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Slovenski narodni kongres je uspel!

Cez 500 delegatov vseh mogočih mnenj in mišljenj se je zedinilo za kooperacijo in demokracijo. Kongres je sprejel tucat resolucij in postavil temelj skupni stalni organizaciji Amerikemu slovenskemu svetu, ki sestoji iz 65 članov poleg eksekutive, katera ima enajst članov

Prvi Slovenski narodni kongres v Clevelandu, ki je trajal 5. in 6. decembra, se je za naše razmere izvršil z dobrim uspehom. Uspeh je izpričan s tem, da so bili vsi sklepi sprejeti soglasno; tudi volitve odbora so bile s klanacijami. Edina izjema je bila volitev tajnika kongresa, ki je odločila, kdo je bil prvi tajnik in kdo drugi—in še to je bilo nepotrebno in izvršilo se je vsled nekega nesporazuma.

Kongres je bil odprt z ameriško in slovensko himno, govori in drugimi ceremonijami, ki so običajne v Ameriki. Clevelandski župan Frank Lausche je pozdravil kongres v angleščini in slovenščini med burnimi ovacijami. Drugi govorniki, ki so pozdravili kongres, so bili minister Franc Snoj, ohijski hrvaški senator Viljem Boič, poslanec Kovač, dr. Ivan M. Čok, predsednik Ameriškega slovenskega kongresa Leo Krzycki, John Grm, predsednik KSKJ in drugi.

Vincent Čajnar je bil izvoljen za predsednika kongresa, prvi in drugi podpredsednik sta bila Marie Prislund in Anton Zbanič. Jože Zalar in Louis Beniger sta bila prvi in drugi članji zborovanja; to sta bila edina dva, kakor že omenjeno, o katerima so delegatje glasovali z listki. Zapisnikarja kongresa sta bila Jakob Župan in Aleksander Uranak.

Kongres je pooblastil predsednika, da imenuje vse potrebne kongresne odbore. Imenoval je odbor za resolucije, v katerem so bili Ana P. Krasna, Kazimir Zakrajšek, John Gornik, Fr. Vrdić in Ivan Molek. Nominacijski odbor so tvorili kanonik Oman, Janko N. Rogelj, Albina Novak, župnik Vital Vodusek in Fred A. Vider.

Louis Adamič je po kratkem uvodu predložil prve resolucije, ki so: Izjava ameriških Slovencev, ki konstatira, kaj smo ameriški Slovenci vse prispevali Ameriki v zadnjih šestdesetih letih, danes pa smo na vsej fronti v vojnem naporu za zmago Amerike in Združenih narodov; dali smo že in še bomo dali milijone dolarjev za zmago Slovencev in Združenih narodov; dali smo že in še bomo dali milijone dolarjev za zmago Slovencev in Združenih narodov; dali smo že in še bomo dali milijone dolarjev za zmago Slovencev in Združenih narodov.

Prva je "Poslanica slovenskega narodu", v kateri ameriški Slovenci izrekajo simpatije trpečim rojakom in starem kraju in jih navdušujejo za nadaljnji odpor proti zakletemu sovražniku, čim pa bo njihova svoboda izvojevana, bo politično delovanje ameriških Slovencev njim v prid zaključeno in starokrajski Slovenci naj si potem sami uredijo svojo hišo. Druga resolucija poudarja iskreno željo ameriških Slovencev po združenju vseh Slovencev in stari domovini pod eno demokratično streho; v ta namen bodo ameriški Slovenci pomagali z vsemi močmi in podpirali vsako gibanje, ki gre za tem ciljem. Tretja resolucija priporoča Slovencev in starem kraju, naj ostanejo, ko bodo združeni, v Jugoslaviji z brati Hrvati in Srbi vred, ampak nova Jugoslavija jim mora zagotoviti demokracijo in avtonomijo, to je, da bo federacija za vsak pripaden narod. Jugoslovanska federacija pa po našem mnenju je ne zadostuje; potrebna je balkanska federacija na demokratični podlagi, še bolj pa bo, če bodo vse te federacije vključene v splošno evropsko demokratično federacijo.

Četrta resolucija naglašja, da je trajni mir potreben ne samo slovenskemu narodu, temveč vsem narodom, zato mora bodoči mir sloneti na svetovni demokraciji in narodni ter socialni pravičnosti. Peta resolucija pa žigosa pokus Habsburžanov, da bi oživilo staro monarhijo v srcu Evrope in jih postavlja za to, kar so orodje fašistov. Marie Prislund je potem predložila v imenu Slovenske ženske zveze žgočo resolucijo "Ženstvo in mladina," a katero Slovenski narodni kongres najodločneje oboja barbarsko početje nemških nacistov in italijanskih fašistov na Slovenskem, ki ponižujejo slovenske žene in dekleta na največjo nesramnost: "ženake za vojake" in odvajajo slovenske (Dalje na 3. strani)

Čiščenje v internacijskem taborišču

Japonec ubit v izgrelih

Manzanar, Cal., 8. dec.—Vse ne-japonske osebe v tujakšnem internacijskem taborišču je bilo odstranjeno, ko je armada prevzela kontrolo nad taboriščem. To se je zgodilo po krvavi izgrelih, v katerih je bil eden Japonec ubit, devet pa ranjenih.

Izgreli so nastali kot posledica razdeljene lojalnosti med interniranimi Japonci. V Ameriki rojeni Japonci so lojalni tej deželi, med ostalimi jih je mnogo, katerih simpatije so v prilog osišču. V taborišču se nahaja okrog 10,000 Japoncev. Vsi so bili poslani v taborišče iz krajev ob zapadni obali nekaj mesecev po japonskem zahrbtnem napadu na Pearl Harbor, Havaj. Poveljstvo armade je naznanilo, da je bila militaristična policija ojačena in da bo skrbela za mir in red. Osišču naklonjeni Japonci, ki so izzvali izgrede, so bili aretirani in odvedeni v zapor.

Konferenca voditeljev železničarjev

Diskuzije o zvišanju mezd

Chicago, 8. dec.—Okrog 750 uradnikov železniških bratovščin se je zbralo na konferenci v hotelu Morrisonu, da sestavijo program zahtev, ki bodo predložene železniškim kompanijam. Te bodo vključevale tudi zvišanje mezd. Po svojih uradnikih so zastopane bratovščine izprevednikov, strojevodij in kurjačev, spremnikov, kretničarjev in unije, včlanjene v Ameriški delavski federaciji. Uradniki reprezentirajo okrog 350,000 organiziranih železničarjev. Predmet razprave na večerajšnji konferenci je bilo zvišanje mezd. Člani bratovščin so dobili zvišanje za devet in pol centa na uro pred enim letom, kar pa po izjavi uradnikov ni dovolj. Ti so izjavili, da bodo zahtevali dodatno zvišanje, ker so se cene potrebnih stvari dvignile v zadnjih mesecih.

Izolirani guverner Wisconsinu umrl

Madison, Wis., 8. dec.—Orland S. Loomis iz Maustona, ki je bil izvoljen za guvernerja pri novembrskih volitvah, je sinoči umrl. Pokopala ga je srčna hiba 27 dni pred ustoličenjem. Ob smrti je bil star 49 let. Njegov položaj je dobil Walter S. Goodland, republikanec, ki je star 80 let in je bil izvoljen za podguvernerja. Če ne bo hotel sprejeti pozicije zaradi svoje starosti, bodo razpisane nove volitve.

Henderson bo morda resigniral

Washington, D. C., 8. dec.—Leon Henderson, načelnik urada za kontrolo cen, je obvestil predsednika Roosevelta, da je pripravljen resignirati. On je tudi sugeriral predsedniku, naj imenuje Prentiss M. Brown, demokratskega senatorja iz Michigana, čigar termin poteče 5. januarja, na njegovo mesto. Henderson je povedal svojim prijateljem, da kritike senatorjev in kongresnikov ovirajo njegovo delo.

Potres porušil več turških vasi

Carigrad, Turčija, 8. dec.—Potres je porušil več vasi v pokrajini Koruni, srednja Anatolija. Mnogo oseb je bilo ubitih in ranjenih. Povzročena škoda je velika.

ZAVEZNIKI DOBILI FRANCOSKE BOJNE LADJE

Hitler bo morda udaril po Gibraltarju preko Španije

RUSI SE VEDNO V OFENZIVI

Zavezniški glavni stan, severna Afrika, 8. dec.—Večji del francoske bojne in trgovske mornarice se je pridružil združenim narodom v smislu dogovora, ki sta ga sklenila Pierre Boisson, guverner francoske zapadne Afrike, in ameriški general Dwight D. Eisenhower, vrhovni poveljnik zavezniške oborožene sile. Dakar, glavno mesto zapadne Afrike in mornarična baza, ki dominira južni Atlantik, je s tem prišel pod kontrolo zavezništev. Slednji so dobili najmanj 32 francoskih bojnih ladij.

Moskva, 8. dec.—Ruske čete napadajo nemške pozicije na centralni fronti in na zapadni strani Rjeva in so poglone nacijske z dveh utrjenih pozicij, pravi uradni komunik. Ta omenja tudi nemške protinastopke, ki pa so bili vsi odbiti.

Rjev, strateško mesto, ki je v nemških rokah, leži okrog 600 milj severozapadno od Stalingrada in 150 milj zapadno od Moskve. Vrhovno poveljstvo poroča, da je padlo nadaljnjih tisoč nemških vojakov v bitkah z Rusi ob progi železnice, ki spaja Rjev z Vjazmo. Sovjetske čete so reokupirale nadaljnje strateške postojanke pri Veliki Luki, mestu, ki je oddaljeno 90 milj od letviške meje.

Sovjetske vojne operacije so uspešne tudi na fronti ob reki Don na zapadni strani Stalingrada. Čez 500 nemških vojakov je padlo v bitki z Rusi v enem sektorju te fronte. Rusi so razbili in poškodovali 25 nemških tankov. Nadaljnji nemški pehotni bataljon je bil zdrobljen v bitki z ruskimi četami znotraj Stalingrada.

London, 8. dec.—Tu prevladuje mnenje, da bo Hitler, čigar oborožena sila dobiva udarce v Afriki, udaril zahrbtno po Gibraltarju, britski trdnjavi ob vходу v Sredozemsko morje, preko Španije. On bo tvegati vse, da ojači vojaške posadke v Tuniziji, ker se zaveda nevarnosti, ki pride, če bo njegova armada pograna iz francoske kolonije.

Maroška radiopostaja naznanja, da je diktator Franco posvaril Hitlerja, da bo šla španska armada v akcijo, če bodo nemške čete invadirale špansko ozemlje in skušale pomagati osiščni oboroženi sili v Afriki.

Melbourne, Avstralija, 8. dec.—Ameriški in avstralski letalci so učičili nadaljnjih 21 japonskih bojnih letal v spopadih v zraku nad fronto Buna-Gona, Nova Gvineja. Vest iz glavnega stanana generala Douglasa MacArthurja, vrhovnega poveljnika zavezniške oborožene sile, pravi, da so letalski sestrelili in poškodovali 68 japonskih letal v bitkah v zraku v zadnjih dneh.

Franco naglasil solidarnost z Nemčijo in Italijo

London, 8. dec.—Španski diktator Francisco Franco je danes v svojem govoru na madridski radiopostaji naglasil solidarnost z Nemčijo in Italijo v borbi, "ki jo vodita proti liberalizmu in kapitalističnemu imperializmu." Diktator je govoril pred voditelji stranke falangistov, edine španske politične stranke. To je bil njegov prvi govor od zavezniške invazije severne Afrike in okupacije vse Francije po nemških četah.

Domače vesti

Obliki in posdravi
Chicago.—Jakob Ambrožič iz Eveletha, Minn., bivši gl. odbornik SNPJ in njegova žena Uršula, gl. distriktna podpredsednica SNPJ, sta se 7. t. m. med povratkom s Slovenskega narodnega kongresa zglasila v gl. uradu SNPJ in uredništvu Prosvete. Dalje so nas obiskali John Homez iz Auburna, Ill., in korporal Stanley L. Kozar v družbi svojega očeta Johna Kozarja iz Chicaga.

Pisatelj Adamič član SNPJ
Chicago.—Ameriški pisatelj in naš rojak Louis Adamič, ki menda—vsaj kolikor je nam znano—doslej še ni bil član nobene slovenske podporne organizacije, je ob času SNK v Clevelandu postal član SNPJ. Zaslugo za njegovo pridobitev ima naša odlična kampanjarka Mary Udovič iz Chicaga. Čestitke! Dobrodošel, brat Adamič!

Ameriški družinski koledar za 1943
Chicago.—Te dni je izšel Ameriški družinski koledar za leto 1943, devetindvajseti letnik. Lepo, trdo vezana knjiga na 224 straneh je, kakor vsako leto, natrpna s črticami, pesmimi, razpravami, članki, slikami in drugo vsebino poleg koledarskih stvari in oglasov. Najdaljši spis, vreden, da ga vsakdo prečita, je "Slovenija v borbi," delo dr. Borisa Furlana. Sploh je ta letnik ADK v večini posvečen trpljenju naše stare domovine. Stanje dolarja s poštnino vred in naroča se pri Proletarcu, 2301 So. Lawndale Ave., Chicgo, Ill.

