











# PROSVETA

## ENGLISH SECTION

Those who would give up essential liberty to purchase a little temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety.  
Ben. Franklin, Letter to Historical Records

The Society shall insure to its members personal freedom of religious, philosophical, ethical and political creeds.  
Declaration of Principles, SNPJ By-Laws

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FOR MEMBERS OF SLOVENE NATIONAL BENEFIT SOCIETY AND AMERICAN SLOVENES

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 25

### Editorial Comments

#### Yearly Meetings

The time has come when our local lodges will elect their officers, in the month of December. The type of personnel entrusted with lodge responsibilities reflects on the whole lodge membership. Therefore, see to it that your lodge will manifest its intelligence by electing capable and trustworthy members who fully realize the importance and honor of accepting a lodge position and who will strive to do their utmost for their lodge and their fellow members as a whole. Make your yearly meeting an outstanding lodge event by doing your fraternal duty. By planning ahead your lodge is bound to lead in every respect.

#### Slovene Schools

It is interesting to note that several large Slovene communities have lately undertaken the difficult task of forming Slovene juvenile schools. The Slovene National Home in Cleveland on St. Clair is conducting its Slovene school for juveniles and adults for the last six years. Similar experiments have been in progress in a few other localities for some time. Lorain, O., conducts classes in Slovene in its juvenile school in its Slovene Home; Colliwood, O., is now planning to open its juvenile school; in Chicago the "Pioneer" Lodge No. 559 SNPJ is conducting its Slovene school for juveniles for the second year. Its pupils, thirty-five in number, are now preparing to stage a play at the Chicago SNPJ Federation Xmas party, Dec. 20. Slovene juvenile schools should be encouraged and supported.

#### A New Venture

In Cleveland, our metropolis, the Educational Division of the Slovene National Home on St. Clair has ventured into a praiseworthy field—that of organizing and sponsoring a school for Yugoslav artists to be. Those individuals artistically inclined in the metropolis are now given the opportunity to realize their ambitions in the field of painting under the tutelage of our well-known landscape artist—Gregory H. Perushech. Over thirty aspirants have already enrolled in this school, and it is sincerely hoped that this new venture will become a permanent institution in Cleveland.

### Official Notice

#### CALENDARS

Two large SNPJ wall calendars have been forwarded to every lodge. The secretaries, on receiving these calendars, are requested to hang them where they will be most conspicuous and readily noticeable to the advantage of the Society.

The small SNPJ calendars, to be distributed among our members, are being sent out. For economical reasons, we have had a limited number printed and shipped to the lodges. However, if these are correctly distributed, each family of SNPJ members should receive one. The secretaries are requested to see that each home or family of the SNPJ members is given a calendar, and in case a lodge should not have a sufficient number, kindly advise the Supreme Office to that effect.

#### AMENDMENTS

Copies of the amendments to the By-Laws, becoming effective July 1, 1931, and January 1, 1932 have been forwarded to the lodge secretaries. If any lodge has not yet received its copies, kindly advise the Supreme Office immediately. The secretaries are asked to see that copies of these amendments are distributed among the members, who in turn should carefully note the changes and guide themselves accordingly.

Fred A. Vider, Supreme Secretary.

### Congress' Immediate Job

Now that Congress is about to meet it's up to all of us to say vigorously that Congressmen will be accomplices in the act of starving by wholesale millions of their fellow citizens if they do not promptly vote a five billion dollar Federal relief fund to be repaid out of increased taxes on incomes and inheritances. Private relief and municipal relief have both proved worse than inadequate. Private relief is made an excuse by corporations to tax the poorest workers on a scale which if applied to the directors themselves, would raise hundreds of millions of dollars. So-called public relief in cities like New York is, as we charged during the campaign, and as the Seabury inquiry proved, one of the most despicable bribes in the world in the hands of corrupt politicians.

Of course, unemployment insurance or unemployment indemnity must be set up along Socialist lines. But there won't be time to do that to realize this present crisis. Such insurance can't help men already out of work, yet such insurance would do more to emancipate the workers from political and economic bosses than any single thing I know of, and there is no blinder folly that labor can be guilty of than to oppose such insurance.—N. Thomas.

## FLASHES By Incognito

The Pioneers are progressing steadily. At last Friday night's meeting three new members were initiated and three transfer cards were received. In addition, three juveniles were admitted into the adult department; three new nominations were also made. All of the business was conducted smoothly and a bunco party and social followed. We had a good attendance and a good time. A supplement to the by-laws was passed out and explained, especially Motion "A," which goes into effect Jan. 1, 1932. Each member was asked to read these over carefully and upon doing so, can find and determine the real value of the new supplemental by-laws.

And, of course, our big membership drive came in for its share of discussion. Many members availed themselves of more tickets and assured us that a full attendance would be on hand. More information was given inquirers on the orchestra that will play December 12, at the Membership Campaign Dance. What we want and must have, is a capacity crowd at this Bargain Dance Dec. 12. Regardless of what else we will do we must inform all of our friends that this dance is primarily intended to familiarize them with the Pioneer Lodge and our activities in the hope that we can offer them enough satisfaction to have them join with us. That's why everything is going to be below the usual price.

Many important subjects were discussed at the regular monthly meeting of the Chicago District Federation of SNPJ last Thursday night. It was agreed to hold the coming mass meeting on Sunday, Dec. 6, instead of the date formerly selected. Full directions for the Xmas Party Dec. 20 were released to the committee and help for the unemployed was another topic of major importance discussed. Members of the SNPJ now employed, will be asked to contribute to the unemployed fund.

A Xmas program is being arranged and will embody a three act play by the students of the Pioneer Slovene Juvenile School. This will be the initial attempt to put on a big play exclusively by juveniles. At least 35 young boys and girls will form the cast. Other prominent young folks will feature.

The Pioneer basketball team took the Wanderers into camp last Saturday evening. We have entered the A.A.U. tournament and our boys will make a strong bid for the sectional crown. New sweat-shirts are being ordered. With Gene Godina, Jerry Dvorak, Eddie Hudale, Johnny Peternel, Adolph Klancnik, Louis Klancnik, Joseph Hudale, Jack Groser and Joseph Sajovec all benefited with one more season's experience as a Pioneer.

### Universal Comets

Universal, Pa.—During the past several months the Comets have been imbued with the desire to travel and fraternize with their neighboring SNPJ lodge members. This has proved to be beneficial to them in both a fraternal and material sense—fraternal in that they have established cordial friendships with persons heretofore unknown to them; material in that they have been recompensed by the visit of these friends to their social function. In virtue of these benefits which have been derived, the Comets wish to thank all these neighboring SNPJ lodges.

To further the policy of closer relationship between SNPJ lodges, the Comets will be represented at the meeting of the proposed E. S. Federation at Hermine on Nov. 29.—By the way, the Comets also received an invitation to attend a meeting at Canonsburg in Dec. for the same purpose. Is this simply a misunderstanding or a conflict? Let's hope it is the former, and not a case of the proverbial "sloveny hued gentleman in the lumber yard."

The Comets had the pleasure of meeting some Yough Valley Knights for the first time at the Keystoneians' dance on Nov. 14.

The Veronians are certainly to be congratulated on having procured partnership in the Naredni Dom at Verona. It is ideally situated along the Allegheny River with a meeting room, locker room, showers (Ah Hem!), refreshment room, boating conveniences, a beautiful lawn fronting it, and last but not least a wide veranda which extends around one side and the rear overlooking the river. Ye scribe strongly suspects that danger lurks in the shadows of this portico, what with the would-be Romeo whispering sweet nothings in the ears of their little ones while gazing over the broad expanse of the Allegheny with the moon shining down 'em 'everythin'.—Aw, 'twas bad I'm not poetically inclined, tho'assail. Max Kamer.

near team they hope to perform in great style.

