

Zapisnik seje gospodarskega odseka

Redna seja gospodarskega odseka SNPJ je bila 12. februarja t. l. v gl. stanu jednotne ob 9. dopoldne. Navzoči so odborniki Cainkar, Lotrič, Olip, Petrovič in Vider, odsotna sta Vogrči vsled bolezni in Zupan radi dela. Zapisnik prejšnje seje se sprejme.

Petrovič poroča o položaju zadolžnic flordiskskega okraja Pasco, katere je Moodyjeva, firma leta 1936 svetovala prodati po takratni vrednosti 73, če jih sedanja vrednost pa znaša 100, kar je prihranil jednotni precejšnjem vstopom. Obresti so redne, zastale obresti bodo plačane ob dozorelosti ali ob odpoklicu in davki so točni. Se vzame na znanje.

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Društvene prirede

Karina zabava društva 490

So. Chicago, Ill.—Kot je bilo že poročeno, priredili naše društvo 490 SNPJ kartno zabavo v nedeljo, 27. aprila zvečer na 101. cesti in Eving ave. v dvorani IOS. Iz tega razloga je potreben, da se vsi člani in članice udeležijo prihodnje seje dne 16. aprila ob 7:30 zvečer v navadnih prostorih.

Upam, da so vstopnice, ki ste jih prejeli od tajnika, gotovo vse prodane. Imamo članico, ki jih je do zdaj prodala že 45 in če tako tudi drugi naredite, je uspeh zagotovljen in blagajna se bo dvignila nekaj stopinj. Obenem kličem sosednjim društvom, prijateljem in prijateljicam, da nas posetite omenjeni večer, posestvo pa vam bomo drage volje vrnil. Prigrizek bo dober in pijača fina in po zmerni ceni. Darij tudi imamo na košč, da bo vsakdo nekaj deležen. Naša tajnica in blagajnica sta pridno na delu, še danes sta šli zoper okrog za dobitki, samo da bo boljši uspeh. Torej vas še enkrat vabim na sejo in zabavo.

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Sedaj pa nekoliko o zgodovini

35-letnica Narodnih vitezov

Chicago.—Društvo Narodnih vitezov 39 SNPJ bo praznovalo svojo 35-letnico 25. maja v jednotni dvorani. Vabiljena so vse čakačka kakor tudi zunanjega društva, da bomo skupaj praznovali to proslavo. Program bo eden najboljših, odkar obstoji naše društvo.

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Poročilo sedanjih lastnikov hotela v Racinu kaže, da se je polozaj teh zadolžnic dokaj izboljšal zlasti pod novo upravo.

Racun Philipa B. Hellerja, ki znaša \$150 za delo v zvezi z zadolžnicami občine Westchester in \$171 za delo v zvezi s korporacijo Frischkorn Reality, se od takrat svetovala, naj jih prodamo. Te bodo odpoklicane okrog 1. julija po vrednosti in z obrestmi vredno, kar dokazuje, da je odsek previdno ravnal tudi v tem slučaju. Se vzame na znanje.

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Skljenjeno, da odsek predloži letosnji konvenciji skupno poročilo o svojem poslovanju. Začetek seje ob 5. popoldne.

Matti Petrovič, pred., F. A. Videč, tajnik, Donald J. Lotrič, zapisnikar.

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poroča in komentira

Milan Medvešek

Starostna podpora je še vedno na dnevnem redu. Kakor so že mnogi dopisniki ugotovili, dosežemo še nismo načrta za starostno podporo, ki bi bil izvedljiv, da bi povisili mesečnih prispevkov.

Priporočila so različna, kakor so različni ljudje. Meni ugađam mnenja onih članov, ki so predlagani, da bi se dalo več storiti starosti člane, če imamo dovolj voja za to. Simpatije sploh nega članstva so na strani starosti članov. In kjer so simpatični, tam je tudi volja.

Nekateri dopisniki pa menijo, da se ne da nič storiti, razen če poskušimo povišati asesment. Smetno pri tem pa je, da v isti smeri, da dajemo silno liberalne podpore iz sklada izrednih podpor, v katerega plačujemo 6 mesečno.

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Poleg tega bi lahko prenesli

nekaj centov v starostni fond iz izrednega sklada, kajti z ustanovitvijo starostnega fonda bi delno razbramenili sklad izrednih podpor.

V zadnji uradni številki Prosvete brat Molek poroča, da znamo našo solventnost 121,37% in da so naši rezervni fondi močni. Jaz bi rajši videl, da bi solventnost znašala malo manj in da bi imeli gotovo vsoto denarja v starostnem fonda.

Zakoni nam dovoljujejo, da lahko porabimo vsako leto 1/4% vknjiženega premoženja za upravne stroške. Kolikor je meni znano, do sedaj še nismo nikoli porabili vse vsote, ki jo prineše 1/4%. Torej bi lahko tudi del tega denarja prenesli v starostni fond.

Nekateri organizacije porabijo nadsolventnost na različne načine. Ene podarijo nekaj prostih asesmentov na leto (SNPJ) in podarila vsemu članstvu smrtninski asesment aprila (1939), druge dajo nekake evidencije, mi pa bi prenesli v starostni fond.

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Seja westmorelandske federacije

Hermine Pa. — Društvo in zastopnikom naznanjam, da se vrši zborovanje westmorelandske federacije SNPJ v nedeljo, 20. aprila, v Slovenskem domu na Yukonu, pričetek ob 2. popoldne. Vabilena so tudi društva, ki se niso v federaciji. Teh je še tretjina v našem okraju. 20. društvo je že pri federaciji in pričetku se tudi ostali, da skupno gradimo še večjo in boljšo SNPJ. V združenju je moč!

Ker smo pred konvencijo jednote, pridite z dobrimi in premljenimi sugestijami, ampak samo s takimi, ki so izpeljive, ker velikih doklad se članstvo zmeraj boji. Odborniki in nadzorniki naj bodo na mestu eno ure prej.

Anton Zornik, tajnik.

Federacija zapadne Penne

Moon Run Pa. — Odbornikom federacije zapadne Penne, člankom konvenčnega pripravljalnega odbora, kakor tudi društvenim zastopnikom naznanjam, naj se po možnosti udeleže seje angleško poslujoče federacije SNPJ, ki se vrši 20. aprila v Slovenskem domu v Imperialu, začetek ob 2. popoldne.

Kot sem bil obveščen, bo načrt glavnih tajnikov Fred Vider in da bodo v razpravi priprave za prihodnjo konvencijo, to je kako napraviti najboljši načrt, ki bo v zadovoljstvu delegacij in za največji uspeh SNPJ. Torej pridite z dobrimi nameni za interes SNPJ.

Jacob Ambrozich, tajnik.

ABZ zvišala naročilo besednjaka na 225 izvodov

Chicago, Ill. — Na podlagi dejstva, da je angleško-slovenski besednjak potreben vsakemu društvu pri njegovem poslovovanju, je Ameriška bratska zveza na Elyju, Minn., zvišala zadnjih teden naročilo Novakovega besednjaka na 225 izvodov.

Ce se bodo vse druge naše

bratske organizacije ravnale po tem razsočnem ukrepu Ameriške bratske zvezde, bo ustrezeno veliki potrebi pri njihnih družtvih in ta koristna pa potrebna knjiga bo prisia preje na svetlo za splošno uporabo med našimi ljudmi.

Mrs. Agnes Novak,
2506 N. Clark Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

"Razno iz Kansasa"

Arma, Kans. — Navadno obdržujemo seje Slovenskega potrebnega zavoda v Frontenaku vsake tri mesece in tako bi se imela vršiti tretjo nedeljo v aprili; ker pa ni posebnih stvari za reševat, je odbor sklenil, da se ta seja lahko opusti. Bo pa polletne julijске seje bolj zanimiva in obsežna. V slučaju potrebe se pa itak vsak čas lahko sklice izredna seja.

