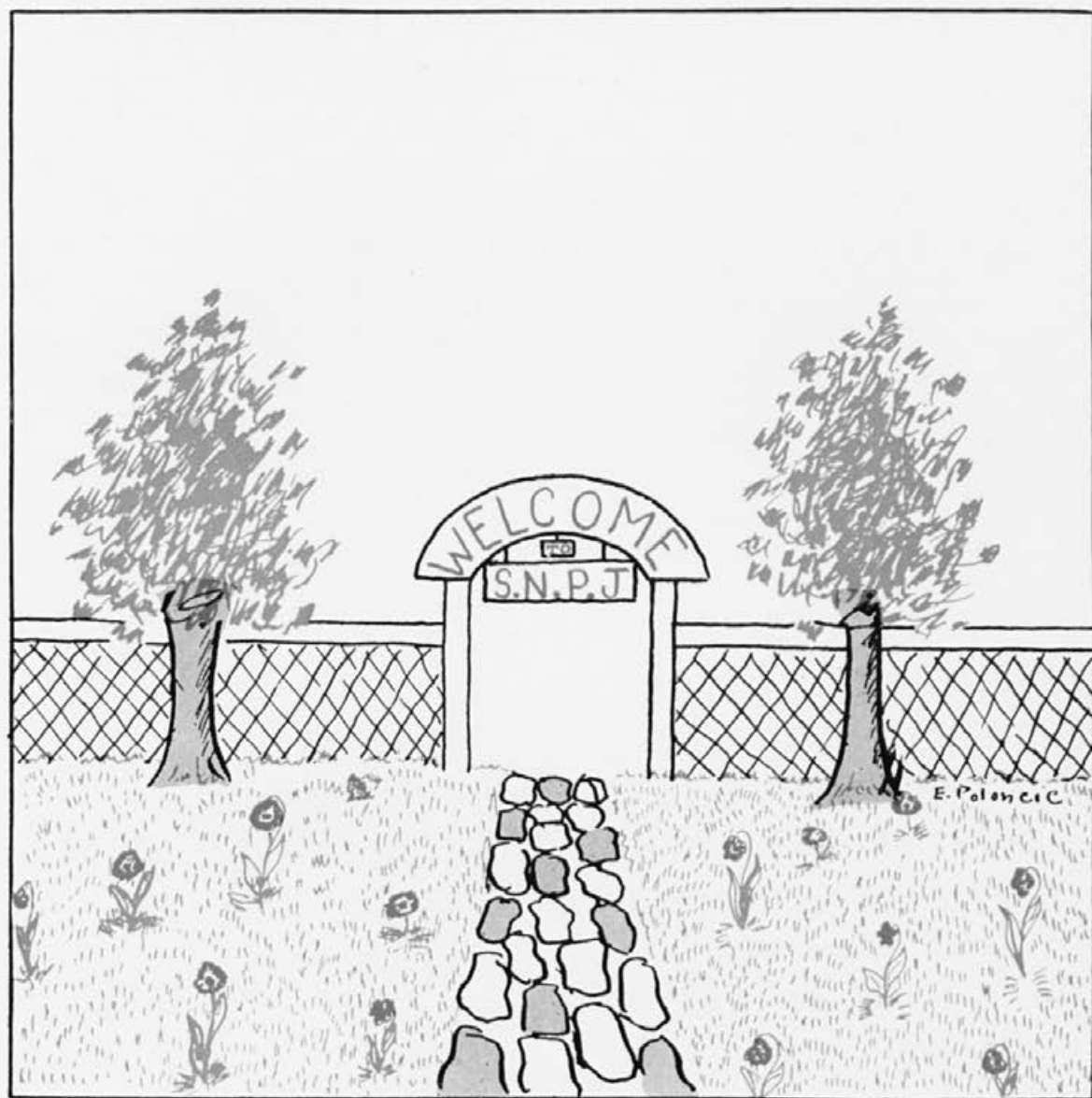


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VEČERI SE ...

Katka Zupančič

Glej, solnce zahaja—
odhaja skoz vrata odprtega raja.

Drevesa trepečejo kakor v ekstazi,
in okna žarijo, žarijo obrazi.

Zapuščajo ptiči omejke in trate
in drevje sprejema gostače krilate.

Ob plotu petunije dvigajo glavice,
bele in modre in rdeče zastavice.

Že muren uglaša si gosli svoje,
bo godel in čričal do belega dne.

Pod grmom temačnim se čudo godi—
iskre se krešejo, ognja pa ni.

A solnce zašlo je—
obrobljeno ostro je temno obzorje . . .

Birthdays of the Great Men

By Louis Beniger

Fran Levstik



Fran Levstik, the great Slovene writer, poet and philologist, was born on September 28, 1831, at Spodnje Retje, near Velike Lašče, in Slovenia, of peasant parentage. In spite of poor family circumstances, young Levstik received good elementary and secondary education. He graduated from grammar school with high honors and was sent to the Ljubljana high school where he showed a remarkable ability in writing poetry. In his early poems, written when he was 16, he used his childhood impressions which he had absorbed in his home town surroundings.

Levstik completed his studies at the Ljubljana Gymnasium (equivalent to college) at the age of 22, when he was already known as a poet. His first poems had appeared several years before in the magazine "Slovenia." In his poems "Želje" (Desires) he showed unusual realism in style and thought.

In the meantime, Levstik wrote several critical epigrams. Then appeared such poems as "Vile," "Prvi pomladni čebelici," "Opomin

k veselju," "Brezskrbni poet," "Na grobu Prešerna," "Božična" and others. All of his poems revealed new realism and a new personality in Slovene literature.

While Levstik was thus writing and establishing a new thought in Slovene literature, the old school of thought strongly and openly resented his works. He was expelled first from the seminary in Ljubljana and then from the seminary in Olomouc in Bohemia, because he flatly refused to denounce his poetry, which, his opponents claimed, was anti-religious. Next he went to Vienna where he met Miklošič and other Slav men of letters. Unable to make a living in Vienna, he returned to Slovenia and began a study of Slovene language.

Soon thereafter Levstik turned to prose writing and wrote such works of lasting value as "Martin Krpan," a masterly satire; "Potovanje iz Litije do Čateža," "Zbrani spisi za mladino" and "Napake v slovenski pisavi" (Errors in Slovene Writing). In "Potovanje" Levstik presents a picture of Slovene peasant life simply, clearly and forcefully; and his "Napake" is of permanent value as to the usage of the Slovene language.

His best poems for children include "Rimska cesta" (The Milky Way), "Mačka, miš in miška," "Psiček laja," and many others. His poetic style was widely imitated, and his prose served as the example of correct Slovene to many writers. His influence was great and he prepared the way for the future authors who followed him.

Levstik's greatest service to the Slovene nation rests in the fact that he instilled a strong sense of national self-confidence and thus raised the national pride to a high level. His works mark a new era in Slovene history and literature. The second half of the nineteenth century was completely dominated by the style and thought found in his works.

As a man, Levstik possessed a strong character, always ready to defend his convictions and truth. His chief pleasure was association with the common people from whom he drew his inspiration. Levstik was an able and decisive critic of literature.

Frank Levstik died on November 16, 1887, at Ljubljana, at the age of 56.

LUKEC IN NJEGOV ŠKOREC

Povest za mladino

France Bevk

1.

Nad lepo Vipavsko dolino je ležala jesenska noč. Nebo je bilo jasno. Sredi neba je plaval mesec. Podoben je bil velikemu zlatemu novcu. Njegov obraz se je zrcalil v Vipavi, ki se je tiho vila med zelenimi lokami in polji. Mesečina se je razlivala po zelenem listju dreves, po rjavih rebrih. Blestela je na stenah spečih hiš, pred katerimi so se razpenjale brajde. Igrala se je z listi košatih murv in pritlikavih smokev.

Sredi doline je ležala na holmu bela vas. S korci krite hiše so stale tesno druga poleg druge kot kokoši na gredi. Na samoti za vasjo je stala borna koč. Spodaj je bila kovačija, a nad njo kuhinja in izba.

Skozi okno koč je pokukal mesec. Ob steni je stala postelja. V nji je ležala mati Marjeta. Bila je zagrnjena do ust, iz sence ji je gledal šilast nos. Na široki klopi ob oknu je ležal njen sin Lukec. Eno roko je držal pod glavo. Usta je imel odprta, kakor da sanja o pečenih golobih, ki mu letijo v grlo.

Na Lukca je posijal mesec. Dolgo ga je gledal in se mu smejal. Deček se je zganil v spanju. Rahlo je odprl oči in zrl v svetlo oblo. V sanjah se mu je zdelo, da visi prav nad njegovo glavo rumen in dišeč kolač. Iztegnil je roke, zgrabil kolač in ga nesel k ustom. Ugriznil ga je, sladko se mu je razlilo po grlu. Ta kolač je imel čudovito moč, o kateri se bere v pravljicah. Lukec ga je pojedel, že mu je tičala na glavi čudodelna čepica, ki mu je visela prav do velikih ušes. Kdor ima tako čepico, se mu izpolni vsaka želja.

To je Lukec dobro vedel, saj je že nekatero pravljico bral. Od veselja mu je poskočilo srce. Včasih si je srčno želel, da bi imel perotnice in mogel letati po zraku. Komaj je imel čepico, že je na tihem izrekel to željo. In glej, v tistem trenutku so mu zrasle perotnice na hrbtu.

"Ha!" Lukec si je želel: "Da bi bil daleč proč!"

In je že odletel na zeleno trato sredi črnega gozda. Okrog in okrog so stala visoka drevesa. Sredi trate je ležalo jezerce. Bilo je tako majhno, da je Lukčeva senca padala na drugi breg. In tako okroglo in jasno ko ribje oko.

Lukcu se je zdelo ko zrcalce. "Kakšen sem v kapi?" se je vprašal. Pristopil je, da bi pogledal, kakšna mu je glava in kapa na nji. Preveč se je nagnil, čudodelna čepica se mu je zmuznila z glave, mu štrbunknila v vodo. Potegnil je veter, kapo odpihal na sredo jezera.

"Joj!" Lukcu ni bilo le žal za kapo. Objel ga je tudi strah, kako si bo neki brez kape želel domov? Kraj je bil tuj, njemu popolnoma neznan; morda se je nahajal v Ameriki, ali v Afriki kje.

Toda Lukec ni bil mila Jera, da bi pretakal solze in pačil usta. Zavihal je hlače do kolen in hajdi po kapo. Toda—glej! Ko se ji je približal, se je kapa v njegovo grozo spremenila v velikega raka. Ta se je zadenski potegnil proti njemu in odprl klešče. Preden je Lukec utegnil ubežati, ga je rak popadel za palec na nogi, ga tiščal in vlekel, da je bilo veselje.

"O, joj!" je Lukec zakričal od bolečine in groze—in se prebudil iz spanja.

Pred njim je stala mati. Majhna, bleda in suhljata. Ona ga je bila potegnila za palec. Zdaj ga je gledala z mežikajočimi očmi.

"Zakaj tako kričiš? Šolo boš zamudil."

Lukec je sedel na klopi. Pomel si je oči, se začuden oziral. V izbo je sijalo solnce. Pod kočjo je rumenelo trtno listje. Med listjem so viseli težki črni grozdi. . . Deček se je spomnil sanj, zgrabil se je za glavo. Kje je kapa? Ni je bilo. Od razočaranja mu je bilo težko pri srcu.

"Kaj se grabiš za glavo? Ali še vedno sanjaš?" ga je vprašala mati.

"Kapo sem imel," je povedal Lukec. "Perotnici tudi. Frlel sem ko ptica, rak me je uščipnil. . ."

Mati ga je začudeno gledala.

"To pride od knjig, ki jih bereš. Ali si sinoči dolgo žgal luč?"

(Dalje prihodnjič.)

THE ORIGIN OF THE WORLD

By R. McMillan

(Continued.)

CHAPTER VII

The Deceptiveness of Motion

One night, years ago, I sat on the veranda of an old homestead out in the bush, and the pastoralist and I watched the silent stars moving across the dark blue vault of the heavens, while afar off we heard the sad cry of the curlew. Everything was wonderfully still, and, having just come from the rush and hustle of a great city, I was in the mood to appreciate the wonderful calm of a starlight night in the bush. It was silent! Everything was very, very still; but, in spite of the stillness, I knew, even while we sat there, that this world was flying through space fifty times as fast as the fastest cannon-ball, and turning round on its axis as well at the rate of a thousand miles an hour, and falling through space at the rate of thirteen miles a second into the bargain. And yet with all that rush and roar, with all that mighty flying, there was not a sound to disturb the holy calm of the night.

When there is a fire in the city and the fire-brigades come rushing and tearing through the streets, they make such a din that every other noise seems to be almost a silence. When they start a stream of water up to the top of the burning building there is as much noise and clatter as if great things were being done. If you stand at the foot of one of the giant gum-trees in a gully near your house, or down by the river, and look up to the very topmost branch of it, you will see that the leaves up there are quite green. If you stop to ask how the sap got up there into all the leaves on all the trees, you will find that it was pumped up by nature through the bark of the tree. If you lay your ear to the bark and listen, you will not hear a sound, yet the sap is running up there all the time. Nature is a witch! If you nick the bark all round, so that the sap cannot run, the tree will die, because it is "ringbarked." Nature does most of her great work very silently.

I want you to try an experiment. Get a glass of water, and stand it on a solid table, and watch how absolutely still and motion-

less it is. You cannot think of anything in the world more perfectly still. Let it stand for a good while, so that all motion must have gone out of it, and then, when you know that it is quite still, drop a single drop of ink into it, and watch what happens. If the water is quite motionless when you drop the ink into it, as softly as possible, the blue-black fluid will rush to the bottom, and form a ring, while the lighter part of the ink will spread itself all out, and very gradually disappear.

But how did that happen if there was no motion in the water? You try it. Do not take my word for anything. Try everything you can for yourself, and prove everything possible. Is it possible for the water in a tumbler to be really quite still? You may believe this till you find that it is otherwise; there is nothing still in the universe. We think of motion as being always accompanied by more or less whirr and bustle, in some form or other; but the mightiest motions in the world are as silent—to our ears—as death.

The water in the tumbler is composed, as I told you, of two gases—oxygen and hydrogen. They—the gases—are composed of tiny molecules, and when one molecule of oxygen meets two molecules of hydrogen, at an electric dance, they unite and form water. But their molecules go flying about at an enormous rate, even when they are united; and they are never at rest. There is no such thing in nature as rest; all things are changing always. The very mountains are being worn down, and the mighty ocean beds are being filled up, and nothing ever remains the same for two seconds.

If you could magnify a drop of water till it was as big as this world, you would find it made up of balls between the size of a cannon-ball and an orange. But think how small they must be to look no bigger than a cricket ball when a drop is magnified to the size of the world! While that glass of water is standing on the table, looking the very picture of calmness, silence, and stillness, it is deceiving you, for it is in the wildest agitation all the time, only you can see it. When you begin to study science you will find that you can no longer believe

your eyes or your ears, or any of your senses; and that is how it comes to pass that so few people have scientific minds. I think you have to be born with a peculiar sort of mind before you can grasp the problems of the universe. But you want to know how the world began, and you must understand the deceptiveness of motion before you can understand how the world came to be.