Pioneer Basketball Girls should come to the Chicago Boys' Club Gym Saturday, Nov. 28, at 5 p. m. for their first practice. The gym is located at 2501 E. Ridgeway ave. Every player, new and old, should try to be present.

It is more important than ever that our friends attend Sava's concert Saturday, Nov. 28, at CSPS hall. The concert itself will be worth much more than the time spent and the 50 cent admission. Besides, our people will show their willingness to patronize an American institution, for the Yugoslav Consul has his cohorts out for the same Sunday to celebrate the anniversary of the Yugoslav dictatorship. American citizens should not be connected with an organization led by the monarchical, dictatorial powers of a king.

The juvenile membership of our society is our reserve from which we can draw when the young members become of age. In the years past it has proven to be a staple reserve because 95% of all the young boys and girls becoming of age have joined the adult department. We cannot stress too greatly the need of replenishing and adding to the ranks of the juvenile order continuously. It is an important division of the society, taken altogether too lightly, especially now since the immigration bars have been clamped down tight. There are more than 100,000 young Yugoslavs in the country, who are not members, but who are eligible for membership.

## STRUGGLERS By Lindy

Colliswood, O.—The Strugglers' mother lodge "V boj" No. 59, SNPJ, celebrated its 25th anniversary in high tone fashion. A very large crowd was on hand and the young Strugglers talent showed real skill in the afternoon performance. We wish Lodge 59 many more successful birthdays.

December closes the Strugglers 1931 grind and to make things more pleasant the meeting has been postponed from Dec. 3 to Dec. 12, Sat. night, so that every one may be able to attend. Following the meeting our usual party gets under way. Free for the Strugglers and also for our visiting SNPJ lodge members. No outsiders admitted. Entrance at side door. Fine if you fall to attend. Feb 18—1932

Please note: Strugglers' Valentine Dance will be held on Saturday, Feb. 13, (not 14th).

Returned Corp.  
Due to the approaching of winter Bro. Dergans of Kenosha has informed us that the "Corp" will be present at Beacons 3rd Anniversary. Come and see the long lost mystery in captivity, Sat., Nov. 28, on Prince ave. in Newburgh, Ohio. All Strugglers that plan to go, meet with care at "Quack's" headquarters, 441 E. 157 St., at 7:30 sharp. Show your spirit and give the Beacons a hand.

Our well liked Bro. Daubner has just announced the opening of "Wash & Polish" stand with Auto Simulating a specialty. He is located on 382 East 152 St.

Girl Bowlers  
The girl bowlers, who some years

### Important Dates

#### Sava's Fall Concert

Chicago.—A real treat is promised for the Slovenes of Chicago Sunday, November 29, at the CSPS hall, when the Socialist Singing Society "Sava" will give its annual Fall Concert which will be one of the best they have ever staged. A fine selection of classical and folk songs will make up the program.

In the second part of the program a picturesque scene on the village green will be enacted by the happy villagers. It is late in the afternoon, so they rest and have lunch. One of the boys is very much perturbed because he failed to find his girl when he called to see her. He finds her amidst the group on the village green and she tries to explain to him that she was out picking flowers. Another young lad, full of pep and vigor, sings a solo and makes fun of his companion who was angered by his sweetheart.

It is twilight. A couple sings "Tibi mrak." The entire group accompanies them as it does many other solo songs. It's just one beautiful song after another and for the price of 50c, if the ticket is purchased in advance. Secure them from members of the chorus or call Rockwell 2864, make reservations and save 25c. Tickets sold at the door will be 75c. In the evening a dance will be given. John Rak.

### Progressive Patches

Euclid, O.—Our Membership Drive is now in full swing. How many new members have you lined up to join our Dec. meeting? This contest is being staged between the girls and boys. If at the end of the contest in May the girls lose they will throw a "sauer-kraut" and wiener party in honor of the boys. But if the boys lose, they have promised to take the girls to Club Madrid, one of Cleveland's outstanding night clubs. Come on, gang, all Progressives are eligible to enter this contest.

Don't forget to attend our yearly meeting on Tue., Dec. 15. Election of officers will take place. Any member failing to attend, will be fined. After the meeting the "Bachelorettes" have a nice surprise for all of us. They are going to serve some of their good pies; you know, we haven't had them for a long time. We hope to see some of our neighboring lodges attend. How about it?

Let's you forget, we wish to remind you all of our dance on Sat., Dec. 12, at the Slovians hall on Redbar ave. We would like to have a record crowd attend. Let's finish up our year of entertainment and dances with a bang!

Nov. 12 a number of Progressives journeyed to Newburgh to attend the Beacons' meeting. Due to leaving "Torpedo" Roberts lead the way, and then losing us in the rain storm, we made a rather late appearance. We wish to thank the Beacons for showing us a wonderful evening. It seems as though the Beacons will see a lot of us in the future. By the way, how many of you are going to attend their 3rd anniversary Nov. 28? Tickets can be purchased for 50c. Music will

be furnished by the rhythmic Melody Pilots. See you all there.

Just a word regarding our 4th anniversary on Sat., May 29, 1932. All members that think they can act, sing, dance, etc., get in touch with the committee now. Plans are being put under way for a huge vaudeville show that will take place in the afternoon; this will be a show of shows, so don't miss it.

How many of you are eagerly awaiting the surprise that is in store for each and every one of those who attend the meetings? Here's something worthwhile waiting for. While we are on the subject of surprises wouldn't it be great if every one brought in a new member to our next meeting? That would be a great surprise. By Glasz.

### Keystoneian Steavings

By Jack.  
Hermine, Pa.—Just as predicted, the Keystoneian Novelty dance turned out a wonderful success. At least a dozen English Speaking SNPJ lodges of western Penna were represented. The Silver Stars, Ramblers and Veronians turned out with large crowds. The Keystoneians will attempt to return the visits of that trio with a big crowd at their future lodge affairs.

The Yough Valley Knights stole the show by copping the prize in the balloon dance, which was a large cake made and donated by one of our ardent boosters, Mary Ross. The balloon dance was the main feature of the evening; in fact it happened to be the real fun-maker. The Silver Stars bagged the most souvenirs of the evening. Ye scribe H. Freeman carried off a neat print of the Keystoneians' emblem and other what-nots.

A good example of cooperation was shown by the Silver-Star fems, most all of them attended our dance. Here's hoping our girls reciprocate at your anniversary dance in January; that also goes for our boys.

Once again I wish to announce that the Keystoneians are having a meeting Nov. 29, and all lodges interested in organizing an English Speaking Federation are asked to attend by sending three delegates. Many lodges have signified their intention to attend this meeting which will be held at our Slovians hall at 2:30 p. m.

It is hoped a party of Keystoneians attend the J. Z. Jrs. affair on Thanksgiving at Library, and also the Ramblers' dance on Dec. 12. Both of these lodges showed their fine spirit at our dance.

## The Reveliers' Column

Ambridge, Pa.—The final week of November finds the progressive element giving serious thought towards building a finer lodge in the ensuing year. It is only natural that future leaders be chosen with care. The members really interested in lodge work are doing everything possible to make the others show some interest, and in particular, the December meeting is being stressed as one that all should attend. Many will respond to the call yet to others the call will go unheeded. To those who will attend annual meetings in December falls the task of laying the foundation upon which the lodge for the year 1932 will work. The importance of the annual meetings in the fraternal world is unquestioned.