In Sava bo zopet pela v lepih niansah. V prvem delu bo poslana večje število lepih pesmi, večinoma take, ki so narodu najbliže srca. Med temi je "Vencik narodnih pesmi", ki se začne s "purgariji" in nikdar ne presega petecem niti poslušalcem.

Druži del bo večinoma za smeh: kombinacija spevogriste "Rožmarina" in "Snubacev", ki sta bili prvič in zadnjic na Savinem odu pred šestimi ali sedmimi leti in bosta torej zopet kot novi. Je nekaj veselega za srce in človeka napravi mladega in lahkega kot dobro vinje. In v teh težkih časih se to vsakemu človeku izborni prileže. Intako se bo dobro prilego tudi vsem vam, ki se udeležite potomladanskega koncerta Save v nedeljo popoldne, 11. maja, v dvorani SNPJ. Vstopnina v predprodaji je samo 35c, pri vratih pa 40c, kar je tako poceni kot pet krav za en groš. Ne pozabite tega datumata in se gotovo udeležite. Sava vas že sedaj vabi.

Savan.

Vollite delegatov in veselica

Jenners, Pa. — Na zadnji seji okrožne federacije SNPJ, ki se je vršila v Cambria Cityju (Johnstown) 30. marca, smo se zastopniki treh malih društev dogovorili za združenje, da posljemo skupnega delegata na konvencijo, ki se vrši meseca septembra v Pittsburghu. Ta društva so št. 310 v Boswellu (Grayju), št. 389 v Reitzu (Rockingham) in naše društvo 503 v Hy-

otti.

Torej bratje in sestre teh treh društev, udeležite se svojega društva, ki se vrši meseca aprila, da potrdite združenje. Vsa tri omenjena društva imajo svoje seje tretjo nedeljo v mesecu. (Eden ali dva člana društva 503 se bosta udeležila seje društva 310 na Grayju.)

Pri teh društvinah imamo še pet sej konvencije. Prosim vas, bratje in sestre, da malo preberete, nekaj priporočil za delavnice, ki so v pravilih, kar bo ob-

Razvije se razprava o pravilih, v katero posezijo do male. Predložena je razprava po društvu 192 in je bila volitve glavnih odbornikov vršile pred zaključkom konvencije. (Podpisni društveni odbornici: Mary Musich, predsednica Louise Widmar, blagajnica, Christina Moseley, zapisnikarica in začasna tajnica.)

Mary Musich, zapisnikarica.

informacije, da ne bo potem kaže kritike.

Naj se omenim, da naše društvo 503 priredi plesno zabavo v soboto zvečer, 26. aprila v Poljski dvorani v Jeromu. Igral bo naš član Joe Plesivec in njegov orkester šestih mož. Vstopnina 25c. Vse cenjene člane in članice ter druge prijatelje v tej okolici vabimo na našo veselico, kjer bo vesela družba.

Joe Turisch, 503.

"Norč" na clevelandskem odu

Cleveland. — V nedeljo popoldne, 20. aprila, bo dramsko društvo Ivan Cankar imelo zaključno predstavo v SND, ko bo uprizorilo dramo "Norč". Avtor te igre je Fedor Gradišnik. Godi se v današnjem času in v nji nastopa šest karakterjev: Milan Medvešek z naslovno vlogo, Bertha Erste, Rudy Widmar, Anica Čebulj, Olga Marn in Anton Epich. Režija je v rokah Josepha Skuka, ki pa nima dosti del z igralci. Ti igrajo, da jih je veselje gledati. Tudi jih bo težko ocenjevati, ker so vsi izborni igralci. Igra je vseskozi napeta. Tudi bo popolnoma nova scenerija. Igra je nenavadna dobra in zato v nedeljo ne bomo gledali na vreme. To bo zadnja predstava v tej sezoni in tako lepa, da je pod nobenim pogojem ne smemo zamuditi. Torej v nedeljo popoldne vsi v SND.

Matt Petrovich.

Gleda starih članov

Red Lodge, Mont. — Ker smo v konvenčnem letu, sem se tudi jaz namenil, da podam svoje mnenje v Prosveti. Cital sem že več dopisov članov jednote iz raznih krajev glede pravil v dnu prihodnje konvencije, kakor tudi predsednikovo kolono. Nekaj teh dopisov je vredno, da se jih prečita. Večina dopisnikov priporoča, da bi prihodnja konvencija kaj ukrenila za stare in potrebone člane.

Prečitano je vprašanje, pod katerim pogoju naj se da jednotina dvorana za rabo ob prilikah letne slavnosti dneva SNPJ, ki se bo vrnila v Chicagu na delavski praznik.

Pričakuje se velika udeležba članov iz vseh strani delzev in da bo ta prihoditev velikega narodnega in reklamnega pomena, zato je sklenjeno, da se dajo prostori jednotne dvorane za to afero brezplačno, namreč za 30. in 31. avgusta ter za 1. septembra.

Državno društvo št. 733, Canton, O. — počasno, da bo 26. aprila t. l. praznovano 10-letnico svojega obstanka z javno prireditvijo ter prasi, da bi jim poslali gl. odbornika M. Medveška kot govornika za jednotno. — Se vzame na znanje in pršnja odboru.

Br. Jacob Zupan je poslal pismo o poteku slavnostne prireditve društva št. 186, Cleveland, O., kjer je predvajal jednotne filme. Uspeh je bil zelo povoljen. — Se vzame na znanje in pršnji ugodi.

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Glasovi iz
naselbin

Za investiranje v narodnih domovih

Detroit.—Današnje vladne reforme in socialne začítice pokazujojo, da mogoče ni več daleč čas, ko bo vladva prevzela vse bratske podporne organizacije in vse zavarovalne družbe. Če pride do tega, bi bila tudi naša skupnost pripravljena.

Cas je torej, da prihodnjem konvenčiom vzame v pretres vprašanje jednotnih investicij, ki naj bi se v bodoče usmerile tako, da imel naš narod koristi od njih.

Moja sugestija je, naj konvencija izvoli poseben odbor, ki naj običa vse večje naselbine in predstira prilike in sigurnosti ter jim gre na roko, če si želijo zgraditi narodne domove. Marsikje bi si ta ali druga naselbina rada zgradila narodni dom, toda se ne upajo vprašati jednotne za posojilo. V taki naselbini je vse mrtvo, ni ne družabnega, ne kulturnega niti naprednega življenja. Take naselbine izrabljajo verske sekte za svojo korist.

Naša detroitska naselbina ima vse pogoje in sigurnost za uspeh. Ako bi imeli moderen narodni dom, bi jednota imela največje koristi. Dobila bi obresti na investicije, pridobila bi marsikkega novega člana, gojila izobrazbo v kulturo med našim narodom in pridobila vpliv med mlado generacijo. Postala bi simbol našega naroda.

Ako pride vse pod vladno kontrolo, bi tako vsaj naš narod imel lep spomenik od svoje jednote. Narodni dom bi stal še dolgo potem, ko bodo izumrli graditelji jednote in bi bil živ dokaz, da je nekaj živel slovenski rod, ki si je zgradil plemenito organizacijo.

