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POLITIČNO OZADJE KAMPANJE MED JEKLARJI

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PRITISK NA VODTELJE KAMPANJE

Washington, D. C. — (FP) — Po mnjenju izkušenih opozovalcev, med katerimi jih je nekaj, ki se dobro spominjajo velike stavek jeklarskih delavcev 1. 1919 in one iz 1. 1892, ki je povzročila masaker jeklarskih delavcev v Homesteadu, Pa., se bo sedanja kampanja za organiziranje jeklarskih in železarskih delavcev razlikovala od prejšnjih dveh. V sedanjem kampanji bodo delavci izvajali velik politični in ekonomski pritisk.

Nekateri celo primerjajo sedanje situacijo v Ameriki s situacijo v Franciji, ki je prevladala v teku volilne kampanje, iz katere je izšla zmagovita ljudska fronta, politična kombinacija levicarskih skupin (socialisti, komunisti in socialisti radikalci). Po politični zmagi so francoski delavci izrabili svoje ekonomsko silo z namenom, da izvajajo svoje zahteve — zvišanje mezd in izboljšanje delovnih pogojev. Ako se sposeva položaj francoskih industrij, so francoski delavci izvajali v stavkah dalekosezne koncesije.

Nauk iz borbe francoskih delavcev so si zapomnili tudi ameriški delavci. Gotovo je, da so spričeli zavedati, da lahko dosegajo marsikaj, ako v polni meri izvajajo politično moč, ki ji posudejo.

V prejšnjih stavkah v jeklarskih industrijih, ko so delavci vodili borbo proti jeklarskim baronom, se niso governjerji prav niti obotavljali, ko so bili pozvani, naj pošljijo oboroženo silo proti stavkarjem. V Homesteadu so federalne čete podprle jeklarske barone potem, ko člani državne milice niso hoheli pobijati stavkarjev.

Situacija je sedaj drugačna. Podgovorni Pennsylvanije je Thomas Kennedy, podpredsednik rudarske unije UMWA, en izmed desetih mednarodnih unij, ki vodijo in financirajo organizacijsko kampanjo med jeklarskimi delavci. George Earle je bil izvoljen za governera s pomočjo organiziranih rudarjev in njegova politična kariera zavisi od demokratske zmage pri novembarskih volitvah. Odbor za industrijsko organizacijo kontrolira najmanj pol milijona glasov v državama Pennsylvania in New York in te glasove mora demokratska stranka dobiti, da si zasigura zmago pri predsedniških volitvah.

John L. Lewis, načelnik Odbora za industrijsko organizacijo, je že objubil, da bo podpiral Rooseveltta v sedanji kampanji. Njegovo stališče je, da republikanska stranka predstavlja Wall street, dočim je demokratska stranka v dobi Rooseveltove administracije deloma pokazala, da je nakonjeno delavstvu, čeprav to ne pomeni, da se je ta stranka kar des noč spremenila v delavsko stranko. Delavci, ki so izvili unikatnega uradnika za podgovornosti v Pensylvaniji, v državi, ki tvori mogočen steber v politični strukturi stranke, ki je sedaj na krmilu, lahko obravnavata državno administracijo in organizirano kampanjo med jeklarji in tega se demokratični politiki boje.

Kampanja za mladinski oddelek S. N. P. J. v juniju

Rezultat naše kampanje za pridobivanje otrok v mladinski oddelek SNPJ je bil ob koncu meseca junija:

Rezultat kampanje v aprili in maju..... 595 članov.
V juniju je kampanja prinesla..... 188 "

Rezultat kampanje v prvih treh mesecih..... 783 "

Bratje in sestre, ki se še niste pridružili kampanji, ne stojte v rezervi! Stopite še vi na fronto! Kampanja je do danes pokazala voljo članstva za agitacijo in zaupanje članstva v svojo organizacijo. Kampanja se dobro razvija. Storimo vsi svojo člansko dolžnost in kampanja bo popolen uspeh.

Slovenska narodna podpora jednota je gospodarsko zdrava in trdna združina ustanova, v kateri je siehernemu članu zagotovljena zavarovalnina.

NAPREJ Z AGITACIJO ZA MLADINSKI ODDELEK!

F. A. VIDER, gl. tajnik.

Kaj so nameni urevnika Ameriške Domovine?

V Ameriški Domovini z dne 29. junija je pod naslovom "Nepoštano delo S. N. P. Jednote" urevniki članek, v katerem se napada naša organizacija in urevnik njenega glasila.

Ni moj namen zagovarjati urevnika, ker za to delo je on sam dovolj kompetenten, smatram si pa v dolžnost opozoriti članstvo pod obrekovanje naše jednote od ljudi, ki hočejo druge učiti doslednosti, sami pa ne pozajmo nobenih meja dostojnosti.

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Uradne vesti društev SNPJ

Butte, Mont. — Društvo Slovenska-Hrvatska Sloga št. 207 bo na svoji redni julijski seji imelo pred seboj poročilo o pikniku in druge važne zadeve. Neobhodno potrebno je, da članstvo obiskuje seje in rešuje zadeve, ki pridejo na dnevni red. Le tako se ohrani demokracija pri društvu. Torej ne pozabimo seje dne 12. julija!

Frank E. Jeniker, tajnik.

Point Marion, Pa. — Društvo Napredni Slovani 494 poziva vse svoje člane, da se udeležijo seje na 12. julija na Walnut pri Marku Bučarju. Na dnevnem redu bo vprašanje, če priredimo piknik ali veselico in druge važne zadeve. Pridite vse!

Anton Zupančič, tajnik.

Pittsburgh, Pa. — Novi naslov tajnika društva 118 je: John Ban, 5149 Butler st. (2nd floor), Pittsburgh, Pa.

Tajnik.

Chicago. — Članstvo društva Slavija št. 1 SNPJ se ujedno vabi na polletno sejo, ki se bo vršila v petek 10. julija ob 8. zvezd. Na tej seji bo nadzorni odbor poročil o finančnem stanju drušvenega posovanja. Zato je važno, da ste navzoči in boste videli kako društvo obstoji finančno.

Pojasnilo glede plačevanja asesmenta za julij in avgust. Člani, zavarovani za \$1.00 dnevine bohnjske podpore, so prosti asesmenta v bohnjski sklad 70c, kar pomeni, da plačajo 70c manj asesmenta za julij in avgust. Ostatna vsota mora seveda biti plačana. V vse ostale sklade se plača kot navadno. Tolikoj v pojasnilu vsem onim, ki si tolmačite, da ste prosti vsega asesmenta.

Tajnik.

Springfield, Ill. — Društvo 184 je na redni seji v juniju sklenilo, da sklice vse svoje člane in članice na redno sejo v juliju, ker imamo važne stvari na dnevnem redu. Da ne bo potem kakšnega oporekanja, ako ne bo kaj pridite na sejo in povejte svoje mnenje.

Vsi na sejo 12. julija!

Mary Ostrožnik, tajnica.

Eveleth, Minn. — Naznanjam članicam društva Eveleth 130 SNPJ, da se bo prihodnja seja vršila dne 13. julija, katere se udeležite vse. Vršila se bo v našem novem domu. Ker bomo imeli na dnevnem redu več važnih zadev, posebno pa glede piknika minnesotske federacije SNPJ in drugih zadev, se pokazimo, da bomo uredile vse tako, da nam bo prineslo uspeh. Zato pa pridite vse članice na sejo na 13. julija ob pol osmih zvezd!

Uršula Ambrosich, 130.

Library, Pa. — Društvo Roza Luxemburg 386 priredi svoj piknik dne 12. julija popoldne na farmi v West Library. Ker gre za dobrobit društvene blagajne, ste vabiljeni vse člani in posamezni rojaki, da se omenjene prireditve v oblinem številu udeležite. Igrala bo izvrstna godba za stare in mlade. Za vse ostalo bo skrbel pripravljalni odbor.

Nick Triller, tajnik.

So. Chicago, Ill. — Na zadnjem seji društva št. 8 smo bili vabiljeni na piknik društva 490 in naše društvo je sklenilo, da se v večjem številu udeležimo. Zato apeliramo na vas vse, ki želite prebiti par ur v veseli družbi, da pridete v nedeljo 12. julija v East Side Forest Preserve 114 Ave. D.

Sledič naj bo v pojasnilo člom, ki vprašujejo, kaj je vzrok, da naše društvo letos ne pride piknika. Pri društvu imamo žogometni odsek in temu odsek smo dali priliko, da naša mladina priredi piknik, kateri se bo vršil v nedeljo 2. avgusta na prostorih East Side Forest Preserve — 114 Ave. D. Dolžnost nas vseh je, da se na ta dan vse udeležimo piknika naše mladine in jim pomagamo do boljšega finančnega uspeha.

Na članstvo southchicaskih društev apeliramo, da pridete na omenjeni piknik naše mladinskega žogometnega odseka, posebno pa se vabi člane angleško po-

slujočega društva Sentinele št. 610 SNPJ, da se z našo mladino spoznajo in tako pridejo do boljšega medsebojnega razumevanja na polju društvene sportne kulture in izobražbe našega naroda pod okriljem jednotne.

V kampanji za pridobivanje mladih članov smo že nekam počasni. Ni treba čakati zadnjega meseca. Ako hočemo biti med prvimi, ne bi smela nobena seja preiti brez nominiranja in sprejetja nekaj novih članov v mladinski oddelki.

Na zadnjem seji je bil izbran odbor za veselico z znano dramo "Rdeče rože", katera se vrši v nedeljo 11. oktobra na održi tučajnega Hrvatskega doma na 9618 Commercial ave. In ta odbor bo izdelal potreben načrt za to veliko prireditve in ga predložil na prihodnji seji. Pridite na to sejo vse! Slišali boste tudi finančno poročilo za šestmesecno posovanje.

Joseph Kosich, tajnik.

Barton, O. — Društvo 562 priredi piknik v nedeljo 12. julija v korist svoje blagajne. Vršila se bo na Primožičevem prostoru na Cadis rd., kjer ima gasolinisko postajo. Zabave bo dosti za stare in mlade. Igral bo Frank Kortant, da se bo lahko zavrel v sardo. Za lačne in žejne bo dobro preskrbljeno. Torej na svidenje 12. julija!

Joseph Skoff, tajnik.

Danville, Ill. — Članstvo društva 316 se opozarja, da se udeleži prihodnje seje, ki se vrši 12. julija, točno in v velikem številu, tako da si bomo izbrali prostor za seje. Kajti nekateri člani niso zadovoljni s prostorom, ki ga imamo sedaj.

Karl Jackse, predsednik.

Edison, Kans. — Društvo Karl Marx št. 225 priredi piknik dne 26. julija na znani Novakovi farmi. V slučaju slabega vremena se bo piknik vršil v Leftyevi dvorani, Camp 50, 2 milij vzhodno od Arme. Naše društvo vabi vse od blizu in daleč, da nas posetite na ta dan, kajti posrežba bo izvrstna, zabave bo obilo za stare in mlade, za vse ostalo pa bo skrbel veselčni odbor.

