

## RUSI PRESEKALI ŽELEZNICO ODESA-LVOV

Velike nemške izgube  
na rimski fronti

## DVA TISOČ JAPON- CEV V PASTI

London, 7. marca.—Ruska armada pod poveljstvom maršala Gregorija Žukova je presekala železnicu Odessa-Lvov na 18 milij dolgi črti z okupacijo Voločišča, se glasi poročilo z Moskve. Ta armada je v ofenzivi, ki se je pričela zadnjo soboto, zadala strahovite udarce nemški sili. Čez 15,000 Nemcov je padlo v bitkah z Rusi v zadnjih 48 urah.

Voločiško leži 63 milij severno od rumunske meje. Ruska armada je v prodiranju proti Rumuniji na 110 milij dolgi fronti okupirala čez 200 vasi in naselbine. Nemška sila okrog 160,000 vojakov beži pred Rusi.

Moskva poroča, da so Rusi v ofenzivah na vseh frontah to zimo zadali težke udarce nemški sili. Čez 302,000 Nemcov je padlo v bitkah z Rusi, 32,400 pa je bilo ujetih. Rusi so razbili in zaplenili tudi čez dvesto tankov, 250 težkih in lahkih topov in ogromne količine bojnega materiala.

Neapelj, Italija, 7. marca.—Predstavnik poveljstva zavezniške sile na rimski fronti je nazzanil, da so Nemci izgubili 24,000 vojakov v bitkah z ameriškimi republikami. Argentina bo izpolnila vse obveznosti v zvezi z izvajanjem politike solidarnosti.

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London, 7. marca.—Čez 850 ameriških bombnikov je bombardiralo Berlin in zmetalo čez dva tisoč ton razstrelnih in zategnjenih bomb na nemško prestolnico. Bombe so porušile mnogo poslopij in zanetile ogromne požare. V spopadih v graku so Američani sestrelili 123 nemških bojničnih letal, sami pa so izgubili 68 bombnikov.

Britski letalci so istočasno bombardirali nacijska oporišča v Franciji, Holandiji in Belgiji.

Zavezniški stan na Pacifiku, 7. marca.—Nove ameriške čete so izkrcale na obrežju Nove Gvineje v ozadju japonskih pozicij pri Saidoru, poroča general Douglas MacArthur. Japonske čete so zdaj stisnjene na ozkem pasu ozemlja med Saidorom in Madangom.

Ameriški letalci so ponovno bombardirali Rabaul, japonsko mornarično in letalsko bazo na Novi Britaniji. To je bil že drugi napad na to bazo v zadnjih treh dneh.

New Delhi, Indija, 7. marca.—Ameriške čete pod poveljstvom generala Josepha W. Stilwella so napadle japonske postojanke pri Maingkwantu, severna Burma. Poročilo pravi, da je japonska sila okrog 2000 mož v bazu in nevarnosti uničenja.

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## Opozorilo glede zapisnika zborovanja gl. odbora SNPJ

V današnji številki Prosveće je priobčen zapisnik letnega zborovanja glavnega odbora SNPJ, ki se je vrnilo 10. 11. in 12. februarja t. l. na kar naše članstvo s tem posebno oposarjam.

Potrebno je, da je naše članstvo kolikor mogoče natanko poučeno ne samo o gospodarsivu in finančnem stanju jednotne temveč tudi glede ostalega poslovanja in o vseh fazah naših aktivnosti. Uradni zapisnik zborovanja našega glavnega odbora izkazuje vse to in je najboljši zrcalo naše organizacije. Zato pa je toliko bolj priporočljivo, da ga vsak član skrbno prečita ter o vsaki stvari stvarno razmišlja in pravično sodi. In ne samo priporočljivo—tudi potrebno je in v korist bo nam vsem.

Priporočljivo pa je zlasti, da članstvo pazno prečita tisti del zapisnika, ki se nanaša na zaslijanje in razpravo glede smernic Prosveće in resignacije br. Molka kot odgovornega urednika. Le te da, ako bomo o poteku razprave in vsem kar je v zvezi s tem, temeljito poučeni, nam bo mogoče, da si naredimo pravilno sodbo o celih stvari. Potrebno je, da smo nepristranski in pravični, neglede na to, s kom so naše simpatije ali kako drugače mislimo. Naša dolžnost je predvsem, da varujemo ugled in koristi jednotne in da se tega dosledno držimo, pa naj bo potem v medsebojnih pogovorih, v dopisovanju, ali kjerkoli!

V. CAINKAR, gl. predsednik.

## Argentina naglaša solidarnost

Vlade Amerike,  
Anglije in Brazilije  
zavrnile apel

Buenos Aires, Argentina, 7. marca.—General Diego J. Mason, zunanjji minister v vladni predsednika Edelmira Farrella, je podal formalno izjavlo, v katere je naglašil solidarnost med Argentino in drugimi ameriškimi republikami. Argentina bo izpolnila vse obveznosti v zvezi z izvajanjem politike solidarnosti.

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## Odvetniška grupa okrcala Diesa

### Odsek gladi pot fašizmu v Ameriki

Washington, D. C., 7. marca.—Voditelji odvetniškega gilda so udarili po kongresniku Diesu, demokratu iz Texasa in načelniku odseka, ki prekuje neameriške aktivnosti, in ga obdolžili, da gladi pot fašizmu v Ameriki.

Martin Popper, tajnik gilda, ki je pismu kongresnikom in senatorjem dejal, da trije člani odseka — Dies, Rankin in Smith — odprto sabotirajo vojne napore Zdrženih narodov v volilnem letu v upanju, da bo sabotaža povzročila konfuzijo.

Popper pravi, da Diesov odsek funkcioniра ne kot agent kongresa, temveč kot orodje obeh, ki podpirajo in širijo propagando proti sovjetu. V bistvu je odsek orodje Hitlerjevih agentov.

Belfast, Irska, 7. marca.—Nadaljnji 20 jetnikov se je pridružilo gladovni stavki v znak protesta proti uradnikom jetnинice, ki jih smatrajo za politične jetnike. Prizadeti so bili aretirani na obtožbo terorističnih aktivnosti. Med jetniki je Hugh McAtee, šef štaba irske republikanske armade, teroristične organizacije. V stavki je 28 jetnikov.

## Prevàžalci mleka zapretili z oklicem stavke

Chicago, 7. marca.—Unija prevàžalcev mleka je zapretila z oklicem stavke proti Borden Milk Co. Uradniki unije so obdolžili kompaniji krijeva provizij sklenjene pogodbe.

## Preiskava železniške nesreče v Italiji

Neapelj, Italija, 7. marca.—Zavezniške vojaške svtoritve so odredile preiskavo nesreče, ki se je pripetila v železniškem tunelu v južni Italiji. Okrog 500 potnikov je izgubilo življenje, večina teh se je zadušila.

London, 7. marca.—Radio Berlin je nazzanil, da so imeli člani novega Mussolinijevega kabineeta svojo prvo sejo v Bresciju. Tajnik nove republikanske fašistične stranke Pavolini je nazzanil, da ima ta 587,000 članov, izmed katerih se jih je 10,000 pristopilo, da je stavka proti kršenju provizij sklepov pogodbe po kompaniji.

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## PRAVDA OBSODI- LA STALIŠČE FINSKE VLADE

### Prvi sovjetski komentar mirovni pogajanj

## DISKUZIJE O NEM- SKI PONUDBI

Moskva, 7. marca.—Pravda, glasilo komunistične stranke, pravi, da stališče finske vlade in tiska, ki naglašata, da sovjetski mirovni pogaji niso sprejemljivi, je dokaz neodkritostnosti vladočih krogov v Helsinku. Vprašanje je, ali so ti v resnici za sklenitev miru z Rusijo.

"Ako ti krog smatrajo velikonočne sovjetske pogoje za znak popuščanja, jih čaka veliko razočaranje," pravi Pravda v uvodniku. "Argument, da ruska zateva glede interniranja nemških divizij, če jo Finska sprejme, bi bilo izdajstvo, ne drži. Finska je prišla prepozno na dan s svojimi pritožbami, ker je sama začela kampanjo za umik iz vojne in sklenitev miru. Finski tisk že mesece naglaša, da Finska vodi separativno vojno. Iz tega razloga je trditveni o izdajstvu Italije nesmiselna."

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## Nova vladna kriza v Colombiji

### Vsi člani kabineta resignirali

Bogota, Colombia, 7. marca.—Vsi člani kabineta so resignirali v novi vladni krizi. Uradna izjava pravi, da ima predsednik Dario Echandia zdaj priliko za reorganiziranje vlade v soglasju z interesu ljudstva.

Echandia je sprejel resignacijo in poučaril, da dežela stoji pred velikimi dogodki. Nekateri ministri, ki so odstopili, bodo pozvani, naj prevzamejo druge rovine.

Poročila, objavljena zadnjem sotočju, da bo colombijska vlada navezala diplomatske stike z Italijansko vlado premijera Badoglija, so bila zanikana. Večina teh se je zadušila.

## \* Domače vesti

Član društva 449 SNPJ povilan

Chicago.—Clarence M. Kure je po devetmesečni študiji na češki univerzi graduiral kot prorocnik v vremenslovec ameriške letalske sile. Po desetnem dopustu bo odpotoval na vremensko bazo v Las Vegasu, Nevada. Poročnik Kure, njegov brat in starši so člani društva 449 SNPJ v Ciceru. Cestite!

Napad na nemško vojaško posadko

na Hvaru

London, 7. marca.—Partizanske enote so pod poveljstvom ameriških vojaških častnikov napadle nemško vojaško posadko na otoku Hvaru, ki leži 30 milij južno od Splita, dalmatinske Luke, pravi poročilo iz glavnega stana maršala Titova, poveljnika jugoslovanske osvobodilne armade. To je prvo odkritje, da ameriški častniki pomagajo partizanom.

In Pennsylvaniji.

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**Neutemeljeno novice**

Pred kratkem so nekateri slovenski listi ponatisnili izmišljeno vest, da je predsednik Združenega odbora južnoslovenskih Amerikancev Louis Adamčič odstopil od predsedništva ter da je sprejet službo kot poročevalec tedenika *The Saturday Evening Post*. SANS je pooblaščen od Adamčiča, da javno zanika dotično poročilo in da obenem obvesti javnost, da je prišla tista neutemeljena vest iz sovražne kočnice in predstavlja le zavistno željo onih, ki nasprotujejo namenom in ciljem Združenega odbora.

Ravnato je bilo poročano v listih, da Louis Adamčič ne bo govoril na javnem shodu, katerega sklicujejo v Garyju, Indiana, ondigni Slovani, iz razloga, ker se je nekaterim srbskim šovinistom posrečilo, da je najetje mestne selske dvorane bilo preklicano. Obveščeni smo uradno, da se shod vrši 19. marca vseeno, če ne v eni, pa v drugi dvorani. Naslov bo pravocasno naznajen. Očividno je, da je sovražna publicita učinkovala baš nasprotno. Zanimanje za ta shod je čedalje večje, ne samo med slovenskimi Amerikanci, temveč tudi med onimi drugimi narodnosti. Uspeh shoda je zagotovljen že vnaprej.

**Tretja obletnica**

Dne 27. marca potečejo tri leta, odkar je nacisti vojni vihar pridržal nad Jugoslavijo z namenom, da zdobi ta junaska narod, ki se je postavil po robu ne samo Hitlerjevemu vojnemu strouju, temveč tudi domaćim političnim voditeljem in tako preprečil njihove načrte, da izroči vele Balkan na razpolago nacifistom za torisce v boju proti demokratičnim narodom. Jugoslovenski narod se je dvignil kot en sam moč in ne samo zastavil Hitlerjev časovni spored za napad na Rusijo za dva meseca, temveč je s svojim krvavim odporom pokazal pred vsem svetu, da ta narod ne kloni pod nobenim pritiskom. Ljubezen do svobode, enakopravnosti in pravice mu je bila več kot pa najhujše muke, neštetevine žrtve in potoki krvi svojih najdražjih sinov in hčera. Winston Churchill je tedaj dejal: Jugoslavija je našla svojo dušo! Toda Churchill se je pomotil. Ni bila Jugoslavija, ki je našla svojo dušo, temveč jugoslovenski narodi—Slovenci, Hrvati in Srbi, ki so se upri poleg tujim napadalcem tudi svojim lastnim izdajalskim izkorisčevalcem. Uradna Jugoslavija je odnesla svoje pete v varnejše podnebjje Kaira in Londona, svoje nesrečno ljudstvo pa je prepustila lastni usodi.

V treh letih trpljenja, preganja, strašne borbe in umiranja si je jugoslovenski osvobodilni element s svojim neprimerljivim zgledom pridobil občudovanje in sočustvanje vsega demokratičnega sveta. Toda za to priznanje je moral plačati s potoki nedolžne krvi. Cena je bila nečloveška. Kar se je godilo in se še godi v Jugoslaviji, je nekaj groznega in strašnega, obenem pa nekaj tako veličastnega, da zgodovina kaj takega ne pomeni. Da, preprosti narod je našel svojo dušo! Srce se nam krči, ko čitamo in poslušamo o brezmejnem trpljenju in mukah naših krvnih bratov in sester v stare domovini. Obenem pa se vzbuja v nas čut neizmernega ponosa ob zavesti, da je slovenski, hrvaški in srbski rod pokazal drugim zaveznikom pot, ki vodi do končne zmage nad vsemi ljudskimi sovražniki. Ta pot tudi vodi v Združeno Slovenijo, v novo, demokratično Jugoslavijo.

Pojmo pjesmu jedinstvu i svazi jugoslovenskoj.  
Neka čuju nebesa i vrazzi,  
bratški srca poj.  
Da name živi sloboda  
jugoslovenskog roda!  
Neka živi Jugoslavija!

Brači Slovenci, Srbji, Hrvati,  
pojmo rodu svom.  
Jugoslovenska jedina pam mati,  
jedan mili dan.  
Dlžimo ponosno čelo,  
pojmo hrabro i smelo;  
Neka živi Jugoslavija!

SANSove podružnice naj proslavijo tretjo obletnico invazije

cuna. Vsem naša iskrena zahvala.

**Mirko G. Čuhel**,  
izvršni tajnik.

**Cestiske ZOJSJA ruski armadi**  
Združeni odbor južnoslovenskih Amerikancev, ki zastopa večino nad milijona Amerikanov izkazali največjo čast s tem, da jih v tem večji meri podpiramo potom SANSa in Združenega odbora.

**Nekaj nasvetov glede shodov**

Naše podružnice prosimo, da ne oglašajo v listih govornikov za svoje shode, dokler ni popolnoma ugotovljeno, kdaj bo nastopil na kakšni prireditvi. Tako oglašanje zavaja občinstvo, ki je potem razočarano, ako napovedan govornik ne nastopi. Kadar želite za kako prireditve govornika od SANSa, pišite v SAN-Sov urad. Če želite govornika od Združenega odbora, pišite v urad Združenega odbora. Vsem vabilom se bo skušalo po možnosti ustrezti. Ta dva urada bosta potem preskrbeli govornika.