Ce je kdo upravičen do koristi jednotinogem premoženja, mora biti logično biti naš slovenski rod. Jednota danes kupuje municipalne, privatne, največ pa federalne bonde. Ako pomagamo mestom in drugim korporacijam, da si zgradijo svoje naprave, zakaj ne bi dali malo boljše pogoje svojemu narodu? Jednotni gospodarski odsek res gleda, da so investicije sigurne in zanesljive, ali nihče ne more garantirati, kar danes obstoji, da v bodoče ne propade. Kriza od 1930 nam je dokaz, da lahko hitro pride krah in gospodarski polom. In kdo nam more garantirati, da ni kaj takega več mogoče? Boni in drugi vrednostni papirji so prvi ob veljavu, toda zemljišča in domovi ostanejo. Sigurno, da v krizi tudi izgube na tržni ceni, toda ne na vrednosti praktične uporabe. V zadnji krizi je jednota gotovo izgubila nekaj tisočakov na privatnih posojilih, toda ako bi čakala s terjatvami še par let, bi sigurno dobila nazaj ves kapital in obresti.

Naj bo naše geslo, da pomagamo onim, ki so gradili jednoto in prispevali njenemu premoženju. Seveda more iti jednota le tako dalec z investicijami kot ji dovoljuje postava. V več slučajih so prilike, ko bi jednota lahko nudila večjo naklonjenost s posojili. Kot sem že omenil, so tukaj v Detroitu lastniki delnic SND 90% članov v članicah SNPJ. Z veseljem in požrtvovanostjo bi gledali, da bi dom uspeval in da bi jednota in članstvo imelo korist. Mogoče je, da je po Ameriki še več takih naselbin. Ampak naš narod ima te lastnosti, da se ne upa proti posojila, ker misli, da je to poniranje.

Ker je br. Garden omenil svoboščino v tisku, bi ga bilo dobro vprašati nekaj: ali je že kdaj pomisli, da je med člani SNPJ in naročniki Prosvete mnogo demokratov, republikanov in celo nekaj komunistov? Kako bo Prosveta izgledala, če bodo vse zahtevali in dobili svobodo tiska? Ce je torej po njegovem prav, da se le nekateri pričakamo strankarsko do konca dne, zakaj bi ne bilo prav, da bi se prerekli vse — vsak v imenu svoje politične stranke?

Smatramo, da je br. Garden dovolj razumen, torej ve, kaj pomeni svoboda tiska v ustavnem smislu. On ima lahko vso svobodo tiska v mejah zakona, kadar koli jo hoče — na svoje stroške. Kjer pa organizacija plačuje tisk, mora veljati v tem tisku tista svoboda, katero postavi večina.

Z Gardinovim razpravljanjem v današnjem številki Prosvete, ki je polno drznih zavajanj in absurdnih izvajanj, se bomo bavili prihodnjem sredo.

Društvene vesti

Canton. O. — Prosim člane in članice društva Canton 315 SNPJ, da se gotovo udeležite prihodnje seje 20. aprila ob 1. uri popoldne v navadnem prostoru, ker moramo več važnih zadev rešiti.

Pete Čuhar, tajnik,

za sport, ali pri onih, ki so pri jednoti radi tega, za kar je bila ustanovljena?

Anton Jurca, 121.

Še o ameriških Prosvetah

Chicago.—Če hočemo biti sledni in izključiti iz Prosvete vse dopise in članke, ki diše po "političnem polemiziranju" strankarskega značaja, če da to škoduje jednoti, tedaj moramo izključiti iz Prosvete tudi vse polemike in "pričkanje" striktno jednotinogem in društvenega značaja, ker tudi te vrste dopisi in članki lahko škodujejo organizaciji.

Tako bi na primer moral izstatiti vsa kritika, pa naj se že tice Prosvete, uredništva, upravnega in glavnega odbora, kakor tudi konvencije—yes, tudi kolegarčkov bi ne smeli nihče kritizirati. Mar niso bili mnogi dopisniki mnenja, da ta kritika-kolegarčkov in drugega—škoduje organizaciji? In če stvar premotrimo do dna, bomo prišli do zaključka, da te vrste kritika res lahko prav škoduje organizaciji, kot pa kakšne politične polemike.

Prav tako bi moral izstatiti vse polemike in članki svobodomiselnih vseh vrtcev—sua kritika teoloških dogem in organizirane vere—ker tudi to lahko škoduje jednoti. Najbrže je v jednotni precej članov, yes, tudi agnostikov in one vrste "svobodomiselnov," ki "ne hodijo v cerkev," ki so mnenja, da "pobijanje vere" v Prosveti škoduje SNPJ. (Jaz sem mnenja, da jih škoduje več kot pa "pričkanje" ali "politično polemiziranje strankarske vrste.") Posebno mladina ne more zapopasti, zakaj se včasih "pričkamo" radi vere; zapopasti tega ne more vsled tega, ker je "ameriški duh" toleranten napram vsem veram—ni pa toleranten v politiki.

Torej, če hočemo vse izključiti iz Prosvete, kar moramo izkoristiti v odbor, če ga bo lomil s svojimi političnimi indorsiranjimi. Brez pravice do take kritike lahko zaidevimo v politični oportunitatem in si umazemo ne samo roke, marveč tudi obraz, ker lahko se zgodi, da dobimo prej ali silej v glavnem odboru politične naivne ali navadne oportunitete.

Torej, če konvencija izreče za prvo, to je za pripravo gl. urednika, tedaj mora članstvu pustiti pravico, da bo lahko kritiziralo odbor, če ga bo lomil s svojimi političnimi indorsiranjimi. Brez pravice do take kritike lahko zaidevimo v politični oportunitatem in si umazemo ne samo roke, marveč tudi obraz, ker lahko se zgodi, da dobimo prej ali silej v glavnem odboru politične naivne ali navadne oportunitete.

Torej, če konvencija sprejme to točko, je v interesu organizacije, lista in delavskih načel, da ne sprejme 3. točke urednikovega pričkanja. Če sprejme obe točki, potem bo članstvo imelo zavezana usta, ker kolone Prosvete bi bila zaprta "političnemu polemiziranju" in "strankarskim pričkanjem."

Kaj pa prvi dve točki? Če sta namenjeni kot dodatek na zadnji konvencijski sprejetje resolucije, tikoč se načelnih smernic Prosvete, tedaj sta na mestu, ker lahko služita v svrhu boljše definicije. V drugi točki se naj črta le beseda "nestrankarsko".

ker je le "babav" in faktično

brez pomena, ker so tudi članki

in razprave o "strankarsko-političnih" problemih na mestu in potrebeni—v resnici bi to točko največkrat kršil gl. urednik, pa naj bi bil kdorkoli. In če ta točka ne more veljati za njega, tudi ne sme veljati za dopisnike.

"Tj. zagovarja anarhijo" je slišim Ivana Jontze iz Cleveland. Ljubša mi je taka "anarhija" kot jo je začrtala zadnja konvencija SNPJ glede svobodne besede članov v Prosveti, kot je izveden izodsek doda pričkanje.

Če rabimo te vrste argumente, potem bodimo logični na vsej črti.

Renski kritiki, in to posebno v luči tretje točke, je podvržena tudi četrta točka urednikovega pričkanja glede smernic Prosvete, tedaj mora točko razširiti in prepovedati v listu tudi vse dopise in članki svobodomiselnega značaja, kakor tudi vsako brez boljšega idejnega nadomestila bi odlečeno pobijal. Sem za stvarno, svobodno kritiko v vseh dogem, bodisi verskega, političnega, rasnega ali kakšnega koli značaja, prav tako za stvarno kritiko vsakega gibanja, organizacije ali akcij posameznika — nebo se izključujem.

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Membership Gain in March

It is gratifying to announce that the membership gain in March surpassed the mark reached in February by 28 members. During the month of March the campaign brought us 204 adult and 129 juvenile members, or a total of 333 new members for both departments.

This is a noteworthy progress, and again this month we find two English Speaking Lodges on top—namely, Lodge 559, which has been on the honorary roll every campaign month, and Lodge 700, ranking second in the membership campaign.

