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Notice of the Election of Delegates and the Sixteenth Regular Convention of the South Slavonic Catholic Union of America

Pursuant to Article VI of the Articles of Incorporation and Sections 8, 12 and 36 of the Constitutions and By-Laws of the South Slavonic Catholic Union of America, and in accordance with the decision of the 15th regular convention, notice is hereby given that the 16th regular convention of the South Slavonic Catholic Union of America will assemble in the Slovene National Club, 424-10th Street, Waukegan, Illinois, on the 9th day of September, 1940, at 9:00 a. m.

(SECTION 33.) Each Subordinate Lodge having from seven to one hundred and fifty members in the adult department shall be entitled to one delegate. Lodges having a membership of one hundred and fifty-one or more members in the adult department shall be entitled to two delegates and no lodge shall be entitled to more than two delegates. Lodges having less than fifty members shall merge with other lodges for the purpose of electing a delegate. The Executive Committee of this Union shall determine which lodges shall be merged for that purpose in connection therewith the lodges closest to each other shall be united.

(SECTION 34.) The number of members in good standing on the 1st day of May of the Convention year shall be indicated by the number of delegates such lodge may send.

(SECTION 35.) Lodges organized and accepted into the Union on the 1st day of May of the Convention year shall not be entitled to representation at the Convention and shall not elect delegates.

(SECTION 36.) The election of delegates for a regular Convention shall be held in the month of June and July of the Convention year. In case the election of delegates is held at the regular meeting, held in the month of June, no notice thereof is required to be given to the members. If, however, the lodge, at its next monthly meeting in June decides to hold the election of delegates the following month, then the Secretary of such lodge shall publish such decision in the official organ, or notify the members by mail.

(SECTION 37.) In case the lodge decides to elect delegates at a special meeting the Secretary of the lodge shall mail such notice to all the members thereof and in addition thereto shall publish the same in the official organ.

(SECTION 38.) Delegates shall be elected by public nomination and secret ballot. Each delegate shall be voted upon separately and the absolute majority of the votes cast is necessary for election. In case there are three or more candidates and none of them receives on the first ballot a majority of the votes cast then the candidate receiving the highest number of votes on the first ballot shall be voted upon. The candidate who on such ballot receives a majority of the votes cast shall be regarded elected. When a repeated ballot the two candidates receive an equal number of votes then the balloting shall be continued until one candidate receives the required majority of the votes cast. The substitute to the delegates shall be elected in like manner.

(SECTION 39.) Each member of the adult department and the juvenile department, including the candidates and President of the lodge shall have the right to vote for delegates.

(SECTION 40.) The Recording Secretary of the lodge shall enter in the minutes of the meeting the number of members present at the meeting, the names of the properly nominated candidates for delegates and their substitutes as well as the result of the election.

(SECTION 41.) At the same meeting at which the delegate is properly elected he shall be issued credentials bearing the name of the lodge, and signed by the President, Secretary and Treasurer of the lodge. A copy of such credentials executed in like manner shall be forthwith mailed to the Supreme Office.

(SECTION 42.) All complaints concerning the election of delegates and their substitutes shall be adjudicated by the Supreme Judiciary Committee and all such complaints must be presented to the President of the Supreme Judiciary Committee within fourteen days after the elections. From the decision of the Supreme Judiciary Committee an appeal may be made to the Convention. However, in case the Convention approves the decision of the Supreme Judiciary Committee the complainant shall bear all transportation costs to and from the Convention.

(SECTION 43.) No member shall be a candidate for delegate at a regular or a special convention unless: He is a member in good standing, is over twenty-one years of age, is an American citizen, is able to read and write, has been a member of the Union for at least one year and of the lodge at least six months, HAD BEEN PRESENT AT THE LAST SIX REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE LODGE, PRIOR TO THE TIME OF THE ELECTION OF DELEGATES (except if his absence has been caused by illness).

(SECTION 44.) A member who is INSURED IN ALL FUNDS OF THE UNION, has not been found guilty, either by a jury or by a judiciary committee of embezzlement, fraud, or conversion in connection with SSCU, other like organization or a local lodge. If a lodge united with another lodge for the purpose of jointly electing a delegate does not report its name to the Supreme Office before the end of June of the Convention year, it shall be presumed it has no candidate; and if a lodge does not report the result of the election to the Supreme Office, it shall be presumed that it did not participate in the election.

