



New Era

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Nova Doba



AMPLIFYING THE VOICE OF THE ENGLISH SPEAKING MEMBERS

WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THE FINANCIAL STATUS OF THE AFU?

Since we regularly read reports of the AFU Supreme Board, let us review the duties of this Board. The AFU Supreme Board is composed of seventeen members and consists of the Executive Committee and the Board of Trustees. The Supreme Board is the administrative body and we have the Supreme Judiciary Committee as the judicial body.

All members of the Supreme Board are elected by the Convention. This Board meets twice a year. All matters pertaining to the Union and its subordinate lodges are acted upon and adjudicated by the Supreme Board in conformity with the existing by-laws. The Board likewise determines all matters that were not passed upon by the Convention and also those which could not be settled by either the Executive Committee or the Board of Trustees. The Supreme Board also constantly supervises all the subordinate lodges. This Board also enforces the laws and rules of the Union and takes care that all members comply with the same, as well as complying with the decrees of the Convention.

The AFU Executive Committee manages the business of the AFU in accordance with the by-laws, decrees of the Convention and of the Supreme Board.

The Board of Trustees examines the books and accounts of the Supreme Secretary, Supreme Treasurer and of the Editor-Manager.

The Supreme Judiciary Committee settles all complaints and appeals by correspondence, on evidence submitted and in conformity with the by-laws of the Union.

Twice a year, following the meetings of the Supreme Board, the report of the Union's financial status and minutes of the meeting are published in the official organ, the Nova Doba. I wonder how many members take the time to acquaint themselves with the financial status of the Union and the decisions made by the Supreme Board to promote its growth and progress? Of course, reading such reports is not as entertaining as a novel but it would be well if the members acquainted themselves about the AFU statistics you can more easily enroll a new member when you can say to him, "You can belong to a sound organization like the AFU whose assets total more than three-million dollars!" By glancing over the financial statement you can tell the prospect the amount of sick and death benefits paid by our Union to its members.

Yes, it is well that every member takes interest in the financial status of our Union for his own benefit as well as for numerous other reasons. The youth of the AFU would do well to acquaint themselves with the business portion of the organization for someday they shall carry on when our elders have passed on.

How about it, members? The next time you see a list of figures published in our paper, won't you give them the once-over? The report might surprise you and also prove to you that our AFU is a dependable and sound organization which you can recommend to your friends.

Thought For The Day

Thoughts do not need the wings of words
To fly to any goal.
Like subtle lightnings, not like birds
They speed from soul to soul.

Hide in your heart a bitter thought
Still it has power to blight.
Think Love, although you speak it not,
It gives the world more light.

—Ella Wheeler Wilcox



"I HEARD THE SHOW WAS CLOSING AND I JUST THOUGHT I'D DROP AROUND AND SEE IF ANYBODY WANTED A JOB."

News of Soldiers



This week we heard from Cadet Edward Zivkovich, member of Lodge No. 132 of Euclid, Ohio. He writes: "I would like you to send the Nova Doba to my new address. Since I've been receiving the Nova Doba, while in the army, I've always looked forward to it and enjoy reading various articles by my former buddies who are now in the service. Every once in a while when I have time, I correspond with them through the addresses I find listed in the Nova Doba."

"I am a member of Lodge No. 132, AFU of Euclid, Ohio. I certainly miss those good old gatherings we had. Just before I went into the army I was elected vice-president of the lodge and my job was to fill in the position of a swell buddy of mine, Frank Sesek. I don't believe anyone could do a better job than Frank who served while the Napredok Lodge was in its prime."

"I'm getting a mechanical engineering course out here at the University of Florida and I hope I shall pass, for it is a swell chance to get a good education and to help out in the reconstruction after this war is over. I think I better close now, so here's hoping I get my copy of the Nova Doba real soon at my new address."

Thank you for your letter, Cadet Zivkovich. Eddie's friends may write to him at his new address:

Cadet Edward Zivkovich,
35517280
SCU #3418 ASTP
Co. C., Sect. N.
University of Florida
Gainesville, Fla.

CLEAN WINDSHIELDS

Motorists, it's hard to see danger through a dirty windshield, even when you're watching closely! The Greater Cleveland Safety Council urges that you take the simple precaution of keeping your windshield clean. And don't overlook the fact that your headlights become splattered with mud, reducing your driving efficiency at night. Keep your windshield and headlights clean, for the sake of a clean driving record!

