

New Era ENGLISH SECTION OF Nova Doba

Official Organ of the South Slavonic Catholic Union.

AMPLIFYING THE VOICE OF THE ENGLISH SPEAKING MEMBERS

CURRENT THOUGHT

Merry Christmas!

Breathed ever a soul so dead as did not anticipate a feeling of joy at the mention of Christmas?

What boy or girl ever accepted Christmas as just another holiday like Thanksgiving, July 4, Decoration Day?

To young and old, the Yuletide provides a day of celebration. To the juveniles it means Santa Claus; to the growing boy or girl who has outgrown the belief in the man with white whiskers and red suit, it means a gift long desired and stealthily hinted at; to the young lady it may mean a diamond from her boy friend; but to the elders a little card of remembrance from their beloved one may mean more than half a dozen presents.

To find the stocking empty on Christmas morning is a tragedy to the youngsters. Their belief in Santa Claus cannot be dispelled. The toy shops in town all feature Santa with his reindeer and loads of gifts. On the lips of every boy and girl in the neighborhood is the word "Santa Claus."

Be the gift so small, the youngster is never as disappointed as no gift at all.

On December 25th of this year many families will have scarcely enough to provide three meals. Out of work and with no prospects of a job, the father will console his dependents with the thought that next Christmas may be a day of plenty. Social and relief workers will do their best to provide the unfortunates with something extra that will not make Christmas appear as just another day of the 365 in the year.

Do you know of some family on your street that needs assistance? A little helping hand in the way of food and clothing will make their hearts leap with joy on Christmas Day.

Perhaps the unfortunates are shy and will not ask for help. Such is the characteristic trait of our Slovenes. How much easier it is for the person with plenty to offer a donation than it is for the poor one to ask for it. Such acts of kindness are seldom ever forgotten and repaid when the opportunity presents itself.

By the time Christmas rolls around this month the majority of our lodges shall have held their annual meetings. Election of officers shall have been completed and plans for the year 1935 shall have been made.

As we look upon the 36th Christmas since the founding of our Union we wonder what the 50th Christmas will hold in store for us.

Will our English-speaking members be interested enough in our organization to carry on the work with as much care and diligence as did their predecessors?

Time alone will tell. On Christmas when we go around and extend our Yuletide greetings let us keep in mind that good fellowship applies to our organization as well; not only on one day of the year, but the entire 365 days.

Christmas greetings at this time may appear to some as a little early. Conditions over which we have no control decree that Christmas fall on Tuesday of next week. Which means that this issue is the last before Dec. 25.

Therefore, we want the members of our splendid South Slavonic Catholic Union and readers of the Nova Doba to know that at this time we are extending them a MERRY CHRISTMAS.

No. 40 Enrolls 80 New Members at December Meeting

HOLD RECORD OF 100 NEW MEMBERS FOR 1934

Claridge, Pa.—The big midnight dance which was held Thanksgiving Eve was a great success, as all of our lodge dances are. If you failed to be present you missed a grand time.

Membership campaign in our lodge is over with. About 80 new members have been enrolled in the adult and juvenile departments this month, subject to official confirmation. John Regina and Louis Beltz accounted for 4 adults and 41 juveniles; John Turk and Rudy Yerina, 3 adults and 29 juveniles; Louis Shula, 1 adult and 2 juveniles.

I sure would like to see other lodges of our SSCU go out and try to beat our record which, I believe, is over 100 members for 1934. You may be saying to yourself the same words that we said to ourselves sometime ago, "Oh, heck, what's the use, nobody will join." But what a surprise awaited us.

Come on, Pittsburghers, Elyites, Springdalers, Gowandas, Clevelanders, let's get started. If you didn't do it in 1934, do it in 1935. Or are you going to let a small mining town of a little over 1,000 population beat you out?

With the revival of athletics in our organization you sure ought to make good progress in securing new members.

If plans go through as expected, St. Michael's will be represented on the baseball diamond this coming summer. The writer was elected athletic supervisor at the December annual meeting, and has been connected with some kind of sport intermittently for the past 17 years.

John Regina,
No. 40, SSCU.

Have you received your cash award for securing a new member? Our Union is still sponsoring the national drive.

