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RUSKE KOLONE UDRLE V PREDME- STJA NIKOPOLA

Evakuacija glavne- ga finskega mesta

Nova faza ruskih vojnih operacij

Stockholm. Švedska, 8. februar. — Sem dospela poročila se glase, da so finske avtoritete odredile evakuacijo civilistov iz Helsinkija, glavnega mesta, iz bojažni pred novimi russkimi bombnimi napadi.

Radio Moskva poroča, da po žari, ki so jih zanetile začilalne bombe, katere so ruski letalci vrgli na Helsinkij zadnjie nedelje, še divijo. Bombe so ubile 38 ljudi in ranile 232 v Helsinkiju.

London, 8. februar. — Britski vojaški opazovalci smatrajo russki bombni napad na Helsinkij za novo fazo v operacijah, katerih cilj je zdobitev začilalne črte, po kateri dobiva finska armada potrebsčine, kakor tudi nemška sila. Slednjo tvori sedem avstrijskih divizij, katere so zbrane v petčamskem distriktu od prvih nemških in finskih operacij proti Rusiji.

Zalagalna črta gre skozi Helsinkij. Ako jo bodo Rusi razbilis, se bo morala Finska umakniti iz vojne. Nepotrjeno poročilo pravi, da je umik nacijskih enot že v teku.

Rumunija pošilja vojake v Rusijo

Ljudstvo se mora pokoriti Nemcem

Istanbul, Turčija, 8. februar. — Rumunija je poslala nove čete na pomoč Nemcem na ruski fronti

po poročilu, ki ga je poslal dopisnik turške časniške agencije iz Bukarešte. To pravi, da so vlaki na železnicah v Bukovini zaposleni s prevažanjem vojaških čet.

Govorce, da je večina rumunskega ljudstva proti osišču in za umik iz vojne, se vzdržujejo. Nedavno objavljena vest, da ljudstvo zahteva sklenitev miru, je izvala pozornost turških krovov. Najnovejša poročila dokajo, da Nemci drže delizo za vrat in da se mora ljudstvo pokoriti ukazom.

Rumunska vlada je ponovno ponovno tipala preko neuradnih krovov v Turčiji glede pogojev za sklenitev miru, toda dosegla ni ničesar. Opazovalci se strinjajo v tem, da je večina rumunskega ljudstva proti Nemcem, kakor tudi proti komunistom. Bojazni pred sovjetsko Rusijo je tako veliko v Rumuniji, da nudi veliko pomoč Nemcem v vojaštvu in materialu. Dežela je v nacijskih klečah in njeni voditelji so odločili, da mora ostati na strani osišča, pa naj se zgodijo karkoli.

Anzio, Italija, 8. februar. — Nemške topniške enote obstreljujejo zavezniška mostiča, pravi poročilo. Poveljstvo je zagnalo sveže čete v boj proti zavezniški sili.

Uradni komunikat, objavljen v Moskvi danes zjutraj, ne omenja operacij russkih armad v Estoniji in na Poljskem. Prej je bilo naznano, da je sovjetska armada pod poveljstvom generala Popova okupirala čez 80 vasi in naselbin na severni in severozapadni strani Novosolovskolnina in zada ta težke udarce sovažnemu. Prvi oddelki te armade so dospeli na ozemlje, ki je oddaljeno 45 milij od moje Latvije.

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Nove nemške oklopne kolone so dospeli na fronto na južni strani Rima in še takoj v akcijo.

Zavezniška sila, kateri povejuje general Henry M. Wilson, še drži pozicije in odvija napade sovjetov.

Zavezniški stan v Alžiru, 8. februar. — Bitke od hiše do hiše so v teku v Cassinu na drugem koncu italijanske fronte, 50 milij vzhodno od Anzioja. Topniške enote pete zavezniške armade bombardirajo pozicije ob gori Cairu in pri Cassinu.

Ameriške čete so zasedle tri strategične hribe nad Cassinom, čete osme britiske armade pa so okupirale vas Pizzoferrato, štiri milije južno od Torricelle.

Pearl Harbor, Havaji, 8. februar. — Glavni stan admirala Chesterja W. Nimitza poroča o velikih japonskih izgubah v bitkah z Američani za posest otoka Kwaileina v Maršalski grapi. Japonske izgube znašajo 8122 ubitih in 264 ujetih, ameriške pa 286 ubitih, 1148 ranjenih in 82 pogrešanih.

V drugi fazi operacij je v bitki z ameriško pehotno divizijo 4650 Japoncev. Američani so ujeli tudi 173 Japoncev.

Ameriške izgube v tej bitki so znašale 157 ubitih, 712 ranjenih in 17 pogrešanih.

Poročilo iz Nimitzvega glavnega stana ne omenja detajlevačnih operacij na otokih, katere so ameriške čete zasedle.

Enote ameriške bojne mornarice se vedno bombardirajo japonske pozicije in baze na drugih otokih Maršalske grupe.

Washington, D. C., 8. februar. — Predsednik Roosevelt je instruiral vojnega tajnika Stimsona, naj prevzame sedem tekstilnih tovarn v Fall Riverju, Mass., v katerih se je pojabil delavški nepokoj in zavrl produkcijo. Tavarne so lastnine kompanij Arkwright, Berkshire, Border in Sagamore.

Washington, D. C., 8. februar. — Ameriški bombniki so napadli japonsko brodovje v Hanskem zalivu in potopili 34 ladje, štiri pa poškodovali. Porocilo glavni stan generala Dougla MacArthurja. Bombni napadi na Rabaul, japonsko mornarico bazo na Novi Britaniji, nadaljujejo.

ANGLEŠKI TISK ZAHTEVA AKCIJO PROTI ŠPANIJI

Diplomatici krogi na- povedali odločitev

OSVOBODITEV PO- LITIČNIH JETNIKOV

London, 8. februar. — Angleški listi zahtevajo odločno akcijo proti Španiji, obenem pa so udarili po diktatorju Francu zaradi kršenja neutralnosti v prilog nacistični Nemčiji. List Observer trdi, da se Franco ne zmeni za zavezniške proteste.

Po izjavi diplomaticih krovov se bo morala Španija odločiti v prihodnjih dveh tednih in korak zavisi od diktatorja Franca.

Angleški listi zahtevajo odločno akcijo proti Španski vladi, ker je ignorirala zahteve zavezniških agentov in šponiovan. Dalje zahtevajo takojšnjo izročitev italijanskih ladij in parnikov, ki so internirani v Španski lukah, ter odpoklic Španske legije iz Rusije.

Javno mnenje v Angliji, ki je bilo podprtano po odkritju bomb na parnikih s tovori oranž, so bili na poti v angleške luke, je razpalile poročilo, da so osiščne podmornice imeli bazo v Algecirasu, tri milje od Gibraltarja, britske trdnjave ob vhodu v Sredozemsko morje, ko se je vrnila z bojem na Guadalcanalu in na Gilbertih in japonska krogla ga je ranila pri napadu na otok Tarawo. Benčina piše sestri, da druga gega si ne želi, kakor da hitro odzovi in se vrne nazaj na fronto. K morski pohoti (marines) se je vpisal prostovoljno drugi dan po japonskem napadu na Pearl Harbor. — Poročnik Eddy Rode, tudi slovenski fant iz North Chicaga, je pa bil odlikovan za svoje častne čine v letalski službi na južnozapadnem Pacifiku.

Domače vesti

Seja gl. odbora

Chicago. — Letna seja gl. odbora SNPJ se začne jutri (četrtek, 10. februarja) in bo, kakor običajno, trajala tri dni.

Lausche v luči tiska

Chicago. — Mesečni magazin The American je objavil v svoji marčevi številki zanimiv članek o clevelandskem županu in našem rojaku Franku J. Lauschedtu. Pisec članka je Jerome Beatty. Članek je lep kompliment za župana Lauschedta.

Clan SNPJ ranjen na Pacifiku

Waukegan, Ill. — Rudolf Benčina, star 28 let in član društva 14 SNPJ, ledi ranjen v Honoluluju na Havajih. Udeležil se je bojev na Guadalcanalu in na Gilbertih in japonska krogla ga je ranila pri napadu na otok Tarawo. Benčina piše sestri, da druga gega si ne želi, kakor da hitro odzovi in se vrne nazaj na fronto. K morski pohoti (marines) se je vpisal prostovoljno drugi dan po japonskem napadu na Pearl Harbor. — Poročnik Eddy Rode, tudi slovenski fant iz North Chicaga, je pa bil odlikovan za svoje častne čine v letalski službi na južnozapadnem Pacifiku.

Is Pennsylvanije

Forest City, Pa. — Dne 29. januarja je umrl Anton Drašler, star 66 let in rojen v Borovnici pri Vrhniku. Bil je star naseljenc in zapuščen žen, pot sinov in dve hčeri. Bil je član društva 124 SNPJ in pokopan je bil 2. februarja po civilnih obredih na društvenem pokopališču.

Polet uničil dva avto

Granville, Ill. — Dne 5. februarja počasi je ogrenj uničil Jernej Verbič, članu društva 186 SNPJ, vse imetje. Zgorela je hiša, garaža, kokošnjak s kokošmi vred, polna "šenda" mesec in vse drugo, kar je družina imela; niti denarja niso mogli rešiti. Verbič, njegova žena in hčerka so skoraj napol nagi komaj rešili življenje. Poslopja niso bila zavarovana in tako so Verbičevi ostali veliki reveži. Vsi trije so člani SNPJ.

Še iz Penne

Bridgeville, Pa. — Dne 27. januarja je naglo umrl Anton Zgonc, star 75 let. Zapusča sina, tri hčere in dve sestri.

Zinka zoper poje v operi

Chicago. — Zinka Milanov, znamna hrvaška sopranistka, bo pena prihodnjo soboto, dne 12. februarja popoldne ob dveh (ob eni po centralnem času) v operi Normi, katera bo oddajana po radiju v celoti. Zinka poje glavno vlogo. To bo njen drugi letoski nastop v radijski oddaji Metropolitan oper. V Chicagu bo ta opera oddajana na postaji WLS (890).

Vesela vest iz Penne

Conemaugh, Pa. — Družina Frank Margič je 1. t. m. dobila dvojčke, sina in hčer. Ker je vse družina pri SNPJ, je pričakovati, da naš mladinski oddelek dobi dva nova člana. Cestitke!

