

NA najbolj brzo se razvijajočih in dobičkanosnih industrij v Ameriki je danes industrija, ki izdeluje vsakovrstne pripomočke za porodno kontrolo. Letni promet teh pripomočkov, ki jih izdelujejo kemične in slične družbe, znaša ogromno sveto 300 milijonov dolarjev, dodatnih 275 milijonov dolarjev na leto pa znaša trgovina, ki jo delajo na račun porodne kontrole korporacije, ki specializirajo v tozadnih izdelkih iz gumija. Skupno se bavi z izdelovanjem teh pripomočkov devet velikih in okrog 200 malih podjetij. Razpečevanje se vrši potom lekarn, kliniki in privatnih zdravnikov. Poskusilo pa se je celo s takozvenimi "slot" stroji, postavljenimi v raznih strategičnih prostorih, ampak se ta metoda enkrat ne še obnesla.

Navzlic temu pa so stroški ameriškega ljudstva za odpravo ploda še vedno ogromni. Na podlagi poročil iz najboljših vиров — zavarovalniških družb, bolnišnic in zdravnikov — se računa, da Amerika plača letno za umeštne splave najmanj eno milijardo dolarjev na leto. Take operacije stanejo od \$35 do \$1500, v soglasju s socialnim in finančnim stanjem ženske, ki išče pomoč, kot tudi zdravnika, ki izvrši operacijo. Na operacijah, ki jih izvršijo neveči zdravniki ali zakotni mazaci, umre ponepotrebni 15,000 žensk.

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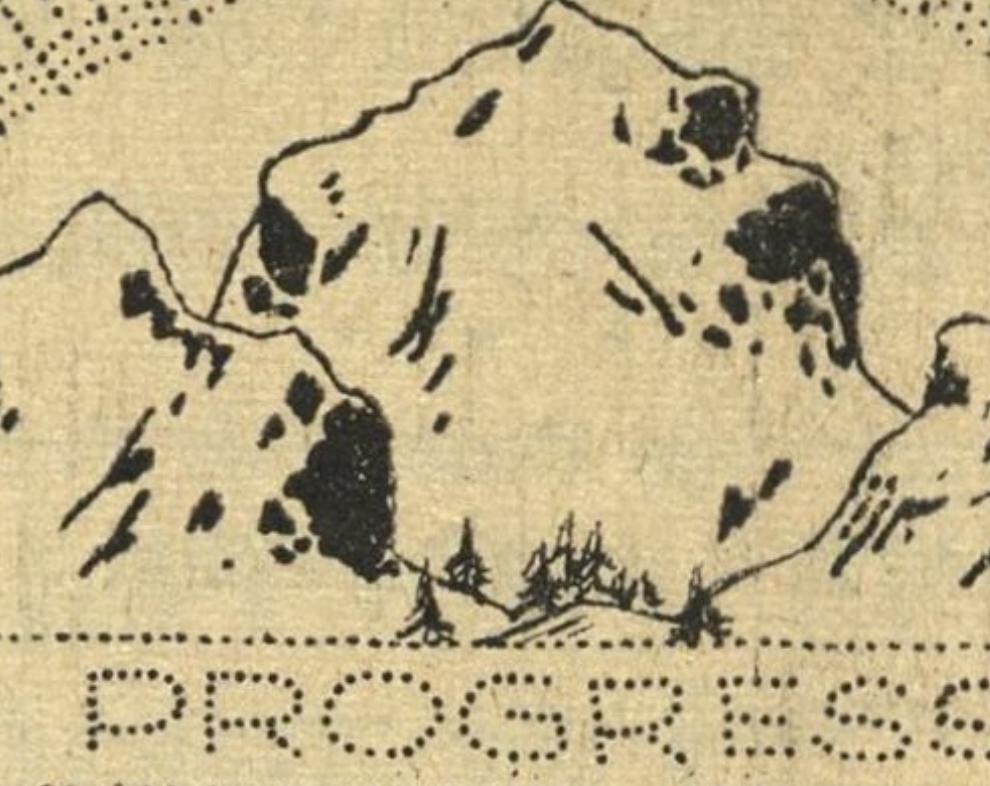
A MERIKA ima seveda vse polno zakonov, zveznih in državnih, ki strogo prepovedujejo razpečevanje pripomočkov za porodno kontrolo kot tudi operacije za odpravo človeškega ploda. Mnogo se dela na to, da bi se zakone črtalo, ali saj omilijo, ampak uspeh v tem pogledu je zelo neznaten. Poglaviti vzrok temu je dvojni moralni standard, po katerem se ravna splošna javnost, in po katerem seveda obračajo svoje plašče tudi zakonodajci, ki vedo, kaj se godi, pa iz strategičnih ozirov niti ne zahtevajo da bi se zakone črtalo, še manj pa seveda, da bi se jih vsljevalo.

Tako torej Amerika caplja proti rešitvi tega problema po znaniem vzorca nulifikacije. Zankoni so tu, ampak postali so mrtva črka — kako mrtva, je najboljši dokaz kapitulacija tako konservativne institucije kot je katoliška cerkev. Cerkev je v Ameriki že pred par leti dala svoj imprimatur takozvanim ritmičnim porodni kontroli, ki baziра na znanstveno baje precej šepavim domnevni, da je ženska v gotovih dneh vsaki mesec varna pred zanositvijo. Cerkvene avtoritete seveda kapitulacije ne priznavajo. One pravijo, da ker se pri taki kontroli ne rabi nikakih fizičnih pripomočkov, je kontrola "naravna" in torej negrešna, konodno pa so pozabile na svoj bivši argument, da je pregrešno vsako spolno razmerje med moškim in žensko, katerega smoteri ni spočetje otroka, temveč le zadostitev spolnega nagona.