While we are talking about the behaviour of a drop of ink, I might as well ask you a question. Did you ever notice that if you let a drop of ink fall on a sheet of blotting-paper it spreads to a wonderful extent, and you can never get it out again? But if you drop the ink on to a piece of polished marble, and wipe it off promptly, it will leave no mark at all. If you drop the ink on to a bit of glass, you will be able to wipe it off so as to leave the glass quite clean. Do you know why that difference exists? It is on account of the different spaces in which the molecules move. Everything in the world is in motion, and the molecules are all whirling and dancing in water and in rock, in glass and in wood, in marble and in iron. But they dance to different measures, and that is how the ink gets its chance. If the molecules are far apart, and have plenty of space, the ink can get in between them, and stay there, and make what we call a "stain"; but if the molecules are very close together the ink has a very poor chance, and we can wipe it off before it gets in.

If you ask a scientific man the reason of the softness of some things and the hardness of others, he will tell you that it is owing to the "intermolecular spaces" of the materials being different. And that is right, but it does not sound easy. If there is a large inter-molecular space, you can compress the material into a much smaller bulk; but if the molecules are very close together, you cannot compress them. In water the molecules are really very close together, so that if you tried to get a quart of water into a pint bottle you would find it impossible. If you raise the temperature of water to over 212 degrees and change it into steam, you drive the molecules away from each other to about 1,800 times their own diameter, so that one cubic inch of water produces about 1,800 cubic inches of steam, at ordinary pressure. We use that force of expansion in our steam-

Pol kanglice solz

Katka Zupančič

Bil je starček — mršav ko suha vinska trta, pa reven ko cerkvena miš. Pravili so, da se je le vsake kvatre enkrat do sitega najedel. Nadložen in napol slep ni bil za nobeno rabo več. Zato ni imel zaslužka, prihrankov pa še manj.

A beračenje se mu je upiralo. Marsikomu uide ponos skozi raztrgano obleko. Njemu ni ušel, dasi je imel velike luknje na komolcih in kolenih.

Tu in tam so mu sosedje pomagali, so pa pozabljali, da ima leto tudi zanj tri sto pet in šestdeset dni in ne samo zanje ter da je treba jesti vsak dan tudi njemu.

Ko ni bilo ne kod ne kam, se je nekega dne le odločil in se ustavil pred pragom imovite vdove, čije skopost je slovela po vsej dolini in izven nje. Prav zato si je starček izbral njo, meneč, da spričo take skopuške ne more izgubiti svojega dostojanstva.

Čakal je, čakal in čakal.

Naposled je le prijadrala na prag.

"Bog v nebesih ve, da se mi smilite," je zajadikovala in si utrnila solzo. "Ampak prav zdajle nimam res nič. Pa drugič . . ."

Starček je pokimal in molče odšel.

Vrnil pa se je drugi dan. Zopet si je utrinjala solze, pa odpravila starčka praznega. Ponovilo se je to še tretjič in četrtič.

Petikrat se pojavi stara trma pred njeno hišo, topot s kanglico v roki. In topot je spregovoril on.

"Vidite," je dejal, "pol kanglice vaših solz že imam, zdaj mi dajte še pest moke, da si bom v vaših solzah zakuhal močnik . . ."

engines, and it helps us to do the world's work.

Have you ever noticed how quietly most things in nature work? There is no rush or roar or bustle; the whole world works so silently that when you sit on the veranda at night you think all is still. And all the while nothing is still. Everything is moving, from the smallest speck of matter to the mightiest of the distant stars. And it makes no fuss.

(To be continued)

JUST FOR FUN

By Ernestine Jugg

The month of September heralds the opening of schools. Some of you will begin in the first year of school while others will finish this term. Then a big majority of you are in the in-between grades. Here's wishing you one and all best of luck in your new school year.

SCHOOL SONG

As off to school we march
Singly or in groups
We're soldiers in the school parade
And march like army troupes.



Bill must leave his fishing
And Jean her toys and dolls;
While I put up my skates and bike
And Jim his bat and balls.

Our books we now must study
And get our lessons well
So when exams come round again
Our lessons we will not fail.

YOUR FIRST QUIZ

- A true insect always has:
 - Stripes on his back.
 - Antlers on his head.
 - Six legs.
 - Two wings.
- What animal without legs can jump farther than a kangaroo?
- The diesel engine is so named because: (a) That was the name of the inventor; (b) Because it makes a sound like that; (c) Because it runs on gasoline.
- In the Atlantic Ocean there is no fresh water. (True or False)
- There were dictionaries in existence before Webster's. (True or False)
- The capital of Chile is: (a) Rio de Janeiro; (b) Santiago; (c) Vera Cruz; (d) Buenos Aires.

HOW'S YOUR PRONUNCIATION?

Here are ordinary everyday words. Can you tell if the correct pronunciation is in Column A or Column B. Don't look at the answer first as that wouldn't be fair.

	A	B
1. Creek	CREEK	KRICK
2. Depot	DAY-po	DEE-po
3. Gangrene	gang-GREEN	GANG-green
4. Via	VEE-a	VIE-a
5. Bicycle	BI-sickle	Bi-SI-kel
6. Khaki	KAR-key	KAK-key

DEFINITIONS

Below is a group of words and the correct definition is given to each word except one. Can you guess which one?

- Moat—A ditch or deep trench.
- Gore—A triangular piece of cloth.
- Floe—A large mass of ice.
- Ethology—The study of birds.
- Myology—Scientific knowledge of the muscles.

OUR FLAG

Way above a steeple top
I saw Old Glory fly;
Her white stars shining in the blue
Her colors flying high.

There flies our flag—yours and mine,
So mighty and so free;
Striving to give us courage
And flying high for all to see.

PICK YOUR BOUQUET

Betty picked a bouquet of flowers, but she had to write the flowers' names and the letters got all twisted. Can you unscramble the words and find which flowers Betty picked?

- | | |
|-------------|--------------|
| 1. sesor | 4. iramoldgs |
| 2. iovtsle | 5. lacils |
| 3. untepias | 6. pitul |

ADDA LETTER

If you add a letter to the front of each word, you will get an entirely different word. If you add the correct letter, they will form two entirely new words.

it	ear
all	way
ill	earn
range	eat
pen	
ate	

(Answers on back inside cover page)

GAMES AND CONTESTS

GOSSIP

Everyone will agree that gossiping is a bad habit for anyone to cultivate. To give you a practical idea of what it usually leads to, try this game on a group of your members.

The members who are to participate sit or stand in a circle, and the leader whispers a brief personal item to one of the players, who passes the whisper on to the player at his right, who in turn whispers it to the next player, and so on around the circle until the last one is reached. The item is whispered only once each time. The last player is asked to repeat aloud what he has just heard. The leader then tells what he whispered. It is amusing to see how these differ. Each player may be asked what he thought was whispered, which adds more fun and hilarity to the game.

POTATO RACE

Here's a contest that keeps the potatoes off the table. But whether you boys and girls enjoy "spuds" with your meals or not, this race, I'm sure, will hit the right spot.

Place in front of each contestant five potatoes at even distances apart. The starting line can be fixed at ten, fifteen or twenty yards, depending on the age of the contestants. At a signal, all contestants run from the starting line, pick up one potato, run back and put it in a basket or other container, run and pick up a second, etc. The potatoes may be picked up in any order. If a potato is dropped, it must be returned to its original position, and the contestant must start again to collect it. The one finishing first wins.

BALLOON FOOTBALL

There is no danger of having your bones broken in this type of football game, and the probability is present that you will develop a stronger and healthier pair of lungs. It won't hurt to try, and the main thing, anyway, is to have fun.

Divide the players into two teams. Use a table (or a chalked rectangle on the floor) for the field. A small balloon is used for a football. The rules provide that the players may move the ball only by blowing it. They may put their heads together and all blow at once, but they must not touch the ball. If the ball is blown offside, it is replaced in the center of the table across from the place where it went off. The object is to blow the ball against the goal line, or off the table, which scores a touchdown. After a fixed playing period is up, the team with the highest score wins.

EARTH, AIR, WATER

What kind of game is "Earth, Air and Water," you might ask. Well, it's more of a contest than a game and is classified as a **brain tester**. This is how it is played.

Seat the members in a circle. The leader throws a handkerchief in the lap of any one, saying, "Earth," or "Air," or "Water," and starts counting

ten. If he says "earth," the player with the handkerchief must name an animal that runs on the earth. If "air," a creature that flies; if "water," a creature that swims. Failure to name a proper creature gives the player a red mark. Three such marks remove him from the contest. No creature can be named more than once. Here you have an educational contest worth trying.

BALLOON BURST

This is a laugh-producer on any occasion, whether tried by youngsters of three, six or sixteen years of age.

Give each boy or girl a balloon of the same size and divide them into two groups. At the word "blow," they all start to inflate their balloons. The group that succeeds in bursting all balloons first is the winning side. As further inducement, award a prize to the contestant on either side who first bursts his balloon. When arranging the groups, don't overlook size and age.

BLINDFOLD SWATTING MATCH

I'll bet you've done this one before, but it won't hurt (very much) if you try it once more.

Provide two players with rolled newspapers and blindfold them. Enclose them within a human cicle. After turning each around several times, release them to swat each other. It's as simple as all that, although the players in the circle may help make it more interesting by acting as teasers.

NUT QUESTIONNAIRE

This is a contest that calls for silly questions such as the following:

- How long is a piece of string?
- Who killed the Dead Sea?
- How high is up? How low is down?
- On what date is December 25 in Syria?
- What is the diameter of a square?
- Who is the Admiral of the Swiss navy?
- Under what condition have you seen a stone-step?

(Score is given for the cleverest answer in each case. Think of questions yourself.)

Contributed by—M.T.V.



THE NEW SPHINX
 Drawn by Eugene
 Skoff, age 17, Cicero,
 Ill. Lodge 559.

THE INFORMATION DESK

By Michael Vrhovnik

Q.—When and where was the first SNPJ Lodge organized?

A.—Lodge No. 1, **Slavija** by name, was organized in Chicago, September, 1903.

Q.—What two members are recorded as the actual founders of this lodge?

A.—**Frank Medica** and **Martin Konda**, publishers of a Slovene, free-thought weekly, under the name of **Glas Svobode**.

Q.—What is meant by the free-thought principles upon which the SNPJ was originally founded?

A.—It means that no church control or religious propaganda of any kind will be tolerated within the lodges of the Society. Members, however, are allowed to retain their individual right to believe or disbelieve the teachings of the church, a privilege the SNPJ has never denied to anyone.

Q.—When and where was the first convention of the Society held?

A.—It was held in the first week of April, 1904, in the city of Chicago.

Q.—Who was the first Supreme President of the SNPJ—Supreme Secretary—Supreme Treasurer?

A.—**John Stonich**, President—**Frank Medica**, Secretary—**Frank Klobuchar**, Treasurer.

Q.—Can you name the twelve delegates who composed the first convention? They were . . .

A.—**Frank Medica**, **Martin Konda**, **Anton Mladič**, **Mohor Mladič**, **Frank Petrich**, **John Werščaj**, **John Stonich**, **Joseph Duller**, **Frank Klobuchar** and **Martin Potokar**, all of Chicago, and **Michael Strukelj**, **Johnstown**, Pa., and **Dan Badovinac**, **La Salle**, Ill.

Q.—What convention of the SNPJ established the Juvenile Department?

A.—It was the Fifth Regular Convention held at Milwaukee, Wis., in 1912.

Q.—What important anniversary will be up for celebration next year?

A.—The year 1943 will mark the **Thirtieth Anniversary** of the establishment of the Juvenile Department.

Q.—What anniversary, closely akin to the progress of the Juvenile Branch of the SNPJ, was attained in July?

A.—The Twentieth Anniversary of the Mladinski List.

Q.—When, where, and by whom was the first Juvenile Circle organized?

A.—It was organized in Walsenburg, Colorado, by **Ed Tomsic**, Sixth District Vice-President of the Supreme Board. The first meeting was held March 27, 1938.

Q.—The Executive Committee of the Supreme Board is composed of eight members. Can you name them?

A.—You will find the answer by checking the roster of Supreme Officers which appears weekly on the fifth page of the Prosveta.

Q.—What outstanding juvenile event will be featured in conjunction with the **National SNPJ Day** at Cleveland, Ohio, on Sunday, September 6?

A.—The **Juvenile Festival**, a cultural stage attraction, put on by many of the leading talented members of Juvenile Circles in Cleveland and elsewhere. The Slovene National Home will be the scene of this spectacle.

Q.—Who were the members of the "Voice of Youth," Circle No. 22, Midway, Pa., who participated in the outdoor program of the Pennsylvania SNPJ Day on June 28?

A.—You will find the answer by reading **Donna Nagode's** article in August's issue of the Mladinski List. You'll do that, won't you?

Q.—Who was the outstanding juvenile contributor to the M. L. in August?

A.—**Zora Gostovich**, who contributed a playlet, entitled, "Four New SNPJ Members," which was excellently written, also a letter to "Our Pen Pals" commemorating, particularly, the twentieth anniversary of the M. L., and a crossword puzzle. All were very good.

Q.—In the same issue, whose drawings impressed you as having just a little something extra?

A.—You be your own judge, but this choice leans to **John Matekovich**, **Gowanda**, N. Y.; **Eugene Skoff**, **Chicago**, Ill.; and **Bill Baltezar**, **Butte**, **Montana**.

Q.—Who deserves a salute as the "Poet of the month"?

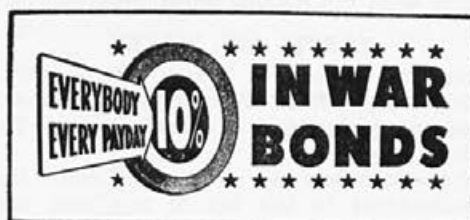
A.—This honor could go to **William Smolich**, **Hermie**, Pa., who contributed a poem, entitled, "Uncle Sam Will Win."

Q.—What member of the SNPJ Supreme Board was first to enter the military service of our country in the current war?

A.—**Michael R. Kumer**, First Vice-President.

Q.—In the Wednesday, July 15th, issue of the Prosveta appeared two pictures of a group of juvenile members collecting rubber. What is the name and number of the Circle to which they belong?

A.—You will find the information in the same issue on two different pages. Are you interested?



STAMP COLLECTING

War Propaganda Stamp Issue

It is reported from Washington that within the past few weeks, President Roosevelt has discussed with cabinet members the possibilities of using postage stamps to complement other forms of war propaganda, and that he is in favor of producing "stamps with a message" at the rate of one a month. However, the White House would not confirm this report at this time.

A China stamp, issued in July, may be the first of a number of commemoratives that will honor the resistance of our allies to Axis aggression. Serious consideration is being given to a United Nations set. Plans at the moment follow closely a scheme introduced by France in 1939, when each of her colonies issued a set of stamps with the same design to mark participation in the New York World's Fair.

It is further said that President Roosevelt is considering asking each of the United Nations to prepare one stamp to carry some design to symbolize the war against the Axis powers, and that this stamp have a face value which will approximate 10 cents in our money.