(SECTION 45.) The lodges united for the purpose of electing a delegate shall vote for their candidates in the same manner as is prescribed herein for the election of delegates. As soon as a candidate has been elected the Secretary of the subordinate lodge shall forthwith report his

Euclid, O. Honorary



MARY AVCIN

Euclid, O., through its lodge 132, SSCU will answer to the roll call of honorary delegates at the September SSCU convention, for Mary Avcin recently qualified as honorary delegate.

Ely, Minn. Honorary



LOUIS BERGANT

Ely, Minnesota lodge 129, SSCU will be ably represented in the honorary delegate circle next September by Louis Bergant, who qualified as honorary guest to the 16th regular convention to take place in Waukegan, Ill.

BRIEFS

Two very important articles, relating to the 16th regular convention and emanating from the home office of our SSCU, are published in this issue of Nova Doba. "Notice of the election of delegates and the 16th regular convention," and "Merger of lodges for the purpose of electing joint delegates," should be read by every member, particularly the lodge officers, so that they may be guided during the June and July meetings of this year.

Two more honorary delegates qualified from lodge 190, SSCU, Butte, Montana, is the last minute news flash from our supreme secretary Anton Zbasnik, Ely, Minnesota. The two honorary delegates are: Elizabeth Stankovich and Angela Stepan.

Mary Predovich of lodge Western Sisters, 190, SSCU, Butte, Montana is the latest candidate to qualify as honorary delegate to the 16th quadrennial convention. Lodge 190 qualified five juvenile delegates and one athletic conference delegate in the 1939 campaign for new members. As the Nova Doba goes to press, supreme secretary Anton Zbasnik reports further that the following also qualified: Mary Avein, 132, SSCU, Euclid, O.; Louis Bergant, 129, SSCU, Ely, Minn.; and Mary Kos, 140, SSCU, Morley, Colo.

Ohio Federation of SSCU lodges will meet on Sunday, June 2, in Struthers, O.

In Presto, Pa. lodge 4, SSCU will hold its annual picnic on Sunday, June 9.

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name and address to the Supreme Office in order that the Supreme secretary may submit such information to other lodges united as aforesaid. The election shall be held in the month of July and before the President orders the ballot taken the Secretary of the lodge shall read the names of all the candidates nominated by the lodges so united. In the event none of the candidates receives a majority of the votes cast by all such lodges then the balloting shall be repeated as to the two receiving the highest number of votes. Such repeated balloting shall be held in the month of August at regular or special meetings. The candidate receiving at such repeated balloting a majority of the votes cast shall be elected as delegate and his opponent shall be his substitute.

(SECTION 45.) The result of elections of a delegate by lodges united for that purpose shall be forthwith reported to the Supreme Secretary in order that he may publish the same in the official organ.

(SECTION 46.) The credentials of the delegates elected to represent two or more lodges shall be prepared by the Supreme Secretary and mailed, for the purpose of attestation, to the lodge of which he is a member.

(SECTION 47.) The Supreme Secretary shall cause publication of the names and addresses of the elected delegates in the official organ at least three times before the Convention.

(SECTION 48.) The rights of the delegates begin with the day when their credentials have been approved at the Convention and end with the final adjournment of the Convention.

(SECTION 49.) It shall be the duty of all delegates to place before the Convention the demands and desires of their lodges, to defend the same, and otherwise work for the progress of the membership of the SSCU.

(SECTION 50.) In the event a delegate for some vital reason is unable to attend the Convention he shall be represented by his substitute.

A list of lodges, merged for the purpose of electing joint delegates, is published elsewhere in this issue.

Lodge officers, and especially lodge presidents, are requested to carefully read the foregoing instructions and to guide themselves accordingly.

Ely, Minnesota, May 7, 1940.

ANTON ZBASNIK
Supreme Secretary

PAUL BARTEL
Supreme President

Morley, Colo. Guest



MARY KOS

From out west, Morley, Colo., will come Mary Kos, honorary delegate of lodge 140, to the regular SSCU conclave in Waukegan, Ill. next September, as guest of the convention.

Waukegan Bound



MARY PREDOVICH

In August, 1939, Mary Predovich, member of lodge 190, Butte, Montana qualified as delegate to the athletic conference held in Ely, Minnesota. This year, Mary repeated by enrolling enough new members to qualify her as honorary delegate to the 16th regular quadrennial convention, to take place in Waukegan, Ill. next September.