Frank Jelovčan, tajnik.

Masontown, Pa. — Društvo 570 naznanja žalostno vest, da je izgubilo najboljšega člana Majka Šajna. Kruta smrt mu je presegala nit življenja dne 14. junija ob 7. zjutraj. Bolehal je dalj časa in dva meseca, je bil v bolniški postelji. Član SNPJ je bil 28 let in ves čas je bil delaven za SNPJ ter ustanovitelj društva 101 v Grayslandingu, Pa., in društva 570 v Masontownu, Pa., katerega član in vestni uradnik je bil do konca svojega življenja. Naše društvo bo težko pogresalo pokojnega dobrega člana in vestnega uradnika. Pokojnik se je rodil na Jurčič pri St. Petru na Notranjskem leta 1881. V Ameriki je bil 32 let. Bil je dober delavec, skrben gospodar in ne-nadmestljiv oče svoje družine. Društvo 570 se zahvaljuje društvioma 554 v Nemacolini, Pa., in 101 v Grayslandingu, Pa., ter lokalu 6290 v Nemacolini za udeležitev pri pogrebu, tako tudi članom HBZ v Masontownu. Vsem skupaj iskrena zahvala za vse in udeležitev na zadnjem poti pokojnega sobrata na mirovor.

Poročano je tudi bilo, da bo

F. Knafele, tajnik.

North Chicago, Ill. — Kakor je bilo že zadnjči poročano, se bo vršil piknik društva Sloga št. 14 v dobro znanem parku, ki je last Building and Loan asociacije, dne 12. julija. Na programu bo dosti zabave za vse. Za prijatelje žogomet bo "indoor ball", za moške balincanje z dobitki, za žene in dekle dve dirki z dvema krasnima dobitkama, vredna po dolar in pol. Tudi za mladino bosta dve dirki z nagrado v denarju. Kateri bodo najhitrejši, odnesejo nagrade. Kateremu bo veselilo, bo lahko tudi kegijal. Zvezd za ples bodo izvajali na svoje strune vesele in poskočne komade naši bratje Hrvatje.

Vse to bo prosto, brez vsake vstopnine. Enkrat pred nočjo bo dvignjena številka in kdo bo najbolj srečen, dobi sto funtov sladkorja. Kdo še nima številke, naj se pozuri, ako hoče dobiti vrečo sladkorja za deset centov.

Poročano je tudi bilo, da bo

apeliramo na vas vse, ki želite prebiti par ur v veseli družbi, da pridete v nedeljo 12. julija v East Side Forest Preserve 114 Ave. D.

Sledič naj bo v pojasnilo člom, ki vprašujejo, kaj je vzrok, da naše društvo letos ne pride piknika. Pri društvu imamo žogometni odsek in temu odsek smo dali priliko, da naša mladina priredi piknik, kateri se bo vršil v nedeljo 2. avgusta na prostorih East Side Forest Preserve — 114 Ave. D. Dolžnost nas vseh je, da se na ta dan vse udeležimo piknika naše mladine in jim pomagamo do boljšega finančnega uspeha.

Na članstvo southchicaskih društev apeliramo, da pridete na omenjeni piknik naše mladinskega žogometnega odseka, posebno pa se vabi člane angleško po-

moral vsek čas in članice plačati 25 centov v društveno blagajno, za kar bo pri takniju dobil pet tiketov. Porabil jih bo lahko za kar bo hotel, ker pa razpolago bo vsega, kar gre na piknik. Izgovor: "Nisam vedel, a li nisam imel časa", je brez pomena. Vsak bo lahko dobil tikete tudi na pikniku, samo pri meji se naj izplači. Neprislisna zabava bo lahko imel vsakdo kolikor jo bo hotel. Na razpolago bo pijača in prigrizek — vse najbolje, kar so dobiti more.

Končno še enkrat: Vsi skupaj na društveni pihalki prihajajo nedelja 12. julija! Anton Mihelič, podpredsednik.

Mather, Pa. — Društvo 696 SNPJ priredi dne 11. julija skupno z hrvatskim društvom 633 HBZ piknik na dobro znani farmi Matta Grasha. Vabimo vse Slovence in Hrvate in bližnje okolice, da nas posetite na tem pikniku, ki bo trajal dva dni — 11. in 12. julija, v soboto in nedeljo. Nikomur ne bo treba biti ne lečen ne šejen, ker bo na razpolago vsega dovolj.

Andy Urbanc, tajnik.

East Pittsburgh, Pa. — Društvo Sloboda 629 priredi piknik v nedeljo 12. julija na Chappajevi farmi, E. Pgh. — McKeesport Highway. McKeesport bus vozi od Beech st. E. Pgh. vsako uro brezplačno. Prosit se vse naše občinstvo iz mesta in okolice, da nas poseti.

Chas. D. Bradč, blagajnik.

Pueblo, Colo. — Na redni seji 14. junija je društvo Orel št. 14 sklenilo, da pristopi k federaciji društva SNPJ v južnem Coloradu in severni New Mex. Ker pa na seji ni bila velika udeležba, se je volitev zastopnikov odložila do prihodnje seje, to je dne 12. julija ob 2. dopoldne. Zato se poziva vse članstvo, da se dotečne seje gotovo udeleži.

Frank Pechnik, tajnik.

West Park, Q. — Naj se enkrat omenim, da bo društvo Delevac 257 SNPJ priredio svoj letni piknik dne 12. julija na dobro znanem prostoru pri Joe Zornu na Bradley Rd. Na tem pikniku se bo vršila balincarska tekma in večinoma vsem je že znano, da bodo trije najboljši igralci dobili nagrade.

Društveni odbor vas vse skupaj vabi, da pridete v polnem številu od blizu in daleč, za kar vam bomo zelo hvalčeni. Posebno pa apeliramo na naše članstvo, da se gotovo vse udeležite vsaj enkrat na letu društvene prireditve, ker čisti prebitek gre v društveno blagajno, da nam bo mogoče kriti stroške.

Brati in sestre se tudi poziva, da se udeležite prihodnje seje. Slišali boste poročilo nadzornega odbora za zadnje tri meseca in ukrepali bomo tudi o naši pravljavi. Delajte z nami, da bo čim lepši uspeh in da bo rasel ugled društva in jednote. S sloščnim delom in dobro voljo bo naša 30-letnica lahko nam vsem v ponos. Poročila in podrobnosti bodo sledila v tedenski Prosveti od časa do časa.

Martin Ranich, 47.

Nemacolin, Pa. — Dne 11. junija priredi naše društvo Radnička borba 554 velik piknik v White Eagle parku. Ujedno vabimo vsa okoliška društva in posameznike iz okrajev Green. Fajette v Washington, da nas posetite ta dan. Ob priliku vam povremo. Za ples bo igral Boletov orkester iz Canonsburga. Torej vas bo okrat vabimo na obilno udeležbo na blizu in daleč. Tudi vam jamčimo, da se boste v prosti naravi med znanci in prijatelji dobro počuti.

Louise Perpar, tajnica.

Lowellville, O. — Društvo Lowellville št. 37, ki je imelo piknik 21. junija, se najlepše zahvaljuje vsem bratom in sestram, ki so delali na prireditvi, očim, ki so se trudili z razprodajanjem tiketov za jagnje in prav tako tudi vsem, ki sta se udeležili in se skupno veselili na pikniku. Gledali bomo, da bomo vam povrnili. Naj omenim, da je jagnje dobil Mile Peracica iz tega mesta.

M. Soldo, tajnik.

Anaconda, Mont. — Prihodnja seja društva 308 se bo vršila v petek 17. julija. Vsi člani in članice se vabite, da se udeležite. Bodite gotovi vasi navzoči. Na dnevnem redu bomo imeli važne zadeve, katere je treba rešiti, poleg tega pa bo to tudi trimesecna v obenem tudi polletna seja, kar daje še več vzroka, da boste vasi navzoči.

Tom Pavlich, tajnik.

Karte za vse izlete

Potniki s učilnic počudenjem potujejo načrtovanje in zadrževanje.

Denarne politike izvajajo tečno in nenečljivo po dnevni kurzi.

KARTE ZA VSE IZLETE

Izjava konference za počastitev Cankarjevega spomina

Ker so naši klerikalci zadnje čas zopet začeli z nabiranjem prispevkov za postavitev sohe Ivana Cankarja v takozvanem Jugoslovenski kulturni vrt v Rockefellerjevem parku in se pri tem obračajo tudi na naše napredne sloje v Clevelandu, se zastopniki 26 clevelandskih naprednih društev organiziranih v Konferenci za počastitev Cankarjevega spomina, soglasno izrekamo za sledče opozorilo naši napredni javnosti:

Najnovjeva akcija naših klerikalcev v zadevi sohe Ivana Cankarja, namreč delovanje klerikalnega odbora Jugoslovenskega kulturnega vrta, da se bi postavila Cankarjeva soha v takozvanu kulturni vrt poleg sohe škofa Barage, ne zaslubi niti najmanjše podpore od strani inkrenih slovenskih naprednjakov v Clevelandu, pač pa najostreže obsojanje, ker je v bistvu škandalozno zasmehovanje spomina na Ivana Cankarja, velikega prijatelja in zagovornika razdenjenih in poniznih, neizprosnega sovražnika krivice, laži in hipokritstva in neutrudnega borcev za svetlejšo bodočnost človeštva. Mi to klerikalno nemranno norčevanje iz spomina našega velikega prijatelja najostreže obsojamo in obenem opozarjamo našo napredno javnost, tako držušča kot posameznika, da odrečemo vsako podporo organizaciji Jugoslovenski kulturni vrt, tako gmotno kot močno! Naj nihče med nami ne zatrepi tega krehja, da bi na kaščenoli način podpiral to zasmehovanje Cankarjevega spomina, tudi ne pod pritiskom "bizniških razlogov" ali osbebe prijateljstva! Iskren naprednjak se ne bo hotel izpostaviti takemu madežu.

Kar se tiče počastitev Cankarjevega spomina, ga bodoemo dobrojno počastili s tem, da bodoemo ustanovili v njegov spomin slovensko-ameriško napredno delavsko kulturno in socialno-gospodarsko revijo. Lepšega spo-

Ivan Jontez.

Glasovi iz naselbin

Resolucija Konference za počastitev Cankarjevega spomina, sprejeta na seji dne 30. junija t.l.

Cleveland, O.—Ker se zavedamo, da ameriški Slovenci nujno potrebujemo splošno napredno delavsko mesečno kulturno in socialno revijo, da bi nam služila za ogledalo našega kulturnega in socialno-ekonomskoga izživljanja in prizadevanja, in ker smo prepričani, da bi z ustavnostivo napredne delavsko kulturne in socialne revije najlepši slovenški spomin na večjega slovenskega delavskoga pisatelja Ivana Cankarja, se zastopniki društva v klubov, organiziranih v Konferenci za počastitev Cankarjevega spomina, soglasno izrekamo za ustavnovitev napredne delavsko kulturne, socialne in gospodarske revije v Clevelandu v spomin Ivanu Cankarju.