FALLING OBJECTS

Let Hitler and Tojo be the ones to suffer from falling objects. Don't you imitate them by careless work habits on your job. The Greater Cleveland Safety Council reminds you that weak shelves, excessive loading and careless stacking of objects in the home or in a war plant may cause serious accidents.

TIPS FOR GOLFERS

Here's a tip from the Greater Cleveland Safety Council that won't help you cure that slice but it may save you from a bad stomach ache and possible damage to your health. Don't put golf tees in your mouth, chew on a blade of grass or put anything else in your mouth while on a golf course. The greens keepers often spray the grass with arsenate of lead or other poisonous substances to kill beetles and other pests that damage the grass. A little bit of it can make you pretty sick.

Front the sunshine and the shadows will fall behind you.
—Egyptian proverb.

Latest Results of the AFU 45th Anniversary Membership Campaign

AFU 45-POINT HONOR ROLL:

Lodge No. 21, Denver, Colo.
Lodge No. 114, Ely, Minn.
Lodge No. 2, Ely, Minn.
Lodge No. 225, Milwaukee, Wis.
Lodge No. 190, Butte, Mont.

Lodges having 10 or more points to their credit in this campaign are as follows:

MINNESOTA

Lodge No. 1, Ely, Minn., 20½ points; Lodge No. 200, Ely, Minn., 19 points; Lodge No. 120, Ely, Minn., 15 points; Lodge No. 2, Ely, Minn., 15 points; Lodge No. 85, Aurora, Minn., 13 points; Lodge No. 114, Ely, Minn., 13 points; Lodge No. 30, Chisholm, Minn., 12 points; and Lodge No. 230, Chisholm, Minn., 12 points.

OHIO

Lodge No. 37, Cleveland, Ohio, 38½ points; Lodge No. 132, Euclid, Ohio, 27½ points; Lodge No. 229, Struthers, Ohio, 19 points; Lodge No. 44, Barberton, Ohio, 16 points; Lodge No. 137, Cleveland, Ohio, 12½ points; Lodge No. 71, Cleveland, Ohio, 11½ points; and Lodge No. 173, Cleveland, Ohio, 10 points.

COLORADO

Lodge No. 101, Walsenburg, Colo., 19½ points; Lodge No. 84, Trinidad, Colo., 16½ points; Lodge No. 140, Morley, Colo., 13 points; and Lodge No. 21, Denver, Colo., 12½ points.

ILLINOIS

Lodge No. 70, Chicago, Ill., 43 points; Lodge No. 66, Joliet, Ill., 27 points; and Lodge No. 170, Chicago, Ill., 14½ points.

PENNSYLVANIA

Lodge No. 55, Uniontown, Pa., 2½ points; Lodge No. 40, Claridge, Pa., 14 points; and Lodge No. 12, Export, Pa., 12½ points.

MONTANA

Lodge No. 43, East Helena, Mont., 21½ points; and Lodge No. 88, Roundup, Mont., 18 points.

WYOMING

Lodge No. 28, Kemmerer, Wyo., 35 points.

There are nine more weeks left in this campaign! During the past 36 weeks we have 153

Graduate



Miss Anne Prosen, 19716 Arrowhead Ave., graduated Sept. 3rd from Kent State University. She received a Bachelor of Science degree and plans to continue her study of medicine. Miss Prosen is well known to the readers of this paper for her contributions to this paper and as the former English Editor of Nova Doba. She is a member of Lodge No. 132, AFU of Euclid, Ohio.

We congratulate Anne and wish her much success in the future.

BRIEFS

Attention, AFU lady bowlers of Cleveland, Ohio: A meeting will be held this coming Sunday, Sept. 19th at the Slovenian Workingmen's Home on Waterloo rd. at 1 p. m. to discuss plans for an Interlodge Bowling League for this season. All lodges are cordially invited to participate. Rosemary Rossa has informed us that the Napredok, Betsy Ross and St. John's lodges of Cleveland have already enrolled their teams for this league. Any AFU ladies' teams will be welcome. Attend the meeting this Sunday or get in touch with Rosemary Rossa or call her at her home, Liberty 6481 for further information.