From the Supreme President, SSCU

May your Christmas be joyous, your New Year prosperous, and when another year has rolled around, may it still find us brothers and sisters, and friends.

Paul Bartel,
Supreme President, SSCU.

Christmas Party

Center, Pa.—Lodge No. 33, SSCU, of Center, Pa., cordially invites all children of this community to attend a Christmas party which will be held at the Slovene Hall at Center, Pa., on Christmas afternoon, Dec. 25, at 2 o'clock.

Come and see what Santa left at the Slovene Hall for you.

After the party there will be dancing for the grown-ups. The admission for the dance will be 25 cents and 15 cents. Come and bring your friends. Everybody is welcome.

Ten new juvenile members were admitted to our lodge during the month of December.

I wish all the members of the South Slavonic Catholic Union a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

Anton Erzen, Pres.

Christmas Eve Dance at Walsenburg

Walsenburg, Colo.—Christmas is just around the corner and with it comes our great Christmas Eve dance sponsored by the Young American Boosters at Walsenburg Pavilion. Once again we will dance to the strains of music rendered by Tom Just and his orchestra, which made such a big success with its melodious music on Dec. 1.

I take this means of thanking all members from neighboring lodges and their friends who helped to make the Dec. 1 dance such a success and may we see you here again on Dec. 24. The dance commences at 9 p. m. and lasts until ???

The Shadow from Mt. Shavano Lodge of Salida would like our weather report. Here goes—just grand, makes a person feel like going for a long ride, for instance from Salida to Denver to Walsenburg. Most favorable day would be Dec. 24. Upon arriving in our fair city you will see one of the most beautiful sights in this part of Colorado. Really, we are proud of the decorated streets. Follow the streets to the pavilion and enjoy the evening of fun and dance with us. I'm sure you will never regret the ride. What say? This is our weather forecast for the month of December.

Once more we extend a cordial invitation to all members and friends from neighboring lodges to come to Walsenburg Pavilion on Christmas Eve at 9 o'clock for a grand time.

The Young American Boosters wish each and every one a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Mary Dolenc, Sec'y,
No. 216, SSCU.

A DIME WASTED

Boy: Daddy, if you give me ten cents, I'll tell you what the iceman said to mamma.

Dad (all excited): O. K., son, here's your dime.

Boy: He said, "Do you want any ice today, lady?"

—Ka-Se-Ac Monthly.

From the SSCU Home Office

My assistants in the Office of the Supreme Secretary join me in extending to the members of the South Slavonic Catholic Union of America our best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year.

Anton Zbasnik,
Supreme Secretary.

BRIEFS

Names and addresses of lodge athletic supervisors are being forwarded to the SSCU athletic commissioner by the local lodge secretaries. Many more are anticipated before the month of December folds up, and lodge secretaries are requested to submit the results obtained at the annual meeting as soon as possible. Some 39 letters were sent out during the month of November to as many lodge secretaries.

English editors of Enakopravnost (Equality), with headquarters in Cleveland, have selected the annual Yugoslav All-American college football eleven, which consists of Slovenes, Croats and Serbs enrolled at various colleges and universities. Pitt University places two, Nicksiek and Munjas, and Alabama two, Demjanovich and Angelich. Pozelnik of Dayton, Stydahar of West Virginia, Malkovich of Duquesne, Krizman of Penn State, Richavich of Columbia, Busich of Ohio State and Melinkovich of Notre Dame make up the first team selection. Joe Bach, Duquesne mentor, was selected honorary coach. The second team and honorable mention shall be published in a subsequent issue of Nova Doba.

When the Cleveland Symphony Orchestra added opera to its program last week, the chorus assisting was not devoid entirely of Slovene color, for Josephine Modic took part in last Friday and Saturday presentations.

The idea of forming Yugoslav university clubs in various cities appears to be gaining momentum. Dr. J. W. Mally, president of the Cleveland unit, announced that St. Louis and Detroit will be the first two of a group of seven cities to form Yugoslav university club.

The Anti-Tuberculosis League of Cuyahoga County is urging all who have not as yet purchased Christmas Seals to do so at once, and those who have purchased should use them on all Christmas mail. Depression and unemployment have made the work of the A-T League more urgent than ever.