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M I SMO mnjenja, da v tako bogati deželi kot je Amerika je porodna kontrola nepotreba in neopraviljiva, razen v izjemnih slučajih, kjer porod postavlja v nevarnost življenje matere. Ni dvoma, da Amerika bi lahko preživila še desetkrat toliko ljudi kot jih danes šteje, ako bi uporabila vse svoje vire in tehniko, s katero razpolaga, in ako bi se razpoložljivo in potenčno bogastvo rabilo za celoto, namesto da sankcijomira to, kar je še pred služi le dobičkažljnosti male kratkem proglašala za "uporabljivo za celoto, namesto da ne sreči neodvisno, ampak z odo-

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Prireditve društev SSPZ

Plesno veselico ima v nedeljo 1. novembra društvo št. 14 v Yale, Kans.

V soboto 31. oktobra imajo Halloween zabave in plesne veselice društva "Spartans" v Clevelandu, "Victorians" v Chicago, "Blue Eagles" v Republic, Pa., in društvo št. 162 v Bon Air, Pa.

Clanstvo je vabljeno, da se vseh prireditiv v obilnem štetvu vdeleži.

Glasom poročil, ki sta jih prinesla dva člana društva "Spartans" iz Clevelandu, ki sta se mudila v Pensylvaniji, sta nad vsa pričakovanje skorajno izpadli prireditvi "Pirate Juniors," Burgettstown, Pa., in pri društva "Challengers," Strabane, Pa., ki sta se vršili zadnjo soboto oziroma nedeljo. Charlie Koman poroča o tem obširnejše v angleški sekcijski današnjega "Napredka."

Novi grobovi

Dne 19. oktobra je po kratki bolezni pljučnici umrl v Somersetu, Col., Anton Majnik, ki je bil član društva št. 52 SSPZ. Pokojni je bil 71 let star in doma iz Dobravče pri Stari vasi v Logaškem okraju na Dotrjanškem. — V Rentonu, Pa., je 17. okt. umrl Ludvik Bogataj, član društva št. 155, star 39 let, doma iz Žirov v Logaškem okraju na Notranjskem. Bolan je bil od meseca julija, nazadnje za vnetjem pljučne mrene, ter zapušča žaljivo družino. — Iz Darragh, Pa., se nam poroča, da je bil v premogoru dne 21. okt. potbit Joe Boltič, ki je dve urki kasneje v bolnišnici podlegel poškodbam. Pokojni je bil 62 let star in doma iz Drage v Litijaškem okraju na Dolenskem. Tu zapušča družino. Bil je član društva št. 5 in Zveze od leta 1909. — V nezgodi z vzpenjanjem v rudniku v Mullen, Idaho, kjer je bilo ubitih 15 premogarjev, je izgubil življenje, kot smo že zadnjič na kratko poročali, tudi naš rojak Jernej Kereš, član društva št. 4 SSPZ v Black Diamond, Wash. Pokojni je bil samec, star 54 let, doma iz vasi Kolusarje, občina Radeče v Krškem okraju.

V Clevelandu so umrli: Ignac Trebič, 59, doma iz vasi Goriče pri Moravčah na Gorenjskem, bival v Ameriki 33 let, in zapušča soprogovo, v starem kraju pa dve sestri. — Otto Tekautz, 50, doma iz Kleč pri Dolskem pod Ljubljano, bival v Ameriki 33 let; pred leti je živel v Pensylvaniji; tu zapušča soprogovo in štiri odrasle sinove, v starem kraju pa starše, brata in sestro. — John Marolt, 67, doma iz Bloške Police pri Ložu; je bil v Ameriki 33 let, ter zapušča soprogovo in šest sestrov. — V Geneva, O., je umrl Andrej Žnidaršič, 64, doma iz Podkrke pri Starem trgu na Notranjskem, ki zapušča hčer

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Kdaj poči v evropski smodnišnici?

Sovjetska Rusija je zadnji teden naznana, da se več ne smatra obvezano po nevtralnostenem paktu, ki je bil sklenjen na inicijativo Francije, da bi se lokaliziralo civilno vojno v Španiji. Obenem se poroča, da so velike pošiljalje orožja in aeroplakov iz Rusije v Španijo že na poti. Španski položaj se med tem v bistvu ni spremeni. Legalna vlada je mobilizirala vse sile, da ohrani Madrid, toda če se ji bo to posrečilo, ni mogoče reči. Večjih bojov zadnje dni ni bilo.

Mussolini je zet in zumanji minister, grof Ciano, je bil zadnji teden na obisku pri Hitlerju. Nemčija je nato formalno priznala podjavljeno. Abesidine je Italije, in obenem se je zvedelo, da sta se Nemčija in Italija zedinili za program, ki ga je izdelal Mussolini.

V Belgiji je prišlo zadnjo soboto do velikih nemirov, ko so belgijski fašisti (reksisti) parado za 22-letnico bitke pri Ypresu porabili za svoje demonstracije. Ko je kralj Leopold gledal parado, je bilo 4000 orožnikov okrog kraljevske palanke in na vseh startegičnih postojankah so bile nastavljene strojnice. Bruselj je imel lice obleganega mesta. V nemirih je bil en moški obstreljen in več sto fašistov je bilo arretiranih, med njimi tudi Leon Degrelle, ki se ga nazivlja "belgijski Hitler."

V Trstu je bil odstavljen škof Fogar, ki je vztrajal, da se slovenski manjšini v njegovih škofiji dovoli cerkveno petje, pridigovanje in molitve v materninskem jeziku. Odstavitev škofa, ki ni Slovenc, se je izvršila po naročilu iz Vatikanika, potem ko je pritisnil na papeža sam Mussolini. Iz Belgrada se poroča, da bo 70 tisoč Slovencev in Hrvatov iz Primorja, ki živijo v Jugoslaviji kot politični begunec, v znaku protesta prestopilo v pravoslavno cerkev.

Britvijo lokalne demokratske organizacije, ki bo skušala na ta način poraziti "uradnega" kandidata, sedanjega kongresnika Martin L. Sweeneyja, ki je izbran pri primarnih volitvah skočil v Coughlinov tabor. Za okrajnega sodnika kandidira Frank J. Lausche, ki je sedaj mestni sodnik. Ponovno kandidira za državnega poslanca na demokratskem tiketu odvetnik Jos. Ogrin, za okrajnega komisarja na Coughlinovem tiketu pa kandidira Jos. Mohar. Wm. M. Boyd-Boić, sedaj državni poslanec, kandidira v ohjiski se, in sicer na demokratskem tiketu.