Naloge te naše revije bo, prisnati leposlovno gradivo (povesti, pesmi itd.) izpod peresa naprednih slovenskih literarnih delavcev in delavk v Ameriki, članke o dramatiki, glasbi in drugih kulturnih pogodbah, poročila o delovanju naših dramatskih odrov, pevskih zborov, sol. domov in drugih naših kulturnih, prosvetnih, socialnih in tudi gospodarskih ustanov, da bo čim popolnejše ogledalo našega kulturnega, socialnega in ekonomskoga izživljavanja, obenem pa nam bo služila za živo vez, ki bo nas vse združevala pri našem skupnem prizadevanju za kulturni in splošni napredek slovenskih delavcev v Ameriki.

Da ta cilj dosežemo, je potrebna združena akcija vseh slovenskih naprednih kulturnih, prosvetnih, socialnih, podpornih in drugih organizacij in ustanov v Ameriki, kajti naloge, katere smo se lotili, je velika in splošnega pomena in važnosti za vse nak napredni živelj v Ameriki in jo bodoemo uspešno izvršili, le z združenimi močmi. Zato s tem apeliramo na vsa na-

menika delavskemu pisatelju poleg njegovih del ne morete postaviti! Za urešenje te lepe ideje pa bodoemo potrebovali Vašo podporo, podporo vseh naših naprednih organizacij in posameznikov, vsled česar Vas opozarjam, da Vašo podporo prihranite za našo akcijo, klerikalcem pri "kulturnem vrtu" pa obrnite hrbot, kajti to je vse, kar zasluzijo!

Sprejeto na redni mesečni seji dne 30. junija 1936.

Lastnoročno podpisali: Louis Kaferle, predsednik (društvo Mir, št. 142 SNPJ), Vatro J. Grill, podpredsednik (dramsko društvo Ivan Cankar), Ivan Jontez, tajnik, Joseph Frančekin, blagajnik (soc. pev. zbor Zarja), Joseph Jauch (klub št. 27 JSZ), zapisnik, John Prudich (V boj, št. 53 SNPJ), Andrew Boičič (Vipavski raj, št. 312 SNPJ) in Agnes Kalan (Svobodomiseline Slovenke, št. 2 SDZ), nadzorniki, Milan Medvešek (Prosvetna matica JSZ), J. F. Terbičan (Federacija SNPJ), Frances Ilc (samost. pevski zbor Zarja), Anton Skapin (klub št. 49 JSZ) in John Prusnik (Mir, št. 142 SNPJ), pomožni odborniki, in W. Candon (Lunder Adamič, št. 20 SSPZ), Anton Jankovich (Federacija SNPJ), Vincent Coff (Mladinska šola Slov. del. doma), Vid Janeč (Slov. delavski dom), John Zaic (dram. društvo Anton Verovšek), V. Salmič (Novi dom, št. 7 SDZ), Joe Batis (Naprek, št. 5 SNPJ), Vincent Klemenčič (1288, Carniola Tent), Josephine Jontez (progressivne Slovenke, krožek št. 1), Mary Somrak (Napredne Slovenke, št. 137 SNPJ), Frank Somrak (Naprek, št. 5 SNPJ), John Zupančič (126 SNPJ), John Hočvar (Lunder Adamič, št. 20 SSPZ), Anton Rupnik (Blejsko jezero, št. 27 SDZ), zastopniki, navzoči na seji, ki je soglasno sprejela gornjo izjavbo.

Ivan Jontez.

Volilna kampanja socialistične stranke

Thomas in Hoan govorita po radiu v petek zvečer

New York. — Prihodnji petek, 10. julija, bo socialistična stranka odprla svojo predsedniško kampanjo po radiu. Ob 11. zvečer vzdolni standardni čas bosta govorila po omrežju NBC Norman Thomas, socialistični kandidat za predsednika, in milavški župan Daniel H. Hoan. Njuna govora bosta v prvi vrsti namenjena zbiranju kampanjskega fonda v znesku \$100,000.

Na srednjem zapadu bo pričel s kampanjo podpredsedniški kandidat George Nelson, farmer v Wisconsinu, proti koncu julija. V Illinoisu se bo nahajal od 27. julija do 2. avgusta, kjer bo govoril v raznih krajih "down state". Njegova kampanja se bo vrnila večinoma med farmarje srednjega zapada.

Norman Thomas bo šel na kampanjsko turo sredi avgusta. Shode bo imel večinoma po vseh državah. On polaga veliko važnost na to kampanjo, ker smatra, da bo močna socialistična stranka najboljša garancija za organiziranje prave delavske stranke v prihodnjih letih. Unijški voditeljev, ki podpirajo Roosevelta — na primer Lewis, Dubinsky, Hillman in drugi — ne kritizira, pravi pa, da s tako taktiko ne bodo pričeli do kreiranja delavske stranke. Tudi je mnenja, da bodo imeli vsi laboristi priliko za veliko razočaranje nad Rooseveltom po volitvah. Od njega bodo dobili le obljube.

Trgovec kritizira kritike New Deal-a

Velebitnja bi moral biti hvaležen Rooseveltu

Boston, Mass. — (FP)—"Voditelji velebitnisa, ki kritizirajo Rooseveltovo "newdealsko" politiko, grizejo roko, ki jih nasičuje," je izjavil Edward A. Filene, bostonski veletrgovec in liberalец.

"Velebitniz je bil na kolentih ob nastopu Rooseveltove administracije in ta ga je spet postavila na noge. Namesto da bi ji bil hvaležen, ker ga je rešila pred polonom, so sedaj napada. Ponižno je prosil vlado, naj ga podpre, ker je bil bolan. Sedaj, ko je okreval, trati svoje energije v boju proti Rooseveltovi administraciji. Kritizira vlado, ker finančira oskrbo revezev, molči pa o milijardah, ki jih je prejel od vlade. Amerika je danes bogatejša, čeprav je potrošila velike vsote za nasičevanje brezposelnih revezev."

"Organizirani delavci in farmarji podpirajo "new deal", jer se pa oni interesari, ki so največ prejeli od Rooseveltove administracije. Ako hočemo pospešiti gospodarsko okrevanje dežele, je potrebno, da industrije zvišajo delavske mezde, da se tako poveča kupna sila ameriškega ljudstva. Denar mora biti v obliku, s klerikalci ni imel nič skupnega, česar so se slovenski klerikalci tako dobro zavedali, da so mu do smrti strupeno gremili življenje, zato se tudi clevelandskim slovenskim klerikalcem ne sme dovoliti, da bi se tako nesramno norčevali iz njevega spomina! Proti temu se bodoemo z vso energijo odločno nadalje borili."

Soglasno sklenjeno, da se gornja resolucija pošlje v objavo v vsem slovenskem listom v Ameriki.

V Clevelandu, O., dne 30. junija 1936.

Za Konferenco za počastitev spomina Ivana Cankarja:

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tro J. Grill, podpredsednik, Jos. Frančekin, blagajnik, Ivan Jontez, tajnik, Joseph Jauch, zapisnik, John Prudich, Andy Bočič in Agnes Kalan, nadzorniki, Milan Medvešek, J. F. Terbičan, Frances Ilc, Anton Skapin, John Prusnik, pomožni odbor.

Konvencija farmarske organizacije

Politično vprašanje izvalo viharne debate

St. Paul, Minn. — (FP)—Pristaši farmer-labor stranke in nove unijške stranke, ki je izbrala kongresnika Williama Lemkeja za svojega predsedniškega kandidata, so se spopadli v vročem besednem boju na konvenciji Natl. Farm Holiday Assn., ki se je vrnila v tem mestu. Debata je sledila, ko je resolucijski odsek predložil svoje poročilo o obeh strankah. Napotest, ki jo je izvala obdolžitev, da je "father" Coughlin, glavni podpornik unijške stranke, zavzeman Hearsta, časopisnega magnata in fašista, se je šele polegla, ko so delegati soglasno odločili, da ne bo njih organizacija podpirala ne prve ne druge stranke.

"The Farm Holiday Assn. je striktno gospodarska organizacija in ne bo podpirala nobene politične grupe ali stranke, ki se ni izrekla za fundamentalne spremembe obstoječega ekonomskoga sistema," se glasi sprejeti resoluciji. Kljub tej resoluciji so delegati pokazali nakanjenost farmer-laboritom, ko so odobrili poročilo, v katerem je bilo rečeno, "da bo borba proti onim, ki ogražajo civilne svobodnike in meždnih standardov, tako vzdolj, da ne bo njih organizacija sodelovala pri gradnji m o c n e farmarsko-delavske stranke."

Druga resolucija, ki je bila sprejeta na konvenciji, naglaša potrebo združitve farmarskih organizacij z Ameriško ligo proti vojni in fašizmu. Dalje je konvencija naslovala oster protest proti H. Hopkinsu, načelniku administracije federalnih relifnih del, ker ta plačuje \$16 do \$18 na mesec relifnim delavcem v podeželskih krajih. Hopkins je odgovoril na protest in zanikal obdolžitev, zagrojil pa je objubil, da bodo relifni delavci prejemala "običajne" mezde, ko bo vladala začela graditi nove projekte v državah na severozapadu.

John Bosch je bil izvoljen za predsednika Zveze farmarjev, George Nelson, podpredsedniški kandidat socialistične stranke, za podpredsednika, Del Kramer, urednik glasila "The Farm Holiday News", pa za tajnik.

Spioni jeklarskega trusta na počitnicah

Pittsburgh, Pa.—V pričakovanju kongresne preiskave špionaže in drugih protiunionskih aktivnosti so velike jeklarske korporacije, katerih glavni stani so v tem mestu, posiale svoje špione v varne kraje, v katerih bodo tičali v prihodnjih treh mesecih. Za to dobo počitnic so špioni že prejeli plačo, se glase poročila. "Potrebovali vas bomo pozneje, a zdaj je najboljše, če se odstranite," so bile instrukcije. Apropiacije za finančiranje preiskavne špionaže v jeklarski industriji so bile odobrene pred zaključkom zasedanja konгрresa. Preiskovalnemu odseku bo načeloval senator R. M. La Follette iz Wisconsin.

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Dr. Frank, ministr brez portfelja in načelnik pravosodne afeksije, je nedavno izjavil, da ima Nemčija sedaj samo pet koncentracijskih taborišč, v katerih je okrog deset tisoč jetnikov, toda vse je natrpano s političnimi jetniki.

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Pasje lajanje v luno

Odkar obstoji SNPJ, torej že 32 let, se zagonjajo njeni nasprotniki vanjo. Največji "sturmariji", ki mečejo največje kupe blata na SNPJ, so od začetka pa do danes klerikalci.

Danes so drugi ljudje med temi "sturmariji" in središča napadov so se spremnili, ampak umazana takтика nasprotnikov je ista, metode ali način boja je isti.