Družinski srebrni jubilej

Verona, Pa. — Tom in Mary Solomon sta te dni slavila 25-letnico svojega skupnega, zakonskega življenja. Sorodniki in ožji priatelji so jima ob tej priloki priredili presečenje. Še mnogo let, Tom in Mary!

Lavalovi miličniki ubili 39 upornikov

London, 8. februar. — Vest iz Ženeve, Švica, pravi, da so Lavalovi miličniki ubili 39 francoskih upornikov v bitki v bližini Anneyja, province Haute Savoie. Veliko število upornikov so milicijski arretirali.

STAVKA V ČIKA- ŠKIH LIVARNAH SE NADALJUJE

Vladni odbor ignoriral apel za zvišanje mezd

UNIJA SANKCIONI- RALA STAVKO

Chicago, 8. februar. — Stavka v 26 livarnah, katero je oklicala unija Molders & Foundry Workers, včlanjena v Ameriški delavski federaciji, se nadaljuje. Nasla je v znak protesta proti pokrajinskemu vojnemu delavskemu odboru, ki je zavrnil zahtevo za zvišanje plače za šest centov na uru.

Zaključek, da se stavka nadaljuje, je bil sprejet na masenem shodu, katerega je unija sklicevala. Chester Sample, predsednik mednarodne unije, je na shodu poročal, da vojni delavski odbor ni odgovoren v osvobojenih balkanskih krajih, temveč tudi skrbel za vzdrževanje ekonomije. Ta bo prezrl politična vprašanja eksplozivnega značaja, v katerih je zapletena tudi sovjetska Rusija. Od slednjih se ne more pričakovati, da bi mogla zavzeti osvobojene balkanske države z živežem in drugimi potrebsčinami, ker jih nima sam dovolj. To nalogi bosta moralni prevzeti Velika Britanija in Amerika.

Howard E. Richardson, načelnik krajne divizije federalne odbore za vojno proizvodijo, je izjavil, da se važnost livarske industrije v proizvodnji materiala za armado in mornarico ne sme podcenjevati. Pokrajinski urad Ameriške delavski federacije je naznani, da je to prva stavka, katero je unija sankcionirala in da je bila oklicana v smislu provizij Connally-Smithovega protistavkovnega zakona. V stavki je zavojevan ob 2500 delavcev, članov liverske unije.

Produkcija materiala za mornarico je bila ustavljena v tovarni Automatic Transportation Co. zaradi stavke, katero je oklicala avtina unija CIO. Paul Russo, pomožni direktor unije, je dejal, da je kompanija provocirala stavko z zavrnitvijo zahteve, da mora priznati unijo kot predstavnico delavcev pri pogajanjih, ker je zmaga pri volitvah, ki so se vrstile pod nadzorstvom federalnega delavskega odbora.

Detectivi niso razkrili imen arretirancev. Povedali so le, da je bil nemški večjak arretiran v stanovanju na naslovu 5400 University Ave. Arretiranci so vzbudili pozornost federalnih oblasti, ker so širili osiščno propagando.

Spencer J. Drayton, načelnik detektivskega urada v Chicagu, je dejal, da sretirani nemški večjak biva v Chicagu od 1. 1940. On je bil prosekutor v Nemčiji in večkrat izjavil, da bo odpotoval v Nemčijo, ko bo vojna končana. V njegovem stanovanju so detectivi našli zastave s svastiko, Hitlerjevo sliko in skrivnice z nacijsko propagando.

Gradnja hiš v povojni dobi

Chicago, 8. februar. — John B. Blanford, direktor federalne stanovanjske uprave, je na konvenciji Zvezde gradbenikov v hotelu Drake dejal, da bo treba zgraditi najmanj dva milijona novih hiš po zaključenju sedenje vojne. Te hiše bodo zadostile potrebam poročenih vojakov, kdo se vrnejo v civilno življenje.

Senatna akcija v prilog farmarjem

Washington, D. C., 8. februar. — Senat je sprejal načrt, da se dovoli vsota trideset milijonov dolarjev za refurniranje delavcev za delo na farmah v tem letu. Načrt je bil prej sprejet v nižji kongresni zbornicu in po akciji v senatu postavljen pred predsednikom Rooseveltom v podpis.

Zavezniška pomoč balkanskim državam

Amerika in Anglija ustanovita odbor

Washington, D. C., 8. februar. — Doznavata se, da bosta Amerika in Velika

Slovenski ameriški narodni svet

3935 West 26th st., Chicago 23, Ill.

FINANČNO POROČILO ZA MESEC JANUAR

Bilanca 31. dec. 1943 (na banki \$18,055.31, ročna blagajna \$47.86)	\$18,103.17
Dohodki:	
Postojanka št. 1, Detroit, Mich.	\$ 600.00
" " 6, Ely, Minn.	23.00
" " 8, West Newton, Pa.	13.50
" " 12, West Aliquippa, Pa.	10.75
" " 13, Niles, Ohio	129.50
" " 15, Springfield, Ill.	7.31
" " 17, Uniontown, Pa.	14.50
" " 18, Sheboygan, Wis.	25.00
" " 22, Midway, Pa.	10.00
" " 23, St. Louis, Mo.	16.50
" " 25, Chicago, Ill.	22.90
" " 29, Fredericktown, Pa.	10.00
" " 30, Sharon, Pa.	100.00
" " 31, Pueblo, Colo.	15.00
" " 32, Cleveland, Ohio	6.00
" " 33, Bridgeport, Ohio	14.30
" " 39, Cleveland, Ohio	1,000.00
" " 40, Kemmerer, Wyo.	7.00
" " 41, Fontana, Calif.	11.00
" " 46, Brooklyn, N. Y.	14.85
" " 47, Pueblo, Colo.	5.00
" " 48, Cleveland, Ohio	250.00
" " 53, Johnstown, Pa.	4.50
" " 56, Milwaukee, Wis.	100.00
" " 61, Indianapolis, Ind.	18.45
" " 63, Brooklyn, N. Y.	8.00
" " 65, Worcester, N. Y.	15.00
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" " 73, Herminie, Pa.	10.00
" " 74, Sheboygan, Wis.	10.00
" " 75, Pueblo, Colo.	30.00
" " 79, Girard, Ohio	25.00
" " 83, Walsenburg, Colo.	5.00
" " 84, New York, N. Y.	6.50
" " 85, New York, N. Y.	6.00
" " 86, Elizabeth, N. J.	4.50
" " 91, Chisholm, Minn.	14.00
" " 94, Hostetter, Pa.	8.00
H. Hlebanja, Hayes, S. D.	25.00
Dr. št. 13, ABZ, Baggaley, Pa.	5.00
Dr. št. 10, JPZ, Sloga, Sheboygan, Wis.	15.00
Dr. št. 180, SNPJ, Linton, Ind.	7.61
Skupne podružnice SANS in JPO, Pueblo, Colo.	150.00
Skupne podružnice SANS, Chicago, Ill.	585.38
E. S. Federacija SNPJ za W. Pa.	30.00
Mrs. Agnes Zalokar, Cleveland, Ohio	44.00
Nabrala mrs. Jennie Koren, Chicago, Ill.	10.00
Mrs. Katarina Pfeifer, New York, N. Y.	5.00
Mrs. Pauline Kapel, Cleveland, Ohio	5.00
M. Zobec, Port Hope, Ont., Canada	2.00
Skupni dohodki	\$ 3,530.80
	\$21,633.97

Izdatki:

Najemnina urada do 15. feb.	\$ 50.00
Plača uslužbenca v uradu do 20. jan.	94.80
Zvezni davek za socialno zaščito	9.10
Vojni davek od plače uslužbenca	47.60
Pisarniške potrebuščine	.75
Popravilo pisalnega stroja	18.50
Luč v uradu	1.00
Telefon in telegrami	11.29
Tiskovine	11.75
Poštnina	15.50
Stroški, voznina in dnevnic seje 8. jan.	1,317.63
Stroški seje nadzornega odbora	20.10
Kampanjski potni stroški	23.80
Nadaljnji stroški sept. in dec. seje	91.50
Subvencija Združenemu odboru jugosl. Amer.	1,500.00
Skupni izdatki	\$ 3,213.32
BILANCA NA BANKI 31. JAN. 1944	18,411.03
BILANCA ROČNE BLAGAJNE	9.62
	\$21,633.97

Pregled:

Skupni dohodki od 5. dec. 1943 do 31. jan. 1944	\$32,531.42
Skupni izdatki od 5. dec. 1942 do 31. jan. 1944	14,110.77

Preostanek

JOSEPH ZALAR, blagajnik. MIRKO G. KUHEL, izvršni tajnik.

Iz gibanja SANSA in JPO-SS

O Sansovem shodu

N. Braddock, Pa. — Na predzadnji seji okrožne federacije SNPJ, ki se je vrnila 24. oktobra v Slovenskem domu v Pittsburghu, sem predlagal, da bi se po prihodnji seji federacije vrnil javni shod, na katerega bi povabili predsednika Sansa Etbina Kristana. Misliš sem, da bi bilo teko najti izrednega za Slovence v zapadni Penni, slišati našega starega boritelja za naš trpeci narod v Sloveniji. Ker bi se shod, vršil popoldne po seji, sem bil prepričan, da bodo društva bolj močno zastopana na federacijski seji, kakor na shodu.

Seja je sprejela ta predlog in izvršni odbor federacije je bil pooblaščen, da sklice pripravljalno sejo in povabi na sodelovanje postojanke JPO-SS in Sansa.

Seja se je vrnila 14. nov. in zastopane so bile postojanke obeh gi-

urenica Glasa Naroda, ki je bila tudi navzoča in povabilena, da spregovori par besed. Okrajni sodnik Blair F. Gunther in predsednik lokalnega Vseslovenskega kongresa, je v imenu istega pozdravil navzoče. Mirko Markovič, tajnik Združenega jugoslovenskega odbora in urednik lista Sloboda Riječ, je podal zelo lepo in pomembno sliko o bojih v Jugoslaviji. Zlatko Balokovich, predsednik Hrvatskega narodnega kongresa, je govoril angleško. On je dober govornik, toda po mneju nekaterih bi napravil boljši vtis, če bi govoril hravsko.