Nov grob v Racinu
Racine, Wis.—Dne 5. decembra je po dolgi bolezni umrl Frank Jelenc, dolgoletni tajnik društva 68 SNPJ. Imel je 80 let in rojen je bil v Ljubljani.

Is Pennsylvanije
Onnallinda, Pa.—Dne 26. novembra je tukaj umrla Helena Deželan, stara 71 let in rojena v Velikih Brusnicah pri Novem mestu, članica društva 451 SNPJ. Zapuška moža, štiri sinove, tri hčere in 17 vnukov. Pokopana je bila civilno.—V Imperialu, Pa., je 2. dec. naglo za srčno hibo umrl John Eržen, star 55 let in doma iz Stare Oseltce, dobro znani trgovec in po domače Kovačevarjev. Zapuška žena, tri sinove (eden v mornarici) in dve hčeri.

Is Clevelanda
Cleveland.—Iz Floride je prišla vest, da je tam umrl John Turk, najstarejši sin prvega slovenskega naseljence v Clevelandu. Star je bil 74 let. Nekoč je v Clevelandu vodil gostilno in pred 24 leti se je preselil v Florido. Zapuška sina in več hčera.—Dalje je za srčno hibo umrla Josephine Levstik, stara 70 let in doma iz Deskle na Primorskem. V Ameriki je bila 50 let in tukaj zapuška moža, dva sinova in dve hčeri.—Nadalje je v bolnišnici umrl Jakob Bobnar, star 67 let in rojen v Fužini pri Devici Mariji v Polju. V Ameriki je bil 39 let in tukaj zapuška žena, štiri sinove in hčer. Bil je član društva 53 SNPJ.

K smrti člana v Girardu, O.
Niles, O.—V poročilu v Prosveti z dne 1. t. m. o smrti Matije Leskovca iz Girarda, O., je bila pomota. Rečeno je bilo, da je bil doma od Ljubljane, pravilno pa je, da je bil Matija Leskovec, po domače Škandar, rojen v Rovtiah nad Logatecem. Pokojnik je bil tudi delničar Slov. doma v Girardu in član poleg SNPJ tudi SDZ in MZZ.

Is Minnesote
Rice, Minn.—Dne 28. nov. je tukaj umrl Blaž Moličnik, star 76 let in doma iz Šolšave na Štajerskem. V Ameriki je bival čez 50 let.

Tajnica v bolnišnici
Presto, Pa.—Helena Rabich, tajnica društva 166 SNPJ, je naglo zbolela in nahaja se v bolnišnici. Članstvo ji želi hitrega okrevanja.

Premier Churchill svari Japonce

Ura povračila se bliža

London, 8. dec.—Premier Winston Churchill je dejal, "da se bo vihar, ki zdaj divja nad Nemčijo in Italijo, kmalu razširil na Japonsko in slednja ne more pričakovati nobene milosti s strani združenih narodov." Svarilo vsebuje poslanica, katero je premier naslovil prebivalcem bivših britskih kolonij in poseščin na Daljnem vzhodu ob obletnici japonskega napada na Hongkong in Malajski polotok. "Narasačajoča sila združenih narodov ne bo mirovala, dokler ne bodo Japonci pognani iz vseh pokrajin, katere so zasedli," pravi poslanica. "Leta obrambe so za nami. Sila združenih narodov zdaj napada povsod. Pred enim letom so Japonci zahrbtno napadli Hongkong in Malajski polotok. Uspehi so jih uplajali in uverjeni so, da bodo obdržali pokrajine, ki so jih zasedli. V tem se silno motijo, kajti čas obratuna se bliža."

Churchill dalje pravi v poslanici, "da so Japonci pretrgali često napredka, po kateri so hoteli Malajci, Kitajci, Burmanci in prebivalci holandske Vzhodne Indije v boljše, civilizirano in srečno življenje, niso pa ustavili pohoda. Ta se ne bo ustavil, temveč nadaljeval, ko bo japonska agresija popolnoma zlomljena."

Republikanska stranka izvolila načelnika
St. Louis, Mo., 8. dec.—Člani osrednjega odbora republikanske stranke so izvolili za načelnika Harrisona E. Spanglerja iz Cedar Rapidsa, Ia. On je nasledil kongresnika Josepha W. Martina iz Massachusettsa, ki je resigniral. Člani so sprejeli resolucijo, s katero so potrdili deklaracijo o zunanjih politiki, ki je bila objavljena v Chicagu 20. aprila po pristavih Wendella L. Willkieja, predsedniškega kandidata republikanske stranke pri volitvah l. 1940. Izvolitev Spanglerja pomeni, da je Willkiejeva grupa zmagala. Kandidat za načelnika stranke, ki je bil poražen, je bil Werner Schroeder iz Chicaga, zagovornik ameriške izolacije.

Willkie priporoča razpravo o vojnih ciljih
London, 8. dec.—Wendell L. Willkie priporoča v članku, ki ga je objavil list Evening Standard, javno diskuzijo v Angliji in Ameriki o vojnih ciljih združenih narodov. On oboja tudi mednarodno cenzuro, ki zakriva napake in zablode uradnih krogov. Willkie se pritožuje, da je cenzura odgovorna, ker angleško ljudstvo še ni informirano o njegovem stališču. Če se Angliji in Američani ne bodo spoznavali o vojnih ciljih, dokler traja vojna, bodo sledile kvarne posledice po vojni.

Amerika sgradiła nove bojne ladje
Washington, D. C., 8. dec.—Ob obletnici japonskega napada na Pearl Harbor se je ameriška bojna mornarica povečala za več ladij, katerih skupna tonaža znaša čez 100,000 ton. Ena oklopna ladja, dva letalonosca in več manjših ladij je bilo večeraj spuščeni v morje. Ladje so bile izdelane v ladjedelnicah v New Yorku, Philadelphiji in Quincyju, Mass.

Sto tisoč francoskih delavcev v Nemčiji
London, 8. dec.—Francoska časniška agentura Havas poroča, da se nahaja 100,000 francoskih delavcev v Nemčiji. Vsi so uposleni v nemških vojnih industrijah.

ČETNIKI OBNOVILI NAPADE NA GARNIZIJE OSIŠČA

Veliko število Nemcev in Italijanov padlo v bitkah

FAŠISTI USTRELILI ČEZ STO TALCEV

Carigrad, Turčija, 8. dec.—Jugoslovanski redni vojaki in četniki pod poveljstvom generala Draže Mihajlovića so izvršili v zadnjih dneh največje napade na osiščne garnizije od meseca septembra. Udarili so v Srbiji, Bosni, Hercegovini in Črni gori ter pobili mnogo nemških, italijanskih, ogrskih in bolgarskih vojakov ter hrvaških ustašev. Sem dospela poročila se glase, da četniki vodijo uspešno sabotažo in razbijajo osiščne komunikacijske zveze. Močna četniška grupa je napadla nemške in hrvaške posadke pri Kopaniku in Krivireki, Srbija, kjer so zbrane tri osiščne divizije. V bitki, ki je trajala petnajst dni, so četniki ubili 600 Nemcev, Bolgarov in hrvaških ustašev, zasegli mnogo motornih vozil in velike zaloge vojnega materiala. Orožarno v Kopaniku so četniki pognali v zrak s dinamitom po zasegi tisoč pušk in drugega orožja. V bitki so četniki izgubili 250 mož. Ubita sta bila med drugimi Peter Filipović in Milutin Simić, člana štaba generala Mihajlovića. Nemška oklopna kolona, ki je prišla na pomoč vojaški posadki, ju je zadelo in ubila s 150 četniki več. V distriktu Rogatica in pri Semeču, Bosna, je močna četniška skupina napadla nemško in hrvaško garnizijo, pobila 420 sovražnikov, zaplenila zalogo orožja in streliva ter porušila vojaške barake. Četniki so napadli italijansko vojaško posadko, ki je stražila cesto Sarajevo-Dubrovnik, in pobili 137 Italijanov ter razpršili italijansko brigado. Italijani so se maščevali za napad z ustrelitvijo 120 talcev v Dubrovniku. Pri Zablacu v bližini Danilovgrada, Črna gora, so četniki obkrožili nemško oklopno brigado in italijansko pehotno divizijo, ubili 600 sovražnikov, ujeli 2000 italijanskih vojakov in razbili italijansko-nemške transporte. Četniki so držali Zablac dva dni, Danilovgrad pa osemnajst ur.

Wickard sestavlja program

Imenovanje pomočnikov na vidiku

Washington, D. C., 8. dec.—Poljedelski tajnik Claude L. Wickard, kateremu je predsednik Roosevelt poveril kontrolo nad zalozami in razpečevanjem živil, ko ga je imenoval za načelnika živilske administracije, sestavlja program, ki ga bo kmalu uveljavil. On se nahaja v Memphisu, Tenn., a se bo danes vrnil v Washington. Pričakuje se, da bo Wickard po povratku v Washington imenoval pomočnike. Doznavna se, da bo pozicijo upravitelja distribucije živil dobil Roy F. Hendrickson, sedanjí načelnik agrarne tržne administracije v poljedelskem departmentu. Za druga pomočnika bosta najbrže izbrana J. B. Hutson, predsednik Commodity Corp., in Samuel B. Bledsoe, pomožni poljedelski tajnik in direktor agrarne urada. Predsednik Roosevelt je poveril Wickardu vso oblast in odgovornost v zvezi z izvajanjem živilskega programa.

Glasovi iz naselbin

Koncert Jugoslavije

Johnstown, Pa. — V soboto zvečer, 12. dec., bo priredil pevski zbor Jugoslavija svoj koncert s plesom. Program bo zelo zanimiv. Nastopil bo ženski zbor, ker je Stric Sam poklical večino moških moči v armado, sedaj pa ženske skušamo ohraniti Jugoslavijo, da ostane aktivna, dokler se fantje ne vrnejo od vojakov.

Cenjeno občinstvo torej uljudno vabimo, da nas posetite na koncertu in nam pomagate ohraniti krasno slovensko pesem, kajti sedaj lahko še edino v svobodni Ameriki prepevajo svoje slovenske melodije. Program bo vseboval pesmi v zboru, duetu, sekstetu s tenorsko solo. Gostovala bosta tudi Birkova dvojčka iz Conemaugha. Oni, ki jih niste videli na veselijskih knižnicah, je priporočljivo, da privedete in jih vidite, kakor tudi vsi drugi, ki ste jih že videli. Na programu bosta tudi Korberjeva brat in sestra iz Bon Aira, ki nastopita v petju in umetnem plesu. Oba sta zelo popularna, kakor tudi Josephine Martincič, umetna plesalka in pevka.

Iz gornjega lahko vidite, da bo dosti dobrega in zdravega užitka. Po programu bo pa prosta zabava in ples, za katerega bo igrala godba Martina Kukoyicha iz Irwina, ki bo sedaj prvič v Johnstownu. Ta godba je zelo popularna. Preskrbljeno bo tudi za dobro postrežbo.

Program se prične točno ob osmih zvečer v Slovenskem delavskem domu na Moxhamu. Torej cenjeni rojaki in rojakinje, posetite nas v soboto na tem koncertu. Vemo, da je gasolin zdaj na odmerke, toda upamo, da ga boste imeli dovolj za omenjeni dan. Na veselo svidenje v soboto zvečer pri Jugoslaviji.

Francis Vidrich.

Nekaj besed članstvu društva Mir

Cleveland. — Leto se naglo bliža k zatonu. Tako je naša prihodnja seja, ki se vrši 13. dec. ob eni popoldne, glavna seja. Večina članstva se ni toliko potrudila, da bi prišla vsaj parkrat na sejo skozi leto. Imejte torej vsaj toliko spoštovanja do svojega društva, da se udeležite vsaj letne seje. Po seji bomo imeli člansko zabavo.

Kot vam je znano, društvo letos ni imelo piknika niti kake druge zabave v korist svoje blaginje. Do sedaj so na vsako sejo prihajale skozi leto le — prošnje za pomoč tej ali oni stvari in katerim smo po možnosti tudi ustregli. Toda takoj po naši letni seji pridoje na svoj račun tudi oni, ki se radi zaslužijo. In če pridete vsi člani, si bo lahko tudi društvena blaginja nekoliko opomogla. Veselični odbor je pridno na delu in obljubil je tudi oče Miklavž, da se bo pri nas ustavil. Zato ne pozabite s seboj pripeljati svojih otrok. Vstopnina bo prosta za vse, vi pa si le dobro pripravite pete, oni, ki se radi zaslužijo "ozadju", pa naj pripravijo "copake". Postrežba bo dobra za vse. Torej prihodnjo nedeljo popoldne vsi člani društva Mir 142 SNPJ v Slovenski dom na Holmes ave.

Frank Sustarsich, tajnik.

Johnstownske priredbe

Johnstown, Pa. — Moja navada je (tako pravijo nekateri), da preveč rad kritiziram in polemiziram v Prosveti. V tem dopisu ne bo nič takega, zato se mi ni ljubilo takega čtiva, bolj oddahnejo — vsaj začasno. Nemen imam, da javnost opozorim na naše društvene aktivnosti na priredbe tukajšnjih kulturnih in podpornih društev, ki naj bo obenem dokaz, da tudi sedanjim težkim časom še ni mogoče gubljemo.

