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viliziranega sveta. In te krivice bi ljudje ne smeli odpraviti? Ljudje, delavci, ki si niso pustili paralizirati svojih možganov...

LJUDSKI GLAS

Okrajne federacije potrebne Auburn, Ill. — Kakor je razvidno, se društva SNPJ zadnje čase čvrsto gibljejo v okrajnih federacijah...

prišla v škripce po A. Kristanovi smrti, ko so vodniki naredili naval, toda kriza je bila preprečena, ko so drugi finančni zavodi in socialne organizacije vzele banko pod svojo kontrolo...

not. Imeli bi državno podporno jednoto za vse ljudi. Ker pa imamo prazne žepe in možgane, je država samo za nekatere ljudi da lahko odirajo druge ljudi.

jednoti, pokažejo pa, kako podli so nekateri posamezniki. Kakor jaz sodim, ima urednik Prosvete prave nazore. Članstvo jednote se mora zavarovati proti vsem onim, ki si iščejo businessa...

Federacije SNPJ

Chicago, Ill. — Odbor zvez 131ških društev SNPJ št. 331, 270, 610, 631, 632 in 707 proroča njih članstvu združenje čikaških federacij, ako slednj sprejme sledeče pogoje in priporočila:

Fundamentalna krivica

Ameriško časopisje poroča dan za dnevom o redukciji plač delavcem. Biro za delavsko statistiko v departmentu dela v Washingtonu poroča, da je v aprilu 196 podjetij v sedemindesetih industrijah širom Amerike znižal mezde povprečno za deset odstotkov...

Nedeljka prirodna Pionirjev

Chicago. — Prošlo nedeljo je društvo Pioneer št. 569 SNPJ imelo svojo zaključno priredbo v dvorani SNPJ. Popoldne je bil varijetni program in zvečer ples. Obisk je bil srednji. Poleg humoristične igre "Hans van Smash", ki je bila ponovljena za Pionirje, je bilo na programu devet točk — pevskih, godbenih in govorniških. Dobro je bila zastopana mladina — šolski harsačaj Pionirjev, ki je pod vodstvom Katke Zupančičeve, učiteljice slovenske šole, zapel venček slovenskih šolskih pesmic in predvajal "Cigane". Obe točki sta občinstvu jako ugajale.

Kaj naj denemo v žep?

Pueblo, Colo. — Večkrat kdc zapise v Prosveti, da je naša jednota socialistična in da jo vodi socialisti. Jaz bi ne bil član če bi SNPJ ne bila takšna kot je — vzgojevalna v svobodnem smislu in socialističnem smislu. Če bi bila le navadna insurance jednota, bi mi bilo vseeno, kje sem zavarovan za bolniško podporo in posmrtnino. Dobro tudi vem, in marsikateri drugi član tudi ve to, če bi ne imeli podpirne organizacije s takšno kulturno nalogo, bi na tisoče članov ne bilo v nji. Oni člani, ki se tako radi sklicujejo na narodnost, pri tem pa se behajo h krmlju jednote, bi radi naredili iz jednote navadno buržujako organizacijo. Ako ne bo zavedno članstvo pazilo, se lahko to še zgodi.

Zadružna banka

Clearo, Ill. — Ko čitamo novice, kako ljudje barantajo s tujim denarjem, nas kar groza prime. Dan za dnem čitamo, kako ogromne vsote denarja izgubijo ljudje z zapiranjem bank po celem svetu. Različne korporacije in ustanove pokajo. Funkcionarji pri raznih korporacijah in političnih ter podpornih organizacijah vlagajo velike vsote denarja brez zadostne varnosti. Čitali smo tudi članek o Zadružni banki, ki je bil zanimiv in velikega pomena zlasti za naše SNPJ. Ko se je imela pred leti izvršiti transakcija med SNPJ in Zadružno banko v Ljubljani, so se oglašila društva in posamezniki, ki so odločno protestirali proti večini gl. odbora, ki je insistiral, da jednota vloži v Zadružno banko \$50,000, ker so se zavedali, da je nesigurno in protipostavno. Dobro se spominjamo javne debate v dvorani SNPJ med br. M. Turkom, bivšim gl. tajnikom in br. Fr. Zajcem, predsednikom gl. nadzornega odseka, ko je Zajc hotel dokazati, da je koristno za jednoto, ako vloži denar (akosi Amalgamated banko v New Yorku) v Zadružno banko. Br. Zajc je bil poražen z veliko večino. Ta zadeva je bila tudi na dnevnem redu 9. redne konvencije, kjer se je razvila dolga debata in zagovorniki vlaganja denarja v Zadružno banko so bili poraženi s 132 proti 94 glasovom.