"Proletarec" z dne 21. oktobra kritizira uredniški članek "Kako bomo volili?", ki je bil priobčen v "Napredku" z dne 14. oktobra! "Proletarec" najprej citira važnejše odstavke članka, potem pa med drugim pravi: "Nauk, ki ga oznanja 'Napredek', ni prav nič delavski in prav nič napreden, dasi je imel urednik 'Napredka', ki

je članek pisal najboljši način, da je zaprli 44 štol in da si teden, da je zaprli 44 štol in da si

VOLILNA BORBA V ZADNIH KRČIH — V TOREK PADE ODLOČITEV

Ljuta borba za predsedništvo Zed. držav se te dni zvija v svinjih zadnjih krčih, prihodnji teden 3. novembra pa bodo državljanji in državljanke z glasovnicami odločili, kdo bo skozi prihodnja štiri leta načeloval zvezni vladi v Washingtonu. Besnenje političnih strasti se bo sicer nadaljevalo do počasnih ur v parlamentu na 70 mandatov, kjer ima sedaj malo manj kot absolutno večino.

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Ogledalo:

Tragedije, komedije in zanimivosti iz življenja.

Denver, Colo. — Električni vlak Burlington železnice, voveč iz Chicaga v Denver, je na

pravil nov brzinski rekord. Razdaljo 1027 milj je prevozel v 12 urah in 12 minutah. Povprečna brzina vlaka je znašala nad 83 milj na uro.

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je pri zvezni vladi izposodil 425 milijonov dolarjev.

Za kakšno nevtralnost je Landon

Na povratku iz Californije se je Landon v soboto ustavil v Indianapolisu, kjer je govoril o zunanji politiki. Rekel je, da je proti vojni za nevtralnost, potem pa je pristavil, da Zed. države morajo vztrajati na svojih tradicionalnih nevtralnostnih pravilih. To so baš tiste pravice, ki so spravile Ameriko v zadnjo svetovno vojno, ko je ameriška vlada zahtevala pravico dovozati orožje in munitione zaveznikom. Sedanjii nevtralnostni zakon, ki poteče 1. maja, svari, da vsakdo, ki trguje s tujim vojsko, silo, dela to na svojo odgovornost, kar vsaj nekoliko manjša možnost, da bi vojna trgovina potegnila deželo v nov konflikt.

Al Smith v Chicago in Pittsburghu

Zadnjo soboto zvečer je imel Al Smith svoj četrти govor, v katerem je napadal Roosevelta, smeril "možganski trust" in uradiral izvolitev Landon. Govoril je v Pittsburghu. Navzdeč je bilo 11 tisoč ljudi, toda dvakrat med govorom je bil Smith vsled sovražnih kljucov prekinjen. Par dni prej je Smith govoril v Chicago, kjer je na sličen način udrihal po Rooseveltu in ga dolžil, da je napadala držal in obmetala z jaci in paradižniki. V nedeljo zvečer pa so Browderjev shod v Tampi, Fla., razbili višiganci, ki so nosili na glavah čepice Ameriške legije. Več oseb je bilo v metežu ranjenih.

Terre Haute, Ind. — Ko se je Earl Browder, komunistični kandidat za predsednika, zadnji teden vrnil v to mesto, da bi obdržaval govor, katerega se mu je teden prej preprečilo, ga je napadala držal in obmetala z jaci in paradižniki. V nedeljo zvečer pa so Browderjev shod v Tampi, Fla., razbili višiganci, ki so nosili na glavah čepice Ameriške legije. Več oseb je bilo v metežu ranjenih.

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Jesensko razmišljanje

LJUBEZEN DO PRIRODE nam je prirojena, ker človek je pač del in odsev prirode. Ni ga človeka, ki bi ga vsaj včasih ne prešinilo čustvo skupnosti s prirodo in njenimi čudovitimi pojavi, in ki ne bi v svojem srcu čutil tako kot se izražajo umetniki — pesniki, pisatelji, slikarji in glasbeniki — ki bodisi z besedo, barvo ali melodijo dajejo duška svojim čustvom nad čudeži, katerih je tako polna priroda. In čim bolj se človek odružuje s prirodi, tem bolj ga vleče nazaj k nji, tem bolj jo zna ceniti. Le oni, ki je v njem zamrl že ves čut za lepoto in ki že propada, je popolnoma zadovoljen z izumetničenim življenjem, ki je izgubilo neposreden stik in odnos s prirodo. Kdor več ne pogreša oživljajočega odnosa z naravo, je kot suha veja na drevesu življenja, ki ne bo več ozelenela in cvetela in ki ne bo nikoli več rodiла sadu.

Slovenci smo kmečki narod. Skozi stoletja je naš človek živel v intimnem stiku z naravo. Zato ljubi zemljo, vdan ji je kot sin svoji materi, in njegovo največje veselje je, ako mu je mogoče živeti na koščku zemlje, ki jo lahko po svojem okusu in veselju neguje in obdeluje. Naš človek bo imel, ako le mogoče, majhen vrt okrog svojega doma celo v velemestih, sredi fabrik in delavnic, in sem skoro slehernega je, da bi poslednja leta svojega življenja preživel na deželi, daleč od babilonskega velemestnega hrupa. Slovenec resnično ljubi prirodo.

In kdaj je priroda bolj prešerno krasna kot ravno v sedanjem — jesenskem letnem času! Prelestna je posmud, lepo je poletje in tudi zima ni brez posebnih čarov, ampak jesen s svojo razkošno simfonijo vseh mogočih barv in barynih odtenkov je napram ostalim letnim dobam kot kraljica, ki se je za izredno slavnost odela v svoje najkrasnejše oblačilo. In prav tako kakor pravljična kraljica, ki je ob uri svojega veselja še posebno dobra svojim zvestim podanikom, tako tudi priroda v jesenskem času deli zemljaniom obilne in bogate darove. Semena, ki jih je pomlad poklicala iz zemlje in ki so ob žaru poletnega solnca rastla in uspevala, v jeseni rodijo sadove. Jesen je dopolnilno zmagoslavje skrivenostno snujočih sil prirode, ki z radodarno roko siplje svoje darove človeškemu rodu.