The SNPJ is an organization with scattered subordinate lodges throughout the land. As such it cannot be presumed that a handful of people could manage the work of keeping alive the interest in every town or city where a chapter of the union exists. That duty falls to the lot of the home membership. Each progressive step adds to the prestige and usefulness of the society—*that progress in membership, in activity must come from the locals and the placing of capable persons in responsible positions is the first step towards attaining that ideal.* The Supreme Board officials, the editor of this paper and your local officers may plead with you to show interest and activity in the organization but the retardation or progress of your own lodge is the work you as members show, and as such it can be approved or criticized.

The Reveliers Duck-pin Bowling League is enjoying the same success this year as it did last. There is one complaint to register. Games were to start at 7:30 p. m., but the bowlers don't put in an appearance until about 8 o'clock. The tardiness of the majority cannot be excused. Starting games a half-hour or forty-five minutes after the scheduled time

seems to be getting under the collar of some. In the future try to be prompt.

We've one correction to make in regards as to the girl having the high single game record to date. Margaret Obed has a high score of 166, beating Gerty Uhernik's 167 by 1 pin.

The Reveliers' November meeting was well attended. Favorable discussions on having a local bulletin were had. Three representatives to the meeting at Canonsburg on Dec. 27 for the probable start of an E. S. Federation of Western Penna were chosen. Two additions to our ranks were made, William R. Tomcinak and Johanna Kosela.

The benefit dance on Dec. 26 is getting great publicity locally. The four Slovene lodges will draw one of the best crowds to this first effort they are making unitedly. At the Croatian hall that night Ducky Hill and his sloven piece Monte Carlo band will put on some great show.

At the Keystoneian dance there would have been some Reveliers if two things hadn't occurred, one machine arrived some time after midnight in Hermine and the other developed some trouble that made the driver skeptical as to its worthiness for the journey. As it was Miss Jewel Petras was the sole Revelier present.

To the Cleveland Beacons celebrating their 3rd Anniversary on Nov. 28 the Reveliers extend congratulations and the best wishes for the future. Louis Kosela.

#### LODGE NO. 194

Springfield, Ill.—Thanksgiving day, Nov. 28, will be a big day for us. The Ladies' Lodge No. 194 SNPJ invites all the members and friends to their next dance which will be held at Dom, 1091 So. 11th St. Dance starts at 8:30. Good orchestra. Refreshments. Everybody comes. Mary Krauska.

### NOT GUILTY

#### A Defense of the Bottom Dog

By Robert Hatchford

When Nelson met an enemy's fleet, he made him to give them battle; when he met Lady Hamilton struck his flag. Some other man might have been free to resist the fascinations of a friend's wife. Horatio Nelson was only free to act as nature and his training compelled him to act. Nelson honor was dearer than life; but Lady Hamilton was dearer than honor.

Nelson's action in Lady Hamilton's case was largely due to the influence of environment. To hesitate in war was universally regarded as shameful. In Nelson's environment, a love intrigue was considered as an amiable human weakness. Hence failure of Nelson's will and conscience to resist blandishments of the handsome Emma.

We may say that Jack Sheppard and Cardinal Manning were free to steal, or to refrain from stealing. But we know that the heredity and environment the thief had made robbery, for him, a proof prowess, and a question of the value of the spoil; we know that the Cardinal would not have stolen Crown jewels if he could; that he did not want the and would not have taken them if he had wanted them.

We say that a drunkard and a lifelong abstainer are free to drink or to refuse a glass of whisky. We know that in both cases the action of the free will is a foregone conclusion.

In all cases the action of the will depends upon relative strength of two or more motives. The stronger motive decided the will; just as the heavier weight decides the balance of a pair of scales.

In Macbeth's case the balance seemed almost even. Lady Macbeth's persuasion brought down the scale the wrong side. If the will were free, it would be independent of the temperament and training, and so would act freely in one case as in another. So that it would be free for the drunkard as for the lifelong abstainer refuse to drink; as easy for the thief as for the Cardinal to be honest; as easy for Macbeth as for Lady Macbeth to seal the fate of Duncan.

But we all know that it is harder for one man than for another to be sober, or honest, or virtuous; as we all know that the sobriety, or honesty, or virtue of any man depends upon his temperament and training; that is to say, upon his heredity and his environment.

How, then, can we believe that free will is outside and superior to heredity and environment?

In the case of the slum children rescued by I. Barnardo and others we know that had they been left in the slums their wills would have willed evil, and know that when taken out of the slums their wills would be good.

There was no change in the freedom of the will—the will that is free in Whitechapel is free in Malaga. The difference was the environment. In Malaga as in London the environment controlled the will.

"What! Cannot a man be honest if he chooses? Yes, if he chooses. But that is only another way saying that he can be honest if his nature and training lead him to choose honesty.

"What! Cannot I please myself whether I drink or refrain from drinking?" Yes. But that is only to say you will not drink because it pleases you to be sober. But it pleases another man to drink, because his sire for drink is strong, or because his self-respect weak.

And you decide as you decide, and he decides as he decides, because you are you; and he is he; and heredity and environment made you both that which you are.

And the sober man may fall upon evil days, and may lose his self-respect, or find the burden of life trouble greater than he can bear, and may fly drink for comfort, or oblivion, and may become drunkard. Has it not been often so?

And the drunkard may, by some shock, or some disaster or some passion, or some persuasion, regain his self-respect, and may renounce drink, and lead sober and useful life. Has it not been often so?

And in both cases the freedom of the will is untouched; it is the change in the environment that lifts the fallen up, and beats the upright down.

We might say that a woman's will is free, and she could, if she wished, jump off a bridge and drown herself. But she cannot wish. She is happy, and loves life, and dreads the cold and crawling river. As yet, by some cruel turn of fortune's wheel, she may become destitute and miserable; so miserable that she hates life and longs for death, and then she jumps into the dreadful river and drowns.

Her will was free at one time as at another. It is the environment that has wrought the change. On she could not wish to die; now she cannot wish to live.

The apostles of free will believe that all men's wills are free. But a man can only will that which he is able to will. And one man is able to will that which another man is unable to will. To deny this is to deny the commonest and most obvious facts of life.

The will is as free in one nation and in one class as in another. Who would more willingly return a blow to an Irish soldier, or an English Quaker? Who would be readier to stab a rival, an English curate, or a Spanish smuggler? The difference does not concern the freedom of the will; it is a difference of heredity and environment.

The wills of a priest and sailor are free—free make love in every port, and to swear in every breeze. The difference is one of environment.

The free will party look upon a criminal as a better man who could be good if he wished; but he cannot wish.

The free will party say that if Smith wills to drink he is bad. But we say that Smith drinks, and to drink is bad; but Smith drinks because he is Smith.

The free will party say, "then he was born bad. But we say, "no: he was born Smith."

We all know that we can forget the action of the men in certain cases, because we know the men. We know that under the same conditions Jack Sheppard would steal and Cardinal Manning would not steal. We know that under the same conditions the sailor would flirt with the waitress, and the priest would not; that the drunkard would get drunk, and the abstainer would remain sober. We know that Wellington would refuse a bribe, that Nelson would not run away, that Buonaparte would grasp at power that Abraham Lincoln would be loyal to his constituents that Torquemada would not spare a heretic. What that Torquemada would not spare a heretic. What if the will is free, how can we be sure, before a trial arises, how the will must act?

(To be continued.)

# Silver Stars No. 729

Our annual meeting will be held Sunday, Dec. 6, at 2:30 in the Slovene Home. Every member is invited. Members not present will be fined, because it also will be the quarterly meeting of officers. Capable leaders should be chosen, who are interested in the growth of the organization and the SNPJ, who are actively inclined and those who have their past interest and work that they are capable, as the very important.