Picked Right Place

A mountain man who rarely, if ever, visited a town of any size, drove into a Western city with his son, traveling in a decrepit car. Climbing out of the car on one of the main streets, the old man appeared fascinated by the pavement. He scraped his feet on the hard surface, and turning to his son, remarked: "Well, I don't blame 'em for building a town here. The ground is too darn hard to plow, anyhow."

—Labor.

Deadline Shifted

Deadline for articles to be published in the Jan. 2 issue of Nova Doba shall be the preceding Saturday, Dec. 29, because of New Year Day, which falls on Tuesday, Jan. 1.

Ordinarily the deadline is Monday of each week. Contributors are requested to forward their articles for the Jan. 2 edition in time to reach the Nova Doba office not later than Saturday, Dec. 29.

All articles received later than Saturday, Dec. 29, will appear in issue of Jan. 9, 1935.

Lodge Notes

Springdale, Pa.—Convening at 2 p. m. Dec. 9, Lodge Vesela Bodočnost, No. 203, SSCU, met for the last time in the year of 1934. Being the 12th month, we recognize it as election time for officers to carry on the work in the coming year. Obviously, in many lodges this issue is cause for excitement. In Lodge No. 203 it was expected to stir very little or none, since the executive committee has discharged its duties sincerely and faithfully, and the general consensus was to reelect all of them.

But such was not the case. Duties outside of the SSCU brought about a few changes, and in one instance broke a standing record. Anton Leskovich, who has been our recording secretary for the past five years—the life time of the lodge—tendered his resignation to the assembly for reason of other duties. "Tony" has been very faithful and efficient as our recording secretary during the growth of our lodge. It is with regret that the membership accepted his resignation.

The only officers to be reelected were the president and the secretary. Those selected to compose the 1935 executive committee are: President, John Stavor; vice president, Frank J. Progar; secretary, Joseph Yelovchan Sr.; recording secretary, Andy Scoff; treasurer, Anton Bole.

For the auditing committee Joseph Tomasic was elected chairman, assisted by Rudolph Savarn and Joseph Progar Sr.

Anton Klemencic was elected president of sick committee. He will select his own aids.

The secretary, Joseph Yelovchan Sr., is entering his sixth year as secretary of Lodge No. 203, SSCU. This is a splendid record, and "Joe," as he is called by his many friends, has served his members well.

At times members guilty of laxity in meeting their monthly assessments, have made it rather difficult for the conscientious secretary. To fail to meet these obligations before the

25th places a secretary in a thankless predicament. It may mean suspension for the violation or the secretary must make good the amount, trusting the sum will be repaid. Many a secretary has faced this gloomy outlook. The officers have "dug" into their own pockets for this purpose on many occasions and it isn't amiss to say not all dues paid have been made good to the secretary by the guilty member. Many have lost a neat sum in this manner. The members have only to place themselves in the secre-

FROM THE OFFICE OF SUPREME SECRETARY, SSCU

ANNUAL SESSION OF THE SUPREME BOARD

Annual meeting of the Supreme Board will take place sometime during the latter part of January, 1935. The exact date will be announced later. All lodges and individual members who wish to bring up matters for consideration of the Board should see to it that such correspondence reaches the home office not later than Jan. 19, 1935.

CALENDARS FOR THE YEAR 1935

The firm handling our order for 1935 calendars has informed us that the calendars have been sent out to all lodges. And lodges who have not received the calendars should notify the home office to this effect. Lodges of Ely, Minnesota, shall obtain the calendars from the home office.

There will be some calendars left over since the lodges did not order as many as they may need. In the event that a lodge runs short of its supply, or if it has need for more, the secretary can turn to the home office and we will be glad to serve him.

DO YOU DESIRE CALENDARS FOR THE YEAR 1936?

On my last visit to Cleveland, where I attended the JBF conference, I called together a meeting of the local lodge officers. Some of the officers expressed themselves as opposed to the calendar idea, saying that there was no need for them, that the expense was too great, and that they could secure calendars elsewhere. In order that our Supreme Board will be properly advised on this matter I am requesting all local lodges to discuss the advisability of ordering calendars for the year 1936, and to forward the will of the majority so that it will reach the home office not later than Jan. 19, 1935.