These stamps would be issued by all nations on the same day. In the case of the Netherlands, Poland and other governments in exile, the stamps would be sold in Allied territories just as were the Polish seapost adhesives last year. In addition to sales in the lands where they were issued the stamps would be placed on sale at a central agency in Washington to facilitate distribution in complete sets to collectors in America.

Representative Sol Bloom, Democrat, of New York, chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, estimates that 20,000,000 persons in the United States would each purchase a set.

Considering that a set of twenty-seven such stamps would have a sale value of \$2.70, under this estimate they have a potentiality of raising \$54,000,000, if not used for postal service.

The cost of production would be insignificant, and the expense of distribution also might be held to a minimum, since staffs to handle such a set already are established at the Philatelic Agency in Washington and the Latin-American Stamp Section of the Pan-American Union.

—Clark Collard.

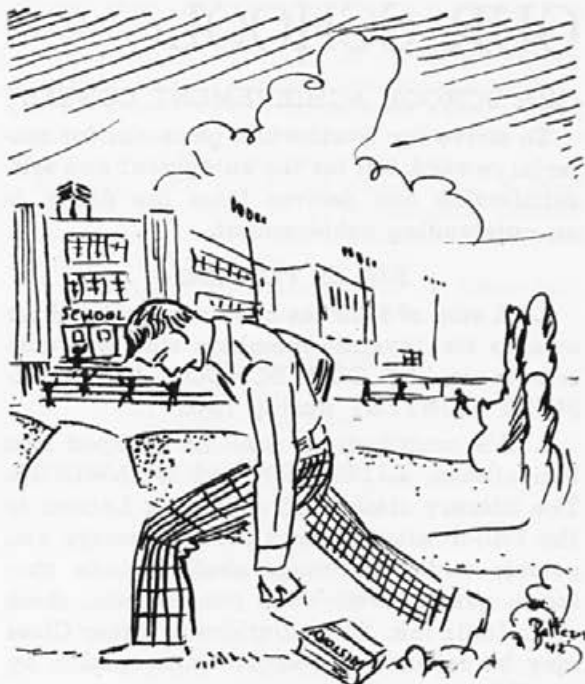
OUR FRONTISPIECE

The front cover drawing in colors of this issue of the ML is by Zora Gostovich, age 14, Raton, New Mexico, a member of the SNPJ Lodge No. 297.

Something in This

Johnny: "How is it that your dog knows all sorts of smart tricks, while I find it impossible to teach my dog anything?"

Frankie: "Well, you see, you've got to know more than the dog to start with."



THAT BACK-TO-SCHOOL FEELING
 Drawn by Bill Baltezar, age 17, Butte, Mont.
 Lodge 249.

Important Dont's

Read Them Twice, Thrice

DON'T address your mail intended for publication in the ML to the Main Office of the SNPJ, to Slovene National Benefit Society, or to some person. The mail so addressed may be delayed and will be late for the intended issue. Address all such mail to Mladinski List, 2657-59 So. Lawndale Ave., Chicago, Ill.

DON'T write with pencil; use pen or, still better, typewriter.

DON'T write on both sides of the sheet. Paper is cheap.

DON'T draw your picture with ordinary ink. We cannot use such drawings. Draw only with the India ink.

DON'T draw in colors! It's a waste of time because we cannot use it.

DON'T fold your drawings! Send them between two card-boards in a large envelope.

DON'T omit your name, address, age, and lodge No., together with the parent's signature on the back of every piece of drawing or beneath any writing.

And most important of all: **DON'T** copy any rhymes or pictures! Be honest with yourself and us! You can't get away with it very long! We are checking on that.

OUR SCHOOL

OUR SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENT CONTEST

To strive for worthwhile goals not for material reward, but for the enjoyment and self-satisfaction one derives from the doing, is an outstanding achievement.

RULES FOR 1942

1. A sum of \$400 has been appropriated for awards for Juvenile members who will contribute to the OUR SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENT CONTEST during 1942.

2. All contributions shall be grouped into two classes, LITERARY and DRAWINGS. The literary class shall consist of Letters to the Editor, stories, news articles, essays and poems, while Drawings shall include cartoons, games, cross-word puzzles, etc., done up in India ink. Contributions in either Class may be rejected if deemed unacceptable by the Editor.

3. Every contributor must be a member of the Juvenile Department of the SNPJ and may submit as many original contributions as is his desire. Each contribution must be signed by the member, who, also, must state his age and number of the Lodge or Circle.

4. All achievement awards shall be distributed after the conclusion of the contest. Two attractive trophies, each emblematic of the highest individual literary achievement, shall be awarded to the two members, preferably a boy and girl, chosen as the outstanding writers of the year. Similar awards shall be made to the two members who shall contribute the best and most original drawings. All

other prize winners will receive other valuable achievement awards designated by the Juvenile Director and approved by the Supreme Executive Committee.

5. A special feature of the OUR SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENT CONTEST shall be the "Our Page" section for Juvenile Circles. The purpose of this feature is to encourage boys and girls, who are members of active Juvenile Circles, to work together and combine their written ideas, plans, drawings, etc., under a common heading for the benefit of the whole Circle. The same rules shall apply here as to individual contributions; whether submitted individually or collectively they shall lose none of their value when winners are selected and awards distributed.

6. Any Circle can have its own "Our Page" by enclosing a request to the Editor along with the contributions, and provided that two or more members share in its composition.

7. A trophy, emblematic of the highest OUR SCHOOL group achievement, shall be awarded to the Circle, whose members have contributed the best and most original literary contributions and drawings. Trophies shall also be awarded to Circles winning second and third place honors.

8. To qualify for one of the final achievement awards, members are required to contribute to not less than six issues of the Mladinski List during the year. Three contributions in as many different issues in the same period shall entitle one to an attractive SNPJ Junior pin.

9. The publication of contributions in OUR SCHOOL is not an indication that they will be awarded prizes; contributions appearing elsewhere, either in the Mladinski List or the Prosveta, although intended for OUR SCHOOL, will be awarded under the same rules if qualifying.

10. All contributions shall be judged for originality, choice and treatment of subject, and composition. The judges of the contest are the Juvenile Director, Editor and Supreme President.

11. Every contribution must be in the hands of the Editor by the first of the month if intended for the issue of the Mladinski List of the following month.



A SKETCH OF DRAJA
MIHAJLOVICH

Drawn by John Matekovich, age 15, Gowanda, N. Y. Circle No. 40.

INTERESTING FACTS

Bananas "sunburn" as easily as the tenderest human skin. In hot weather direct sunrays soften and turn bananas dark brown in color before they are ripe. Incidentally, bananas are approximately seventy-five per cent water.

"Piggy-Backing" is not child's play in France. When Breton farmers are ready to sell their pigs, their wives saddle the hogs and ride them to market.

The dashing young blades of seventeenth-century England wooed their ladies not with orchids but with growing tomato plants, which were symbols of great love.

During the Klondike gold rush, steaks were so rare that they sold for from \$200 to \$300 each. A sign in one boardinghouse read: "Home cooking—Steak dinner only \$250."

When a guest at an Eskimo dinner leaves the house, it is correct etiquette for him to take any leftover food to show he enjoyed the meal.

The average individual consumes 1,600 pounds of food a year.

ROSIE J. MATKO, 15, lodge 560,
Rte. 1, Box 244, Hoquiam, Wash.

STARS

They say those trembling stars
Which blaze so furiously
Are planets whirled by the sun
Into the sky's immensity.

And yet, I know they are links
Wrought by a teasing fay,
To chain the sulking Night
Behind the gentle Day.

Sent by MARGARET KUPINA, 15, lodge 147,
1383 E. 41st St., Cleveland, O.

MY SNPJ DRESS

I want to write a letter
But just can't find the words,
Maybe I could write it better
In the form of verse.

My mother went to town one day
And bought a dress for me,
It's a dandy striped one
With the letters S.N.P.J.

It's my best dress now
With a bow here and there,
Who would dare to make
A tear in my SNPJ dress.

CLARA COLONAS, age (?), lodge 43,
717 N. Holmes Ave., Indianapolis, Ind.

CLIMATE AND ANIMALS

In the winter season, most fur-bearing animals, like the rabbit, beaver, and fox, put on a thicker coat of fur. Others, like the weasel, change color. Still others are permanently adapted to their surroundings like the polar bear in the Arctic regions, whose fur is thick and white.

Some animals such as the sheep will take on or shed their thick wool as they are moved to a cold or warm region.

In the tropics will be found the larger variety of animals, due to the even temperature throughout the year. Birds with the most elaborate and gorgeous plumage live here. The greatest range in the size of the birds is found here.

Sea life, both plant and animal life, is most abundant and colorful. Tree-climbing animals such as the monkey, tiger, and snake are most abundant in the tropics.

ERNESTINE MOCIVNIK, 15, lodge 24,
P. O. Box 86, Jenny Lind, Ark.

OUR COUNTRY

We will give
That you may live,
Our Country.
Our lives in the air,
If the need be there;
Ourselves to the sea,
If that must be.
Our sweat in toil,
Our blood to the soil,
Before we yield
A rock or field
Of this, Our Country.
Spirit, sinew and bone,
All we have and own
We pledge to give
That you may live,
Our Country, Our Country!

EVELYN TERSELIC, 12, lodge 39,
2714 S. Homan Ave., Chicago, Ill.

CONSTITUTION DAY

September 17 is known as Constitution Day. A constitution may be defined as a law or a group of laws which sets forth the form of government and the powers which it may exercise.

We think of a constitution as a fundamental thing, and only fundamental matters should go



European Corn Borer

Drawn by Zita Bozanic,
age 15, Worcester, N. Y.
Lodge 393.

into it. Most constitutions are considerably alike in form. They usually begin with a statement of the reasons for drawing up the constitution which is known as the preamble.

The main body of the constitution is usually divided into articles and the articles are further subdivided into sections. All the state constitutions except one have a Bill of Rights, which sets forth the rights and privileges of the people with which the government must not interfere. In the United States Constitution this was added as a series of Amendments after the original document had been adopted and had gone into effect.

The Preamble of the Constitution of the United States of America is as follows:

"We, the People of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and

secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America."

ERNESTINE MOCIVNIK, 15, lodge 24,
P. O. Box 86, Jenny Lind, Ark.

SMILE A WHILE

Teacher: "Order!"

Boy: "I'll take pepsicola."

Landlady: "You seem to be quite fond of soup."
Boarder: "Not necessarily. My physician recommended the hot water cure."

Daffynitions

Dentist: A man who lives from hand to mouth.

Baker: A man of crust.

Barber: A man who spends most of his time trimming people.

Bootblack: A man we all take a shine to.

MARGARET ZORMAN, 13, lodge 129,
747 E. Sheridan St., Ely, Minn.

WORD SQUARE

A large cord: ROPE. A Hebrew measure: OMER. A fruit: PEAR. Goes astray: ERRS.

R O P E
O M E R
P E A R
E R R S

BILLY BENIGER, 11, lodge 317,
R. F. D. 1, Export, Pa.

HISTORICAL EVENTS

Here are some historical events which took place in the month of September in different years:

Sept. 4, 1609—Hudson River discovered.

Sept. 6, 1901—Pres. McKinley shot.

Sept. 7, 1630—Boston founded.

Sept. 14, 1814—Star-Spangled Banner written.

Sept. 25, 1513—Balboa discovered the Pacific.

ALICE DAFOFF, 13, lodge 105,
1430 Nordyke Ave., Indianapolis, Ind.

AMERICA'S MARTYR PATRIOT— NATHAN HALE

Born of a race of colonial intellectuals, he was endowed with rare charm of mind and person, which endeared him to all with whom he had contacted. Nathan Hale, as a boy whether in play or in study thrust the whole energy of his mind and soul into it.

This spirit followed him in his work at Yale where he won high honors both as a student and athlete. Graduating, he taught school at New London, Connecticut, for a short period.

He was a tireless worker performing valiant service for his country in the recruiting of men at the most critical period of the revolution. Washington Heights, where Washington's strategic retreat was made, became vastly outnumbered both in men and equipment. This prompted a call for vital information requiring the service of a man of the highest intellect, culture, and skill.



1942 C. E. D

Drawn by Violet Machek, age 15, MacDonald, Pa.
Lodge 231.

Answering his superior who opposed his undertaking so dangerous a mission, Hale replied: "I think I owe to my country the accomplishment of an object so important and so much desired by the commander of her armies, and know of no other mode of obtaining the information than by assuming a disguise and passing into the enemy's camp."

Thus forecasting the immortal words uttered when taunted by his executioner while he stood quietly facing the few who had gathered to see him die: "I only regret that I have but one life to give for my country."

General Howe condemned him after Capt. Hale had thoroughly procured all necessary data for George Washington.

Nathan Hale was born June 6, 1755, and died Sept. 22, 1776. He was esteemed in life, revered in death and in all things a man, America's Martyr Patriot, at the age of a boy, being only 21.

(Source: Condensed from "Book of Knowledge.")

HELEN BOZANIC, 16, lodge 393,
R. F. D. 3, Worcester, N. Y.

GEOGRAPHICAL ENIGMA

My first is a lovely lake,
My next in Orient land;
My third completes an island,
Where Columbus led his band.
My fourth is half the name of
Him who first sailed ocean's waste,
My last is in that pleasant fruit
Fair Eve was lured to taste.
All these arranged I give you here
What many long to hold—
A city proud, on Europe's shore,
By strait of shining gold,
And more, she changed her name
For emperor's name of might;
And Moslem won her from the Greek
In fierce and bloody fight—
My name is Constantinople,
Now known as Istanbul.

Sent by BILLY BENIGER, 11, lodge 317,
R. F. D. 1, Export, Pa.

PANAMA CANAL

One of the most important works of the United States has been the construction of the Panama Canal. This canal provides a shorter water route between Atlantic and Pacific seaports.

Ever since the discovery of America explorers had searched for a natural water route across either North or South America. It was found necessary to build a canal and the narrow neck of land connecting North and South America was considered the best place for it. A French company in 1880 obtained permission to build a canal across the Isthmus of Panama and commenced digging the canal, but failed after a great amount of money and many lives had been lost.

During the Spanish-American War, in 1898, the American people saw that such a canal would be very valuable as a means of national defense, and thought it should be controlled by the U. S. A

treaty was made with Panama by which the U. S. was given the right to lease a strip of land 10 miles wide and build a canal through it.