And listen, Silver Stars, whatever happens at the meetings, keep it a secret or a penalty will be put on the guilty. Also, let's see if we can't bring in more members. A few more always can be accommodated and taken care of by our great organization the SNPJ. More younger members bring more activity. Remember the date of the meeting, Dec. 6.

Bowling, a very athletic game, has been going on for quite a few weeks among the Silver Stars. In the duck-pin league consisting of Romeos, Spartans and Aces. By last week's results we find that the Romeos retain first place by only a margin of a half game over the hard luck Aces. The Spartans are trailing with one victory.

Basket ball players or members who wish to play basketball will please watch these columns for the date of the first practice. The playing floor will be at Ocean Park, the home of our local High School quintet. Suits will be obtained for players making the team and games will be immediately scheduled; in fact, a few have already been scheduled.

Congratulations.—Mr. and Mrs. Joe Culkar on their recent marriage. Mrs. Culkar was formerly Miss Elsie Dimic, president of Friendly City Lodge.

Best wishes and greetings to the Companions to have a very successful dance as it is their first one since they were organized.—So to the Buckeyes on their 4th Anniversary dance to be held on Jan. 23, '32 in Barbenton, Ohio.

Herman Preseren.

## Stalwarts' Sayings By Daddy

Brother Vincent Pink, long immune from the shackles of matrimony, will at last be taken into custody. The date set for his marriage sentence to be pronounced is sometime in Dec. We hope it will be a life sentence of bliss and happiness. The Kenosa gang extends its "Congratulations", Pinky.

The Stalwarts' Basketball team will show their stuff on the basketball court of Chicago's Broadway Armory, the second week in January (date will be known soon). They are booked with a powerful combine, hailing from Indiana, as a "prelim", to the Chicago Bruins' game. More particulars will soon be forthcoming.

The complete list of donors, who so willingly and cheerfully helped in the outfitting of the Stalwarts' basketball team with uniforms, will positively appear in the Dec. 16 issue of the Prosveta. Watch for it, and then place the names on your trade list. You will find them real people to deal with, besides being 100% Stalwart Boosters.

## Membership Campaign Dance

Meaning of the Dance  
Pioneer Membership Campaign is scheduled for December 12 at SNPJ hall, should not be misconstrued. Practically every year the members run a membership campaign where they are able to meet prospective members. In this way we have been able to get in with many people who ordinarily do not know very much about us. Of course, it's a dance, and a dance where everybody else is talking to everybody else in pleasant surroundings and the topics of conversation ranges from the insurance membership in the Pioneer and Pioneer activities.

Big Attendance Assured  
So many of our Pioneer members have approached their large number of friends that a capacity attendance is a forgone conclusion. Several of our members have passed out more than 100 tickets, each with positive promises of attending. We still have two full weeks to agitate and work for a big crowd and everybody is on the job doing their little bit, including the active wide awake committee.

D. J. L.

## Loyalite News

Collinwood, O.—At Loyalites' last meeting on Nov. 11 it was decided that the proceeds of the coming Big Confeetti Dance Dec. 6 will go towards the purchase of outfits for the boys on the basketball team. So, won't the members of the Loyalites please help and cooperate to make this dance a big success that we hope it to be?

Sister Jean Sitter suggested we have a host and hostess for our dance to see that everyone has a good time. Sister Sitter is to be the hostess and the Loyalites are sure she will help you enjoy yourself.

Good Music  
A piece orchestra of good music which has played for many years at dances, will be there to entertain the patrons. This orchestra never played at the SNPJ hall but has the distinction of being among the best of orchestras which assure us of satisfaction, and they play them fast as they can, but prefer their dance to any other tempo.

## Excelsior Lodge No. 721

West Allquippa, Pa.—Lodge elections are scheduled to begin in a very few weeks. In the past the Excelsiors have shown good judgment in electing young men and women who have filled their respective offices capably. Allow me to express the hope that they may do the same next month.

On December 6, we will hold our last meeting of the year. What strides of progress have we taken during the past year? Let's review the past year, and during the next year profit by the mistakes we made in the past and go ahead full blast.

The meeting will start at 10:30 sharp, as we have loads of business to transact during the meeting. It is a pleasure and a duty for every lodge member to vote. We want officers who are sincere in their work, whom we can respect and be proud of, and who can hold our attention to the work before us and do it in such a way that it will be a pleasure. Before you vote think seriously of the qualifications of those whom you like to see in office. Come out Dec. 6 and cast your votes. Remember, keep this date in mind.

The lodge has done much good in the past and can do much more in the future. Excelsiors, you are hereby commanded to lay all excuses aside and appear in person at our Dec. 6 meeting. All members not present at this meeting are subject to a fine of 25c except those who are sick, working or live out a distance of five miles.

Excelsiors made few more trips, this time to Ambridge. October 24 found the majority of the Excelsiors at the Revelites' Mammoth Fall dance. On October 31, a few Excelsiors traveled to Universal and the reports are that a good time was had by all. On Nov. 23 you will find quite a few Excelsiors at the J. Z. Juniors' Second Anniversary, but conditions such as they are now may not allow members to attend as they would like to.

I kindly request that each one plug his or her darlings to make it their duty to be at our meeting Dec. 6. Fraternally, Frances Antonic.

## Mohawks

By the Journalist.  
La Salle, Ill.—Our November meeting was well attended, much business was transacted, as well as various committees were picked to work on Dec. 12. Next meeting we will elect new officers for the coming year, all those falling to attend will be dealt with according to the By-Laws.

For a good time be sure to attend our doing on Dec. 12. The program consists of 2 plays, one in Slovene and one in English. Singing will take place between acts by the Mohawks Glee Club. Vocal selections will be rendered by Mary Kramarsic and Anna Mauer. The regular "domaca zabava" will follow in the lower hall. Refreshments will be served.

Much interest is being aroused by the ticket selling contest. The boys have made up their minds that the girls are going to pay for a change. Sell your quota of tickets.

We wish to congratulate the Cleveland "Beacons" on their Third Anniversary. May your coming year be prosperous and may membership increase by leaps and bounds.

Note to E. S. L. in the Midwest: Our Sixth Anniversary will take place some time in spring. It will be a two day affair, so plan to attend.

## Pennsylvania News

Strabane, Pa.—What shall you do Christmas night? Attend the Pioneers' Annual Christmas Dance at Canonsburg. That's where everyone is going, as it promises to be one of the finest events sponsored by an SNPJ English Speaking Lodge in western Pennsylvania. The committee is going to do everything in its power to make this one of the most talked of and most enjoyable events of the year. You should really attend this grand affair because here you will meet the "Four Hundred" of the SNPJ English Speaking Lodges of western Pennsylvania, dance to the strains of music produced by Eddie Chapman and his "Racho Band" on a marvelously smooth floor beneath dimmed lights. Here you will renew old friendships and make new ones. Come out and enjoy our hospitality.

To the lodge having the largest attendance of members at the dance the Pioneers will award a valuable prize. Wouldn't you like your lodge to get it? Committee.

## Verona Views

Verona, Pa.—As the next meeting on December 20 is the final meeting of the year, election of officers will take place, and a fine will be imposed on those who are absent. The November meeting of the Veronians was held in their new quarters and a very large attendance was there. We had the pleasure to have with us several Ramblers and Comets, and a lively time was had after the meeting, dancing.

About twenty Veronians journeyed to Hermine to attend the Keystonians Novelty Dance, where they reported a good time was had. An invitation from Pioneers of Canonsburg was received to their big dance on Christmas. We hope that the Veronians will be represented.

Vic Jakovac.