ANTON ZBASNIK, Supreme Secretary.

Cleveland SSCU Bowling League

A new high of 1104 pins for one game was registered last Sunday by the New Fashion team which took two games out of three from league-leading Zephyrs. New Dealers massed 1009 for the first win and just barely squeezed a victory in the third game by collecting 859 to the Bakers' 849. This game undoubtedly was the thriller of Superior and E. 118th St. Alleys. Ko-Ka-Mo-Les dropped three to the Honky-Tonks, as did the Richmans to the Chiselers. Charles Kikel scintillated for the Honky-Tonks with a 224 score, the highest individual record of last Sunday for one game. Other "200" games were rolled by G. Kovitch, B. Riddle, F. Kovitch, M. Krall and Mrs. A. Guzik.

NEW FASHIONS		ZEPHYRS	
L. Burgar	144 129 176	A. Kikel	171 136 112
A. Hoenig	150 145 172	B. Stucin	160 147 154
A. Jeleric	165 151 180	M. Perdan	152 139 143
J. Bouha	148 156 153	L. Kovac	175 120 107
L. Tolar	130 117 199	C. Mandel	135 155 125
M. Krall	144 180 224	A. Perdan	185 157 183
Totals	881 878 1104	Totals	978 854 824

BAKERS		NEW DEALERS	
F. Jaklich	96 143 146	J. Tolar	141 148 136
M. Ueman	146 127 107	A. Jaklich	191 192 162
Skufca	158 192 150	L. Pirc	163 132 121
F. Ueman	155 127 135	M. Tolar	132 104 142
Blind	140 140 140	F. Kovitch	206 178 153
G. Kovitch	172 201 171	J. Lunka	176 131 145
Totals	867 930 849	Totals	1009 885 859

KO-KA-MO-LES		HONKY-TONKS	
F. Levstek	159 153 131	C. Kikel	138 136 224
A. Kardell	129 134 147	A. Stanonik	143 171 170
M. Molk	127 136 145	F. Spehek	163 136 180
F. Kolar	121 165 133	J. Kovitch	160 147 140
L. Kolar	141 124 144	Starman	132 178 131
J. Kardell	140 131 134	J. Jaklic	160 163 164
Totals	816 844 834	Totals	896 931 1009

RICHMANS		CHISELERS	
M. Paques	128 129 150	A. Guzik	183 214 232
A. Oberstar	139 174 144	F. Solpko	146 129 132
K. Riddle	105 127 155	V. Kolman	113 106 101
Starman	114 123 102	L. Kolman	156 137 153
B. Riddle	174 200 155	B. Rupert	113 161 125
A. Oberstar	193 168 184	W. Guzik	160 187 172
Totals	853 921 890	Totals	871 934 915

tary's position and then realize the seriousness of the matter.

Bro. Yelovchan, on his reelection, reminded the membership on the need for punctuality in paying their assessments. Perhaps at the moment it seemed a worthy suggestion, but some may soon forget the reminder. The laxity isn't intentional, at times, but whether or not, they work hardships. Some costly to the officer. A perfect dream for these men is a year's assessments met "on time." Why can it not be so?

With the beginning of the year make it your point to cooperate to this end, and with the other officers. It does no harm to reserve one day a month for the organization, and it can do a world of good. The foregoing can apply to any lodge and there is nothing the officers will appreciate more than your earnest and constant co-operation.

Season's greetings to the supreme officials, the editorial staff and brother and sister members.

Frank J. Progar,
No. 203, SSCU.

A. J. Terbovec:

POLJUBI JUGA

Pred kakšnimi dvajsetimi leti je bila ameriška Slovenija še mlada, živahna in vesela...

Lepo je bilo tiste čase potovati po slovenskih naselbinah našega zapada.

V eni tistih malih slovenskih naselbin sem se bil seznanil z Johnom Liparjem.

"Pa brez voza "razvažas" grocerijo?" sem brž hotel izvedeti.

"O, imam voz in par konj," odvrne mladi mož s smehom.