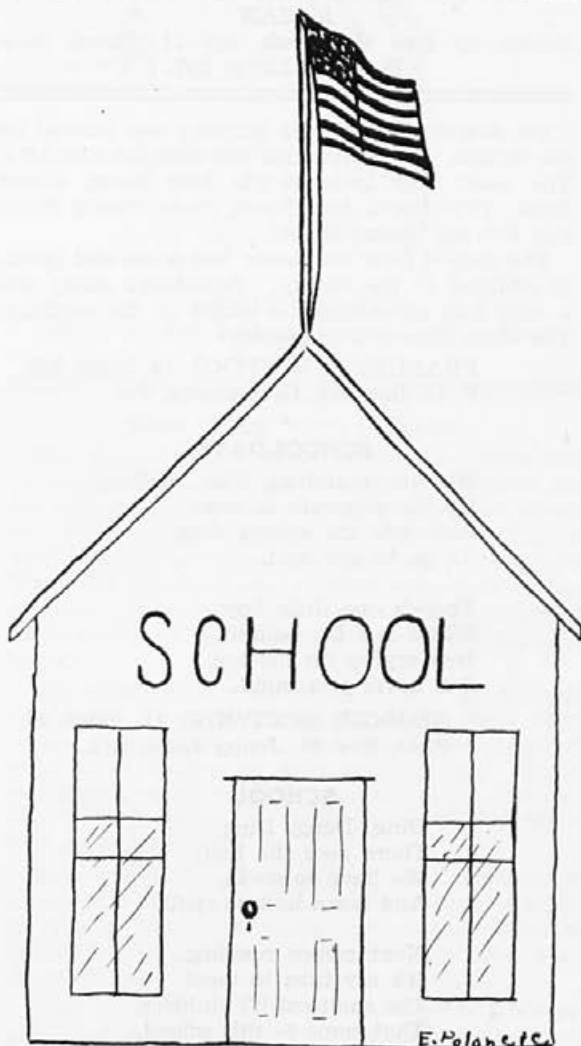
In spite of the landslides and other difficulties, the canal was finished in 1914 and the long desired water route between the Atlantic and the Pacific was opened, as one more way to increase the commerce of the United States and of the world.

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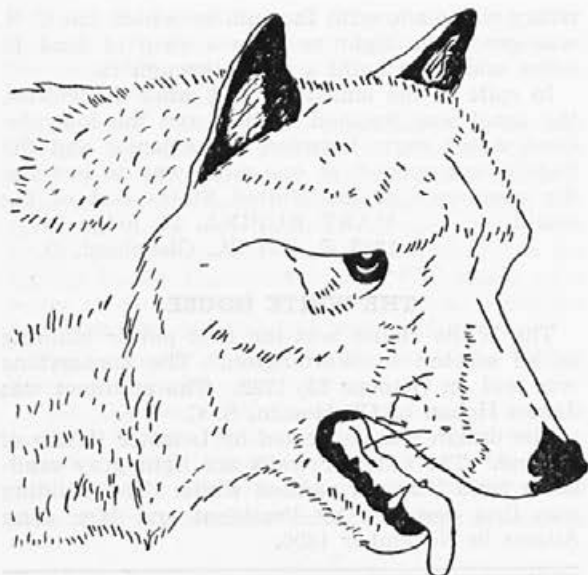
THE WHITE HOUSE

The White House was the first public building to be erected in Washington. The cornerstone was laid on October 13, 1792. The architect was James Hoban of Charleston, S. C.

The design was suggested by Leinster Palace of Ireland. The exterior walls are light gray sandstone from Virginia painted white. The building was first occupied by President and Mrs. John Adams in November 1800.



Drawn by Elsie Poloncic, age 17, Uniondale, Pa.
Lodge 124.



KAZAN

Drawn by **Dan Gostovich**, age 11, Raton, New Mexico. Lodge 297.

On August 24, 1814, the building was burned by the British. Reconstruction was completed in 1817. The main floor includes the East Room, Green Room, Blue Room, Red Room, State Dining Room and Private Dining Room.

The second floor has seven bedrooms and baths, in addition to the library. President's study and a wide hall extending the length of the building. The third floor has 14 rooms.

FRANCES R. M. ZITKO, 14, lodge 223,
P. O. Box 562, Greensburg, Pa.

SCHOOLDAYS

We are marching like soldiers,
Up the sidewalk so neat,
And into the school door,
To go to our seat.

There's one little boy,
Who's left far behind,
He's crying for his toy,
But never you mind.

GEORGIE MOCIVNIK, 11, lodge 24,
P. O. Box 86, Jenny Lind, Ark.

SCHOOL

Ding, Dang, Ding,
There goes the bell,
We have to go in,
And learn how to spell.

Next comes reading,
It's my turn to meet
The smartest li'l children
That come to this school.

GEORGIE MOCIVNIK, 11, lodge 24,
P. O. Box 86, Jenny Lind, Ark.

MY PARENTS

I have two pictures
Very dear to me,
I have no others
As pretty as these.

They're both in frames
Of yellow and gold,
The pictures are—
Of Mother and Dad.

GEORGIE MOCIVNIK, 11, lodge 24,
P. O. Box 86, Jenny Lind, Ark.

THE PRESIDENT'S PARK

The President's Park is divided into the inner and outer portions. The inner portion includes 18 acres within the iron fence inclosing the Executive Mansion and grounds proper. The outer portion contains 52 acres and includes Ellipse. It is bordered by Treasury Place, South Executive Avenue, State Place, Fifteenth Street, Seventeenth Street, and Constitutional Avenue.

The Ellipse provides playing field for various sports and is one of the most intensively utilized recreation grounds of the park system.

The "Grounds South" contain the Treasury and State-War-Navy Buildings, Commerce Building, American Red Cross Building, the Hall of the Americas, home of the Pan-American Union, National Headquarters of the American Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Corcoran Art Gallery.

FRANCES R. M. ZITKO, 14, lodge 223,
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ALIQUIPPA

Aliquippa is a city located on the Ohio River near Pittsburgh. Aliquippa was named after an Indian whose name was Queen Aliquippa. There was once an Indian colony in this town.

Today Aliquippa shares the honors with Pittsburgh as being the greatest iron and steel producing city in the United States. The largest steel mill here is the Jones & Laughlin Steel Corporation. It produces pipe, wire, sheet metal, and steel plate which is vital for defense.

Aliquippa will help "Keep 'em Flying."

ANDREW RUPNICK, 14, lodge 122,
104 Maple Ave., Aliquippa, Pa.

A TREE GUESSING GAME

A tree is hidden in each of the following sentences:

1. I will own my home if possible.
 2. O, a knight is riding by.
 3. The vessel made port at midnight.
- Answers: 1—Willow. 2—Oak. 3—Elm.

RIDDLES

When is a man thinner than a shingle?

A.: When he's a-shaving.

What sea is comfortable on a rainy day?

A.: Adriatic (a dry attic). Get it?

JOSEPH BARBO, 10, lodge 753,
Box 272, L'Anse, Mich.

JOKES

Diner: "Waiter, bring me a ham sandwich."

Waiter: "With pleasure."

Diner: "Nope, with mustard."

Bill: "Oh, I am sorry I spilled water all over you."

Mike: "Oh, that's perfectly all right; the suit was too large anyway."

Mary: "Where are all the buffaloes that used to roam the prairies?"

Harry: "On our nickels."

Fanny: "Do you like hamburger balls?"

Jenny: "I don't think I ever attended one."

Joe: "Hey you, your gun isn't loaded."

Al: "Can't help it, the bird won't wait."

John (pointing to his left eye): "Do you know why my brother can't see with this eye?"

Mary: "No."

John: "Because it's mine."

Tommy: "Dad, what are those holes in the board for?"

Father: "Those are knot holes."

Tommy: "Well, if they are not holes, what are they?"

Diner: "Is there any asparagus on this menu, waiter?"

Waiter: "There was some, sir, but I wiped it off."

DAN GOSTOVICH, 11, lodge 297,
Box 531, Raton, New Mexico.

THE BOY SCOUT

He does his daily good deed,
He helps a friend in need.
He obeys his parents and his Scoutmaster,
He does not run away from disaster.
He is loyal to his country's flag,
He does not boast or brag.
He fights for truth and a high ideal,
He does not cheat, lie or steal.
He is a friend to everyone,
He does his work and has his fun.
He is polite, courteous and kind
To the weak, helpless and blind.
He is your friend the Boy Scout,
One of the best friends, no doubt.

Nothing does he waste or destroy
For he is a faithful and thrifty boy.
He keeps himself morally straight,
He is always prompt and never late.
He keeps himself physically strong,
He never tries to be with the wrong.
He keeps himself mentally awake,
He does it for his country's sake.
He is your friend the Boy Scout,
He will always try to help you out.

Sent by LOUIS NOVAK, 13, lodge 490,
9118 Burley Ave., Chicago, Ill.



"STRIKE 'EM OUT!"

Drawn by Bill Baltezar, age 17, Butte, Mont.
Lodge 249.

NEW YORK WAR PARADE

The New York at War Parade was celebrated on Fifth Avenue on June 13, 1942. As I didn't see the beginning of the parade I can't tell much about it. When I came the Scotch were marching in their colorful costumes, and playing the bagpipes. When the Greeks passed a cheer echoed down the Avenue. Four men in Grecian costumes carried a small statue of the famous temple, Parthenon, in Greece.

I'm surprised my ear drums didn't burst from the shouts given to the Czechs when their float passed. They had a funeral-like hearse covered with black, drawn by four black horses. On it was a sign which read "In Memory of the Czechoslovak Boys over 17 Years of Age Who Were Killed by the Nazis."

Next came the Russian float. It represented Russia and her people by a tall, strenuous woman clothed in black with men, women and children laying on the ground around her. Her arms outstretched, she stood as still as a statue.

Then came the Chinese with a band of Chinese girls and boys clothed in blue and white, and playing a Chinese song. Then came the wounded Chinese soldiers with the girls and children in their native costumes.

The costumes of the Mexicans were seen blocks away. Their large hats protected their eyes from the sun, for it was a hot day indeed. But, the heavy blankets didn't help any. The man who represented the Mexican President waved his hat to everyone.

Naturally, I was very eager to see the Yugoslav float, and after a while it came with its large silk flag waving in the breeze. On the float stood a Slovene man in slovenska narodna noša (Slovene national costume), and a Chetnik. The Slovene people in their native costumes followed behind, amid the cheers of the crowd. People standing near me repeated over and over how lovely the Slovene costumes are.

There was another Chinese float with a globe on it and some insects with Japanese faces crawling on it.

Then came the Philippine soldiers with a float representing a torn down shack in the Philippines, with the Philippine soldiers carrying other soldiers on stretchers to a doctor dressing the wounds of another soldier. A nurse close by was comforting the wounded waiting to be cared for.

Next came the American soldiers, marching in perfect form. The applause that filled the air mixed with the cheers was deafening. The West Point Cadets marched with such precision one

could see the line of rifles as only one. They all appeared to be the same height and weight which made it look even better. Next came my chance to "tell it to the marines," for a blue and white uniform caught my eye. There were the plane detectors and the huge search lights used by the army. The ten ton pontoon equipage passed followed by truck loads of equipment for building bridges in a hurry. There was all sorts of apparatus that I never saw or heard of before. It didn't even seem like war when there were so many soldiers marching.

It seemed as though the whole U. S. Navy was marching when I spotted the Reserve Officers of the Navy coming my way. Most of the soldiers were husky, brawny fellows, and they were ever So Tall.

The army ambulance with women driving them seemed like hospitals on wheels, for there were so many kinds of needles, cotton, medicine bottles and bandages which could be seen from the open back.

The nurses in white uniforms received many cheers from the three million people watching. There were also nurses in blue and white, and yellow and white uniforms, according to the branch of the service they belonged to.

The Women's Auxiliary Air Corps attracted much attention with their trim uniforms and snappy marching.

Last of all came Mayor La Guardia, with Mrs. Colin P. Kelly, widow of the American hero.

When the parade was over many of the floats turned up the side streets, and it was then I saw the huge bust of the President of the United States, Franklin Delano Roosevelt. It was perfect. The sculptor made a thorough job!

That night, though I didn't see it, there was another parade of people carrying torches down Fifth Avenue which was a great success.

This was a grand parade, but just wait till we have our Victory parade!

MILDRED PADAR, 12, lodge 580,
222 Wyckoff Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

A "Swiss Harp" isn't a musical instrument but a knife used by cheese makers to cut whey.

"Nutmeg Bouncer" is an occupation in the Netherlands spice islands. Nutmegs are tested by bouncing them. Wormy ones don't bounce.

Lunch—"The Pause that Refreshes," is a sign seen in a California cafe.

Tossing Wine was a sport in ancient Greece. If you could toss the wine out of your drinking cup so it would sink a saucer floating in a tub of water, you were considered a good Cattabus player and merited a prize.

To serve tea properly according to the oriental rules of Cha-No-Yu (official tea ritual), you must serve it in a room exactly 10 feet square entered from a specially designed garden by a door only three feet high! This ritual is mainly followed in Japan.

ROSIE J. MATKO, 15, lodge 560,
Rte. 1, Box 244, Hoguam, Wash.



Humpty Dumpty

Drawn by Jimmie Spendal, age 14, Clinton, Ind.
Lodge 50.

INTERESTING FACTS

At the time the Spanish-American war broke out, the U. S. army consisted of 2,000 officers and 25,000 men.

The military tank is a British development inspired by the American farm tractor.

The first important commercial seafarers were the Phoenicians.

Sweden is to study the possibility of Siberian dandelion for production of latex rubber, the department of commerce says.

A cube of gold measuring 14.1 inches weighs a ton.

The average depth of the ocean below sea level is 12,450 feet.

The first cathedral in the western hemisphere was built in Santo Domingo in 1512.

Australia's woolen mills produce more than 30 million yards of cloth and 18 million pairs of socks a year.

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JOKES

John: "What steps would you take if you saw a dangerous lion?"

Frank: "Long ones."

Bill: "I'll never bet again."

Mike: "Oh, yes you will."

Bill: "I don't think so. What will you bet I won't?"

Hopeful: "Time me around the track, Coach."

Coach: "Sure. Wait till I get my calendar."

Jimmy: "Wanna go on a sleighing party?"

Jackie: "Whom are we going to slay?"

Willy (seeing his first turtle): "Dad, dad! Look! An animal just stuck his head out of that baseball mitt over there."

Little Tommy (describing some Russian dancers he had seen): "They sat on nothing and danced."

Mother: "Hurry up, Junior, or we'll be late. Have you got your shoes on?"

Junior: "Yes, Mama—all except one."

Frankie: "My father has George Washington's watch."

William: "That's nothing. My father has Adam's apple."

Professor: "Why are you late?"

Student: "Class started before I got here."

Grandma: "What's pussy meowing about?"

Little Mary: "She's worrying about her tail. It's under your rocker."

ROSIE J. MATKO, 15, lodge 560,
Rte. 1, Box 244, Hoquiam, Wash.

JUST A JOKE

Teacher: "Bobby, who was the first man to sail to the Indies?"

Bobby: "I don't know, sir."

Teacher: "Aren't you ashamed to say that after we studied and know all about him?"

Bobby: "No, sir. We might have studied about him, but I wasn't born then, to know him better."

OLGA MALHOWSKY, 14, lodge 168,
260 Spruce St., Franklin Boro,
Conemaugh, Pennsylvania.

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BIRTHDAYS AND EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER

Sept. 3, 1850—Eugene Field, poet, born.

Sept. 12, 1812—R. M. Howe, inventor.

Sept. 13, 1860—Gen. John J. Pershing.

Sept. 22, 1791—Michael Faraday, scientist.

Sept. 1, 1789—U.S. Dept. of Treasury established.

Sept. 5, 1774—First Continental Congress.

Sept. 7, Labor Day in America.

Sept. 15, 1789—James Fenimore Cooper.

Sept. 21, 1784—First U. S. daily newspaper published.

Sept. 22, 1862—Lincoln freed slaves.

Sept. 23, 10:7 a. m.—Autumn begins.

ANNIE CRETNIK, 15, lodge 24,
R. 2, Box 425, Ft. Smith, Ark.