Naša mladinska šola za slovenščino

Chicago, Ill. — Skozi predanako zimsko sezono sem posečala večerno šolo za angleščino. Spodetka nas je prihajalo okoli 55 dani je bilo v šoli sobje le 40 sedežev. Pomagali smo si s stolli, ki smo jih znašli skupaj. Bil samo sami odrasli; taki, ki se se motali okoli praga polnoletnosti, pa tudi taki, ki so jih že dičili častitljivi sivi lasje. Poleg Španca, Šveda, jedel Čeh, Nemec, polg Poljakinja, Francozinja, i. t. d., a družila nas je vseh ena misel, ena volja: znati jezik, ki je v tej deželi neobhodno potreben. In vendar! Se nismo prekorčili polovice tečaja, ko ni bilo treba več donášati stolov, ko niso bili več niti vsi prostori zasedeni. In ko smo jadrati proti koncu sezone, se je bilo bati, da nam šolo predčasno zapro, ker se je naše število bližalo minimalni številki. Slednjič smo jo vendar nekako s pomočjo večkratnih apelov učiteljskih — pririnjli do konca.

Ime je v nevarnosti!

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POJASNILO O PASIVNIH ČLANIH. Pasivni člani za časa pasivnosti ne plačujejo nikakih denarnih prispevkov bodisi družstvu ali enotni in vsled tega tudi v skladu pravil nimajo nobenih obveznosti napram enotni ali družstvu, izvenšvi v kolikor to določa 4. točka XXXIV. člena pravil.

Zadeva društva št. 335. Br. Jakob Leban, član društva št. 335, Auburn, Ill., je vzel priziv na glavni porotni odsek, ker mu je bila odklonjena operacijska odškodnina po prvohnem zdravniku. Br. Leban je najprej predložil zadevo pri svojem društvu ter zahteval, naj isto odloči. Društvena porota se je vršila 4. maja 1931 in zaključila, da br. Leban ni upravičen do operacijske odškodnine.

Zadeva društva št. 60. Priziv na glavni porotni odsek zoper razsodbo društva št. 60, Lloydell, Pa., je vzel br. Arthur Arhar, član istega društva. Br. Arhar je bil obojen, da se ni ravnal po pravilih ob času, ko je bil na odškodninski listi in mu je bila zato odklonjena bolniška podpora od 1. januarja do 8. februarja 1931. Zahteval je društveno poroto, ki se je vršila 12. aprila 1931, in ki ga je spoznala krivim in izrekla, da ni upravičen do bolniške podpore za omenjeni čas.

Zadeva društva št. 477. Sestra Mary Livič, članica društva št. 477, Cleveland, O., je bila obojena, da je kršila 1. točko b) XVII. člena pravil, s tem, ker je pri vstopu izpovedala neresnico in tako prišla v boleznijo v jednoto. Pri društvu se je vršila porotna obravnava 3. maja 1931, kjer so bile predložene zdravniške izjave in s katerimi je dokazano, da je ses. Livič kriva, česar je obojena, toda društvena porota se ni obojena, da je kršila 1. točko b) XVII. člena pravil, s tem, ker je pri vstopu izpovedala neresnico in tako prišla v boleznijo v jednoto.

ziralna na dokaze niti na pravila, temveč je vse skupaj prezrla in izrekla, da ses. Livič ni kriva. Br. gl. tajnik je smatral razsodbo društvene porote krivično in škodljivo za jednoto ter je vložil priziv na drugo razsodišče. Glavni porotni odsek je predložil priziv vzel na znanje ter natančno pregledal vse listine in dokaze, ki se nanašajo na zadevo. Poročila zdravnikov in njih izjave jasno dokazujejo, da je ses. Livič po krivem in na nedovoljni način prišla v jednoto ter tako izvršila kazniv prestop. Na podlagi tega je glavni porotni odsek ugotovil, da je ses. Livič kriva, kar ji obožnično očita, ter je soglasno odglašoval, da razveljavi razsodbo društvene porote, ses. Livič pa v smislu 1. točke XXI. člena pravil črta iz društva in jednote. Izobčenje stopi v veljavo dne 3. junija 1931.