Pred tridesetimi in dvajsetimi leti je bil Juliet glavno "sturmarsko" gnezdo in pomagal mu je New York; danes je Cleveland in včasi mu pomaga Chicago. Generali in generalki so drugi, ali na srečo SNPJ—burbonci se niso nitičesar nasedli in nič niso pozabili.

Prva leta je letelo iz klerikalnih jarkov do sledino takole:

Jednota (SNPJ) in njena društva so "olrajti". Nenimo nič proti organizaciji kot taki, toda glavni odbor je—zanič, glavni tajnik je zanič in glasilo je zanič!

In ko so tako prekli, ozmerjali in obmetali z blatom glavni odbor, glavnega tajnika še posebej in glasilo, je bila jednota drugade "olrajti". Ista jednota, ki je po svojih delegatih izvolil glavni odbor in si dočiščila glasilo, je bila "olrajti", toda njeni delo je bilo—zanič!

Klerikalni demagogi so dosledno trdili, da jednote ne napadajo—v isti senci so pa napadali jednotine sklepe in se norčevali iz njih, napadali so jednotine institucije in se norčevali iz njih in napadali so jednotine obornike in se norčevali iz njih. Kljub temu—jednote niso "napadali"...

Največji trn v peti klerikalnih glavarjev od začetka so bili oborniki SNPJ in bilo je glasilo SNPJ. Oborniki, ki se niso zmenili za zlobne napade in se vedili jednotu po potih napredka; glasilo, ki je služilo le svoji organizaciji in interesom njenega delavskega članstva.

Sto in stokrat so napovedali, da bodo takini oborniki in da bo takšno glasilo privedlo SNPJ v pogubo. Jednota je pa medtem rasa in rasa! Ne morete si misliti očitovske klerikalne skrbi za SNPJ! Kako ji preti pogin od svobodnomiselnih obornikov in svobodnomiselnega glasila! SNPJ je pa kljub temu rasa in rasa!

SNPJ je rasa in rasa vsa ta leta in prerasla po članstvu, društvi in premičenju vse ostale slovenske podporne organizacije v Ameriki! Rasa in prerasla je vse druge vzdol temu, da so jo "vsevedni" in "vsemogoci" klerikalni voditelji v Jolietu, Chicagu in Clevelandu sto in stokrat napovedali pogin!

To dejstvo se najboljši dokaz, kako modri in nekaj so naši nasprotniki.

Obrazec je tako:

"Klerikalni "sturmariji" iz Clevelandu in od takrat se znirom ne "napadajo" jednote, dasi vse njihov napad, vsako zlobno klepetanje in opravljanje ima obiten namen, da se postavi SNPJ v slabo luč. Svoje lastne zlobe se ne sramujejo!"

Danes jim je Prosveta glavna tarča. Prosveta je jednotina institucija; nadpolovična večina vsega članstva SNPJ je potrdila njeni ustavitev in njen program s splošnim glasovanjem, kljub temu nasprotniki delajo vtič, da se je Prosveta od nekod prišutila in usiliła članstvu—in isti senci se po postavljajo na glavo in delajo vtič, kakor da sta Prosveta in njen urednik—jednota!

Enkrat nimajo nič proti SNPJ—nato se pa zaslužijo na peti in mahnejo po SNPJ v obliku Prosvete in njenega uredništva! Iz tega se jasno zrcali vsa resnost in vsa poštenost nasprotnikov SNPJ. Resnosti pri njih ni, še manj je pa poštenosti.

Mi to pišemo le zaradi tega, da ugotovimo in pojasnimo dejstva, kakršna so. SNPJ ne potrebuje obrambe zoper bevsikanje idiotov. To bevsikanje je kakor pasje lajanje v luno. Zaravno članstvo SNPJ razume to stvar in se prav malo zmeni za smekno lajanje in Clevelandu ali odkoderkali. Včasih je pa pojasnilo potrebno.

Se manj obrambe potrebuje Prosveta in njeni uredništvo. Absurdnosti, kakor je n. pr. trditev clevelandskih klerikalnih idiotov, da je urednik Prosvete kriv izgube nekaj 1500 milijonskih dolgov, spada v pustne zahabe, ne pa med argumente dosorelnih ljudi.

Vse to bevsikanje izvira iz onemogle jeze, ker klerikalci ne morejo kontrolirati največje in najbogatejše jednote med nami! That's all!

Glasovi iz naselbin

Se odmev o veliki povodnji in zahvala

West Newton, Pa.—Prosim vas, da mi oprostite, ker se nisem prej zahvalil za veliko pomoč, ki sem jo tako hitro dobil, da od jednote po zadnji povodnji, namreč sto dolarjev, ki so mi takoj prav prišli. Upam, da boste razumeli, da človek, ki doživi takoj takega—kakor smo pri nas v zadnji povodnji, misli na vse prej kakor na pisanje.

Voda je bila tri dni v hiši in šele četrtek dan smo mogli prizbrati. In tedaj se nam je odpri pogled, da je bilo za zjokati se. Človek, ki ni kaj takega doživel, se ni more predstavljati, kako strašno je bilo za gledati: pohištvo vse po teh razmetano in v blatu. Se danes moja glava bol, ko se spomini, kolika je škoda na poškodbah ali v kleti. Pravi sodni dan. Furnar ves v blatu, cevi na tleh, stene na tleh — omrež — poda nobenega oziroma pokrit z debelo skorjo blata. Blato, blato in samo blato, katerem je vse pomekano. Kokosni smo bili spravili v šupi pod streho, toda voda je prišla še večja in so mi vse utonile — 20 po številu. Garaž nam je voda odnesla daleč proč in ga razbil — sedaj smo začeli graditi novega.

John in Mary Prelec, 356.

30-letnica "Danice"

Park Hill, Pa.—Društvo Danica št. 44 v Conemaugh, Pa., obhajalo ta mesec 30-letnico svojega obstanka. Ustanovljeno je bilo dne 29. julija 1916. Po sebih tega društva je bila, da je bilo ustanovljeno iz samih mladih fantov in se je nazivalo "Mladensko društvo Danica."

Na prvi seji se je vpisalo 28 članov in v decembra istega leta je šteilo 42 članov, prihodnje leto pa že 60 — samih fantov.

V tem letu se nam pa je eden izneveril s tem, da se je poročil, To je bil Ignac Travnik, sedaj član društva 121, Detroit, Mich.

Tako na prihodnjih sejih so nekateri člani zahtevali, da se ga mora za ta "greh" kaznovati s tem,

da se mu da prestopni list k društvu 3. če pa tega nece, naj se ga črta. Nace je bil trmast, ni hotel prestopnega lista, niti ni bil član, da bi bil črta, ker je bil ustanovni član društva. Ker je bil fajn fant, smo ga obdržali v društvu. To je opogumilo še dru-

ge ter se se prideli ženit eden za drugim, tako da je beseda "Mladensko" kmalu bila opuščena. Ostalo je le društvo "Danica".

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Campaign Comments

Lodges on Drive List

Looking over both the English and Slovene conducted lodges that compose the great SNPJ, we find some on the Juvenile Campaign list that are using every possible ounce of energy for the upbuilding of our Juvenile Department—their Juvenile Department. They are intent upon enlisting as many juvenile applicants as possible and admitting the children to their juvenile roster.

Some of the ESL have achieved success and very good results, and we know that our agitators and campaign workers who are always in the front lines have visions of even greater results in the near future.

Strong Juvenile Reserve

Those Slovene and English conducted lodges making juvenile records have set up strong juvenile reserve for the perpetuity of fraternalism within our sphere. At each lodge where any success is expected, there must be at least one officer or member who is willing to devote part or his whole spare time to the job. For it has been conclusively proven that where there is more organization activity, there is greater growth and consequently and quite logically, more graduates or juveniles entering the Adult Department.

This organization activity emphasizes a point which is better understood every day. The point is that juvenile growth in the lodges depends upon organization work. It has been often pointed out by various experts of fraternalism that no society is making a showing by simply admitting those who wish to come. To merely admit applicants and collect the rate money is not building. The private insurance companies, operating on the basis of private profit, have made a certain success of this, but they have debit men calling at the home each week, and, remember, that their protection is costly.

The Fraternal Way

The fraternal way of success, on the other hand, calls for active promotion of juvenile work along fraternal lines and activities. We must offer our prospective juvenile an attractive program and to those within our ranks a sufficient stimulant to keep them interested in the work of the Slovene National Benefit Society. We must offer and give our juveniles something tangible and intangible in various forms of wholesome entertainment, true progressive labor culture, along with the liberal insurance as is now offered by the SNPJ at the lowest rates possible. It is therefore correct that success should come in this manner.

While it has been often said that private insurance companies have been known to exploit youth, we know that no fraternal society can be accused of doing that. By exploiting youth we mean making our activities merely a money proposition. We mean exploiting as merely selling insurance, collecting the money and paying the benefits, and all this on the basis of private profit.

The fraternal way of success as practiced some thirty-two odd years by the SNPJ has been found the best with its twofold purpose, fraternal and educational. The fact remains that there is among our people a greater success for the SNPJ than the private insurance can offer or ever dream of attaining.

In Formative Years

We must do something for our youth, that is for our youngsters, early in their lives. We must capture their minds while they are in their early receptive, formative years. And people will have more respect for us if we do something for our youth.

The Juvenile Department of the SNPJ next year will be twenty-five years old. In the past twenty years, or since the founding of our Juvenile Department, youth building movements have been very pronounced. Men and women have enlisted in the work without hope for financial gain. It is fraternal work they love, and their compensation is the satisfaction that any person feels who is devoting time to worthwhile humanitarian work.

At any rate we must take more active interest in our juveniles. The juveniles should be invited to special meetings at which special programs of wholesome entertainments are arranged. We must let them know and feel that they are part of this great family of ours—the Slovene National Benefit Society—and that we want them to share in all its benefits offered to them directly and through its system of lodges.

Our Agitators Well at Work

Willingness to work and confidence in the organization encourage the members to agitate in the juvenile campaign, which, under the present conditions, is being satisfactorily conducted. The juvenile department has again increased its membership for an additional 188 members in the last month.

*Previous report showed
an increase of 595 members
Last report 188 "*

Total increase in 3 months: 783 "

Brothers and Sisters, if you have not as yet participated in this campaign, do not stand in the side lines, but come into the midst of our active members, so that better results can be attained. The Slovene National Benefit Society is a sound institution where the membership is assured of insurance.

Onward with the agitation for the juvenile department! F. A. VIDER, Supreme Sec'y.

Detroit ESL Lodges Prepare For Invitational Tournament

Invite All ESL of the SNPJ to Participate at Their Great Affair; Many Lodges Respond and Will Make the Trip

DETROIT, MICH.—The Young Americans and the Wolverines, SNPJ Lodges 564 and 677, are sponsoring an Invitational Tournament on Sunday, July 19, in Tymochko park, Wick rd. near Telegraph rd. and Ecorse rd.