Usojeno pa je, da nobeno veselje ne more dolgo trajati. Čim bolj prešernosti in razkošnosti polno je, tem prej ga je konec. Prekmalu začnejo sončni žarki izgubljati svojo moč, mrzle sape, neklicane in nevabljenje, pridejo v goste, in ko se nekoga jutra ozremo naokrog, vidimo, da so drevesa, pred par dnevi še takoj bujna, da so se človeku zdela kot rumene ali rudeče plamenice, gola in oropana svojega krasa, da so travnik in polja porujavala, in da je slana pomorila celo najbolj trdožive v kljubovalne jesenske cvetke. Tesno postane človeku pri srcu, ko vidi pred seboj nenasno razdejanje, in otožnost se ga polašča. Kako minljivo je vse na svetu!

Pa je umestno, da včasih razmišljamo o življenju tudi s te strani. Le tedaj bomo pripravljeni, kadar bo dospela jesen našega življenja. Le tisti, ki je mislil na večer, ko je solnce še visoko stalo, bo nekoč mornega srca gledal, ko se bo solnce nagibalo proti zatonu, ker kreplja ga bo zavest, da je bilo njegovo življenje koristno in plodonosno.

SSPZ je bratska organizacija, ki v svojih vrstah druži člane in članice vseh starosti, od mladine nežnih detinskih let, predstavljače pomlad življenja, pa do osivelih mož in žen, ki so dočakali jesen, in ki danes stoe pred durmi zime svojega življenja. Ti slednji, zrč nazaj, imajo občutek zadovoljstva, ker so svoje življenko delo dobro opravili — ker kot člani bratske ustanove niso živeli le za sebe, temveč tudi za druge, in pa za svoje potomce. Sledimo vsi njihovemu vzgledu, pa bo SSPZ prosvitela in napredovala, in tudi mi bomo imeli nekoč prijetno zavest, da nismo zaman živeli.

POROČILA FEDERACIJ

Zapisnik seje Skupnih društev v Clevelandu, O.

Cleveland, O. — V soboto, dne 10. oktobra se je vršila redna seja Skupnih društev SSPZ v S. D. Domu na Waerloo Rd. Sejo je otvoril in vodil do konca br. Krist Stokel. Od društev nista bili zastopani št. 144 in 215; vsa druga društva so bila zastopana. Zapisnik prejšnje seje sprejet, kot čitan.

Predsednik poroča o pripravah za slavnost 10-letnice Skupnih društev v Clevelandu. Vaje se vršijo redno za igro "Prodani ded," kot tudi za igre ki vplivajoči člani Vrtcev 5. in 11.

Podpredsednica, sestra Marjorie Vidmar obžaluje, ker se ne bo mogla vsled važnega vzroka udeležiti te slavnosti.

Tajnik-blagajnik, br. Kiko poroča, da se blagajna vedno bolj krči; stroškov je vedno nekaj, dohodkov pa nič. Vstopnice za 10-letnico se še primeroma dobro prodajajo, kot je razvidno po zastopnikih in članih, ki so jih prevzeli v predprodajo.

Poročila zastopnikov: štev. 20. ni nujesar za poročati, seje se bo šele jutri vršila; štev. 26. imajo dva nova člana in izvolili so 4 delavce za delati ob priliki 10-letnice; štev. 87. nič posebnih novic; štev. 120. seje se bo vršila v sredo, nič novega za poročati; štev. 144 ni zastopnik navzoč; štev. 198. seje se vršila še 21. okt. za sedaj ni posebno novega; štev. 204. nič posebnega za sedaj; štev. 215. zastopnik ni navzoč.

Tajnik-blagajnik, br. Kiko poroča, da je pisal pismo v imenu Skupnih društev br. Michael Vrhovnik, in ga povabil glasem sklepa Skupnih društev, da poseti našo slavnost kot govornik v angleščini in da prinese izkazilo, ko je dobil nagrado iz gl. urada, nakar bo ponem izkazilo tudi federacije plačala nagrade.

Prošnje. — Od društva št. 172, Library, Pa., za družino Steve Ritonja, asesment za dva meseca, v znesku \$8.02. Prošnji se ugodni.

Br. Candon poroča, da so mu bila dostavljena nova pravila SSPZ in da naj tajniki pridejo k njemu po nje, da jih razdelijo med članstvo na društvenih sejih. Istotako poroča tudi br. Bohinc, da je tudi on prejel posliko pravil za Collinwoodsko društvo SSPZ.

Br. Koman predlaga, da naj se kmalu po slavnosti 10-letnice Skupnih društev priredi veselica za člane Vrtev št. 5. in 11. skupno. Po daljši razpravi se sklene, da se veselico prideže, čas določi odbor skupnih društev. Veselico se prirede v S. D. Domu na Waterloo Rd. Vse ostale podrobnosti te veselice določi odbor.

Stavlen je predlog, da se se debata zaključi, ker je bilo provizorično sestavljen Program za 10-letnico obstanka društva, odobri kakor šen je. Predlog je podprt in sprejet.

Določi se nekaterim dela ob priliki 10-letnice, ostale nastaviti predsednik na dan prireditve izmed prijavljenih društvenih delavev.

Br. Koman pričakuje več publicete za slavnost 10-letnice člani in odborniki naj bi napisali kaj dopisov v to nameren.

Br. Grill pravi, da je najboljša publiceta, če se veliko vstopnic v naprej razprodaja med občinstvo; to je, kar največ steje.

Sklene se, da se prihodnja seja Skupnih društev vrši v soboto zvečer, 21. novembra, v S. D. Domu na Waerloo Rd. Seja zaključena ob 10:45 zvečer.

Erazem Gorshe, zapisnikar
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Izčrek seje Federacije S. S. P. Z. v zapadni Penn.