Vse naselbine bi radi slišale Louisa Adamčiča in Kristana, poleg srbskih in hrvaških govornikov. Pomniti pa je treba, da je Adamčič zelo zaposlen ne samo s svojim, temveč tudi z našim delom, vsled tega mu je nemogoče nastopati zmeraj in povsod. Ravnato se ne more SAN-Sov predsednik Etibin Kristan odzvati vsem vabilom. Prosimo torej vse prizadete, da se obrnejo za govornike naravnost na SAN-Sov urad in na urad Združenega odbora (1010 Park Avenue, New York 28, N. Y.) in skušajo se bo stvari urediti tako, da bo ustrezeno vsem, obenem pa ne bo nobene zmešnjeve in nesoglasja.

**Publiciteta**

Zadnji teden smo razposlali na podružnične tajnike in člane SAN-Sov odborov iztise tedenika *Collier's*, ki vsebujejo zelo dober članek o maršalu Titu. Na rokah imamo še nekaj iztisov in ktori jih želi še kaj več, naj nam sporoči. Ta teden bomo razposlali ponatis *Churchill-lovega* odbora na Jugoslaviji, in sicer v angleškem in slovenskem jeziku. Priporočamo, da se ga prečita na sejah in o njem razpravlja. Dobili smo tudi omejeno število iztisov revije *YANK* od 31. januarja (za ameriške vojake v Angliji), ki jo izdajajo ameriške vojaške oblasti. Razposlani bodo članom naših odborov in nekaterim večjim podružnicam. Ne moremo jih dobiti za vse. Članek o jugoslovenskem osvobodilnem gibanju je rad učinkovito značajno zelo važen in vreden vaše pozornosti. Skušajte ga razširiti, kolikor je največ mogoče.

**Prispevki**

Meseca februarja so prispevki naših podružnic organizacij in posameznikov znašali \$2,602.76. Račun bo priobčen kasneje. Važni prispevki so bili: Detroit, Mich., \$150, Chicago, Ill. (št. 2), \$100, Cleveland, Ohio, (št. 39), \$500, LaSalle, Ill., \$300, Milwaukee, Wis., \$100. Shod v Pittsburghu, 22. januarja, ki so ga priredile podružnice SANS-a iz zapadne Pennsylvanije in Federacija SNPJ, nam je prinesel čisto \$538.41. Vsoto je postal blagajnik pittsburške podružnice rev. M. Kabe. Glavni odbor ZAPADNE SLOVANSKE ZVEZE je podaril SANSU \$500.00, katero vsoto nam je izročil njen predsednik in SANSov odbornik brat Leo Jurjevec. Drugi prispevki bodo razvidni iz ra-

cijega je tudi predsednik v Los Angelesu. Program je eno nedeljo za Jugoslovane, drugo za Čehoslovake, tretjo za Poljske in četrto nedeljo za Ruse. Vsa ka narodnost mora imeti svoje ljudi za svoj program. In vse to vodi naš Muick.

Potem je še govoril naš stari vodja Matt Kovacevič, nato pa je govoril dr. Kern o SAN-Sovem programu, o borbi v Jugoslaviji in dejal, naj bi po vojni naša rod dobil tako vladilo, kakršno si hoče sam izbrati. Po govoru je dr. Kern pripravil svoj aparat in pričel kazati filmske slike iz stare domovine. In ko je on pravljil svoj aparat, sem pozval dve dobiči članici SANSa, mrs. L. Stucin in mrs. J. Parkel, da sta s klobukom pobrali prostovoljne prispevke za SANS. Na vzoči so prispevali \$81.58, kar računam, da je že precej dober uspeh. Ko je bil dr. Kern gotov s predvajanjem slik, je bil program zaključen.

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Sestra Močnik pravi, da vse preveč gledamo na denar; ko je bila ona na delu za nove člane, ni niti mislila o placi, pač pa kako napolniti kvoto pri društvu.

Sestra Ambrožič izvaja, da nagrad pač ne moreno ukiniti, ker so že v modi, važno pa bo, koliko čas do trajala naša kampanja, kajti ljudje so se daj vsi prezaposleni in v kratkem času nam ne bo mogoče dosegne povoljnega uspeha.

Br. Tomšič ugotavlja, da vsekakor moramo gledati na to, da bomo ustregli malim kontestantom, ker v zadnjih kampanjih so nekateri opustili, trdč, da zanje itak ni bilo nobene izredne nagrade. Proponira naraščajoče nagrade bi bile bolj privlačne in pravilne.

Br. Kuhel izvaja, da moramo gledati, da bomo zadovoljili one z velikim številom prav tako kot one z malim številom novih članov. Oboje je važno, napravi naj se kompromisni načrt.

Br. Lotrich predlaga, da se to zadevo prepusti distriktnim podpredsednikom in br. Vrhovniku, kateri naj na podlagi te razprave izdelajo potreben načrt in ga predložijo na prihodnji seji. Predlog je brez ugovora sprejet.

Br. Lotrich nato vpraša, če bo ta seja kaj sklepnila glede programa za proslavo 40-letnice jednotne: radijski program bi bil na mestu.

Br. Zaitz predlaga, da naj izvršni odsek o tem ukrepa in ē se more dosegči kaj primernega in ako niso preveliki stroški s tem. Predlog je soglasno sprejet.

Br. Petrovič sproži vprašanje, dali bi ne bilo potrebno, da nekaj ukrememo glede stroškov prihodnje konvencije. Konvenčni sklad imamo slab in misli, da je edina pametna pot, da se znašaši število delegatov. Prihodnja konvencija bo v oddaljenem kraju in po predpisih sedanjih pravil bo mnogo delegatov oziroma več stroškov kot jih bomo z našim konvenčnim skladom mogli zmagati.

Br. Zaitz izvaja, da je to mogoče storiti edino, skoči do doma na splošno glasovanje, toda ni priporočivo, da bi gl. odbor podvezil tako iniciativi.

Kuhel meni, da bo najbolj pameino, da ostane kot je, ker gl. odbor ima itak pravico, da v potrebnem slučaju konvencijo premesti kam drugam in tako se lahko zmanjšajo stroški, če bo potrebno.

Sestra Ambrožič pravi, da so člani v Minnesoti navdušeni za našo konvencijo in se že pripravljajo na to. Storili bodo vse, kar bo v njih moči za prekrivo vsega potrebnega za konvencijo in za deležate.

Br. Vratarich navaja, kako drugod zborujejo in kako se tudi naša konvencija da skrajšati ter tako zmanjšati konvenčne stroške.

Br. Zaitz nato predlaga, da br. Cainkar ima stalinistike z minnesotsko federacijo, ki bo najbrž prevzel skrb za konvencijo, ter se sporazume z njimi glede priprav in vsega potrebnega v zvezi s konvencijo.

Predlog Zaitza je soglasno sprejet.

Br. Maglič nato priporoča, da določimo primereno vsto kot našo podporo Rdečemu križu. Sledi kratica razprava, v kateri se omenja, da naši člani prispevajo povsod in lansko leto je dala precejno vsto tudi jednota. Br. Kuhel in Cainkar pojasnia, da je jednota dala \$51.000 brez tega, kar so prispevali posamezni uradniki in uslužbenici v gl. uradu.

Nato je sklenjeno, da ima gl. izvršni odsek polno moč določiti vsto za Rdeči križ in (ali) takozvani "community fund", paži pa naj, da bodo tudi naši nekaj tega deležni.

**TRETJA SEJA—11. FEBRUARJA DOP.**

Predsednik odpre sejo ob 9. uri dopoldne. Načnici so vsi gl. odborniki kot na včerajšnji seji. Za podpredsednikovanje sta imenovana ses. Ambrožič in br. Tomšič.

Precitan in sprejet je zapisnik prve seje. Isto tako z malimi popravki zapisnik druge seje.

**NAČRT ZA AKTIVNOSTI**

Nato br. Maglič precita po distriktnih podpredsednikih in br. Vrhovniku pripravljena priporočila za razne aktivnosti posvečene jubileju 40-letnice jednotne, nakar sledi razprava o poenih predlogu.

1. In 2. točka sta sprejeti kot čitani. Pri tretji točki, ki se nanaša na spremembu imena Mladinskega lista, se razvije dolga diskuzija, med katero je omenjeno tudi, da je na mestu, da razpravljamo zaeno o vprašanju, dali ni čas, da se opusti v mlaďinskem glasilu tudi slovensko čitvo. Mnenje je zaglašeno, da je potrebno, da se listu do novembra, anščko ime.

Br. Maglič predlaga, da se naj razpiše kontest za spremembu imena Mladinskega lista, ki naj traja do prihodnje redne seje gl. odbora in katerega naj se udeležijo same člani mlađinskega oddeleka, izvršni odsek pa naj določi primerne nagrade do vase \$50.

Br. Shular pravi, da so v Kansasu za to, da se imo spremeni, toda ne bi odobravali odprave slovenskega jezika iz M. L. Razvije se razprava o tem vprašanju in nekateri so mnenja, da velika večina otrok itak ne zna čitati slovensko ter da je tem samotno potrata časa in denarja; da bi list tiskan samo v angleščini bil bolj priljubljen in imel več citateljev. Vendar pa je velika večina maternih, da sedaj se ni čas za opustitev slovenskega jezika in po ljudeh v angleških službi, ki storijo več jezikov, da bi se ne bi bilo pametno tega storiti ravno sedaj, ko se slovenski narod v starem kraju bori za osvoboditev in svojo bodočnost, pri čem tudi velik pomemben.

Razprave se udeležuje domala vse načnici, nato pa je sklenjeno, da se ohrani slovenski del ali kolikor se naprej in dokler bo potrebno.

Sprejet je tudi predlog br. Magliča.

Nato se razpravlja o 4. točki, ki predvideva mlađinsko konvencijo in br. Spiller izvaja, da njih oddelek bi moral sigurno, da bi se v sedanjih razmerah dalo izvesti ali ne, vendar pa smatra za potreben in zato priporoča.

Br. Grum misli, da na mlađinsko konvencijo v tednu distriktnih ni treba računati, potreben pa je reči okenit, da se podže več zanimanja za sestra med voditelji mlađinskih krožkov.

Br. Petrovič se strinja z izvajanjem Gruma ter kaže, da se to prepusti v presojo gl. izvršnemu sekretarju, ki naj stvar izvede, ako uvidi, da je mlađinsko konvencijo, da je to s tem določeno krožko nagrado in večje priznanje voditelju krožka za njih pozitivnost. Ce je mlađinsko konvencijo spoji s kampanjo za mlađinsko konvencijo.

Br. Gradišek meni, da v teh razmerah ni misliti, da mlađinsko konvencijo mlađinskih članov, pač pa je potreben voditelj zelo na mestu. Isteča mnenja so voditelji, ki priporoča, da se to izvede.

glasovanje o predlogu br. Petroviča, ki je sprejeta brez razprave.

Načnici, ki se nanaša na slike članov-vojakov, ki so bili na potežku, ki bi jih imeli s tem vse do vredno, da bi mogli izvesti, črta.

Načnica je sprejeta z nekoliko sprememb in dodatki. Nadalje je nekoliko sprememb

v osmi točki, nakar je sprejet program v celoti, ki se glasi:

**Načrta priporočila**

1. V počast 40-letnice jednotne naj se razpiše jubilejna kampanja za nove člane, ki prične 1. aprila in konča 30. novembra 1944.

2. Na angleški strani Prospective naj se ob 40-letnicu jednotne pričobi slike bolj znanih in zaslужnih prispevateljev, kakor tudi dogodka primerne članke.

3. Slovensko ime mlađinskemu glasilu naj se nadomesti s primernim angleškim imenom, ki bo bolj privlačno za ameriško slovensko mlađino.

4. Naj se vrši konvencija naše mlađine, kakor tudi konferenca voditeljev mlađinskih krožkov, čim prej mogoče.

5. Jednota naj se nadalje podpira kulturne aktivnosti naše mlađine ter povspomne razvoj istih, in zlasti naj podpre otvoritveni koncert mlađinskega pevskega zborja, ki se ima vrsti 21. maja t. l. kot obči kulturni donesek naše mlađeži in preprost.

6. Kakor hitro po vojni mogoče, naj se aranžira za slavnost narodnega dneva SNPJ, ki naj bo posvečen članom, ki so v času te vojne služili v oboroženi sili. Zato naj se pospesejo slike pokrajinske demonstracije in jih pomaga izvesti, kjer in koliko mogoče. Nadalje naj se po možnosti pomaga s finančnimi sredstvi članom-veteranom, ki sami nimajo sredstev, da bi se slavnosti udeležili.

7. Da se pooblašti gl. izvršni odsek, da izdelava izvedljiv načrt za zbiranje skladova, iz katerega bi se lahko podpiralo naše pohabljene in potrebljene vojne veterane.

Joc Cuklar, James Maglič, John Spiller, Uršula Ambrožič, Edward Tomšič, dist. podpredsedniki. Michael Vrhovnik, direktor mlađine. Zaključek dopoldanske seje.

**4. SEJA—11. FEBRUARJA POPOLDNE**

Br. podpredsednik Tomšič odpre sejo ob 9. uri popoldne. Nayzoči so vsi kot na prejšnji seji.

Br. Tomšič vpraša, če se bo gl. odbor dal slikati ob času 40-letnice jednotne.

Br. Godina pojasni, da je glede tega že vse aranžirano.

Posebni odbor za preiskavo glede razmer pri Prospective poroča:

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Zaslišali smo slednje gl. odbornike: Cainkar, Zaitz, Kuhel, Maglič, Vidrich, Vrhnovnik, Gradišek, Lotrich in Vratarich, ki so vši izjavili:

a) da se glasilo v zadnjih šestih mesecih ni zboljšalo, da je torej jasno, da br. urednik ni upošteval sklepa gl. odbora na zadnjem zborovanju;

b) da je tako pisanje škodljivo jednotnim interesom, ker ubija dobro voljo in veselje do dela za organizacijo mnogih naprednih in aktivnih članov;

c) da je nujno potrebno na tem zborovanju sprejeti odločno stališče glede pisanja v Prospective, tako da se napravi konec sedanjemu za jednoto vodstvu postopjanju.

Hotelu smo zaslišali tudi pomočne urednike, toda S. S. ne delal popoldne, br. Garden pa je odšel domov ob 4:35 uri in br. Beniger ob 4:40, četudi sta bila očitno obveščena, da jih odbor želi zaslišati. Kasneje je br. gl. urednik ugotovil, da so uradne ure pomočnih urednikov do 5. ure popoldne.

Nadalej smo vprašali za mnenje brata Godine, ki misli, da sedanja polemika na škoduje glasilu in ne jednoti, vendar pa mogoče škoduje moralno, ker se rabijo imen v člankih.

Precitan sta bili tudi pritožbi društva št. 56 proti stališču urednika in člana dr. Št. 447 proti pisancu.

Br. Lisch predlaga, da se pojimensko glasuje o po posebnem odboru predloženi resoluciji, tikajoče se na urednika.

Predlog je soglasno sprejet.

Sledi pojimensko glasovanje. Za resolucijo glasujejo: Cainkar, Vider, Trojar, Kuhel, Gradišek, Vrhnovnik, Godina, Cuklar, Maglič, Spiller, Ambrožič, Tomšič, Lotrich, Shular, Vratarich, Vidrich, Močnik, Zaitz, Medvežek, Maglič, Grum, Lisch in Olip; skupaj 24 glasov.