Here are the lodges which secured five or more new members during the month of March:

Lodge	Previous Total	March Gain
10 Rock Springs, Wyo.—Slovene Speaking	4	5
14 Waukegan, Ill.—Slovene Speaking	3	5
31 Sharon, Pa.—Slovene Speaking	4	14
52 Cleveland, Ohio—Slovene Speaking	7	5
138 Strabane, Pa.—Slovene Speaking	1	8
234 Milwaukee, Wis.—Slovene Speaking	2	6
254 Cleveland, Ohio—Slovene Speaking	4	6
288 Tire Hill, Pa.—Slovene Speaking	19	12
383 Miami, Arizona—Slovene Speaking	8	8
412 Falls Creek, Pa.—Slovene Speaking	5	5
556 Chicago, Ill.—English Speaking	48	10
700 Roundup, Montana—English Speaking	19	21

We are now nearing the end of our Jubilee Campaign, as only about a month and a half remains of the drive. This means that you have to get your new member TODAY in order that he will receive the special privileges connected with the campaign. Do not put it off any longer! Go and see your prospect—now! And don't forget that we have a Convention this year at which we want a large representation.

F. A. VIDER, Supreme Secretary.

Official Notice

Instructions to Members Regarding Elections of Delegates and Alternates for Twelfth Regular Convention

Our local lodges will begin soon to elect delegates and alternates for the twelfth regular convention of our Society to be held in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The following information and instructions will guide you in the correct procedure:

In accordance with section 3 of the by-laws, election of delegates for the regular convention to be held this year, should be conducted from May 1st to June 30, inclusive. In the event that a lodge fails to elect a delegate during the time as described in the by-laws, it loses the right of representation at the convention.

Section 2 provides that "Each local lodge having one hundred or more members in good standing in the month prior to the election of delegates to the convention of the Supreme Legislative Body, shall be entitled to one delegate, and each lodge having two hundred and fifty or more members in good standing shall be entitled to two delegates, but no lodge shall have more than two delegates." Only members whose assessments and other lodge or Society obligations are paid to date, shall be considered members in good standing.

Local branches having less than one hundred members may merge to attain the required number of members for one delegate. No combination of branches shall be entitled to more than one delegate. Branches in existence not fully four months at the time of election, shall not be entitled to representation at the convention.

The following qualifications for delegates are required by section 4 of the by-laws:

"No member shall be eligible as a delegate or alternate to a regular or special convention of the Supreme Legislative Body who has not attained his majority, and who has not been a member of the Society at least two years, and a member of his local lodge at least six months. A member who is not in good standing at the time of election shall not be qualified as a delegate or alternate nor shall a delegate or alternate be qualified who has not attended at least one-third of the twelve regular meetings prior to the election. Any member who has been found guilty of fraud or embezzlement by any fraternal society or any lodge thereof or by any civil court at any time or who is a representative of any life insurance company or who is a member of the supreme board of any other fraternal or mutual benefit society, shall not be eligible as a delegate or alternate." The same rules as for delegates also apply to alternates.

Lodges shall, besides delegates, also elect alternates in the same manner as delegates.

Any member whose qualifications correspond with the by-laws is eligible as a candidate for delegate. Nomination for delegate can be open, but election must be by secret ballot and only members in good standing and present at the meeting shall be entitled to vote. The ballot shall contain the names of all those who accepted the nomination, and who possess the requisite qualifications for delegates. The president of the local lodge shall appoint three members as tellers for the election, which tellers cannot be candidates for either delegates or alternates. A majority of the votes cast shall decide. Lodges which have the required number of members for two delegates may vote upon them at the same time.

Election of delegates not conforming with sections 2, 3 and 4 of the by-laws, shall not be valid.

Local lodge secretaries! Section 3 of the by-laws provides that:

Within ten days after the election of delegates and alternates, the local lodge shall certify to the Supreme Secretary the names and addresses of the delegates and alternates so elected.

Local lodge officers and members are requested to see that the by-laws will be strictly observed at the election of delegates.

Special letters will be sent to local lodge secretaries in reference to foregoing explanation which should be read at lodge meeting.

F. A. VIDER, Supreme Secretary.

Badgerland News

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—This Saturday, April 19, is our 15th Anniversary Dance to be held at the K. P. Hall, 1925 W. National Ave., music by Frank Bevys and his five-piece orchestra.

Fifteen years ago this month a small group of SNPJ members gathered and organized what is now the largest English-speaking lodge of the SNPJ in Wisconsin.

The lodge was organized in April, 1926, consisting of a small group of 14 members. From this small group fifteen years ago it grew to 283 members in 1941.

Our progress if not spectacular has been steady and we are proud of our lodge and its remarkable growth in the past fifteen years.

Saturday, April 19, we will officially celebrate 15 years of our progress. In order to make it appropriately impressive as well as successful socially and materially, we cordially invite all our friends from neighboring lodges—our lodges here in our city and vicinity as well as those located in nearby localities, and last but not least, our own members—to attend this dance.

Let's make it a record-breaking attendance and let's properly observe this milestone by attending one and all!

The Pioneers will be well represented, according to Don Lotrich and Frank Groser. They will bring four or five teams up to bowl the Badgers in a match game Sunday morning following our dance. This Friday, April 18, also is our regular meeting, and all members are invited to attend. A group of new members will be initiated, for we are finally getting into the Campaign at the home stretch.

The Junior All Star chorus will have their second annual Spring Concert and Dance, Saturday, April 26, at the Harmony Hall. A very fine Slovene play, "Carojevna Brivnica", will be given and several Slovene songs will be rendered by the chorus. You're all cordially invited to attend.

Visiting over the Easter holidays in Livingston, Ill., are Frank Klanca, Jack Berlak, Olga Kramer, and Joe Widmar.

LEO SCHWEIGER, 584.

Struthers Lodge 277 Meeting Sunday

STRUTHERS, O.—We wish to announce that Sunday, April 20, at 2 p. m. the SNPJ lodge 277 will hold an important meeting concerning the dance. All members are asked to attend. And don't forget the important date of May 17, because on that day our lodge is sponsoring a big dance, featuring Taffy and his Domovina orchestra from Barberton. We wish to extend an invitation to all neighboring lodges and friends to attend.

AMELIA SLABE, Sec'y.

Detroit Spotlight

DETROIT, MICH.—Wolverines held their regular monthly meeting Sunday, April 6, at the SWH on S. Livernois. A fine attendance was present to discuss the many problems that were brought up. The members are doing their share in getting new members. Six juveniles were added plus two adults. Welcome! May you all become active members of our lodge.

Plans were discussed on National Bowling tourney and how the teams have been arranged. There is a possibility for another girls' team. If you wish to bowl, please notify Josephine Klarich. A donation was made for the Juvenile Spirit circle for their drawing, for which the Circle is very grateful.

A new vice-president has been elected to fill the vacancy left by Julia Bogatay. Sister Bogatay was elected and so we have another one in office who will do her duty as well as Julia.

The next Wolverine meeting will be held May 9 at the SWH. Meeting date has been postponed because of the national tourney. All members are requested to attend.

Notice to entertainment committee of Juvenile Spirits. A special meeting will be held Thursday, April 17, at the SND on John R. beginning at 8 p. m. All members are asked to be present, as rehearsals must begin for the monthly meeting program.

Pearl and Laddie, new members, never fail to attend a meeting. Harry Renko, a Y. A. member, has gone to Albany, Ga., where he is doing well in baseball. We hope he succeeds to be with the St. Louis Cardinals regularly. Stanley Kainz sure goes to town on these polkas, and has the honor to be called Detroit's "Polka King." We hope Julie hasn't forgotten her Detroit pals.