Coverdale, Pa. — Seja federacije SSPZ v zapadni Pensylvaniji se je vršila 30. avgusta v naselbini Braddock pri društvu št. 239. Predsednik otvoril sejo ob 10. uri dopoldne. Cita se imena odbornikov, ki so načoči. Čitan je zapisnik prejšnje seje in sprejet kot čitan.

Predsednik apelira na zbor, da gremo s sejo naprej brez odmora, s čemer so vsi zadowoljni, in da vsak zastopnik poroča, kar je najnajvečjega. Zastopnik je 16 društva s 24 delegati.

Poročilo odbora. — Tajnik poroča, da imamo 30. avgusta v blagajni \$70.69. Knjige so bile pregledane in najdeno v redu. Poročilo se vzame na znanje. Predsednik se lepo zahvaljuje društvu št. 172 v Library za uspeh na pikniku.

Poročilo zastopnikov. — Društvo št. 103 poroča za Vrtec, da so dobili nove člane in vabijo na njih veselico in igro. Poročilo društva št. 89 se vzaime na znanje. Društvo št. 239 poroča zaradi prireditve oziroma piknika. Društvo št. 102 poroča, da je dobito 3 nove člane. Društvo št. 80 je dobito 5 mladinských članov. Poročilo društva št. 126 se vzame na znanje.

Sledi debata zaradi nagrad za nove člane. Stavlen in podpiran je predlog, da vsak tajnik ali posamezni član naj prinese izkazilo, ko je dobil nagrado iz gl. urada, nakar bo ponem izkazilo tudi federacija plačala nagrade.

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V korist Federacije in Zvezze. — Zastopnik iz Herminie od društva št. 80, Mike Stern, apelira na zborico in na društvo, da delujejo za združenje z JSKJ. Br. Kvartich apelira na vse društva in posamezne člane za pridobivanje novih članov; nagrade se plačajo iz fed. blagajne, \$6.60.

Resolucije. — Dr. F. J. Arch poroča o akciji za organiziranje delavstva v jeklarski industriji, in priporoča, da tudi naša Federacija pošlje zastopnike na sestanek, ki se vrši 25. oktobra v SND v Pittsburghu, Pa.

Predlagano in podprt, da se pošlje tri zastopnike. Predlagano so im sprejmejo Tony Čipčič, Adolf Tomšič in Jurij Prevc.

Zaključek seje ob 11:30 do poldne.

Adolf Tomšič, predsednik, Frank Černuta, zapisnikar.

DOPISI IN POROČILA ČLANSTVA

SPOMINI S PIKNIKA. — PREDSEDDNIŠKE VOLITVE

Library, Pa. — Vsak dopisovalec poroča najprej o delavskem položaju. V tukajnjih premogorovih se dela po pet dni v tednu in po sedem ur na dan. Zasluži se za pošteno življenje, več pa ne, ker so vsi rovi prenapolnjeni in dela sploh ni dobiti v tej okolici.

28-letni član Zveze sem se tudi br. Zaitzu za kompliment v "Tedenških pomenkih," katerega ne zasluzim, ker tukaj je tako težko dobiti novega člana, ker spadajo že vsi k dvema ali več društvtom. Kar se "produkcijski" tiče, bi stopila v prve vrste, ako bi bil kontest v veljavni kot v Kanadi za pol milijona dolarjev, ne pa za malo nagrado kot pri II. Duceju ali pa Hitlerju. In ker je br. Zaitz urgiral, da naj še kaj napišem v naš "Napredku," evo tukaj!

Zadnjij sem omenila predsedniške volitve in še sama nisem bila na jasnom, katerega kandidata bi volila. Ali hvala za pojasnila našemu uredniku, ki je v "Napredku" tako živo opisal karaktere vseh strank. Sreč me boli, ker vidim, da je nemogoče oddati glas Normalu Thomasu, našemu velikemu boritelju zatiranega ljudstva. Ker se gre za Landonia ali Roosevelt, je pravilno, da New Deal dobi naš glas, kajti, ako Landon zmaga, bodo prosperitet sami v tovarnah za srajce, katere bodo morale producirati v raznih barvah, kot n. pr. črne, rjavе, srebrne, ali kakršne si bodo Landonovi junaki izbrali. Mogoče bo še kakšna svastika vmes. Srečni bodo krojači in šivilje, ker bo dosti dela zanje, ali kaj bo pa z nami?

Pozdrav vsem članom in članicam širom Amerike! Sylvia F. Skedel, tajnica TUTTI FRUITTI OKROG — V IN PRI ROŽNIKU SSPZ ŠTEV. 227

Chicago, Ill. — Joseph Steblov je mrtev. Sicer ni bil član naše Zveze, toda bil je z nami vse povsod, na veselicah, piknikih ali banketih. Zabaval se je z nami, debatirali smo o podpornih organizacijah najrajše na seveda o stavbinih in poslovnih društvinah, kajti bil je tajnik in organizator v pravem pomenu besede. Največkrat se je zabaval v družbi njegove soproge in težko dobiti pogrešali. Njegov pogreb je pričkal, da je imel mnogo prijateljev.

Društvo Rožnika ima svoje redne seje vsaki tretji četrtek v mesecu. Udeležba je vedno sorazmerno s številom članstva precej povoljna. Udeležbi se je okrog 35% članov, toda vsa znamenja kažejo, da povprečno udeležitev v bodoče bo okrog 60%. Jaz sicer ne vem, koliko to znaša, ampak pri "Rožniku" se je organiziral nekakšen pevski zbor (ne pivski), in to je, kar bo zvišalo % udeležbe. Najbolj nerodno pri vsem tem je, da smo za povedovanje zbrali našega regularnega časnega člana rojaka Jos. Kratchnerja, st. Na zadnjih sejih, oziroma po seji pri golažu, nam je zatrjeval, da bo nas skifštal tako, da bomo že lahko skupno nastopili na prireditvi "Vrtca" št. 160 dne 6. dec. v SNPJ dvorani. Bomo vidli, je rekel ta step.