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INTERESTING FACTS

West African signal drums carry messages 5 to 15 miles, depending on atmospheric conditions.

In a Connecticut survey of traffic on straight rural highways, it was found that drivers accompanied by relatives travel more slowly than those alone or with friends.

Strawberries are said to have been so named because they were strung on broomstraws when carried to market.



GENERAL DOUGLAS MacARTHUR

Drawn by Matilda Krizay, age 14, Salem, O.
Circle No. 10.



THE BUTTERFLY
 Drawn by **Caroline Tavezlj**, age 13, Detroit, Mich. Lodge 518.

Yellowstone's famous geysers broke a record a few years ago when nine major geysers spouted within an hour.

The daily ration of air breathed by man is 17,600 pints.

AGNES SALOUM, 14, lodge 89,
 R. D. No. 1, Bulger, Pa.

SOME JOKES

Farmer: "And another thing, we have a bull on this farm that gets mad as heck when he sees pink."

City Visitor: "Gee! I thought it was red that made bulls angry."

Farmer: "Ha, ha! This bull's a sissy."

Mike: "Why is Ireland the richest country in the world?"

Tike: "Because its capital has been Dublin for years."

John: "Do you know Art?"

Jim: "Art who?"

John: "Artesian."

Jim: "Sure, I know Artesian Well."

AGNES SALOUM, 14, lodge 89,
 R. D. No. 1, Bulger, Pa.

THE PERIOD OF OUR ECONOMIC LIFE

Our economic life of today can be divided into three rather clearly defined periods: the period of educational training, the period of work, and the period of retirement. In any community we may readily observe examples of all three classes.

In the period of educational training are young people who are growing up to take their active part in the world, but who have to spend a large part of their time getting the necessary learning and experience. These must naturally depend largely upon others for guidance and support.

The group in the period of work is undoubtedly first in importance in the life of a community at any time. It is composed of the people who have finished their formal schooling and support not only themselves but those of their family who are not earning their own living.

In the period of retirement are those who have saved up enough so that their later years can be spent in comparative ease and comfort. For them this may be the period of economic independence. But there are many who through age or feebleness can no longer do a full day's work and have

saved up nothing to live on. Once more they need the care and guidance of those who are strong and capable. For them it is the period of later dependence.

In recent years, since the passage of the social security and old age pension laws, the "period of retirement" has been made more pleasant for all when they reach the age at which they are entitled to its benefits.

ANNIE CRETNIK, 15, lodge 24,
 R. 2, Box 425, Ft. Smith, Ark.

THE RISING SUN

The sun is coming out
 Down in the shining East so gay,
 And oh! it just makes me shout
 For it fills me with energy when
 I see a shining ray.

Daylight is definitely here
 And I am ready for the day's task.
 But soon night will draw near
 And I'll do chores and won't
 Have to be asked.

Sent by AMELIA CRETNIK, 9, lodge 24,
 R. 2, Box 425, Ft. Smith, Ark.

AUTUMN

When the autumn leaves begin to fall,
 There doesn't seem to be anything at all.
 When the trees are so bare everywhere,
 They don't give a least bit of care.

AMELIA CRETNIK, 9, lodge 24,
 R. 2, Box 425, Ft. Smith, Ark.

GENERAL DRAZA MIHAILOVICH

According to all estimates and newspaper reports, the three greatest generals of World War II are General Simeon Timoshenko, General Arthur MacArthur, and General Draza Mihailovich.

It is to be noted that Slavs have the distinction of having two of their members in that group. MacArthur's star has faded temporarily because he is at present engaged in no crucial battle, and Timoshenko's star has been clouded by the recent Nazi gains, while Mihailovich's star shines even yet brighter.

Mihailovich is often referred to as "the legendary leader" because he and his indomitable Chetniks are waging an "invisible" war against the Axis conquerors. The latter have placed \$1,000,000 on Mihailovich's head, but the loyal Yugoslavs prefer to die rather than to betray Mihailovich who is fighting to free their stricken country.

Mihailovich was born in Čačak and was educated at the Military School at Belgrade. He has a family who are now in the hands of the Germans. He plays the mandolin excellently.

Mihailovich has been urging the United Nations to send aid for his Chetniks. And for that same definite purpose he has sent several Chetniks on a special mission to Washington.

While Russia is pleading for a second front, Mihailovich is doing all he can to avert the Axis from Russia so that they have to keep a large

army in Jugoslavia to fight the Chetniks. Let us hope that Mihailovich with the aid of America and the United Nations will be able to do his part in Jugoslavia and bring about the end of the war with Victory for the Allies!

PETER KRNIC, 15, lodge 543,
521 Wells St., Steubenville, O.

AUSTRALIA, A VITAL SPOT

Australia, the only continent completely south of the equator, "belongs" to Great Britain, that is, it is a dominion of the latter. It is approximately the size of the United States.

Australia is very vital to our winning of the war. If we lose Australia, we lose a strong foothold in the South Pacific.

Most of Australia is covered with desert. The southeastern part of this continent is most important. This is where the most manufacturing is done and where the more important cities and railroads are located.

Some of the more important cities of Australia are Canberra, the capital; Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide, Brisbane, and Perth.

Because Sydney and Melbourne both wanted to be the capital of Australia, Canberra was made capital to avoid any ill feeling between the cities.

Australia is divided into six territories. They are Victoria, New South Wales, Queensland, Northern Territory, and Western Australia.

Many of our American soldiers have been sent to this vital continent to keep it from the Japs. They have been successful so far and let us all hope it will never fall into the hands of the Japs.

FLORENCE ALICH, 15, lodge 111,
Box 607, Aurora, Minn.

STATE FLOWERS

Alabama—Goldenrod. Arkansas—Forget-me-not. California—Golden Poppy. Florida—Orange Blossom. Georgia—Cherokee Rose. Iowa—Wild Rose. Illinois—Wood Violet. Montana—Bitter Root. New York—Rose. Oklahoma—Mistletoe. Texas—Bluebonnets.

GEORGIE MARIE MOCIVNIK, 11, lodge 24,
P. O. Box 86, Jenny Lind, Ark.

SUMMER HAS PASSED

We had a beautiful summer,
'Twas hot and rainy, too.
But altho I didn't mind it,
I really had so much to do.
You know how a girl is—
She likes somethin' new to do.

MARGARET POLONCIC, 15, lodge 124,
R. F. D. 2, Union Dale, Pa.

A TRUE FRIEND

Of all the animals that there are
From here and there, near and far,
Of short and tall, big and small,
I like the horse best of all.

A horse is noble, gentle and fine,
He will do things of any kind,



DON'T TALK TOO
MUCH!

Drawn by Jimmie Spen-
dal, age 14, Clinton,
Ind. Lodge 50.

Just treat him in the right way,
Then your kindness he'll repay.

By riding him, being a friend,
You can go to him just when
You're in trouble and need someone
To tell after it is all done.

That's why a horse is to me
A friend and always will be.

Sent by VIRGINIA BARTON, 14, lodge 231,
R. D. 4, McDonald, Penna.

THE MAGICIAN OF SOUND

In the small town of Milan, Ohio, in 1847, a baby was born to an old Dutch family—Thomas Alva Edison.

When the child Thomas was seven years old, he moved with his family to Michigan and at twelve he became a newsboy on the Grand Trunk Railroad. He printed his own paper known as "The Grand Trunk Herald" and sold it to many of the men who worked on the railroad. However, his printing business soon ended, when the conductor caught Edison experimenting on the train. Edison practiced his experiments until he could send telegrams to his neighbor.

One day Edison saved the life of a young boy and in reward was taught how to become a telegraph operator. He got his first regular place as telegraph operator in Indianapolis when he was eighteen years old. Here he made his first invention. It was a rude instrument known as an automatic recorder.

Soon after he moved to Boston and then to New York. The men he worked for wanted Edison's inventions for their own and offered him more than five thousand dollars. Of course, Edison gladly accepted the offer, and without wasting any time, he used his money in fitting up a workshop where he could experiment to his heart's desire. From this time on until his death he was busy giving new inventions to the world and getting more and more money.

Among the most important things that he has given us are the megaphone which magnifies sound, the incandescent lamp and light system, and

the acrophone. One of the most interesting of all his discoveries is the phonograph which came to his mind through an accident.

(Source: "Wonder Workers" by Mary Wade).

VERA BOZANIC, 14, lodge 393
R. F. D. 3, Worcester, N. Y.

OUR COMMON FLOWERS

Forget-me-not: This tiny sky-blue flower enacts a sentimental role in a sad little tale that has survived centuries of retelling in Orient as well as Western lands.

Buttercup: One fable told of this small cup-shaped blossom concerns a greedy man who found the famous pot of gold at the end of the rainbow.

Tulip: The first tulip grew wild in Persia; the name comes from the word turban, dullband. Hollanders are world renowned for the raising of this brilliant bulb.

Dandelion: Dandelions flourish under almost any condition, and blossom during every month of the year. The name is derived from the French dent-de-lion (lion's tooth).

Violet: The violet was the favorite flower of Napoleon I. We all like the violets, and wood violet is the state flower of Illinois.

DOLORES UDOVIC, 13, lodge 573,
Rte. 1, Box 90, La Salle, Ill.

THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

This is the month of school,
Get ready for the teacher's rule.
Let's try and be happy and gay,
Whether we're at work or play.

We'll know what we're learning,
When we'll fulfill our yearning,
But when the big day is over,
We'll go and play with Rover.

MILDRED CRETNIK, 10, lodge 24,
R. 2, Box 425, Ft. Smith, Ark.

THE HOME OF THE FREE

America is truly the home of the free and the brave. No dictator tells you to vote "yes" or else. The government doesn't control your radio; tune in any program you like. No storm trooper is going to come along and hit you in the teeth with the butt of a rifle.

You are not going to be stripped of your possessions and kicked into the gutter—just because someone might happen to dislike the color of your skin, the shape of your nose or the texture of your hair. You are not going to be thrown into a concentration camp and left to starve—on any slight or imaginary pretext.

You can answer any knock at your door and know you are not going to be torn away from your family without cause or trial, and disappear forever. Speak your mind as you see fit. You needn't be afraid to discuss the state of the nation with your next door neighbor.

Your children won't be evacuated from your city and herded together like sheep in fear of air raids. You have your gardens and flower beds—

you won't have to dig them up to make room for something else.

In short—America is truly the Home of the Free and the Brave. That's why we must do everything we can to defend our country. That's why I am glad to be an American.

WILLIAM SMOLICH, 17, lodge 613,
31 Church St., Herminie, Pa.

THE DRIFTING CLOUDS

As I sat in the evening chair,
And watched the clouds go by,
They passed I don't know where,
They went as a bird would fly.

Suddenly they covered the sun,
All around me was getting dark,
But just then I started to run,
'Twas a dog with a growling bark.

MILDRED CRETNIK, 10, lodge 24,
R. 2, Box 425, Ft. Smith, Ark.

LISTEN AND LEARN

School has now begun, at last,
All the fun and rest is past.
Books and worry and what not,
Watch the teacher, don't get hot.

She is right, we all must admit,
We all know she must do her bit.
Let's listen and we shall learn,
That must be our main concern.

MARGARET POLONCIC, 15, lodge 124,
R. F. D. No. 2, Union Dale, Pa.



"BRIDE AND GROOM"

The couple are Marian Tratnik Adams, Advisor of the SNPJ Juvenile Circle No. 2, as the bride, and Rudy Widmar as a groom. This picture was taken on All-Slav Day in Cleveland, O., from a group representing the "Slovene Wedding."



THE HEATH HEN

Drawn by Zora Gostovich, age 14, Raton, New Mexico. Lodge 297.

THE HEATH HEN

The heath hen was once a very much alive and a very homely, stupid bird. But his race has long since vanished from this earth.

Early colonists killed many heath hens for food. They were an easy mark for hunters, for they were very slow-moving birds. They were as common on tables as chickens are today. Old records tell us that the hired men became tired of eating heath hen. Before they would work on the farm, they made the owners promise that they would not serve heath hen more than twice a week.

By the year 1870, just one short century from the days of the colonies, the heath hen disappeared from the mainland of the United States. Only among the scrub oak of Martha's Vineyard off the southeastern coast of Massachusetts could flocks of those birds be found. It was then that scientists became deeply interested in that bird. In 1908, the government of Massachusetts came to the rescue of the heath hen and made an attempt to save it.

Part of Martha's Vineyard Island was set aside as a heath hen reservation, where the birds were given complete protection. At that time, the heath hens numbered less than one hundred. By 1916, they had increased to fully two thousand. Lovers of the wild and helpless creatures believed that the heath hen had been saved. But they could not foresee the terrible disaster that swept through the reservation in May of that year. A raging fire in the forest brush burned the nests, the young, and the faithful mother hens that would not flee and leave the little fledglings behind. Few of the heath hens survived nor did their numbers increase as new underbrush grew up in place of the charred, blackened ruins left by the fire.

Little by little, the heath hens decreased in number. In the spring of 1927, just thirteen birds

were counted, and in April of the following year, only three were seen. By the fall, only two birds could be found, and in December of that year, but one appeared.

Now even this heath hen has disappeared. It has not been seen since March of 1932. Sadly scientists have watched one more species vanish from the earth. They realize that the passing of the heath hen was caused by man's ruthless destruction of a once vigorous race of birds.

ZORA GOSTOVICH, 14, lodge 297,
Box 531, Raton, New Mexico.

OUR PEN PALS WRITE FROM ALIQUIPPA, PA.

Dear Editor:—This is my first letter to the M. L. I am thirteen years of age. I have blond hair, green eyes, and I am 5 ft. tall. I attend the Franklin Junior High School. I am in the eighth grade.

I enjoy writing letters and also reading books. I would like to hear from some pen pals around my own age, and I will answer all letters promptly.

I am a member of the SNPJ lodge 122 of Aliquippa, Pa. Best regards to all.—*Mary Ann Rudich* (age 13), 163 Baker St., Aliquippa, Pa.

TIME FOR SCHOOL

Dear Editor:—I was surprised to see my letter published in the July issue of the M. L. The swimming pool is opened in Aguilar, and now that's all we do: swim and swim. I received a few more letters from pen pals and I am also writing to more pen pals.

When this letter is published it will be time for school to start. I hope the nine months of school will pass as fast as the three months of vacation. I wish more people from Aguilar would write to the ML.

Everyone is so busy around this town that we think it's hotter than it is. The weather here is so hot that we can't even breathe. Best regards to all.—*Josephine Kosernick*, Box 199, Aguilar, Colo. (Lodge 381, Circle 20)

MY TEN PEN PALS

Dear Editor:—This is my first letter to the M. L. I am 14 years old. I hope to write each month to this fine magazine. One of my pen pals writes that he expects to read a letter from me in the M. L. So here goes:

By way of introduction I wish to say that I have brown hair and brown eyes. I am 5 feet 3 inches tall and weigh 99 pounds. I have an olive complexion. Everyone in our family except my Mother and older brother is in the SNPJ lodge 66. I have 10 pen pals and wish to have more. My latest pen pal is Andrew Rupnick. He certainly writes very interesting letters.