Ena teh priredb je bila v Prosveti že oglašena. To je koncert pevskega zbora Jugoslavije, ki se vrši v soboto zvečer, 12. decembra v Slovenskem delavskem domu v Lorainu. Vzdrževalni pevski zbor ni lahko, posebno v današnjih časih. Peveci morajo žrtvovati veliko časa za va-

lova, ko mi je brat Joseph Bovich prinesel zajca in lepega fazana. Bila sem zelo vesela tega lepega darila, Jožetu pa čast, ker je tako spreten lovec.

Zadnje dni smo čitali in slišali o veliki katastrofi, ki se je zgodila v Coconut Grove klubu v Bostonu. Med žrtvami je bilo največ mladine; seveda so jih našli največ v mrtvašnicah ali bolnišnicah močno pohabljeni. Zmiraj slišimo o nesreči, zato pa stariši, ki nimate svojih otrok za varovanih, ne čakajte in takoj jih vpišite v SNPJ, ki vam bo stala ob strani v slučaju nesreče.

Zahvalni dan je minil tudi nekam žalostno vsaj za našo družino. Z možem sva namreč šla v "movie", kjer sva videla film "Wake Island", ki pokazuje, kako so naši ameriški pomorščaki vztrajali do konca proti krvoločnemu Japoncu. Kadar vidiš na oknu hiše zvezdo, ki pokazuje, da je nekdo v armadi, se lahko spomni sledečih besed: "Glej tam za to zvezdo te čaka srce, ki za tabo žaluje in pretaka solze."

Mary Prasnikar.

Sharonске posebnosti

Sharon, Pa. — V nedeljo zvečer, 13. dec. se bodo predvajale slike v Slovenskem domu. Vstopnine ne bo nobene, pobirali pa se bodo prostovoljni prispevki za pomoč revežem v stari domovini. Zatorej ste vabljeni vsi rojaki iz vse okolice, da privedete v nedeljo zvečer v Slovenski dom. Prvi film kaže obrambo Stalingrada, drugi film je šaljiva vsebina, tretji pa predstavlja slovenski živelj tukaj, namreč piknik vseh slovenske lige. Torej ne pozabite priti.

V nedeljo, 27. dec. se bo vršila glavna seja Slovenskega doma, ki bo ukrepala vse potrebno za prihodnje leto. Vabljeni ste vsi, ki se zanimate za obstoj našega Slovenskega doma. Po seji bo prigrizek — ako bodo še klobase do takrat na jedilnem listu.

V četrtek zvečer, 24. dec. se bo vršila običajna božičnica z bogatim programom, katerega bo podal mladinski pevski zbor pod vodstvom Frances Novakove. Vstopnina je nizka in vsi dohodki bodo poklonjeni slovenski pomožni akciji za stari kraj. Nastopil bo tudi Miklavž in obdaril tiste, ki bodo pridni. Začetek ob 7:30 zvečer.

Frank Kramer.

Seja in proslava

Euclid, O. — Leto gre k zatonu in bliža se letna seja našega društva 450 SNPJ, ki se vrši 13. dec. v navadnih prostorih ob devetih zjutraj. Bratje in sestre, vas prav uljudno vabim, da se polnoštevilno udeležite.

Sedaj pa še malo zahvale vsem posetnikom naše proslave 20-letnice, ki je prav povolno izpadla. Posebna hvala pa onim, ki so sodelovali na programu in na kakršenkoli način pomagali. S to proslavo smo pokazali, da je društvo Cvetoči Noble vedno v cvetju, pa bilo pozimi ali poleti. Vsaj tako pravi naš "večni popotnik." Jaz ga pa še bolj poznam kot on, dasi je on neumoren delavec za društva in jednote. Na zdravje, Tone!

V splošno zadovoljstvo je bil govor našega glavnega odbornika Matta Petrovicha, ki je govoril o pomenu naše dvajsetletnice in o delovanju jednote. V enakih primerih ga priporočam vsem sosednjim društvom. Prav iskrena mu hvala. Onih, ki so sodelovali na programu, ne bom posamezno omenjal, ker je to storila že naša tajnica. Želim pa se prav lepo zahvaliti starišem



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Slovenski narodni kongres je uspel!

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani.)

otroke v tujino z namenom potujevanja. Tudi ta resolucija je bila sprejeta soglasno.

Vse to delo je bilo izvršeno prvi dan v soboto. Poverilni odbor je poročal, da je navzočih 521 delegatov in delegatkinj, ki zastopajo centralne organizacije in posamezna društva in ustanove. Ti delegatje so predstavljali vsa mišljenja od monsignorjev, kanonikov in župnikov ter katoliških laikov na desnici do komunistov Vitkoviča na levisi. Na kongresu je bilo okrog tucat duhovnikov in najmanj štirje so se udeleževali v odborih.

Drugi dan v nedeljo je pozdravil kongres jugoslovanski poslanik dr. Konstantin Fotič iz Washingtona.

Na vrsto je prišel tretji referat Vincenta Cankarja o ustroju bodoče organizacije, ki naj izvrši naloge, poverjene ji od kongresa. Po uvodnem pojasnjevanju je Cankar predložil resolucijo, katere pooblašča bodoči Ameriški slovenski svet, naj sestavi vse potrebne določbe za poslovanje te organizacije.

V formi te resolucije je bilo sklenjeno, da Ameriški slovenski svet sestoji iz širšega ali osrednjega odbora in eksekutive; prvi ima 40 članov in poleg tega so uredniki vseh slovenskih listov v Ameriki (okrog petnajst po številu) častni člani tega širšega odbora, eksekutiva pa šteje enajst članov. Poleg 40 članov širšega odbora se izvoli deset namestnikov za ta odbor, za eksekutivo pa trije namestniki.

Dalje je rečeno v tej resoluciji, da SNK apelira na gl. odbora SNPJ in JSZ, ki upravljata preostanek sklada bivšega Jugoslovanskega republiškega združenja, naj se ta preostanek izroči Ameriškiemu slovenskemu svetu.

Delegatje so dobili posebne zalepke za denarne prispevke, ki naj bodo začetek blagajne nove politične organizacije. Ko so bile te zalepke oddane pobiralcem in vsebina prečeta, je bilo poročano, da so delegatje prispe-

vali lepo vsoto \$1357.50 za začetek blagajne.

Resolucijski odbor je predložil še okrog pet resolucij, ki so bile vse sprejete soglasno. Te resolucije se pečajo z Ameriškim slovenskim kongresom, čigar demokratično delo odobravamo in ga priporočamo slovenskim organizacijam v sodelovanju in gmotno podporo; dalje obsojajo masakriranje prebivalcev in nedolžnih talcev v vseh deželah, ki so okupirane od nacifašističnih krvolokov; pozdravljamo oboževane sile Amerike in Združenih narodov, ki se bojujejo za zmago in povečanje demokracije.

Kongres je prejel po drju. I. M. Čoku pozdrav slovenskih vojakov iz Egipta, Primorcev, ki so bili potisnjeni v italijansko armado in ujeti po Angležih, nakar so se prostovoljno vpisali v jugoslovansko armado v Egiptu. Kongres se je zahvalil tem Primorcem za pozdrav in jih bodril, naj zvesto kooperirajo z zavezniškimi oboževanimi silami za zmago demokracije in svobodo svoje domovine.

Omeniti je treba, da so bile vse važne resolucije, zlasti Adamičeve, ki so bile prej prevedene na angleško, takoj odposlane v Washington oziroma oddane ameriškiemu tisku; prav tako so bile poslane pozdravne brzojavke Rooseveltu, Churchillu in sovjetom v Moskvo.

(Clevelandski listi so že v soboto prinesli slike vodilnih oseb na kongresu in eden, The Cleveland Press, je celo imel uvodnik na prvem mestu posvečen našemu kongresu.)

Sledile so volitve članov Ameriškega slovenskega sveta. Nominacijski odbor, ki je bil na delu že od prejšnjega večera, je izbral in se zedinil glede najboljših moči, ki so bile navzoče na zborovanju, ozirajoč se, kolikor je bilo mogoče na enakopravnost zastopstva vseh večjih organizacij.

Nominacijski odbor je predložil sledeče kandidate za eksekutivni ali izvršni odbor in vsi so bili izvoljeni soglasno z aplaudiranjem.

Eibin Kristan, predsednik; Marie Prislant, prva podpredsednica; Janko N. Rogelj, drugi podpredsednik; Kanimir Zakrajšek, tajnik; Jože Zalar, blagajnik; Mirko Kuhelj, zapisnikar. Ostali odborniki, ki si porazdele delo pozneje: Vincent Cankar, Frank Zalta, J. J. Oman, Leo Jurjovec in dr. F. J. Kern.

Nominiran je bil tudi Fred A. Vider za drugega podpredsednika, ki pa je odklonil.

Nato je bilo na enak način izvoljenih 40 članov osrednjega (centralnega) odbora. Imena teh odbornikov bodo objavljena v zapisniku kongresa, lahko pa rečemo, da osrednji odbor predstavlja vse organizacije in mišljenja naših ljudi v Ameriki. Tudi v tem odboru je nekaj gl. odbornikov SNPJ, na primer Matt Petrovič iz Clevelanda in Anton Šular iz Kansasa.

Kongres je pooblastil eksekutivno, naj izbere mesto, v katerem bo glavni urad Ameriškega slovenskega sveta in dalje naj organizira aparat publicitete in imenuje delavce za ta posel.

V nedeljo popoldne je bilo zborovanje pretrgano za kakšne dve uri zaradi fotografiranja in filmiranja kongresa in pa programa v počast temu zborovanju. V programu so nastopili pevci in pevke deklisnega zbora Barage in Glasbene matice, krožki Progressivnih Slovencev in kadetke SZZ, SDZ in KSKJ pa so uprizorile dve krasni živji sliki, ki sta predstavljali "Klic obupane Slovenije" in "Naša zastava pod zaščito svobode." Bila je tudi deklaracija Anice Čebul "Pozdrav delegaciji," katero je zložil Ivan Zupan. Program je bil zelo pomemben in impresiven in delegatje so brez dvoma imeli velik užitek od teh predstav. Bil je odmor, ki je bil v resnici bogato naplačan.

Zapisnik SNK bo objavljen čim ga potrdi eksekutiva ASS.

Najzanesljivejše dnevne delavske vesti so v dnevniku "Prosveti." Ali jih čitate vsak dan?



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Federacije SNPJ

Veselica westmorelandске federacije

Hermine, Pa. — Westmorelandska federacija društev SNPJ priredi veselico v soboto zvečer, 26. dec., v Mancetovi dvorani v Exportu in korist pomožne akcije za reveže v stari domovini. Na tej priredbi bo nastopil kot govornik in prid te akcije dr. Čok, doma iz Trsta, ki se bori proti Italiji, odkar je bilo okupirano naše Primorje. Na tej veselici sodeluje tudi okrajna postojanka JPO-SS.

Anton Zornik, tajnik.

Božičnica čikaške federacije

Chicago, Ill. — Kakor že mnogo let, bo tudi letos federacija SNPJ za čikaško okrožje priredila božično priredbo za mladino. Priredba se bo vršila v nedeljo, 20. decembra, v dvorani SNPJ. Pripravljalni odbor je pridno na delu z raznimi pripravami, s katerimi bo zadovoljil posetnike. V tem je v prvi vrsti program, katerega bodo proizvajali člani mladinskega oddelka pod vodstvom M. Vrhovnika, mladinskega direktorja SNPJ. Izredna točka v programu bo tudi nastop Plutovih trojčkov, kateri so to leto postali člani jednote in obljubili, da bodo nastopili na naši božičnici.

Tudi stari Miklavž je obljubil, da poseti priredbo in bo v imenu federacije razdelil med mladino darila. Zato se opozarjajo stariši, da pripeljejo člane mladinskega oddelka ter sami posetijo priredbo, ker s tem bodo dokazali, da vedo ceniti trud, katerega vsako leto vložijo v to priredbo zastopniki federacije.

Frank Alesh, tajnik.

Zapisnik milvauske federacije

West Allis, Wis. — Sledeče je zapisnik redne in izredne seje milvauske federacije SNPJ, ki se je vršila 25. oktobra v Šotaričevi dvorani. Predsednik brat Vidmar jo otvoril ob dveh popoldne. Zastopana so društva 16, 104, 192, 234, 584 in 747. Zapisnik prejšnje seje sprejet.

Tajnica prečita pismo okrožne Prosvetne matice, ki vabi federacijo, naj pošlje zastopnika na konferenco, ki se vrši 1. nov. v Waukeganu. Sklenjeno je, da se pošlje zastopnika in izvoljena je sestra Anna Puncer. Poročilo tajnice in blagajnika sprejeto, kot tudi nadzornega odelka, ki je pregledal knjige in jih našel v lepem redu.

Poročila zastopnikov: Brat Singer poroča za društvo 104, da je umrl John Rezelj, brat Barbarič pa poroča za društvo 16, da je umrla Rozi Pucelj, nakar predsednik pozove navzoče, da vstanejo v znak sožalja. Sestra Musich se v imenu društva 192 zahvali federaciji in društvom za lepo udeležbo na slavnosti Venere ob priliki njih 30-letnice. Za društvo 584 poroča brat Schweiger, da priredi "Haloween party" 30. oktobra, za društvo 747 pa brat Klopčič, da prirede kartno zabavo 15. nov. Sledeča društva so pridobila nove člane: društvo 584 16 članov, društvo 747 sedem članov, društvo 234 pet članov, društvo 192 tri člane, društvo 16 enega člana in enega člana tudi društvo 104.