Pevski zbor "France Preser" bo imel svoj običajno jesenski koncert v nedeljo 15. nov. v SNPJ dvorani. V kolikor sem skozi zaprta vrata slišal, bo to pot nastopil tudi menši zbor s par pesnicami. Tu nekakšno enodejanko bodo vpravili za smeh, in kratek čas. Tudi to bomo videli, pa kar brez marele, tudi če bo deževal.

Teden pozneje to je 22. nov. se pelje pa zbor "France Preser" v La Salle, Ill., gostovat k samostojnemu podpornemu društvu "Edinost". Stavnost bo ob priliki 30. letnice obstanka društva in sicer priredba bo v Slov. Nar. Domu v LaSalle, Ill. Nadalje prosim društva, da mi sporoči in prošnji ugodijo, da mi bo mogoče ob pravem času objaviti program.

Z bratskim pozdravom, Victor Zupancic

HVALA ZA KOPIMENT — KAKO BOMO VOLILI?

Bon Air, Pa. — Na zadnji seji je bilo sklenjeno, da se vršijo seje vsake prvo nedeljo popoldne ob 2. uri, in ne več dopoldne. Torej pridite vsi člani na sejo 1. novembra ob 2. uri popoldne.

Akoravno je že pozno, vendar mislim, da ne bo odveč, če obudim spomin na proslavo 4. julija, ob kateri priliki je društvo št. 89 SSPZ v Syganu, Pa., ob Hajalo svojo 25-letnico. Kot malo pozneje, ko se prav nič drugega, kaj da je milico poslal nadadarje. Ko so se delavci zavrstili kompaniji in zahtevali večji košček kruha, so bombe dobili namesto kruha, namejam, da je zadužila seja, ki

Pa brez zamere ...



Kot se poroča, je bila boginja Svob

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Election Eve



M. Vrhovnik

It is election eve, the day before the most important presidential election in many years. The candidates are Roosevelt, Landon, Lemke, Thomas and Browder. The rest cut no ice. In fact, judging from talk on the street corners and in public places, including the taverns and restaurants, not even Lemke, Thomas or Browder are in the race. It's either Roosevelt or Landon and the one big campaign slogan or argument used by the major parties is this... "A vote for Lemke, Thomas or Browder is a vote for either Roosevelt or Landon depending on whom you're interested in"... Four years ago it was... "A vote for Norman Thomas is a vote for Hoover" and yet Roosevelt had a lead margin of 6,500,000 votes over that polled by Hoover. I've been wondering ever since, when are the people going to wake-up and cast their ballot for a man who represents their interests, who understands the economic problems of the world and who knows how to go about straightening them out on a more permanent basis and not, as has been the practice and creed during the past three and one-half years, temporary and temporary only.

You cannot understand what I mean until I tell you a story that has been heard around the country since the early days of Republican and Democratic competition. In a very few words it gives you a picture that strikes to the very roots of our troubles. Here is my version of it... "Say, John, who you going to vote for President, tomorrow; guess you know tomorrow's election day, don't you?" Asked Bill of his friend when they met on a street corner downtown, today. "Sure do, Bill, but what difference does it make? It's either gonna be Roosevelt or Landon that's gonna run things down there in Washington, D. C. durin' the next four years and for that reason I don't see any reason for gettin' all het-up about it. It just don't make no difference, that's all I got to say."

Now Bill knew John to be liberal-minded, and sometimes, a bit radical in his political views, so he wasn't surprised when he heard that. However, he happened to be in a curious mood and proceeded with his questioning... "No difference between those two parties? Man! What do you mean by making such a rash statement? Explain yourself!"

For a second or two before answering, John eyed his friend from out of the corner of his eyes and then said... "Well, if you're so anxious to know, I'll tell you, darn you, and I hope you never forget. You know, yourself, that I've been living in this country for over 40 years— We came over on the same boat. Remember? Well, in all that time I've been watchin' what the Republican party did and what the Democrats done as they changed places, and do you know, Bill, the only difference I noticed was that they went about conducting the governmental affairs a little bit different, but in the end there was no real difference; that is, in the wealth of the common people. After 40 years of watching, I'm convinced the same men are running both parties. They're all on the same band-wagon and the seat is in the middle. At one end, a JACKASS, is hitched and at the other end, an ELEPHANT. When the Republicans win they all turn to the elephant and drive the elephant, and when the Democrats win they turn right around and drive the jackass. See what I mean Landon or Roosevelt, either road leads, eventually, to the same DUMP-PILE. The only difference is that it may take a little longer to get there if we choose one over the other. Well, so long, Bill. I gotta go to the grocery store for Ma and get some soup-bones for supper. See ya later. So long." And as he ambled along chewing at his tobacco and aiming his spit at every third, or fourth line in the side-walk, he thought to himself: "Gosh, I didn't know Bill was so darn dumb! Why he's about the dumbest fellow in the neighborhood! But, then, you can't blame him, poor fellow, always mixing with those high-falutin' relatives of his wife's. Besides, he's had a pretty easy life, too; no tough goin' for him. Gosh, he's lucky!... Oh, yes, soup-bones, soup-bones and soup for supper. Gotta keep-off the relief, soup-bones, soup-bones, etc."... Till he got them.

And far down the street, Bill was thinking: "Poor John... Never will learn you've got to be a Republican or Democrat to get ahead in this country... Look at me... Never out of work... Precinct captain for 20 years... Got \$500.00 the other day for my campaign work against Landon... It means another new car... And

ATTENTION TRAIL BLAZERS JRS.!

All members and parents are invited to the Big Halloween Party at Stancik's Hall, 205 E. 115th St., Saturday afternoon, October 31, at 2:00 o'clock. There will be games, refreshments and fortune-telling. Please come in a costume—and don't forget to come.

Katherine Zadnik, sec'y

Spartans Basketball Notice

The Spartans open the 1936-37 season with the George Washingtons on Wednesday, Nov. 4.

Anyone wishing to play with the team, please report on Saturdays between five and six o'clock. Next Saturday is the last day of practice before the opening game, so please report.

If you know of some good players wishing to play with the Spartans, have them report on Saturday.

