljala dve članici. Obljubila je, da v januarju pripelje še eno. V decembru je sestra J. Konestabo vpi-

sala v mladinski oddelek članico Thereso Marie Konestabo. Hvala sestri! Se priporočam tudi zanaprej, da pripeljete kaj novih.

V preteklem letu smo izgubile dve članici: Frances Zugovic in Frances Filipčić. Slednja je bila pokopana na Vernih duš dan. Pokojni sestri naj v miru počivata v ameriški grudi; duši pa naj uživata večno veselje. Globoko sožalje izrekamo Frank Filipčiću in družini nad izgubo žene in matere.

Sestre, ne pozabite, da je s 1. januarjem asesment v razredu A in razredu B za 5¢ višji, torej razred A 40¢; razred B pa 65¢. Asesment za mladinski oddelek ostane po starem, 10¢ na mesec. Bodite točne s plačevanjem. Meni ni mogoče zakladati, ker nimam dohodka.

Hvala sestri Josephine Gorišek, ki je darovala \$1 v ročno blagajno. Sestra Jennie Gerk nam je poklonila lepo žensko ogrinjalo (šal), ki ga je sama spletla, sestra Anna Kreševič pa prevleke za blazine. Omenjena ročna dela bomo oddale na listke in še kaj se bomo umislile. Listke nam bo preskrbel Fortuna pogrebni zavod, 5316 Fleet Avenue; vstopnice za večerjo pa Maple Hgts. Poultry and Catering Andy Hovevar & Sons. Hvala dobrotnikom! Me pa pojdimo vse na dela za povzdig in napredek podružnice in SŽZ.

Odbor podružnice št. 47 za leto 1959 je sledeč: Duhovni svetovalec Rt. Rev. J.J. Oman; predsednica Terezija Bizjak, podpredsednica Louise Kostelec, tajnica Jennie Pugely, blagajničarka Antonia Dolinar, zapisničarka Helen Tomažič; nadzornice: preds. Anna Kreševič, Rose Brgoc in Antonia Brne. Zastavonošinja Eva Ožbolt. Zastopnice za SND na 80. cesti: Antonia Dolinar in Terezija Bizjak; za SND Maple Hgts., Anna Kreševič.

Članstvo lepo pozdravljam,

Jennie Pugely, tajnica

No. 54, Warren, Ohio. — Staro leto je za nami in ob pričetku novega leta si vsak želi sreče in zdravja. Tudi jaz kot članica podr. št. 54 hočem po petih zopet letih nekaj poročati.

Na glavni seji smo izvolile ves stari odbor, saj so odbornice dobre v vseh ozirih. Mrs. Rose Racher je letos kar dvakrat predsednica; pri naši podružnici in pri SDZ št. 32. Dal Bog, da bi bile vse zdrave in lahko vršile svojo službo.

Nešteto kartic smo prejele pretekli mesec o Božiču od znancev in prijateljev. Izrečene so bile vsemogoče želje. Danes, ko pišem ta dopis, je praznik sv. Treh kraljev. Ti so prinesli Novorojenemu Detetu tri darila. Daj Bog, da bi bili mi revni zemljani deležni vsaj enega: to je milosti božje in ljubelega miru.

Lani 13. decembra sem bila stara 75 let. To so vedeli tudi moji sinovi in njih družine ter so mi pripravili lepo presenečenje. Dobila sem krasen kejk

s številko 75, moja snaha Elsie pa mi je prinesla malo božično drevesce, na katerem je bilo 75 srebrnih dolarjev, rekoč: To je darilo od nas vseh štiri-rih sinov družin. Nekatere se sramujejo povedati pravo starost. Jaz sem pa ponosna na moja leta. Prištevam se k srečnim, ko vidim, kako mi še želijo dolgo življenje. Bog jim povrni v obilni meri.

Pozdrav članicam SŽZ! Ivana Šajn

Št. 55, Girard, Ohio. — Ta mesec ni veliko novic za poročati. In tudi moram reči, da sem zelo vesela, ker ni nobena naših članic bolna. Dal Bog, da bi bilo to leto zdravo in veselo za nas vse. Da bi bile novice, katere bom poročala, samo dobre in vesele.