I am trying to learn how to ride a bike, but "no go." Maybe I will learn in another year at least. I am running short of words and so I will close, hoping to hear from new pen pals. Best luck to all SNPJ members.—*Josephine Brgoch* (14), 411 Colorado Ave., Trinidad, Colo. (Lodge 66)

Our Own Juvenile Circles of the S. N. P. J.



Send all your questions and requests for your Juvenile Circles to Bro. Michael Vrhovnik, Director of the SNPJ Juvenile Dept., 2657 S. Lawndale Ave., Chicago, Ill. He has been elected the Director of Juvenile Circles and your Advisers should keep in touch with him.

The Road to Fraternity and Democracy

Never were truer words written or spoken: **"The boy is father to the man, the girl is mother to the woman."** That simply means, what we teach our boys and girls in the early years of their life, that's what will determine, to a very large extent, their character when they grow up to be men and women.

For that reason, fraternal training is very essential to the educational program of every boy and girl. We can't emphasize too strongly the importance of the Juvenile Circle. Every SNPJ community should have a thriving, wide-awake, juvenile organization working for the good of the Society, looking after the interests of one and all members, promoting the general welfare of the community, the state and country.

When you organize a Juvenile Circle, you immediately place into the hands of a group of children the opportunity of teaching themselves self-government through practical experiences. One of the very first things they will learn is **how to conduct a meeting under certain established rules and regulations.** They ballot to elect their officers and members of standing committees. They voice their opinions and suggestions. They offer recommendations and motions. They vote on various measures.

All these things, though relating to what may seem insignificant matters pertaining to a child's way of giving and taking, nevertheless, are stepping stones to a greater understanding of **fraternalism and government of the members, by the members, and for the members.** Our boys and girls can learn, through their meetings and affairs, the value and necessity of orderly and intelligent processes of self-government. Any boy or girl, who absorbs this training early in life, is bound to be a better fraternalist of the **SNPJ** and a better citizen of the **USA.** Organize a Juvenile Circle in your community, the road to Fraternity and Democracy.

MICHAEL VRHOVNIK,
Juvenile Director.

JOLLY KANSANS JUVENILE CIRCLE

GIRARD, KANS.—The Fourth of July picnic given by the local SNPJs and Juvenile Circle No. 11 at Sterle's farm in Edison, Kans., was a huge success. It is said that the picnic would have been even more successful if the supply of refreshments had not been exhausted so soon. Because the people would have stayed a little longer at the place of merriment.

Entertainment was furnished by the "One-Piece" orchestra, consisting really of three members; namely, John Ziebert, John Holach, and Mr. Kurent, the latter carrying his accordion on his back and singing along with the older folks. They

Highest Achievement Awards For 1942 "Our School" Contest



The seven beautiful trophies, displayed here, will be awarded to the winners of the "OUR SCHOOL" literary and drawing contest near the close of the year. All are emblematic of highest achievement honors.

The two trophies on the right and the two on the left are individual prizes to be awarded to juvenile members for the best written contributions and best drawing published during the year. The three remaining trophies in the center will be awarded to the first, second, and third place Juvenile Circles having the best contest record for 1942, as provided in the rules.

Each trophy will be attractively engraved with the name of the winner, number of Lodge or Circle, where located, by whom and for what achievement awarded, and the year. The trophies will be sent to winners in December, in time to reach their respective destinations before that all important holiday occasion—Christmas.

To give you some idea of the size and appearance of the trophies, they stand from fifteen to twenty-two inches in height, four of which are silver plated and three of Noblglo (gold-like) finish combined with genuine walnut bases, all richly polished. What a surprise it will be to receive one of these beautiful awards, whether won by individual or Circle, and how proud you will be, I know.

Hold your breath, boys and girls, for here's more good news about prizes. In addition to the above trophies, approximately \$250 in valuable prizes will be given to other winners. It has not been decided what form they will be, but a suggestion has been made that the Society award the remaining prizes in United States War Savings Stamps. It's a swell idea, but what do you think? Express your opinion in the Mladinski List, or in letters to the Juvenile Director.

JUVENILE DIRECTOR.

played popular tunes and Slovene songs. Everyone enjoyed the program immensely.

We had a large attendance at this picnic. Tony Tomsic, son of "Big Tony" Tomsic of Oakland, California (formerly of Kansas), was on a 15-day furlough from Arkansas visiting with his Aunt, Mrs. Tersina. We were glad to see him at the picnic enjoying himself with the rest of the picnickers. We wish him good luck and happy return.

We wish to thank the older folks for the cooperation and help given us at this affair which netted us \$40. We also wish to thank Mrs. Shular, Mr. Strukel and Mr. Dudas for their help and kindness; also, to Mr. Sterle for giving us the grove free of charge.

Our July 5th meeting was held at the SNPJ

Hall at Franklin, and the June 7th meeting was held at the same place. The new Secretary is Jennie Lampe (the writer), who took the place of Dorothy Yoger. A fair attendance was present. Plans are made to go to Lincoln Park in July.

All members are asked to attend the next meeting, Sunday, Sept. 13.

JENNIE LAMPE, Circle No. 11,
Box 863, Girard, Kansas.

CLEVELAND JUVENILE CIRCLE NO. 2
CLEVELAND, O.—This is Juvenile Circle No. 2 broadcasting the news and views of recent months. First of all—our Circle meets on the third Friday of each month at the SNH on St. Clair ave. It is hoped that now during the coming cool weather more members will attend our meetings.

So many activities have been going on in Greater Cleveland in recent months that I feel I should give a brief account of the doings. Cleveland is doing its part towards Civilian Defense and morale. So far there have been two main parades, besides the daily parades of inductees.

Early this spring we had a huge bond parade to promote the sale of war bonds and stamps. Every branch of the service was represented in it, along with their equipment. Every form of civilian life was portrayed, from the factory workers to the nurses' aides. Music was furnished by the high school bands of Cleveland. The Hawaiians were also present in a beautiful float.

The second parade was not as large as the first. This was the Win the War Parade which featured the American Slavs. As is known, President Roosevelt proclaimed June 21 as Slav Day. Mayor Frank J. Lausche of Cleveland, a Slovene, cooperated in every way and participated in the parade. All Slavic groups were represented as were the Slovenes. The Napredne Slovenke, SNPJ 137, combined with the Cankar Dramatic Society had an old-fashioned Slovene wedding in the parade. This (our) float drew the most cheers. We had a wagon drawn by two beautiful horses donated by Mr. Drenik of Euclid. We were dressed in Slovene costumes, and our bride was none other than Marian Tratnik Adams, adviser of Circle No. 2, with Rudy Widmar as the groom for the day. (Marian was recently married to Pvt. Tony Adams now stationed in Texas.) The leader of the singing was Anton Šubelj of the Metropolitan Opera, who is recognized as "the life of the party." We never had a more enjoyable time as we did that day.

Cleveland again came through a safe and sane Fourth this year. Of great interest was the naming of the bomber "Spirit of Cleveland" by Mrs. Jane Lausche, wife of our Slovene mayor. The purchase of this bomber was made possible by the generous contributions of the people of Cleveland. Our lodge donated \$10 towards this cause. This was our Fourth of July gift to General Douglas MacArthur.

That evening in the stadium there was the fourth annual Festival of Freedom, which was open to the public. This year there was also a Pageant of Flags; included in this demonstration was the flag that flew over the grave of Francis Scott Key, author of the Star-Spangled Banner, and the pageant "Let Freedom Ring" in which American citizens of 35 countries marched in their national costumes.

A word about the M. L. With pride and enthusiasm I looked over the 20th anniversary issue of the July number. The SNPJ and the editors should be congratulated for the fine work shown in a magazine of such high standards. It seems the ML is constantly improving in many ways.

One more thing. I had the pleasure of being one of the many people who were present at Etbín Kristan's banquet last April. I had the privilege of meeting many people at the banquet, among them Mary Jugg Molek, one of the con-

tributors of the M. L. She recently received her masters degree from Chicago University and was elected into a national fraternity in education. My sincere congratulations to her.

All members of our Circle are requested to attend the monthly meetings.

ALMA ZAGAR, Circle No. 2,
1111 E. 68th St., Cleveland, O.

MIDWAY JUVENILE CIRCLE NO. 22

MIDWAY, PA.—Our Juvenile Circle No. 22 attended the SNPJ Day affair at Paradise Gardens on Sunday, June 28. Seven members of our Circle went to take part in the day's entertainment; namely, Joan Cooper, Martin Macheck, Virginia and Rose Barton, Donna Nagode, Donald Nagode and Manager Mary Janeshek.

When we arrived at Paradise Gardens shortly after 2 o'clock, the celebration was already in full swing. We danced until four o'clock. At that time the program began. There were several speakers on the program, the main one being Michael Vrhovnik of Chicago, who made a very nice speech. We were introduced to him and to many other persons.

The entertainment part of the program had many talented boys and girls in it. Juvenile Circles from Sharon, Pittsburgh, Library and Midway participated in the program. Mr. Vrhovnik took pictures of all persons on the program. After the program Willie Novak and another member from Sharon, a girl, sang Slovene songs. The program was over at seven o'clock.

At seven the orchestra began playing and the young folks danced. The event was scheduled to end at eleven, but we had to leave at eight. It took us 1½ hours to get home, and we sang Slovene songs all the way home.

I think I can safely say that everyone had a grand time. We want to thank Mr. Sirca and Mrs. Janeshek for the use of their cars.

VIRGINIA BARTON, Circle No. 22,
R. D. 4, McDonald, Penna.

FROM JUVENILE CIRCLE NO. 28

ROUNDUP, MONT.—Our Juvenile Circle No. 28 held its regular meeting on June 21. The minutes of the May meeting were read and approved, also absentees were noted. The report of the Secretary was read and approved. Glorja Wooten and Richard Lekse were accepted as new members. Jimmy Koss was dropped from the Circle.

A motion was carried that we have a theater party on July 14. We were to meet at Lea Oset's home at 1:30 p. m., and after the show we were to have a nickle treat. A motion was passed that the August meeting be cancelled and have this month designated as a vacation month. This was done because so many members were planning going on vacation.

A prize of a 25c war stamp was given to Lorraine Kloss for getting the most members into the Circle, and a prize was given to Bob Bedy for the best record of attendance. Louise Lekse was transferred to the adult department and decided

to quit the Circle. We will miss her a great deal, for she was a very active member.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 20, at our Manager's home. All members are asked to attend.

CARL KERZAN, Secretary,
Box 14, Roundup, Mont.

WALSENBURG JUVENILE CIRCLE NO. 1

WALSENBURG, COLO.—This is Juvenile Circle No. 1 broadcasting its activities so far this year. It was decided at our December meeting that a different activity would be held each month.

On January 4, the Circle members were treated to a theater party. A large group attended to see Bing Crosby in "Birth of the Blues."

In February it was decided that we would have a Valentine Party and a quiz program along with it. It was a lot of fun, with prizes going to the winners.

At our March meeting lotto was played by all who were present. It was so much fun that we almost forgot about dinner.

Our quiz program was so successful in February that we decided to have another one in April. It

is very interesting and I hope we shall have another one soon.

At our May meeting we decided to play games. We played bunco, old maid, lucky star and several others.

In June we played cards. While we were playing we were all treated by Mr. Stiglich. At this meeting, due to the absence of our secretary, Elizabeth Duzenack was elected to fill the vacancy for the remainder of the year.

In July the members went on a marshmallow roast to the Cameron Dyke. It was a nice hike and it was fun to roast the marshmallows.

In August we had a wiener roast at Hupotolla Park. It was held on the 16th of August. All members were invited to attend, and many did attend the roast.

To keep up with the times, we are now giving War Savings Stamps instead of the usual cash awards as attendance prizes.

By the time this letter is published in the September issue, school will start again and most of us will be back in school.

WILLIAM TOMSIC, President,
823 W. 7th St., Walsenburg, Colo.

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NOTE: If your Circle is not included in the roster, the reason is that no report of officers has been received by the Juvenile Director.

Well Defined

Science when well digested is nothing but good sense and reason.

—STANISLAUS.

EVERYBODY
EVERY PAYDAY



SAVING IN
WAR BONDS

Our Pen Pals Write

(Naši čitateljski pišejo)

THE SNPJ DAY CELEBRATION



Drawn by

Zita Bozanic, 14, Worcester, N. Y., lodge 393
On June 28, quite a few members of Circle 20 went to Rye where our annual SNPJ Day celebration and picnic was held. I am sure most of them enjoyed this delightful affair. I was quite disappointed not to find some person there from headquarters.

The Fourth of July came and went, being rather a dull day for me. I noticed there were very few celebrations anywhere in the United States. The only reason I can think of is that thousands of workers were at their posts producing the tools of Victory. This is as it should be.

I read the ML every month and I always intend to write but the time the next issue is here, I find that I have failed to write. So today it was my Mother who reminded me to write. Here I am, closing with best regards to all.—*Mitzi Koser-nik* (age 16), Box 199, Aguilar, Colo. (Lodge 381, Circle 20).

CAROLINE'S WAR STAMPS

Dear Editor:—I was very pleased to see my drawing in the M. L. for July. I wasn't as good as others but I'm sure that if I try more I will be almost as good.

I am buying war stamps regularly. Each week I get one. So far I have one bond, and in my stamp book I have \$11.50.

I am going to a camp for five weeks. We go swimming, do craft work, and have games and sports. My girl friends and I have loads of fun. So far I am having a grand vacation and I hope all juvenile members are enjoying their vacation too. Best regards to all.—*Caroline Tavzelj* (age 12), 1425 McKinstry, Detroit, Mich. (Lodge 518)

INTERESTING LETTERS

Dear Editor:—After reading the ML and the fine things that are in it, I have decided to write to it. There are many interesting letters to read that are sent from boys and girls all over the country.

I am fifteen years old. My height is 4 ft. 4 in. I will be a sophomore when school starts. Some of my favorite sports are dancing, tennis, mush-ball and swimming. My main hobby is collecting post-cards.

I enjoy writing letters very much. I am getting a thrill out of writing this letter because it is my

first to the Mladinski List. I would like to have some pen pals to write to and be one of their in return. I promise to answer all letters and post-cards. The time is growing shorter, so I shall close with the intention of writing more to this fine magazine.—*Helen Jordan* (age 15), 1304 Jackson Ave., Windber, Pa. (SNPJ lodge 421)

SCHOOL BELLS RING AGAIN

Dear Editor:—I have been wanting to write to the ML for a long time, but I just kept putting it off. I enjoy reading it very much and think it is interesting.

There are five in our family, and we all belong to the SNPJ lodge 639. I am enjoying my vacation very much, but it won't be long now before the school bells will ring again. I will be a freshman this year and can hardly wait to go to High School.

I am sending a drawing which I hope to see in the ML soon. This is all for my first letter. I hope to write more in the next issue.—*Helen Vidic*, Box 80, Park City, Utah. (SNPJ lodge 639)

HELPING THE FARMERS

Dear Editor:—With everyone getting ready for school, I will be, too, when this letter is printed. Tomorrow (July 6) I will start hoeing cotton for farmers. We have just finished picking beans and potatoes. There is always something to do, especially during the summer season.

I am sending in four poems and two articles. I hope they will all be published. I was happy to see my articles in the ML that I sent in for July. By the time this letter is published it will be time for school to open again. Late in September the leaves will turn to different colors and make a glorious scene.