Ker se je tisti čas v Pittsburghu vršila tudi seja Vseslovenskega kongresa — menda eksekutive — je bil navzoč tudi njegov predsednik Leo Krzicki, podpredsednik krojaške unije Amalgamated Clothing Workers. Slišal sem, da je bil on prvi socialistični serif v Milwaukeeju in ko je bila stavka, je zaprtega segel stavkarje za svoje pomočnike in z njimi vzdrževal tak red, da ni mogel noben skeb priti bližu tovarne.

Pozamejnih govorov ne bom opisaval. Bili so vsi izredno dobro izpeljani, posebno pa govor Etbina Kristana in Janka Roglija. Jaz mislim, da se je moralno že tako zelo zrcalo srce omehčati, ko je slišalo, skozi kakšne muke in trpljenje gre naš narod v Sloveniji.

Pred sejo sem imel nabiralno polo in sem naboljšal \$30, katero sem izročil odboru. Skupno se je nabralo na shodu \$532 za Sans. Soglasno je bila tudi sprejeta rezolucija, katera je bila prej sprejeta tudi na seji federacije SNPJ in ABZ.

V imenu federacije se zahvalim vsem, kateri ste pripomogli do tako velikega moralnega in finančnega uspeha.

S tem sem na kratko orisal potek shoda kot mi je bilo naročeno. Lahko rečem vsakemu, ki bi bil lahko prišel na ta shod, pa ga ni bilo, da ne bo imel več prilike slišati tako dobrega govorilnika programa.

Anton Rednak, zapisnikar.

Ustanovitev centralnega odbora v Chicagu

Chicago. — Na željo več rodiljev, da bi se v Chicagu ustanovil nekak centralni odbor vseh onih Jugoslovanov, ki bi hoteli na kak način sodelovati in podpirati akcijo Združenega odbora jugoslovenskih Amerikancev, je bil v ta namen sklican sestanek.

Na povabilo br. V. Cainkarja sva šla na tiste sestanke od podružnice 2 Sansa predsednik Louis Volk in podpisani. Sestanek se je vršil v nedeljo popoldne, 30. jan. v Hrvatski sokolski dvorani, 1907 S. Racine ave. Zastopani so bili Hrvatje, Slovenci, Srbi, Bolgari in bosanski muslimani. Sejo je otvoril Joseph N. Bazdarčič in predložil dnevni red, ki je bil soglasno sprejet. Navzoči so poudarjali pomen in potrebo takih skupnih organizacij povsod, kjerkoli je to mogoče, da tako združeni podpiramo akcijo ZOJ-SA in skupno prirejamo večje prirede in shode.

Po dnevnih zanimivih debati smo ustanovili skupno organizacijo izvolili slednji odbor:

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Umrl je 15. decembra 1943 po dolgi bolezni. Rojen je bil 3. decembra 1886 na Dobrovci pri Trbovljah. Pokopan je bil 18. decembra 1943 na Melrose pokopališču v Bridgeville, Pa. Iz dna srca se zahvalimo na darovanje vence in za vso pomoč slednjem društvom, katerih je bil član do svoje smrti, namreč: društvo št. 6 SNPJ, Slov. Mutual Life Society in American Independent Beneficial Society. Lepa hvala br. John Kvartiču ter George Usniku za poslovne govorove ob grobu pokojnjice. Nadalje najlepša hvala vsem za čestno prisotnost na poslovih društva. Čestna hvala sorodniku mreži Karolini Šober, ki je prišla od tako daleč k pogrebnu in za neno dano nam pomoč in naklonjenost. Tisoč hvala hvala sestanku, ki so nam bili ob sreči in za vse druge pomoči, ki so nam prinesle.

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Indianapolis, Ind. — Prosim vse starše, ki imate otroke pri mlašinskom krožku 43 SNPJ, da jih potrebitno pošljete na sejo, ki se vrši v nedeljo, 13. februar ob eni uri popoldne v Slovenskem narodnem domu. Na tej seji si bodo ti mladi člani izvolili odbor za tekoče leto, po seji pa bo malo razvedrila za mladino.

Apeliram tudi na člane društva 105 SNPJ, da se malo bolj zanimete za svoje društvo in se v večjem številu udeležujete sej. Napredek društva ni vedno odvisen od odbora samega, pač pa od vsega članstva.

Pri vojakih imamo 23 članov, ki so: Louis Znidarsich ml., John Praprotnik ml., Anton Hvalica ml., Bruno Canales, Milio Cendron, Louis Cendron, Jacob Adams, Frank Vrtačnik, Melvie Bezely, John Vidrik, Frank Zakrajšek, Joseph Banich, Carl Kazacoff, Blodwy Kazacoff, Albert Loviček, Boris Adjeff, Anton Perko, Leo Robas, Mike Stanick, Mike Mates, William Liviček, Emil Vidrik.

Frank Golob, predsednik.

vpično, smo tudi služkinje predsedne. V poletnem času je na Alpah skoraj mráz. Pri tej gozdni sem služila tri leta.

Na vse to me spominja dopis br. Barbica, ki omenja Voitberg. Tam sem bila tri tedne v bolnišnici, nato pa šla domov.

Grofica mi je večkrat pisala, naj pride nazaj. Ker je po vojni starca Avstrija razpadla in je bilo bolje v Jugoslaviji kot v mali Avstriji, nisem hotela iti.

Mojā vedna želja je bila Amerika. Precej sitnosti je bilo in sem moralna v Belgrad po dovoljenje.

V to deželo sem prišla 9. septembra 1920 s parnikom America. In sicer sem prišla v Cleveland in potem si nisem nikdar več želela iti nazaj razen na obisk. In da sem v Ameriki, se imam zahvaliti sestri in njenemu možu Tomažu Zdešarju.

V Clevelandu sem dobila službo pri nemški družini. Treba se je bilo učiti angleščine in sprvega sem mešala oboje. Tako gre življenje naprej. Čez dve leti sem se poročila in odpotovala v Chicago, kjer sem od leta 1923.

Večkrat čitam v Prosveti razne dopise, ki se mi dopadejo.

Nekateri so zelo podčuvljivi in zanimivi. Niram pa rada takih, v katerih je jezično zbadanje, kajti to gre kar do kosti.

Može, ki so včasih vredni vsega priznanja, se spozabijo in začnejo prav po pastirsko zbadati.

Politika je res čudna. Vzrok je, ker nihče vnaprej ne ve vsega.

Vsakdo nekaj ve, vsi pa veliko.

Dobro je, da drug drugemu povede napake, vendar se pa da povedati v lepšem tonu.

Matija Pogorelc piše večkrat o pokojnem misijonarju Jos. F. Buhu. Tako je pisal tudi v Prosveti z dne 27. jan. Z Buhom smo mi v daljnem sorodstvu.

Moj oče in mojega pokojnega moža oce in Jos. Buh so doma iz iste hiše — mislim, da v Lučah ali Planini. Leta 1908 je bral diamantno mašo, kamor so šli tudi vse naši sorodniki, tudi moj oče in mati na tisto proslavo.

Ker Matija večkrat omeni kaj iz preteklosti, bi želela, da bi mi poslal kak spomin od našega pionirja Jos. Buhu. (Moj naslov je: Marion Grum (roj. Buh), 345 W. Walnut st., Chicago, Ill.)

Tukaj prilagam \$10, katerega sta darovala za Sans moja sestra Frank E. Buh \$5 in Donald F. Buh, čiji slike tudi prilagam.

Frank je šel k mornarjem 13. nov. 1942. Na dopust je prišel 4. dec. 1943 za dva tedna. V tem času je mnogo prepotoval.

Bil je v Avstraliji, Perthu, Fremantlu, Kubi, Guantanu, Pedro Miguel Mirafloresu, Gatuunu, Crisu, Christobalu, Coloni, Panami, raznih mestih Indije, v Iranu, Araku itd.

Od tam sem šla služiti v grad Fibert pri Koeflachu. Bila je velika družina — pet otrok, tri učiteljice, dva strežaja, tri hišne, tri v kuhinji. Ker so večkrat potovale, je navadno šlo tudi nekaj služkinj z njimi. Tako smo šli vsako leto za tri meseca v grad Burgstal. Princeza Lichtenstein je bila grofica sestra. Tam so imeli slovensko kuharico, s katero sva se dobro pogovorile, kadar sva bile same. Tudi sobarica mi je večkrat pripovedovala podobno zgodovino kot jo je pisal Buckovinski v Glasu Narodu. Ona je bila pri grofih že 40 let, zato je tudi vedela veliko povedati o življenju te gospode.

Bili smo tudi v gradu Deitchlandsberg, ki je bil kakor trdnjava. Jaz in dve hišni smo šle skozi ves grad in vodila nas je ondotna sobarica. Jedilnica je bila velika dvorana z visokim, vzbočenim stropom. Sredi so stale Napoleonove "šibe", spete z viter, po stenah pa velike slike v zlatih okvirjih. Bila je soba za sobo, vsaka dragocenje opremljena od druge. Ena soba je bila samo za zlatnino in biserje. Tudi soba za orožje je bila pravi muzej.

Od tam smo šli na Alpe in tam živeli tri tedne v lovski vili, ki je bila opremljena z vsem potrebnim. Včasih je menda tja hodil na lov tudi Franc Jožef. Vzelo nas je osem ur in dva par lahkih kočij za gospodo in otroke, kadar ni bilo preveč na-

Prejela sem pismo od njega z dne 11. jan., v katerem piše, da so prejeli darilo od dežele, v kateri se nahajajo — vrečico raznih osebnih potrebščin, toda ko je on spel, so mu tovarisi izpraznili vrečo in vanjo nabasali umazanih cunj in podobno, potem ga pa spraševali, kaj je dobil. Zaslutil je, da mora biti nekaj narobe in ko je pogledal, je res videl, da so ga potegnili. Dežele ne omenja, kje se nahaja.



Donald F. Buh

Donald je pa star 17 let in je šel prostovoljno k mornaricu 18. okt. 1943. Poslan je bil v Farragut, Idaho. Na dopust je prišel 29. dec. in se vrnil 9. jan. Od njega sem dobila pismo iz Tennessee, kjer se nahaja v letalski šoli za radiooperatorja ali mehanika. Njegov naslov je: Donald F. Buh, S 2/c Bks. 1 Sec. I-L Naval Air Technical Training Center, Memphis, Tenn.