Zadeva društva št. 198. Pri društvu št. 198 v Willardu, Wis., je bil obožen br. Frank Hren, član navedenega društva, tožitelj br. Mike Krulitz, član in tajnik navedenega društva. Br. Krulitz navaja v obožnici, da ga je br. Hren obožil, da je na društveni seji 18. januarja t. l. čital neko pismo iz gl. urada in da je isto pismo zaključil z besedo "propalice" in da je br. Hren potem pisal gl. predsedniku, kako je br. Krulitz zaključil pismo iz gl. urada. Društvena porota se je vršila 19. aprila t. l., na katero je bil br. Hren potem registriranega pisma pozvan k zaslišanju. Ker se pa br. Hren ni udeležil seje, niti se ni opravičil s tehtnim vzrokom, ga je društvo spoznalo krivim, česar je bil obožen, in ga kaznovalo z ukorom ter da mora javno prekljati v Prosveti.

Br. Hren je odklonil pokoriti se društveni razsodbi in je vložil priziv na glavni porotni odsek, kateri je sporno zadevo preiskal in dognal sledeče: Glavne porotnemu odseku so bili predloženi neovrgljivi dokazi, da se je br. Hren poslužil neresnice, kar je pisal br. gl. predsedniku. Nadalje so gl. porotnemu odseku predložene zaprisežene izjave, katere dokazujejo, da br. Krulitz ni rabil besede "propalice" pri čitanju pisma gl. tajnika na društveni seji dne 18. januarja 1931.

Na podlagi navedenih dokazov je glavni porotni odsek soglasno zaključil, da je br. Hren kriv, česar je bil obožen, ter s tem razveljavila razsodbo društva in br. Hrena kaznuje z enomesečno suspenzijo, katerna stopi dne 1. in konča 31. julija 1931, vsteta prvi in zadnji dan.

John Goršek, predsednik; Anton Šušar, tajnik; John Terčelj, tajnik; Frank Podbej, tajnik; Frances Zakovšek, porotnik.

RACUN MED DRUŠTVI IN JEDNOTO meseca aprila 1931. FINANCIAL STATEMENT for month of April, 1931.

Table with columns: VPLAČILA (No., Članik, Mlad., Mlad.), ISPLAČILA (Članik, Mlad., Mlad.), Disbursements, Adult, Juvs. Rows 1-60.

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Mogloste, kje živite, v Kanadi ali Zdrž. državah. Je varno in pripravno, zato keristo za Vas, ako se poslužujete naše banke za obratnostno uslaganje in pošiljanje denarja v stare domovine. Pri nas naloženi denarji prinašajo obresti po 4 procenta, če s prvim dnem vsakega meseca. Naša nakazila se izplačujejo na zadnjih petih dneh vsakega meseca točno v polni zneski, kakor so iskazani na izdanih potrdilih. Nastavljeni prejmejo torej čez dva meseca, brez zamuda časa, brez zadajšnjih potov in stroškov. Poselne vrednosti so tudi povratne, ki so opremljene s podpisom naslovljenec in šifro zadnjih petih, katero dostavljamo pošiljateljem v dokaz pravičnega izplačila. Enake povratnice so zelo potrebne za posameznika v slučaju nezgode pri delu radi kompenzacije, kakor mnogokrat v raznih slučajih tudi na sodnji in stari domovini. SAKSER STATE BANK, 82 Cortlandt Street, New York City, N. Y. Tel. Crawford 4484 MATTHEW J. TURK, Real Estate, Loans and Insurance - Javni notar, 2651 S. Lawndale Ave., Chicago, Ill. Prodaja posesti, Notarstva dela se in se stari kraj. Čeno umerno.

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FOR MEMBERS OF SLOVENE NATIONAL BENEFIT SOCIETY AND AMERICAN SLOVENES

Editorial Comments

CAMPAIGN ECHOES

Our Membership Campaign which terminated April 1 netted the Society a considerable increase in membership, especially among the English Speaking Lodges.

ERRARE HUMANUM EST

Last week the Prosveta stated that "the Slovene National Benefit Society was the first to accept the term 'Slovene' as an adjective and a noun."

CONVINCING OPPONENTS

In trying to convince our opponents, those that hold a different view from ours on any subject, we will always succeed best by stating our arguments clearly and in a gentleman-like way.

PIONEER SLOVENE SCHOOL

The Pioneer Juvenile Slovene School, organized some six months ago by Lodge 550, SNPJ, has successfully concluded its first school term with an interesting program at the SNPJ Auditorium last Sunday.

Special Assessment For Sick Benefit Fund

Unusually heavy payments of sick benefit during the early part of this year have reduced the reserve of the sick benefit fund to an extent below the level as is required by the By-Laws of the Society.