OLGA MARIE KNAPICH, 677.

An Appeal for Help to War Victims of Jugoslavia

Brothers and Sisters of the SNPJ:

From the reports on current world events you know that the inexorable wrath of European dictators has finally struck our people in the old country. A war of vengeance has been declared upon the Jugoslavs, because they, believing in human rights of self-respect and justice, could not submit to the demands of dictators, give up independence and national freedom and bow before the iron rule of the dictator's will.

Without a valid, justifiable reason, the wild hordes of ruthless dictators have invaded the country, killing and destroying, performing their bloody mission upon Jugoslav soil. All that is necessary for livelihood will be destroyed and starvation and desolate suffering will prevail among the people. This means that our assistance is sorely needed. Where else, if not from their sympathetic brothers in America, can these unfortunate victims seek help?

Consequently, brothers and sisters, it is necessary that we help these unfortunate as much as we possibly can. The executive committee has already taken steps toward this action. It was decided that the SNPJ will cooperate with the Red Cross and the special Jugoslav relief committee, if such committee will be organized. SNPJ will collect contributions from the lodges, members and other contributors and at the same time see that these collections will be placed in proper hands and used honestly.

Many years have passed, brothers and sisters, since we have asked for your help and assistance. Even now we would not resort to it if aid was not so gravely needed. It is our sincere hope that you will answer this appeal with the same fraternal and compassionate response as previously. During the first world war, we helped generously; surely, we will do it again. When a nation fights for freedom, democracy and preservation of human rights, sacrificing her sons at the bloody altar of war, we must give material and moral help to show that in our hearts and our thoughts we are close to our people across the sea.

The lodges are asked to bring up this important issue at their next meeting, to contribute whatever they can from their treasuries and collect from individuals at their affairs and wherever possible. All contributions should be sent to the undersigned at the SNPJ main office, 2657 S. Lawndale Ave., Chicago, Ill.

VINCENT CAINKAR, Supreme President SNPJ.

Forward, Loyalites!

Spirit-o-Grams

By Whoozit

ST. LOUIS, MO.—What's more inspiring than a record-breaking meeting attendance? The Spirits had last Friday, which was garnished with lively discussions and great plans for the future.

Brief report was given on the tax bill that is now in Jefferson City awaiting its presentation to our legislative body. This bill incidentally is a replica of a similar bill that was presented some two years ago by Mrs. O'Malley, who at that time was at the head of the Mo. Ins. Dept. and who has had high hopes of levying heavy taxes on all fraternal organizations operating in Missouri. The Strugglers are giving us, as well as the other lodges, some pretty keen competition in this drive. And even though we like them, we can't let them take away that Oscar. Get that wife, husband, daughter, son, cousin, friend, or what have you to join the Loyalites TODAY and have the fun you've had in being a Loyalite besides the full protection of the Lodge.

The Campaign is fast drawing to a close. There is only this month and next to secure those new members. It is so easy to let someone else get all the new members. Even though a word or two at the right time on our part may get that new person into our lodge. All set, Loyalties? Let's go! We want another Oscar for our trophy case.

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Athletic Dance

To Chairman Joe Pifolt of the May 17th Athletic Committee: I as well as several other Loyalites will very willingly and I am sure very capably assume any responsibility which is assigned to us. The only request we make is that someone designate to us just what job they care to have us do. Tell us what has to be done, the time during which it should be done—and we'll do it. Only one nomination for a Loyalite chairman was made and he is the person who is so overburdened already that it would be impossible for him to assume another responsibility. However, there were others that night who would have assumed the responsibility had it been offered to them. The Loyalites will very gladly cooperate with you to make the next dance as successful as the last one was.

DOROTHY ROSSA, 590.

Westm'd Co. Fed. Meet at Yukon Sunday

HERMINIE, PA.—Notice to all delegates of the Westmoreland Federation of SNPJ lodges. The next conference will be held at Yukon, Pa., in the Slovene Hall, Sunday, April 20, at 2 p. m. There are 20 lodges out of 30 in this county that belong to the Federation, or fully two-thirds of the aggregate number.

Why not the rest of the 10 lodges join us? In unity there is strength. We hope to see all our lodges in this county fully represented at the Yukon conference.

ANTON ZORNICK, Sec'y.

FLASHES

CHICAGO, ILL.—The Pioneers

should attend the next regular monthly meeting in full numbers this Friday, April 18, as we have a number of important matters to take care of. We expect to initiate more than the usual monthly quota of new members. Seven of the applicants have already been examined, and it is expected that another five will visit the doctor by Friday night. The National SNPJ Bowling tournament on May 3 and 4 and the contemplated excursion to Detroit for the tournament will be reported on, the National SNPJ Day subscriptions will receive time and attention, and the journey to the Milwaukee Badgers' 15th Anniversary April 19 and 20 will be on the calendar. We expect to have refreshments, also a check for eight dollars for some member who will be present and whose name shall be called.

Subscription returns have now been made by nine Pioneers who have accounted for thirty-one books of subscriptions. The most active in this work have been Frank and Mae Groser, and Frank and Donald Lotrich. Michael Prahalas has come into the contest and has shown his ability to secure subscriptions. Others who have reported include Sylvie Bozicnik, Frank Kobilica, Leo Komuchar, and Anthony Kegel. Any Pioneer wishing to participate in this worthy work, can secure subbooks from the Secretary. If we sell one hundred sub books, and we should have no trouble doing this, the lodge will receive forty per cent of the subscriptions. We urge you to help out.

In the girls' division, some subbooks are being rolled out.

At Wednesday, Liz Zefran

reached a 204 game. She was

by Val Tatar's 199, and Sue

198. Other good games included

181 for Marge Howard, 172 for

Dorothy Ivansek, 171 for Anne

Chever, 171 for Anne Howard,

for Irma Vertnik, 160 for Ditta

Zertnik, 154 for Josephine

and 152 for Moe Jurecic. Two

more remain on the schedule in

the league.

Several Pioneers attended

25th anniversary dance and cele

ration of George Washington

270, SNPJ, of Lyons, Ill., last Sa

urday night. Frank Vidmar

master of ceremonies and intro

Vincent Cainskar, Frank Yaphic

the writer for short talks. Sing

Society Preseren rendered sev

eral vocal selections. Lyons had a

English speaking lodges a few ye

My Week

By Louis Beniger

Last week the mightiest strong-
old of Ford's huge empire, the
over Rouge plant employing 85,000
workers, capitulated to labor's just-
ified demands. Thus organized
labor won its first important battle
in 30 years with Labor Enemy No.
1 in a comparatively short struggle.

Henry Ford, known for fascistic
tastes and inclinations in his far-
ming shop, stubbornly rejected all
labor demands heretofore. In this
victory, all the credit goes primarily
to organized labor for its strategic
planning of the strike which was
90% effective.

The federal mediation board also
demonstrated its effectiveness
settling strikes and preventing
new ones. Witness the Allis-
Chalmers strike, the Bethlehem
strike, etc. But the biggest vic-
tory for labor as a result of such
methods used came this week on
Sunday when the five largest steel
corporations consented to labor
demands affecting more than 412,
000 steel workers. It is hoped that
the UMW strike, also, will soon be
settled favorably.

The employers must be made to
understand that, as the immortal
Lincoln put it so irrevocably, "La-
bor is the superior of Capital and
deserves the higher consideration."

Capital is only the fruit of Labor
and could never have existed. La-
bor had not first existed. Of
course, it is the duty of the workers
to be well informed on all problems
pertaining to their rights and du-
ties. They must strive to improve
their lot legally and in effective
manner.

The horrors of modern war have
descended on Jugoslavia with all
its force employed by the barbaric
Axis. By repudiating the Axis
part, the Jugoslav leaders no doubt
expected an invasion, yet they
have fought the invader against
great odds because they believe in
natural justice.