## NOTICE, STALWARTS

Kenosha, Wis.—The Stalwarts' Prize, Bunco and Card Party will take place at Rebeals' Hall Tues., Dec. 8, at 7:30 p. m. Many prizes—useful as well as beautiful—will be awarded to the winners. Luncheon and refreshments will be served. The treat of the evening will be the serving of the famous Stalwarts' "starekrajski strudel" as prepared by our culinary artists—the Stalwarts' "Old Maids' Club". So, you must come over!—Committee.

## Musketeers' Musings

Moon Run, Pa.—Soon falls the curtain on the year 1931 for the Musketeer Lodge. In the past year many successful entertainments have been sponsored, and likewise many visits have been made to affairs of different lodges. Among the most successful events of the year were the celebration of the Musketeers' First Anniversary, the Memorial Day program consisting of a play and dance, and the great "Out-door Dance" held at the Slovene Park.

The time draws near for each and every member to think seriously of the election of officers for the year 1932. All the officers for the year 1931 are to be congratulated for their careful management of their positions.

Our President Bill Bogatay is a wonderful Musketeer booster; our Vice President John Butya is also a great booster; our Secretary John Krally, sedate and very business-like, is one of our most active members. (Most of the trips made by the Musketeers are due to John.) Our genuine Recorder Frances Arch has the record for attending all meetings; our faithful Treasurer Ralph Butya, who has for one year successfully guarded the Musketeers' fortune.

Attending the next meeting on December 13 is the duty of members as individuals to select officers who will tread onward with the true SNPJ spirit.  
Dec. 13, 1931, at 3:30—Musketeers' meeting.  
April 2, 1932—Musketeers' Second Anniversary.  
Mildred and Rose Jerala.

## Sidewalks of Detroit

You can call this week's Prosveta our Thanksgiving day observation edition. On this day we are to set aside all work and be thankful for what has happened during the current year.

We can be thoughtful in regard to the SNPJ for what progress we have made. Today we stand much stronger than any other fraternal organization in the field. That is a great achievement and something to feel proud of.

In last week's Prosveta Andrew Grum printed a picture of Kansas for you. Although what he said is quite true, yet there is nothing to get alarmed about. The main industry, coal-mining, is a thing of the past. But the people have become accustomed to doing a little farming, and a few other occupations, so that they get by, perhaps a lot better than most people in a large city.

Kansas also has a group of SNPJ lodges under one Federation that are not to be overlooked by any means. Grum, being accustomed to this city life with all its traffic and bright lights, becomes excited when he once hit the wide open spaces. That's what Kansas is noted for, rolling prairies. I need not tell you where I fall from, but this city life isn't all peaches and cream by any means.

Last week the debate between Chicago and Detroit was held. Quite a success. The debate inspired many to sign up and will join our sub-branch at the next regular meeting. In fact after the debate it seemed as if everyone felt quite "revolutionary."

Quite a few members plan on spending the holiday in Cleveland. It's a nice trip over there making the short week-end vacation quite pleasant. Singing club "Sveboda" is making the arrangements.

Plan now to attend our next lodge meeting. Let's make this meeting a record breaker for attendance. It's the most important event of the year concerning your lodge.  
Herman Hugel.

## Gowanda Boosters

Gowanda, N. Y.—On Tuesday, Nov. 10, the Boosters, accompanied by a gang of "Pathfinders" and "Buffalo Big Four" members motored to "Cascade Park," Springville, to enjoy ourselves at a private roller skating party, and everyone seemed to be having a great time.

Wedding bills have rung for the first time for the "Gowanda Boosters." Sis. Frances Selan and Mike Mlaker were married Sat., Nov. 14. Congratulations, Frances and Mike.

Our meeting held last Thursday was well attended. We had the pleasure of having with us our organizer Joseph Kren Jr. with a gang of "B. B. F. P." members. One new member was initiated. After the meeting we enjoyed ourselves, thanks to Bro. Anthony Rizzo and Bro. Lawrence Andolsek for furnishing the music. Don't fail to attend the next meeting 100% for election takes place; also plans for our "First Anniversary Dance," January 23.

Out-of-town lodges wishing to bowl us please write to Bro. Frank Victor, 163 Palmer st., captain of the boys' team, and Sis. Mary Klancar, 100 Beech st., captain of the girls' team; Assisla Andolsek.

## Morning Stars

Pittsburgh, Pa.—The Morning Stars have proven that they are capable of making a name for themselves by defeating Lucky Stars of Imperial in our first bowling match Sunday, November 8. Surrounded by cheering spectators the boys of both teams bowled an excellent game and we had to admit that Lucky Stars gave us severe competition. We expect to play a return game with Lucky Stars who are in high hopes of winning, but it seems doubtful to us.

Our previous challenges still hold good and we are waiting for replies from lodges to accept them. We will try to arrange our games so that they will be convenient and suitable to you. For arrangements please write to: Anthony Birso, 1238 Rush st., Pittsburgh, Pa., or phone Cedar 4494-W.

A Star.

# Lodge News Notes

## BEACONS THIRD ANNUAL DANCE

Cleveland, Ohio.—Slow but sure, it's coming, it's coming, it came. November 28, the date of the "Beacons" third annual dance. The dancing will start at 7 o'clock and continue until the cross of the rooster is heard. Music will be furnished by the "Melody Pilots." Many wild guesses have been made as to what the added laughing attraction may be, but all in vain, no one has come anywhere near. Come to the "Beacons" dance Nov. 28, and you'll find out.

Hoping to see many a Comrade, Struggler, Loyalite, Progressive, New Era and Zipper on Nov. 28, at the Slov. Labor Auditorium, 10814 Prince avenue.  
"Beacon Torch."

## LODGE NO. 719

Clairton, Pa.—The Clairtonians again let you know about their first dance to be held at the Croatian hall on Maple ave., Saturday, Nov. 28. This is our second attempt to hold an affair since our organization more than a year ago. We are cordially inviting all neighboring lodges to be with us on that date.

Plans have been completed rather late and no special invitations have been sent out. A good orchestra will furnish the music and the admission will be reasonable. Don't forget the date, Sat., Nov. 28, at the Croatian hall.  
Anthony Prince.

## LODGE NO. 505

Beid, Ill.—All members are requested to attend our annual meeting in December. As business of importance is to be transacted. And also election of officers for the coming year 1932. All members who fail to attend this meeting shall be suspended for the sum of 14 days, as this was passed at our last session. Let's all turn out better in 1932 at our meetings as we did in 1931.  
Frank Subiek, Sec'y.

## TRICITY LODGE

Weirton, W. Va.—As plans progress for the Tri-City Dance on Sat., Nov. 28, at 8 p. m. at Chapin hall, signs are that this will be one of the grandest affairs that was ever given by the Tri-City Lodge.

We are engaging one of the snappiest orchestras from Pittsburgh for the dance and we cordially invite all neighboring lodges to attend. Refreshments and eats of all kinds, the kind that satisfy, will be served throughout the evening. Be sure to attend.  
Marge Grance, Chairman.

## LODGE NO. 720

Yukon, Pa.—At our November meeting the attendance was very successful, and four juvenia members were proposed by Bro. Korber, also two transfers were received, Jean Marvich and Sophie Machovsek. It is a pleasure to announce that our membership is increasing slowly but surely each month. It is the present depression that is making it difficult for our lodge to realize the membership we had expected. But nevertheless it was a fairly successful year for the Silver Stars so far.

Our next meeting will be a quarterly and yearly meeting. Members not present and their absence not justified, will be fined. December being the month of electing officers, be sure to be present and vote for whom you think will be most capable and reliable, viewing the responsibilities of election as honest and faithful Silver Stars.