Five Noble Judges

We favor a new declaration of "inalienable rights" which will confirm the right of judges to be perfect asses. Five men eminently learned in the law and robed as justices of the supreme judicial tribunal of this country have denied citizenship to two applicants.

TIMELY SAYINGS

Capitalism is committing suicide, and the present generation must save itself from the results thereof.—John Wheatley, former Labor member of the British Parliament and a Catholic.

L-I-N-K-S

Springfield, Ill.—Another successful affair. Sunday, May 31, the Links presented their play "Always in Trouble."

S. M. Turk, Pres. Stalwarts, has been as visitor in Springfield for the past week.

A meeting will be held at Ed. Janssens home, 2103 So. 12th St. for the Dramatic Club at 8 p. m.

The Lincolnton nine copped their third game, May 29, winning from the Plymouth M. E. Church 14-4.

The "Links" extend their heartfelt congratulations to Speedy and Ann (Spirits).

Our musicians, Joe Ushman and Frank Zobert, accordion and banjo players, respectively, are getting to be quite popular—playing at different dance halls and private parties.

Spirit-o-Grains

St. Louis, Mo.—Honk, Honk! Clear the way. Our "Speedy" Spiller, President of the "Spirit of St. Louis," was racing Saturday, May 23, 1931, and won.

The bride had one maid of honor, four bridesmaids and three flower girls. After the ceremony a visit was made to relatives and a few friends, after which the party had dinner at the bride's mother's home in Granite City.

Wolverine Lodge

Detroit.—The Wolverines held their first outing of the season on May 24 in the form of a "wolver roast."

The undefeated Young Americans who are burning up the Highland Park League are scheduled to play the Wolverines on July 4 as a special attraction at a picnic.

Trinidad, Colo.—Fisher's Peak Lodge No. 714 will hold its meetings at Brother Frank Potochnik's home, 1610 San Luis st., on June 31.

LODGE NO. 714

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STRUGGLERS

By Lindy.

Cleveland, O.—Here we are, folks! Real news! Not from the great beyond, but from the dear city of Ambridge, Pa., and its Reveliers.—The day of May 23 marks a golden link in SNPJ history on the occasion of the Reveliers' First Anniversary celebration.

To tell all of what happened in Ambridge, Pa., on May 23, it would take pages, but in behalf of the Strugglers I take great pleasure in wishing the Reveliers loads of success and thank them one and all for the friendly spirit and hospitality rendered us on our visit.

Bro. Johnny Kutch is due to take a ride into the depths of the "Cupid cave" on June 27.

In Alliquipp, Bro. Smrekar, member of the Supreme Board, gave us a big sample of Pennsylvania's pivo, and with this injection completed, music and soup again held sway with a send-off cheer to the Reveliers.

Already we are informed that the boat ride sponsored by the "Quacks" to Cedar Point will be attended by several out-of-town guests.

On or about July 1 the writer of this column with the co-operation of Boyd Gurley, editor of the Indianapolis Times, plan to forward to you a remarkable story dealing with "experiments of industrial democracy."

Back to our dear old Strugglers, we again recall Strugglers' outing to be held on June 20—plus the Quacks' "Malt and Hop" affair on June 18 at Lindy's cottage—promises to be an extra affair.

The Reveliers' Column

Ambridge, Pa.—Maxims: The greater things in life are not in accusing others of their faults and shortcomings but in correcting our own.

The Reveliers' Anniversary Dance proved to be another huge success. Approximately 500 persons were present. The visitors, as well as the local folks, had an enjoyable evening.

Among the visiting lodges present were Lindy Lokar and his Quacks, Girard Golden Eagles, Moon Run Musketeers, Pittsburgh Moraine Stars, Alliquippa Excelsiors, Midway Imperial Lucky Stars, Canonburg Pioneers, and Naa Dum lodge 33 of Ambridge.

Eddie Chapman and his Virginians furnished the music. With the compliments of L. J. Grodeck, cards, bearing the words of a popular song, were distributed among the dancers.

Two Reveliers have completed their high school education this year. To Bros. Edward Rosenberger and Joseph Beck we offer our congratulations and sincerely wish them success in their future undertakings.

As the result of passing through certain secret rites there exists in Ambridge a new addition to the order of Quacks. We take this means of saying "hello" to brother Quacks living in Cleveland, St. Louis and Johnston.

Waukegan

With such an immense crowd and such peppy music, the "Prosperity Dance" went over with a bang. We wish to take this opportunity to thank the different lodges for their wonderful attendance shown at this dance.