Mother has just finished crocheting some scarfs. Before that she made a bedspread and is working on another. I guess I'll never learn how to crochet. Best regards to all.—*Georgie Mociwnik* (age 11), P. O. Box 86, Jenny Lind, Ark. (Lodge 24)

"HAY AND SUNSHINE"

Dear Editor:—I just taught I'd pick up my pen and start to write a letter to the M. L. People think that vacation makes you have more time to write, but I think vacation makes you lazy.

The weather is just fine for swimming and other summer sports except hiking. I live on a farm and we have to make hay in the hot days. You know, we have to "make hay while the sun shines."

We have no Juvenile Circle in L'Anse but I wish we did. I wish someone would plan on organizing one. I have a pen pal in Cleveland, Ohio, named Stanley Spavic. It seems that most of the pen pals are from Pennsylvania. I wish to have more pen pals from all over the United States. I promise to answer each letter promptly.

I am sending in a poem and some puzzles and riddles. Next time I hope to send in some drawings—in India ink. I think most of the people who write to the ML letters are interesting, and

I like the pictures very much. I wish more people would write to the ML and send in poems, articles and drawings. I noticed that most of the pen-pals' hobbies are collecting picture post-cards and saving movie star pictures. Mine isn't but if somebody wants some I can send them a few. Best regards to all.—*Margaret Barbo* (age 12), Box 272, L'Anse, Mich. (Lodge 753)

READY TO GO TO SCHOOL

Dear Editor:—Here I am writing again to this wonderful magazine, the Mladinski List. By the time this letter will be published, I suppose everyone will be getting ready to go to school.

I have been working on the farm nearly all summer. The weather here in Jenny Lind is very hot. I must mention to all readers of the ML that I have a new pen pal—Margaret Zgainer of Pennsylvania. While my daddy was in Chicago looking for work he made a record playing two Slovene songs, and you can bet your life it was good. He was playing the accordion.

I would also like to say that I wish Margarette Babnis of Jenny Lind would write to the M. L.—*Ernestine Mocivnik* (15), P. O. Box 86, Jenny Lind, Ark. (Lodge 24)

SUMMER VACATIONS

Dear Editor:—This is my second letter to the M. L. I have not been able to write a letter sooner because I did not have any news to write. Ever since school was out, I have been trying to find something to do.

To pass my time away I go swimming, work at home, and read and write to the M. L. I was very proud when I received letters from my first two pen pals. I am hoping that many more will write to me so that I will have something to occupy my time. It makes no difference whether girls or boys write. I am sorry that I cannot write a longer letter this time but I will try to write a longer one next time. Best regards to all.—*Andrew Rupnick* (age 14), 104 Maple Ave., Aliquippa, Pa. (Lodge 122)

"SUNNY CALIFORNIA"

Dear Editor:—Well, here I am again. California certainly deserves its name, "Sunny California." The sun is so hot, people just walk around in bathing suits, and everyone goes to the beach. Almost everyone is suntanned and many are sunburned.

School was out on June 26. I graduated from the A9 and now I am in the B10. School will start in September, right after Labor day. I wish to say hello to all of my pen pals.

I shall close now hoping everyone has a nice vacation. I hope you won't get as sunburned as I.—*Rose Chagenovich*, 984 Santa Cruz St., San Pedro, Calif. (Lodge 416)

FAMILY OF 10 SNPJers

Dear Editor:—I was glad to see my letter published in the M. L. School was out June 26 and it starts again on Sept. 10. They are having summer schools out here. The weather is very hot.

Soon there will be another member in the SNPJ from our family. My little sister will be two months old soon. Now there will be ten from our family in the SNPJ lodge. We are proud to belong to this Society.

I wish to say hello to all of my pen pals and I wish them a nice vacation.—*Ruth Chagenovich*, 984 Santa Cruz St., San Pedro, Calif. (Lodge 416)

IN ADULT DEPARTMENT

Dear Editor:—Here I am writing to this interesting magazine again. I will be out of the Midway Juvenile Circle No. 22 this month. Our last Circle meeting was held on June 26. There was a large number of members present. Our Juvenile Circle went on a hike June 20 and all the members had a "swell" time.

I have graduated from Union High School on June 3. And now that I have to leave the juvenile department, I must say that we had a very nice time together. Everyone worked together and did his or her best. I hope our Circle will be just as strong and continue to cooperate after I leave as before.

I regret it very much that I have to leave, but everyone has to join the Adult department sooner or later. Best regards to all. I will continue to write to the M. L.—*Helen Prebeg*, Box 206, Bulger, Pa.

FISHING AND SWIMMING

Dear Editor:—Since my last letter to the ML, I received two pen-pal letters; one from Mary Mhorovich, Adena, O., and one from Rose Marie Pucel, Cleveland, O. I wish this letter would bring me more pen pals, boys and girls. Come on, boys and girls from Illinois! Get busy and write to the M. L. Boost your state.

The bridge between Oglesby and La Salle is completed but no traffic goes through as yet. However, by the time this letter is published the road very likely will be opened to traffic.

My friends and I go fishing and swimming quite often in the Illinois River near our home. We caught six turtles and many fish. I myself caught enough fish for one meal. Every Friday evening we go to the band concerts in Oglesby. On July 4 there was a great three-day celebration in La Salle. Every Monday night we have a free show; nearly the entire neighborhood goes to see it.

I am closing with hopes of more pen pals. I am sending in a few jokes to be published.—*Agnes Marzel* (age 13), R. R. 1, La Salle, Ill. (Lodge 98)

TWO BROTHERS IN THE ARMY

Dear Editor:—This is my third letter to the M. L. I promised that I'd write sooner, but I guess I didn't keep my promise. I am sorry.

By the time this letter is published I will be 15 years old. I passed to 10A, and can hardly wait till school starts in September, which will be very soon—soon after this letter is published.

I wish to say hello to all my 10 pen pals. I have enjoyed writing to them all. I still save picture post-cards and would like to exchange them with anyone. I have two brothers in the Army.

One is a corporal, and I am proud! My other brother is still a private and overseas in Hawaii.

There isn't much to do now but sit around for it's so hot here. I will try to write more often. With best regards to all, I remain a proud member—*Helen Mance* (age 15), Box 341, Cokeburg, Pa. (Lodge 386)

WE LIVE ON A FARM

Dear Editor:—This is my first letter to the M. L. I receive the ML free because I am a member of the SNPJ. I am eight years old and am in the third grade. This year my teacher will be Miss O'Hara. My height is 52 inches and my weight is 63 lbs.

There are four children in our family, three girls and one boy. Two of my sisters wrote to the ML before. We all belong to the SNPJ lodge 753. We live on a farm 3½ miles from town. We ride to school on a bus. Everyone is glad vacation is here. But maybe, by the time this letter is published, school will be ready to open.

I am sending in some riddles and "other things" with which my sister is helping me. My sister is helping me on some of the writing, spelling and paragraphs. Well, I will be closing now with best regards.—*Joseph Barbo* (age 8), Box 272, L'Anse, Mich. (Lodge 753)

MY THREE HOBBIES

Dear Editor:—This is my second letter to the Mladinski List. Since my first letter appeared in the ML, I have received five pen pal letters I want to say hello to all of my pen pals.

I just learned how to ride a horse last week and I think horseriding is lots of fun.

When school will start I will be in the eighth grade. The subjects I will take are science, arithmetic, history, English, homemaking, gym and art.

My hobbies are collecting marbles, autographs and writing to pen pals. Best regards to one and all.—*Mary Barbo* (age 12), Box 272, L'Anse, Mich. (lodge 753)

CANNING IN ARKANSAS

Dear Editor:—Well, tonight I am not loaded with work—so I will just write to the M. L. Mother and I have been so busy canning tomatoes and peaches that I just can hardly find time as it puts me behind in all my work. But I enjoy writing always.

I still receive a great number of cards, as that is one of my hobbies. I receive some every day. It certainly is wonderful to collect cards; you can see some of the most amazing scenes, things you haven't even heard of before. There are many wonderful sights to see, if only we had the chance.

My brother Leo got a two-weeks vacation, and was he thrilled! He left right away for Chicago to see his brother Tony and Tony's wife, sister Mary and friends in Chicago. My brother John has also gone to Chicago for a two-weeks vacation. He was very pleased when my sister Mary and brothers Leo and Tony asked him to come up for a vacation.

Hoping to hear from some more ML writers and

readers, I'll say good-bye and good luck to all.—*Annie Cretnik* (age 15), R. 2, Box 425, Ft. Smith, Ark. (Lodge 24)

HEALTH TREATMENTS

Dear Editor:—I sure like to write to the M. L. It has been exactly a year in July since I recovered from my illness. I was bothered with the asthma. Last July my mother and I went to a chiropractor for treatment. We "went steady" for two months. That is, we have been visiting him regularly during that period.

This year it is different. I am glad to say that I am not bothered with asthma as much as last year. However, at times I still suffer from its effects. My mother is also feeling better this year.

Best regards to one and all.—*Emelia Cretnik* (age 9), R. 2, Box 425, Ft. Smith, Ark. (Lodge 24)

PROMOTED TO 6TH GRADE

Dear Editor:—Here I am again writing to this fine magazine of ours. I haven't written to the ML for quite a long time.

School will be starting pretty soon. I will be glad when it starts. When school was out last spring, I was promoted to the sixth grade. My teacher certainly was good to me as well as to all the other children.

I will close now. Best regards to one and all. *Mildred Cretnik* (age 10), R. 2, Box 425, Ft. Smith, Ark. (Lodge 24)

WILLIE IS PATRIOTIC

Dear Editor:—I am writing again to this wonderful magazine. This is my fourth letter to the M. L.

School will open this month in Jenny Lind. I will be in the seventh grade. My brother Leo went to Chicago for his vacation this summer. He was working at Camp Chaffee in a post office.

I sold 75 pounds of rubber in June. My sister is collecting salt and pepper shakers for her hobby. She also is collecting picture postcards. She has a few salt and pepper shakers at the present and has over 200 postcards. My brother has about 5,000 postcards. Best regards to all.—*Willie Cretnik* (age 12), R. 2, Box 425, Ft. Smith, Ark. (Lodge 24)

FLORENCE "FELT BAD . . ."

Dear Editor:—I certainly felt bad when I didn't see my letter in the July issue of the M. L. I was trying to write a letter to the Pen Pal Section every month during the year of 1942. (Your letter reached us too late to be included in the July issue.—Ed.)

School in Aurora is going to start on August 31. I'll be a sophomore this year. I had a nice Fourth of July. I made quite a bit of money and finally finished my War Bond.

I've been swimming quite a bit this summer. It certainly takes me a long time to get "ducked" in the water when it's cold. I enjoy swimming very much. Many people have gone out of Aurora. The Army has taken most of the younger boys and many older men have gone to Alaska or Greenland or to larger cities to work for the de-

fense program. Good luck and health to all.—*Florence Alich* (age 15), Box 607, Aurora, Minn.

STATE YOUR AGE

Dear Editor:—This is my first letter to this wonderful magazine. I have been a member of the SNPJ for about three years, and am proud of it. In reading the pen-pal letters I am sometimes disappointed in not finding the ages of the people that are writing. I wish everyone would state his or her age.

My favorite movie stars are Betty Grable, Robert Taylor and James Stewart. If any one is interested in exchanging post cards please write to me.

I would like to have more pen pals between the ages of 14 to 16. Best regards to all.—*Olga Malhowsky* (age 14), 260 Spruce St., Franklin Boro, Conemaugh, Pa. (Lodge 168)

DRUGO SLOVENSKO PISMO

Dragi urednik!—To je moje drugo pismo v slovenskem jeziku. Dobro bi bilo, če bi večkrat pisala v slovenskem jeziku, ker se bi bolj naučila. Vsakdo namreč ve, da se je treba učiti vsakega predmeta, ako ga hoče znati. Brez truda se nič ne doseže. V lanskem letniku Mladinskega lista je bilo zelo malo slovenskih dopisov. Tudi v letošnjem jih ne bo mnogo.

Moj brat Joseph je pri vojakih v Californiji. Prej je bil v Missouriju. Zelo me bo veselilo, če bo dobro napredoval pri svojem delu, to je v službi Strica Sama. Seveda ne bi rada videla, da bi šel čez morje, ampak pomagati se ne more. Vsi ne morejo ostati doma.

Brat Rudy pa je prišel domov za praznik dne 4. julija. Prišel je iz Clevelanda. Dosedaj še ni bil poklican k vojakom, ker je zaposlen pri obrambnem delu. To delo je prav tako važno kot vojaščina.

Naj povem, da mi je mama pri tem pismu le malo pomagala; ona je namreč opilila mojo slovensščino, ki je še vedno dokaj robata v pisavi. Iskren pozdrav uredniku in čitateljem!—*Florence Alich* (15), Box 607, Aurora, Minn. (Društvo 111)

A FAMILY OF NINE

Dear Editor:—I haven't written to the Pen Pals Page since I've been a member, so I decided that I'd write a letter, hoping that it will be published in the M. L.

I am 14 years old, weigh 100 lbs., and am 5 ft. 3 in. tall. I have brown hair, brown eyes and a rather tan complexion. I have six sisters and five brothers, all of which keep me from being lonesome, except two; they work away from home. Nick, 20, works in the Sears Roebuck Store in Oneonta, N. Y., as a clerk and stock receiver. Anne, 18, secured a position in the town of Onnesville. She plays an electric organ to large audiences and sings solos; she is also secretary to the head of the shrine where she is employed. The shrine season lasts from May to October. After the season, Anne expects to get in the Metropolitan Opera company and sing with orchestras.

This fall I will be a member of the sophomore

class of 1943. I intend to take Latin I, Music II, Plain Geometry, and English II as my subjects. I also will be a member of the WCS band in which I will play alto clarinet and also sing alto in the choir. I am proud to say that last year I made very good in my examinations. My marks were between 90 and 98; in algebra I received 100% for final exam mark.

I would like to compliment Bill Baltezar of Butte, Mont., for his wonderful work in sketching. Also Annie Cretnik for the many interesting articles she has written.

This fall our school faculty will have seven new members. Of the twenty left, they sponsored a supper for those leaving and each leaving received a treasured gift. The commencement exercises were held on June 21 and 22. By the time this letter is published, school will be here again. Best regards to all. (Please write on ONE side of the paper ONLY. Thank you!—Ed.)—*Vera Bozanic* (age 14), R. F. D. 3, Worcester, N. Y. (Lodge 393)

OUR VICTORY PARADES

Dear Editor:—This is my second letter to the M. L. Thank you for publishing my first letter. I now have four pen pals.

There have been two conventions in Ely in June. I marched in the Moose convention parade with the Baton Club. The other convention didn't have a parade. We also had Slav Day in June. About 1,500 people participated in the parade. The Baton Club also marched in the Fourth of July parade. I think we are doing good.