Brat Barbarič apelira za oglas v Družinski koledar. Sklenjeno, da se za oglas za \$4. Na dnevni red pride vprašanje muzikantov. Sklenjeno je, da se apelira na jednotina društev, naj upoštevajo godbenike, ki so člani jednote.

Poročano je, da je resignirala kot voditeljica mladinskega krožka sestra J. Stampel. Vzeto na znanje in na njeno mesto je izvoljena sestra Lillian Puncer. Sproženo je vprašanje, ali bo federacija poslala delegata na slovenski kongres, ki se vrši 5. in 6. dec. v Clevelandu. Po vsestranskem razmotrivanju se sklene, da se apelira na društva za finančno pomoč. Če bo odziv dovoljen, se sklene izredna seja članstva za izvolitev delegatov.

Brat Puncer sugestira, da bi razdelili mladinski pevski zbor All Star Chorus v dva oddelka. V enem naj bi bili člani do 14. leta, v drugem pa člani od 14. leta naprej. Predloži tudi razloge za to. Zaključeno je, da se apel upošteva. Vprašanje tudi nastane, ali naj hodi naša mladina peti v Social Center. Ker vse to stane denarja, je sklenjeno, da se dovolijo štirje nastopi v sezoni. Dodatek k temu zaključku je, naj nastopijo povsod, samo da se agitira za SNPJ. Predlog, da bi se v ta namen kupila narodna noša, je odklonjen.

Sklenjeno, da se priredi božičnica za otroke dne 19. dec. v dvorani Harmonie. Sklenjeno je tudi, da se razdeli vsota \$35, katero je federacija prejela od jednote za mladinske krožke, na tri dele, to je en del gre krožku št. 4, drugi del krožku št. 18 in tretji del Junior All Star Chorusu. Zaključek seje ob 4:30.

Izredna seja federacije se je vršila 28. nov. Radi odsotnosti predsednika jo odprl podpredsednik brat Tratnik ob 3:30 popoldne. Poročano je, da so se odzvale apelu za financiranje delegatov za Slovenski narodni kongres društva 584, 192, 234 in 747. Diskuzija je, koliko delegatov naj pošljemo. K besedi se prigrasijo skoraj vsi, nakar je sklenjeno, da pošljemo tri delegate. Izvoljeni so: Frank Ermenc, Frank Puncer in Mary Shular. Zaključek seje ob 5. popoldne.

Mary Musich, zapisnikarica.

Društvene priredbe

Veselica društva 14

Waukegan, Ill. — Pred par tedni je poročal tajnik Sloge 14 SNPJ, da priredi naše društvo kartno zabavo v soboto zvečer, 12. dec., začetek ob 7:30 v SND. V imenu društva ponovno vabim vse člane in članice, da se vabilu odzovete in tako pokažete svojo kooperacijo za napredek društva in njegove blaginje.

Zavede članice so nanese le precej lepih darov, ki bodo oddani kot nagrade srečnim igralcem. Oddanih bo tudi več vrednih predmetov, kot dve posteljni pregrinjali, "quilt" itd. Prosimo vse članice, ki imajo namen prinesiti še kakšen dar, da istega prineso najkasneje do 11. dec. na tajnikov dom ali pa k sestram mrs. Grželj, mrs. Govekar, mrs. Grohar ali k podpisani (kamor vam je bolj na roko). Vsem vam, ki ste se že tako velikodušno odzvali ter nam olajšali delo, se v imenu pripravljalnega odbora priarčno zahvaljujemo.

Mary Colarec, 14.

Silvestrova zabava društva 87

Hermine, Pa. — Naše društvo 87 SNPJ priredi Silvestrovo zabavo na starega leta zvečer, to je v četrtek, 31. dec., v lastnem domu. Želimo, da se te veselice udeležite stari in mladi. Godba bo dobra.

Anton Zornik.

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Lloydell, Pa.—Na lovu na divjačino se je smrtno ponesrečil 26. nov. John Svigel, star 66 let in član društva 60 SNPJ. Sploh je bil on ustanovitelj tega društva in zvest član jednote 34 let. Prve seje društva so se vršile v njegovem stanovanju. Bil je več let tajnik tega društva. Bil je član tudi ABZ.

Pokojni je bil rojen v Dobcu pri Cerkljici. V tej deželi je živel 42 let. Zapušča zalujočo ženo, tri sinove in tri hčere. Pet otrok je poročenih, mlajši sin se pa nahaja v armadi. Dobil je dopust, da se je udeležil očetovega pogreba. Pokojnik zapušča tudi deset vnukov in enega brata v tej deželi. Pogreb se je vršil ob veliki udeležbi 29. novembra. Društvo izreka preostalim globoko sožalje, pokojniku pa lep spomin!

Ralph Jerman.

Veselica in Slovenija

Kansas City, Kansas.—Najprvo bom pozval članstvo našega društva Bodočnost 408 SNPJ na veselico, ki se vrši po naši letni seji dne 20. dec. Naše članstvo strašno zanemarljivo društvene seje in tako je bila naša veselica prestavljena na dan letne seje, na kateri bomo izvolili tudi odbor za 1943. Udeležite se torej v polnem številu.

Na novembrski seji smo razpravljali tudi glede slovenskega kongresa. Po daljši diskuziji smo prišli do zaključka, da pooblastimo brata Vincenta Cainkarja kot našega zastopnika za to akcijo pa smo sklenili, da darujemo \$10 iz blagajne.

Sedaj pa nekaj o stari domovini, ki je opustošena od divjih nacifašistov in radi čije bodočnosti je bil sklican slovenski kongres. Pohvale je vredno, ker so se združile vse organizacije brez ozira na politično ali versko prepričanje, da delujejo za osvoboditev naših bratov in sester v rojstni domovini. Z našimi zahtevami se bomo morali obrniti na tri velesile pri sklepanju miru: na Ameriko, Anglijo in Sovjetsko Rusijo. In kaj lahko pričakujemo od teh treh sil? Najbrže bodo Slovincem rekli, da nas je le peščica in kje so ostali Jugoslavlani—Hrvatje, Srbi in Bolgari? Kaj bodo rekli na to vprašanje zastopniki Slovincem?

Vzemimo našo Ameriko. Nekateri naši Slovinci stavijo veliko upanje na Združene države in sedanjo administracijo. Zanašajo se, da bodo ameriški državni uredili vse za nas Slovence in da je treba le njim raztolmačiti, kaj hočemo. Ampak jaz mislim, da se ti ljudje varajo. Ameriškim diplomatom ne bodo za mar interesi peščice Slovincem, pač pa bodo gledali, kako bi dobili nazaj posojene milijone, pa bilo v gotovini ali koncesijah. Pri takih diplomatih je dollar sredstvo, ki igra glavno vlogo.

Na isti način se bodo igrali angleški diplomatje, ker so istega kova, to je, se brigajo za koncesije in kolonije. Kaj potrebujejo ali bodo potrebovali mali narodi, za take razprave ne bo časa. Obenem pa so že agentje malih držav v Londonu, kjer

stari kraj. Poročilo pošiljam, kakršnega sem prejel.

Darovali so: Društvo šte. 65 SNPJ \$25.00, Fr. Cop in žena \$5.00, Mike Felle \$5.00, Carl Dergan ml. in žena \$2.50. Po dva dolarja: John Zordani in žena, Joe Gracner in žena, John Janezich in žena, Mary Vertnik, Anton Kolar in žena, Matt Ulepich in žena, Paul Kumer in žena. Fr. Bostich in žena \$1.50, Joe Kolar \$1.30.

Po dolarju: John Vehovec, Fr. Zordani in žena, Toni Prasnikar in žena, Ludvik Strah in žena, Louis Gošte in žena, Frank Tisu in žena, Mrs. F. Janežič, Frank Okoren in žena, Mary Drgan, Mrs. M. Billiard, Adolf Kurent in žena, Karl Drgan st. in žena in And. Okroglič. S. Topolovsek in žena 75c, po 50c: Jakob Kosmač, Jakob Bogataj in žena, Mrs. J. Jarc, Mrs. F. Podobnik, Vinc. Urankar. Skupaj \$70.55.

Iskrena hvala vsem darovalcem in nabiralcem.

Karl Dergan, tajnik.

Šivalni krožek za ruski relif

Cleveland, O.—Te vrstice naj predstavijo naš šivalni krožek, kateri se zbira ob četrtkih popoldne v SND na St. Clairju in plete nogavice, svedre, rokavice za ruski relif. Dober ducat nas je, vse vnete in pripravljene za dobro delo in v pravi namen. Gusti Frančekinova je naša tehnična instruktorka, Josephine Petrič skrbi za porast naše skupine, Antonija Turk slovi za najlepša dela, Frances Selan in Mrs. Azman pa skrbita, da ni dolg čas, Mary Elersich in Agnes Makarovič nas hočeta vse druge prekositi v delu. Od Progresivnih Slovincem so se nam pridružile Mrs. Stokelj in Stefanić. Aktivni sta tudi Frances Turk in Mary Hočevar.

Pletemo ne radi svoje zabave ali dobička, temveč radi zavesti, da po svoje pomoremo ruskim junakom, ki krvave na bojišču za svojo domovino Rusijo in tudi za nas in naše ljudi v stari domovini. V teku pol leta, odkar krožek obstoji, smo naredile nad sto različnih kosov, največ nogavic, svedrov in halmetov, kar smo izročile Ruskemu vojnemu relifu, kateri je poslal vse na pristojno mesto.

Tajnica tega odbora (RWR) Leona Hole ne more dovolj prehlaviti našega dela in Slovincem v nasebini radi različnih finančnih prispevkov. Bivši župan Blythin, načelnik tega relignega odbora, je omenil, da so Slovinci najzavednejši med vsemi na svetu. Pojasnjeno naj bo, da naš krožek sam skrbi za kritje stroškov volne, katero rabi pri pletenju in katero oskrbuje prej omenjeni odbor. V ta namen je prispeval klub št. 27 \$20, nabrano na seji Svobodniških Slovincem \$11, na seji društva Vodnikov venec pa \$8.15. Posamezni so darovali: Rose Jurman \$10, Albert Turk \$10, Albina Braidic \$5, Frances Turk \$4, Kristina Vider in Antonija Turk po \$3. Po \$2 so darovali: Frances Selan, Katrina Jurman, Agnes Makarovič, Pavla Stanfel, Jennie Fatur, Mrs. Skrl, Mrs. Azman; po \$1: Alice Azman, Ana Petkovšek, Magie Tancek, Valeria Wess, Louis Zorko, Tony Elersich, Andy Elersich; po 50c: Ana Muka, F. Zdešar, Mrs. Smrdel, Mrs. Mihelic in Mrs. Vadna. Skupaj je bilo nabranega \$101. Na tem mestu vsem prispevateljem najlepša hvala!

Krožek je odprt novim šivalnim kandidatijam.

Victoria Poljšak.

bo imel pesnik Ivan Zorman. Dramo je spisal Ivan Jontez.

Prvo dejanje nas popelje v slovensko vas, kjer gospodarijo ošabni Nemci. Vršijo se hišne preiskave, ob katerih se odigrava nezalisan tragedije posiljstva, požigov, ropov in umorov. Pri tem nečednem poslu pomagajo nacijem tudi nekateri slovenski izdajalci. Toda—kri ni voda. In tako se porodi odpor, ki se prične organizirati v hribih.

V drugem dejanju je pozorišče gestapovske pisarne. Po zašlugu izdajalca Grbca polovijo šturmariji vse zavedne vaske može vključivši župnika in učitelja. Sledijo mučenja in smrtne obsodbe. Toda nakano jim preprečijo sabotažniki in tako se zadeva zasuje v drugi tir. Konec drugega dejanja je silno dramatičen in napet.

Tretje dejanje se zavrti v gorah. Tam se zbirajo naši borci in s svojim primitivnim orožjem sekajo rane najmogočnejši vojni mašini. V tej borbi jim krepko pomagajo tudi ženske. Simbol odpora proti nacijem je bivši Američanec K r e m e n c. Dasi smrtno ranjen, navdušuje ostale za borbo do konca—za VERO V VSTAJENJE.

V igri nastopijo vsi znani igralci dramskega društva Ivana Cankarja. Za ples igra Pecinov orkester. Ker bodo kulturne priredbe vsled vojne zaposlenosti tekočo sezono zelo redke, vas vabi Cankarjeva ustanova, da se te drame udeležite v največjem številu!

Frank Cosen, 158.

Drama "Z vero v vstajenje"

Cleveland, Ohio.—Cankarjeva ustanova ponovi dramo "Z vero v vstajenje" v nedeljo, 13. decembra, v Slovenskem delavskem domu na Waterloo Rd. v spomin 24. obletnice smrti pisatelja Ivana Cankarja. Pričetek ob 3. uri popoldne. Kot glavni govornik na tej proslavi bo naš pesnik Ivan Zorman.

Drama "Z vero v vstajenje" se je vsem, katero so jo videli, dopadla in vabimo one, kateri je še niso videli, da jo sedaj posejijo; istotako vabimo one, ki so jo zadnjič videli, da jo pridejo še enkrat pogledat in bodo vsi imeli par ur postojnega užitka.