Br. Molek glasuje proti resoluciji; br. Zupan se oprišči, rekoč, da njemu kot delavcu pri poštni upravi ni dovoljeno do vseh vsemeljivosti v politične zadeve; s slično izjavo se oprišči br. Barbič.

Torej resolucija je sprejeta s 24 glasovi proti enemu.

Br. Molek natomaj svetuje, da se določijo politične smernice Prospective za časa bodočih volitev. Na preščanje, če ima on kako navodilo ali nasvet, pravi, da ne.

Po kratki razpravi predsednik ugotovi, da glede smernic že postoji sklep in pri tem naj ostane. Ni ugovora.

nikovo osebno mnenje, a delajo vtiš, da je to stališče organizacije.

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## To in ono iz St. Louis

**St. Louis, Mo.**—Dne 20. februarja je naše društvo Planinski raj 107 SNPJ imelo svojo redno sejo, na kateri je tajnik podal veselo poročilo, da pri društvu ni nihče bolan. Želeti je, da bi sišli tako poročilo tudi na prihodnjem.

Svoje poročilo je podal tudi veselični odbor o pripravah za druščeno 35-letnico. Vstopnice so bile razdeljene med članstvo, tajnik pa jih bo poslal po pošti onim, ki niso bili na seji. Na levih strani vstopnice je zapisano, da je vstopnina 50c, na desni strani pa stoji: "Evening 27c, Tax 3c, Total 30c."

Naj bo članstvu pojasnjeno, da se bodo vstopnice po 30c prodajale samo zvečer na dan preredbe pri vratih v dvorani. Ta vstopnina je samo zvečer za ples. Drugače pa se morajo vstopnice prodajati po 50c, kar pomeni za vse popoldne. Prav tako, da članstvo to upošteva.

Naše društvo je včlanjeno v Ameriškem slovanskom Kongresu. Odbor je poročal, da ta organizacija priredi velik shod v Kiel Auditoriumu v nedeljo, 26. marca ob 3. popoldne. Na tem shodu bo glavni govornik pisatelj Louis Adamčič, kakor tudi dobro znani violinist Zlatko Balokovič. Poleg drugih točk bo na programu tudi vseslovenski pevski zbor; z eno pesmijo nastopi mešani in z eno moški zbor pod vodstvom naše mlade in vrate Justine Galusi.

Ker je to prva priredba vseh slovanskih narodnosti, se pričakanje velika udeležba. Naprošenite ste vsi Slovenci in Slovenke, da se udeležite tega shoda 26. marca popoldne v Kiel Auditoriumu na 14. cesti in Market st.

Vstopnice lahko dobite pri spodaj podpisanim ali pri Tereziji Speck.

Bratje in sestre, ker je čas kratek do haše jubilejne proslave (datum ne omenjate—ured.)

in razmene so kritične, storimo vas svojo dolžnost in pridno prodajamo vstopnice, kakor tudi imena za spominsko knjigo. Delajmo složno, tako da nas bo vesel ustavnitelj našega društva Vincent Cainkar, ko nas obiše in se prepriča, da naše društvo ni glas upijočega v puščavi.

Torej pokazimo, da smo zavedni in delavni bratje in sestre in skrbimo za napredek Planinskega raja SNPJ. Naj velja geslo: Vsi za enega, eden za vse.

Frank Zvanut, 107.  
  
Novice iz Gowande  
**Gowanda, N. Y.**—V zadnjem dospelu sem poročal o patriotičnih in drugih akcijah tukajšnjih društev, Slovenskega doma in mladinskega krožka. Zraven sem tudi omenil, da bom poročal, kaj nam prirede odbor, či jega nalog je, da zbere čim več denarja, da primereno sprejmemo naše člane-vojake, ko se vrnejo v našo sredo, kadar enkrat za vselej obračunajo z bestialneži Hitler-Tovjevega kalibra.

V imenu tega odbora sedaj poročam, da se v ta namen vrši veselica 25. marca s tombulsko zabavo ob 8. do 10. zvečer, potem pa po ples ob harmoniki Louis Klancarja. Ta odbor tudi prosi vse člane, ki imajo listke, da jih vrnejo ali poravnajo pri obeh osebah, pri katerih so jih dobili. Storite to najkasneje do 19. marca. Upam, da boste ustrežili tej prošnji odbora.

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ciji. Upajmo, da kmalu okreva. Zadnjic sem omenil, da se v našem družabnem klubu napiše veliko pisem vojakom, ki z veseljem redno odgovarjajo. Prejeli smo zanimivo pismo od vojaka Emila Kaluze iz Italije. Ker mislim, da bo zanimalo tudi druge čitatele, sem ga predvedel v slovenščino in ga tukaj priobčam. Glasi se:

"Cenjeni člani! — Odločil sem se, da vam napišem par vrstic. V prvi vrsti se vam zahvalim za cigarete, ki sem jih nedavno prejel, v drugi vrsti pa za pismo, ki sem ga prejel pred par dnevi. Zelo rad bi se zahvalil vsakemu posebej za vaše besede, toda upam, da razumete situacijo.

"Jaz se počutim precej dobro in se nimam pritoževati. Čas mi naglo beži, ampak želim si dneva, ko se bom v klubu zopet z vami razgovarjal pri časi piva.

"Zdi se mi, da se je Slovenski klub precej izboljšal pod oskrbo Johna in Nellie Vehar. Je v resnici lepo shajališče za vojake, kateri se toliko srčni, da pridejo domov na obisk.

"Nikoli nisem pričakoval, da se bom kdaj srečal s tolikimi narodnostmi na svetu, kakor se sedaj srečujem tukaj. Verjemelj mi, da se srečavam tudi z vami poznanimi fanti iz Primorja. Domu so iz okolice Trsta in Gorice in drugih manjših vasi. Sestanemo se navadno enkrat na teden v gostilni, kjer se fantje zbereta skupaj in zapojejo. Ta skupina sestoji iz okrog 40 mož, ki imata zelo izvežban pevski zbor, ki vedno prepeva in žanje veliko pohvale.

"Zelo rad bi vam več pisal o teh fantih, ali čes in prostor mi ne dopušča. Omnim le toliko, da so mi pripovedovali o svoji sužnosti pod Italijo, v kateri so stradali in v kateri so bile vse slovenske pravice potepotane. Ni jimi bilo dovoljeno govoriti ali prepevati v svojem materinem jeziku, niti takrat ne, ko so prišli domov na obisk od vojakov.

"Vse to preziramo. Strani Lahovjih še ni toliko bolelo, kakor preziranje od svojih lastnih domačinov. Večina izmed njih niti ne ve, če so njih dragi še živi ali ne, ker niso slišali že leta od njih. In to je, kar te slovenske fante najbolj boli.

"Če vi Slovenci v Ameriki mislite, da se vam krivica godi radi odmerkov življenjskih potreščin, pomislite, kako se godi tem revežem, ki so nekateri mogoče vašega meseca in krvi. Samo pomislite, kakšnem peku se morajo preživljati na tem svetu.

"Te vrstice sem napisal, ker vem, da je v Gowandi nekaj slovenskih družin iz Promorja in mlađinskega krožka. Zraven sem tudi omenil, da bom poročal, kaj nam prirede odbor, či jega nalog je, da zbere čim več denarja, da primereno sprejmemo naše člane-vojake, ko se vrnejo v našo sredo, kadar enkrat za vselej obračunajo z bestialneži Hitler-Tovjevega kalibra.

"Sedaj bom to pismo končal in upam, da mi boste zopet v kratkem pisali. Milijonska vam hvala za vse še enkrat. Z veseljem pa pričakujem dneva, ko se bom lahko zopet z vami doma osebno pogovarjal. Pozdravljeni!

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Eveleth, Minn.—Lansko leto je bilo zame izredno žalostno. Najprvo, mesece marca, sem izgubila moža, potem pa še ljubljenega sina Norberta, ki je padel v Italiji 19. novembra. Najprvo želim izreči najlepšo zahvalo za izkazano mošču v zadnjem letu, ki je bilo tako žalostno zame. V veliko tolažbo mi je bilo to, ker ste me v tako velikem številu obiskovali.

Hvala članstvu društev za izkazano moščo, za cvetlice in vse društvo. Hvala predsednici in tajnici društva 130 SNPJ, ki sta že poročali o smrti mojega sina, ki je bil član tega društva. Najlepša hvala tudi SNPJ za izplačano smrtnino, ki sem jo prejela za mošč in sinom. Roka se mi je tresla, ko

sta predsednica in tajnica prisneli smrtni ček za sinom, da podpisem pobotnico. Težko je vzeti denar, ki je s krvjo oblit.

Človek res ne ve, kaj mu usoda življenja prinese. Ko je pokojni sin Norbert počajal šolo, je bil poln življenja in zdravlja. V jednotu smo ga vpisali v upanju, da bo ostal njen član do visoke starosti. Ampak zgodilo se je drugače. Kakor mati obljubi ob rojstvu otroka, da bo skrbela za njim, tako je obljubila tudi SNPJ, da bo skrbela za mojega sina v življenju, po smrti pa za njegove drage. To obljubo tudi izpoljuje, ko plačuje smrtnino za člane-vojaki, ki pa dajo kot cvet za eton na bojišču in nas zapiščajo v tugi in žalosti in gremkih solzah.

Torej kateri še niste člani SNPJ, pristopite pod njeno okrilje. Človek ne ve, kdaj ga zadeže nesreča.

Ko je moj sin Norbert dovršil vojaško šolo za poročnika v Fort Benningu, je prišel 19. februarja 1943 domov, da se enkrat vidi svojega očeta, ki se je boril s smrtno.

Ampak vojaška dolžnost ga je klicala in moral se je vrnil v South Carolino. Podklicali smo ga na očetov pogreb, ki se je vrnil 15. marca, toda 19. marca se je zopet moral vrniti k vojakom. Zapustil je dom za vedno. Ko je odhajal, se je še enkrat poslovil od očeta na svežem grobu. Težka je bila ločitev od matere, bratov in sester. V enem tednu smo spremlili obo da doma in se za vedno ločili.

Predno je odšel čez morje v juniju, nas je poklical po telefonu, da smo še enkrat s tolikimi narodnostmi na svetu, kakor se sedaj srečujem tukaj. Verjemelj mi, da se srečavam tudi z vami poznanimi fanti iz Primorja. Domu so iz okolice Trsta in Gorice in drugih manjših vasi. Sestanemo se navadno enkrat na teden v gostilni, kjer se fantje zbereta skupaj in zapojejo. Ta skupina sestoji iz okrog 40 mož, ki imata zelo izvežban pevski zbor, ki vedno prepeva in žanje veliko pohvale.

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## URADNO NAZNANILLO

S tem se članstvu SNPJ uradno naznana, da je br. Ivan Molek na seji glavnega odbora dne 12. februarja t. l. podal svojo resignacijo kot urednik jednotnih publikacij, ki je bila sprejeta. Vedno tega je nastalo omenjeno mesto izpraznjeno in potrebno je, da se ga izpopolni z drugo osebo.

Kot znano, je urednik jednotnih publikacij član glavnega odbora. Pravila določajo, da konvencija izvoli namestnika glavnim odbornikom, ki prevzamejo določena mesta v slučaju odstopa, odločitve ali smrti, razen v primeru urednika in direktorja mladine. Pravila določajo nadalje, da ima glavni odbor pravico izvoliti novega odbornika, kadar je izpraznjeno mesto, za katero ni namestnika ali ako namestnik ni kvalificiran.

Ne preostaja nam forej drugega kot za neiztečeno dobo izvoliti drugo osebo za urednika, kakor določajo pravila. Določba v zadnjem stiku 11. točke naših pravil se glasi:

"Nadalje v slučaju, da je kako odborniško mesto v glavnem uradu ali kakem drugem odseku glavnega odbora v medkovnem dobi izpraznjeno in ako ni izvoljen namestnik ali isti ni kvalificiran, ima glavni odbor pravico izpraznjeno mesto izpopolnit."

V smislu te določbe in ker je do prihodnje konvencije že predaleč takoj važno mesto v glavnem uradu ne more ostati tako dolgo izpraznjeno, je glavni odbor na isti seji zaključil sledete:

1) Da se v našem glasilu Prosveta uradno naznani, da je mesto urednika jednotnih publikacij izpraznjeno in da se bodo vršile volitve.

2) Prijave za kandidaturo je treba poslati gl. predsedniku v roku petnajstih (15) dni od datuma te objave ali tako, da prijava dospe v glavni urad SNPJ ne kasneje kot 16. marca 1944.

3) Pravico do kandidature ima vsak član in članica SNPJ, vendar pa se bodo upoštevali le tisti, ki posedujejo potrebnne sposobnosti za odgovornega urednika naših publikacij in kvalifikacije, ki jih za glavne odbornike predpisujejo naša pravila v zadnjem stiku 10. točke, ki se glasi:

"Kandidat v glavnem odboru mora biti nepretrogomaj najmanj tri leta član jednotne, ameriški državljan in drugače kvalificiran. Član, ki je poznani krvnim goljufijem, poneverbe ali izkoriscenja v kateremkoli oziru, ne more biti kandidat v glavnem odboru. Nadalje ne more biti glavni odbornik član, ki je glavni odbornik ali pa tajnik krajevnega društva kakre druge bratske podporne organizacije, in noben odbornik te jednotne ne more biti glavni odbornik kakre druge centralizirane podporne organizacije."

Kot rečeno, bo o tej stvari odločal glavni odbor, ki si pridružuje pravico odločitve katerikoli kandidata.

Za glavni odbor SNPJ  
VINCENT CAINKAR, gl. predsednik.

ZAPISNIK GL. ODBORA SNPJ  
(Nadaljevanje s 3. strani)

Br. Zupan izvaja, da razprava je bila večji del prestiranja, toda zapiski še niso zgotovljeni. Odbor je zaslišal br. Viderja in vse ostale gl. odbornike, ki so imeli pritožbe ali pojasnila o zadevi, toda niso, saj ni pritožil pri odboru, da ta ne dela pravilno.

Br. Medvešek ugotavlja, da odbor je postopal popolnoma, nepristransko; rezultat ste slišali v rednem poskusu, br. Molek lahko ostane v sedežu, ako hoc.

Br. Lotrich izjavlja, da ni pričakoval boljšega izvora. Podpira predlog br. Lischa, da sprejememo resignacijo br. Moleka.

Br. Cainkar je mnenja, da namen je odvrniti resignacijo, resoluciono ne prepoveduje uredniku izvora, da pa mu omogoči osebnosti v kolikor to želeno.

Br. Olip opozarja, da Molekova izjava "ali začeti publicirana v celoti".

Br. Barbić se strinja, da se to v celoti izjavlja, ker je način bomo dali članstvu jasno sliko, zato ga gre.

Br. Zupan poudarja, da na br. Moleka zagovorimo dovoliti tudi odboru odgovor nato, ker je Molek na dosleden koncu prav, da smo mu odgovor na demokracijo in ni stvaren v svoji izjavi glede na sprednjih sprejetih na 12. redni konvenciji.