My birthday was last month. I wish to say hello to Lillian Britz, Stella Radumovich and Virginia Zgainer. Until my next letter, I remain fraternally yours—*Margaret Zorman*, 747 E. Sheridan St., Ely, Minn. (Lodge 129)

WANTED: PEN PALS

Dear Editor:—This is my first letter to the M. L. I am ten years old and I will be in the sixth grade. I would like to have many pen pals. I just love to write letters, but I can't draw pictures although I am trying my best. I am going to write to Mary Barbo and Mary Ann Grskovich. I have blonde hair and brown eyes. I will write more next time. Best regards to all.—*Marglene Resnik* (age 10), R. D. 1, Hamlin Station, Pa. (Lodge 292)

SUMMER IS ALMOST OVER

Dear Editor:—I should be ashamed of myself for not writing to the M. L. This is my first letter to this wonderful magazine. I am 14 years old, five feet tall, I have green eyes, red hair (really strawberry blonde), and I weigh 100 pounds. My favorite sports are swimming, tennis, and bicycling. I have no special hobby.

Summer is almost over and soon school will start again. Many students in our community are working on defense and helping the farmers with their crops. Most of the people in our community have large Victory Gardens and are helping in this national emergency.

I graduated from the eighth grade. I received out of 96 of my fellow students the American Legion Scholarship Award. I was very thrilled to receive such an honor. I think California is a very nice state in which to live. I have lived in Fontana 12 years, and have made many trips back to my home state, Michigan.

I collect post cards. I wish someone would send some to me. I will answer all cards and letters. I would prefer pen pals between the ages of 14 to 16. Best regards to all ML readers and writers.—*Beverly Lazar* (age 14), R. 2, Box 311, Fontana, California. (Lodge 569)

WAS PLEASANTLY SURPRISED

Dear Editor:—I have promised that I'd write every month to this fine magazine. So here I am. This is my second letter. It certainly was a surprise and pleasure to see my name in the July issue.

On July 4 we had a party in celebration of Independence Day. My favorite sports are bike riding, baseball, dancing. Just imagine—I have four pen pals already. I want to say hello to them: Emma Cetin, Eleanor Krasovic, Virginia Drazenovich, and Anna Samson.

I would like to have pen pals my own age (16). I would like to hear from boys as well as from girls. Good-bye to all ML readers.—*Eleanor Mrkalj* (age 16), 179 River Road, Tonawanda, N. Y. (Lodge 405)

HARVEST TIME

Dear Editor:—Here I am again writing to this grand Mladinski List. I really think this is a fine magazine for young and old. It's very hot down here in the South. By the time this letter will be published it will be harvest time. I have been having a grand time during my school vacation this summer.

Here are a few jokes. Diner: "Where are some good places to stop on our trip?" Waiter: "At all crossings."—Dentist: "Stop waving your arms and making faces, sir. Why, I haven't even touched your tooth." Patient (Pulling gag from mouth): "I know you haven't but you're standing on my corn."

I will write more next time. My best regards to all ML readers and writers.—*Johnnie Mocivnik* (age 13), P. O. Box 86, Jenny Lind, Arkansas.

SCHOOL DAYS

Dear Editor:—Here I am again, writing to the beloved Mladinski List. I wanted very much to have some contributions published in the August issue, but I guess I was too late.

Well, boys and girls, I suppose you are all glad you are going back to school this month. I know everyone feels bad about going back after the summer. Still we like to go back and see how our subjects will treat us. Every year it is the same. In May or June we can hardly wait until school is out, then, in September, we are sad.

Being that I was 14 years old July 23, I purchased working papers and obtained a job in the

Health Resort at Sharon Springs, New York. Even though I had to work I had a good time. My best regards to all my pen pals and ML readers.—*Rose Lipar* (14) R. D. 1, Hyndsville, N. Y. (Lodge 393)

THEY ARE PROUD OF M. L.

Dear Editor:—I am a member of SNPJ lodge 666 in Toledo, Ohio, but I live in Monroe, Mich. My parents, my brother and my sister are also members of the SNPJ. We are very proud of our Mladinski List. I am sending a picture that I drew free hand. I wish you would print it in the magazine. I am 15 years old and will be in the tenth grade this fall. I am sending my best regards to the readers of the M. L.—*Albert Copi* (15), 1211 E. First St., Monroe, Mich. (Lodge 666).—(Use India ink and regular drawing paper. Thank you.—Ed.)

DREW A PICTURE

Dear Editor:—I am sending in a picture which I drew for the Mladinski List. I hope it will be published.—*Alice Dadoff* (13), Nordyke Ave., Indianapolis, Ind. (Lodge 105)—(Please use drawing paper.—Ed.)

MY GIFT: WAR BOND

Dear Editor:—I am now 13 years old. My birthday was on July 27. Of all the gifts I received the one I liked best was my \$50 War Savings Bond. I think it makes a wonderful gift.

The weather here in Detroit in July has been terribly hot. We can hardly stand it. Our Victory Garden has been coming along fine.

Now that I am running out of words I had better close. Best regards to all.—*Caroline Tavelj* (age 13), 1425 McKinstry St., Detroit, Mich. (Lodge 518)

TAKES TIME OFF TO WRITE

Dear Editor:—I thought I'd take some time off from my—loafing to write a few lines to the Mladinski List.

A few weeks before school closed I started a sort of popularity poll of my own. I asked my pen pals and my friends at school who their favorite movie stars were. I kept track and here are the top ones: Ronald Reagan, 1st; John Payne and Gene Autry, 2nd; Tyrone Power, 3rd. I'd like you readers to drop me a post card or something telling me who your favorites are. I'll let you know what the results are in my next letter.

I've been wondering why Ann Ujcich, Elizabeth Rodman, Naomi Kranker and Josephine Strell haven't answered my letters. I'd like to say hello to my other pen pals: Norma Scavina, Dorothy Guadagnoli (of Colorado), Florence Ruparcich (Minnesota), Alice Dafoff (Indiana), Katherine Kocevar, Dolores Schmuck, Dorothy Zajec (Pa.), Bessie Zajec (Wis.), Sylvia Korbar, Jennie Widgay (N. Y.), and Mary Alice Paling (W. Va.).

I'll try to write more next time. Until then—best regards to all.—*Sylvia Mocnik* (age 14), 495 Cleveland Rd., Cleveland, O. (Lodge 5)

Introducing Book Friends

By **Betty Jartz**

THE WONDER BOOK

The New Wonder Book of Knowledge, compiled and arranged by Henry Chase Hill.

Through this book the inquisitive reader will learn a great deal about inventions and engineering feats, how they were developed, and how they work. The first amazing invention to be discussed is that of the movies and talkies. Mr. Chase Hill explains how pictured objects are made to move, how the voice is registered on a small band on one side of the film, and what makes this film talk. Next time someone asks you how movies and talkies work, by reading this chapter you can explain quite well to his satisfaction.

Then there is the story about the honey industry, which big industry just happened by chance. It seems that in 1865 a successful jewelry manufacturer in Medina, Ohio, was attracted by a swarm of honey bees gathered over his head. An employee bet him a dollar that he could capture the swarm. A short time later the manufacturer was much astonished when his employee brought him the bees safely stored in a box. The workman demanded the dollar which he promptly received. He kept the bees and his interest soon developed into enthusiasm. The returns from the swarm of bees convinced him to give up the jewelry business and to concentrate all his energies on the keeping of bees. It wasn't long before he started making hives, and soon the business of making beehives became an industry employing several hundred people. In time so many people went into beekeeping that the old keepers were afraid that the market for honey would be cluttered. However, an extensive campaign was launched advertising the excellent food value of honey, and the consumption of this sweet was increased to the satisfaction of the keepers. Today, I guess the keepers have no worries at all.

The story of the Panama canal is well told here. Its three greatest builders were: Theodore Roosevelt, who furnished the enthusiasm and go-ahead signal regardless of what it costs; Surgeon-General W. C. Gorgas, who supervised all sanitation and made that swampy and unhealthy land one of the healthiest places to live; and General G. W. Goethals, who did the engineering which had stumped the efforts of a French company headed by de Lesseps, who was a great engineer, too, since he was the man who supervised the cutting of the Suez Canal.

The Panama Canal was never so important to our nation as it is today. It is in these trying times that the successful operation of this canal can spell the difference between defeat and success for America and her allies. If you will note who built this, one of the worlds greatest engineering feats, you will discover that it was the good old U. S. Army and not private initiative.

The book winds up with the story of rubber which is a topic in most of our conversations today. The following is a brief history of the sap

of a tree which was unknown until recent times. Today armies and civilians cannot perform without its manifold uses.

Rubber is a coagulated sap that is extracted from more than three hundred different varieties of trees and vines. The most important producer of rubber is the Hevea tree, which is a native of Brazil.

The big story of rubber begins with an American named Charles Goodyear. Before his time rubber was merely regarded as an interesting curiosity. Goodyear heard that the natives of Brazil used the milky juice of the rubber trees for practical purposes. Waterproofing their cloaks was one use they had put rubber to. He wondered how he could use rubber to waterproof clothing without making it stiff in winter and sticky in summer. He devoted a great deal of his time in his search and was put in jail for failing to pay his debts.

One day, in the spring of 1839, he was standing by a hot stove talking vehemently to his brother and some other persons. He held in his hand a compound of rubber and sulphur. He was so angry with the way people laughed at him for his "silly" experiments that he threw the compound on the stove. To his surprise he noted that the stuff, instead of melting and burning, took on a solid shape. The heated substance was not sticky and it had the properties he was trying to get out of rubber. Thus the rubber tires and boots and most of our present essential rubber needs were made possible.

The rubber plantation of the East Indies sprang from some seeds that an English botanist smuggled from Brazil. In the East Indies, it was discovered that the climate was better for tree growth as well as the health of the workers. Because of these conditions, the world became dependent on the even and plentiful production of the East Indies, rather than the haphazard forest production from the home of rubber, Brazil.

In this book you will also find the stories of the addressograph, the typewriter, guns, submarines, steel, coal, sausage—mostly everything that we need, yet some things that many generations before us did without.

An Idea

Private: "I say, sergeant, this meat's as tough as leather, and the knife is blunt."

Sergeant: "Then why don't you strop the knife on the meat, m'lad?"

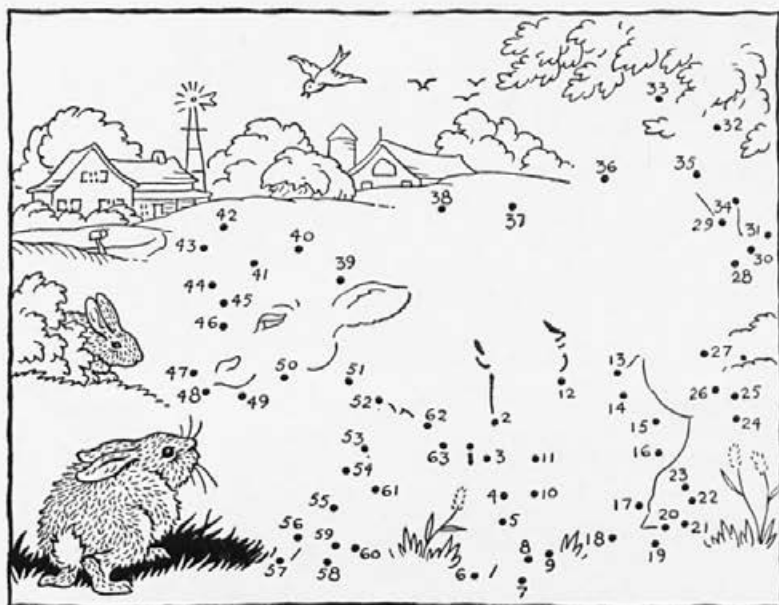
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It Might Be True

John: "Last night a big robber stuck a gun in my ribs and I only laughed."

Mike: "Brave, eh?"

John: "Gosh no, ticklish!"



DIZZIE DOT DRAWING PUZZLES

By HARVEY FULLER

Who could have startled the rabbit? Draw a line from dot to dot to discover that this big youngster is evidently having a very good time.

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON JUST FOR FUN PAGE

Your First Quiz: 1—c; 2—Whale; 3—a; 4—False; 5—True; 6—b.

Pronunciation: 1—A; 2—B; 3—B; 4—B; 5—A; 6—B.

Definitions: Definition (4) is incorrect.

Pick Your Bouquet: 1—Roses; 2—Violets; 3—Petunias; 4—Marigolds; 5—Lilacs; 6—Tulip.

Add Letter: school days.

A Night at the Opera

Everyone is supposed to take part in this game—no matter how poorly some of your guests may sing.

One person is blindfolded and sits in a corner with his back to the other guests, who stand in a line some distance from him. Then, one at a time, each person in the line sings a song, disguising his or her voice as much as possible.

The blindfolded person is given one guess to determine who the singer is. If he can't guess who the singer is, the next person in line sings, and the blindfolded player guesses again. This keeps up until the identity of one of the singers is correctly guessed. Then the blindfolded one takes his place in the line and the singer who was "discovered" has to put on the blindfold.

Mother: "Tommy, you mustn't ask your Papa so many questions—they irritate him."

Tommy: "It's not the questions that irritate him—it's the answers that he can't answer!"

SEPTEMBER

And so—to school! You know, it's pretty exciting at that, this business of going back to school after a long summer's vacation. After all, things change, even in the short space of a few months. During the summer, most schools are put through a general cleaning and reconditioning process. Walls are washed or painted, floors varnished, desks repaired and repainted, and oh, just all kinds of things done to make conditions pleasant for you when you go back to school.

Then, too, there will be new teachers, new classmates, new studies and books—my goodness, aren't you excited? Why you may even get to sit next to your best friend this semester! Whether you do or not, we wish you the best of luck as you start another semester, and we hope you will make great strides on this long road to learning.

Remember that a person's school days are the happiest days of his life.

Big Difference

Paul: "What's the difference between learning to drive a car and learning to play golf?"

Ralph: "Easy. When you're learning to play golf you don't hit anything."

Heh, Heh!

Mother: "Did you give the penny to the monkey, dear?"

Little girl: "Yes, mamma."

Mother: "And what did the monkey do with it?"

Little Girl: "He gave it to his father, who played the organ."

Help in the Victory Campaign!

ENROLL A NEW MEMBER IN THE "SNPJ VICTORY CAMPAIGN"--TODAY!



- The success of the SNPJ VICTORY CAMPAIGN depends on you—the members on our local fronts.
- We urge all members to join the active ranks of this great patriotic and fraternal drive to defend America and the SNPJ by enrolling new members.
- The SNPJ offers attractive SPECIAL PRIZES, ranging from \$25 to \$100, to state, district, and national winners—also, REGULAR PRIZES of \$1 for each juvenile member and \$1 to \$4 for each new adult member enrolled.
- The war against the AXIS powers must be won! We shall help achieve this goal quicker by awarding thousands of dollars in UNITED STATES SAVINGS BONDS and STAMPS as prizes for new members!
- The number of new members gained in the SNPJ Victory Campaign will be reflected in the amount of dollars spent for bonds and stamps—for planes, ships, tanks, and guns. Let's not forget that!
- A special award of \$25 will be given to the Juvenile Circle gaining the highest number of new members in this campaign.
- Members! Compare our benefits and rates with those of other insurance organizations. Convince yourselves that the SNPJ OFFERS THE BEST BARGAINS!
- In conclusion, we say to you—Don't forget the children. Give them all the advantages of membership in the SNPJ by organizing a Juvenile Circle in your community. That will insure a great victory for the future!

MICHAEL VRHOVNIK,
the SNPJ Campaign Director.