Na starega leta zvečer in na Novega leta dan sem bila kar doma — tako sva se s mojim možem Johnom zmešala — zato tudi nimam kaj poročati. Bila sva kar sama doma in mi ni žal, ker ta večer je bil eden najlepših, kar sem jih preživela na starega leta dan.

Mr. in Mrs. Joseph Turk sta zopet postala stari oče in stara mati. Rekl so mi, da so pri njih hčerki Veroniki dobili zopet precej velikega fantka. Zelo so ponosni nanj! Krstili ga bodo na ime Joseph. In kadar bo zrastel, so rekli, da bo žandar, kakor je tudi njegov oče Mr. Anthony Mursico. Čestitamo!

Poročila sta se Thomas Kobal in Jennie Parson. Povabljeni smo bili na njih svatbo in je bilo zelo lepo. Srečali smo se tudi z Mr. in Mrs. Lawrence Terček, njih sinom in zaročenko iz Johnstowna, Pa. Ženin Thomas Kobal je njih nečak. Novoporočencema želimo obilo sreče in blagoslova v zakonskem življenju.

S sestrskim pozdravom,

Emma Zore

Št. 64, Kansas City, Kans. — Božični prazniki so hitro minili. V naši cerkvi sv. Družine smo jih obhajali prav lepo; oltarji so bili okinčani z rdečimi poinsetami in jaslice so bile postavljene in vse razsvetljene. Vsa čast

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Na decemberski seji je bil izvoljen ves prejšnji odbor, razen podpredsednice Mary Juratovic, ki se je svojemu uradu odrekla radi rahlega zdravja. Na to mesto je bila izvoljena Anna Peresic, ki je tukaj rojena zavedna Slovenka, tako, da bomo, ako nam Bog da, še naprej složno delovale kot smo dosedaj.

Sklenjeno je bilo, da bomo na tretjo nedeljo v aprilu priredile igro s pokrivanjem številke.

Po seji je več članic praznovalo rojstne dneve in smo se izvrstno zabavale. Članice so prinesle raznih dobrot za pod zob, potic, kejk, kranjskih klobas in še raznih drugih dobrot. Vsem smo zapele „Happy Birthday“. Slavljenke rojstnih dni so bile sledeče članice: Kate Slobodnik (družabna članica), Mary Majerle, Mary Hotujec, Millie Springer, Mary Palcar, Mary Anzicek, Regina Cop, Julia Golkoski, Stefania Malnar, Mary Stojkovic, Antonia Kostelec in Lucy Oresnik, ki se pa radi slabega zdravja ni mogla udeležiti slavlja. Poslala nam pa je dobro vinsko kapljico. Hvala lepa, Cilka, in Bog daj, da bi se kmalu pozdravila in se udeležila zopet naših sej. Isto želimo tudi ostalim našim bolnim sestram.

Na Božični dan je članica Mary Kobe, ki je obenem tudi moja sestra, zopet postala stara mamica, ko so pri družini hčere Mr. in Mrs. E. Smith dobili hčerko. Sedaj imajo dve hčerki in dva sinčka.

Jaz pa sem za Novo leto dobila sporočilo iz San Francisca, Calif., da sem zopet postala grandma, ker so pri sinu dobili hčerko. Sedaj imajo tri deklice in štiri fantke.

Naše čestitke obojlm srečnim staršem, malčkom pa želimo zdravja.

Pozdrav in srečno novo leto celokupnemu članstvu naše dične organizacije,
Antonia Kostelec, preds.

Št. 66, Canon City, Colo. — Na oktoberski seji smo razmotrivale, kako bi pripravile božičnico, da bi bilo bolj prijetno. Sklenjeno je bilo, da vsaka prinese malo darilo za izmenjavo. Sejo smo preložile na 21. december, da je bilo več časa za „puranovo južino“. Naše mlade članice so pripravile vsega dovolj in zelo okusno. Me starejše članice smo pa jedle in se trudile, da smo kar največ pojedle, ha, ha. Po južini smo si izmenjale darila.

Potem smo imele sejo in volitve. Vse je dobro izteklo in izvolile smo ves prejšnji odbor. Tako bomo imele zopet dobre odbornice. Le tako naprej! Seje se vršijo postarem, to je vsak tretji mesec na drugo nedeljo ob 3. uri popoldan v navadnih prostorih.