Br. Kuhel izjavlja, da mu je zelo žal, ker je pričakoval, da toda skupaj s kandidatom, ki je predlagal, da se moral držati sklepov, ki jih je predlagal, da bi bil demokratično. Kadar se je namestnik upred odlokom večine, teda počasno, da veruje v svojo demokracijo. Če bi bil dosleden, bi se moral biti demokratično. Glede na Moleka, tko kaže, da samo prijateljske.

NOVOPRISTOPLI ČLANI  
NEW MEMBERS

Lodge No.	Name	Death Cert.	Sick fit	Death Benefit	Sick Benefit
706	Chuk Josephine	107254	500	1.00	
722	Matekovich John M.	107110	500	1.00	
ADMITTED FEBRUARY 1, 1944					
2	Mirtich Stanley M.	107117	\$1,000	2.00	
6	Andres Harry J.	107121	500	1.00	
12	Pichler Henry W.	107119	500	1.00	
13	Crane Betty E.	107120	500	1.00	
24	Bonnie Margaret	107125	2,000		
26	Zamach Robert	107122	500		
27	Carrie Forrest	107124	500		
33	Padezanin Mildred	107125	1,000		
34	Radi Josephine	107126	500	1.00	
41	Kinkela John F.	107127	500	2.00	
48	Gerkman William	107128	1,000		
50	Bosovich Mary	107129	500	1.00	
51	Popish Martin F.	107130	1,000		
63	Anzur Lillian J.	107130	2,000		
65	Orsino Angelina	107131	1,000		
66	Orsino Anna	107132	1,000		
67	Orsino Jean	107133	1,000		
68	Orsino Marietta	107134	1,000		
71	Shuster Joseph	107135	500		
73	Gerbek Anthony E.	107136	1,000		
75	Kastelic Rose M.	107137	1,000		
76	Senics John E.	107138	500		
78	Cirar Frances	107139	500		
80	Karger Anna	107140	500		
81	Kos Lucille	107141	500		
82	Henko Joe	107142	500		
84	Kosminski Joseph	107143	2,000		
85	Rezel Stanley	107143	500		
86	Sorsak Agnes	107145	500		
87	Blaize Felix	107145	500		
88	Lampert Josephine	107146	500		
89	Hackimer Anton H.	107147	1,000		
90	Zentner William H.	107148	1,000		

### Our Coming Jubilee Campaign

Next month, on April 9, the SNPJ will be forty years old. The fortieth anniversary of our Society will be ushered in quite appropriately by a new membership campaign which will begin on April 1 and will be in progress eight months, closing on November 30, 1944.

The jubilee campaign for new members will be in effect for both departments, and members who will be active in this contest and who will enroll the greatest number of members in their respective districts, according to official campaign rules to be published in the March 15 organ, will receive handsome awards. Therefore, all the information pertaining to the new campaign will be in your hands on time so that you can get ready for the jubilee campaign before its opening date.

It goes without saying that campaign prizes are a necessary inducement in any similar venture; they are an essential adjunct which tends to spur the members to action and set the wheel of progress to motion; without campaign awards, be they small or large, no appreciable results can be expected; in fact, experience shows that lucrative awards always bring desired results.

However, the satisfaction of individual members or groups of members (lodges) in this year's jubilee campaign will not be found in monetary awards alone, but also in the knowledge that through their efforts they have set the Society on a new rung of progress. It has been this single factor, that is, the willingness and readiness of our pioneering members who have been always in the front lines for the advancement of our Society in the past, that has more than any other thing helped to make our Society what it is today.

The SNPJ has been rich particularly in one outstanding factor ever since its inception—in its idealists.

It was our pioneering idealists and their followers who have year after year untiringly been campaigning for new members, not for the sake of winning awards, but rather to promote the growth of their lodges. In this they were determined and persistent. In short, they were not satisfied with small, dormant lodges; they wanted large, strong and virile lodges. In this they succeeded remarkably well.

It is gratifying to know that this same old idealism still prevails in the SNPJ everywhere, in the large industrial centers as well as in the remotest hamlet where our Society maintains its branches.

It is noteworthy, also, that from the founders of our Society, this idealism was handed down to their sons and grandsons. Idealism of this kind is inherent. Our Society's staunch supporters and idealists know that the SNPJ is not merely an insurance organization—it is something vastly more: it is a social as well as fraternal organization; it is an institution with certain concepts and principles, which other kindred organizations lack. This, then, is the "secret" which writes success to each of our campaigns and which will also spell success for this year's jubilee campaign.

Obviously, as it has been in the past few years, this year's campaign, too, will find the most fertile field—among our youth.

It is true that many boys and young men are in the armed services, as are also many girls and young women in various auxiliary units, but the war has brought about, as always, different conditions and compensated the absence of young people in another way. It has boosted the birth rate to unprecedented heights. And this fact we must use to our advantage. We must see that all the new born youngsters of our young people are enrolled in the SNPJ—for in youth lies the future of our organization.

This will be the main duty of our contestants in this year's jubilee campaign. Those members who have already decided to actively participate in the campaign, should write in about their intention. They should look around in their vicinity and seek prospective members.

Our Society must show in the year of its fortieth anniversary that it is forty times as virile as ever before!

### Little Fort Lodge News

WAUKEGAN, ILL.—The Little Fort Lodge will sponsor a card and bocce party at the local Slovene National Home on Saturday evening, April 1st, at 7:30 o'clock. The proceeds of this affair will be used for the lodge treasury. In past years we resorted to a special assessment, but this year we decided that we would hold this affair instead.

Tickets are on sale, and all SNPJ members in Waukegan are urged to attend. The Executive Committee of the SNPJ has been contacted, and we are awaiting their O.K. to let us have the SNPJ films of Slovenia shown after the card party. This alone should be an incentive to attend, for these movies are interesting and beautiful. Many prizes will be needed, and members are asked to donate something, either in the form of money or prizes.

Daniella Simec, our new transfer member, is making a fine start to becoming a very active member in Little Fort. She took over the work of compiling the material for our "Members in Service Scrap Book." She now has about a hundred letters to paste into the book, and would like the information so that a complete record can be kept, of the date of enlistment, promotions, camps and a picture of the member in uniform. This scrapbook can be an excellent one only if Daniella receives cooperation from all concerned.

A speedy recovery is wished Louise Susteric who is convalescing after an operation on her arm. Also to Louise Petkovek who is at the Victory Memorial Hospital suffering from pneumonia, after the birth of a baby last week.

CHRISTINE STRITAR, 568.

Layoffs Increasing; Hours Being Reduced

Not only are layoffs of industrial workers mounting, but in many plants weekly hours are being reduced. Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins revealed last week.

Manufacturing employment in December dropped by 130,000 below November; average hours per week fell from 45.5 to 44.9, and average weekly earnings likewise declined from \$45.32 to \$44.68.

Bowling forms have been received for the annual handicap tournament of the Pioneer Lodge. The tourna-

For Members of Slovene National Benefit Society and American Slovenes

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8

### Young Americans

DETROIT, MICH.—Many friends of Mrs. Travnik gathered at the Dom on Saturday, Feb. 26, for a party in her honor, because she resigned her management of the Dom. The SND and Screwballs bowling teams presented her with a large, beautiful wall mirror. Besides some other gifts, she also received a fifty-dollar war bond from the crowd. George Stimac took movies of the occasion.

Mrs. Cedilnik is the new manager of the SND. She will have Mrs. Na-prudnik assisting her in the many duties of operating the club.

Blondy Oboranovich left us recently for the Navy. He's stationed at Great Lakes, Illinois. Johnny Krausz, who was recently promoted to 1st lieutenant, has just returned to his post after a fifteen-day leave.

If any of our Young American members has news of interest for publication, get in touch with me, and I'll be glad to write. The most difficult part of writing is gathering material.

The regular Friday meeting of the Young Americans falls on March 10 this month. ADOLPH KOSS, 564.

DETROIT, MICH.—Last Saturday, the Young Americans held their "game nine" at the SND, 17149 John R. Many useful prizes were given away and we had good music for dancing later in the evening. This party was for the benefit of our members in the service.

Congratulations to the newly-elected National Athletic Board and to our district representative, John Spilar, of Cleveland. Our lodge will give him their fullest cooperation.

Taking for granted the Supreme Board still approves of the Eastern Invitational and the Midwest bowling tournaments, we trust that both will be held as usual. We also hope that the Cleveland Athletic Committee are making plans for our district tourney, wishing they would announce the date soon.

It is our opinion that these bowling activities should go on even on a low scale. It gives our members something to look forward to and when our boys come back we won't have to start all over again.

A party was held in honor of Mrs. Anna Travnik, manager of the SND. Many of her friends attended. Movies were taken of the affair by our Lodge President Tony Stimac. A good time was had by all.

Recently inducted in the U. S. Navy were Harry Renko and Tony ("Blonde") Oboranovich.

Home on furlough lately were Ensign Donald Nagel and Lt. John Krausz. Congratulations to you both on your recent promotions.

JOSEPH GOLIA, 564.

### Lodge 86 Gives

#### Dance April 15

CHICAGO, ILL.—Once again SNPJ Lodge 86 and their members have the pleasure of inviting our neighbor SNPJ lodge to our dance which will be held on Saturday, April 15, at Fleiner Hall, 1838 N. Halsted St.

Refreshments will be prepared by our expert cooks, Sister Josephine Pusnik, Johanna Slavnik, Jennie Stirn, Josephine Sofer, Theresa Grigic, Johanna Volk, Antonia Bergant. To quench one's thirst, Brother Sam Storfer, John Turk, William Lepcic will have plenty of liquids on hand at the barroom.

Music will be furnished by our well-known orchestra, Omerza-Gradsheik, and I'm sure there will be plenty of polkas and waltzes to satisfy all guests, young and old.

We are going to have a drawing for a \$25 war bond. You can buy one 5¢ ticket from any member of Lodge 86. We hope that you co-operate with the members and buy a few tickets. Do your bit now, you may be the lucky one.

One more reminder to attend our dance Saturday, April 15. Come one, come all. A good time is in store for all.

JOHN MORSI, Secy.

### Lodge No. 79 Mourns Sis. Mataya's Death

CLE ELUM, WASH.—We regret to report that on Feb. 23, Sister Mary Mataya, member of the SNPJ lodge 79, passed away at the local hospital. She was born on Feb. 14, 1871, in Mrkopolj, Yugoslavia, and was married to John Mataya in 1896. They came to America in 1901. Her husband died June 19, 1943. Her maiden name was Mary Suseich. She was buried Feb. 25.

Sis. Mataya leaves to mourn her one brother, Steve Suseich, of Hoquiam, Wash., two nieces of Cle Elum, Wash., Mrs. John Mus Jr. and Anne Mance, who made her home with her aunt.

ROSE CERNICK, Secy.

### COMRADES' NOTE BOOK

By J. F. Pifolt

#### In the Service

CLEVELAND.—Change of address: Pvt. Charles Prijatelj, 2506-975, Anti-Tank Co., 322nd Inf. APO 81, Camp San Luis, Obispo, Calif.

A very nice letter from Frankie Eliers, Pfc., 35021984, Bty. H-428th C.A.A. Comp. APO 914, c/o Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif., which I'm quoting below:

"First of all, I believe, my apologies are in order for not writing to acknowledge receipt of the package from Comrades. I had intended to write quite a few times and my intentions were all good. Altho I'm not forgetting what they say about the road to hell being paved with good intentions, I want to thank you and all the Comrades for the splendid Xmas package and also for your generous offer—if I request some smokes or eats you'll send them. There were quite a number of times down here (Central Pacific) when I would have given my eye teeth for a pack of cigarettes but now we have plenty and get them for fifty cents a carton. So—the money you'd spend for postage you can use to buy for the boys nearer home and where they need them."

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# Our Front

By Louis Beniger

The Russians are conducting a powerful offensive on two distinct fronts simultaneously. Their gigantic offensive against the Nazis has thus far seen remarkable successes, and their political campaign on the diplomatic front has been no less successful.

Last week the Russian leaders created a very favorable impression upon the entire world by the moderate armistice terms they offered Finland. These terms will no doubt be encouraging especially to Romania and Bulgaria as well as to the other Axis satellites to get out of the war. Also, the steady advance of the Russian armies in their direction will hasten the trend of these countries to sue for an early peace.

The Russians are wide-awake, alert, and on guard 24 hours a day. They wisely announced the armistice terms and thus shrewdly blasted the plans of the Finnish pro-Nazis and anti-Russian leaders who sought to keep the Russian terms from the war-weary people of Finland and from the rest of the world.

What are the armistice terms the Russians offered the Finns? Are they terrible demands as some reactionary and anti-Russian newspapers would have us believe? On the contrary, they are as moderate as they could be.

The Russians made only three immediate demands on the Finns: (1) Rupture of relations with Germany and internment of Nazi troops and ships in Finland; (2) Reestablishment of the 1940 boundary; (3) Immediate liberty of United Nations' prisoners and civilians imprisoned in Finland.

In view of the fact that Russia is the victor and Finland the vanquished, these armistice terms are extremely moderate, and had previously been made known to the British and American governments.

After the armistice, the following three questions will be settled by Russia and Finland: (1) Demobilization of the Finnish army; (2) Reparations for damages done to Russian property, and (3) Ultimate operation of the port and region of Petsamo.

Last week President Roosevelt disclosed that Russia will receive about one-third of the surrendered Italian fleet, which Russia rightfully deserves because Italy surrendered to all three Allies, the United States, Great Britain and Russia.

Later reports said that Russia will concentrate its newly-acquired fleet in the Mediterranean, that is, in the Adriatic, that it will get the port of Boka Kotorska on the coast of Yugoslavia. Boka Kotorska is an excellent harbor that could give natural protection to any large fleet. From that base of operations Russia would then be able to give increased support to the Partisans and their Liberation Front.

It is evident that the war as well as the political situation in Europe is moving for a real showdown which is likely to come with the promised launching of the second front. When and where the second front will be launched no one except the high Allied military and political leaders know.

## Little Fort Lodge

WAUKEGAN, ILL.—Here I am reminding you members of SNPJ Lodge 568 again, to take tickets and sell them for the card and buncy party to be held on April 1 at 7:30 p.m. at the Slovene National Home. This affair is our special event for the year.

Members will not be assessed for this but are urged to buy tickets; if the members do not cooperate in buying tickets and we do not make enough money or profit, there will be an assessment later on. So why not buy a ticket and enjoy a card and buncy game. Besides the card and buncy there will be a special entertainment. Also we need prizes, so any donations will be accepted. So come, members, and do your part and make this a big and great affair.

At the last meeting we were supposed to elect alternates for trustees. As I told you before there are so few members attending these meetings that I myself was elected for alternate for trustee. So that shows you how few attend the meetings.

Don't forget that collections of dues will be on the third Saturdays only and on the night of the Little Fort meeting.

Proud parents on the arrival of baby boy are Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Pekarik. Louise Petkovich, by the way, was our recording secretary last year.

Congratulations.

DOROTHY OGRIN, 568.

## Best Current Films

For Family: Happy Land, Hit the Ice. The Human Comedy. In Which We Serve. Lassie Come Home. Madame Curie. My Friend Flicka. Report from the Aleutians. Amigos. The Silent Village. This is the Army. Thousands Cheer.