Nearly everything is in readiness now, that is the main plans and preparations have been completed, only the details have to be carried out before July 19. The festivities will really begin Saturday, July 18, with a dance in the evening, as we expect many guests here on Saturday afternoon and evening.

Vacation time in Detroit was only a replica of what the other towns, where SNPJ lodges are located, will look like on July 19.

But on JULY 19 the trend will be to Good Old Detroit, to the Invitational Tournament, sponsored by the Young American and Wolverine SNPJ Lodges of Detroit.

The FINAL PROGRAM is in the making, and we only have to have several LODGES confirm their intention of participating in this event, and then we'll let you know, how our BIG EVENT shapes out.

Eddie Minich is ready. The SND, which is our Headquarters, will be ready to be invaded by the visitors from out of town. The picnic grounds is set, and by the way, here are the directions to this new park:

From the West Side hall (SDD) take Fort street to Oakwood blvd. to Ford Airport. Proceed to Dearborn Inn and turn left on Pelham road for four miles, then turn right on Wick road.

RAY, BOB, WM. TRAVNIK,
Lodge 564.

J. Z. Jrs.' Bright Spots

Library, Pa.—Somewhere off in the distance the long low wail of a locomotive is heard. Down in the freight yards the long white beam of a searchlight splits the darkness. Over in the thicket a faint rustle of leaves is heard. Overhead, on the bridge, a train roars by. A black form and a swinging shovel are silhouetted against the red glare of an open firebox. The crimson glare spills momentarily on the rain-soaked street. Suddenly, the loud clash of a cymbal and a voice cackles, "Heh, heh, heh." The Phantom Scribbler writes again tonight. I shall end all my articles with a poem, a modern proverb, or a thought for the day."

Our Picnic

The JZJrs extend their most gracious thanks to all those lodges who attended their last picnic. A few of the JZJrs plan to attend the Comet picnic on July 12.

It was quite a reminder of the Heidelberg gardens at Idora park. Tables, occupied by couples, young and old, were to be found around the dance floor. Some drank beer, others drank pop. Some ate ice-cream, others ate sandwiches. Some danced, and some just sat and chatted and discussed various topics of the day. Some agreed and some disagreed.

PHANTOM SCRIBBLER.

Jolly Juniors

Sygan, Pa.—After a lengthy absence the "Lone Eagle" has finally taken flight again and will endeavor to make up in more frequent future columns. No excuses will be offered other than negligence on his part, but maybe the hot weather or perhaps lack of "copy" may be the reason. Anyway, here I am again to blast you with a bit of this and a bit of that.

Although a little late in talking about it, the Jolly Juniors who attended the Idora Park affair report a swell time and wish to take this opportunity to congratulate the picnic committee on their marvelous handling of such a gigantic undertaking. Such endeavor, as that shown by Kress, Lamuth, Kosela, Genter, and others, is deserving of everything that can be offered and it is with great pride that I can belong to an organization that can boast of the sterling quality of its membership, as evidenced by this column.

On June 21 the Jolly Juniors held an unadvertised picnic at Morgan Park and although the attendance was mostly made up of non-SNPJers, all former attendance marks were broken and the proceeds up in the rare three-figure mark. This picnic was not given publicity in the Prosveta because of its conflict with the Musketeers' Anniversary picnic, held on the same date.

The Jolly Jrs. mushball team is coming along in limping style, sorry to say, but don't give up, gang, someone has to lose. A shake-up is promised by George Uanick, manager,

which, he claims, will put us in the win column again. I say again because we really did win a few games some time ago. Maybe he will put the Juveniles in. (I'm included in this "ribbing" to our team for I wear the green and white, too. That's another reason why we are in the losing column, maybe.)

TALESPINS.—Wedding bells are ringing again. This time it's Bertha Davidson and Sophie Fucel, who were married last week. Jake Ramous is on the list for this week, and Stella Denmotta may follow soon after. Tony Platta and Rudy Knez are reported as seriously inclined, or maybe "entwined," and we may be dancing in their honor soon.

Francis O'Block was the center of a talespinning contest on the way home from Idora Park on the bus. As per my promise in my last article some time ago that I would reveal my identity in my next write-up a glance below will "unmask" me. Posing for one year as "The Lone Eagle" I have enjoyed immensely watching others being accused as the author of this column. Most of the accusations were directed at Tommy Garter, but he cooperated greatly in keeping me under cover on many occasions. During this time I know of no ill feelings caused by any of my remarks, except perhaps one, when a wrong interpretation was made. This has been corrected, I hope, and I feel free in saying that no antagonism or "slurring" was ever directed at anyone through my write-ups.

ARTHUR W. DERMOTTA.

Benevolent Steel Dictators

Facing a possible revolt of workers who bent upon organizing for their own welfare, if gigantic steel industry is suddenly feeling the need of courting the public. Accordingly, full page advertisements are blossoming forth in public journals to tell gullible readers how greatly concerned the steel industry is about the welfare of its workers.

The steel magnates, we now learn, believe organization—of the company union type—can be dominated by the steel bosses.

Likewise, they believe in the ancient American liberty of workers to work when and where they wish (if steel bosses will permit the workers to work) without making any agreements with their fellows through a union.

It's damned white of them, we say! People who forget all about the slave-driving policies of the steel trust, who have never read about the arrogant defiance of steel to anything which even looked like a beneficial labor law, and who can't add two and two to get four, can't answer will believe the millenium has come.

But most Americans—and particularly most steel workers—will see through this sudden outburst of benevolence. They will know that the steel dictators are merely trying to stir off a real union of steel workers in order that they may keep their employees in shackles.

The present public policy of the steel industrialists shows that they are badly frightened. That, in itself, should impel their exploit wage slaves to proceed with full speed toward the goal of a strong union.

—Reading Labor Advocate

The Black Legion

The newspapers, always itching for headline copy, are making a lot of hullabaloo about the "Black Legion," another of those nightshirts organizations characteristic of America and other nation under the sun. Like the Ku Klux Klan, the Black Legion is a "secret society," a secret that every newspaper office in the land has photographs of the regalia used, the weapons of torture employed in the ritual, the names and addresses of scores of "leaders" and more or less of the "secret work" of the organization.

So far one murder has been credited to the Black Legion, but the police of half a dozen cities have now cleared no less than 50 unsolved murders by claiming the killings were done by the Black Legion. Police officers are always welcome a sensation such as the unmasking of the Black Legion because it diverts attention away from the deficiencies of the average police department.

The Black Legion is a disgrace to a free country. But so is the Liberty League. So is the Citizens' Alliance. So is the organization known as the Crusaders. But what the nation can do about it is another thing.

There's no law against a lot of morons paying ten dollars for a ninety-eight cent nightshirt. It is only when murder is done under the cover of a nightshirt, whether it be black, white or polka dot, that the majesty of the law can make its authority heard, felt and respected.

—A. F. Lockhart.

Excelsiors' Extra

Aliquippa, Pa.—I found my writing apparatus, and here I am again with more news. Just can't help commenting in a favorable way about the SNPJ day. There were a large number of Excelsiors present, not mentioning other local people not belonging to the SNPJ who were told of this day by some Excelsior member. In stating a personal opinion, one Excelsior remarked, "I think there were more people there from Aliquippa than any other place." Well, everyone I've talked to so far about June 14 gave me a satisfying answer. Quite a few said it was "the time of their lives." With the abundance of merriment at hand, who didn't have a good time? All went along so smoothly, handled by a capable committee who put their whole heart and soul into the work. I'm sure this unique celebration will linger in the minds of many "just a little longer."

Quite a few Excelsiors still keep on talking about the SNPJ day. This is what we hear: "Wasn't the weather that day just ideal?" Didn't we meet a lot of people? Didn't the committee work? Wasn't it hard to get the people in their respective busses to go home? Weren't there a lot of "Old Mill" riders? Didn't Henry Lamuth disappoint the girls? Weren't there couples galore? Couldn't you again go to another SNPJ day real soon? Didn't your heart skip a beat when you met so and so? Didn't the "Wild Cat" ride thrill you? Didn't Kress and Kosela look industrious?

—Saying It

Need a reminder of the July 9th meeting be made? At this meeting plans for the picnic, August 9, will be completed, thus your attendance will be appreciated. Each Excelsior member should make it a point to attend. Your suggestions and recommendations regarding this picnic will be helpful towards its success. Remember the date, Thursday, July 9.

Chicago.—Integrity's regular monthly meeting Wed., July 16, will start at 8:30 p. m. Please be on time.

Bro. Martin Bergles and Sister Julia Wittie were united in marriage. Integrity wishes them every happiness.

Bro. Albert Roycht will give you all the news about the Integrity sports. (Thanks, Al, for the helping hand.)

The most important matters are to pay your dues on time.

We are sorry to hear that Sister

With the juvenile campaign in full swing and everybody aware of it, what are you doing towards its success? More juvenile members are needed in order to help enlarge and strengthen the Juvenile Department. We must take into realization the fact that to enlarge, we must get after the prospects and keep in touch with them till something satisfactory is accomplished. Prospect lists are helpful at such a time. Having before you a list of prospective members who are to be yet contacted, often brings satisfactory and worth while results. Let your prospect list be your guide. Then smile along with the others who have also procured a large number of members.

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Nemacolin, Pa.—Lodge SNPJ 554 will sponsor a dance and picnic on Saturday, July 11. All neighboring lodges and members are cordially invited to attend. Music will be furnished by the Slovens Aces from Yu-kon, Pa.

RUDOLPH BOYANCE,

Lodge 554.

LODGE 554 HOLDS DANCE

For sixty years the Taft Woolen Mills at Bellingham, Mass., operated to give employment to willing workers and to pile up a huge fortune for Addison E. Bullard, sole owner of the factory. But when he reached the ripe old age of 80 years last month, Bullard checked over his bank balances, decided he had enough to assure him a life of ease and leisure, and promptly announced he was going to shut down his mills forever and henceforth live the life of Reilly. And that's just what he did. He discharged all his employees and told them to hunt jobs elsewhere.

Of course it may be argued that Bullard has a right to close his plant. It belongs to him. It may also be argued that while it operated it afforded needed employment to several hundred mill workers and that Bullard performed a public service when he kept the mill spinning.

But what of the old employees who had voted the best years of their lives to making profits for Bullard? What of the 200 and more mill workers who face the future knowing there is no room for them in other factories in Bellingham or anywhere else?

Organized Labor has insisted for years that those who toil deserve a larger share in the profits of their labor; that they have a right to economic security on the job; that the

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Western Penna. SNPJ E. S. Federation Items

LIBRARY, PA.—In order to fulfill the requests of the Detroit Lodges, the Meeting date of the Federation has been made one week earlier. The meeting will take place at

FLASHES

Chicago.—The Flasher has missed out on some of the important recent activities due to the overabundance of work. And believe it or not, he just doesn't feel right after being so steady for so many years. Thanks to all who made inquiries. They can be assured that the column will be continued as regularly as possible.