Po končanem programu bo domača zabava. Na svidenje v nedeljo, 13. decembra, v SDD na Waterloo Rd. Vabi vas vse in bratski pozdravlja—

L. Medvošek, 5.

Kaj je bratstvo

Lyons, Ill.—Bratstvo je po mojem mnenju sorodstvo. Ko smo pristopili k društvu, smo se zavezali, da bomo zvesti članom, društvu in jednoti, kar pa v večini ne vršimo. Dolžnost vsakega člana je, da se drži pravil, da obiskuje bolnike, da zahaja na redne in izredne seje, da dviga moralno med člani, da pomaga v kampanjah za nove člane in končno, da se udeležijo pogreba umrlega člana ali članice, ako mu je le mogoče.

Mi zanemarjamo skoro vse te dolžnosti in s tem delamo zelo slab vtis na članstvo in jednoto. Pri naših društvih imamo člane, ki se ne udeležijo seji več let, na društvo se zmislijo šele tedaj, ko imajo kaj dobiti. Tajnik zalaga zanje društveni assessment in od časa do časa kolekta od njih, ker jih v njih lastno korist neče spušdati.

Ko izvolite društveni odbor na letni seji, mislite, da ste opravili svoje dolžnosti, kar pa ni res. Vi prepustite odbornikom vse, dasi dobro veste, da odbor sam ne more ukrepati brez vas. Vaša dolžnost je, da se udeležite društvenih sej in da pomagate odboru v splošno korist.

Naše društvo 270 SNPJ je v tem letu izgubilo člana in članico. Vzela ju je smrt. Kljub kampanji za nove člane jih pa nismo nadomestili z novimi močmi. Ali ni to žalostno? Tu je pomanjkanje aktivnosti. Zanašamo se na druge, kar je naša hiba. Naša "mati" jednota je dobra in naša dolžnost je, da jo spoštujemo. Ona nam pomaga v potrebi iz bolniškega, odškodninskega, izrednega in smrtninskega sklada. Ona točno plača v vsakem slučaju, kolikor je član deležen, ako se drži pravil.

Vzemimo na primer naša dva smrtna slučaja. Meseca avgusta smo izgubili iz naše srede 19-letno sestro Mary Luketich. Ona

je prestopila iz mladinskega oddelka v odrasli meseca novembra 1941, torej je bila članica 10 mesecev. Zavarovana je bila za \$1000 smrtnine. Jednota je takoj poslala ček očetu in materi, ki sta ga z veseljem sprejela.

Drugi slučaj je bil pokojnega brata Johna Stimaca. On je bil član jednote 16 let, zadnjih sedem let je bil bolan; umri je 23. nov. in pokopali smo ga 25. nov. On je plačal skupnega assessmenta okrog \$363.80. Bolniške podpore je prejel (ne všteti podpore iz sklada izrednih podpor) \$1104, smrtnina pa \$600, skupaj \$1704. Torej je prejel okrog \$1340.20 več kot je vplačal.

Smrt je nesreča, ali biti član jednote je sreča. Nikdo ne ve, kaj nas čaka. Seveda smrt je neizogibna, zato potrebujemo zavarovalnino za slučaj boleznin in smrti.

Frank Vidmar, 270.

Seja in drugo

Cleveland. — Ko bodo te vrstice priobčene, bo že za nami Slovenski narodni kongres in torej sedaj ne velja pisati, kaj in kako se bo završil. Upajmo, da dobro.

Zdaj pa nekaj besed članom društva Vodnikovega venca 147 SNPJ. Naša letna seja je bila preložena s prve na drugo nedeljo v decembru, deloma radi kongresa in deloma, ker večina odbornikov dela tudi ob nedeljah. Seja se bo vršila v nedeljo, 13. dec. v navadnih prostorih okrog štirih ali petih popoldne—kdaj se prične, vas bo tajnik obvestil po pošti. Apeliram na vas, da se udeležite v čim večjem številu. Po seji bo članska zabava. Več kot nas bo, bolje bomo lahko začrtali smernice za prihodnje leto.

Na zadnji seji smo sprejeli tri člane, enega iz mladinskega oddelka, Bilinčičeva dvojčka pa kot nova člana v mladinski oddelki. Koliko smo jih sprejeli na predzadnji seji, pa že tajnik poroča v Prosveti. Tudi v vseh drugih ozirih napreduje naše društvo, kar so nam pokazali zadnji trimesečni računi.

Zadnje dni smo dobili prav mrzlo vreme, tako da je bilo 2 dec. le nekaj stopinj nad ničlo. Ta sprememba je prišla nenadoma, in to po močnem dežju. Upajmo; da ta hudi mraz ne bo dolgo trajal. Naprej za novimi člani in za novimi naročniki na dnevnik Prosveto.

Anton Jankovich.

Seja delničarjev SND

Indianapolis, Ind. — Delničarje Slovenskega narodnega doma uljudno vabim, da se v polnem številu udeležijo glavne seje v nedeljo, 13. dec., ob dveh popoldne v domovih prostorih na W. 10th st. in Warman ave. Društvu, ki je prenesto sejo na isti čas, priporočam, naj si izbere drugi čas za njih sejo, kajti zadnja glavna delničarska seja SND meseca januarja t. l. je došla, da se prihodnja letna seja vrši kot omenjeno zgoraj. Prosimo, da se omenjeni sklep upošteva.

Delničarjev se bila poslana vabila tudi po pošti, najmanj eno na vsako družino brez razlike, koliko delničarjev je v družini. Ako kdo ni dobil vabila po pošti, je morda vzrok pomanjkanje pravega naslova. V tem primeru ste prošeni, da obvestite tajništvo o vašem sedanjem naslovu. Na svidenje na seji.

John Yeran, tajnik SND.

Pred dvajsetimi leti

(Iz Prosvete, 9. decembra 1922)

Domače vesti. V Veroni, Pa. je umrl John Morel iz Narina na Notranjskem, član SNPJ.

Zadevo SNPJ. Prosveta ima celo stran vabil na letno sejo društev.

Delavske vesti. Velika bitka stavbnih delavcev v New Yorku se nadaljuje.

Inozemstvo. Nihče ne zaupa Ligi narodov kontrole nad Dardanelami!

Sovjetska Rusija. V Moskvi se vrši mirovna konferenca sovjetov in baltičkih držav, ki pa ne kaže dosti uspeha.

Naš kongres je začrtal pot

Slovenski narodni kongres v Clevelandu se je v dveh dneh izvršil v najlepšem redu. Kljub temu, da vsi ljudje ne bodo mikdar z vsem zadovoljni, je velika večina delegatov pokazala dobro voljo za kooperiranje pri akciji za osvoboditev in združitve Slovincem v stari domovini.

Prišli smo skupaj Slovinci različnih nazorov in pokazali smo, da lahko skupno delamo za stvar, ki je nam vsem skupna; prišli smo skupaj v interesu ene same ideje in cilja in v imenu te ideje in cilja smo se nazivali bratje. Največja težava je bila preganjanje, najtežja preizkušnja je bila izvojevana — prišli smo skupaj. Zdaj smo uverjeni, da lahko ostanemo skupaj, dokler ne bo rešena naloga, katero smo si postavili.

Kongres je soglasno sprejel jedrnathe resolucije, v katerih se krepko izražajo naše skupne želje: osvobodjena in združena Slovenija v okviru demokratične in federativne Jugoslavije, katera se lahko vključi v širše formacije, če bo dovolj zrelosti in razumevanja na vodilnih mestih.

Kongres je sprejel deklaracijo, v kateri so ameriški Slovinci povedali vladi Združenih držav, kje so danes in česa pričakujejo od svoje nove domovine v prid svojim bratom v stari domovini. Dalje je sprejel poslanico slovenskemu narodu in stari domovini izražajoč v njej najgloblje simpatije stotisočim trpinom in obetajoč jim, da jih čaka naša pomoč.

Kongres je sprejel še mnogo drugih sklepov, ki so potrebni. Kongres je poudaril svojo neomajno vero v demokracijo in se je v glavnem naslonil na Ameriko za dosego svojega cilja glede stare domovine, obenem pa je poslal tople pozdrave zaveznikom Amerike, Angliji in Sovjetski uniji.

Končno je kongres izvolil stalni odbor, Ameriški slovenski svet, v katerem so zastopane vse naše glavne organizacije. Ta odbor pojde zdaj na delo in dolžnost nas vseh je, da mu zaupamo in ga moralno ter gmočno podpiramo. Bratje in sestre, to je naš odbor — odbor vseh ameriških Slovincem. Korakajmo z njim!

Eno leto ameriške vojne

Dne 8. decembra je poteklo leto dni, kar so Združene države napovedale vojno Japonski, Nemčiji in Italiji — to je drugi dan po razbojniškem napadu na Pearl Harbor na Havajih in na Filipine.

Eno leto je preteklo in v tem času je bil Pearl Harbor najmanj petkratno maščevan. V prvem letu svoje vojne se je Amerika bojevala v glavnem z Japonsko in v treh velikih pomorskih bitkah — na Korajlnem morju, pri Midwayju in pri Solomonih — so bili Japonci strahovito tepeni; izgubili so čez sto bojnih ladij in čez 500 bojnih letal.

Kljub tem zmagam se je Amerika v prvem letu svoje vojne k večjem pripravljala na svoje odločilne udarce, ki se le pridejo. Z Nemci in Italijani je prišla v dotiko komaj proti koncu leta v severni Afriki, kjer je razvila svojo prvo večjo ofenzivo napram nacifašističnim barbarom.

Poleg teh uspehov na bojiščih je Amerika v tem letu dosegla ogromen uspeh na domači fronti. Podvojila je proizvodnjo bombnikov in bojnikov, postavila je na vse fronte, tudi na rusko, veliko število tankov in naša bojna mornarica je danes — kakor pravi mornarični tajnik Knox — večja kot je bila drugi dan po napadu na Pearl Harbor. V istem času je Amerika odbila enega največjih podmornških napadov v zgodovini in v svojem vodovju in poslala čez morje več stotisoč vojakov brez izgube enega samega moža.

Vzlic vsemu temu — vojna se je za Ameriko komaj začela. Njena največja preizkušnja in njene največje zmage se le pridejo — najbrže v drugem letu njene vojne.

Amerika lahko zre v bodočnost z največjim zaupanjem v svojo nepremagljivo moč. Amerika bo zmagala! Amerika bo zmagala z Anglijo, Rusijo in Kitajsko vred.

Vojna je naša — stric Sam smo mi!

Stric Sam se je namenil, da si ta mesec izposodi vsoto devet milijard dolarjev — največjo vsoto v zgodovini katere koli države na svetu — za financiranje zmage v tej vojni. To posojilo se imenuje U. S. Victory Fund.

Kdo je stric Sam? To smo mi! Stric Sam je simbol ali ime za vse prebivalstvo Združenih držav. To smo mi vsi.

Od koga si bo stric Sam izposodil — to je od koga si bomo mi vsi, ki smo stric Sam, izposodili to vsoto? Od nas samih! Mi vsi skupaj moramo zložiti ta denar, teh devet milijard dolarjev.

Vlada dobi denar na tri načine: 1) posojilo (prodaja bondov) na drobno od prebivalcev v splošnem, 2) posojilo (bondi) na debelo od bank in 3) iz povečanih davkov. Vlada se poslužuje vseh treh načinov, a najraje vidi prvi način, ako se prvi način (bondi na drobno) ne obnese, se bo morala poslužiti tretjega načina, to je vedno večjih davkov.

V našem interesu je, to je v interesu vsakega posameznika, da vložimo čim največ mogoče v vojnohranilne dolžnice ali bonde. Na ta način pomagamo stricu Samu — to je sebi — in dobimo svoj denar nazaj z obrestmi vred. Ako ne storimo tega, bomo plačevali toliko višje davke, ampak davki se nam nikoli ne povrnejo.

Vložimo torej ves preostanek našega zaslužka, vse, česar nujno ne potrebujemo za našo ekzistenco, v vojnohranilne bonde, zakladne dolžnice ali kakršne koli druge federalne papirje, s čimer si bo stric Sam — kar smo mi vsi — pomagal financirati zmago demokracije.



Kitajska dekleta, ki opravljajo policijsko službo v Čungkingu.

The United Slovenes Have Answered!

The question asked here last week regarding our martyred people in their homeland, "Are we big enough to understand this grave situation and to act accordingly?" has been answered positively and affirmatively by the 521 delegates assembled at the First Slovene National Congress in Cleveland on December 5 and 6.

The 521 delegates representing all shades of opinion answered here and there their national duty with honor! They have met on common ground with a single purpose in mind: to launch an effective political action for the liberation and unification of all Slovenia within the framework of a democratic and federated Yugoslavia.

This united action was the result of the spirit which pervaded the assembly throughout the two-day session, a spirit in which personal beliefs and prejudices were laid aside, the realization that only in this way could the main objective be attained.

On this exemplary score the delegates of the SNC deserve hearty commendation and congratulation.

The work accomplished at the Congress testifies eloquently that in times such as these, when the very existence of Slovenia is at stake—we are big enough to understand the grave situation and to act accordingly! That when we see our own house in flames we act as one to extinguish the fire lest it destroys our home! That in time of such danger we will use every honest means at our disposal to save it and rebuild its damaged parts!

With the positive results achieved at the Congress we have demonstrated conclusively that we are one with the rest of the civilized nations and that our demands are justified politically as well as culturally and socially.