For Mature Audiences: Action in the North Atlantic. Claudia Corvette K-225. Desert Victory. Destination Tokyo. Guadalcanal Diary. Hellcat Matrimony. The Ox-Bow Incident. Sahara. Watch on the Rhine. The Young Mr. Pitt.

## Views and Reviews

By Michael Vrhovnik

**Mortality Rate . . .** When you are told that the mortality rate of the SNPJ is very low or favorable, do you know what is meant by that? Like so many members, you probably don't; but if you are one of the few who can give a clear explanation of the term, this brief review isn't intended for you.

The mortality rate or death rate of the Society are one and the same thing. A low death rate, particularly in time of war and especially now when interest earnings are low, is most important.

The two main sources from which the SNPJ builds surplus, a reserve fund so to speak, over and above what it must legally have on hand to meet obligations, come from excess interest, the amount the Society earns over what it promises to pay in its certificates of insurance and secondly, what it can save in death claims.

Out of every assessment paid by a member, a definite part goes to pay death claims. This is called the mortality cost. It is used for that purpose only. If the Society would need to spend all of it to pay death claims, then its mortality would be 100 per cent. If it pays less in death claims than the amount collected for that purpose, the difference goes to surplus. The mortality rate of the SNPJ, it can be stated here, has been exceedingly favorable for many years.

In 1942 more than one-fourth of the money set aside for death claims was carried to surplus, because the mortality rate was less than 75 per cent. Last year 37 more death claims were reported than in 1942, so our carry-over to surplus will very likely be slightly less. In 1942 total death claims paid amounted to \$299,629.83; in 1943 the sum expended for that purpose was \$321,388.68, or approximately \$21,000 more than in the previous year. The amount of anticipated death claims in 1942 was \$470,696.00, or \$171,067.00 more than was actually paid. Since the amount of expected death claims for 1943 was higher than in 1942, it can be seen that each member of the Society will profit substantially from savings in mortality. Our mortality rate in 1942 was a trifle over 71 per cent; it will be about the same in 1943.

**Maybe you won't agree entirely . . .** But it seems to me that ever since the coming of the radio and the speeding up of the automobile and airplane, people have lived much too fast for their own good. Not only that, but too great a number of them feel they can get along in this world without the friendship of their next door neighbor or the assistance of their fellowmen.

When they want variety of entertainment, all they have to do is tune in the radio to any part of the world; when they want a change of scenery to get away from troubled thoughts, instead of facing them squarely, they hop into a fast automobile and in a few minutes they're out in the country, or driving through the city park or the heart of the downtown business section of a big city; when they want a change of climate, they climb aboard a plane and in a few hours have it hot, cold or warm. At least, that's the way it was before the war brought travel restrictions.

Swift mediums of communications are forces that can bring the people of different sections of the country and the world in closer harmony. On the other hand, these same forces can be utilized to separate them easily and quickly, even in the smallest community. When too many people give up their community meetings and socials, and their political and civic obligations as organized units, and instead try to work out their problems each going his own individual way, they soon become confused, disorganized and lost. That is why the lodge meeting room and the neighborhood gatherings are so very important, especially in these war times.

People all over the country should return to them and be glad they have the opportunity and place where they can meet occasionally, and have a discussion of the common problems of the community family. Let's not forget that it's the people, who make up our communities; the members, who make up our fraternal organizations; and these in turn form the larger subdivisions of social, economic and political governments of the nation . . . In short, while we don't favor giving up the radio, the automobile or the airplane, we should be equally opposed to surrendering any part of our community and fraternal life which is so necessary to real happiness and security.

**Changing the time . . .** Extreme changes in measuring time, even to the extent of creating a new system of hours and minutes, are the possibilities brought forth in a recent advertisement of the Waterbury Clock Company of Connecticut. It points out the advantages gained by reducing the number of hours from 24 to 20, and increasing the seconds per minute and the minutes per hour. It is not known whether the improvement created by such a change would be worth the cost and the effort, but one thing is certain, it would give birth to a worldwide market for new watches and clocks and that would mean plenty of work for thousands of people for many years. Of course, if the improvement would be proved ridiculously small, public opinion would kill the idea from the outset. If, however, this idea gains favor, then at the same time a simplified, universal form of calendar should also be adopted by the civilized nations of the world.

**Better to see and hear you with . . .** In the postwar world, the telephone system will very likely be revolutionized to the point where you will not only be able to see the party with whom you are talking and be seen, but if either is absent, the telephone will record the message. And another thing . . .

**We're told by those who are supposed to know . . .** After the war, if you don't like the people living next door, you'll be able to pick up your house, piece by piece, and move it around the corner, or to some other town or state. The pre-fabricated houses, the scientists are perfecting, will be almost as easy to put up and take down as a tent.

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## Indiana Cooperatives to Supply 120 Yards

INDIANAPOLIS (CLNS)—Consumer cooperatives which already operate 120 cooperative coal yards in Indiana took their first step toward cooperative mining of bituminous coal when the board of directors of the Indiana Farm Bureau Cooperative Association voted last week to invest \$125,000 in the Clover Darby Coal Company, Chestnut, Ky.

In buying an interest in the coal company, the statewide cooperative association will become the exclusive distributor for the coal produced by the company and has an option to take over complete operation within three years. The pres-

ent arrangement will permit the cooperative to acquire experience in coal mining operations, will give more savings on coal distribution, and provide a dependable source of coal through the current shortage.

The coal company at the present time is producing 200 cars of coal a day from a relatively new mine in Harrison County. The engineers have estimated that there is approximately 5,000,000 tons in the 2,200 acres under lease. In addition the arrangement provides that the mining company will open up a new high split seam on the same property, which, it is believed, contains 3,000,000 tons of coal in 1200 acres. The cooperative has acquired an additional 1400 acres but production will probably not begin on that property until 1945 or 1946.

## Juvenile Circles of the SNPJ

### Perfect Circle No. 26 Will Meet March 11 at 7 P. M.

CHICAGO.—The Perfect Circle is having a regular meeting Saturday, March 11, at 7 p. m. in the lower SNPJ hall. After a short business meeting we are going to hold our drawing for the comforter, at which several mothers have been invited to officiate.

A social hour will follow with the playing of games and dancing and light refreshments will be served. Members are urged to attend, and may bring a friend, while parents and their friends are always welcome at any Perfect Circle affair.

ANN SANNEMAN, Mgr.

### Junior All Stars to Hold Party and Dance April 12

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—The March meeting of the Junior All Stars, Circle No. 4, was held on March 1. Because there wasn't any rehearsal on that day, the meeting got off to an early start. Vice President Michael Ruppe Jr. presided over the meeting and Mary Glavan served as temporary Vice President.

At this meeting it was decided to have a party and dance in April. After a discussion, it was decided that the party and dance will be held on April 12, and that the Juvenile Circle "Violet Rays," No. 18, would be invited to attend. There will be no rehearsals on that day.

To these four leap-year brides, Anne Saldari, Irene Gonsowski, Betty Jane Davis, and Agnes Frazer who got their men, and to the lucky husbands, C. W. Skillegin, Billy Bojtancic, Howard Reed, and Riley Wittenberger, go the Veronian congratulations and plenty of good luck. Do the names seem a little jumbled and jivey? Well, I'll unscramble them with a few words about each couple.

More members are still needed to join the chorus. The chorus meets every Wednesday at Sostarich's Hall, S. 6th and W. Bruce streets. Rehearsals start at 8 p. m. So don't be bashful, just come and meet the crowd. MICHAEL RUPPE JR., Vice Pres. and Publicity Chairman.

### SNPJ Ladies' Bowling League of Cleveland

CLEVELAND, OHIO.—Results of Friday and Saturday meetings (March 3 and 4) brought forth no actual changes in team standings in the league.

Friday night games brought forth an attempt on the part of Comrades No. 1 team to surpass the 3 game high record only to stop short and wind up with a 788 total. Pauline Spik this same night made a grand attempt to smash the single game high but failed. After a fine start of six straight strikes Pauline came face to face with every bowler's heart-breaker—the split.

Even then the result was a 223 game which is nothing to sniff about. Her fine series on both Friday and Saturday nights plus the work of her teammates enabled the team to remain hot on the heels of the Strugglers No. 1 team in their struggles for leadership in the race. Strugglers No. 1 had 3 wins out of six for the two nights. Although T. Jeric and M. Gruden took top honors for their team with 172-450 and 173-460, respectively, their teammates contributed good support.

With M. Beljan and M. Koren sparing their team with totals of 523-505 and 480-468, respectively, each nite, the Comrades No. 2 made a gallant but losing bid to improve their standing in the league.

He's stationed at Goodfellow Field, Texas, and makes best train connections by going Chicago way.

Since one never knows when you'll see your kin again, during wartime, I made up my mind then and there, that Joanne (my daughter) and I would tag along on that furlough.

No, our bags were packed, and off we went.

The family knew that Larry would be there; I hadn't told them of my coming, but they weren't too surprised, as a matter of fact, mother said she expected me. It was our first visit home, for us, since the war department notified the folks that our youngest brother, Staff Sgt. John Shink, was still a hospital patient, though.

All the above boys mentioned are brothers. Sgt. Ray Podrasky has been making regular visits home on weekends, too. Sorry to have missed him.

West Newton, the home of the

Yough Valley Knights, was our destination, one other evening.

It is a nice two-hour drive, and the weather was in our favor, too.

It was a pleasant evening spent with the Shinks, Pezzos, Zorkos, and Mrs. Yamnik. Sorry to have missed the Yannik girls again.

Staff Sgt. John Shink spent a furlough at home recently, and Staff Sgt. Stanley Pezz was expected home in less than a week also. We felt badly that we couldn't see these boys, and word has reached us since that Stan Pezz came home and was married, too. Congrats!

Our furlough ended much too soon, and we again packed our grips and were on our way again.

Larry's wife, Paulette, went to Texas

to make her home with him for the duration and we traveled together as far as Chicago.

Yes, we were very tired, but we're not complaining; somehow, we felt better after seeing the family once again.

FRANCES L. RAK, 559.

## Veronian News

### VERONA, PA.—Tomorrow night,

Saturday, March 11, at 9 o'clock

is the time when our new holiday

committee dance will begin.

One thing will be needed to spur this committee into holding more spec-

tacular events in the future, and that is, the greatest possible appearance

of Veronians and their friends at this affair at the Veronian Club.

To the older folks who like their

Slovene music, here is your chance

to come and dance to Martin Kukovich, and I'm sure after that Saturday night, you will also want to

come to our Sunday night socials

where, featuring now with his

brand new ensemble of music, is

Louis Patochnik's band.

What style of music does Louis,

who also has

Frankie Perovne in his orchestra,

play?

None other than the Yankovich

Slovene style of Cleveland.

Getting back to this March 11

dance, I want to add this.

The Veronian team at that South Park

tournament a few years back, is liked

everybody.

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# OFFICIAL NOTICE

All members of the Slovene National Benefit Society are hereby officially notified that Bro. Ivan Molek, at the Supreme Board meeting on February 12, 1944, tendered his resignation as editor of the Society's publications. As his resignation was accepted there is now a vacancy in that office which must be filled.

As it is known, the editor in chief is a member of the Supreme Board. Our by-laws provide for election of alternates to fill the vacancies in case of death, resignation or removal of a supreme officer between the conventions, except in cases of editor in chief and of juvenile director. The by-laws provide further, that our Supreme Board shall have the right to fill the vacancy where there is no alternate elected or qualified.

Inasmuch as there was no alternate elected at the convention to fill the office in case of Molek's resignation, there remains for us only one alternative, and that is, to elect another person to fill the office of editor in chief for the unexpired term. Our by-laws in section 11 provide as follows:

"... and when the Supreme Legislative Body is not in session, the Supreme Board shall have the power to fill vacancies in the Supreme Office or any Committee of the Supreme Board, where no alternate has been elected or qualified."

In accordance with this provision and because our coming convention is still far off and this important office cannot remain vacant for such a long period, the Supreme Board at the same meeting adopted the following resolution:

1) That all members of the Society shall be notified through the official organ Prosveta that there is a vacancy in the office of the editor in chief, and that election for that office will be held.

2) That all candidates running for that office shall file their intention with the Supreme President of the Society within fifteen (15) days from the date of this announcement, and such notice shall be in the supreme office not later than by March 16, 1944.

3) Any member of the Society may be a candidate having the essential qualifications to hold the office as editor in chief of our publications and, further, the qualifications as prescribed by our by-laws in section 10, which read as follows:

"Any candidate for membership in the Supreme Board must be a member of the Society for at least three consecutive years, a citizen of the United States and otherwise qualified. Any member who has been guilty of any fraud or embezzlement or exploiting the Society in any manner shall not be qualified as a candidate for membership in the Supreme Board. No supreme board member of any other fraternal society or organization shall be eligible, and no supreme board member of this Society shall be a supreme board member of any other fraternal society."

As stated above, the Supreme Board of the Society is to decide on the matter, and the Board reserves the right to reject any and all candidates.

For the Supreme Board,  
VINCENT CAINKAR, Supreme President.

## New Tax Bill Aids Greedy, Not Needy

WASHINGTON.—With a melodramatic assertion of its policy of giving "relief not for the needy but for the greedy," Congress last week over-rode President Roosevelt's veto and made the 1944 tax bill law.

The action was accompanied with loud applause from the daily press and much talk of a Congressional "revolt." Major bombshell of the whole affair, of course, was the resignation—and immediate re-election—of Sen. Alben Barkley (D., Ky.) as Senate Majority leader, fully reported in the daily papers.

In a last minute appeal for a sound and fair tax program, CIO Pres. Philip Murray urged the Congressmen and Senators to uphold the veto, describing the bill as passed as "simply aimed at protecting and broadening special privileges."

The most diabolical feature of the proposed measure is that in failing during wartime to obtain sufficient funds through increased taxes on the basis of ability to pay, Congress proposes to make those in the armed forces, upon their return to civilian life, pay for the war in addition to the sacrifices they have made while in the service of their country," he said.

President Roosevelt's denunciation of the bill was sharply expressed when he called it "not a tax bill, but a tax relief bill providing relief not for the needy but for the greedy."

### Fails to Tax Profits

After reviewing its failure to tax wealth, big profits and special privileges, he wrote in his veto message that it had been suggested he should be satisfied with a crust, even though he had asked for "a loaf of bread to take care of this war for the sake of this and succeeding generations."

"I might have done so," he said, "if I had not noted that the small piece of crust contained so many extraneous and inedible materials."

These "extraneous and inedible materials" included, as Pres. Murray summed up in his letter, such items as continuance of the Victory Tax that hits down to the \$12 a week level, continuance of tax exempt bonds, depletion allowances, separate returns for wealthy couples, and the like.

This was done not only by refusing to tax big money and by continuing special privileges, but also by freezing the social security rates at their present one per cent, which cost the U.S. over 1 billion dollars.

The 1944 tax bill is now law. There will be a new tax bill coming up before very long, because the U.S. needs the money to help win the war. Labor's campaign for adequate taxes based on ability to pay will begin again with the new bill.

—THE CIO NEWS.