Še nekaj besed o starčku s severozapada, ki je napisal svoje doživljaje. Premišljujem, kaj vse bi ta človek lahko storil dobrega in koristnega za človeštvo, ako bi ne bil tako nesrečen. Upam, da se je pomladil, odkar je na svobodi. Kakor je v začetku svojega spisa omenil, bo šel na obisk v svojo rojstno domovino, v Belo Krajino. Želim mu čeliga zdravja, da se mu bo ta želja izpolnila.

Ker je ta rojak toliko let živel mrtvev za svet, naj pa sedaj živi med nam njegova tragična usoda. Želim še mnogo njegovih dopisov, da bi bili prav tako zanimivi. On nam ne bo izginil v pozabnost. Marsikdo si je solize otiral, ko je čital njegovo tragično povest. Omenjeno je že bilo, da bi izšla v knjigi in tudi v angleščini. Tudi film bi se dal napraviti iz te povesti.

Mislim, da ga ni človeka, ki je doživel kaj podobnega. V Prosveti z dne 14. dec. piše, da živi pri pravniku in prebirja Rožičina pisma. Ali bi ne hotel prihraniti te spomine za Slovenski muzej? Bili bi neprecenljive vrednosti, čeprav so samo pisma. Njegovi spomini prekosi jo vse kraljevske in knježne roditve. Nihče nam ne more podariti dragocenosti, kakor bi nam lahko ta starček s ponosom pokazal Rožičina pisma. Pričakovala sem, kdaj bo kaj omenil o tistem okrajnem pravdinji. Ali se ni njegova črna duša prav nič zganila v teh dolgih letih? Razumljivo je, da je bil v ječi do smrti svojega mučitelja.

Razveseljivo bi bilo, ako bi se nam predstavil s svojim dobrtnikom v dvorani SNPJ na Lawndalu. Gotovo bi mu Slovenec v trumah prišli izkazat čast. Žal, da nam rojak ne da jasnejših podatkov. S sočutjem se je že marsikdo oglašil o tej povesti ampak se nihče dovolj, da bi ga povabil do nas. Kaj pravite k temu, člani?

Marion Grum.

Dolgo nisem dobila nobenega glasu od njega. Dne 29. nov. pa dobim telegram, da se nahaja v Baltimoru in upa, da se v kratkem vidimo. Tako se je znasel doma 4. dec. Bila sem bolna za "flu" in bila v postelji. Cudno se mi je zdelo, kdo bi bil, ker je kar vstopil, ne da bi potkal. Kar se ustavil v vrathih 30 funtov močnejši Frank. Kako sem bila vesela, se ne da popisati. Home again! Kar verjeti nisem mogla, ko je zopet odšel 19. decembra 1943. Njegov naslov je: Frank E. Buh, S/C Armed Guard SS George W. Wasson, c/o Fleet Post Office New York, N. Y.

Iz gibanja SANSA in JPO-SS

Prispevki za pomočno akcijo

Sharon, Pa. — Pošiljam imena darovalcev, ki so prispevali za pomočno akcijo za starci kraj. Slovenski dom je prispeval \$20, po \$5 pa društvo 262 SNPJ, 755 SNPJ, mladinski krožek 21 SNPJ, Sloga 174 ABZ in gospodinjski klub SND. Prireditev igre mladinskega krožka (vstopnice) je prinesla \$14.75, skupna veselica 23. okt. 1943 pa \$53.65.

Posemnezniki so prispevali: Joseph Garm \$3, po \$2.50 Anton Cvetan in John Slabe. Po dva dollarja: John Slabe, Frank Kramer, J. Okorn in žena, Frances Gorenc, John Maček, Jakob Trojar, Anton Sajn, Mike Gorenc, Anton Valentincič. Po dolarju: Frank Spek, Frank Stembal, Joseph Smith, Frank Steblaj, Louis Žičkar, Jack Jert, Angela Keržnik, Frances Cimperman, Mary Bahor, Mike Rupart, Martin Bahor, Anton Šabec, Joe Garm ml., F. Cimperman, Joe Pavlenič, Jakob Keržnik, Johana Okorn, Johana Steblaj, mrs. F. Človečko, Frank Stembal, Jack Garm, Frank Cimperman, Louis Godina ml., Jera Novak, Albin Germadnik, Frank Mlakar, Albert Germadnik ml., Leo Germadnik in Joseph Cvelbar; Antonia Lulin 75c, Mary Biček in Frances Godina vsaka 50c. Skupaj \$170.15.

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Ne imejmo izgovora, če pogamamo Ameriki, da to zadostuje in lahko pozabimo na naš narod v starem kraju. Mi smo prišli v to svobodno deželo in imamo v večini boljše življenje. Nam se ni treba skrbiti po gozdrovih in gorah napol sestrani, premraženi in preganjani kot se morajo v rodnih krajih.

Vidimo tudi, da uradniki Sana in nekateri drugi požrtvovani delavci kaj pridno delujejo v vsem, kar je za dobrobit in rešitev Slovenije. Le žal, da jih je še nekaj, ki nočajo nič slišati in še nasprotujejo skupnemu delovanju ameriških Slovencev. Tako delajo razdor med narodom. Toda prišel bo čas in bo črno na belem, kdo je pomagal v času največje nesreča na smrt obsojenemu narodu.

Joseph Irman, 535.

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Tedenski kritični pomenki

V zadnjem tedenski številki Prosvečne je pisal br. John Kobi iz Dulutha, Minn., da naši dopisniki krše načelno izjavo SNPJ, kadar v Prosvečni "psujejo" drug drugega. S tem je seveda indirektno sunil tudi uredništvo, ker dopušča "psovke" in menda samo "psuje" po njegovem mnenju. Gleda psovanja naj bo br. Kobi pomirjen. Uredništvo Prosvečne je toliko olikano in obzirno, da ne trpi v listu psovke, ki so res psovke. Besede, ki jih on našteva, niso psovke.

Nekaj drugega pa je, ko br. Kobi meša načelno izjavo SNPJ v sedanjem polemiku v Prosvečni. Pravi, da je naša načelna izjava že stara. Pravilno, stara je že 37 let. Toliko slabše za naše stare člane, ki po tolikih letih pokajojo, da naše načelne izjave še danes ne razumejo! Kako naj potem zamerimo mladim, v Ameriki rojenim članom, ki si načelno izjavo tolmačijo po svoje in na podlagi napačne premise izvajajo nekaj, kar načelna izjava SNPJ ni in nikdar ni bila. Kaj je našim starim bratim v teh kritičnih časih? Ali so že popolnoma pozabili na združinovo naše jednote?

Kaj pa je svobodna misel, angleško freethought? O tem smo že popisali menda tono papirja v polemikah s katoličani, ampak nad svobodomiselnimi člani SNPJ do danes še ni bilo spora o tej zadevi. Vsi svobodomiselnici člani jednote smo razumeli in se danes razumemo—razen onih, ki so morda zavrgli svobodomiselnstvo—da svobodna misel v naši načelni izjavi pomeni, da SNPJ ne priznava nobene verske ali cerkvene avtoritete. To načelo naše jednote je bilo sprejet na tretji ali lasalški konvenciji leta 1907 in velja še danes.

Načelo svobodne misli velja za SNPJ kot celoto, za njena društva in njene publikacije, ni pa obvezno za posamezne člane z ozirom na njihovo privatno življenje. Tukaj pride v poštev stavek načelne izjave, ki ga citira br. Kobi. Ta stavka je dodatek, ki je bil sprejet v načelni izjavi na konvenciji v Clevelandu leta 1921, na kateri se je SDPZ združila s SNPJ. Pogoj združitve je takrat bil na zahtevo zastopnikov SDPZ, naj jednota izrecno pove v svoji načelni izjavi, da jamči članom OSEBNO svobodo verskega, etičnega, političnega itd. prepirčanja. To pomeni, da se jednota ne briga, kaj njeni člani verujejo in kako se udejstvujejo doma, torej zunaj jednote.

Drugi dodatek, ki se glasi, da noben član nima pravice ovirati izvajanja svobodne misli, bodisi pri svojem društvu ali v jednotnih publikacijah, je pa bil sprejet na enajsti redni konvenciji v Clevelandu. Tik pred to konvencijo so franciškani vodili hudo kampanjo proti naši načelni izjavi in zgodilo se je, da so nekateri naši člani poskušali pomagati franciškanom pri svojih društvinah in z dopisi v Prosvečni. Bratje in sestre se še lahko spominjajo tega boja, saj je komaj sedem let od tega. Enajsta konvencija je ustavila tisti boj v jednosti z omenjenim dodatkom, ki je prepovedala članom, da bi zanašali versko propagando v društva in publikacije SNPJ.

Velika zmota je torej, če br. Kobi ali kdo drugi misli, da načelna izjava, ki jamči članom OSEBNO svobodo verskega, političnega itd. prepirčanja, daje s tem pravico svakemu članu, da lahko svobodno propagira svoje osebno prepirčanje v društvinah ali Prosvečni. Če je br. Kobi v pravem, tedaj imajo tudi katolički člani pravico, da v društvinah SNPJ in Prosvečni agitirajo za vero in cerkev. Ta garancija se tiče le osebne svobode člana, da lahko veruje in dela, kar hoče, zunaj jednote. To je v angleščini z ameriško ustavo, katera daje posamezniku versko svobodo, dočim uradna Amerika ne priznava nobene cerkvene oblasti.

Upamo, da bodo bratje zdaj na jasnem gledu naše načelne izjave. Zmotiti se je človeško; pozabiti nekaj je tudi človeško. Vse to je odpustljivo—ni pa odpustljivo, kadar kdo trobi svojo zmotno v tonu avtoritarnosti, kakor da je absolutno v pravem in s tem dela vtis, da so oni, ki se res drže veljavnih sklepov, navadni prevaranti in fajotje, ki namenoma zavajajo dejstvo, sleparje in vlečajo članstvo za nos. Če bi bilo to res, kar trdi br. Kobi, tedaj je bilo vse naše konvencije od leta 1921—nepoštene in sleparske in vse naše resolucije o smernicah glasila so od takrat sleparja! Kam pridemo, če bomo tako mislili o sebi in lastnem delu?"