Božični prazniki so za nami, tukaj je novo leto in želim vsem članicam po Ameriki veliko uspeha pri delu za našo Zvezo. Bog jo živi še mnogo let!

Agnes Lukman, poročevalka

Št. 68, Fairport, Ohio. — Zopet smo prestopili prag novega leta in si med seboj voščili drug drugemu srečno in zdravo leto 1959. Tudi jaz Vam želim, sestre članice, in Vašim družinam, da bi preživele novo leto pri najboljšem zdravju.

Naša glavna seja je bila kar polvoljna. Ker v domu Slov. kluba, kjer smo imele navadno zborovanje, nismo mogle dobiti prostora, ker imajo prednost seveda večje skupine oziroma društva, smo se zbrale na domu tajnice in ker naša podružnica ne šteje veliko članic, nas je bilo prilično kar lepo število. Vse smo si želele, da bi se vsaj enkrat v letu skupaj zbrale, pa vendar jih je nekaj izostalo. Pripricana sem, da ne brez vzroka.

Odbor je z majhno izjemo ostal postarem. Ker je domača blagajna izčrpana in jo je treba podpreti, je sestra Jennie Šatej predlagala (ona je najbolj korajžna), da oddamo na listke dobitek. In je tudi prevzela delo, da bo spleta „Afghan“. Ona je pri kvačkanju res pravi mojster. Torej članice, ko dobite listke, sežite pridno po njih in jih skušajte čimveč oddati.

Po seji smo imele prijateljski pomenek pri kofetku, ki ga vse imamo rade, in pri prigrizku. Naša tajnica je dobra žena in je z vsem zadovoljna. Pa še nekaj smo rekly, da si bomo pozimi krajšale čas s pokrivanjem številk, ali tombolo, kot smo v starem kraju rekly. Prva taka zabava se je vršila 18. jan. popoldne pri sestri Josie Bajc.

Na seji smo pogrešale in ž njo čutile, našo predsednico Mary Modec, katere mož je prav tisti dan ležal na mrtvaškem odru. Rojen je bil v Blokah 1. 1896 in v Ameriko je prišel leta 1924, kjer se je poročil z Mary (dekliško ime Zakrajšek) in živel v Fairportu do svoje smrti. Poleg žene zapuščala še sinova: Frank, ki prebiva s svojo družino v Los Angeles, Calif., in Stanley, ki je še doma. Pokojnik je imel veliko prijateljev, kar je pokazala velika udeležba na pogrebu v kljub mrzlemu vremenu. Izrekamo Ti iskreno sožalje Mary, kakor vsej družini in sorodnikom. Pokojnik naj v miru počiva in uživa zasluženo plačilo pri nebeškem Očetu. — Mary, ne žaluj preveč, saj naša pot gre v isto smer. Vem, da se čutiš osamljeno, pa bodi potolažena, saj naša nebeška Mati nas spremlja skozi vse življenje. Tudi jaz sem šla skozi tako bol, zato Ti lahko rečem, kot pravi pregovor: Čas celi rane.

Sožalje izrekam moji sosedji iz starega kraja Jennie Zalar, ki spada k podr. št. 23, ob izgubi njenega moža. Moje sočutje, Jennie!

Angela Lunka, poročevalka

Finančno poročilo za mesec november 1958 Financial Report for the Month of November, 1958