## Child Labor Regulations One of Great War Casualties

One of the great casualties of the war has been the breakdown of laws safeguarding children from industrial exploitation.

They are being violated right and left, and with almost complete immunity, according to the National Child Labor Committee. It revealed last week that work provisions and wage and hour protection have gone into the discard. Enforcement officials were declared to be either unwilling or unable to cope with the tragic situation.

"It is impossible to exaggerate the magnitude of the problem," the committee added. "Community action is needed everywhere to bring the facts to light and put an end to wholesale abuses."

A survey recently conducted at Nashville, Tenn., was declared by the committee to have disclosed conditions prevalent throughout the country. It revealed that of 899 children under 16 in the city schools found to be illegally employed, 517 were less than 14 years of age, and 799 were less than 12 years.

More than half of the children were working from 30 to 50 hours a week, many of them at night, forbidden by state law. Places of employment found to be the worst offenders for long hours and late employment were bowling alleys, beer gardens and skating rinks.

Not even a fat pay envelope is received as compensation by the exploited "kiddies," the committee said. It cited the case of an 11-year-old boy who worked in a bowling alley eight hours a night, seven nights a week and received \$1.22 for his week's work.

## What Next?

The U. S. Department of Agriculture has announced the development of a new type of cork substitute, the equal of cork discs used in bottling food and beverage products. It is made of pith and fibers from farm wastes, together with animal or vegetable glues and sugars, apple honey or glycerine. The new product has been given the name "Nore-seal."

Our experiences in the solution of war problems have taught us the invaluable lesson that when industry, labor, agriculture and the government work together toward a common goal we can overcome insurmountable obstacles and accomplish miracles of production.—William Green.

The profoundly wise do not claim against superficial knowledge in others, as much as the profoundly ignorant.—Colton.

The desire of knowledge, like the thirst of riches, increases ever with the acquisition of it.—Sterne.

## They Said Last Week

Joseph E. Davies, former United States Ambassador to the Soviet Union:

"The menace, not only to victory, but to peace, comes from the possible political differences which might develop between the Soviet Union and the United Nations. There lies the potential danger and menace to peace. As in all matters of life, these relations will depend upon the confidence, conduct, tolerance, and devotion to altruistic purpose which will exist between the parties. The enemy knows this very well. They never rest. By day and by night, constantly their foreign office and their propaganda agencies try to drive a wedge between the Soviet Union and its allies. With devilish ingenuity, the Nazis constantly work 'both sides of the street'... Our people of the United States can definitely contribute to future peace if they will exact more light and less heat on political questions raised by our fighting ally. What is needed is more high-minded investigation of facts, and less acceptance and reiteration of Goebbel's lies. The fact that the ideological concepts of our governments are different does not, in any manner, preclude our cooperation with the Soviet Union to preserve the future peace of the world for the benefit of all of us."

Justice Robert H. Jackson of the United States Supreme Court:

"We in the United States are experiencing what we may call a period of confusion in the law... It is the kind of unsettlement that always extends to the law when organized society itself is in a period of transition... The movement today almost universally is toward advancement of collective interests at the expense of individual interests. This, of course, is not to say we are becoming a collectivist state. Indeed, moderate concessions are thought by some to be the best defense against such extremes. While there are those who resist this drift, our more heated divisions are no longer as to the direction of our movement so much as to its pace... Whether enough of our people will give way to extremes to carry the balance either way may be doubted, and if so, any estimate as to which extreme might prevail would hardly rise above a guess. But it does seem to me probable that those who have been inclined to the right will move farther to the right, and that those who have been looking hopefully to the left will go farther to the left. If this transpires, it makes wider and sharper and deeper division among our people as to the very fundamentals of organized life."

Joseph E. Eastman, director of the Office of Defense Transportation:

"I... most earnestly urge the executives and members of all organizations scheduling conventions, trade shows, or other group meetings, in 1944 to reconsider their plans, give careful thought to the strains which their meetings will impose on our heavily burdened transportation facilities, and make their decisions on the basis of the complete picture. And I must ask, as I have asked before, that meetings involving travel not be held unless the responsible officers of the organizations concerned are thoroughly convinced that the meetings will help shorten the war. The months ahead will be very critical for transportation in this country. It will be a time when there must be the most strenuous and sustained effort to keep the transportation systems functioning smoothly and at highest efficiency. Organizations and other groups can give the greatest help in that effort by cancelling their conventions and meetings and thus lightening the travel load."

Edward Corsi, industrial commissioner of New York State, at the meeting of the National Child Labor Committee:

"Our recent experience in the protection of child labor clearly indicates the need for a revision of some of our concepts. While the provision of the law that children must stay in school until 16 was a tremendous step forward, we see now that consideration should be given to raising the school age to 18 years... After the war, I hope that we can march steadily forward until the day when every child under 18 can devote himself exclusively to preparation for work instead of being compelled to join the army of the employed before he is ready."

COMMON COUNCIL.

## Labor Gives \$600,000 To Russ Relief

NEW YORK.—Organized labor contributed \$600,000 to Russian War Relief during 1943, Edward C. Carter, president of the organization, reported to the board of directors last week. This sum was contributed by the CIO National War Relief Committee and the AFL relief Committee.

Goods purchased with CIO contributions were transmitted to the All-Union Central Council of Trade Unions in Moscow for distribution among destitute union members in the Soviet Union, Carter said. Nearly \$7,500,000 worth of relief supplies were consigned to the Soviet Union during the year.

Contributions in 1943 were more than twice greater than in 1942. Carter attributed the increase to a deepening appreciation by the American people of their Soviet allies.

## The Upper Crust



"Tsk, tsk, sir, you've overdone yourself fighting against labor-management committees."

## Your Dollar

By CONSUMERS UNION

### Those Postwar Marvels

The realization is beginning to take hold that the first postwar models of consumer goods will be nothing more than dolled-up versions of their pre-Pearl-Harbor predecessors but will cost considerably more. Tide—an advertising publication—gave this report on the prospects for postwar goods in its February 15 issue:

"After months of describing the brave postwar world, advertising copy and magazine writers may be changing their tune shortly. Reason:

"Industry is becoming concerned by the embarrassing position it will be in when it cannot supply consumers, on V-day, with the marvelous gadgets some writers have been promising them."

"To help crystallize this realization, McKinsey & Co. (management consultants) a few months ago surveyed leading consumer goods industries and executives of trade associations, found that most industrial plants will turn out products similar in design and performance to their prewar output. (In fact as one automobile company executive said, 'It's going to be the same damn car only it's going to cost more.') The time lag, even in switching back to old lines, will be greater than most consumers realize, because of the many factors involved."

Watch Your Sugar

Sugar supplies are tightening up. Growing demand for industrial alcohol for the synthetic rubber program has been an important factor in increasing pressure against consumer sugar supplies. Acute grain shortages have made it necessary to use blackstrap molasses for alcohol, and in addition Cuban Sugar is being heavily tapped for the manufacture of munitions.

On top of this, military and lend-lease sugar requirements have increased while domestic production of sugar beet and cane crops has been poor. The result is that there is some talk in Washington of reducing sugar rations. In any event, civilian sugar consumption seems to be going down. The War Food Administration estimates that per capita sugar consumption in 1944 will be 75 pounds compared to 79.6 pounds in 1943.

It is to be hoped that before consumer rations are out the WFA and OPA will cut down on industrial users whose quotas were recently raised from 70% to 80% of the 1941 base period. Enormous quantities of sugar are going into soda pop and the like; first call on available supplies should go to home canners, who last year used 800,000 tons of sugar in canning large supplies of fruits, jellies and jams.

School Lunches

To keep school lunch funds from being knocked out of the Agricultural Department appropriations bills, Senator Robert F. Wagner of New York has introduced a bill to provide \$50,000,000 annually to help finance lunches for 30,000,000 school children. The bill would authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to supply funds to boards of education and schools for the purchase of milk and other foods.

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The amount available to civilians will, however, continue to be in the neighborhood of 30,000,000 pounds a month because of increased production. Many stores have but small supplies of cheddar or none at all. Loaf, spread and Italian-type cheeses are also scarce.

Real democracy is not equal sharing of power and opportunity; it is equal commitment to the common good; it is a program of sharing opportunity and responsibility to the full extent to which capacity exists to make good use of them.—Dr. Arthur E. Morgan, president of Antioch College.

## High Court Rebukes Bosses Trying to Undermine Unions

In two highly important decisions—one affecting workers on the railroads, the other in manufacturing—the Supreme Court last week held that bosses cannot enter into "individual contracts" with employees to undermine union agreements. Both were written by Justice Robert H. Jackson and, of the tribunal's nine members, only Justice Owen J. Roberts dissented.

The ruling relating to railmen was a great victory for the Order of Railroad Telegraphers in its 13-year tug-of-war with the Railway Express Agency. Many of its station agent members on the Seaboard Airline will, as a result, receive substantial sums in back pay. These agents, while employees of the railroad, also handle express on a commission basis. An old O. R. T. agreement, first negotiated in 1917 with a predecessor express company, fixed the commission rates. In 1929 Railway Express absorbed the old company. A year later it slashed the rates, giving the agents only a few days' notice, and ignoring the O. R. T. agreement. Later it got some of the men to sign individual contracts at the reduced pay.

Agency Hard-boiled

For years the Telegraphers sought an adjustment by negotiation, but the agency was hard-boiled. Finally, in 1934, the case was taken to the newly-formed National Railroad Adjustment Board, which sustained the union. The agency refused to comply, dragging on litigation in the courts instead.

It lost in the lower Federal court, but won in the United States Circuit Court of Appeals at New Orleans. The O. R. T. then appealed to the high court.

President V. O. Gardner of the Telegraphers hailed the ruling as a real triumph for all organized labor.

"We feel that the money involved is entirely secondary," he said. "What is important is that the principles of collective bargaining have been fully sustained."

Violated Wagner Act

The board held the company's refusal to bargain with the union violated the Wagner Act. It ordered the company to annul the individual agreements and to deal with the union. In this case the lower courts supported the board, as did the high tribunal.

"Individual contracts, no matter what the circumstances, may not be available to defeat or delay the procedure prescribed by the National Labor Relations Act, nor to forestall bargaining, nor to limit the terms of a collective agreement," Justice Jackson held in this case.

## AFL Pledges \$15,000,000 to Red Cross Drive

The American Federation of Labor has pledged to raise \$15,000,000 for the forthcoming Red Cross campaign. Federation officials have recommended a minimum of four hours' pay as the individual AFL Red Cross contribution. At the same time, it was revealed that AFL members had contributed more than \$25,000,000 to the recent National War Fund drive.

These figures and the Red Cross pledge were made public by Matthew Woll, president of the Labor League for Human Rights, official relief arm of the American Federation of Labor.

The record-breaking total raised by AFL unions in 850 cities for the National War Fund, Mr. Woll further revealed, was in part accounted for by an honor roll of 25 cities in which union members contributed ten million dollars. Heading this list of cities were New York, Chicago and Los Angeles, each with more than one million dollars to their credit. Hovering about the half-million mark were Philadelphia, Boston, Seattle, St. Louis, Milwaukee and Washington, D. C. Sixteen additional cities, including Providence, Cleveland, Memphis, Houston, Pittsburgh and others, averaged contributions of \$250,000 each.

Fuel Oil Rationing to Continue Next Winter

Whether or not we win the war against Germany this year, fuel oil rationing will continue through next winter, the Office of Price Administration declared last week. It is even possible that householders may be required to get along on smaller allotments, officials said.

The co-operative movement is the best example of what we ought to mean by the "American way" if we use the term to denote the best in American life. I nominate the co-operative movement in America as the best example of how we do things here when we do them well.

—Dr. Odell Sheper, Pulitzer Prize Winner, formerly Lieutenant Governor of Connecticut.

Cheese Scarcity

If you have been hoping for more cheddar cheese when the flush Spring production season rolls around, you had better discount that hope heavily. The War Food Administration has just increased the set-aside quotas for the government to 45% of March production and 55% of April production. During February and March, the set-aside was only 30%.

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# Zapisnik letnega zborovanja glavnega odbora Slovenske Narodne Podporne Jednote

v glavnem stanu SNPJ v Chicagu, Ill., od 10. do 12. februarja 1944

## PRVA SEJA 10. FEBRUARJA DOPOLDNE

Predstojnik Cainkar odpre zborovanje gl. odbora ob 9. uri zjutraj s primerljivim nagovorom, pozivajoč načnico na stvarno in vzajemno delo v korist organizacije.

Nato gl. tajnik Vider prečita imena glavnih odbornikov. Odsotni so bratje Kumer, Zarnick in Travnik.

Zarnick je poslal pismo, v katerem pravi, da ni mogel dobiti dopusta od dela in se vsled tega ne more udeležiti zborovanja, brata Kumer in Travnika pa sta v službi strica Sama. Na ta pojasnila je sprejet predlog, da se jih oprosti.

Zatem gl. Cainkar predloži dnevni red za zborovanje in priporoči, da se ga sprejme. Dnevni red se glasi:

1. Otvoritev seje.
2. Čitanje imen odbornikov.
3. Določanje časa za zborovanje.
4. Nujni predlogi.
5. Poročilo gl. odbornikov.
6. Razprave, in sklepante o poročilih.
7. Nedokončana opravila.
8. Splošna opravila.
9. Razno.

10. Zaključek seje.

Predložen dnevni red je soglasno sprejet.

Ker sta odstotna prvi in drugi gl. podpredsednik, br. Cainkar imenuje distriktna podpredsednika Culkarja in Spillerja, da mu pomagata voditi seje.

Nato je sklenjeno soglasno, da je čas za zborovanje od 9. do 12. dopoldne in od 1. do 5. popoldne z desetminutnim odmorom med vsako sejo.

Siede.

## POROČILA GLAVNIH ODBORNIKOV

### Poročilo gl. predsednika

Bratje in sestre:

Zbrali smo se spet k rednemu letnemu zborovanju, da skupino pregledamo poslovanje naše organizacije ter skrbno presežemo vse nujno in načrno potrebne zaključke za v bodoče.

Dogodki v gl. uradu

Kakor vam je znano, je vsled smrti br. Russa nastalo izpraznjeno mesto pomožnega gl. tajnika že mesec avgusta. V smislu zaključka gl. odbora na zadnjem polletni seji so bile razpisane volitve, kakor določajo pravila. Za službo se je prijavilo pet kandidatov in imena vseh so bila dana na glasovnice, katere smo razposlali vsem članom gl. odbora. In ker pri prvem glasovanju ni nihče dobil nadpolovične večine, so se morale vrstiti ožje volitve med dvema kandidatoma, ki sta prejela najvišje število glasov, in pri ožjih volitvah je bil izvoljen br. Anton Trojar. Njega, mislim, vsi pozname že od prej, vendar pa mi dovolite, da vam ga sedaj uradno predstavim kot novega člena gl. odbora ter mu v imenu naših ostalih izrečem: dobrodošel med nam!