Joe Hocevar

Spartans To Sponsor Hallowe'en Party

that \$200.00 I'll get from the County organization fund besides what I already got... Well, life isn't so bad even under the Democrats... Guess about 4 years hence it'll be time to switch over—maybe... Poor John, I can't help thinking about him and his wife... And he's too darn proud to go on relief or ask for a pension... The trouble with him is that he has entirely too much principle... But, then, one can live on principle alone... Nowadays, one has got to be ever on the alert to cut the other fellow's throat before he slits yours... Cutting throats-ugh... But everybody is trying to do it... You can't stand peacefully by and help them along... Poor, poor, John, etc."

I could go on telling you the views of the man on the street by the page. I could fill this entire newspaper with my views of Roosevelt's administration, what he has tried to do and what he has not, what he has done and not done and why he has not done them, but it would be no use. I know only too well that the majority of our people are going to cast their ballot for him in spite of what I have said or what I could say. The political schemes which have been perpetrated under him, with or without his aid (but mostly with), have been so cleverly manipulated that 90 per cent of those who are going to vote for him don't know that they are being tricked again. I know it is too late to change anyone's views. You are going to do exactly what you have made-up your minds to do (or did someone have something to do with making them up for you)—Anyway, they're made-up and the next four years will answer the question... I say the next two years will answer the question, if Roosevelt is re-elected.

Next Tuesday morning, an army of 455 million voters will march to the polls and make their choices. You will be among them. Most of you are going to vote for Roosevelt because you feel that by giving your vote to the man you'd like to see in the White House would be a vote for Landon. On the other hand, some of you are going to vote Republican while a few scattered voters will find their way into the ballot box for Thomas, Browder and Lemke. It certainly is too bad we've got to make the same mistake over and over again... They'll tell you, "Vote for Roosevelt and save Democracy," or "Vote for Landon and save the country"... Both slogans are meaningless in the mouths of the Democratic and Republican leaders. To them they are merely words, beautiful sounding words used to trap the votes of the masses... Think, my friends, have we, in the past fifty years, ever had democracy; that is, real honest-to-goodness democracy? Then, how can you say something you have never had? A real democracy means a government of the people, by the people and for the people. Can you recall a time in your life-time when our government was whole-heartedly for the people as a whole? The answer is... NO! NEVER! So, go to the polls and exercise your duty and your right... Vote as your conscience dictates, right or wrong... Time will take care of the rest... The one sad thing about using time as a remedy to cure our ailment and to show us our mistakes is that TIME, IN ITSELF, CANNOT SAVE TIME... A minute lost is a minute lost forever... A vote lost is a vote lost forever... In closing may I say, if my political views do not coincide with yours, remember that every man has a right to his own opinions and a right to express them as he understands them.

Supreme president, Mr. Kvartich looking very prominent with a big black cigar. Beer for all, gallons for one is his motto. A very good idea.

Dark and handsome Frank Tome (Franchot Tome) busy pinning flowers for young Progressor lasses. Very thrilling, eh girls?

Pirate "Red" Daniels with a charming young miss. I should say future Mrs. A different young man than was in Cleveland a year ago. What a change a young lady can bring about!

Melvin Moore, a rooster in the center of 12 young chickens.

Another young man going—Rudy Vajentic will also follow the way of Red soon. Too bad, my friend.

A very romantic couple Ben Christy and Mary Dugas. Eyes for no one else but each other.

Little finger Marge so expertly sipping her soup. Alto or soprano, Marge?

"Uncle Charlie" buzzin' all the pretty gals.

Michael V. saying he hasn't a chance. Probably too many chances, Mike.

Pete Elish, tall, handsome, Challenger has finally met his match. Frank Tome can look him square in the eye and drink beer for beer, without using a stepladder.

Chuck Komov was rather quiet and reserved. Was it her, Chuck?

Gay, young Ernie everywhere and all over. Just can't keep a good man down!

Lefty and Christy dance just too, too divine.

Chester Kawalski the Jesse Owens of the dance floor. Speed, he's got it!

Felix Martinic, happy and gay over the prospects of the chicken's drumsticks. Charming little lassie of his, all smiles. You going, too, soon?

Sheep-eyed Ed Zupancic refusing a lady a dance. Next time give her a break "Bob" Taylor.

Some very good Hollywood prospects shown on the screen. What say Marian, get a contract yet?

Everyone trying to get a look at "Chuck" Koman's blue book. Kind of em, em, Chuck?

Just one big happy SSPZ family. May our Vrtes grow.

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GLAS ANGLEŠKO GOVORE-
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New Vrtec Organized In Bridgeville