Almost all of Slovenia, the north-
most part of Jugoslavia and
geographically practically inde-
pendent, is now in the hands of the
greatest enemy of our people—
the paranoiac Mussolini, while its
northern and eastern fringes are in
the hands of the Nazis and Hungary.
How long our homeland will thus
remain, no one knows, for the final
outcome hinges on the Allied vic-
tory.

Slovenia, with its proud capital,
Ljubljana, hasn't been successfully
invaded for 130 years. It was during
the Napoleonic wars, in 1811,
that Slovenia was included in the
new state created by Napoleon which
was called by its ancient name Il-
lyria. Let us not only hope that
the present conflict will result in
Allied victory, but let us give our
people in Jugoslavia all moral as
well as material help to lighten
their plight.

Lucky Stars' News

IMPERIAL, PA.—The next meeting
of the ES Federation of SNPJ
Lodges of Western Penna. will be held
in the Slovene Hall, Imperial, Pa.,
Sunday, April 20, beginning at
2 p.m. sharp.

All affiliated lodges please have
representation. Brother F. A. Vider,
Supreme Secretary, will attend
the meeting. If you are interested
in the coming SNPJ convention, at-
tend this meeting.

Bro. John Trusnovic is confined
to the Allegheny General hospital.
Lodge members, if possible, visit
him. Lodge 721, West Aliquippa,
and Lodge 716, Imperial, have
merged for the purpose of electing
a delegate to the convention.

Attend the federation bowling
day at Sygan on April 27, also
Lucky Stars' Dance at Imperial,
Saturday, April 26. In the true
spirit of the SNPJ and in behalf of
the federation meeting this Sunday.
Your presence will be an honor and
a pleasure to us.

JAMES M. MAGLICH, 716.

Frank Zvanut of Lodge 742 at Ceramic Meet

CLEVELAND, O.—We are happy
to report that among the 1,200 dele-
gates and members present at the
annual convention of the
American Ceramic Society in Balti-
more, Md., April 2, was also Bro.
Frank Zvanut, President of SNPJ
Lodge 742, Cleveland. A number of reports were
read before different groups of the assembly.
Among the authors of the enameled
reports was also Frank Zvanut,
Ferro Enamel Corporation scientist.
Frank On his trip to the
convention Frank was accompanied
by his wife, Frank's parents live in
St. Louis, Mo., where his father,
SNPJ lodge 107, is president of
the group to our young ceramist!

At the Athletic meeting held last
week at the Waterloo Home, in place
of George Curda, chairman, who re-
signed, the group elected Lou Ma-
roit, Vice President of the Strugger
lodge.

Geo. Curda will arrange for definite
report on trophies at the next
meeting which will be held on Fri-
day, April 25, at the Home on St.
Clair. Some of the items brought up
and discussed were: Progressive or
any other lodge welcomed to join
the group. Motion made that the
league reserve 40 double rooms at
Hotel Detroiter. Napredine have al-

Universal Comets

Dates to Remember

UNIVERSAL, PA.—April 20—
Meeting of E. S. Federation of SNPJ
Lodges of Western Pennsylvania,
at SNPJ Hall, Imperial, Pa., begin-
ning at 2 p.m.

April 26—Dance by Athletic Club
of Verona Lodge 680, in Na-
rodní Dom, Verona, featuring Joe
Koracan and his Slovene Aces.

April 26—Dance by Lucky Stars
Lodge 716, in SNPJ Hall, Imperial,
featuring Freddie Joy and his Joy
Makers.

April 26—Anniversary Dance by
Lodge Cavaliers 741, in Slovene
Hall, Burgettstown, featuring Joe
Kramer and his orchestra.

SUPPORT ALL SNPJ ACTIVITIES!

Comets' News

At the April 6 meeting of Comets
Lodge 715, the committee on the
May 10 dance reported that Joe Ko-
racan and his Slovene Aces were
contracted to provide the music, and
that all other preliminary arrangements
incident to a successful dance
are being taken care of properly.
That's interesting news, for we know
that the orchestra is a good one. And
from advance reports heard, the
committee will be busy entertain-
ing a big crowd, even several mem-
bers from out of state intimated
that they would be here that night.
Make your plans to be here too.

The Athletic Committee reported
that two men's teams and two la-
dies' teams would be entered in the
Federation Bowling Day scheduled
for Sunday, April 27, at the SNPJ
Hall, Sygan, Pa., sponsored by our
E. S. Federation. All Federation
lodges should have their entries in
the hands of the Federation Athletic
Committee by this time. Remem-
ber, two beautiful trophies will be
awarded to the best men's and
ladies' teams, and that three games
will be bowled for the small sum
of fifty cents.

The same committee reported that
complete arrangements were made
for the Comet's Bowling Banquet
scheduled for Sunday, April 20, at the
Castle Inn, near Universal, Pa.
A full course chicken dinner will
be served at 6 p.m., followed by
the presentation of prizes and enter-
tainment for the entire evening.

Arrangements were made for
three delegates to represent the
lodge at the April 20 meeting of the
E. S. Federation. A half dozen
nominations for membership were
made, and the next meeting date
changed to May 11. Comet mem-
bers are asked to remember the
change in meeting date, same place,
same time, and to be sure to be
present since that meeting will
proceed to elect a delegate to attend
the 12th Regular SNPJ Convention.

For the first time since our orga-
nization almost eleven years ago,
we have the required number of
adult members to assure us a
delegate at convention without
merging. Four years ago our adult
membership was less than ninety;
at the last meeting the secretary
reported an adult membership of
134. There was a greater increase
in the juvenile membership during
that period.

Change Our Name?

Several weeks ago this writer ex-
pressed in Prosveta the wisdom of
a change in name for our organization.
It was done, first, to stimulate
thought for a new name in view of
a possible merger of SNPJ and SS-
PZ; and, second, because the writer
sincerely believes that a proper
change would be a definite ad-
vantage to the continued success
and growth of our organization.
The first purpose has been served,
not adequately, but a beginning
for an open discussion has been
made, and others are invited to
join the debate. Bro. Andrew

Grum has already suggested a
name; Frank Rezek doubts that a
change in name would contribute to
facilitating the sales of SNPJ
certificates.

Frank asks a number of fair ques-
tions, and they deserve fair answers.
But we believe that they will be
best answered by stating why we
believe a change ought to be made.

Let me hasten to reply that I, too,
regret a change merely for the sake
of a change. A change of any kind
should be made only if positive and
permanent RESULTS are to be at-
tained, whether they be immediate
or future results, or whether they
are direct or indirect results, that
will materially benefit the whole.

There is no logic in making a change
merely to satisfy the ego of any
person.

There can be no quarrel with the
founders of our organization for the
name adopted thirty-seven years ago.

Then it was a practical name, for their field
of agitation was confined to those of the
Slav race, and particularly the
Slovene immigrants. Witness, for
example, the by-laws of 1933 on
"New Candidates". And the strongest
admission that they made

reservations for change is the present
qualifications for members, "Any white male or female person;
etc., etc.", a change made at the
1937 convention. It appears logical
to believe that the change in 1937
was made because the convention
believed that to guarantee continuity
and progress, our channels for
soliciting new members must be
expanded. It was a recognition of
the irrevocable statement that im-
migration to America is a thing of
the past. The 1937 decision was
real, practical, and full of good
sense.

The question might properly be
asked if we need to go further than
the 1937 decision and change our
name, even to exclude "Slovene"
or its counterpart, as did one Slo-
vene fraternal, thus sacrificing our
Slovene identity. A decision would
have to be made between senti-
mentalism and practicalism.