As expected, the delegates created a permanent organization under the name of the Slovene National Council, for the purpose of carrying out the decisions and will of the Congress.

To be sure, the real and actual task lies ahead—a task which can be performed only with the genuine cooperation of all its executive officers elected by the Congress and with the wholehearted backing of all our people in America. Only in this way can the will of the delegates be put into operation.

In short, with the creation of the permanent body the real work has only begun. What is needed now is the moral and material support of all, and it is the duty of each and every American of Slovene extraction and birth to help promote our new political action vigorously, knowing that our united efforts are in the interest of our enslaved people in their homeland!

Today the Slovenes do not stand alone. Along with the Croats and Serbs they are fighting the oppressors of the enslaved nations.

In Slovenia there is hardly a village where the sound of the firing squad has not been followed by the awful silence of death. The bestialities committed by the Italian and German soldiery must not go unpunished, and the atrocities committed by the Gestapo call for retributions.

The Slovenes in America are resolute and united, determined to fight for the rights of their brothers so that after the war they will be repaid for their suffering at least by gaining freedom and the complete unification of their nation.

Toward this end the Slovene National Council created at the Cleveland convention is committed to work.

The executive committee of the Slovene National Council (SNC), elected by acclamation, includes the following:

Ethbin Kristan, President; Marie Prislant, 1st Vice President; Janko N. Rogelj, 2nd Vice President; Kazimir Zakrajšek, Secretary; Jože Zalar, Treasurer; Mirko Kuhel, Recording Secretary. Other executive officers, whose duties will be determined later, are the following: Vincent Cankar, Frank Zaitz, J. J. Oman, Leo Jurjavec and Dr. F. J. Kern. In addition, a committee of forty has been elected according to districts and the editors of all our papers have been named as honorary members of the SNC.

Here and There With Comrades

CLEVELAND, O.—Hello, everybody! This is a special invitation to all of you inviting you to the Comrades' Winter Dance to be held at the Slovene Home on Saturday, Dec. 19. Johnny Pecon's orchestra will entertain by giving out with those swell polkas and waltzes. In the bar and kitchen will be the usual refreshments. Welcome, all you sister lodges! We assure you all of a good time. Remember the date, Dec. 19, at the Slovene Home on St. Clair!

Once again the year has rolled around and it is time for our yearly meeting. Our meeting will be as usual, on the third Tuesday, Dec. 15. Due to our dance on the 19th, the meeting was not changed. How about a grand turnout for this yearly meeting? Let's see more of you so we can elect a board that will continue to do the good work of the past officers. Something special in the way of refreshments will be served and the bar will be wide open to all the members, and of course, any SNPJer who attends our

SNPJ Lodge No. 319 to Elect on December 13

CUDDY, PA.—I wish to inform all members of SNPJ lodge 319 to attend the final meeting of the year, Sunday, Dec. 13, at 2 p. m. Election of new officers to be held. All members are invited to attend. F. BASELJ, Sec'y.

meeting. Let's turn out for a grand showing. Remember Dec. 15.

Our girls' and boys' bowling league is going to town this year. It seems that in the girls' league, one girl outbats another just as soon as some sort of record is made. Marge Jeric came thru with a nice 206 game just to hear later in the day that Millie Mramor of the Strugglers came back with a 219. Well, that's something, girls. We've got a new high single to try to beat. But all in all, the league is going strong and we all seem to enjoy bowling this year.

Here and There—Agnis Flanders finally transferred to the Comrades from the Silver Stars in Yukon, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Kristof are the proud parents of a new addition to their family. Mrs. Kristof is the former Alice Popotnik—Frankie Azman, now in Uncle Sam's service, has retransferred to the Comrades. The Slovene National Congress in Cleveland has attracted nationwide delegates and seems to be stirring a lot of interest among the Slovenes to post-war activities. It was nice seeing a lot of active SNPJers whom we haven't seen in a long time. Mary Krizmanic was the Comrade delegate to the Congress along with Marie Stefanie. Reports from these two should induce members to come to our meeting on Dec. 15. As a last reminder, don't forget the Winter Dance on Dec. 19 and our meeting Dec. 15. PAULINE SPIK, 566.

Aloha from the Hawaiian Isles

HAWAIIAN ISLANDS, Nov. 21, 1942.—Hello all you lads and lassies back there. It has been some time since I have written an article, so here goes.

I am stationed for the present out here where they grow sugar ration cards right in their back yards. Pineapples, bananas and other tropical fruits are as plentiful as oranges in California. I am not permitted to say on what island I am stationed, but I can say it is a beautiful place.

I know many mothers worry about their sons who are in the service. Every soldier, marine and sailor is ready to do his part for Uncle Sam. Until actual combat duty calls, there are a great number of us more fortunate members of the service who are getting a thrill just by enjoying the new scenery as we move along. I know there are many of you folks that would surely trade places with me to be out here.

We have one grim reminder that we are in combat zone. Every night we have blackouts all over the island. I am sure most of you can understand how inconvenient it makes everything.

I want to thank the SNPJ for the complete service I am getting on the Prosvea, which has been a regular visitor here and appreciated a lot.

I would like to see more Young American articles in the paper. I know that most of you are very busy on defense work, but a few lines won't take long to write, so let's hear from the Young Americans Lodge 564.

I met my first SNPJ member since I have been in the service. He is Larry Dernovsek from Sheldon, Wisconsin. He was transferred into my battery and is already a well known member of the outfit. You lads and lassies up there in Wisconsin, can be proud of him.

I read your article, Ray Travnik. I think you will go places if you keep that frame of mind. There really isn't anything to it if you try to get along. I also received a card from Mike Kumer, Mike, as all of you probably know, is out to get a pair of silver wings. Lots of luck and happy landings. If you should happen to get a chance to fly over Tokyo, drop an extra bomb for the Young Americans. Rudy Grum is also well on his way to get a pair of silver wings. Same wishes to you, Rudy.

The boys in all services look up to the fliers, not just because they fly overhead, but as long as our boys are overhead we feel pretty safe.

It is you folks back home that are making the morale of the boys high out here by the splendid way you all are turning out war material. We can't lose this war with that kind of backing. Only free people will team up the way the Americans have in this emergency. Every plane, gun, ship, and bomb being built is surely bringing this war to a speedy and successful conclusion for the Allies.

Before I close this article I want to wish each and every one a very Merry Christmas and a Most Happy New Year. I am hoping that we will all be home for next Christmas to express our greetings in person. Aloha to all!

Sgt. LEON HOSTNIK, 36114321 Hqtrs 2nd Bn 93rd CA (aa) A. P. O. 958 c/o Postmaster, San Francisco, California.

Bro. A. Bradley Writes From Camp in Florida

CAMP CORRABELLE, FLA.—Seeing other soldiers' letters printed in the Prosvea has given me enough courage to write.

I am a member of SNPJ Lodge 333, Blaine, Ohio, and wish to say hello to each and every member of the SNPJ.

I was inducted into the Army on my birthday, the 19th of August. I received my basic training in Camp Edwards, Massachusetts, and only recently was transferred here to Camp Carrabelle, Florida. I am in the Engineers Amphibian Regiment.

My younger brother, who is also a member of the SNPJ, enlisted in the Navy about two months ago and is stationed in Sanford, Florida. Well, I'll say so long for now and I certainly would like to hear from members of the SNPJ and will answer all letters.

Buy War Bonds and Stamps to help win the war. I remain a proud member.

P. F. C. ANTHONY J. BRADLEY, Co. E—533rd E. A. R., Camp Carrabelle, Fla.

SHOP EARLY—WRAP SECURELY—ADDRESS PLAINLY—MAIL EARLY.

Friendly City News

JOHNSTOWN, PA.—It seems as if it were only yesterday that Lodge Friendly City held its annual meeting. Believe it or not, but it seems to be that time of the year again. The meeting will begin promptly at 8 o'clock, Sunday, Dec. 13, at the Adria Hall in Cambria City. All members are requested to attend. The only accepted excuse for being absent will be those working or those on the sick list. The usual card party following our meetings will be dropped until the January meeting.

It is reported that we have Sis. Jos. Urbas and Sis. Mary Gassar on the sick list; Sis. Jos. Urbas is doing nicely at the Philadelphia Hospital. We find Sis. Gassar still in bed with a very bad infection. After Bro. Frank Urbas has been a sick-a-bed for so long, he is out on his own now, hitting the high spots, and catching up on what he has missed for so long. We sure miss you all, and hope to have you with us again shortly.

Russell William Jr. has made his debut at the Zimmerman household Nov. 2. The proud parents, Ella and Russ, have seen to it that he has automatically been drafted into the Juvenile Dept. of Lodge Friendly City. Congratulations, and may the little tyke bring you continued happiness.

Did you girls see Verne Svigel's sparkler? Who is the lucky guy?

Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to the Sopchick, Dezelon and Dremley families for the departure of their loved ones.

As for Olivia Chuchek, I'll admit she is getting a lot of publicity, but I personally feel that she has earned every bit of it. Olivia has that certain something that most of us lack when it comes to showing our true colors. I would say that she is the busiest girl in our town. She tells me that she spends every day of the week with her "Youths of America" Circle, and would spend eight days were it possible. She certainly is enjoying it, and at the same time is doing a marvelous job of it. Lodge Friendly City is proud of you, and here's more power to your future successes!

Bro. Joseph Bombatch has answered Uncle Sam's call, and we find him stationed with the Navy at Bainsbridge, Md. You no more than left, and we miss you terribly already. We are hoping that your stay will only be a short one.

We Friendly City girls are still banging the wood. We take turns about being the winners, the losers, and then the bench warmers. We all look forward to this particular bowling nite, as we all seem to enjoy the same type of fun. We intend to keep up the Bowling Spirit until the boys get back. We sure miss that masculine competition.

The singing society Jugoslavia of Moxham is having its big nite on Dec. 12. Have you gotten your tickets as yet? A good time is in store for all those attending.

Again don't forget the yearly meeting, and bring along a new member.

BEANIE B. JACOBY, Sec'y.

Integrity Broadcast

CHICAGO.—The regular monthly meeting was fairly well attended in spite of the handicap of having it on Thanksgiving day. We have added four more members to the Integrity ranks: one new member in the Juvenile Dept and three by transfer.

Notice to all members: The next regular meeting will be on Sunday, Dec. 27, at 2 p. m. at 1006 N. California Ave., 2nd floor. Election of officers takes place. After the meeting we will have entertainment. Some of the refreshments will be donated by a member of the lodge. So for fun and action come to the December meeting.

Bro. John Heidenreich, son of Bro. and Sis. Frank Heidenreich, is now in the U. S. Army Air Corps. We wish him lots of success.

Yule Party and Dance This affair is sponsored by the Chicago District Federation of SNPJ Lodges, Sunday, Dec. 20, at the SNPJ Hall.

This affair is sponsored for the purpose of having once a year a party for the children that are members of the local SNPJ lodges affiliated with the federation. And the most proper time to have a party for the children is at Yuletide.

The children will stage a little program, after the program the children will have something to eat and after that the gifts will be given to them.

The Integrity juvenile members will receive their tickets from the lodge Secretary. All those who will not be able to attend must send their tickets back to the Secretary

Lodge 615 Will Meet on Dec. 20

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.—Calling all members of SNPJ lodge 615 to the annual meeting to be held on Sunday, Dec. 20. This will be a very important meeting, as we will have election of officers for the coming year. The meeting will be held at the usual place at 10 a. m. The attendance has not been very good of late and I surely hope that the majority of members will respond to my request and attend this meeting.

With gas rationing, etc., in effect, it will probably work a hardship on a lot of members and due to transportation difficulties they will not be able to attend. The future of the coming year depends on this meeting and I hope that the members that possibly can attend, do so.

Due to the great defense works and dimout regulations the social functions of our lodge have been discontinued to a great extent. I hope that after the war is over we will be able to have our entertainments, etc., and enjoy the privileges we have had heretofore. The more bonds and stamps we purchase the sooner we will be able to enjoy these privileges. Let's all pull together and help the war effort to the utmost of our ability. We have five of our members in the armed services at present.

In closing I wish to thank all of the members for the fine cooperation they have given me and I hope that the new secretary receives the same. See you all at the meeting December 20.

AUGUST KOTCHNIK, Sec'y.

Badgerland News

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—Our membership campaign is going along fairly well with 54 members already initiated thus far. With a little cooperation of the rest of the members we should at least be on top in our district. So members if you have any prospects bring them around and the Sec'y will explain the different policies and sign them up. No initiation FEE and FREE MEDICAL EXAMINATION. Besides there are attractive awards for each new member procured in the form of War Stamps or War Bonds. So let's help lick the Axis and at the same time help the SNPJ and yourself. Let's get the ball a-rolling and each and every one at least bring in one new member.

This 'n' That Home on furlough were Pvt. John Chokel, Sgt. Alfred Jeray, Sgt. Anton Spruck, 2nd Lt. Wm. Kriskovic, and also Seaman Dan Bjelajac. John Marn spent a week in Mt. Olive, Ill., with his parents and friends before he left Saturday to join up with Uncle Sam. There are quite a few Marns in the SNPJ. This John Marn was a member of the Supreme Board of the former SSPZ. New additions in the families of Badgers are Mr. and Mrs. John Sedak, a boy; Mr. and Mrs. John Spek Jr., a girl. Congratulations.