Chatter Box

BY SCRUTINIZER

Dates Of Interest To Vrtec No. 1 Members

Now the ears have it to the effect that the famous adventures of Chicago's modern Romeo and Juliet are at an end... Another separation and divorce scandal without par... Yes, sir, the missus got tough and determined to end it all, so she forbade Romeo to knock on Juliet's window after 10 p. m. (or was it vice versa), anyway. Wally is getting lonesome and wondering what it is all about... Nuh! Nuh! Nuh! Somehow or the other Juliet still manages to remain plumb and rotund, the wreckage of the romance notwithstanding... Halloween party for Trail Blazer Juniors is offing this coming Saturday at Stancik's... Juniors should have a helova time with that treasury of theirs surpassing that of their "papa" Lodge... No peanut hiding contest this time, though, for there are no squirrels around now to do the shelling... At their picnic this summer the peanut hunt was a total disappointment... The nuts were hidden (?) the night before the picnic, and when the hunt was over the following afternoon—only broken shells were to be found... The kids blamed it on the squirrels who beat them to the victory, but some of them cast suspicious eyes on the principals, who were supposed to hide the nuts... Another adventure gone astray, proving that sowing wild oats might have its after-effects. Here is the dirt: One of the big shots of the Trail Blazers attended a stag, given by American Legion, not so long ago... Before the show was over he and his companion had to leave... the going was just a "bit" too tough... Now the nightmares began to do their stuff and sleep-walking is in style... Practicing tacking a dummy at 3 a. m. is nothing uncommon, just a part of the football seasoning... A bleeding toe the following morning disapproved the theory that dreams do not come true... in fact seeing is believing... According to SCRUTINIZER's latest viewing of a movie the problems may be solved by tying strings to the sleep-walker's toe and to the toe of his better half... the awakening will be worthwhile, and probably no bleeding toes... Sch, sch sch!!! Many Trail Blazers will attend the Halloween party given by SLOVAN GIRLS on the night of October 31st at Starc's, 101st and Avenue "N"... The warblers are rather successful in staging their affairs, thanks to tenors and basses who like to patronize them... What is it now, gals, some more new gowns? Or will the proceeds be used to defray the cost of cleaning of 1935 gowns?? We shall scrutinize... Trail Blazers' treasurer was most likely kidnapped, most likely... Cupid's bow stopped quivering a long time ago, since he shot the damaging arrow into Johnnie's heart, yet—no Johnnie... at any of the T. B.'s meetings... Secretary does not worry so much about his absence, but about the jingles he could use to pay the dues of delinquent members... He (the secretary) is about to be called on the carpet to explain the endless rows of suspensions each month... The Assistant Secretary does not like that. Do you hear, he DOES NOT LIKE SUSPENSIONS... Which reminds the SCRUTINIZER that his dues for October are not as yet paid... Ho-hum, as I was saying... that vacations Vicki had the last two weeks are just about over... Grand time, ey, old man!! What's the matter with the local movie houses? Tioli belongs to South Chicago, why not treat the gal right at home... (which of course is none of my business!)... Until next week I'll be just a

Scrutinizer

October 28, at which time all members of the decorating committee and others who wish to lend a helping hand will gather at Zaitz's Hall where we will do a complete and as spooky as you want to make it decorating job in preparation for our Halloween Party which will take place on October 30. Members who are working on decorating material, please have all of your material at the hall on or before the 28th. Everyone present at the October meeting which, by the way was one of the best meetings of the year both for attendance and visitors present and for the interesting discussions. We can't go wrong by saying that everyone is anxiously waiting for the date. Each member has been given two admission tickets with the privilege of inviting a friend.

Snapshots of our officers and of the whole group of members together and of individuals snapped at our summer outing were shown by our secretary affording us a number of hearty laughs because when it comes to fancy posing we can't beat.

Our scrapbook carries a group picture for each year in addition to individual pictures of each member, set off and decorated by the artistic hand of one of our most faithful workers, Felix Rozina.

At our next meeting we will start working on our plans for a big Christmas Party.

Joseph Drasler, Adm.

It Was Loads Of Fun, Says Ann

CLEVELAND, O.—As we all know, United Lodges' anniversary program turned out to be a large success. It was loads of fun for the members in the plays, and most of us will miss going to the rehearsals. The two Vrtecs have gotten the opportunity for getting better acquainted with one another. There have been many individual friendships that have sprung up. I know that I have made several delightful new friends, and I'm looking forward to the times when we can have a lot of fun together.

It has been very nice to work with Miss Vera Candon and Mr. Vatro Grill as our instructors. We hope that the next time we have an affair of the similar type, we can have the two for our instructors a second time.

Many of us had the pleasure of meeting our director, Mr. Michael Vrhnovnik. We hope that the next time you're in the city, you'll stop in on our meeting if we are having one at the time.

All members holding money for tickets or any unsold tickets, please turn them in to me before our meeting if possible. The returns can be brought to my home in the evening. The address is 18915 Muscoka Ave.

Every member is requested to attend the next meeting on Friday, November 6. There are some interesting matters to be decided upon concerning our activities for the winter. There are some interesting items on the list already such as parties. We are expecting some of the Spartan Jr.s as our guests at our next meeting. If enough of the members attend the next meeting, there will be a small entertainment after the meeting.

Now about our Vrtec page. Nine out of ten of us were anxious to have a Vrtec page. We have it now and why don't we write for it and make it a success? It makes a great deal of work for the editor and his assistants to look around for material to fill where there were no letters to place. It all comes to one focus. That is lack of cooperation. Try writing once and see the feeling of accomplishment you have when you see your article in print. Let's pitch in and make it our duty to write to the Vrtec page. Make it a campaign while we're at it, and see which Vrtec has the most and best articles in the next edition.

If you received and read last week's issue, you will have observed that the Victorians are having their Annual Halloween Party at Kobal's, 55th and Clarendon Hills Road, on Saturday, October 31. Meeting place will be Berger's, at Lawndale and 27th-8:30 p. m. We are hopeful that all car owners will be driving and thus provide means of transportation for those who are "car-less". We will endeavor to take care of everyone as usual. And don't forget the costume—half of the fun is dressing up for a party like this.

For those who wish to go direct to Kobal's: The easiest way to reach 55th is to take the new Joliet Road (State Route No. 4) which cuts off of Harlem Ave. in Lyons. Go through McCook, cross the big bridge over the R. R. tracks, then turn right when you get to the next paved road, which is 55th. Proceed on 55th, to Kobal's.

Friends. Hope to see a great many of our old

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weeks all applications should be completed and the above number increased by five if not ten. With such a successful beginning the Progressors should have no difficulty in maintaining this group of boys and girls and gradually developing them into a Vrtec worthy of distinctive praise.

Now that the working conditions are growing better and modern business on the upward trend, it is only natural that our organization should benefit by such favorable changes. And with the improved financial status of the country, it is also only natural that the time was never more suitable for the solicitation of new members for our society. It is for this reason that I appeal to each of you to scout around for prospective applicants, for we know the campaign is now open until Jan. 1st, 1937, including free initiation and medical examination and also a reward for the proposer. The young people of today, especially, have a better opportunity for securing new members since they have a broader social field.

Vrtec No. 103 is showing rapid progress, which was demonstrated Sunday, Oct. 18 at their lodge home in White Valley. I was fortunate in being among the huge crowd in attendance that evening and thoroughly enjoyed the play and interesting recitations offered. Lodge No. 103 is setting a splendid example and one that will be well for other locals to follow. Continue the good work.

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