Podružnica—Branch	A & B Članarina—Assessment	Jun.	Zarja	Misc.	Total	Memb. Number of	Jun.
1, Sheboygan, Wis.	70.65	3.30		.10	74.05	175	33
2, Chicago, Ill.	171.30	17.20	.65		189.15	393	179
3, Pueblo, Colo.	126.20	11.50	.30	.70	138.70	316	118
4, Oregon City, Ore.	6.45				6.45	23	
5, Indianapolis, Ind.	43.65	7.40	.60		51.65	124	79
6, Barberton, Ohio	56.40	2.50	.20		59.10	150	25
7, Forest City, Pa.	63.65	20.10	.60		84.35	154	217
8, Steelton, Pa.	82.50	1.50		.10	84.10	72	5&
9, Detroit, Mich.						42	7*
10, Cleveland, Ohio	154.10	6.30			160.30	389	53
12, Milwaukee, Wis.	99.75	7.50			107.25	269	75
13, San Francisco, Calif.	55.85	.90			56.75	136	9
14, Cleveland, Ohio	134.80	4.10	.30		139.20	324	41
15, Cleveland, Ohio	124.05	5.60			129.65	293	56
16, So. Chicago, Ill.	61.65	4.60	.20	.25	66.70	145	49
17, West Allis, Wis.	47.30	.40	.10		47.80	141	5
18, Cleveland, Ohio	30.20	.80	.25		31.25	84	8
19, Eveleth, Minn.	57.25	7.10			64.35	153	74
20, Joliet, Ill.	177.70	17.40			195.10	506	174
21, Cleveland, Ohio	38.45	5.40			43.85	101	55
22, Bradley, Ill.						27	\$
23, Ely, Minn.	95.95	6.30		.50	102.75	242	63
24, La Salle, Ill.	74.80	9.30			84.10	200	95
25, Cleveland, Ohio	356.35	17.30			373.65	866	173
26, Pittsburgh, Pa.	47.80	1.90	.15		49.85	129	19
27, No. Braddock, Pa.	33.05	.70			33.75	75	7
28, Calumet, Mich.	32.85	.40	2.20		35.45	81	4
29, Broudale, Pa.	16.60	2.50			19.10	43	25
30, Aurora, Ill.						24	1\$
31, Gilbert, Minn.	44.95	3.90	.50		49.35	112	39
32, Euclid, Ohio	54.30	2.80			57.10	128	28
33, Duluth, Minn.	36.35	3.60			39.95	94	36
34, Soudan, Minn.	20.45	.70	.10		21.25	50	7
35, Aurora, Minn.	41.90	5.20	.20		47.30	90	52
37, Greaney, Minn.	14.25	1.20		.20	15.65	39	12
38, Chisholm, Minn.	67.15	.90			68.05	162	9
39, Biwabik, Minn.	14.90	2.20			17.10	45	22
40, Lorain, Ohio	38.45	.40			38.85	101	4
41, Cleveland, Ohio	85.05	4.30			89.35	236	43
42, Maple Hgts., Ohio	17.05				17.05	43	
43, Milwaukee, Wis.	44.00	10.50			54.50	119	106
45, Portland, Ore.	25.60	.80			26.40	66	8
46, St. Louis, Mo.	12.05	.20			12.25	30	2
47, Garfield Hgts., Ohio	41.80	1.20			43.00	113	12
48, Buhl, Minn.	6.05	.40	.10		6.55	14	4
49, Noble, Ohio	18.60	.70	.10		19.40	51	7
50, Cleveland, Ohio						68	8\$
51, Kenmore, Ohio	8.10				8.10	18	
52, Kitzville, Minn.	22.70	.80			23.50	53	8
53, Cleveland, Ohio	17.45	1.20			18.65	42	12
54, Warren, Ohio	34.05	6.70	.30		41.05	88	67
55, Girard, Ohio	32.15	2.30			34.45	80	23
56, Hibbing, Minn.	47.75	1.30			49.05	125	13
57, Niles, Ohio	31.05	2.80			33.85	73	30
59, Burgettstown, Pa.						34	9
61, Braddock, Pa.	89.75	.60			90.35	35	6
62, Conneaut, Ohio	12.50	.10			12.60	30	1
63, Denver, Colo.	48.70	5.70	.40		54.80	113	57
64, Kansas City, Kans.						78	5
65, Virginia, Minn.	30.75	2.90			33.65	76	29
66, Canon City, Colo.	26.50	2.10			28.60	60	22
67, Bessemer, Pa.	42.30	5.10	.30		47.70	93	51
68, Fairport, Ohio	15.20				15.20	32	
70, W. Aliquippa, Pa.	24.00	1.20			25.20	15	3#
71, Strabane, Pa.	49.60	1.90			51.50	122	20
72, Pullman, Ill.	15.20	.50			15.70	39	5
73, Warrensville, Ohio	32.55	2.70			35.25	94	29
74, Ambridge, Pa.	22.55	.60			23.15	49	6
77, N.S. Pittsburgh, Pa.	25.20				25.20	63	30

Št. 93, Brooklyn, N.Y. — Dvajsetletnica podružnice, katero smo praznovali 26. novembra, je potekla v najlepšem redu in v splošno zadovoljstvo. Članice so se lepo izkazale, je udeležba bi bila lahko malo večja. Zavedajmo se, da pripadamo k organizaciji, ki še nosi lepo ime: Slovenska ženska zveza. In to veliko pomeni!