On November 14 a large number of Silver Stars attended the Keystonians' Novelty Dance of Hermine's. At  
Anna Brieely.

## CARD OF THANKS

West Allquippa, Pa.—We wish to express our sincerest thanks to all who offered help in one way or another during the sad hour of death of our father who passed away Nov. 3, 1931, after a long illness. The many flowers and expressions of condolence showed that he was loved by many. Thank you one and all.  
Mrs. Zagar and family.

## Fraternalism

From the earliest dawn of human history, it has been the custom for men, or groups of men, to join together and work as one homogeneous group, whenever personal self-protection, of social duty, demanded such action to be taken. In other words, they laid aside personal grievances and banded together in to one fraternal group, with one specific object in view. That spirit of fraternalism, or joining together to face a problem, has been the very essence of human progress. The cave man joined with his fellow man, when he himself proved incapable of meeting a particular situation; the Indians united into tribes, in order to have greater strength in hunting, or physical combat. When the citizenry of Massachusetts proved unable to cope with the "red-coats" in 1776, the whole thirteen colonies united into one group, with one purpose, in order to meet the "exigencies of the situation." So man has attacked every problem, whether in war or in peace; always laying aside personal ill-feeling, and joining, even with a personal enemy, in order to master enough strength and ability to overcome a common foe, or to establish new principles. Even in colleges we have our fraternities to promote among students a more cheerful atmosphere, which relieves the mind of the drabness of a collegiate class-room.

In the same spirit, but usually with different immediate purposes, lodges and insurance fraternities are instituted among us. Lodges are founded to promote among men a feeling of understanding and cooperation; a spirit of harmonious good-ether, wherein we lay aside personal animosities, and ill-feeling toward one another, and more forward, together, toward the alleviation of distress among unfortunate members, or the successful completion of an undertaking. With this in view, the SNPJ was formed. With this same purpose in mind we founded the J. Z. Jr. lodge; and with the same spirit we hope to accomplish as much as, if not more than, any other SNPJ lodge, new or old.

But before we can hope to accomplish anything, we must first establish that feeling of good-will among ourselves, about which we have been talking. We must lay aside personal political ambitions; we must forget our ill-feeling toward a fellow-member; and above all, we should at least refrain from exhibiting our impatience with others. Then, too, we must leave behind us all forms of superiority complexes. Those of you who are endowed with superior mental attainments should try to enlighten those of us who are less fortunate. Don't give "a slow-berner" the "razzberries," but, rather, be "him." If any one makes a mistake, be patient and considerate. Always keep in mind that you are only human, that you are no better in reality than the fellow beside you.

In this, and only this way, can we hope to undertake a new task, or complete an old one which we have on hand. Now, we have a great project on hand for Thanksgiving, and from then on in our meetings and dances. Are we going to be a success?

Andy Prijatelj, Pres., Lodge 682.

# Can Business Acquire Social Conscience?

BY LOUIS ADAMIC

(Continued from last week.)

And it must be remembered that, as it is variously estimated, from two-thirds to three-fourths of our national wealth is owned by these anonymous, impersonal instruments of modern business called corporations. They control, it is safe to say, every important process of the country's economic activity and, thereby, directly or indirectly influence every other phase of our national life. Indeed, every now and then they threaten, with their enormous money power, to gain full sway over the Government and overcome the social will.

The humanistic or social interests of the country have been fighting a feud with Big Business these seven or eight decades. Occasionally the social will gets worked up and, acting through political parties and the Government, inflicts itself upon business and makes it behave, at least for a little while, until business, with its single-minded purpose, finds a way to rid itself of social control.

Now and then business willingly endures social control, but only when social control is obviously conducive to bigger and better business. Take, for instance, the pure-food laws. Twenty-five years ago Upton Sinclair published his novel "The Jungle," which "hit the country in the stomach" and worked up the social will to an extent that the pure-food idea became a national political issue. Meat-packers and other food interests fought the idea. Later, however, when the idea was put on the statute book and the industrialists were forced to sell only good food, they gradually perceived that high quality merchandise was more profitable in the long run than low quality, and since then the food branch of Big Business has been vociferous in praise of the pure-food idea.

But society must always compel business to function for the social good, and not only for the social good but for the good of business itself. If space permitted, I could show that even honesty in business, which I mentioned above, like dependability in manufactured goods, was inflicted upon business by laws and other social pressure.

### Unemployment Demands Drastic Action

The current unemployment crisis, which doubtless is the worst in the history of the United States, unquestionably demands drastic action. The condition will not "run its course" in eighteen months or "remedy itself" in any such fashion as did the several unemployment crises in the past, for industry, with its "scientific management" and "rationalization," will continue throwing men out of work with the same impersonal carelessness as heretofore, unless society can work up sufficient strength through progressive political action to control business and industry. To my mind, the serious-minded and well-intentioned people whom the situation perturbs so deeply are, as I have suggested, wasting their breath and ink in appealing to business to have a heart. They may as well yell at the crew of a speeding train not to crush the ants and caterpillars on the rails.

In November, 1929, President Hoover, eager to prevent just such a serious condition as we now find ourselves in, conferred with big business leaders of the country and naively asked them to refrain from

wage-cuts and further lay-offs. They promised him that they would. They praised the President for his "fore-sighted measure." But most of the corporations in which they were directors and executives continued matter-of-factly to reduce wages and lay off employees. Between December 15, 1929, and February 15, 1930, the big railroads, which were heavily represented at Mr. Hoover's conferences, dropped over \$4,000 men. As a rule, the great, impersonal corporations are bigger than the biggest individual in them, and their traditional policy, dating back to their origin, is to lay off men when it is unprofitable to keep them on the pay-rolls and cut the wages of those they keep when the labor market is full of jobless men, eager to work for low pay.

In December, 1929, when 100,000 men were idle in Detroit, one of the wealthiest cities in the United States, Senator James Couzens, formerly a partner of Henry Ford and now, perhaps, one of the most humely inclined tycoons in the country, delivered a red-hot lecture to several hundred members of the Michigan Manufacturers Association, blaming them in severe terms for the condition of unemployment. He naively denounced them for not being awake to "the responsibilities of man to man." "Just think," he cried, "what it means to hire a thousand men today and a few weeks hence to fire them without any more consideration than if they were some animal other than human." The manufacturers of Michigan, as individuals, applauded the Senator for his impassioned speech. Most of them, I am told, heartily agreed with him. But in the ensuing three months, in Detroit alone, the number of unemployed men increased by at least another 50,000! Mr. Couzens might as well have kept silent.

Since December, 1929, unemployment in the United States has at least doubled and the earnings of labor decreased by approximately 40 per cent. Wage reductions, most of them in violation of the agreement with President Hoover, continue at a terrific rate. According to the Labor Bureau, Inc., a statistical organization in New York, in the month ending December 15, 1930, there were 61 wage reductions as against 9 increases; in the month ending January 15, 1931, there were 341 reductions and 72 increases, and in the month ending February 15, 1931, the number of reductions was 231 and the number of increases 8. . . . And I wager that individually most of the employers who are cutting wages believe in high wages—for the other firm.

Last May Mr. James A. Farrell, president of the United States Steel Corporation, delivered his sensation-ally honest impromptu talk before the American Iron and Steel Institute in New York, in which he referred to wage-cutting within the steel industry as "a pretty cheap sort of business." He was most severe with companies—"the most talked-of companies"—which he knew had slashed wages and were "honeycombing and pinching and that sort of thing" by discharging employees wherever they could. And, ironically, less than a week after his talk, according to press reports, the United States Steel Products, a subsidiary of Mr. Farrell's corporation, dropped 50 men in one department! And since then the U. S. Steel has cut the wages of all employees!