Our present cry is full steam ahead for the Pioneer Prize and Juvenile Picnic of Sunday, July 26. It has been definitely decided that a \$100.00 electric refrigerator shall be the gate prize, that the children shall receive free tickets and novelties and a 70 piece band shall be the main attraction. Only 18 days remain before the picnic so we call on all Pioneers to speed up the work for the big event.

Special busses will convey our people to and from the grove for a very nominal fee. The admission shall be 25¢ with tickets and 35¢ at the door. Stinar's grove at 97th and Archer Rd. is well rounded out to receive a capacity crowd. It's going to be the best roundup of the year and we are making it a big go.

As a special feature for the picnic a special free Reception and Party shall be given in honor of the out-of-towners the night before the picnic at the Slovene Labor Center. Members are urged to be present. A special committee of Anne Golub, Bertha Svetlik, Marie Chernick and Paul Vidgar will meet with our athletic committee to arrange the refreshments and to handle sleeping accommodations for out-of-towners. If you have any sleeping quarters available advise one of the above named,

Ahoy there, Detroit! We're coming up in a busload on July 18 and perhaps in two busloads. JULY 19 SHALL BE A BIG DAY FOR DETROIT AND THE PIONEERS SHANT MISS IT. We urge others from other localities to get in the swing and romp to Detroit and make it a great celebration. Detroit is an interesting locality and our people there know how to receive their guests.

Here's your chance, Pioneers, to make the trip to Detroit and back for only about \$4.00. That's mighty cheap. You're assured a great trip because you'll meet all the good people on the trip. Keep the phone wires burning by ringing Frank Groser at Rockwell 2086 or Donald Lotrich, Rockwell 4428 for the details. We want 25 more people for the second bus.

Among the Pioneers: Frances Stark is seriously ill at the County hospital. Visit her. Important! John Seteck and Lillian Zavertnik lost their mother last Saturday. Our sympathy to the family.—The boys took a drubbing at the hands of Integrity last Sunday.—Agnes Hrabak now wears a sparkler. Congrats!

Many out-of-towners took in Chicago for the 3 day convention of the Yugoslav Socialist Federation July 3, 4 and 5 at Sokol Havlicek hall. Detroit, in particular, had about 100 present. Dramatists of Branches 114 and 115 came to replay a musical drama, "Kamnolom," to a full house last Saturday night. It was well received. The convention itself was well attended and the decisions drew considerable discussion.

Listen to Norman Thomas, Fri., July 10, at 11:15 p. m. e.s.t. on the NBC. The 1936 presidential campaign is on. We will bet that Norman Thomas has the best program, is the most capable and will wage the cleanest campaign. We ask our folks to help the campaign. Yes, we ask you to join in and help elect Norman Thomas.

John and Ida Simon, Erwin Peza, Tillie Vidmar, John Kopach, Oscar Godina, Anne Golub, Mac Jurecic and Agnes Hrabak have gotten and turned in gifts for the picnic. We urge other members to do likewise and to report as early as possible.

D. J. LOTRICH, Lodge 559.

Jolly Allis Lodge 686

West Allis, Wis.—The news seems to be a little scarce this time, but nevertheless I'll do the best I can. Before I skip it I want to say a little on our game with the Integrity Lodge a few Sundays ago. We went down there to give the boys a tough game, and we did. We had the game sewed up, but a few misplays gave the opponent team the game. I can't blame the boys for losing, since it was their first game, and being somewhat stage-frightened they tried the best they knew how. We outdid the other team, and that means something anyway. So look out you other teams for we are on our way.

Not to forget the score, it was 10 to 9. The game wasn't won until 6 runs crossed the plate for the Integrity team in the 6th inning. Adolph Yersin did a good job of pitching, but as I said before, poor support lost the game for him.

Last Saturday, the SNPJ Vojilica Lodge from North Milwaukee had a picnic at the De Werth park on Fox Lake road. Quite a few attended this picnic and had as its main event a baseball game between the Badgers and the Jolly Allis teams. For a few innings it looked like it was all Badgers, but the boys got together and played like our Brewers. You know, they get the never-say-die spirit until the last man is out. So in the last of the eighth with the score 13 to 12 in the opponents' favor we went to work. With two down, the writer beat out a hit too short, and our ever reliable catcher, Philip Yersin, promptly smacked a home run into the right field woods to put the game in the bag, to the score of 14 to 13 in our favor. This game, however, was only an exhibition game. For our troubles we received about 3 dollars' worth of tickets to enjoy ourselves, which we did. So much for

All those who are planning to spend this Sunday at the lake, why not go to Army Lake and help the Lodge Vojilica celebrate their picnic. A good time is in store for you, so attend this doing. If you cannot possibly make this tour, then attend the picnic at Kosmuth's Park, which is being held by the Slovene Auditorium organization of West Allis. Of course you may have somewhere else to go, but these affairs don't

SNIPPY.

Secure New Members for the S. N. P. J.!

Lucky Stars

Imperial, Pa.—Now that the Idora park affair is over I wish to thank each and everyone of you who attended. I wonder if the twenty members who were the founders of the SNPJ back in 1904 ever thought that at any time there would be such a great gathering of Slovenes and SNPJ members as was at the Idora park affair on June 14.

Some of the speakers and writers have given their opinion as to who should be given the credit of having that great affair. Maybe they were right and I am wrong. But I'll let you be the judge. I think that most of the credit should be given to those members who were the first ones to start the SNPJ in 1904, and our elder members who have been in the lodge for the past twenty-five or thirty years. It was their money and hard work that made the SNPJ one of the greatest fraternal societies there is today.

I only wish that they could all have been at the affair. I am sure that they would have been very happy and proud of the fine work that they had done in building the SNPJ. Their work in building the SNPJ was very hard as they had no money to build halls and sponsor big social affairs as we have today. They held their meetings in their own homes and had their social affairs there also. So you see, it wasn't so easy for them as it is for us today. So you young members should think of them as our greatest workers and not as the forgotten men.

Well, it takes a little of everything to make an article. I thought that the mud-slinging was over, but some members still like to sling it. And one of these boys is none other than Bro. Max Kumer himself. So what else can I do but retaliate. He asks for it, so here it is. This is direct to you, Bro. Max Kumer, and anyone else whom it may concern. You are the type of fellow that is always preaching about helping your fellow men. But instead you are always knocking your own people the Slovenes. You seem never to be satisfied unless you are waving that red flag of yours. I am referring to the article that I wrote in the Prosveta and the answer that I received from you in the next issue of the Prosveta. You didn't mention my name, but you might just as well have. Whenever you write an article, why don't you come out with the facts instead of beating around the bush as you do. First of all I wish to remind you that it was no fault of Gregory Zatkovich or Lud Zupancic because seven per cent of the jobs were not given to the Slavic people of Allegheny county for their votes. The jobs that Gregory Zatkovich and Lud Zupancic received from Mayor McNair do not have anything to do

come every day, so put off that date you have and attend this picnic. If you are any kind of a Slovene you would come and help out, in order that we can have our Auditorium built as soon as possible. Right now I mean all you young folks should do your part in order that we may have one. After all it will be you that really will benefit by it. So help in any way you can. Let's work and show the other lodges that we, too, can have an Auditorium. Although I'm not sure as yet, there may be a game between the Jolly Allis team of the Mid-West Softball League and one of our neighboring lodge friends the Cardinals. That should make you come out.

Some of the reminders for the week are as follows:—Flash, 19th of July at Sagadin park, picnic held by the Federation is to be held. Many events are scheduled for the day. Yes sir, even the kiddies are to be included this time. Games of all sorts are to be played. Of course there is that scheduled game between the Badgers and the Jolly Allis teams. Come out and watch the boys play. At the picnic there also will be dancing, and the music will come from none other than the good old friend of ours. Yes sir, Louis Bachell and his Royal Canadians. Well, at least I gave it a good name. Nevertheless it is a good orchestra, so be on hand and join in on the fun.

Flash—Another thing that is coming and coming fast is our own picnic. It's going to be held at Kosmuth's park on the 2nd day of August. Seeing that there is some time left for that I will hold back on that for a while. Just the same keep that date open, for it promises to be a grand affair. So all you neighboring Lodge friends, plan to be out here. We will greatly appreciate it.

One thing I can't forget to mention, and that is the fact that after all these years, the Yersin and the Lodge Vojilica help the Committee for Industrial Organization and all others interested in the organization of the mass-production industries have set under way a movement that company threats and violence can no more turn back than King Canute could turn back the tide.

A big steel drive has started. Union organization has entered General Electric, Westing-

with the Central Council of the Slavic and Allied Civic Leagues of Allegheny county.

As short a time as Lud Zupancic has been practicing law he has done a lot of good for the Slovene people, and is well liked by all who know him. Why you have been low enough to try and hurt his reputation, is more than I can understand. I hope that the people will realize the source that your article came from.

And furthermore, I wish you would give me time to get about six dictationaries so that I will be able to understand those twelve cylinder words that you use in your articles. Why you never got to be President of the United States yet is more than I can understand. So much for you until I hear from you again.

The Lucky Stars will be celebrating their sixth anniversary on Saturday, September 26, by having a big dance at the Slovens hall at Imperial, Pa. So please keep this date open for the Lucky Stars. May we see you all there.

L. L. ZUPANCIC, Lodge 716.

Annual Picnic

Moon Run, Pa.—Branch 175 of the Jugoslav S. F. and the Educational lodges of Moon Run have been in existence for quite a few years. Many a thing we've accomplished, but now we are desiring an increase in membership. This should appeal to the younger generation especially (for the young of today will carry on tomorrow).

All organizations, federated or whatever they may be, have social affairs, and we, too, are going to have ours.

Branch 175 of the Jugoslav S. F. and the Educational lodges (Prosveta, matics) of Moon Run extend a very cordial invitation to you to attend their annual picnic which will take place at the ever popular picnic grounds, Portman's Grove, Saturday and Sunday, July 11 and 12.

The Bergant sisters have been engaged to supply the melodious tunes for the young and old and you'll be delighted dancing in the spacious open air pavilion. Refreshments will be served.

May we have the opportunity of showing you a good time on July 11 and 12? Help make our annual picnic a success.

The Conference combined with Branch No. 13 of Sygan, will have a joint affair at the Morgan Park, Morgan, Pa., Sunday, Aug. 23.

JACOB AMBROZIC.

WONDERFUL COOPERATION

Lowber, Pa.—Lodge SNPJ 583 wishes to express its thanks to everyone who helped to make the Tenth Anniversary of our Lodge a success. Bro. Zorko for making a wonderful speech on how our Lodge was started ten years ago. We also thank the

Athletics

Chicago.—With each team having played at least one game in Midwest league competition, Integrity is at the top of the league with two victories. Waukegan is also undefeated with one win, then the Pioneers with one win and one defeat. Milwaukee also has one defeat and one victory. West Allis has one defeat and De LaSalle of South Chicago has two defeats. In a game in Waukegan Sunday, when Integrity meets the Little Forts, there will only be one team at the top of the league. The fans there can expect a good pitching battle between Schuster of Waukegan and Young or Marty Abram of Integrity.