Naše seje so zame v resnici praznik, ko se lahko zopet malo podomače pomenim in razveselim. V 20 letih se je marsikaj spremenilo. Če se ozremo nazaj, moremo ugotoviti, da smo veliko storile: nismo bile sebične, če je bila pomoč potrebna; nismo rok navzkriž držale, najsibo za cerkveno delo ali za Rdeči križ. Enkrat smo celo priredile veselico in ves izkupiček porabile za nakup plenice, katere smo poslale za uboge matere v starem kraju. Še vedno velja pregovor: V skupnosti je moč! Koliko dobrih del je bilo storjenih ravno potom naše organizacije.

Ob tej priliki izrekam zahvalo naši članici Mrs. Šuštaršič, ki me je na prireditvi tako lepo predstavila.

Čestitam naši urednici Corinne Leskovar in soprogu k rojstvu sinčka. Bodite srečni vsi skupaj, kakor tudi stara mama Albina Novak in prastara mama Angela Križman. (Prav lepa hvala. — Ured.)

Bog daj v novem letu 1959 vsem članicam zdravja, podružnicam pa napredka. Pozdravljam članice in glavne odbornice! Helen Corel, preds.

Št. 100, Fontana, Calif. — Dne 21. decembra so naši otroci priredili lepo božično igrice pod vodstvom naše tajnice Florence Strnad. Prireditev se je vršila v KSKJ dvorani. Florence je rojena v Ameriki, pa je vkljub temu naučila otroke slovensko peti: „Sveta noč...“ Ne bi verjela, ako jih ne bi sama slišala. Hvala, Florence, za trud.

Med jolietskimi novicami sem brala vest o smrti Agnes Kozuh. Pokojna mi je bila dobro poznana. Skupaj sva delali leta 1906 v Duncan hotelu. Ko sem jaz prišla v Ameriko, je bila ona že vdova z dvema otrokoma. Leta 1921 sem se preselila iz Joliet v Chicago in od takrat sva se srečali samo še enkrat. Sedaj jo je smrt obiskala v spanju. Bog ji daj večni mir in pokoj. Družini moje globoko sožalje.

Na zadnji seji smo slavile 18. rojstni dan naše zapisničarice Mary Lou Lipovac. Imele smo se prav dobro.

Medtem, ko po drugih državah razsaja huda zima, je pri nas toplo vreme in poinsettias so v najlepšem cvetju. Iz Loraina, Ohio, sta prišla Mr. in Mrs. Joseph Evanich. Tukaj se jima zelo dopade in se bosta za stalno naselila. Naš naslov so dobili v Zarji, ker je Mrs. Evanich članica Zveze. V Fontani je vedno dovolj zabave in imamo dve slovenski dvorani.

Lepo pozdrave pošiljam članicam v Chisholmu, Minn., ter Mrs. Ann Pachak v Pueblo, Colo.