Coming Events

Fifth Annual Xmas party and dance on Sat., Dec. 19, at the Harmonie Hall, 929 So. 6th St. Midwest Bowling Tournament to be held at Waukegan, Ill., Jan. 24, 1924. So you keggers get your teams lined up now.

LEO SCHWEIGER, 584.

Lodge No. 89 to Elect Dec. 13; Dance Dec. 31

MIDWAY, PA.—Members of Lodge 89, try your best to attend the annual meeting Sunday, December 13, at one (1) p. m. Matters of importance will be discussed and the election of officers for the year 1943 will be held.

Thursday, Dec. 31, our New Year's Eve dance will be held and we invite all neighboring lodges and friends to attend. Music will be furnished by Jackie Martincic and his orchestra. We're sure there's a grand evening in store for you if you come to Midway New Year's eve.

Mrs. STANLEY PIKE, Treas.

SNPJ Lodge No. 215 to Hold Meeting Dec. 13

VIRGINIA, MINN.—Members of SNPJ lodge 215 are notified that at 1:30 p. m. Sunday, Dec. 13, at the Chamber of Commerce Room, City Hall, the annual meeting for the election of officers will take place. All are urged to be present.

JOHN FLECK Jr., Sec'y.

In order that he can save the gifts for them.

All adult members who wish to attend this party should get their tickets from the Secretary. Tickets are only 30c. Don't forget the affair M. R. FLEISCHACKER, Sec'y.

Veronian News

VERONA, PA.—Notice, Veronian Juveniles. There will be a Christmas party at the Veronian Club on Tues., Dec. 22, for all juvenile members of SNPJ lodge 680. In addition, for those who might miss this article, Veronian Manager Chubby Gostky will let each and every juvenile know by postal card. A good suggestion is for you juveniles to bring your parents along so that it will remind them to be sure and have your gift ready for you on Christmas eve. The time is 7 p. m. Be sure to make it your business to be there.

General Meeting

Only nine more days until the day of our Dec. 20 meeting. This meeting, brothers and sisters, to us SNPJ members is a very important affair. That's the reason why we should all try to be present at the Veronian club on Dec. 20. Here's a chance regardless of whether you have been to a meeting in the past or not, to prove if you are a 100% Veronian by attending THIS ONE which will begin at 2 p. m. A swell time for every one after the meeting.

Guess Who: Today's quiz is going to be a mixed up affair. There will be hints of all kinds which will lead to this person's name beginning with the next line. In the morning at the army camps, our boys awaken to a bugle call. On Sundays some go to church like the one that's located on top of Center Ave. in Verona. In the afternoon many varieties of sports are played. In these games there is bound to be a winner and a loser. Last week's answer, Mary Jakovac.

News Notes

When Mrs. Tratar didn't get any answers to her phone calls to Boston, it was believed that her son Rudie Tratar who is an Ensign in the Navy, might have been one of the victims who perished in the Cocoon Grove night club fire. Only when she received a telegram that same evening explaining how he, Rudie, was one of the officers who helped in the rescue work, and that he was all right, was she assured that her boy was safe. Nice work, Rudie. The Veronians are proud of you, you who has just completed six months of hard work at the Harvard University, from which you graduated.

During the month of November two important things happened which will be of a great benefit to our Veronians. First the granting of a loan from our main office, and the second the transfer of Lodge 394 to our Lodge 680, making our Veronians that much stronger.

Golden Eagles

GIRARD, OHIO.—With the coming of the New Year we find many new developments in the world affairs which are of much interest to us. In Yugoslavia we hear of resistance to the Axis by the Yugoslavs. In this fighting by Slovenes, Serbs and Croats many lives are lost and this brings nearer to us the thought that with all the suffering and loss of lives by the Yugoslavs and all others who are fighting oppression by the Axis should be in our minds as we give our support to the Slovene National Congress. When this article appears, officers who will lead this group, will be chosen to let us be united and make certain that Slovenes in Europe may look forward to our fullest support.

During the month of Dec. the SNPJ lodges of the United States and Canada will be electing new leaders for the coming year. The road ahead is not as smooth as it has been the last few years, and we must work harder to keep our lodges intact. So when we choose our leaders of our respective lodges, let us be careful and choose capable ones.

The Golden Eagles' meeting date has been changed again. It will be held the 3rd Sunday of Dec. at 2 o'clock at Nagoda's. As this is our yearly meeting, officers will be elected and it is important that everyone attend. The Social committee announces that a social will be held directly after the meeting. A covered dish will be served and refreshments will be plentiful. There will be music for those who care to dance. We will be celebrating a very successful year both financially and socially, so let us attend and plan for the future.

On Dec. 19, the "Dawn of Youth" Juvenile Circle No. 7 will hold a Christmas party at Nagoda's. It will be a combined meeting and party. The meeting will begin at 7 o'clock and all parents are requested to attend and see our juveniles conduct their meeting. These youngsters do a swell job and we can be proud of our Circle. Immediately following the meeting the party will be held. Let us attend and make their party a suc-

cess. Refreshments will be had for the adults.

Side Glances: Corp's Bill Seil and Frank Seil were home on furlough. Frank is a fullfledged Glider Pilot now. Congratulations to Pvt. Fred Klucik and Agnes Yankovich who were married recently at Camp Crowder, Missouri.

STANLEY HRIBAR, 643.

Western Leaders Will Elect on December 16

BUTTE, MONT.—To Bro. Frank Bolifeta, in his recent benevolent, all members of SNPJ lodge 603 express their deepest sympathy.

On Dec. 16, same time, 7:30 p. m., along with our regular meeting we will have our annual Dec. special meeting. After this meeting we will enjoy our annual Dec. special social. All members know this means we all have a good time.

We wish to have all members present at this meeting for there will be an election of new officers for the coming year. Your cooperation in attending this meeting will be greatly appreciated.

RUTH METULLY, 608.

SNPJ Lodge 184 Meets Sunday, December 13

SPRINGFIELD, ILL.—Attention, members of SNPJ lodge 184! Our regular and annual meeting will be held at two o'clock Sunday, Dec. 13, at the home of the Secretary, 1812 S. 14th st. Officers for the coming year are to be elected as well as other matters discussed. All members are requested to be present.

AGNES TOMINSEK Jr., Sec'y.

THE S.N.P.J. Is Proud of Its 2014* Members Who Are Now in the Service of Our Country (As of Nov. 15, 1942)

Rules of the "SNPJ Victory Campaign"

The SNPJ VICTORY CAMPAIGN shall be a fraternal and patriotic drive for greater expansion and security, having for its main objectives the twofold purpose of building up the membership of the Society and the defenses of the U. S. A.

This campaign shall be conducted in both departments of the Society, beginning with the first day of March, 1942, and ending with the last day of February, 1943.

It shall be open to all lodges and members of the SNPJ and shall be conducted on a national scale with states grouped according to the Society's six Vice-Presidential Districts, each of which in turn shall be divided into states composing them, thus forming three contests in all, national, district and state.

The National Directors of the VICTORY CAMPAIGN shall be VINCENT CAINKAR, Chairman, and MICHAEL VRHOVNIK, Director, and under them, filling the role of regional directors, shall come the District Vice-Presidents of the Supreme Board, and under them the local lodge secretaries and members. The duties of all concerned shall be to publicize, promote and organize ways and means of increasing the membership. Lodges, Circles and activities of the Society.

The national, district and state campaign winners shall be decided on the following plan: The Lodge enrolling the highest number of new members in the Society shall be declared the National SNPJ Victory Campaign Winner; the Lodge enrolling the highest number of new members in its District shall be an SNPJ District Campaign Winner; and the Lodge enrolling the highest number of new members in a state, having five (5) or more lodges, shall be a State SNPJ Victory Campaign Winner. Likewise, a similar set-up shall apply to all individual members, each to be rewarded as provided in subsequent rules.

All campaign awards shall be paid in form of United States Defense Savings Stamps and Bonds of various denominations as described in the schedule of prizes immediately following:

	Lodge	Individual
National Victory Campaign Winner.....	\$100.00	\$50.00
National Victory Campaign runner-up.....		50.00
District Victory Campaign Winners, each.....	50.00	50.00
State Victory Campaign Winners, each.....	25.00	25.00
Nat'l Circle Victory Campaign Winner.....	25.00	

In addition to the foregoing list of SPECIAL prizes, the Society shall also pay the following REGULAR prizes to individual contestants and non-contestants, who are responsible for enrolling new members:

For each juvenile member—any plan.....	\$1.00
For each adult insured for \$250.00.....	1.00
For each adult insured for \$500.00.....	2.00
For each adult insured for \$1000.00 or more.....	4.00

The minimum quota of new members required to be enrolled by a lodge or individual member in order to be eligible for a state, district, or the national VICTORY CAMPAIGN prize is twenty-five (25) members, juveniles and adults combined.

No credit shall be allowed for members transferring from the Juvenile to the Adult Department if the amount of mortuary insurance is \$500 or less, but full credit shall be given for any amount in excess of \$500 and members, in all such cases, shall be counted as new members gained. Every increase of mortuary insurance shall be treated as a member gained and the credit given to the lodge and individual responsible for the execution of the membership application.

The regular campaign prizes shall be awarded after three assessments have been paid for the new members, such awards to be made at intervals decided by the Supreme Executive Committee. The national, district and state prizes shall be awarded three months after the conclusion of the Victory Campaign.

Medical examination fees for new members shall be paid by the Society in amounts up to \$2.00 for adults and 50 cents for juveniles. No medical examinations, however, are required for juveniles except in the state of Ohio.

Lodges and individual members, who desire to participate in the VICTORY CAMPAIGN, are required to file an entry on forms provided by the National Campaign Director. Each entry, in order to qualify, must be accompanied by an application for a new member. Members of either Department of the Society are eligible as contestants.

Individual contestants must enroll new members into the lodges of the District in which they reside; otherwise, no credit shall be given. Credit for new members is not transferrable once it has been received and filed by the Supreme Office.

It shall be the duty of every Lodge Secretary to furnish the Supreme Office with the name and address of each contestant for whom credit for new members is intended, this information to accompany the membership applications.

Every contestant and new member will be entitled to an SNPJ VICTORY CAMPAIGN pin.

The slogan of the SNPJ VICTORY CAMPAIGN shall be: Help defend America by enrolling new members in the SNPJ!

The Medical Crisis

In more than 300 war production areas the shortage of doctors has reached such proportions that "ordinary day by day hazards of sickness and accident cannot be dealt with," declares the New York Physicians Forum in an open letter to Paul V. McNutt, Chairman of the War Manpower Commission and other government officials. The Forum is composed of 150 prominent New York physicians.

"The lack of doctors for industrial workers constitutes a very grave peril to the whole national war effort," the Forum states. "Let an epidemic start in one of these densely populated areas and there is no knowing where it will spread or when it may stop."

A year ago the President created the Procurement and Assignment Service to supervise the procurement of medical personnel to meet military and civilian needs. But according to the Physicians Forum, the PAS "has neither procured nor assigned."

Its cumbersome procedures and decentralized set-up proved unable to obtain the doctors needed by the armed forces. "The Army, in order to get the doctors it needed, had to step in and do its own recruiting, while war industry... has been left to fend for itself. Up to the present time, some 35,000 physicians have been obtained for the armed forces by the armed forces," (not by PAS), "while few if any have been assigned to industrial areas by the Procurement and Assignment Service."

The Army recruiting teams endeavored to get as many doctors as possible into uniform, regardless of civilian needs in the communities where the doctors were recruited. A Senate Subcommittee on Manpower found that some states, which had too few doctors to begin with, have oversupplied the Army beyond the quota originally set for them by the PAS, while others with plenty of doctors have filled less than half their quotas. The lack of any rational plan for utilizing medical man-power is further emphasized by reports that the armed forces refuse to accept the services of Negro physicians.

According to Dr. Michael M. Davis, Director of the Committee on Research in Medical Economics, prompt action is needed to correlate military and civilian needs. He advocates that a central agency be established. Unlike the PAS, this agency, he says, should not be controlled exclusively by medical men but should also include representatives of labor, farmers, industry, etc.

Dr. Davis believes civilian needs might be met in critical areas by (1) authorizing the U. S. Public Health Service to "commission" doctors for service to civilians; (2) cooperation by industrial management and organized labor to bring needed doctors with substantial salaries or guarantees of minimum income for the duration, as at the Kaiser shipyards; (3) encouraging the establishment of doctors in new practices by paying their moving expenses and perhaps guaranteeing income for a certain period.

The N. Y. Physicians Forum also proposes that the U. S. Public Health Service commission medical officers for civilian practice in selected areas and send teams of doctors to care for the populations of endangered areas. The Forum points out that "since the problem transcends state lines," it must be handled by a Federal agency which can cut across such barriers as state license requirements.

Chairman McNutt of the Manpower Commission told the Industrial Hygiene Foundation last week, "We cannot continue to permit conditions in some war-boom areas where there is only one doctor to 5,000 to 7,000 people." He said that rationing of medical service may be needed.

The pace of public demand for action on the home medical front is thus accelerating. As Bread & Butter has pointed out, the job is to get the right number of the right doctors in the right places.

Anti-Democratic Revolt

If Hitler had landed agents from a submarine, to disrupt and destroy American democracy from within, they could not have done a hundredth part of the damage done by a willful minority of poll-tax Senators who were holding up Congress by the most shameful filibuster.