Začuden sem se zazri vanj. Bil je vitke rasti, pa miščast.

"Bo treba iti," povzame moj novi znanec.

Bila je sobota, nekako dober teden pred božičem, ko sem bil z mojimi trgovskimi posli v dotični okolici gotov.

"Halo," mi zakliče mladi mož veselo ter odda vajeti dečku.

"Bojim se biti nadležen," skušam ugovarjati. "Komu neki boš nadležen?" se zasmije John.

nisem več ugovarjal. Po večerji je bilo zelo udobno počivati v toplo zakurjeni sobi.

"Saj je res čudno," odvrne John nekako zamišljeno.

"Prav za prav je samo slučaj," nadaljuje. "Ko sem bil še v vojaški službi, sem nekoč dobil pismo od sestre v starem kraju."

"Pa brez voza "razvažas" grocerijo?" sem brž hotel izvedeti.

"Bo treba iti," povzame moj novi znanec, "ker moram še nekaj grocerije razdeliti."

"Glede tega se ne morem pri- tožiti," odvrne moč, vstane in prinese iz omare drugo steklenico vina.

"Ob večerih je v trgovini vedno treba kaj urediti, nekaj časa vzamejo tudi računi in ko- respondenca, poleg tega pa tudi rad čitam."

"Ej, prav lepo je bilo, malo ciganske včas, toda kljub temu lepo," se razvname John in oči mu zaiskre.

varni zamerilo in, "ko sem bil fantič star osemnajst let," sem se vpisal k vojakom.

"Glej ga no," se navidezno razhudi John.

"Ampak enkrat sem pa res bežal, pomisli, jaz, ameriški vojak sem bežal, pa ne pred banditi. Ej tisto je bilo pa res smešno, prav za prav zabavno in žalostno obenem."

"Kakor sem menda že omenil, sem bil zadnja leta moje vojaške službe največ zaposlen s provi- zantom, to je z naročanjem in kupovanjem blaga za naš mali vojaški oddelek."

"Za božični večer je skupina mladih ljudi v mestu aranžirala nekako napol privatno plesno veselico, o kateri so mi v trgovin- ah pravili že tedne prej."

"Naša vojaška štiriperezna detelja je priženketala v veseli- čno dvorano, ko je bila zabava že prav razigrana."

"Pri tej priliki sem bil pred- stavljen tudi dražestni brunetki, katero sem bil že parkrat prej videl kot prodajalko v neki večji trgovini."

"Dvorana je bila okusno okin- čana z zelenjem, kajti narava doli na jugu o božiču ni pustila mrtva, kot v teh krajih."

ljeno poljubiti vsako devojko. Mladina je to vejico kmalu opa- zala in se je pridno posluževala.

"Ko se je proti jutru vesela družba razhajala, sem vprašal Izabelo, če jo smem spremiti do doma, kar je dovolila."

"Od tistega časa sem se vsak teden vsaj po dvakrat zamudil v mestu tako dolgo, da sem imel priliko spremljati Izabelo domov."

"Nekega večera v februarju sem zopet spremljal Izabelo domov. V mehkem ozračju je tre- petala zgodnja južna pomlad."

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"Nekaj dni pozneje sem zve- čer zopet počakal Izabelo na običajnem prostoru, da jo spremin- domov."

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ODMEVI IZ RODNIH KRAJEV

Pri mestnem poglavarstvu v Zagrebu so nedavno odkrili pet poneverb v skupnem znesku tri in pol milijona dinarjev.

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trdovratnost. Ko je Stojan oni- dan vozil pšenico s parom vo- lov v Uroševac in s pota po- slal domov svojega sina po ne- ko stvar, ki jo je pozabil, je ho- tel Talmatić ubiti dečka, ko je prišel mimo njegove hiše, kar pa mu je preprečila žena.

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služba v denarju, so dobivali delavci od svojega delodajalca prehrano, ki je bila najslabše vrste.

Letošnji odkup tobaka v Hercegovini. Letošnji odkup tobaka v Hercegovini se bo pričel ta mesec.

Božični prazniki. Oni rojaki, ki zmorejo, bodo gotovo tudi letos poslali kak dolar svojemu v starem kraju za božične praznike.

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