Frances Lukanich

Podružnica—Branch	Članarina—Assessment				Total	Number of Memb.	
	A & B	Jun.	Zarja	Misc.		Jun.	Jun.
78, Leadville, Colo.	14.45	1.20			15.65	32	12
79, Enumclaw, Wash.	14.25	1.60	.60		16.45	35	16
80, Moon Run, Pa.	10.50				10.50	25	
81, Keewatin, Minn.	9.75				9.75	29	
83, Crosby, Minn.	9.55	.70	.50		10.75	23	7
84, New York City, N.Y.						84	8
85, DePue, Ill.	10.90	.50	.10		11.50	29	5
86, Nashwauk, Minn.	6.25		.30		6.55	15	
88, Johnstown, Pa.	31.60	3.20	.30		35.10	72	32
89, Oglesby, Ill.	37.80	5.10	.30		43.20	107	51
90, Presto, Pa.	24.30	1.90	.10		26.30	68	19
91, Oakmont, Pa.	25.20	1.10			26.30	62	12
92, Crested Butte, Colo.	9.75	.20			9.95	20	2
93, Brooklyn, N.Y.	28.60	.60	.50		29.70	76	6
94, Canton, Ohio						23	8\$
95, So. Chicago, Ill.	112.60	8.00			120.60	222	80
96, Universal, Pa.	22.75	.30	.30		23.35	55	3
97, Cairnbrook, Pa.	12.20	1.10			13.30	27	13
99, Elmhurst, Ill.	9.55				9.55	23	
100, Fontana, Calif.	15.55	.90	.80		17.25	38	10
102, Willard, Wis.						9	3\$
104, Johnstown, Pa.	10.30				10.30	28	
105, Detroit, Mich.	6.20	.50			6.70	18	5
106, Meadowlands, Pa.						22	2

Totals — Skupaj \$ 3,892.30 266.40 11.35 1.85 \$4,171.90 9799 2778

*—Assessment paid in September

#—Assessment for Sept. to Dec.

§—Assessment paid in October

&—Assessment for Oct. to Dec.

Income — Dohodki:

Assessment from members — Članarina od članic\$4,171.90
Rental income in November, 1958 — Najemina v nov. 1958 150.00
Interest on bonds — Obresti 152.50

Total — Skupaj\$4,474.40

Disbursements — Stroški:

Funeral Benefit Claims paid for the following deceased members — Smrtnine:

Rosalie Grebenc, Branch 3, Pueblo, Colorado\$150.00
Mary Fritzel, Branch 3, Pueblo, Colorado 100.00
Josephine Stanko, Branch 3, Pueblo, Colorado 100.00
Antonia Rudolph, Branch 7, Forest City, Penna. 100.00
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Mary Zupancic, Branch 20, Joliet, Illinois 100.00
Anna Grasha, Branch 61, Braddock, Penna. 100.00
Mary Matkovich, Branch 65, Virginia, Minnesota 100.00
Frances Filipcic, Branch 47, Garfield Hgts., Ohio 100.00
Frances Kasumic, Branch 41, Cleveland, Ohio 50.00
Mario Capponi, Branch 79, Enumclaw, Washington 100.00
Mary Yugovich, Branch 81, Keewatin, Minnesota 100.00
Benedictine Press, Zarja-The Dawn, November, 1958 751.68
Salaries and administration — Plače gl. odbornic in poslov. stroški 863.08
Home Office rent for Nov., 1958 — Najemina za gl. urad v nov. 1958 ... 50.00
Accrued interest — Dozorele obresti 55.42
Printing, telephone, postage, sundries — Tiskovine, tel., poština, razno 165.25

Total — Skupaj\$3,485.43

Balance, October 31, 1958 — Preostanek 31. okt. 1958\$402,165.89

Income in November, 1958 — Dohodki v nov. 1958 4,474.40

Total — Skupaj\$406,640.29

Disbursements in November, 1958 — Stroški v nov. 1958 ... 3,485.43

Balance, November 30, 1958 — Preostanek 30. nov. 1958\$403,154.86

ALBINA NOVAK, Secretary

POJASNILO UREDNIŠTVA: Zaradi pomanjkanja prostora je moralo izostati mnogo gradiva in dopisi so skrajšani proti naši volji. Oprostite. Ured.

JUNIOR'S PAGE

THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY — ONLY 28 DAYS LONG!



Abraham Lincoln

- Feb. 2 — Ground Hog Day
- Feb. 11 — Ash Wednesday
- Feb. 12 — Birthday of Abraham Lincoln
- Feb. 14 — St. Valentine's Day
- Feb. 22 — Birthday of George Washington

In February, memorable events include the deaths of two U.S. Presidents, John Q. Adams in 1848, the 6th president and Pres. Woodrow Wilson in 1924. He was the 27th President. In 1827 the first U.S. railroad was chartered and in 1878, Edison's first phonograph was patented.



George Washington

In 1857, the first perforated postage stamps were issued and in 1870, the first weather bureau organized by the Signal Corps. In 1910, the Boy Scouts of America were chartered and now we observe Boy Scout Day on Feb. 8th.