Z izvolitvijo Trojara v gl. urad je nastalo izpraznjeno mesto hišnika, katero služijo je ob prejopraviljal. Ker pa brez hišnika tudi nismo mogli biti in je zlasti v zimskem času važno, da je zanesljiva in sposobna oseba, nam začasno ni preostalo drugega kot Trojara obdržati na prejšnjem mestu, dokler se ne najde oseba, da prevzame mesto hišnika. Za slednje pa je vzel veliko več časa kot smo pričakovali, kajti ljudi za ta posek ni veliko na razpolago, posebno v teh časih ne. Volitve in to oziroma vse skupaj se je torej daleč zavleklo in tako je prišlo, da je Trojar mogel nastopiti mesto pomožnega gl. tajnika še s početkom tega leta.

Znemo vam je tudi, da je nekako istočasno nesreča zadevala tudi gl. tajnika Vidra, ki je moral v bolnišnico že ob času polletnega zborovanja gl. odbora ter tam ostati precej časa in potem še dolgo ni bil sposaken za redno delo. Torej dvoje izvršnih odbornikov in važnih modri smo pogrešali hkrati, kamalu nato pa je bil poklican k vojakom glavnih knjigovodja, potem pa se druga važna mod. Iz tega lahko razvidite, da smo se nahajeli v dokaj težavnem položaju večji del zadnje polovice leta. Neprjetno je bilo toliko bolj, ker sedaj tudi ni takih ljudi na razpolago, da bi jih najeli. Vendar pa se vse srečno iztekel. Tezave so bile premagane s potapljanjem in dobro voljo in delati je bilo treba tudi nadčas, da je poslovjanje šlo nevirano naprej.

Vsled vedno naraščajoče draginje in pomanjkanja delavcev je kot naravnega posledica občne povirne plači in tako smo morali storiti tudi pri naših smotrih hoteli obdržati sposobne delavce. Kot ste bili obveščeni po zapisniku izvršnega odbora so dobili manj plačani uslužbenici zvišanje za lanskoto leto dvakrat in spet sedaj z novim letom.

### Vainost kampanje

Pridobivanje novih članov je za vsako bratsko politično organizacijo posebno važna stvar. In zato je, da se s kampanjo največ doseže v tem času. S kampanjo pa ne samo pomnožujemo število članstva in jačamo jednotno gospodarsko, temveč počivljamo organizacijske aktivnosti vseh v uveljavljamo več živahnosti ter dodajamo novo, neločno kri jednoti. Pridobivamo torej veseljavo in priporočljivo je, da se to od časa do časa ponavlja, zlasti pa da se izkoristijo v take svrhe zvestnine in društvene objetnike ter drugi važni dogodki. Zato je bilo na mestu, da smo imeli razširjeno kampanjo za mladinski jubilej lanske leta, kar je tudi dobro uspelo, kakor ste lahko razvideli v Prosveti pričebenični poročili. Priznanje in zahvala gre vsem, ki so se udeležili kontesta ali kakršne druge pomagali, da je kampanja tako uspešna.

### Druge aktivnosti

Mnogi druge bolj važne aktivnosti naše organizacije padajo razne slavnosti in druge take prireditve. Kakor znano, smo v pretečenem letu obsegli 30-letnico našega mladinskoga oddelka in skupno mladinskikh krozkov, to je dveh napravili pomensko bodočnost jednotne. Kot že pomenimo, smo jo proslavili s posebno mladinsko kampanjo in slavnostnimi prireditvami, kjer so dopuščene.

Nekaj smo v pretečenem letu na delavski

SNPJ, da se ohrapi ta lepa tradicija. Vrnila se je v Chicagu in uspeh ni bil napačen. Potreben je, da take slavnosti izvedemo spet to leto, da se vzdržuje moral, pa četudi razmere niso ugodne. Bonito pa po vojni, nadaljevali toliko lažje in v večjim zamahom.

Vojne razmere so nadalje vzrok, da so pojednate aktične aktivnosti naše mladine, kar seveda vendar učinkuje tudi na agitacijo za nove člane in druge aktivnosti.

### 40-letnica jednotne

Kakor vam je že znano, bo to pomlad 40 let, odkar je bila ustanovljena naša jednota. To je važna obležnica in spodbidi se, da jo dobro proraslamo, pa četudi niso za to posebno ugodne razmere. Dolžnost gl. odbora je, da se za to pobriga na tem zborovanju naredi vse potrebne zaključke, da stvar čim bolj povpade.

Prav gotovo se bomo s pridobitvijo lepega števila novih članov v tem letu najlepše oddolžili. To moramo storiti in v to svrhu naj se spet letos razpiše kampanja, ki bo privlačna za agitatorje in pridobljene člane.

Nadalej naj se spet priporočajo jubilejne slavnostne prireditve po raznih naseljibah in kjer kolik je mogoče. Priporočljivo je tudi, da bi za ta jubilej izdal spominski knjig, ki bi v glavnem vsebovala izčrpni opis vseh važnih dogodkov iz zgodovine jednote, zaker zlasti naša mlada generacija mnogo povprašuje. Gl. izvršni odbor pa je že sklenil, da v tednu obležnice Prosveta izide kot posebna slavnostna izdaja na boljšem papirju, okrašena z nekaj slikami zgodovinskega pomena, s čim mislim, da se boste strinjali.

### Stanje organizacije

Iz poročil gl. tajnika in blagajnika ter drugih funkcionarjev, ki bodo sledila mojemu, boste slišali podrobnosti o dohodkih in izdatkih ter kako stope naši skladi, kakor tudi glede porasti članstva itd. Zato naj zadostuje, če jaz omenim v svojem poročilu le, da izkazujem za zadnjo polovico sploh za vse pretečeno leto spet lep napredok v članstvu in imetju in stanje jednote je na splošno dobro.

Opozoriti pa moram ponovno na nezdružljivost, ki se razvijajo v naši organizaciji vseh takтик, ki bodo sledila mojemu, boste slišali podrobnosti o dohodkih in izdatkih ter kako stope naši skladi, kakor tudi glede porasti članstva itd. Zato naj zadostuje, če jaz omenim v svojem poročilu le, da izkazujem za zadnjo polovico sploh za vse pretečeno leto spet lep napredok v članstvu in imetju in stanje jednote je na splošno dobro.

### Nova opora JPO in SANS

Končno že nekaj besed o našem sodelovanju v organizacijah za pomoč in rešitev rojakov v starem kraju, to sta JPO in SANS. Obe organizaciji imata važna naloge in sta začasno potrebne. Naše članstvo je globoko zainteresirano v obe, kar je načelno razvidno iz prizreditv in finančne podpore. Največ prispevkov prihaja od naših društv, ali pa od organizacij in pridelitev, kjer naši člani igrajo vodilno vlogo. Upravljeno se smatra, da je članstvo naše jednote idealna in gmotna hrbitenica tega gibljana. Priporočam, da damo obema organizacijama vso mogočno moralno oporo tudi v bodoče. VINCENT CAINKAR, gl. predsednik.

Poročilo se vzame na znanje.

Br. Kumer, I. podpredsednik je postal spisano poročilo, ki se glasi:

### Report of Supreme Vice President

It is with deep regret that I again report to you without my physical presence at the sessions for which you are now assembled.

Since the previous meetings, I have been removed farther from you. However, I am kept informed on the conditions of the Society, and my interest in them remains unchanged. During this time, my relations with the Supreme Office have been praiseworthy, and I am grateful for the cooperation shown me. It is pleasing to report that the regular reports and official organ are now reaching me, and these have provided me with encouraging information, but not unmixing with some uneasiness.

The disagreement on interpretation of our editorial policy has now reached serious proportions. I do not choose to discuss this matter for I would succeed, in only intensifying a already confused situation. But I do wish to suggest that if we are to avoid disaster that something definite be done now to correct this confusion. It has existed too long, and all of you are sufficiently mature and qualified to arrive at a satisfactory agreement. I urge you to act with courage and conviction at this meeting.

I was pleased to read of the tremendous success of our recent 30th anniversary SNPJ Juvenile campaign. We can be inspired at the spirit and interest demonstrated by our members. I hope that plans will now be made for giving further expression to that enthusiasm by making available to our lodges and circles programs of activities.

Only by providing the source of vigorous action can we hope to retain and extend interest in our Society.

Our various campaigns have proved a worthy source of action; a new source must be provided to continue the enthusiasm of the old members, and to ignite the enthusiasm of the new members.

Before the next meeting of this Board, we will have reached the 40th anniversary of our Society. This is a great achievement, and this meeting will presumably make plans for its proper celebration.

It deserves the highest recognition, and I hope our various branches will prepare suitable programs for its celebration. You can do much by outlining plans and programs and making them available to our lodges.

Because of our generous contributions to the American Red Cross, you are probably interested in a report about it. My observations have resulted in the highest praise for the scope and quality of work of this organization. It is doing an excellent job for the entertainment and well-

fare of our armed forces, and we can feel grateful for having provided it with substantial sums. It is my opinion that its activities are far more obvious overseas than in the States.

Although the ballots for election of assistant secretary reached me too late for voting, I am pleased to note that the office is now filled. I hope that with this completed, and with the return to duty of our secretary, that the Society is rendering the customary good service. In the same spirit, I wish the new Athletic Committee every good fortune, and hope that this year will provide it with greater opportunities.

I give you my best wishes in your deliberations and wish I were with you. I hope that will be soon. And my best wishes to all members of our Society.

MICHAEL R. KUMER.

Poročilo se vzame na znanje.

Br. Zarnick, II. podpred., ki se ne more udeležiti zborovanja vsele zaposlenosti, poroča:

### Report of 2nd Supreme Vice President

In presenting my report for the past six months, I am happy to say that our organization has progressed and prospered in spite of present conditions.

The SNPJ activities in Cleveland have proved to be a huge success, particularly in the enthusiasm that was shown by our members in getting new members during our juvenile campaign, which was also a national success.

The juvenile singing chorus, which I also helped to organize, has turned out to be one of the most promising attractions and also a booster to keep young boys and girls SNPJ minded. The money that has been spent so far for the upkeep and training of these young people will prove, in due time, that it was not spent in vain. I know some day we will be proud of them.

In the near future this singing group will present its first singing concert and I'm almost positive that its presentation will go down in SNPJ history as another success. I also feel it will inspire and secure many followers through other branches of our organization.

This time I recommend, in absence of athletic activities, that even more attention be turned to our juveniles in the form of dramatic and other amusements which will build good SNPJ members and future leaders of our organization. They are our boys and girls of today and our men and women of tomorrow. I know that there will be other good suggestions from Supreme Board members that will benefit juveniles. The juvenile delinquency in these war times is so great that our country is alarmed, therefore if we keep our young people interested in our activities and their minds properly occupied, we won't have to worry about any of them.

In the past six months the political views of our official organ have not shown any improvement and I recommend this question be thoroughly discussed. The great majority of our members is dissatisfied and it is important that a definite understanding be reached at this meeting. To keep up the good spirit and principles of our organization is necessary for its future.

My long hours, like those of everyone else, have kept me busy but I have and will find time to take care of my duties as I am glad to perform them.

I hope this meeting will accomplish its purposes successfully and with good will.

CAMILUS E. ZARNICK.

Poročilo se vzame na znanje.

### Report of Vice President of the First District

Six months ago I had hoped that when we convene again, this country would again be on peace-time standards, but as it looks, more valuable time must be spent, more lives are to be lost, and many more homes are to be disrupted, before the so much-hoped-for peace can be attained.

In the meantime, all activities are more or less at a standstill in all branches. I'm sure that all we can ask or expect of our membership is being done. Our past campaigns have been successful, and any in the future, I'm sure, can be expected just as successful, considering the possibilities of the present conditions.

I hope all the Juvenile Circles are progressing as well as the one I am acquainted with in my locality. They are active in many ways, they serve the Red Cross, make scrap books for the men in our armed forces, sit in all the scrap drives, and still find time for a night a week for recreation to their liking such as games, dancing, skating parties, etc. They have set aside one night a week for what they call "Correspondence Night"; at this time, they write articles for the Mladinski List and letters to their pen pals. The program they are following is educational and patriotic, and a good course for any Circle to follow.

Athletics are discontinued in most branches of the SNPJ in my district, until the boys come back, and then we intend to commence right where we left off. It is necessary to continue to keep our Athletic Board functioning so that when the time of activity comes back, there will be no delays.

Until we meet again in August many things can happen, so I won't commit myself by predicting peace but continue to hope that so it shall be.

JOSEPH L. CULKAR.

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smo poučeni, ker na ta način je lažje usmerjati konstruktivne načrte za bodočnost. V letu 1942 smo imeli v oddelku odraslih 443 smrtnih slučajev in v mladinskem na 28, skupaj 461. V zadnjem letu je pa umrl v oddelku odraslih 475 članov, v mladinskem pa 23, skupaj 498. Iz navedenih stvari je razvidno, da je v letu 1943 umrlo 37 članov več v obeh oddelkih, kakor leto prej. Res je, da se je članstvo v zadnjem letu povečalo, toda proporcionalno ne toliko kot so poskocili smrtni slučaji. Srčna hiba in rak najbolj kosa načrte članstva, kar je največ pripisoval razmeram, v katerih žive kot industrialni delavci. Na bojnih poljanah je zadnje leto padlo 22 članov in dva sta raznjanjena pogrešana; leta 1942 jih je pa padlo pet, tako je jednodno do konca zadnjega leta, če vzamemo vsolež tudi dva pogrešana člana za mrtva, vsled vojne izgubila 29 članov. Toda posrečilo v industrijalnih, rudnikih itd., se je pa samo v zadnjem letu 37 članov, kar pomeni, da so do zadnjih časov nesreče številnejše doma, kakor na bojnih poljanah.

Tu navajam detailirani pregled smrtnih slučajev v zadnjih polovici preteklega leta, kateri je sledi:

#### SMRTNI SLUČAJI

	Štev.	slučajev	Zavarovalnina
Vzrok smrti			
Srčna hiba	53	\$ 3114.00	
Rak	42	31,800.00	
Krvotok na možganih	21	13,471.00	
Razne ponesreče	18	12,800.00	
Plijenica in flu	18	9,000.00	
Mrtvoud	16	10,850.00	
Kap	12	8,900.00	
Padlo v vojni	11	6,450.00	
Jetika	9	6,700.00	
Rudinske ponesreče	8	6,450.00	
Silicosa	7	6,700.00	
Samomori	5	4,650.00	
Avtomobilske nesreče	4	1,900.00	
Vnetje trebušne mrene	4	1,600.00	
Sladkorna bolezen	3	1,800.00	
Vnetje jeter	2	2,100.00	
Vnetje ledic	1	1,000.00	
Zapeka	1	1,000.00	
Nadaha	1	600.00	
Vnetje žolčnega mehurja	1	600.00	
Zelodčna uljesa	1	500.00	
Opeklne	1	500.00	
Alkoholizem	1	600.00	
Na porodu	1	500.00	
Skupaj	241	\$ 170,485.00	

Operacije, katere za tem detailirano sledijo, so bile za 106 slučajev nižje kot leto prej, medtem ko so se odškodnine nekaj zvišale, kar je povsem razumljivo, ker vojne industrije operirajo s polno paro in s posebno naglico omih produkrov, ki jih najbolj potrebujejo sedanje mehanično opremljenje armade.