Nikdar prej n' uredništvo Prosvečne prejema toliko zmotnih argumentov glede te ali one važne zadeve, kakor jih prejema baš v teh časih in to od članov, ki že leta in leta veljajo za napredne. Kaj naj storiti urednik? Če zmote črta, je cenzor in diktator, ki duši svobodo besede in "svobodino misel," če zmoto objavi in pripiše svoje pojasnilo, tedaj po "kvare dopise" in "žalji" ter "psuje" člane. Kaj naj storiti? Kdo je v takih razmerah sploh še v stanju, da pošteno urejuje list? — Ivan Molek.

Glasovi iz naselbin

Pojasnilo k prejšnjemu dopisu

Bellingham, Wash. — Mnogo čitateljev, ki so čitali moj dopis v Prosvečni z dne 26. januarja, si bo morda napačno tolmačilo moj zagovor urednika. Vsi oni, ki redno čitajo dnevnik Prosvečna, lahko vedo, da sva urednik in jaz politična nasprotnika; znano je tudi, da me je že večkrat opazil zaradi mojih "divjih" dopisov. Zdaj se pa potegujem zanj! Zapisal sem: "Tukaj je naš urednik v pravem."

Urednik je v pravem toliko, da se drži pravil in drugih konvenčnih sklepov. Osebno jaz nisem proti nikomur — vsak član je moj brat — in tudi proti Molku ne. Česar ne odobram pri uredniku, je njegova trma, ki nam stalno usiljuje demokracijo in kaže na komuniste, sotopnike, diktatorje itd., pri tem pa ne upošteva raznih okolčin in svetovno priznanih mož, ki vsaj malo opravičujejo nekatera dejanja, posebno kar se tiče diplomatskih zapletljajev po prvi svetovni vojni.

Yes, naš urednik ne bo obtoten, dokler bo pel slavo demokraciji in oprial s komunisti, sotopniki in diktatorji. Mi nismo v Rusiji. Tam ni take svobode, dočim je tukaj v Ameriki tako pisanje svobodno in dobrodošlo. Noben milijonar ne bo obsođil takega zagovarjanja mu demokracije — in kdo drugi vladava v Ameriki, ako ne oni, ki je lastnik Amerike? Ako ne bi bil naš urednik tako trmasto nastanjen in bi se skušal prilagoditi razmeram, kakršne so ter bi vzel srednjo pot, po kateri moramo mi navadni delavci hoditi, ne bi s tem kršil smernic, katere mu je določila konvencija, ugodil bi pa čitateljem, ki so obenem tudi njegovi delodajalci. Zakaj pa nihče ne nasprotuje Adamčiku.

George Gornik.

Pojasnilo uredništva. — Urednik JE dosledno na srednji poti, kajti to pot mu določajo Prosvečine smernice, ki so demokracija in demokracija je srednja pot. Kako je to, da br. Gornik ne vidi in ne razume tega? Na desni je fašizem, na levu pa komunizem in na sredi je vse, kar je demokratično v bistvu, ne po imenu. Urednik je v svojih načelih dosleden, ne pa trmast, kakor mu očitajo. Če bi se urednik "prilagodeval razmeram," kakor želi br. Gornik, tedaj bi bil oportunist, ki obrača plašč po vetrinu in skače sem in tja, kakor že piha veter. Pri SNPJ se tudi katolički. Kaj če bi kateri katolički član zahteval, naj se urednik prilagodi njegovemu mišljenju in mu da prostor za versko propagando v Prosvečni? Ali hočete takšnega urednika?

Barbičeva kolona.

Cleveland. — Mislim sem, da bom male počival z mojim dopisovanjem, ali ko sem danes prečital pomirovalne dopise Johna Kobija, Jožeta Snoya, br. Štiglina od društva 116 in še druga razmotritvanja, mi želite da miru, da se ne bi udeležil te važne debate. In evo vam!

V Duluthu, Minn., se je lažje ogrevati za mir božji in skoro bi rekel, da tudi v južnem Ohiju, kajti sedaj je reka Oho precej mirna, kakor pa v Clevelandu.

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toda vem, da je vesel, da ni več takuj.

Ko so prihajali v to deželo "boljši" krogi, nadzorobrani intelligenti, niso bili v Duluthu, ker tam je prevroče v plavžih; tudi niso bili kopat črnega diamanta na reki Ohio. Oni so primaristični v Clevelandu z misijo: Naredi, ti nas potrebuješ — tukaj smo! Te pomeni, kadar vodi boj s tako gospodo navaden motornik, žlažar, majnar ali "truckar", ima z nekim opraviti. Tukaj niso visti kakšni zastopniki, ki so le lutke onih, ki jih vodijo na vrvce.

In ali naj bom tiho in stormot kot je storil pacifist, ko je bil vprašan, kaj bo naredil, če bi mu prihajal sovražnik nasproti. "Kaj — zbežal bi," se je odrezal. Mi, ki smo še male delavske orientirani, pa naj molčimo, ko vidimo, kaj je namen te naše "boljše" družbe, ki stremi (zase) za nekaj boljšega in lažjega? Ali naj samo rečemo: "Prosimo, izvolite si!" Nak, bratje in sestre! Ti mnogi fantje so še krave pasli in šele pozneje šli v gimnazije, ko smo mi že trdo delali v potu svetega obrazja, ali pa iskali delo od Atlantika do Pacifika širom Amerike. Mi hočemo vedeti in tudi poznamo zasluge naših starih bojevnikov in jih ne bomo kar tako vrgli v koš in izročili.

Mi poznamo tako zavajanja in izpodrivanja s stolov, na katere bi se rad nekdo drugi vsezel. In za to gre. Dol s tem in naj pride nekdo drugi, ki nekaj zna. Ampak pozneje pridejo razocarana.

In ta so prišla že mnogokrat. Ta-le vaš dopisnik ne išče ničesar. Če ga boste hoteli obdržati, je dobro, če ne, tudi Ko je prišel v Chicago, mu niso prideli s godbo naproti in mu ponudili fino službo. Sam si jo je moral poiskati. Ko je prišel v Cleveland, ni nanj čakala delegacija, da ga popelje na "striktar". Sam je moral vprasati drugih narodov, kam naj gre. Ampak klub temu je vedno v varni in vam posilja novosti kot se dogaja.

Nedavno sem vam posiljal novo gledanje v pravnikov in mehanik in se sedaj nahaja v Reddingu, Cal. On je bil nedavno na dopustu pri svojih starših in poročenih, sestrah, mrs. P. Kopchak, ki živi v Windberju in mrs. A. Sokol, ki živi v Cairn Brooku, Pa. Izdelal je srednjo šlo, potem pa je delal na železnici B. & O. kot telegrafist.

Cpl. Martin C. Klinar

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Pvt. Henry J. Klinar

Henry se zdaj nahaja v Angleški. Po vpoklicu se je vzel v Ft. Custis, Virginia, in Ft. Mead, Maryland. Tudi on je pohajal srednjo šlo v Davidsville. Predno je šel k vojakom v Bethlehem Steel v Johnstownu. Predno je bil poslan preko "luže", je tudi on prišel na dopust k staršem in sestram.

F. Cvitan.

Ponoven glas iz So. Chicago

So. Chicago. — Strinjam se z onimi dopisniki Prosvečne, ki pravijo, da je popolnoma pravilno, če razpravljamo o sovjetskih stranke. Zato tudi njegova prikritka grožnja onim, ki so se 'napiši vina.'

Da, vi vri številki 116 ste potrebovali informacije glede fraternalističnih zakonov vaše države in zato ste v zagati, čeprav

ste samo 30 milijonov Springfielda, Ill. Vi niste imenovali mojega imena, imenovali pa ste princip, na katerega sem se opiral, ko je bilo to potrebno. Dočim drugi glavni odbornik jednote ni postal princip SNPJ, ali pa se mu je dopadio, če so bili krišeni. Samo eno društvo ne more dosti storiti, dve tudi ne, 500 društev in delegacij konvencije pa lahko prepreči, če da točko v pravila. Ampak morajo biti delegacije, katerim se vidi potrebna taka točka.

Frank Barbič, 53.

Brata pri vojnah

Johnstown, Pa. — Pošiljam vam sliko korporala Martina C. Klinara in prostaka Henryja Klinarja v Holsoplu, Pa. Oče in mati teh fantov živita v Pitoriji pri Holsoplu in želita, da bi bili sliki priobčeni v Prosvečni.

Frank Gorenc, 8.

Glas iz Heljera

Helper, Utah. — Iz naše naselbine se le redko kdaj oglasi. Kar se tiče delavskih razmer, so take kot povsod: dela se s polno rošči dne na teden.

Kar se tiče društvenih razmer, imamo več društev različnih jednot in v zvez in tudi napredujejo. In kakor pri drugih društvenih, tako imamo tudi pri našem društvu 689 SNPJ osem mladih članov v službi Strica Sama. In ti člani so: John Skerl, John Taskar, Ernest Meseč, Victor Meseč, John Ples, Tom Ples, John Zupan in Edward Zupan. Vsem želimo srečnega povratka.

Anton Taskar.

O prijavi bondov in registraciji North Chicago, Ill. — Na novembrovski seji tukajšnje postojanke Sansa je bila razprava glede nakupa in prijave vojnih obveznic za

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The Two-Pronged Big Push

The Fourth War Loan drive now in progress started on January 18 and will close on Tuesday, February 15. The national goal of the drive is 14 billion dollars. The government seeks to raise this amount to meet a part of the cost of war.

We are now fast approaching the end of the Fourth Loan drive just as our armed forces and those of our Allies are preparing to launch the Big Push to destroy Hitler and his satellites in Europe and Tojo and his Japanese war machine in the Pacific. The Big Push is actually already in its preliminary stages as can be seen by the daily bombardments of fortress Europe and the softening up of the invasion coast. The Japanese fare no better in the Central Pacific where our forces just now are mopping up on the Marshalls.

Our soldiers, sailors and marines battle for our security. Both operations, that is, the operation on the battle front as well as the operation on the home front, are inter-related. We must buy War Bonds to the very last cent we can afford to help our fighting men on the battle fronts.

Workers and consumers, in particular, should do their bit to put the Fourth War Loan drive over the top. In doing so, they demonstrate the unified will of the home front to shorten the war. And the more bonds we buy, the more powerful will be our fighting forces on the battle fronts.

The Slovene National Benefit Society is doing its share in this drive to raise funds that are necessary to bring the war to a victorious conclusion for the United Nations.