(Continued.)

## LODGE ANNOUNCEMENTS

### BEACONS

Cleveland, O.—It is only a matter of hours until the Beacons' Third Anniversary Dance is in full swing; then be prepared for one long night of hilarity. The music for the occasion will be provided by the Beacons' Melody Pilots. Sometime during the night of gayety the mysterious laugh feature will be presented. From then on we will not be responsible to anyone who is courageous enough to witness this thrilling laugh attraction and its after-effects; so once again we say, "Be prepared."

Besides having all the local lodges present at this affair, the Beacons will also act as hosts to the famous Quack Corp Car and the red-headed chauffeurs. An effort has been made to secure the services of "Othello," Strugglers' popular monkey, and "Fifi," Progressives' renown pet; but as they are both under contract, being "glorified" in the "Stiekville Follies," our efforts have been null.

Remember—this Saturday, Nov. 28, at the Slovane Labor Auditorium on Prince ave., the Beacons' Third Anniversary dance.

### KEYSTONIAN HIGHLIGHTS

Hermine, Pa.—As the old saying goes, "He that hath faith in himself never smeth," so it was when on November 8 the Keystoneian soccer team traveled to Harmarville to play the Ramblers. The Ramblers showed faith in themselves and won to the Keystoneians who came out on the short side, losing by a score of 1-0. Our sadness was soon forgotten as we traveled to the home of the Ram-

blers "Soch" Joe Langus, where we enjoyed a wonderful evening. We thank you, Joe.

The Keystoneians' dance Nov. 14 went over with a bang and so did the balloon dance go over with a burst. A record-breaking crowd was assembled in our small hall and a fine time was had by all. Among those lodges present were the Ramblers, Silver Stars, Veronians, Comets, Colonials, J. Z. Jrs., Yough Valley Knights, Torches, and a Reveler. We thank you all for displaying your fine SNPJ spirit and true cooperation.

Web, J. Z. Jrs., we expect to be at your affair on Thanksgiving and receive a "Mail Order Bride." We also intend to be at the Rambler Big Dance on December 12.

Peter Vljak, Keystoneians, 615.

### "ATTENTION! ATTENTION!"

West Allis, Wis.—Just what you were waiting for. Our 2nd Annual Basketball Hop will be held Dec. 5, 1931, at Labor Hall. Now, isn't that news? Billy's Serenaders will furnish the rhythmic music to which you shall dance. Doesn't that sound enticing? The price of admission in advance is 25c for ladies and 35c for gentlemen.

Our annual meeting will be held at Labor Hall, Dec. 8, 7:30 sharp. It is your duty to yourselves and to the lodge to attend this meeting when we elect new officers for the following year. A fine will be imposed upon every member not attending. The only excuses that will hold are those which the by-laws deem valid. All I can say is, be there.

The girl's basketball season has opened. After Thanksgiving we practice in the new addition of the Washington school on Monday nights. In the meantime, we are using the High-school gym on Wednesday nights. All girls who are interested should come out before Xmas; after that no more players will be accepted. It may be of interest to some that we shall play in the West Allis city league for girls. Stephanie Kodre.

### SPIRIT-O-GRAMS

By Whoozit.

St. Louis, Mo.—At our last meeting a committee was appointed to start making plans for another dance in the near future. So far we think it will be a joint dance given with the "Leaders," CFU, some time in the month of January.

There are still a few members who have failed to check in for their last dance tickets. Please get in touch with Bro. Leo Krause or Bro. Charles Kacin, whose new address is 2612a Ann ave. Those failing to do so will be called on at their home.

There will be two meetings in December, our regular meeting and a special meeting where election of officers will take place. Don't forget, members, those failing to attend this meeting will be fined.

We were all glad to see Mrs. Mary Kacin at our last meeting after being absent for a few meetings. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kacin were very unfortunate in losing their little daughter who was born Oct. 5 and died 30 hours after. Mr. and Mrs. Kacin wish to thank the Lodge Spirit of St. Louis for the very beautiful flowers sent her during her confinement.

Members, don't forget the birthday box, and without fail attend our next meeting in full numbers. Try to bring that member you promised. And that turkey wish-bone for good luck.

### CARD OF THANKS

Detroit, Mich.—I wish to thank the SNPJ Wolverine Lodge for the beautiful flowers they sent me during my recent illness.

Mrs. Regina Kopmeyer, Member Lodge 677.

### CORRECTION

Latrobe, Pa.—In my lodge notice last week a typographical error occurred. It should read "one o'clock Dec. 13 . . ." not "10 o'clock . . ."

Jane Fradel.

### L-I-N-K-S

By Ann & Ann

Springfield, Ill.—Were still on the road to 150—Three more applicants were nominated at our November meeting. We still have a chance so do a lot of tall talking this month, gang.

Girls, keep in mind the Dec. 18 meeting, because our attendance contest begins with this meeting. And remember, we get a party if we win.

Sisters Mary Copp, Mary Ann Furlan, Mary Yenulis, Ann Brager, Cele Banleh, Miss Florence McDonald and the writers entertained the Diamond Ball Champs with a Congratulatory party, Nov. 7. The evening was spent in keeping with the Lincolnite spirit. We hope you enjoyed yourselves, boys.

The Links will add their name to the list who are willing to cooperate with the SNPJ in getting the Hustlers back on their feet. We hope that the affair you are planning will be held soon as we are expecting to be there in full number.

In last week's issue of the Prosveta we noticed that Brother Andrew Grum Jr., Young American, visited in our town. We are sorry that we didn't get to meet him, but we hope he will look up the Links on his next visit.

Keep in mind Dec. 13, Links' first Buncie Party. Many beautiful prizes will be given; plenty of entertainment throughout the evening; refreshments will be served. Come one, come all, for everyone's welcome.

Links' sixth anniversary dance—Feb. 14, '32.

### AN INVITATION TO CHICAGOANS

Chicago.—Wine, women and song—the three essentials for a happy, joyful life, according to a sage of long ago. The purpose of these links is not to discourse upon the sweet nectar of neither wine nor women—however fond the writer may be of either one or both—but simply to tell you can enjoy practically all these perquisites of life next Sunday afternoon, Nov. 29, if you come to the Sava's fall concert at the CSPS hall, 1126 W. 18 st. It will begin at three o'clock and continue for about two hours thereafter in a riot of beautiful Slovane songs such as only a well trained chorus is able to render. The program, once completed, you may dance, sing your own songs and be merry in your own way, to your heart's content. Johnny Kochevar will produce the tunes.

This is a nutshell is the gist of an attraction which you better not miss if you really care to imbibe some of the secrets and beauties of life. The chorus "Sava" has been rehearsing a long string of songs—18 in number—for the last seven months. It has devoted not a little time to twelve of them which are woven into

a scene intending to portray a bit of rustic life of old Slovania. People who know will argue that America has not as yet learnt the art of life, and that if one is to see it he or she must really go across the ocean. However this may be, the fact remains that a bit of this romantic life will be presented at this concert in the scene "Na travniku"—on the meadow—where the boys and girls are seen happily singing old Slovane folk songs.

Beside this riot of old Slovane folk songs a number of other choral selections will be heard, songs of great beauty and attraction. Rarely, indeed, will a more inviting opportunity present itself than does this Sava's concert. And for a small admission fee of 50c, if you get your ticket in advance and 25c more at the door. In case you do not come into contact with any member who has tickets, call Rockwell 2264 before Sunday. The reserved ticket will await you at the lower price at the ticket office.—Wine, women and song . . . Don't forget! Troubadour.