JUVENILE DIRECTOR'S NOTES

Dear Juniors,

In February we enjoy St. Valentine's Day by remembering all our friends with all kinds of tokens, expressing our love and admiration for them. Do not forget to remember your mom and dad because they really are your dearest loves. I'm sure they'll be happy to receive any kind of Valentine from you.

Have a nice St. Valentine's and God bless you all!

Christine Menart,
Juvenile Director

Valentine Blizzard

ON the morning before Valentine's day, Nancy awakened to hear the wind howling outside. The air was white with whirling snow. In the next room her father was closing the windows and turning on the heat.

"This is some blizzard," he said, as he came to put down the window in her room and in Dicks. "The snow's drifted two feet about the house. Don't get out of bed until the rooms are warm. You'll not be able to get to school in this blizzard."

"Wake up, Dickey," Nancy called. "It's snowing so hard we can't get to school today. What shall we do about our valentines? Tomorrow is Valentine's Day and today we were to go to town and buy them."

The snow looked as though it never meant to stop, with the wind howling and the icy tree limbs striking together. What could they do? They had been studying the shop windows for a whole week trying to make their choice. There was such an array of valentines from which to choose. Nancy had about decided upon a boy in an airplane for Dick, but she couldn't quite make up her mind which would be the prettiest one for Sally Brown. Of course, father could wade down to the shop and buy some for her, but then she wouldn't have the fun of picking them out for herself. "Dick, what shall we do?" she asked. "Tomorrow's the day."

"We might use the valentines we got last year to give to our very best friends."

"We can't put those in our school box," Nancy said. "They're almost worn out."

"They're better than none," Dick answered.

At breakfast, everybody was talking



about the blizzard, and at first no one noticed how thoughtful Nancy was. It wasn't long until mother noticed something was wrong with Nancy's sunny disposition.

"What's the matter with you, dear?" she asked. "Did some of the clouds from the outside come inside and fall down upon you?"

"No, but I saved my money to buy valentines and now I can't go to the shop for them."

"I'll bring you some," said father.

"But we like to choose our own," said Dickey.

"I used to make them myself when I was a little girl," their mother continued, "and if you'll play in the living room for an hour after breakfast until we've thawed out this frozen house, I'll show you something."

The hour passed slowly, as hours do when you're waiting, but at last their mother called them. "Come along! We'll put on our sweaters, for we're going to the attic."

The attic was the place in the house they liked best. It was full of trunks, and drawers built in under the eaves, and boxes full of things. There were always surprises in the attic. From the window in the gable the snow on the drive outside looked like heaps of piled up cotton.

Their mother led the way to an old trunk and tried to raise the lid. The lock

stuck. Nancy thought she could never wait to see what was in that trunk. Dick pried, and his mother pulled and finally the lid fell back on its hinges.

Mother lifted a large mysterious box out of the trunk.

"What is it? What is it?" they cried. "Come downstairs where it is warmer," she said, "and we'll see."

When she opened the box, they found it was filled with paper lace and little pictures of forget-me-nots and roses. In the bottom of the box were pictures of little girls throwing balls, and boys rolling hoops. It was a treasure box of all the things that go to make valentines.

"Scissors and paste!" sang Nancy as she began to hunt for her scissors. Dick brought the paste. Mother brought some red cardboard. She set up the sewing table, and they began to make valentines.

Mother was sitting on the bed like a little girl herself with her feet tucked under her, and having as much fun as anybody.

She remembered a florist catalogue up on a closet shelf, and when she brought that, they did have a good time. They even cut out the vegetables and made funny verses for them. They made a little boy fishing for red hearts in a river, and a little girl baking hearts in an oven.

They worked all morning and had more fun making the valentines than they could have had buying them.

Outside the snow was coming down more and more softly. When the flakes grew so small they could hardly be seen at all, men came with shovels and began to clear the sidewalks.

"If it hadn't been for this jolly old blizzard, we should never have had so much fun," said Dick.

"It was a good friend and you didn't realize it, did you?" Mother said.

"Goodbye, jolly old blizzard," Dick called, waving his hand to the sparkling snow outside. "Come as often as you want to if you'll bring us this kind of fun."

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