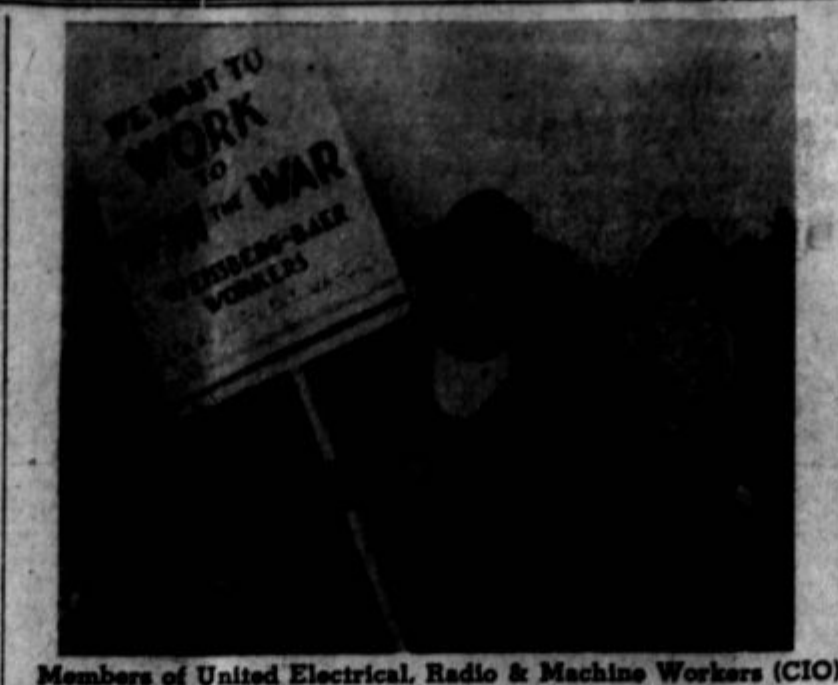
To make our democracy effective for winning this war, the House by a three-to-one vote has passed an anti-poll tax bill to grant the right to vote to 10 million disfranchised American citizens.

There is little doubt the Senate would also pass this legislation, if allowed to vote on it, since it is demanded by the overwhelming majority of the American people.

The poll-tax bloc therefore is engaged in a Hitleristic attempt to prevent democracy from functioning, by its filibuster to prevent a Senate vote. It is seeking to impose minority rule on America.

—CIO News.

The sooner we stop living in a world of fancy, the sooner will we avoid the nightmare of defeat.



Members of United Electrical, Radio & Machine Workers (CIO) who were locked out by the Weisberg-Baer Co., Long Island City.

Blueprints For a Better World

U. S. and Canada Exchange Notes and Beveridge Offers "Security Program" Which Isn't Even "Pink." Two documents, says Labor, offering blueprints for a better world after the war, were made public last Tuesday.

In Washington, Secretary of State Cordell Hull, acting for the United States, and Leighton McCarthy, Canada's Minister to this country, exchanges notes. That's the diplomats' way of putting it. As a matter of fact, on behalf of their respective governments they agreed that Canada and the United States would "co-operate in formulating a program, open to participation by all other countries of like mind, directed at the expansion of production, employment and the exchange and consumption of goods which are the material foundation of the liberty and welfare of all people."

Of course, that has to do primarily with the removal of trade barriers of all kinds, and it's a move in direction of Secretary Hull's dream of a world at peace, with all nations free to exchange their products without unreasonable restrictions.

Much-Debated Beveridge Plan

The other document attracted much more attention. It was Sir William Beveridge's report on economic reforms for post-war Britain.

British Tories have been very nervous over this report. They are confident that some malign influence has changed the scholarly Sir William and that he is intent on compelling John Bull to embrace Communism.

There is nothing in the report to justify that kind of hysteria, but, nevertheless, many of the Tories are preparing to oppose it in Parliament.

As a matter of fact, all Sir William proposes is a broad extension of the principle of social security—old age pensions, unemployment insurance, maternity benefits, aid for poor children and a health system which would guarantee everyone decent medical care.

Three-Way Contributions

Employers would contribute from 55 to 80 cents a week for each employe. Workers would add from 80 cents to \$1 a week. The government would take care of approximately one-third of the total cost, or about \$1,500,000,000. That looks big, but, as a matter of fact, the government is putting up about \$800,000,000 now.

The cost to insured persons would go up from about \$800,000,000 to \$1,800,000,000, and the employers' share would be boosted from less than \$400,000,000 to about \$600,000,000.

Of course, those increases would make it possible to grant more liberal allowances all along the line and to add many new features including, for example, funeral benefits of \$100.

Swapping Saves Materials

School children of Cornwall, N. Y. are pioneers in a "swap the rubbers" movement which is reminiscent of frontier log-rolling. Encouraged by the New York Regional OPA, the Cornwall Consumer Committee called a school assembly in each of the town's four schools, to which each student brought outgrown rubbers, overshoes, and raincoats. The outgrown rainwear was either handed down to a school friend or swapped for a larger size.

In the midst of the war shortages, organized swapping is a good way to make sure that articles which can no longer be used are promptly made available to other users. Besides rubber rainwear, the swapping idea can well be applied to toys and other articles of clothing. It is a desirable extension of the "share-the-car" movement for rubber and gasoline conservation.

Congratulations to OPA

Consumers may expect to save from three to 20 cents on the purchase of each article of knitted underwear as a result of OPA action requiring that the reduction of material costs due to substitution of less expensive carded for combed yarn be reflected in retail prices.

This is a sound move by OPA illustrating how necessary war economies in material can be used to keep down the cost of living.

Want a "Needless Scandal" In introducing this proposal, Sir William says that prior to the war "want in Britain was a needless scandal due to no one taking the trouble to prevent it."

Admitting that this war is costing a lot of money, he says the argument "that the British in the future must be permanently poor because they will have spent their fathers' savings, is defeatism without reason and against reason."

In a word, Sir William maintains that poverty is a "preventable disease," and that it is sacrilege to call it "God's will." The labor movement all over the world has been saying that for a long, long time.

The labor movement will also applaud his statement that "the object of a government, in peace or war, should be, not the glory of rulers or race, but the happiness of the common man."

Scrape That Beard

WPB has cracked down on the manufacture of razors and restricted the production of blades. No more safety razors will be produced except for military and lend-lease needs. Previously their production had been restricted to 70% of the 1940 output. Straight razors will be turned out in smaller quantities until January 1 when output stops for the duration of the war. Factories will make commando knives instead.

Both kinds of razors are available in the stores and will be for a long time, since millions of men are entering the armed services thus cutting down civilian demand.

Safety razor blades for civilian use have been restricted to about 80% of the record breaking 1941 output. With less civilians using blades, the supply will be adequate during 1943.

You might try getting more shaves out of your blades. Wet your beard thoroughly and wash with soap and water. Follow this with two or three minutes of vigorous lathering. Then shave diagonally across the face so as to give a partly slicing stroke.

Try honing double-edged blades against the inside of a smooth tumbler. Wet the tumbler, press the blade against the glass, and move it back and forth. This will add appreciably to the life of most blades. Some stores sell special curved glasses that make the operation easier. If you do nothing else, try to add one more shave to the number you get out of each blade. Most men have gotten into the habit of discarding a blade after a certain number of shaves without seeing whether they can get more out of it.

Big Fire Insurance Profits

The editor of the "Capital Times" of Madison calls attention to the following from a report of the Wisconsin Commissioner of Insurance for 1941:

In 1941, the premiums paid the fire insurance companies of Wisconsin totaled \$25,390,236.

The fire losses for the same year for which benefit payments were made totaled \$8,946,961.

Thus the premiums paid exceeded the losses by \$15,400,000.

Figures from other states are relatively the same. It is difficult to figure out how anyone can justify such a wide discrepancy between premiums collected and losses paid. Of course, the explanation is that the insurance companies control most of the regulatory bodies.

Mystic raptures over personalities or incidents only becloud common sense and land one into a dangerous morass.



This Was "Radical" 100 Years Ago!

Dr. Andrews Reminds Us of the First Law Regulating Working Hours; Crowning Victory Came Under "New Deal"

Anniversaries are important events. They serve as a sort of yardstick, and, among other things, may be used to determine whether the great movements in which we are interested are marching forward or beating a retreat.

Dr. John B. Andrews, who for many years has been the director of the American Association for Labor Legislation, fearing Labor might overlook one of these anniversaries—and an extremely important one—generously sent us the following reminder:

"America's first direct protective labor law was enacted just 100 years ago. It was in 1842 that Massachusetts, after a number of discouraging efforts to secure limited education for employed children, finally adopted legislation prohibiting the employment of children in manufacturing establishments for more than 10 hours a day, if they were under 12 years of age.

"This 'radical' pioneer step was taken after years of agitation. It came in response to a petition signed by three bold citizens of Fall River. They pointed out that children of tender age were being employed in factories for a number of hours which must be permanently injurious to their health and inconsistent with the education which is essential to their welfare."

"Public opinion a century ago generally approved the 'sun-to-sun' system of labor. Opposition to the 10-hour movement was much more formidable than the opposition presented decades later to the eight-hour movement. As one writer stated:

"The stern New England spirit had invested industrious habits—the habit of working continuously from morning till night with only time for meals—with the sacred character of a moral, if not a religious, precept."

"But despite obstacles, there were independent individuals who persisted in pointing out the evils of child labor. One religious leader sent a letter to a workmen's convention in 1834, declaring: 'I would lay the most severe restrictions on parents selling their children as slaves to our large manufacturing institutions, and employing boys and girls of the tender age of nine and ten years to work in the noisy and confined and unwholesome atmosphere—from 12 to 14 hours per day.'

"Gradually through persistent agitation, one step after another was taken to shorten the hours of labor until, in 1938, the Congress of the United States crowned all these century-long efforts with the adoption of the Fair Labor Standard Act."

"This law, abolishing child labor, and fixing a basic 40-hour week with a minimum rate of pay, did not come without many decades of preparation and persistent effort against stubborn obstacles of ignorance and greed."—Labor.

United Slovenes Will Meet on December 20

ST. MARYS, PA.—All members of United Slovenes lodge, SNPJ 581, are urged to attend the annual meeting on Dec. 20 at 2 p. m. at 523 Curry Ave. Lodge officers will be elected for the year 1943 and other important matters will be taken care of.

At our November meeting the lodge has requested me to collect all debts of the lodge. All members who are in arrears, please cooperate, so that the New Year will find our books in order and in the clear.

The campaign for new members is still on and now is a good time to bring in a new member. Your friends, neighbors and relatives are eligible. Bring them in!

Bro. George Vidmar joined the Navy. Bro. Edward Kromar was home on furlough. Bro. Anthony Bryan is rocking his new daughter to sleep. Congratulations, Tony. Frank Zore writes from Virginia, "Army life is O. K."

On Dec. 8, our city was just 100 years old, and will be celebrated when the boys come marching home.

We extend to all Prosveta readers the season's greetings.

GABRIEL J. ULJON, Sec'y.

A Resolution

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.—The following resolution was read and unanimously adopted at the Yugoslav Victory Meeting, held November 29, 1942, in the Eagles Hall, San Francisco, Calif. The meeting was addressed by Dr. Ivan Subasic, Governor of Croatia, and other speakers, and was presided over by Dr. John F. Slavich, Mayor of Oakland, Calif.

WHEREAS, we firmly believe in the principles of self-determination and abolition of the rule of force, as proclaimed in the Atlantic Charter, and consider the Four Freedoms of President Roosevelt as essential prerequisites to enable each nation and each individual to enjoy a reasonable measure of security and happiness; and

WHEREAS, these principles have been challenged by the Axis powers, who are determined to conquer the world and institute their own rule of brutal force and human slavery; and

WHEREAS, the people of the United States of America and the people of Yugoslavia are united with the other freedom-loving nations of the world in their endeavor to crush the Axis military machine and to liberate all subjugated countries, including Yugoslavia; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that we Americans of Yugoslav birth and extraction, residing in the San Francisco Bay area, pledge our wholehearted and unqualified support to the country of our adoption, the United States of America, in its vigorous and successful prosecution of the war and in its endeavor to establish a just and democratic peace; and be it further

RESOLVED, that we Americans of Serbian, Croatian and Slovene extraction will furnish whatever aid we can to the despoiled people of Yugoslavia as well as to other nations who have become victims of the Fascist aggression; and be it further

RESOLVED, that at the conclusion of this war all the South Slav peoples be enabled to unite on the basis of equality in a truly democratic state and that, united among themselves, they should strive for the closest collaboration with Russia and all other Slav nations of Europe.

In behalf of the Yugoslav Victory Committee, as sponsor of this meeting.

J. L. Kerpan, Chairman, Peter Obad, Secretary.

MATT SPOLER.

Lodge 640 to Hold Benefit Saturday

BRIDGEPORT, O.—The SNPJ Lodge Cardinals 640 will sponsor a benefit dance Saturday, December 12, at 8:30 p. m. at the Boydsville Hall, Bridgeport, Ohio. The proceeds of the dance will be used to send gifts to the members who are serving in the armed forces. Must be furnished by the Snapper Entertainers. The admission tickets are 35c also good for a drawing on a \$5 War Savings Stamp. There will be various concession stands for everyone's enjoyment. The public is cordially invited.

Johanna Sodnikar, Sec'y.

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