Lodge 66

Joliet, Ill. — Members of lodge "Sv. Petra in Pavla," 66, SSCU are hereby informed that the regular monthly meeting will take place on Sunday, May 19. Members are requested to attend this meeting in full numbers.

I have some sad news to report. Recently our sister Mary Zeleznik died. When her husband, Frank Zeleznik, returned home from work on May 7th, he found her dead in bed. We extend to Frank Zeleznik and family our deepest sympathy.

Inasmuch as experiences continue to show that a person never knows the hour nor the day when illness or death await, it is best that he carry insurance with a sound organization. A person must insure himself when he is in good health, and not too old. Therefore, all of you who are of eligible age and who do not carry insurance with any Slovene fraternal benefit organization, join our SSCU. At this time we are in the midst of the pre-convention campaign for new members, therefore it is highly desirable now to enroll a number of new members.

John Adamich, Sec'y.

Campaign Rolls Toward Million Dollar Goal

New Membership Records Are Predicted!

By Little Stan



Little Stan

Ely, Minn.—Considering the progress of our SSCU's brilliant convention campaign during the first four months, our Supreme Secretary, Bro. Anton Zbasnik, in his weekly press conference today, ventured to predict that every existing record established in previous campaigns by members will be shattered before the drive for new members closes June 30.

IMPRESSIVELY THE FIGURES TO DATE SHOWED THAT A TOTAL OF 1,012 NEW MEMBERS HAD BEEN ENROLLED IN BOTH JUVENILE AND ADULT DEPARTMENTS, REPRESENTING A TOTAL OF \$506,450 IN NEW INSURANCE! ALSO 15 HONORARY DELEGATES HAVE ALREADY QUALIFIED FOR THE 16TH QUADRENNIAL CONVENTION AND OUT OF A FIELD OF 90 CANDIDATES A LARGE PERCENTAGE NEED BUT A FEW MORE POINTS TO QUALIFY!

Leading in this masterful display of fraternal initiative is Lodge No. 190 of Butte, Montana, who have qualified Mary Predovich, Elizabeth Stankovich, and Angela Stepan. The lodge has enrolled over 86 new members in both departments representing \$44,000 in new insurance! According to information received the lodge will qualify at least two more honorary delegates to the Waukegan convention. This activity is a shining example as to what great heights a campaign would reach if every lodge were as active as the one from Butte, Montana. For two years this outfit has provided a spark that has placed them high in the upper category in our organization's activities! This, truly, is hats off department — dedicated to No. 190, Butte!

Lodge No. 129 of Ely, Minn., has qualified Louis Bergant and Rose Bergant needs but 600 more points to qualify!

Other Ely lodges are showing fine spirit and drive in this campaign. EVERY ONE OF SEVEN LOCAL LODGES IS ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN THIS CAMPAIGN! Lodge No. 1 headed by Joseph Kovach, president, and Frank Tomsich, Jr., secretary, is carrying on lively campaign rivalry with neighboring Lodge No. 30 and Bro. Louis Ambrozich at Chisholm, Minn. Who will come out on top?—June 30th campaign deadline date, will reveal the winner!

This friendly rivalry between lodges adds much zest and momentum to the campaign. Mary Kos of Lodge No. 140, Morley, Colorado, and Anthony Krpenc of Lodge No. 70, Chicago have qualified, and you can be certain that by the time the campaign concludes there will be many more!

On a recent Bowling jaunt to the tenpin tourney in Cleveland, Little Stan heard much comment from many all referring to activity in this campaign. It certainly would be grand to get together again in Waukegan next September!

Indianapolis is going to town having already qualified two candidates, and having enough in to qualify another who as yet is not selected. Bro. Louis Milharic and Bro. Henry Dezelan whom we have had the pleasure to meet in Cleveland, are two that have provided the spark of progress in grand style!

Bro. Anton Zbasnik predicted that his Home State, good old Pennsylvania will pull a neat surprise when the campaign reaches its climax. So far the lodges there haven't shown much activity, but it is likely they are holding back until the last minute, planning to come (Continued on page 4)

Indianapolis Candidates Given Impetus To Qualify as Honorary Delegates

EXPRESSES THANKS TO CLEVELANDERS

Indianapolis, Ind. — In behalf of the Sports Club of lodge St. Joseph, 45, SSCU I want to thank the Cleveland tenpin tournament reception committee for the wonderful reception given us upon our arrival in Cleveland on Saturday, April 27th. I also want to thank this committee and others for the splendid accommodations during our stay, and for the excellent entertainment provided for the out-of-town guests.