Notice to all contributors: The U. S. Post Office has asked the cooperation of all people to help expedite mail and relieve the mail burden by using the zone address system. The Nova Doba key number is 3. All mail to the Nova Doba should be addressed as follows:

Nova Doba
6233 St. Clair Ave.
Cleveland 3, Ohio

Ohio Civil Service Examinations

Miss Gertrude Jones, Chairman and Carl W. Smith, member, of the State Civil Service Commission of Ohio, announced today a schedule of the examinations to be conducted Wednesday, September 29, 1943 for a number of positions in the Divisions of Highway Patrol, Department of Highways. The positions for which examinations are scheduled are Patrolman, Radio Operator, and Radio Technician.

The examinations on September 29 will be conducted in Columbus, only, at the Seneca Hotel.

Applications and bulletins giving complete information as to the duties, salaries, and qualifications required of applicants for each position may be secured from the office of any County Auditor, or by writing directly to the State Civil Service Commission, Columbus, Ohio.

Persons desiring to compete in any of these examinations should file their applications as soon as possible since the closing date for applications is September 22, 1943.

Fats Make Dynamite

WPB Conservation Division gives some figures on what a pound of waste fat will do—produce enough glycerine to make a half-pound of dynamite, or one-tenth pound of nitro-glycerine.

active lodges but we have 25 lodges which have not as yet acquired not even one point in the present campaign.

We enrolled 760 new juvenile members and 134 adult members while 327 juvenile members transferred to the adult department. A total of 1221 new members have been enrolled in both departments.

The lodges which have not as yet enrolled any new members should strive to do so during the nine remaining weeks of this membership campaign. Help make the AFU 45th Anniversary Membership Campaign a success! Enroll a new member now!

Heroes' Day, September 16

We Honor the AFU Servicemen Who Gave Their Lives So the World Will Be Free

Steve Lebar, member of Lodge No. 200, Ely, Minn.
Charles Strazishar, member of Lodge No. 112, Kitzville, Minnesota.

John Zaic Jr., member of Lodge No. 186, Cleveland, Ohio.
Frank Sterle Jr., member of Lodge No. 149, Canonsburg, Pa.
Louis Flesik, member of Lodge No. 154, Herminie, Pa.

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THE YOUNG DEAD SOLDIERS DO NOT SPEAK

Nevertheless they are heard in the still houses; who has not heard them? They have a silence that speaks for them at night and when the clock counts. They say, We were young. We have died. Remember us. They say, We have done what we could but until it is finished it is not done. They say, We have given our lives but until it is finished no one can know what our lives gave. They say, Our deaths are not ours: they are yours: they will mean what you make them. They say, Whether our lives and our deaths were for peace and a new hope or for nothing we cannot say; it is you who must say this. They say, We leave you our deaths. Give them their meaning. Give them an end to the war and a true peace. Give them a victory that ends the war and a peace afterwards. Give them their meaning. We were young, they say. We have died. Remember us.



Did You Know That

A new vegetable has been grown. It is the Wobbie. Cross a carrot with a beet and you have a Wobbie! At least that is the name of a new vegetable that has characteristic common to these two common root crops, with about quadruple the content of Vitamin C. It is being grown in Holland.

Ordinary chocolate bars that melt at 85 degrees are pretty sticky messes on a hot summer day. Now the Army has developed a chocolate bar for soldiers that is unaffected by heat up to 120 degrees.

A blind boy, trying to learn to read from raised letters, became discouraged because the process was so slow that reading had no interest. He told himself that if arrangements of small dots could be used to represent letters, an entire word could be touched by the fingertip at once. The boy was Louis Braille, and the alphabet he conceived is the Braille alpha-

bet, by which thousands of persons do their reading.

Mail for members of the armed forces has reached such a tremendous volume that postal employees in San Francisco, which has the largest V-Mail station in the world, have increased from 628 to 1939 to 16,000 at present.

Recent tests show buna synthetic tires coming through with flying colors. United States Rubber Co. reports 37,000 miles made on bus lines in New Jersey with their synthetic tires.

The Pennsylvania Railroad employs more than 20,000 women at present compared to less than fifteen hundred before the war. Men who work with the women railroaders speak of their ability to do the jobs well. Roundhouse women workers are cleaning and polishing locomotives even more carefully than the men they have replaced.