#### IZPLAČANE OPERACIJE IN ODŠKODNINE

	Štev.	slučajev	Izplačila
Operacije			
Vnetje slepiča	100	\$ 8,210.00	
Vtrganje (kila)	65	5,325.00	
Razne trebušne operacije	62	5,010.00	
Vnetje žolčnega mehurja	40	3,180.00	
Krvovičaste žile	37	1,460.00	
Zlata žila	30	1,465.00	
Zenska spolovila	21	1,750.00	
Vezanje in poščanje zlomljenih kosti	7	595.00	
Gola	12	1,080.00	
Cezarske operacije	10	795.00	
Rak	8	705.00	
Moska spolovila	8	580.00	
Očesne mrene	7	475.00	
Vnetje ledic	5	555.00	
Vnetje ušesnih kosti	5	475.00	
Zelodčna uljesa	3	320.00	
Vodenica v modniku	3	105.00	
Na lobanji	2	225.00	
Na hrbenici	2	160.00	
Gnojenje v večjih kosteh	2	100.00	
Odstranjenje reber	2	100.00	
Lymphoglandula	1	35.00	
Skupaj	442	\$ 32,715.00	

	Odškodnine:	
Izguba prstov	11	325.00
Izguba nog	6	2,100.00
Izguba vida	3	900.00
Izguba rok	3	900.00
Izguba oči	2	550.00
Popolna oslepelost	1	800.00
Skupaj	26	\$ 5,575.00

Skupaj operacije in odškodnine 468 \$ 38,290.00

Kakor izkazuje finančno poročilo zadnjih šestih mesecev preteklega leta, beležijo vsi skladki zelo povojen finančni napredki, kar je posebne važnosti v organizaciji naše vrste. Tako smo v zadnjem poletju v obeh oddelkih, to je v oddelku odraslih članov in mladinskem, napredovali za vsoto \$293,622.83 in skupno premoženje jednotne ob zaključku fiskalnega leta pa znaša \$11,063,189.21, kar pomeni, da je naša organizacija o svoji 40-letnici nad enajstljubinsko korporacijo.

Sreča za članstvo in jednoto je, ker imamo visoko solventnost in dobro rezervo v smrtninskem skladu, ki nam omogočuje izplačevati polno smrtno zavarovalnino dedičem padlih vojakov; če bi tega ne bilo, bi bile izredne doklade neizogibne. Zato je dobro, da smo vedno v naprej pripravljeni za izredne slučaje ali deževne dneve, ker ne vemo, kdaj se lahko pojavi.

Tu sledi finančno poročilo od 1. julija do 31. decembra leta 1943:

#### FINANČNO POROČILO

za dobo od 1. julija do 31. decembra 1943

##### ODELEK ODRASLIH

	Smrtninski sklad	Dohodki	Izdatki
Bilanca 1. julija 1943	\$ 8,871,428.92		
Neplačane smrtnine 30. junija 1943	62,295.75		
Neplačane smrtnine SSPZ	1,783.84		
Sklad nedoletnih dedičev SSPZ	13,831.00		
Asesment	278,535.41		
Cisti dohodki od investicij	100,895.01		
Prenos rezerve iz mladinskega oddelka	31.50		
Smrtnine	180,239.88		
Prenos dedičev SSPZ v sklad nedoletnih dedičev	12,047.16		
Odpisnevine	973.35		
Prenos v upravni sklad	12,294.27		

Povrnjeno na SSPZ certifikate	2,211.81
Neplačane smrtnine 31. decembra 1943	83,634.62
Črte smrtnine	690.09
Bilanca 31. decembra 1943	9,066,712.31
	\$ 9,328,801.49

Odškodninski sklad	
Bilanca 1. julija 1943	\$ 182,342.67
Asesment	41,947.99
Obresti	2,103.99
Odškodnina in operacije	38,200.00
Bilanca 31. decembra 1943	188,104.65
	\$ 226,394.65

Bojniški sklad	
	\$ 1 razred
Bilanca 1. julija 1943	\$ 371,469.11
Redni asesment	124,555.55
Izredni asesment	423.00
Obresti	4,286.73
Bojniška podpora	98,763.20
Bilanca 31. decembra 1943	461,971.19
	\$ 151,394.65

\$ 2 razred	
Bilanca 1. julija 1943	\$ 76,422.36
Redni asesment	73,569.60
Izredni asesment	524.00
Obresti	18.00
Bojniška podpora	64,802.50
Bilanca 1. julija 1943	86,791.10
	\$ 151,393.60

\$ 3 razred	
Bilanca 1. julija 1943	\$ 11,701.56
Redni asesment	9,825.96
Izredni asesment	18.00
Obresti	135.02
Bojniška podpora	8,559.53
Bilanca 31. decembra 1943	13,121.01
	\$ 21,680.54

\$ 4 razred	




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## Report of the SNPJ Finance Committee

To the Supreme Board Meeting held on February 10, 1944.

Dear Brothers:

We are herewith presenting to you the report of our activities and a review of purchases, sales and other changes which have taken place in our portfolio during the six month period ending December 31, 1944.

### New Investments

The par value securities purchased in last half year of 1943 is \$850,000.00 and the cost of these securities is \$851,531.26. In previous six month period the amount thus invested was only \$386,957.19. For the first time all our available funds were invested in Federal Government Bonds. The greater part of these bonds was purchased at par or at a very small premium, which means that the investments of \$850,000.00 will yield about 2 1/2%.

### Securities Disposed of

A very large part of newly invested funds was obtained by disposal of our securities. The cost of disposed securities is \$484,254.32 and the sum received is \$406,174.96 or a net loss to our society of \$78,079.34. Some of these securities have matured or have been called but most of them have been sold. The loss is great but not unexpected. All of these securities were purchased during boom times before 1930. The greatest loss was caused

by the sale of Tessville, Illinois Special Assessment Bonds, Terminal Tower and Van Swearingen Bonds, Washington Square Development and Racine Hotel Bonds. All these bonds were in default for many years and the issuing corporations went through various forms of reorganization or through the wringer as we say it. A small amount of these securities was sold, because in the opinion of Finance Committee, such sale was deemed in the interest of our society, but most of them were sold in order to comply with the request of the State Insurance Department.

In addition to the above sales, a large assortment of unlisted securities, bonds, debentures, certificates of deposit, and shares of preferred stocks were disposed of. The sale of these unlisted securities brought in an amount of \$26,902.63. As these securities were written off in former years, as of no value, the amounts received represent a book profit to our society.

### Mortgages Repaid

Our total investments in real estate mortgages have been further decreased during last six month period, as no new funds were invested in this type of securities. In addition to regular payments, 14 mortgages were paid off in full.

### Real Estate Disposed of

Former office of SSPZ, which building was acquired through the merger of the two societies, was sold for \$22,000.00. As the book value of this building was \$24,869.00, the sale represents a loss of \$2,869.00.

### NEW SECURITIES ACQUIRED DURING SIX MONTHS

Date	Description	Par Value	Cost	Vendor
July 8	U.S. Treasury 2 1/2% due 12/15/68.	\$175,000	\$176,312.50	Harris Trust
Sept. 15	U.S. Treasury 2 1/2% due 12/15/69.	400,000	400,000.00	Fed. Reserve Bank
Oct. 25	U.S. Treasury 2 1/2% due 12/15/69.	50,000	50,085.94	1st Boston Corp.
Nov. 24	U.S. Treasury 2 1/2% due 12/15/69.	100,000	100,075.12	C. F. Childs & Co.
Dec. 21	U.S. Treasury 2 1/2% due 6/15/69.	100,000	100,046.88	C. F. Childs & Co.
Sept. 15	U.S. Treasury 2 1/2% due 12/15/69. (Juvenile Dept.)	15,000	15,000.00	Fed. Reserve Bank
Nov. 23	U.S. Treasury 2 1/2% due 12/15/69. (Minors' Fund)	10,000	10,007.81	C. F. Childs & Co.
<b>Totals</b>		<b>\$850,000</b>	<b>\$851,531.26</b>	

### SECURITIES DISPOSED OF DURING LAST SIX MONTHS OF 1943

Par value	Description	Date	Cost	Consideration	Profit	Loss	Sold to
\$160,000.00	H. O. L. C. 1 1/2% due 6/1/47-48	8/19	\$160,000.00	\$162,100.00	\$ 2,100.00	" "	M. B. Vick & Co.
19,000.00	School Dist. #99, Cicero, Ill. 5% due 7/15/43	7/15	20,819.30	18,000.00	" "	\$ 1,319.30	Matured
25,000.00	East Chicago, Ind. San. Dist. 3 1/2% due 1/1/62	10/22	24,875.00	28,567.50	3,692.50	" "	Blair, Bonner & Co.
15,000.00	Hollywood, Fla. Refunding 3 1/2% due 9/1/65, callible	9/1	14,962.50	15,000.00	37.50	" "	Called
5,000.00	Jones County, N. C. R/B Ref. 4% due 12/1/54	12/31	5,000.00	5,379.00	379.00	" "	Channer Sec. Co.
26,000.00	Lake County, Fla. Sp. R/B Dist. 4% due 7/1/57-66	12/31	26,436.85	29,913.00	3,476.15	" "	M. B. Vick & Co.
21,000.00	Lincoln Park, Mich. S/D, Ref. 2 1/2% due 11/1/65, callible 11/1	21,000.00	21,000.00	" "	" "	" "	Called
500.00	Lincoln Park, Mich. S/D, Int. funding 3% after mat, due 11/1/45, callible	11/1	500.00	500.00	" "	" "	Called
6,000.00	McAllen, Tex., Ref. 5% due 3/15/73	10/27	6,000.00	6,247.50	247.50	" "	Blair, Bonner & Co.
15,600.00	Tessville, Ill. Spec. Ass't #8, 6%, due 12/31/36	11/12	15,400.00	5,460.00	" "	9,940.00	Illinois Bond Col. lection Agency
10,920.00	Tessville, Ill. Spec. Ass't #9, 6% due 12/31/37	11/12	10,780.00	3,822.00	" "	6,958.00	" "
15,000.00	Wakula, Fla. High-way bonds 6% due 2/1/53	12/31	16,589.34	19,537.50	2,948.16	" "	Blair, Bonner & Co.
3,000.00	Wyoming County, W. Va. Funding 5 1/2% due 7/1/48	12/31	3,266.25	3,375.00	108.75	" "	M. B. Vick & Co.
8,000.00	American Insurance Union Bldg. 1st Mtg. 4% due 7/1/52 with 100 shares	12/17	8,000.00	6,800.00	" "	1,200.00	Straus Sec. Co.
8,000.00	Bluffton College, 1st Mtg. 2% due 10/15/47	7/22	7,960.00	6,800.00	" "	1,160.00	" "
5,000.00	Lake Shore Towers, 1st Mtg. 4 1/2% due 1/1/50	12/23	4,975.00	2,900.00	" "	2,075.00	Stokes, Woolf & Co.
5,700.00	St. George Hotel Corp. 1st Mtg. 4% due 10/1/50	12/23	5,352.50	3,078.00	" "	2,274.50	Straus Sec. Co.
7,500.00	Hotel Sherman, Inc. 1st Mtg. Income 5% due 4/1/57, with 100 shares	11/23	7,500.00	4,687.50	" "	2,812.50	Stokes, Woolf & Co.
26,220.00	Terminal Tower Co. Cleveland, O. 2 1/2% due 9/1/63, with 131 shares of stock, deposit receipt and scrip	12/17	26,064.50	17,810.20	" "	8,254.30	Straus Sec. Co.
43,295.58	The Van Sweringen Co. Cert. of Indeb. due 12/31/48	12/17	42,986.83	10,397.78	" "	32,589.05	" "
25,000.00	Washington Square Develop. Co. 1st Mtg. 3 1/2% due 10/1/50	12/28	25,000.00	17,652.50	" "	7,147.50	Dean W. Titus Co.
60 shrs.	Southwest Mfg. Corp. common	12/23	5,940.00	1,515.00	" "	4,425.00	Straus Sec. Co.
225 shrs.	National Gas & Electric Corp. common	12/9	843.75	843.75	" "	" "	Blair, Bonner & Co.
10,000.00	St. Petersburg, Fla. Refunding 3% due 10/1/72	12/31	10,000.00	9,355.00	" "	145.00	M. B. Vick & Co.
6,400.00	Hotel Racine, Inc. 1st Mtg. 5% due 12/31/57 with 80 shares	12/10	7,520.00	3,300.00	" "	4,320.00	Straus Sec. Co.
7,000.00	The Van Sweringen Co. Cert. of Indeb. Series 1925 due 12/31/48	12/10	6,982.50	533.75	" "	6,448.75	" "
			\$484,254.32	\$406,174.96	\$12,869.56	\$91,068.90	
					Net loss	\$78,079.34	

\* Indicates property of Juvenile Department.

### UNLISTED SECURITIES WRITTEN OFF IN FORMER YEARS

Per or No. shares	Description	Date	Book Value	Consideration	Recovery	Loss	Sold to
\$33,000.00	Maricopa Reservoir & Power Co. Debentures and Income bonds due 10/1/59	10/28	None	\$ 5,115.00	\$ 5,115.00	" "	Hammel & Co.
11,535.00	Westchester, Ill. Spec. Ass't #3&6 due 12/31/36	7/21	None	1,499.55	1,499.55	" "	Blanchard Securities
12,300.00	Westchester, Ill. Spec. Ass't #3&6 due 12/31/37	7/21	None	1,599.00	1,599.00	" "	Blanchard Securities
22,000.00	Westchester Service Corp. Income bonds and debentures due 4/1/50 with 50 shrs.	12/23	None	900.00	900.00	" "	Stokes, Woolf & Co.
370 units	Detroit - Cleveland Liquidation Trust	12/28	None	2,257.00	2,257.00	" "	Dean W. Titus Co.

25,000.00	Frischkorn Real Estate Co., cert. of dep.	12/28	None	281.25	281.25	" "	" "
5,000.00	Indiana Limestone Corp. income bonds	9/2	None	650.00	650.00	" "	Kneeland & Co.
180 shrs.	Indiana Limestone Corp. common stock	12/31	None	63.00	63.00	" "	Blair, Bonner & Co.
28,000.00	William Z. Campbell Land Co. debentures with 200 shares of common stock	12/28	None	1,365.00	1,365.00	" "	Dean W. Titus Co.
12,000.00	Retail Properties Inc. debentures with 200 shares of common stock	12/9	None	3,930.00	3,930.00	" "	Kneeland & Co.
21,850.00	Benjamin F. Mortenson, cert. of Int.	12/31	None	2,875.00	2,875.00	" "	Dean W. Titus Co.
255 shrs.	Iowa Public Service Co. common	9/21	None	1,657.50	1,657.50	" "	Kneeland & Co.
165 "	Southwestern Public Service Co. common	9/2	None	1,711.88	1,711.88	" "	" "
150 "	American Railways Corp. common	9/7	None	450.00	450.00	" "	" "
231 "	Arizona Citrus Land Co. common	12/17	None	57.75	57.75	" "	Straus Securities Co.
250 units	Joseph Real Estate Liquid. Trust	12/23	None	375.00	375.00	" "	" "
200 shrs.	Kansas City Crushed Stone, common & pfd.	12/23	None	2,075.00	2,075.00	" "	Stokes, Woolf & Co.