This was our first trip to any bowling tournament. Cleveland treated us like kings and queens of the world. I must say that the best Slovene people in the world live in Cleveland, especially fellows like John "Trosky" Urbancic, Louis M. Rolar, Tony Drenik, Joe Struna, Tony Laurich, Edward Marincic, Louis Ivanic, and girls like Elsie Desmond, and others whose names have slipped my memory. I want to thank this committee, which I consider the best in the world, for everything executed in our behalf.

I did not realize before what an honor it was to be a secretary of an SSCU lodge until I met fellows like Little Stan Pechaver, Joe Korencic, Rudy Agnich, and many others in Cleveland.

FOUR DAYS AFTER THIS TRIP I WAS SWARMED BY THREE OR FOUR MEMBERS ASKING ME TO HELP THEM MAKE THE GRADE AS HONORARY DELEGATES TO THE 16TH QUADRENNIAL CONVENTION OF OUR SSCU. THEY AGAIN WANT TO MEET THE FINE BUNCH OF SSCU'ERS.

We are going to try and send at least five honorary delegates to our next convention. I hope that some day we can have all our SSCU brothers and sisters in Indianapolis, Ind., so that we can return half of the favors extended to us in Cleveland.

Our members are after me to organize a softball team and to make another visit to Cleveland. However, I think we had better wait until the 16th regular convention is completed.

—Louis "Lefty" Milharic, Secretary and athletic supervisor of lodge 45, SSCU and president of the auxiliary sports club.

Iz glavnega urada J. S. K. Jednote

DRUŠTVA ZDRUŽENA V SVRHO VOLITVE SKUPNEGA DELEGATA.

LIST OF LODGES MERGED FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING JOINT DELEGATES.

Table with columns: Društvo št., Sedež društva, Sedež, Število članov, Skupaj, Lodge No., Seat of Lodge, No. of Members, Total. Lists various lodges and their member counts.

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DOPISI

Pueblo, Colo. — Članstvu društva Marija Pomagaj, št. 42 JSKJ, naznanjam, da je društvo sklenilo prirediti piknik v nedeljo 30. junija.

Vse članstvo našega društva je prošeno, da kakor druga leta, tudi letos kar najbolj sodeluje s pripravljalnimi odbori, da bo prireditev vsestransko uspešna.

Braddock, Pa. — Bliža se čas za 16. redno konvencijo, za katero se je treba pravilno in trezno pripraviti.

Joliet, Ill. — Članom in članicam društva Sv. Petra in Pavla, št. 66 JSKJ, naznanjam, da se bo redna društvena seja vršila v nedeljo 19. maja.

Kakor je že zgoraj omenjeno se bliža 16. konvencija in bi bilo priporočljivo, da članstvo JSKJ kaj priporoča glede pravil v Novi Dobi.

se je clevelandška federacija nekaj zamislila, od drugod pa za enkrat nisem opazil nič. Jaz ne namigujem nase, ker ne pričakujem, da bi dočakal 70 let, pač pa naj bi bilo za one, ki to starost dočakajo.

Kakor je bilo že poročano, imamo pri našem društvu tri kandidate za častno delegatstvo na prihodnji redni konvenciji JSKJ.

Pri tej priliki mi je tudi sporočiti žalostno novico, da je nenadoma preminila naša sestra Marija Železnik.

Navedeni slučaj ponovno dokazuje, da človek nikoli ne ve ure ne dneva, kdaj ga čaka bolezen ali smrt.

tudi v korist tistim, ki se bodo zavarovali pri naši dobri, nestrankarski in finančno trdni J. S. K. Jednoti.

Milwaukee, Wis. — Na seji društva Zdrženi Slovani, št. 225 JSKJ, ki se je vršila 21. aprila, so sklenili angleško govoreči člani našega društva, da priredijo izlet ali piknik v nedeljo 23. junija.

Na tem pikniku bo prilika, da se člani pobližje spoznajo med seboj. Podpisana bom preskrbela pijačo za žejne, istotako je obljubil sobrat Anton Kolišek prispevati en sodček piva.

Člane prosim, da se kar mogoče polnoštevilno udeležijo prihodnje seje, ki se bo vršila v nedeljo 19. maja.