The Pioneers met the first defeat at the hands of Integrity Sunday by a 22-6 score. Playing minus their star pitcher Stanley Zadel the Pioneers were no match for the hard hitting northlanders.

The Pioneer boys play their next game at the Annual Pioneer Picnic Sunday, July 26, against the Milwaukee Badgers. Some of the Badgers plan to come to Chicago Saturday the 26th. So we are having a welcoming party in their honor. All you Pioneers remember this date, more details in next week's Prosveta.

The two Pioneer teams are traveling to Detroit for Saturday and Sunday, July 18 and 19. Where the two teams are to play ball, will also have ball players in the gang. They are expecting a large gang of visitors, so their Picnic should be another get-together of young SNPJ members from far and near. A large delegation of Young Americans were in Chicago over the week-end to attend the JSF convention and program. Milwaukee, West Allis, Waukegan, La Salle, Cleveland, Pennsylvania and many other sections of the country.

The Pioneers are inviting everyone to their Annual Juvenile and Picnic Sunday, July 26, at Stasina's Picnic Grove. The committee is planning an elaborate program of races, two ball games and dancing to the music of Johnny and his Merrymakers. The Chicago Boys' Club Band will be one of the main features on the afternoon program.

All athletic members are urged to attend the athletic meeting Friday, July 10, at the Slovene Labor Center at 8 o'clock. Also all those planning to go to Detroit can attend to get details on the trip.

FRANK GROSER.

Singing Society "Savics" of Collingsburg which was our main attraction of the evening and had everyone singing the rest of the night. We also thank Lodges in West Newton, Hutchinson, Rilliton, Pitts Henry, Herminie, Bone Vista, and everyone else not mentioned, for the wonderful cooperation. AUG. LAWRENCE, Lodge 583.

WONDERFUL COOPERATION

house and is now grappling with RCA in Camden. Rubber unionism, from a solid base in Akron, is spreading over the country. The Gadsden events will serve but as a challenge to increased union effort, in cooperation with the steel campaign and the southern drive planned by the textile workers. A united auto union, gaining members every day, is getting ready to launch a mass campaign.

The movement that is now beginning to sweep the country may have its set-backs, but it will not stop until all American workers have won the right to union independence.

—Union News Service.

RICHES AND POVERTY

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have an investment of time, energy and talent which cannot be destroyed arbitrarily by an employer simply because his is the greater investment of capital and goods.

Organized capital on the other hand contends that Labor is a chattel; that Labor should ever be thankful to the generosity of those who supply jobs; that Labor should be made to feel the brunt of every depression, of every change from man-power to machine production; that Labor has no right to organize for collective bargaining.

The case of Addison E. Bullard illustrates one of the problems Labor must face almost daily. The mill workers in the Taft Woolen Mills felt secure on the job. They had devoted many years to their various jobs in the plant. They had built their hopes around the weekly pay checks Bullard gave them. Then, because he felt that he had enough money to keep him in luxury for the rest of his days, Bullard closed his plant and thus changed the entire course of several hundred lives.

Some day there will be statutory provisions to handle just such situations as the one involved in the Taft Woolen Mills. Call it regimentation, socialism or what you will.

—Minn. Union Advocate.

Gowanda Boosters

Gowanda, N. Y.—Although we haven't said much about our Annual Picnic as yet, the plans are well under way, the committee working hard to make this picnic bigger and better than ever. Before we say any more about it we wish, in behalf of the Boosters, to thank the Girard Golden Eagles for the wonderful hospitality shown to us on our recent trip to Youngstown. The names are too numerous to mention, but we especially want to thank Mr. Verbeck, who found us all a place to stay overnight, and Mrs. Frank Matekovich for the lunch served us immediately upon our arrival. A swell time was had by all at Idora park and although we arrived home a bit weary, no one regretted having made the trip. We met many old friends from Ohio, Pennsylvania and Michigan and hope to be seeing you in Gowanda on July 25 and 26.

Old as well as the young will be able to "swing it" to the strains of two well known orchestras. "Joseph's Jubilee Jesters" will furnish the music for Saturday night and our own popular maestro Angie Rizzi and his "Highland Park Orchestra" will furnish the melodies on Sunday.

We cordially invite all our friends far and near, especially the lodges from our neighboring states. To Detroit may we say that we're sorry, but due to the fact that our boys' baseball schedule will not yet be completed we find it a bit difficult to attend your Invitational Tournament on July 19. However, we'll be expecting you at our Picnic and your visit will be returned in the near future. The same goes for all lodges in Ohio and Pennsylvania.

Glad to see BUFFALO BIG FOUR back in print; you'll be seeing us at your picnic on August 9.

AMELIA and ANGIE,
Lodge 728.

Universal Comets

The Great Day—July 12

Universal, Pa.—There has been much said about THE GREAT DAY of JULY 12, when the COMETS will celebrate their ANNUAL PICNIC at the Jones Pleasure Grounds, Hulton Road, Milltown, Pa. Yet, we do not believe the facts have been overstated. It is yours to judge otherwise.

That is your opportunity to attend a celebration which will hardly be equaled in the Western Pennsylvania SNPJ during the remaining summer; it is your opportunity to attend a festival along with many, many hundreds, and once again mingle and associate with your friends and acquaintances; indeed, it is your opportunity to attend what someone has anticipated "the greatest SNPJ affair sponsored by a Western Pennsylvania group, second only to the grand SNPJ DAY at Idora park on June 14." Only a few more days remain until that GREAT DAY. Brothers and Sisters, The COMETS extend to you the pleasure of attending a Western Pennsylvania July celebration which will be interesting, attractive, and enjoyable, next to that of the June celebration in Youngstown. And what is so gratifying is the fact that there will be no admission charged. In fact, you are given an invitation to win yourself some prizes. So much fun is planned, and free to all of you. Let's see what will happen on THE GREAT DAY OF JULY 12.

Musie

One form of amusement and entertainment will be the ever presence of music during the entire time of the celebration to which you may lend an ear. We should say you must lend an ear if you are within ¼ of a mile of the grounds, since the loud speaker procured for that day will carry sound that distance. While you are attracted by the complete program of activities scheduled for that day you'll be entertained by music; yes, while you're doing anything you'll be hearing music of one kind or another. Of course, the artificial presence of music will have to give way to the actual presence of a popular band in the evening, of which more later.

Sports

Another form of enjoyment will be the performances of the various sports planned for THE GREAT DAY, a few of which will be mentioned here. An elimination mushball contest featuring, it is hoped, the three outstanding teams in Western Pennsylvania, will be the main attraction insofar as mushball is concerned. It should be noted that the mushball games featuring the three outstanding SNPJ teams is as yet indefinite; however, a contest of three good teams will be performed. During the process of the mushball elimination, various races will take place on the large field so well adapted for athletics. These races will take in people of various ages. In the late afternoon you'll be particularly interested in witnessing the tug-of-war events arranged. A contest between the old gentlemen of Universal and Center (a neighboring town) will take place. This will be fun, especially when scheduled for the late afternoon when they have had a few beers, etc. Also, a contest between the ladies of these two communities will take place. This will be fun, especially when scheduled for the late afternoon when they have had a few beers, etc. Also, a contest between the men of these two communities will take place. This will be fun, especially when scheduled for the late afternoon when they have had a few beers, etc. Also,

Maxim Gorky's Place in World Literature

By Elton L. Turtak

Gorky's death will be felt by all lovers of literature, but particularly by those of the older generation who remember the first fifteen years of his literary activity—the fifteen exciting years of "Makar Chudra" and "Chekash" and "One Autumn Night" and other stories of tramps, vagabonds and rebels—a period which culminated with a classic—"The Lower Depths" (also called "At the Bottom"), the first truly proletarian drama, unsurpassed and in fact unequalled to this day.

Gorky, not yet twenty-five years of age, but old in hard experience, appeared in Russian literature early in the 'nineties at a very curious period in the development of Russian letters.

It seemed that with Tolstoy, Kurolenko, and Chekhov, Russian literature had described a complete circle, or rather, had reached the foundations of the social edifice. Beginning with Alexander Pushkin, from the early years of the nineteenth century, the country's literature was swiftly penetrating downward from the top of the social pyramid to its lower and wider layers, from the aristocracy of "Eugene Onegin" and "The Queen of Spades," through Gogol's petty country-squires and lower bureaucracy, to Turgenev's peasants ("Sportsmen's Sketches") and declassed intelligentsia ("Virgin Soil") to Tolstoy's glorified peasantry and Chekhov's schoolteachers, tradesmen and peasants. Even the criminals were not forgotten in Dostoyevsky's "Dead House."

Calm Before the Storm

Russia's literature appeared by that time to have embraced the whole structure of its society, and with Tolstoy and Chekhov came to rest on its wide foundations. It thus became not only a national literature, but also the people's literature, its voice and hope. The whole people and above all the "Poor People" became the "gray" heroes of literature. It seemed there was little further to be said and a certain lassitude was felt in letters as well as in social thought and feeling. But in fact it was a brief calm before the storm.

Gorky brought new heroes and gave a new stir, an invigorating shock to the Russian novel and short story. He went to the "lower depths" of society, to its very bottom, and brought forward its outcasts, the bums, the barefoot tramp, the vagabonds, the Lumpen-proletariat.

But where was the vaunted humility, the meekness of Dostoyevsky's "Holy Russia"? What a defiant and rebellious lot these blaspheming tramps were! Instead of talking the gospel of submission, these eloquent hoboies spoke revolt, contempt for the peasants and storekeepers' timid life—in short, they talked Nietzsche in the racy idiom of the Russian bozhiak.

A Re-Emerging Russia

Dostoyevsky's and Tolstoy's era of "forgiving and forgiveness" was coming to an end, and a new Russia (not so new, after all) was emerging or re-emerging.

The shock administered by Gorky fired thousands of young hearts, but the matter went further than mere literature. The "lower depths" were grumbling, stirring with a dark menace. The proud pyramid of imperial Russia felt the subterranean tremor. The literary expression of the Russian people was now accomplished. Henceforth the word was to become the deed.

The revolution of 1905 came three years after the drama "The Lower Depths."

That Gorky was well qualified to speak for his "former people," for his "lower depths"—is only too well known. Born and reared in bitter poverty, an orphan without school-

ers and the Soviet press overwhelmed him with homage and deference. His opinions on literary and other matters were given almost as much prominence as Stalin's. But the Russians have always been past masters in the game of official worship and private heresy. In the Soviet press it would have been simply impossible for anyone to question Gorky's popularity or challenge his opinions; but the Russians can still write letters. And thereby hangs a tale.

Several of Gorky's more recent articles (see "Publicistic Articles," Leningrad, 1931) are nothing but a heated polemic between him and his private correspondents. Many of the letters, quoted by Gorky, have the same refrain: "Where is the former Gorky?"