No one need be convinced that the
factors that influence sales are
taste, sight, and sense of feeling as
regards all tangible commodities.
Insurance is intangible, and the
name of an organization must be
appealing to any prospects for in-
surance before the solicitor even
gets his or her foot inside the door.
We have in the use of "SNPJ" to
describe our activities the added
disadvantage that the English in-
terpretation is something else, and
although the 1937 convention, we
were told, provided to encourage
the use of "SNBS", its use has been
virtually negligible.

In every consideration of change
in name, continuity and progress
must be everlasting with us.

News and Views

At the E. S. Federation meeting
this Sunday, in SNPJ Hall, Imperial,
Pa., beginning at 2 p.m., Supreme
Secretary Brother Vider will be
present. His presence should make
the attendance greater than ever
before.

All Pensy SNPJ members and
friends considering the train trip
to the National SNPJ Tennis tourna-
ment in Detroit, May 3-4, should
let their intentions known to either
Larry Casso, Penn St., Verona, Pa.,
or the writer, not later than Sunday,
April 20. We must have your
train fare by that date. Let's get
going.

Last Saturday we attended a
Golden Eagles affair for the first
time. Their dance was a big suc-
cess, and it was evident that every-
one enjoyed it immensely. The
Barberton girls were there, and they
brought the news that Henry Ru-

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eady done this for their group. Marie Stefanie will contact Detroit and arrange accordingly. Money from the fund appropriated for the trip will be presented to the captains of each team in Detroit. Most of the members are traveling by train on the Mercury. Further discussion on this at our next meeting.

Motion made that the league ap-
propriate money for the building of
a backstop at the Recreation Farm.
"Whitey" Primosh to develop cost
and report. It was also voted that
the athletic league support baseball
for our juvenile groups.

Regarding the May 17 dance to be
held at the National Home, Cam
Zarnick to discuss at the Cleveland
Federation meeting, question of se-
curing bartenders. Music for the
May Frolic will be furnished by
Mickey Ryane. Marie Stefanie to
arrange for door and refreshment
tickets to be printed at Headquarters.

Frank Curda will arrange for defi-
nite report on trophies at the next
meeting which will be held on Fri-
day, April 25, at the Home on St.
Clair.

Some of the items brought up
and discussed were: Progressive or
any other lodge welcomed to join
the group. Motion made that the
league reserve 40 double rooms at
Hotel Detroiter. Napredine have al-

ways read before different groups of the assembly.
Among the authors of the enameled
reports was also Frank Zvanut,
Ferro Enamel Corporation scientist.
Frank On his trip to the
convention Frank was accompanied
by his wife, Frank's parents live in
St. Louis, Mo., where his father,
SNPJ lodge 107, is president of
the group to our young ceramist!

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Juvenile Circles

Official Proceedings

SNPJ EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Meeting of March 5

Meeting was called to order at 1
p.m. In attendance were all of
officers except treasurer who is ill.
Minutes of the Feb. 19 meeting were
approved.

President Cainkar submits letter
from Leo Schweiger of lodge 564
asking that the by-laws of the circle
be translated and mimeographed,
which is approved. Request of lodge
738 to have M. Medvesek as speaker
at their 10th anniversary is ap-
proved. Zupan's report regarding
films he showed in Cleveland is ap-
proved and filed. Unanimously de-
cided that Society's hall be granted
free of charge during the SNPJ Day
celebration.

Also an entertainment committee
was elected with Vera Semec as
chairman. The others on the com-
mittee are Rose Marie Nagel,
Dorothy Karun, Tony Plaza, Ebin
Spandal, and Donald R. Nagel.
No publicity committee was elected
but all said they would help with
whatever publicity was needed.

On May 24 we will hold a drawing
at the SND on John R. We are
having 150 books of tickets made
and will need everyone's help to
sell them. It was definitely de-
cided to meet the last Sunday of
each month. Dorothy Plesh was
the winner of the 25 drawing.

It was decided to hold a skating
party at Madison Gardens in May,
with final plans for this special
event to be made at the next meet-
ing on Sunday, April 27. Be sure
to attend.

DONALD R. NAGEL, Rec. Sec'y.

"Dawn of Youth" Circle Is Planning Mother's Day Program

GIRARD, O.—Our last meeting
was held at Nagoda's on March 30
at 2 p.m. Minutes of the previous
meeting were read and approved.
Under unfinished business we talked
about a trip to Pittsburgh, Pa.,
which will be sometime later, when
school is out.

Our picture which we took in
Cleveland will be in the next issue
of the Mladinski List. We are going
to have a special meeting on
April 19 at 2 p.m. at Nagoda's to
practice the plays and songs for
the Mother's Day program. Decided
to grant 1/4 page ad for \$15.

He recommends that Mildred Simic
be permanently employed with

a \$2 increase of salary beginning
March 10. Approved. He also re-
ported that Julia Bogatay was tem-
porarily employed, which action
was also approved.

Assistant secretary submits ap-
plication for compensatorial claim
from sick benefit fund for Joseph
Volcjak of lodge 274, which is ap-
proved. Head editor submits article
sent by a member of lodge 21, which
is of critical nature. Decided

that no article should be pub-
lished from members of this lodge

until the dispute at the lodge is
settled.

Secretary Mirko Kuhel of SSPZ
merger committee attended the
meeting at this point, desiring to
get more information in relation to
the merger; also, regarding the pos-
ition of four of their officers who
were elected at the last convention
for a period of four years. General
discussion followed, and the opinion
prevailed that this should not be an
obstacle to the merger and by
friendly relations this matter can
be bridged.

The following applications for
special operation claims referred
by medical examiner were approved
for \$25 each: Tony Florence of lodge
7, Rudolph Zapala of lodge 19, Bo-
ja Svirak of lodge 183, John Panian
of lodge 397, and Matthew Miklavic
of lodge 419. Application for
special benefit of Louise Bagdon of
lodge 568 was considered, and as
she was not entitled to operation
benefits according to the by-laws,
\$40 was granted from the special
fund.

Another interesting news at this
meeting will be an explanation of
the special Certificate Award which
has been prepared by Supreme Pres-
ident Cainkar, Director of Juvenile
Circles. The award will be given to
juvenile members for their special
work in the Circle; for instance, for
bringing in new members, for their
circle activities, as well as for other
work which merits the award. And
good attendance at meetings is one
of the first requirements on the list
of these activities.

Our Circle meets on the 2nd and
4th Saturday of each month. How-
ever, this month's second meeting
has been advanced because of the
preparations in connection with the
May 25 program.

SIMON TROJAR, Manager.

Next Meeting of Circle No. 2 Will Be Friday, April 18

CLEVELAND, O.—The next meet-
ing of Circle No. 2 will be held Fri-
day, April 18, at 7 o'clock in the
evening in Room 3 at the SNH on St.
Clair. All members are invited to
attend because several important
plans will be discussed.

S.N.P.J. Sports

National SNPJ Pin Tourney Facts

The 8th annual National SNPJ Bowling tournament will be held May 2-3-4 in Detroit, Mich., at the Palmer Park Recreation, Woodward and Six Mile R., with 36 bowling lanes at our disposal.

The bowling dance will take place May 3 at the UAW Hall, 51 Sproat St., featuring Frankie Yankovich and his orchestra of Cleveland.

The main headquarters will be the SND at 17149 John R. Street, and the Detroiter hotel, Woodward and Adelaide.

Detroit Host to SNPJ Bowlers May 2-3-4

DETROIT, MICH.—In the very center of all concentrated efforts right now is the 8th annual National SNPJ Bowling tournament, scheduled for May 2-3-4 here in Detroit, two weeks from now.