Dalje prosim člane, da doma prečitajo pravila in potem na seji poročajo, katera točka se jim zdi potrebna izboljšav.

Kakor je bilo že poročano, imamo pri našem društvu tri kandidate za častno delegatstvo na prihodnji redni konvenciji JSKJ.

Prihodnji mesec nameravam nekoliko pisati glede zadeve združevanja. Meni je to kolikor toliko znano, ker sem bila svoječasno članica združevalnega odbora JSKJ in sem se udeležila tudi par sej združevalnega odbora z dvema drugima organizacijama.

Davis, W. Va. — Na seji društva Sv. Janeza Krstnika, št. 106 JSKJ, ki se je vršila 21. aprila, je bilo sklenjeno, da društvo priredi plesno veselico v soboto 1. junija.

Če bi moral vsak član šteti v dolžnost, da bi se udeleževal redno vseh sej društva in tako pokazal, da se zanima, kako se gospodari z njegovim imetjem t. j. z društvom in Jednoto.

1. junija! — Za društvo št. 106 JSKJ: Val. Puntar, zapisnikar.

Cleveland, O. — Pomlad je tukaj in zima je odkimala v svoje prezimovalne prostore. Čas je že bil, kajti letošnje dolge zime smo bili res že vsi siti in naveličani.

Pri tej priliki mi je sporočiti žalostno novico, da je dne 28. aprila po dolgi in mučni bolezni za vedno zatisnila oči naša sestra Frances Debeljak.

Te dni je minilo dve leti od smrti drage članice in prijateljice Katie Rejc, katere smo se spominjale za to priliko njene prijateljice.

Na bolniški postelji se že dolgo časa nahaja sestra Mustar, ena ustanoviteljic našega društva. Želimo ji skorajšnjega okrevanja.

Mary Walter, blag. društva št. 103 JSKJ.

S pota. — Že slavski žvrgolijo, se maj vesel budi. Tako je zdaj v Minnesoti. Razine ptice selilke prihajajo v velikih jatah ter si med veselimi čvkanjem in žvrgolenjem izbirajo prostore za svoja gnezda.

V bolnišnici St. Mary v Duluthu je uspešno prestal ponovno operacijo Leo Marold iz Chisholma, član društva št. 30 JSKJ. Tam se nahaja tudi John Zobec iz Elya, tudi član JSKJ.

Chicago, Ill. — Članstvu društva Jugoslovanski zvon, št. 70 JSKJ, naznanjam, da se bo vršila prihodnja seja 18. maja v navadnih prostorih. Pričetek seje bo točno ob 8. uri zvečer.

Vsekakor je srečna Amerika, da si more vprico vojnih viher, ki divjajo v Evropi in Aziji, privočiti istočasno kar dve veliki razstavi, vsako na eni strani ameriškega kontinenta.

kegan, kaj? Na uho mi je tudi prišlo, da Agnes Jurecic, John Zvezich in Andrew Spolar pripravljajo takozvani "Blitzkrieg" in da bodo v kratkem z vso silo udarili na plan.

OBNOVLJENI RAZSTAVI

(Nadaljevanje s 1. stran)

Večjih razstavnih poslopj na newyorskimi razstavi je 46, torej dovolj za vsakega, ki bo hotel na razstavi kaj zanimivega videti in se kaj naučiti.

Razstava v San Franciscu z oficelnim imenom Golden Gate International Exposition bo otvorena oziroma obnovljena 25. maja in bo zaključena 29. septembra.

Rojaki, katerim bodo čas in finančne razmere dopuščale obisk ene ali obeh razstav, bodo imeli dovolj za videti. Morda se bodo teh prilik poslužili posebno tisti rojaki, ki so bili namenjeni na obisk v stari kraj.

Potovanje v Evropo je za dogleden čas skoro onemogočeno in, če bi bilo tudi mogoče, bi bilo zelo riskirano podvzetje. Posetniki razstave, ene ali druge, bodo na poti tja ali nazaj lahko videli lep del Zedinjenih držav, kar je posebno za nas priseljenec velikega pomena.

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HUD ODVETNIK

Pred srezkim sodiščem v Beogradu, kjer je odvetnik Ivan Radković moral zagovarjati svojega klienta, kolarja Svetozarja Mihoševića, mu je slednji nenkrat zabrusil v obraz, da on sploh ni nikak advokat.