One particularly poignant letter came from a group of children of modern outcasts, children of the former bourgeoisie. They complained of discrimination, of being debarred from schools and from jobs. "All doors are closed to us. It is impossible to live. Why are we punished so cruelly? We have committed no crime." ("Publicistic Articles," p. 74.) The letter is signed: "A group of wretched children." In his answer Gorky expressed the hope that the Soviet government would ultimately do away with the injustices of which the youngsters were complaining. He lived to see it; five years later the restrictions were abolished by official decree. But the most guileless reader could easily discover in the aforementioned article referred to and in some others a note of embarrassment. Somebody's face was quite red.

However, barring official exaggeration and controversial matters, there still remained Gorky's past services to Russian literature, his international position, his authority on matters of literature and criticism. Of late, he was conducting a vigorous campaign, demanding that the younger Soviet writers show more respect for clarity of language and grammar and that they study care the works of the great classics, Pushkin and Tolstoy. His influence was felt in the more liberal attitude towards literature recently manifested in Soviet Russia.

Gorky is gone. Controversial matters may rest for the day. He enriched the world's literature with many a stirring page, with many a powerful and original image. He created school. He was a great fighter. He gave as good as he took. He will be missed by some as a greatly, by some as a powerful opponent. He wrote "The Lower Depths."

Chicagoans Detroit Bound

All Pioneer members wanting to go to Detroit Saturday, July 18, must sign up this week. We are going to Detroit to be at the Young American-Wolverine Picnic which will be held on Sunday, July 19. Those outside of the ball teams that have signed up are: Louis and Eleonore Kramer, Helen Arko, Mae Groser, Mary Babnik, Vera Levec, Vern Primovich and John Hodnik. The round trip fare will be approximately \$4.00. Some Little Forts are expected to join our group. Leonard Alpern may bring some of the Badgers of Milwaukee along. The Kuhels of Calumet Sentinels will also try to go. Others are also invited to go. Write me at 2380 S. Ridgeway Ave., Chicago, by Saturday, July 11, if you plan to go and how many are going. Or notify D. J. Lotrich at 1937 S. Trumbull Ave., or call Rockwell 8426.

FRANK GROSER.

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Big Corporation Salaries Help Explain Low Wages

The High Cost of Corporations, one of the biggest elements of the well known high cost of living, is partly explained by the list of corporation salaries given out by the S.E.C.

Leonor F. Loree, prize labor baiter of the railroad world, is drawing \$135,000 a year from two railroads. As president of the Delaware and Hudson he gets \$90,000, and as chairman of the board of the K. C. Southern he receives \$45,000.

That, however, is by no means the highest salary in the list. E. E. Crawford, president of the McKeesport Tin Plate corporation, drew \$225,417 last year as salary, and, for fear that he couldn't live in fitting splendor on such a sum, the company gave him a bonus of \$90,000. That makes \$315,417 to one man; and the tin plate industry in this country is protected by a tariff of 1 cent a pound—which is a tax on every housewife in the land.

Other Executives Highly Paid

The McKeesport concern does not stop its high salaries with the president. G. V. Parkins, vice-president, draws down \$137,000 in salary and \$40,000 bonus. Ten directors of the company appropriated \$383,867. The secretary and the plant superintendent got \$35,333 each, and two unspecified employees checked out with \$67,417.

All told, the top officials of McKeesport Tin Plate set the company back last year to the tune of \$1,037,534. And, of course, the company took it out of the consumer, with extras.

Standard Brands, an adjunct of the House of Morgan, paid Joseph Wilshire, president, \$152,690. The two vice-presidents got a little over \$60,000 each. Eighteen directors got away with \$155,790, and 18 unspecified officials collected \$555,070. Also, Standard Brands paid out \$165,861 to divers and sundry law firms. The total cost of the higher-ups listed by the S.E.C. in this corporation is \$1,247,180.

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year, and the proxy of the Crown Cork and Seal Co. got \$50,149. Even the expensiveness of tea is partly explained by the fact that M. H. Karker drew \$105,847 last year in salary and \$55,597 for bonus—\$161,444 in all. Over the tea cups?—You bet!

Big Fees for "Services"

And matches. The Diamond Match Co. paid W. A. Fairburn, president, \$100,000, and two vice-presidents \$26,000 and \$25,000, respectively.

Another revealing thing in these lists is the amount paid for "legal services" and "supervision," "management" and "fiscal" services.

Thus, the Cleveland Electric Illuminating Co. pays its president \$36,000 and its vice-president \$18,000, while Sullivan and Cromwell, special counsel, drew \$55,417; Sqire, Sanders and Dempsey, special counsel, \$52,500, and North American Co., "fiscal and other services," \$49,760.

The Two Guffey Bills

The representatives of Organized Labor, and especially of the United Mine Workers, are very angry with Senator Holt of West Virginia because, having helped to pass the original Guffey Coal Act which was later invalidated by the Supreme Court, he took a leading part in preventing the enactment of the second Guffey Coal Bill, which the unions had endorsed, not as being satisfactory to them, but as being decidedly better than nothing at all.

Senator Holt points out—what of course the labor spokesmen well knew—that the new bill did not contain any of the provisions about wages and other labor conditions which were in the first one, and because of which it was declared unconstitutional. Without those provisions, he argues, it was no longer a labor bill, was worthless to the workers in the mining industry, and, by providing for the fixing of coal prices, which would presumably mean increasing coal prices, it would in practice be burdensome to the people at large in their capacity as buyers of coal.

No doubt Senator Holt will find many, even among the progressive elements of the population, and even among the working people, who will agree with him. Nevertheless, we think he is wrong.

Of course, the second bill was far less acceptable to the mine workers than the original one. But under such circumstances, when we cannot get the best, we take the second best—and continue our efforts to obtain later what will really satisfy us.

The question is a practical one: Would the second bill, without the wage provisions, have been worthless to the mine workers? We think not.

Under such conditions, to organize the bulk of the mine workers and by their organized power to uphold decent standards of wages and hours is, except in favored regions, a herculean task and often an impossible one.

The mine workers argument, then, is that such a regulation of prices as would end cut-throat competition in the coal market would make it practicable for their union to enforce an increase of wages and reduction of hours—not make it easy, perhaps, but make it possible. They would rather have the legal regulation of prices tied up with a legal regulation of wages. Since the Supreme Court has ruled this out, they are willing to accept price-fixing and depend solely upon trade-union action to compel all the employers to pay what they could then all afford to pay.

The case will illustrate the proposition that questions of practical labor policy cannot be decided by just applying general and abstract rules. Specific and concrete facts must be taken into account. With the same large aim in view in all industries—the aim of getting

it is necessary to take account of the peculiar economics of the coal mining industry. There is a very large number of mines, and their ownership is not highly centralized. The industry is still a competitive one. The mines vary widely in all respects—in depth, in thickness of the coal veins, in the nature of the rock, in the difficulty of keeping the workings free from water and from gas, as well as in location with reference to the market. There are mines which are worth working even when the price of coal is unusually low; there are others which cannot yield any profit except when the price is exceptionally high. Most lie somewhere between these extremes.

It might be inferred that, when coal prices fall, some mines would temporarily cease to operate, and when prices rise they would resume operations, and that this competition would tend to stabilize the costs of production at or near a level which would permit the payment of normally good wages. So it is in some industries that have a similar wide range of difference in production costs. In the mining industry it is not so.

Most coal mines—not all of them—have a large constant capital, as compared with that portion of their capital which is used to cover the payroll. Moreover—what is not exactly the same thing—their maintenance cost is high as compared with their operating cost—a large proportion of the payroll is spent on keeping the mine in workable condition, as compared with that which is spent directly in getting out coal.

From this it follows that when coal prices fall, many mines continue to operate without profit or even at a loss. A good part of the heavy maintenance cost must be met whether coal is dug or not. So long, therefore, as the unit price exceeds the unit operating cost, continued operation contributes something toward meeting maintenance cost and thus keeps total losses below what they would otherwise be.

On the other hand, there are also mines with relatively low fixed capital and maintenance cost, which do not find it so difficult to suspend and resume operations. This further complicates the situation.

In brief, competition in the mining industry is, in the fullest sense of the term, cut-throat competition.

Add now the fact that mining communities are as a rule nothing but mining communities. The workers are almost completely dependent upon the mines—nay, the workers in coal localities are almost completely dependent upon the local mines—for a chance to earn their daily bread. This means that for mine workers, more than for those in most other industries, competition for employment is cut-throat competition.

Now we're planning to invade Waukegan next Sunday, July 12, which, I understand, will be a baseball game or rather two games, boys' and girls'. We heard Waukegan has a wonderful team, so will see you in Waukegan July 12, weather permitting.

Hoping I haven't made any enemies, I remain,

Integrity's Sports

Chicago.—Dear Brothers and Sisters of the SNPJ, I am giving you full details of happenings on the weekend of July 4.

I'll start the story for Saturday, which naturally was the 4th, known as Independence day and a national holiday. Preserves had a picnic at Willow Springs, so that's where I went. Had a beautiful day and attended the annual affair which was full of action. The only sports game was between the J. P. Collins girls known as the Red Wings against the Integrity girls in which the latter were defeated by a score of 12 to 7. According to my estimation the game was very fast and clean except for a few Pioneer members who were present and for some reason or another wanted to start a quarrel which often turns into fights.

We, the Integrity lodge, do care for such tactics and believe they should be stopped. After all, do we belong to the same fraternal organization? Our fathers and mothers built it into a clean organization and they expect us to keep it that way. So let's act like ladies and gentlemen should. I want, as well as the whole Integrity lodge, to stop this nonsense. You may have it for some individual, which is perfectly all right, but don't take it out on the whole lodge, because you as well as I have other good friends in the lodges of the SNPJ. So let's put the hatchet and cooperate, and make sure while you're burying your hatchet you don't pick out someone's skull to do it in.

Preserves had a wonderful game which I know was a financial success. It's cooperation that did it. Yes, it couldn't have been anything else.

Sunday, July 5, which naturally follows the Fourth, was Integrity's big day. The Pioneers' boys as well as girls were scheduled for a large game. We were disappointed by the Pioneer girls. Such a big lodge as no girls' team. As the schedule was followed the Integrity girls won by a score of 9 to 0, which was a forfeited game and score. But that the Pioneer girls didn't show up the Integrity girls played the Red Wings from whom they won by a score of 7 to 11. That leaves the two teams winning two games each in the Lincoln park league, which leaves a tie to be played off in the near future.

Now to the boys' game. This must be something wrong because things turned out the opposite way as we planned. We expected a big crowd of Pioneers and a lot of excitement. But only the team showed up. If it's any of my business, we didn't your rosters come, too! That is no excuse, is there?

The boys' game was played and what I mean is that this is the first team we have played in which someone didn't argue. What the Pioneer lodge needs is more men like their ball players, who are wonderful sportspersons. We're for you like you. Even though the game was a one-sided affair, the Pioneer boys took it like real sportspersons. The final score was 22 to 6 in Integrity's favor.

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