Visiting teams and rooters will be greeted and welcomed on their arrival here in the usual Michigan style and genuine SNPJ hospitality. Accommodations will be comfortable in every respect and the social side of the affair will be well taken care of as well as the tournament facilities.

The Tourney Dance will take place May 3 at the UAW hall, 51 Sproat st., where Frankie Yankovich and his boys will furnish the lively dance tunes. Refreshments of all kinds will be served. You are all cordially invited to attend this memorable affair. It will be sort of a reunion and homecoming for many of our members.

Help make this year's SNPJ tourney the biggest and most successful by attending. And don't forget to bring your friends along.

The rest of the information about the 1941 tournament is given elsewhere in this as well as the succeeding issues of Prosveta. Under the heading "National SNPJ Pin Tourney Facts" the main points are given in a nutshell.

Welcome to Detroit!

OLGA M. KNAPICH, 677.

Lodge 34 Keglers Will Go to Detroit in May

INDIANAPOLIS, IND.—Indiana SNPJ keglers are at the boiling point, now that the entries have been sent in for the 8th annual National SNPJ Bowling tournament in Detroit May 2-3-4.

We are proud to say that we have a larger entry this year than last. We are boasting stronger teams and warning Detroit to be prepared for our invading teams May 3 and 4.

SNPJ lodge 34 of Indpls challenges any Midwest team to a home to home basis game, Chicago, Waukegan and Milwaukee please note.

We wish to give our thanks to the Athletic Board for granting our request concerning the National Tournament.

VIC KREFFEL, Pres.
Indpls Ath. Club.

Strugglers' All-States Headpin Tournament

CLEVELAND, O.—Gee Whiz! Only four more weeks left to send in your entries for this big affair. But, if you're the last minute bird, well, come down anyway, you can still make your entry at the bowling alley. This is the first All-States headpin tournament to be held in any SNPJ lodge, and we are inviting all other SNPJ lodges to participate. This gala event will close the 1940-41 bowling season with a big blowout. It will be held at Slovene Workmen's Home, 15333 Waterloo Road, Cleveland, Ohio, on May 9, 10 and 11.

The guaranteed list prize consists of \$200. Men and women will be classified together. Two 'Oscars' for high score will be presented, one for a man and one for a woman.

For the benefit of those who have never before participated in headpin bowling, please observe the following. There will be 12 frames, and one roll for each frame. You must hit the red headpin to have the score count in each frame. If you don't hit the red headpin, your score does not count for the frame. The highest score in one game is 120, and in the series of three games is 360 points. All local bowlers are requested to bowl on Friday night and early Saturday if possible, in

order to give out-of-town bowlers the convenience of bowling on Saturday night and Sunday.

On May 10, there will be dancing in the Main Hall of SWH to Frankie Yankovich and his Melody Lads from 8:30 o'clock until the wee hours of the morning.

We are planning to show you all a very, very good time, so let's hear from Pa., W. Va., N. Y., Mich., Ill., and all others that can attend. Let us hear from some of the Senior members of this great organization, and see you in there hitting that red headpin. Come on all you good keglers and let us see you carry home some of the grand prizes!

But before the above affair is Strugglers' 14th Anniversary Dance held April 26 which promises to be lots of fun dancing to the tunes of Johnny Pecon and his orchestra.

I wonder what became of our two little scribes, we haven't heard from them lately.

LOUIS MAROLT, 614.

Westm'd Co. Softball League Meet Apr. 27

WEST NEWTON, PA.—On Sunday, April 6, the Westmoreland Co. SNPJ Softball league held its first meeting at Slovene Hall, Claridge. Teams represented included Export, West Newton, and Claridge. The new officers were installed as follows: Fred Zecker, pres.; John Mize, vice-pres.; J. L. Povirk, secy.

A brief discussion was held concerning the possibility of securing new teams into the league. We appeal to all lodges interested to send representatives to our next league meeting to be held at the Claridge Slovene Hall, April 27, at 2 p. m.

We want to thank all the people who are helping us by giving ads and buying tickets. There is a contest on between the boys and girls selling tickets, the group selling the smallest number of tickets will give a party. So far the boys lead.

Saturday, April 19, the SNPJ Badgers are celebrating their 15th anniversary by holding a dance at the K. P. hall, 8. 20th and W. Naft ave., featuring Louis Bashel's music for dancing. We know that the Badgers have always been helping our Circle, so let's attend their affair and let's bring our parents along.

MARY POKLAR, Circle 4.

Special Meeting of Circle No. 11 on April 27 at Camp 50 Hall

GIRARD, KANS.—There will be a special meeting of our Circle on Sunday, April 27, at the Camp 50 Hall at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. The purpose of the meeting will be to organize a singing chorus with the help of our adviser, Mary Shular.

The new chorus will take part in the May 3 Federation affair at Casa Vecchia Hall at Camp 50. Also, plans will be made for other numbers on the program. We need your cooperation at this special meeting so as to make a fine appearance at the affair.

More news about our Circle will be printed in next week's Prosveta. In the meantime, keep our special meeting in mind and attend.

HENRY WM. JELOVCHAN,
President.

Integrity Broadcast

CHICAGO.—The Integrity lodge is sending one man team to the 8th SNPJ National Bowling tournament which will be held in Detroit on May 2-3-4. We wish the Detroit ESL's much success, and we hope they'll not forget to attend the next Midwest Athletic league tournament.

Our annual Fall Dance is scheduled for Nov. 8 at the Harmony hall.

The Secretary of the Integrity lodge is advising all members who are not insured in the E class that they should do so at once, particularly those who are in the A class; the former is the 20-year paid-up certificate. About 70% of our lodge members are in this class. Our juvenile department has seven members in the endowment class, that is seven out of those who became members since July 1937; 20 are in the endowment class. We believe that this is a good record for the Integrity.

The Secretary of the Integrity lodge has read the minutes of the Supreme Board meeting with great interest, and has a few comments to offer.

The 20-year endowment plan is one thing which the Society must put in practice, not from the point which Bro. Vider makes an effort to show it, but rather from the point that the public demands it, no matter what its cost. If Bro. Vider would make a little campaign of his own, he would agree with Bro. D. Lotrich that he is right and that we must have this type of insurance—even if we have it only for the purpose of advertising the Society. The members who go out and secure new members must face this very much advertised plan—the 20-year endowment plan. We live in an era when the public demands its full share from the money it earns from its daily labor.

In regard to the juvenile endowment plan. Certainly it failed. Why? Let's not blame the membership. Those who are active in the Juvenile Campaign in securing new juvenile members also must work evenings. Millions of dollars is being spent for advertising by the old line insurance companies and by their paid high-pressure agents.

I think 460 members is better than nothing. Bro. Vider. The number of 460 such certificates in the insurance companies would represent more paid out for securing them than it was paid out by the SNPJ. I think that this matter should be given due consideration.

The hospitalization plan. Again

Bro. Vider downed a very good

plan which was proposed by Bro. D. Lotrich. This plan is not a racketeering affair in the state of Illinois, or in any other state with good insurance laws. This plan is the best for the working class of people who cannot pay the bills when they come all of a sudden. But they can pay the few dollars that cost each family so protected. (My family is protected by such a plan and already made use of it.)

Let it be understood that I am not boasting Bro. Lotrich or anyone else, but when credit is due anybody who is trying to improve the organization's standing, I am willing to give it to that person.

Also, Bro. Vider states that 50% of all operations are unnecessary. Yet the SNPJ pays for them. If the Society is for the working class of people, then it should stand by it. Action speaks louder than words.

MICHAEL R. FLEISCHHACKER,
Lodge 631.

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26, at Harmony Hall at 7:30 in the evening. Tickets are rapidly being sold and the numerous preparations are being settled.

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MARY POKLAR, Circle 4.

Universal Comets

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