In all preceding bond drives our Society has invested in war bonds to the limit and the amount to be invested in the current bond campaign will be decided upon at the annual session of the Supreme Board meeting this week.

Our lodges, too, have thus far demonstrated a remarkable understanding of the home front by purchasing all the bonds they could. This is also true of our members as individuals who have shown unified will on the production front as well as on the bond buying front.

It is gratifying to note that one lodge in particular is exerting all of its energy and time in the promotion of bond purchasing. We have in mind the Comrades of Cleveland, SNPJ Lodge 566, who have just concluded a successful war bond dance and are ready for a second one on Lincoln's birthday, Saturday, February 12. Their aim is to hit the \$10,000 mark. It is the duty of all members in their vicinity to help them reach their goal.

We cannot stress enough the fact that War Bonds are the best of all possible best buys as an investment.

We are positive that no other security is so safe—for War Bonds are guaranteed by approximately 135,000,000 Americans! And no other investment gives you so good a return on your money while affording you so high a degree of safety. Thus, you strike at the enemy while getting the privilege of purchasing the best buy in the investment field.

That our lodges and members as well as our Slovene people in general will get behind the Big Push and buy every last bond they can, we are certain. But we urge them to go 'way down to the bottom of the sock—because even if the war is shortened by one day it means saving our most precious asset—our boys' lives.

Comrades' Initial War Bond Dance Is

Huge Success; Goal of \$5,000 Smashed

CLEVELAND, O.—As I sit writing this, I hear the strains of that good old Slovene music, floating out of station WGAR Cleveland, program being under the direction of our member Martin Antonec. Announcement by Martin has just been made telling of the success of our Feb 5 affair and informing the general public to be present at the Feb. 12 dance with the idea of backing our boys by purchasing that extra War Bond. Our initial War Bond dance was a big success and the goal of \$5,000.00 was smashed!

The success of this affair was again the result of fine cooperation on the part of everyone. The members who sold tickets, the members who so generously deprived themselves and furnished liquid refreshments and last but not least the members who worked.

In the cage we had the writer and his little helper Dani. Arrangements of the signs in the hall were taken care of by Mary Krizmancic. At the door, Sophie and Jennie Koren, Marge Stefanic, Alice Popotnik; in the kitchen reliable Mary Zuk, Rose Smole, Alibna Vehar; behind the bar Lefty, Mr. Popotnik, Johnny Smole in charge, Roy Hoyt, Pauline Spik, Angela Charalich, Eddie Grum. Ed also did a good job of overseeing details to see that they functioned in the proper manner.

Mr. Penca, Custodian of the Hall, did more than his share getting the affair to a smooth start. John Tavar, as fine a secretary as the Home ever had, went out of his way to see that our wants were taken care of. Pauline Ross, Frances Presern and Antoinette Skok took care of the refreshment tickets.

Floral Decorations

Through the courtesy of florist Jim, my Slapnik Jr. located at 6620 St. Clair Ave., clever and beautiful carnation buttonholes tied with red, white and blue ribbons were presented to the people who furnished \$50 bond or more, to the workers and to the servicemen in attendance. The latter being a job that Frances Presern relished and wants those.

FLASH—Last Minute News

The feature attraction at the Feb. 12 dance, unless plans fail to materialize, will be none other than Carole Rose Smole and her accordion. Carole has recently taken up accordion playing and is coming along rapidly. She incidentally is one of our juvenile members. Plan to be present to the little gal a big hand. J. F. FIFOLI, Sec'y.

SNPJ Lodge 566.

Young American Lodge 564 News

DETROIT, MICH.—On Sunday, January 20, the Young Americans held a party in honor of Blondy Obranovich and Harry Renko, both of whom are soon leaving for the Navy. The Dom was crowded from door to door with relatives and friends of both boys. Karun and Spendal played for dancing.

It's nice to see Tony Kranz around again after his recovery from a sudden, serious illness. A few days ago, Corporal Leo Bernick came home for a short visit. After completing her storekeeping training in the Waves, my sister, Olga, was assigned to her new post in Norfolk, Virginia. A few weeks ago, Al Plankar came home on a furlough.

When the Young American Screwballs last bowed against the SND, they lost three points. The games were very close, since SND won total pins by only nine. Losing by such a narrow margin considerably irritated the Screwballs, and they even hinted that SND had won because of unusual lucky breaks. Thus it comes about that the Screwballs wish to even the score, and so they have made arrangements to defeat their rivals before a large crowd. The two teams will meet at 1:30 Sunday, Feb. 13, at Palmer Park Recreation. The scores will be included in the league standings because it is a regularly scheduled game. Three alleys have been reserved—two to bowl on, and one to accommodate spectators. Young Americans, Wolverines, SND members and friends are all invited to witness the grudge-match. The Screwballs will be in good voice, and have promised to blast their opponents with a supercharge of "Zigee." All persons with sensitive ear-drums should supply themselves with generous wads of cotton if they expect to remain for the three games. The Screwballs have a six-man team: George Stimac, John Dolence, Smoltz, Bob Travnik, and two bowlers who have recently joined the Young Americans, John Ruzich and Ernie Ewing.

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Immediately after the match, the whole gang has been invited to the Dom, where the two teams have rented the hall for a party. John Janic, new president of the SND, Frank Gaber Sr., and Tom Barich have each donated a half-barrel of beer for the party. Don't forget the date—Sunday, Feb. 13, which is just after the regular meeting of the Loyalties, Rudy Lisch and the Mrs. Young Americans on Friday, Feb. 11.

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ADOLPH KOSS, 564.

Badgerland News

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—Our first Badger to come home was Anton Stukel who saw service in Australia and New Guinea. Welcome home, Tony!

Home on furlough recently was Al Jerzy. Home on furlough now

are Frank (Freen) Maren and Anton Spivek, who are stationed at Dempsey, New Mexico.

Proud parents are Mr. and Mrs. Anton Verbick of a little girl. Congratulations.

The Fun-o-Leers club invites you all to a card party to be given at 325 So. 5th st. this Sat. and Sunday, Feb. 12 and 13.

LEO SCHWEIGER, 584.

Notice to Lodge Secretaries and Members

Checks for reimbursement of physical examination fees of new members have been forwarded to the lodge treasurers. Checks are issued to the names of the local lodge secretaries and they should reimburse those members who paid the fees. Checks were sent to those lodges from whom properly filled reports were received in the Main Office up to February 4, 1944.

F. A. VIDER, Sec'y.

COMRADES' NOTE BOOK

By J. F. Fifoli

War Bond Dance, Feb. 12

CLEVELAND, O.—In order to provide another opportunity for the people who were unable to attend last Saturday, and still enable them to participate in the present 4th War Loan Drive, the second of a series of dances will be held this Saturday, Feb. 12. Music for the occasion will be furnished by Pete Srnick and his orchestra. Round up the gang for another good rousing time and let's hit that \$10,000.00 mark on War Bond purchases. We want to list YOUR NAME on the Comrade War Bond Poster, which will be filed away later for posterity.

In the Service

Here's that letter from Mike Kumer I mentioned about last week: "I'm kept informed of the activities of your lodge via your interesting columns. Keep up the good work. Home News is doing an equally interesting job of activities in your city and of friends of mine in the service from there. It will perhaps interest you to know that Beachie Bruce spent his furlough here recently. We had a grand time, it was good to see him again after about 19 months. A short time previous I spent a weekend visiting my cousin, Lt. Ralph Jereb, whom I had not seen for about 18 months. Both of these fellows are doing all right, but they too, wish to get back."

It's interesting that many of the old gang wish to return to again enjoy activities provided by the SNPJ. That time will come, I hope soon. This is an interesting city, but there is lots of evidence of total war. Raids have done a lot of damage and after observing it I can conceive the utter hell that our enemy is going through now. There are other hardships. Rationing is very rigid, there just isn't enough. Powdered eggs are plentiful, but unpopular. Yet they are food and satisfying. I have had four (4) eggs since my arrival here. However, U. S. Forces are fortunate; we get good and plenty of food. An

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A letter from Frank Ross, one of Comrades' ardent boosters, dated in December but just reaching me. Believe the members will agree that the sentiments expressed by Frank are most gratifying. Thanks a lot. "I received your surprise package in the late mail today. Right now we happen to be out on bivouac and your package couldn't have come at a more opportune time. I am a man and Uncle Sam is trying to make a soldier out of me but for the second time this week I appeared to act like a sissy. Once when I received the Christmass box my wife sent to me and again when I opened up your box. It was hard to choke down the lump which came up when I saw the things you sent me. I am not trying to be poetic or anything else when I express myself. I am only being sincere. Your president, Pauline Spik, asked me once what soldiers like to have people send to them. I think that 8 out of 10 soldiers would greatly appreciate packages of this sort. If their friends would send them variety packages they would certainly appreciate them more than other things. May every soldier be as happy with the packages he receives as I have been with mine. I thank each and every one of you. May the time not be far off when I can show you my appreciation for your thoughtfulness and consideration. Maybe I can help tend bar again — hah!"

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Our Front

By Louis Beniger

This week's editorial on the opposite page makes a last-minute appeal to our members and our people in general to buy all the bonds they possibly can during the last stages of the Fourth War Loan drive.

The bond campaign will close Tuesday, February 15, and the goal is 14 billion dollars. At this moment the United Nations are preparing to open the Big Push to destroy the Axis, and it is our duty to get behind the push and buy every last bond we can. We all know that in order to wage a successful war both the home front and the fighting front must be coordinated because they are inter-related. The moment there is something wrong on the home front our fighting front will suffer. Therefore, the more we produce and the more bonds we buy, the more effective will be our fighting forces in the battle field.

As an investment, War Bonds are the safest security because they are guaranteed by our government. Let's all back the attack by helping to put the present drive over the top!

In an article published on page 8 of this issue, dealing with the Cherry mine disaster of 1909, I have tried to present a brief review in commemoration of the 25th anniversary of the tragedy that cost the lives of 259 miners.

Our members in general and our miners in particular will do well to read the piece and determine whether any advancement in safety devices has been made since then. Generally speaking, our sense of values in human lives has not been raised much in the past three and a half decades. While it is true that mine disasters have been greatly reduced, the loss of lives on the industrial front continues to mount, partly because of wartime demands and mainly because of the existing profit system. As long as profit remains as the chief motive of production, just so long our sense of values in human lives will remain low.