### LEPA VIDA

North Chicago, Ill.—Dramatics in their entirety portray the impulse and action of humans, and paint for the observer a vivid picture of life such as we fail to notice while actually taking part in the drama of life. The second presentation of the dramatic season will be a five act drama, "Lepa Vida," which as the name indicates will be presented in Slovane, on Sunday, December 13, at 2 p. m. at the Slovane National Home.

In the evening there will be dancing in both the lower and upper halls, music furnished by Johnnie's Revelers. The admission will be 40c in advance and 50c at the door.

So, don't forget the date, December 13, for "Lepa Vida" is one of the outstanding Slovane dramatic successes. Come early and be sure to get a seat.—"Foxy."

### GOPHERS' FALL DANCE

Chicago.—The Gophers' fourth fall dance promises to be a big classic. On Nov. 28, the Gophers are having this affair at Berger's hall, 2653 S. Lawndale ave. Music will be furnished by Johnny Kochevar and his Merry-makers. The admission will be only a small sum of 25c. Don't forget the date and spend a good evening with the Gophers.

Joe Kraoveck.

## What are They Doing?

By Sam Kavick

How long will it be before we are able to say that we are living a life of freedom in a land of true democracy? How long will we have to wait for the equality of which unselfish thinkers have been pondering on, dreaming over, writing about, and fighting for during all of these years? Right now it seems that these questions depend entirely upon the people, upon this present majority class which is being oppressed by the capitalistic system which itself has spent its usefulness and is now doing havoc to mankind by its reluctance to die.

One can see from all angles that the present system in our country is nothing more than the big graft after another. Bribery is present on all sides of us in its malicious cloak barring the way to political democracy and personal freedom. The entire governing class is nothing more than a tremendous and powerful political machine which is run by the two parties, both of which are the tools of the capitalists and the cause of the present economic crisis.

In our own country, in the land of milk and honey, we have over seven million people who are capable and willing to work, but can't because of those beloved Americans (???)—the shop owners. The crawling Vampires! Their fiendish greed for fast money caused this wordly tragedy. They are to blame for over-production and degradation of values in the overly produced commodities.

It is logical enough that when machines replace men, hours must be cut to keep the same number of men employed, for when men do not work, they don't have money, so consequently they can not buy. Thus the market is flooded with products which otherwise would be sold if people had money with which to buy them. Then of course, when we have a flooded market, prices must come down. That is the very reason why the farmer is not getting anything for his products today. Machines are making it possible for him to produce "more than can be consumed," so how do you expect to get a good price for something of which there is "too much now," and unemployment is great; the workers have no buying power?

The only modern way by which we can save our country is to let the

government own our industries, or at least have a very strong control over the regulation of them. For an example of this system we have one nation in the world, and we can be thankful for that, which is showing us that it will work and actually is working out beautifully for them. This is none other than Russia, which is the only country in the world where everyone is working, and where everyone is doing everything in his power for the success of the government which is a part of them. Let us see why they are succeeding and why we are failing.

You will perhaps remember the hard time the people of Russia had in making themselves free of the czar during and after the World War. And again, you may recall the hard struggle they had before they became settled to their new type of government. Now, since they have the type of government to which every thinking man is looking forward, they are the most enthusiastic and the hardest working people in the world. Don't you think these people and their government should be looked into and considered?

Today you can pick up a newspaper at most anytime and see where there has been some kind of an uprising or other which has been caused by a group of "reds." You can stop on any street corner where a few men are congregated and you will find the conversation is Russia. When a person really thinks about the Russian government, he can clearly see that there must be something to this great organization. Why would a man go to Russia and then return, or come originally from there to spread the propaganda and praise the Communist government without the least thought of financial remuneration? Would you go out and perform such a great task with the knowledge that you were not going to receive a single penny for your work? Yet today there are thousands of men and women who have not been in Russia but who know what is going on there, who are doing this very thing. They are satisfying their eager souls by helping a brother and comrade to the attainment of freedom. They are working for the future so that their posterity will be able to live a better life in a land which is free from the exploiting capitalists.

Abraham Lincoln's words from his Gettysburg Address picture modern Russia in a very beautiful way, for

it is and will be a nation "of people, by the people, and for the people." There is really no personal freedom than to know you are just as much a nobleman as your fellow worker, and that have all the privileges within reach which he has; and above all, you are finally recognized as a man being.

The Russians obtained this freedom by means of force. They themselves from the czar and build up their government upon the best modern system of public ownership. They didn't have a thing work with but good common sense and plenty of guts. It was sin against the world!

We, here in the United States need not to fight our revolution cold steel and blood. We have secret ballot which the peasant nothing about. All we have to do to get organized and place Social into offices who are heart and for the underdog, and who bring a change towards freedom democracy to our country.

We will not have to build school system and nation at all for it is already developed. All we have to do is a little altering remodeling. Then we are ready the freedom which we are dreaming about for all of these years.

I know that there are men who believe that we should use the Communist method of blood and order to obtain our end, and perhaps will be necessary to shed a few of the "sacred red" in order to be about a more sudden change, but humanity's sake it should be prevented. Aren't we all struggling for same end? Can't we get together somehow and obtain our end in peaceful manner, for we still the opportunity? There are small independent labor party throughout our country who struggling for the same purpose we are, but we are all too weak accomplish anything alone. Let wield our pens, for are they mightier than the sword? Let strike together; for "united we stand and divided we fall!"

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# "Jaz sem vedno rabil LUCKIES"

"Jaz sem vedno rabil Luckies, in kolikor se mene tiče, ni nobenih boljših cigaret. Čestitam tudi vašemu izboljšanemu Cellophane-mu ovoju z onim malim tabom, ki tako lahko odpre vaš zavojček."

Robert Montgomery

V enem kratkem letu je Robert Montgomery izvingil v ozvedje ter tem ustregel mnogim navdušencem za film, občudovan za krasno igranje in mladniško lepoto. Kar je odar izgubil, je Hollywood pridobil, in mi. Bob bo kmalu nastopil v "Private Lives" za M-G-M.



Napravljene iz najfinejšega tobaka - Smetane mnogih Letinj - samo LUCKY STRIKE nudi zaščito grla potom posebnega "TOASTING" procesa, ki vsebuje uporabo Ultra Violetnih Žarkov - proces, ki odpravlja gotovo pečenje, hudo zdražljivost, ki je naravno navzoča v vsakem tobaknem listu. Ti izgnani dražljivci niso navzoči v vaši LUCKY STRIKE. "Zunaj so, zato ne morejo biti notri!" Ni čuda, če so LUCKIES vedno mihi za vaše grlo.

## "It's toasted"

Zaščita Vašega Grla - proti dražljivosti - proti kašlju In Mokrotno-varen Cellophane Održljiva "Toasted" Okus Vedno Svež

NARAVNAJE NA LUCKY STRIKE, 60 minut s najboljšimi plešnimi orkestri na svetu, in Walter Winchell, kojega danesja najprejanejša postaveja izvirajo močre, vsak turek, iztrah in zaboto vseh prilo N.E.C. svetovja.



**MOKROTRNO-VAREN CELLOPHANE** Močno Zaprt - Vedno Prilagodljivo Edinstven Humidor Zavojček Zip - Pa je odprto!

Alli vidite pritrjen "tab" v vašem zavojčku. Pritisnite polovico s svojim palcem. Obrnite drugo polovico. Propračeno. Hitro. Zip! To je vse. Edinstveno! Zavito v Cellophane, ki je varen proti prahu, mokroti in bacilom. Čisto, zaščiten, lepo SVEŽE!-kaj more biti bolj moderno kot LUCKIES' izboljšani Humidor zavojček - tako lahko za odpreti Dame-LUCKY TAB je zaščiten za vaše prste.