The Partisans continue their fighting against the Nazis in Slovenia as well as in other parts of Yugoslavia. Marshal Tito is today the leading personality in Europe against Hitler and his satellites.

The February 19 issue of Colliers, national weekly magazine, will have an article, "Tito," by Frank Gervasi. This is a comprehensive study of Josip Broz and what he stands for, and should be read by everyone who is interested in what is what in that part of the world known as Yugoslavia.

The other side of the Yugoslav picture is given in a long article in the Nation of January 29 entitled "The Plot Against Yugoslavia" by Bogdan Radits, former chief of the press service of the Yugoslav government, and an editorial calling for Ambassador Fotich's resignation and warning the U.S. government to check expenditures from Yugoslav national funds frozen in this country.

These two articles are recommended to those among us who have tried to understand the Yugoslav situation and have given moral support to the people's army, and it is especially recommended to the reactionary groups who would dispose of a great manifestation by affixing the Communist label.

Our readers will also be interested in an article on Mayor Frank J. Lausche of Cleveland, Ohio, in The American magazine for March. Mayor Lausche is Brother Lausche to SNPJ members.

Attention, Members of SNPJ Lodge No. 266

MUSKEGON HEIGHTS, MICH.—Attention, members of SNPJ lodge 266. The lodge decided that in February each member, except soldier-members, shall pay \$1 into the lodge treasury. A few years ago we were paying 25¢ a month during three months, January, February and March. The majority of members present at the recent meeting decided that the sum of \$1 shall be paid in one month, in February, as this will eliminate a lot of unnecessary work for the secretary as well as the members. All members are kindly asked to comply with this decision and pay the special lodge assessment on time.

ANTON PAVLIN, Secy.

Lodge No. 78 Mourns Death of Bro. Milos

CLE ELUM, WASH.—Bro. Anton Milos, age 71 years, died of pneumonia Dec. 27, at an Ellensburg hospital. He was buried Dec. 30 from Cle Elum in Dobrodoloski Cemetery. Bro. Milos was born June 3—1872 in Mrkopol, Yugoslavia. He leaves to mourn him his wife, Margaretta; two sons, Anton Jr. and Joseph of Cle Elum; six daughters, Ann and Astrie at home, Mrs. Eva Clarkson of Tacoma. Mrs. Margaret Juanich and Mrs. Elma Kuchin of Roslyn, and Mrs. Mary Berger of Cle Elum; and seven grandchildren. He has been a member of the SNPJ lodge 79 for 31 years. We wish to express our sincere sympathy to the bereaved family.

ROSE F. CERNICK, Secy.

Veronian News

VERONA, PA.—Tarawa! Doesn't just the sound of that name make your blood boil, making you want to do your utmost so that those boys who gave up their lives for us may be avenged? Yes, it's true, here on the home front we just haven't been in actual combat or haven't had the experiences of going without food for a few days, so it's pretty hard for many persons to realize that there is a war going on, that our United States, with its sons, brothers, relatives, and sweethearts will never give up fighting till their folks back home are assured of freedom, because they have seen their buddies killed by inhuman fiends.

Here is a picture on a smaller scale of what our boys are going through. It's the championship football game between, let's say, our two towns, Verona and Oakmont. The night before the game students in automobiles dare to cross the bridge that separates these two towns, knowing that they will get peppered with rotten vegetables or what have you. But what do they care, it's all for the glory of their respective towns. Yes, they don't care if a missile hits them in the face causing an accident, maybe crippling them for life. No sir, as long as their home town wins that football game the next day. Then the day of the big game, the boys get their orders from the coach and the best of equipment is given them. But your guess is about as good as mine as to what their thoughts are, that is, to win that game at all costs, so that the rooters on the sidelines will be proud of them. We, on the home front, are those rooters and the boys over there know it. This all is the answer why buying a war bond and working on the production line is so important. If our boys are willing to spare a life, then why can't we spare that extra change and a pint of blood.

Valentine's day. It has me and many other Veronians all in a dither, wondering what that yearly sender whose identity is unknown, as to what kind of a comical valentine we will receive this year. Keep up your great hobby, Mr. or Mrs. X, because it really "wises up persons to the facts," as Franklin Rusky would put it.

Don't forget Burgettstown on Feb. 12 at 8 p. m. THE COMMITTEE.

MICHAEL LIPESKY, 630.

Cavaliers Hold Dance Saturday

BURGETTSTOWN, PA.—The Cavaliers, Lodge 741 of the SNPJ, is cordially inviting all members, friends, and neighboring lodges to attend their dance Saturday, Feb. 12. Music will be furnished by the Slovene Swing Kings. A good time will be in store for all. How about it, Midway, Slovan, Joffre, Southview, Ambridge, and Aliquippa?

I wish to remind all members that our meetings are held each first Sunday of the month. Our past meetings have been very poorly attended.

On the sick list for the month we have one member, Frank Korosec, who is a patient at the St. Francis hospital. We all wish him a speedy recovery.

STRABANE Circle No. 27 Planning Future Activities

STRABANE, PA.—On February 3 the regular monthly meeting of the Pioneer Juniors was held. The meeting was opened by Chester Kaminsky with thirty-six members answering the roll call. Included in these were three new members, Patry and Terry Koval and Alice Jane Burchak.

A discussion concerning a bowling match between our Circle 27 and Circle 19 was carried on and the date of this match will be announced at a later date with complete details. Starting with the March meeting we will have a door prize.

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Cherry Mine Disaster Anniversary Reveals "Death Diary"; Twelve SNPJ Members Among 259 Victims in 1909

Our Society Rendered Assistance

This year marks the 35th anniversary of the great Cherry mine disaster that occurred on November 13, 1909, at Cherry, Illinois, some 10 miles northwest of La Salle, in which 259 miners lost their lives, among them 12 members of the SNPJ.

These members of our Society were as follows:

Jernej Lindic, Josip Rebzel, Martin Rebzel, Anton Pavlin, Josip Ermakova, Martin Gril, Ivan Forag, Anton Kravanja, Frank Jakšč, Ivan Kans, Anton Vesel, Frank Retel, Josip Pihl, who was about to join the Society, was also among the victims.

At the time of the Cherry mine disaster, the SNPJ was a little more than five years old, with 114 lodges and nearly 5000 members. The prompt response of the SNPJ in assisting the families of the victims convinced our people that it was a real workers' benefit society and the SNPJ gained in prestige considerably thereby.

According to a "diary of death" kept by Sam Howard, one of the victims trapped in the mine, a Slovene by the name of Josip Rebzel succeeded in inventing an emergency fan which kept the trapped men alive for more than three days. The total number of men trapped in the mine was several hundred, 259 of whom perished in the explosion.

While rescuers were attempting to reach the rest of the victims, Sam Howard wrote his experiences during the three harrowing days before his death. This scrap of paper, found on his body, is in the possession of his brother, Raymond, who lives in Ottawa, Ill., and was recently published in the La Salle Daily Post-Tribune for the first time. The clipping, which appears below, was sent to Prosveta by Bro. Frank Martinjak, member of SNPJ lodge 2, La Salle, Ill.

Howard began his narrative on Nov. 14, 1909, at 10:30, the day following the explosion which caused passageways to be filled in by tons of falling rock and coal, trapping hundreds of men underground. There were five other men in Howard's group at the time, his brother Alfred, Josip Rebzel, Miller, Leyshon and G. Francisco. None escaped death.

Howard's story follows:

"Nov. 14, 1909, alive at 10:30 . . . Yet 10:45 . . . 11 o'clock sharp by Sam D. Howard . . . Alfred with me yet . . . A good many dead mules and men . . . I tried to save some but come almost losing myself . . . If I am dead give Mamie Robinson the diamond ring which I have coming at the post office . . . Give these orders to Henry Gaumant . . . Henry can have the ring I have at home and my good clothes . . . The only thing I regret is my brother that could help my mother out after I am dead and gone . . . I tried my best to get out, but could not . . . I saw Jamie Jimerson and Steve Tieko lying dead along the road . . . And could not stand it any longer . . . So what is a fellow going to do when he has done his best . . . It is 5 past 11 o'clock and the air is fine . . . But sometimes it is so bad it almost puts a fellow's light out . . . It is something fierce to see men and mules lying down all over like that."

Rationing Reminders

Sugar—Stamp 30 in Book Four is good for 5 pounds thru March 31. Stamp 40 is good for an extra 5 pounds of sugar after Feb. 1.

Waste Fats—Stores will give customers 2 points per pound (brown stamps) for waste fats turned in. Payment of 4 cents per pound will be continued.

Canned Goods—Green stamps G, H and J in Book Four are good thru Feb. 20.

Shoes—Stamp 18 in Book One is good for one pair of shoes until further notice. Stamp 1 on "airplane" sheet in Book Three is good for one pair from Nov. 1 thru April 30.

Gasoline—No. 10 stamps in "A" book are valid thru March 21 for three gallons each. "B2" and "C2" stamps are good for five gallons each. "B1," "C1" continue to be good for two gallons each until used up. OPA warns, "Every gas stamp must be endorsed."

Tire Inspection—"A" book holders must inspect by next March 31. "B" book holders by Feb. 29.

Fuel Oil—No. 3 stamps are valid to March 13.

Heating by Sun's Rays

The War Production Board's office of Research and Development has contacted with a western university to develop solar heating to a practical basis. The idea is to store sun rays in the basement during the summer against winter's cold.

It is 11 a.m. There are five of us—Alfred Howard, Miller, Leyshon, Sam Howard and Steele Gust Francisco. I think I won't have strength to write pretty soon.

15 after 12 Sunday . . . We are having a swell time making fans . . . If they can't give us air we will make some ourselves. That is the best we can do . . . We take our turn at the fans . . . We have 3 of them going . . . Joe Rebzel was the man who invented the fan . . . 27 to 3 p.m. and black damp is coming on us . . . Only for the fans we would be dead . . . 17 to 4 p.m. . . . Dying for the want of air . . . 20 after 6 p.m.

Sen. Guy M. Gillette of Idaho: "My conviction is that there is a well defined movement in this country to foment anti-Semitic feeling. It is most noticeable in the cities. It has also spread to Latin America. Nothing more disastrous could happen to our country than to have it festered in the future with antagonism based on religious and racial foundations."



"Hash! Don't you realize war workers need sleep for energy?"

Why Not Tell Fighting Men the Truth?

"Labor" Outlines a Plan by Which the President, or Secretary Stimson, or Both, May Strengthen Soldier Morale

Effect of such strikes as have occurred—most of them the result of the provocative attitude of anti-union employers.

Instead of urging Congress to draft American workers for private profit, why wouldn't it be a good idea for Mr. Stimson—and better still, the Commander-in-Chief himself—to go on the air, from time to time, and relate to our soldiers in foreign fields the facts we have stated, and many more which may easily be gathered from official records?

Coming from the President or from Mr. Stimson, "Labor" is convinced our soldiers would find these facts most convincing. They would no longer speculate about what is happening on the home front, because they would be in possession of the truth.

They would know that American labor has not let them down, but, on the contrary, has done as good a job on the home front as our defenders have done on the battle fronts.

—Labor.

Undoubtedly our soldier boys have been misled by the anti-labor propaganda with which newspapers and magazines and radio commentators have flooded them. "Labor" agrees with Secretary Stimson that this has produced an unfortunate and perhaps a dangerous situation.

"Labor" submits, however, that the remedy is not to penalize American workers, but to give our soldiers the truth about what is happening on the farms, on the railroads and in the war plants in this country.

We respectfully submit that the time is here, when Mr. Stimson and the President himself, who is the commander-in-chief of our armed forces, should address themselves to this important task.

The barbaric torture, wanton murder and deliberate starvation of American and Filipino soldiers captured on Bataan and Corregidor are deeds that cry aloud for vengeance. "CIO members in war plants throughout the nation stand shoulder to shoulder with our fighting men in their determination to bring the perpetrators of these fiendish crimes to justice."

A few days before Mr. Stimson testified before the Senate committee, his chief assistant, Undersecretary of War Patterson, proclaimed with apparent satisfaction that the record made by "industry and labor" was "unparalleled."

Official reports fully sustain Mr. Patterson. Never in all the history of the world have men and women produced the instruments of war in such volume and with such skill and speed as have American workers since this war began.

We have literally overwhelmed the enemy. We have piled up immense reserves. Our soldiers, sailors, marines and gallant air men are the best equipped, the best housed, the best clothed, the best fed among all the soldiers of the world.

These results have been accomplished without compulsion. They constitute an amazing and altogether gratifying triumph for the kind of American democracy our brave soldiers are dying to preserve.

American workers have accomplished these things, as President Roosevelt and Mr. Stimson well know, under the most distressing conditions. In too many instances they have done their job despite wretched housing, inadequate transportation, insufficient food and other appalling handicaps.

Furthermore, and for this we have the testimony of high government officials, machines in American war factories, operated under wartime conditions, are deadlier than the enemy's bullets on foreign battlefields.

Paul V. McNutt, chief of the President's Manpower Commission, says industrial safety is "a major war problem" and the Office of War Information, an agency very close to the White House, tells us that since Pearl Harbor accidents have killed 37,800 men and women workers, or 5,000 more than the announced combat losses of the armed forces.

In addition, 4,710,000, or 80 times the number of fighting men wounded or missing in action, have suffered from accidents. Of those injured, at least 210,000 were permanently disabled.

All this represents a loss of 270,000,000 man-days a year, says the O.W.I., or the equivalent of withdrawing 900,000 workers from production lines for a full year.

These are facts which should cause thinking men to cease worrying about the comparatively minor ef-

Your Dollar

By Consumers Union

Black Market Travel

Black market operators are making a big killing in railroad reservations, and disorganizing the distribution of tickets for essential wartime travel. These black marketers buy up advance reservations and then resell them on heavily traveled runs at a profit running from \$10 to \$50 a ticket.

The Office of Defense Transportation has advised the mayors of 104 cities that the black market in railroad reservations is spreading and has urged them to enforce rigorously local laws against ticket resale and speculation. It urged cities which do not have laws covering such gouging to enact them immediately, in the interest of the war effort.

The next time you are told by a black marketer that he can sell you a reservation for a "percentage," call the local or railroad police. It may cause you some temporary inconvenience, but you will be helping to stamp out this completely unwarranted practice which gouges harassed travelers.

Razors and Blades

Men received an unexpected present when the government announced that production of razors and razor blades in 1944 would be limited only by the amount of available materials. Previously, the output of safety razors made of metal went entirely to the armed forces. Straight razors could not be made for any purpose. And razor blades were produced in limited quantities.

The razor blade problem was never particularly acute—despite the reduction in output—since millions of men were taken by the armed services. But razors were hard to get and many men are shaving with razors that should long since have been retired to the scrap heap.

Men's Shirts: Quality Goes Down

Consumers Union is completing tests of 34 brands of men's white broadcloth shirts. Its technicians are finding a general deterioration in fit, fabric and construction on top of higher prices.

CU compared prices and fabrics on 12 national and private label brands tested in 1941 and retested now. The average price has gone up 20% from \$1.63 to \$1.95.

At the same time, CU's technicians found thread count had gone down around 10%; tensile strength about 10%. Poorer construction and inspection (second being sold for first quality) accounted for an estimated further 10% decrease in durability.

Since the deterioration in quality is equivalent to a 25% price increase, this means the actual rise in cost to consumers who purchase these brands has been 45%.

Preliminary results indicate that the following brands will rank high on the quality scale. Complete rating is published in the February issue of Consumers Reports.

A.M.C. (Associated Merchandising Corp. NYC) \$2.50.

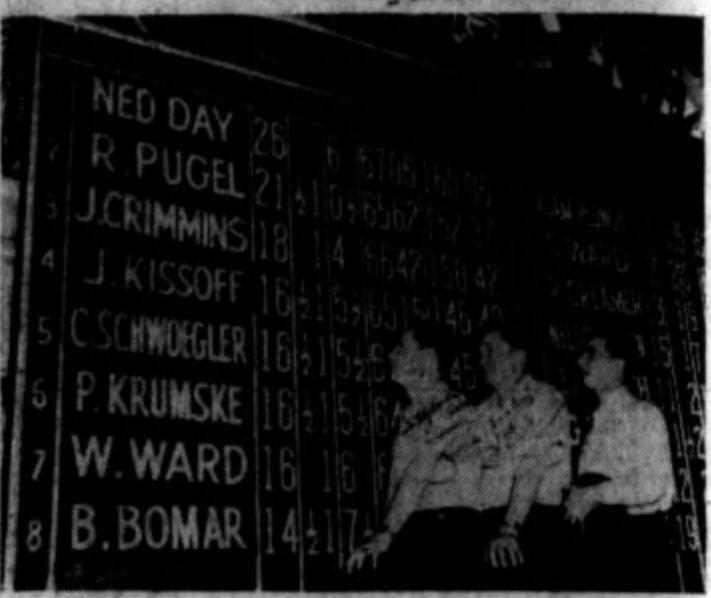
Wings (Piedmont Shirt Co. Greenville, S.C.) \$2.00.

Van Heusen Country (Phillips-Jones Corp., NYC) \$2.25.

No sadder proof can be given by a man of his own littleness than disbelief in great men.

CARLYLE.

SNPJ Sports



Here we have a picture of the early in the afternoon of the same day, was the immediate cause of his letdown. But, just the same, we all can be mighty proud of his achievements on the bowling lanes, and it shouldn't surprise us if one of these days Rudy Pugel is crowned champion of the bowling world.

JUVENILE DIRECTOR.

Lucille Jeram Rolls 559 in 3-game Victory

CLEVELAND, O.—Lucille Jeram had her eyes on the pocket last Friday night when she clouted the pins for 191-189-179—559 to pace her team to a three game victory over the Comrades No. 4 team.

The Consistent bowling of the Concordian FIVE brought home two victories over the Utopian team. Mary Lunder was high for the winners with 441, while Fanny Svetina's 443 was best for the losers.

Comrades No. 2 took two games from Comrades No. 1. The latter was handicapped by the absence of Fran Spik. Frances Preseren again came through with flying colors and was high for her team with 426. Marie Stefanie hit a new high for herself with 184-474. Stuff on the ball, eh.

Comrades No. 3 team was twice victorious over the Strugglers No. 1 team. Both teams suffered a blind. Theresa Jeric lead the Strugglers with 430, followed very closely by Mary Gruden with 427.

Wonder what happened to Nellie Shine and Frances Perusek?

ATTENTION, GIRLS! Please, contact your captain when you can't keep the date at the alleys. Thank you.

PAULINE ROSS, Sec'y.

They Said Last Week

President Roosevelt:

"The American People are very much concerned over the fact that the vast majority of the 11,000,000 members of the armed forces of the United States are going to be deprived of their right to vote in the important national election this fall, unless the Congress promptly enacts adequate legislation."

The men and women who are in the armed forces are rightfully indignant about it. They have left their homes and jobs and schools to meet and defeat the enemies who would destroy all our democratic institutions, including our right to vote. Our men cannot understand why the fact that they are fighting should disqualify them from voting.

It has been clear for some time that practical difficulties and the element of time make it virtually impossible for soldiers and sailors and marines spread all over the world to comply with the different voting laws of forty-eight States and that unless something is done about it, they will be denied the right to vote."

Paul V. McNutt, chairman of the War Manpower Commission:

"Women have more than the usual reason for accepting part-time employment. Wives of servicemen may find need for additional income and discover that their household duties have measurably decreased after one or more of the family have entered the Armed Forces. These conditions increase the possibility of part-time work for women. In Great Britain more than 650,000 women—ten per cent of the female labor force—are employed part-time."

Experience abroad and our own limited experience here demonstrates the practical usefulness of part-time labor supplies. As the labor force approaches its wartime peak, the large pool of potential part-time workers—students, homemakers and some employed workers—will increasingly be drawn upon to provide additional manpower."

Frank C. Walker, Postmaster General:

"There can be but one honest answer to the question of those in our armed services voting at the coming election. If any citizen of this country has a right to cast his ballot in the determination of those entrusted with the duty of deciding on the policies which may mean life or death to those devoted men and women, that right belongs pre-eminently to the people who are offering their all for the defense of our democracy. The process should be made as simple and easy as possible. It is hollow to talk of the right to vote unless we also guarantee the opportunity to vote. There is no suggestion of partisan politics about it."

It would be a strange democracy that singled out for disenfranchisement the citizens who are giving the greatest service for democracy."

—Common Council.

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