The Little Fort meeting was not so well attended, and we urge more members to attend hereafter. Sylvia Kim, Frances Nagode, Edward Brunet, and Al Kornin will take charge of the Wiener Roast after the next meeting.

Another member on the sick list: Brother John Celarac is now at his home recovering from a major operation.

The biggest event of the year will be the Little Fort's Annual Picnic July 12, at Harrison's farm. A committee of eight is in charge, and further details will be announced later.

We have a real treat in store for you. The Little Fort lodge is planning to hold a musical comedy in the near future.

Calmel Sentinels

CALUMET SENTINELS ANNUAL PICNIC
So. Chicago, Ill.—The "Calumet Sentinels" Lodge 810, wish to announce their annual picnic and dance to be held on July 12.

The active picnic committee has been working hard and from latest reports we hear that all important arrangements are well under way.

One of the main features in the refreshment line will be delicious barbecued lamb and pig. We also wish to add that everyone's thirst will be quenched by varieties of cold and hot drinks.

All lodges of Chicago and vicinity are cordially invited. Everyone is assured a good time! More particulars will appear in later editions.

Crusaders' News

Lorain, Ohio.—And again the Crusaders win! The Lorain Crusaders Lodge Baseball Team chalked up their fourth consecutive victory by beating the strong B. and O. team in Lorain, 8-3.

The Crusaders travelled to Geneva—on the Lake Saturday, May 30, to play a double-header game.

The Lodge is to meet Monday, June 8, at the Slovenian National Home. After a business meeting Lunco will be the past time of the evening and Rose Wencko and Jack Lavriha will act as hostess and host, respectively.

Secretary Joseph Brescak spent a day at Akron recently where he witnessed the completion of the dirigible "Akron."

Sisters Mildred Kovach, Mayme Primozic and Mayme Kotnik had a wonderful time when they hiked a distance of more than fifteen miles to Rocky River Sunday, May 24.

In behalf of the Crusaders I extend to the Crusaders baseball team my best wishes of luck at their future games.

Don't forget, members, the Badgers are having a "Hard Time Dance" Sat., June 6, at So. Side Turn Hall.

Our next monthly meeting will be held June 9. A special committee was chosen to prepare a special entertainment for you.

West Alle, Wis.—Another Jolly Alle dance went over big. If you were there I am sure you will agree we all had a nice time.

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Anna Yersin.

NOT GUILTY

A Defense of the Bottom Dog

By Robert Blatchford

Men of brilliant parts have failed for lack of industry or judgment. Men of noble qualities have gone to ruin because of some inborn weakness, or lack of character.

Some fall through loving too much, others through loving not at all. Some are shattered by a single fault like a ruby cup with one flaw in its radiating heart.

Cholera doctors, hired to dive into black dens of infection and despair, they rushing about all day from lane to lane, with their life in their hand, are found to do their function; which is a much more rugged one than Howard's O, what say we, Cholera Doctors?

Let us bear in mind, then, that a man's powers, like the powers of a state, will work for good or for evil, as they are ill or well governed.

And the government of human powers and desires depends partly upon heredity, and largely upon environment, of which in its due place.

HOW DOES HEREDITY MAKE GENIUS

I should not weary the reader with proofs of heredity. It would be a waste of words to quote pages of Darwin, Spencer, Weismann, and Galton for the sake of proving the obvious.

We know that rabbits do not breed kittens, nor eagles geese, nor apples oranges, nor negroes whites.

We know that in all cases where the breed is pure the descent is pure; and we understand that where a black sheep is born into a white flock, or a fair child is born of dark fore-parents, the "sport," as it is called, is due to staminal, or breeding back. Somewhere, near or far, the breed has been "crossed."

But there is one question that has caused a good deal of doubt and perplexity, and, as the answer to that question is not obvious, we will consider it here.

A "sport" is "an individual departure from a type." A sport is a "freak of nature." A genius is a "sport," and the question we are to answer here is:

How does heredity account for genius? To make the matter quite clear, and to meet all doubts, we will split our question into two:

1. How is it that genius does not always beget genius?

2. How is it that mediocrity does sometimes beget genius?

Take the first question. How is it that genius does not always beget genius? Mr. Galton has disposed of the objection that clever men do not have clever sons by showing that clever men often do have clever sons.

But the fact remains that such men as Shakespeare, Plato, Caesar and Socrates never have children as great as themselves.

And it has been claimed that this fact belies heredity. But to those who know even a very little about heredity it is quite obvious that we ought not to expect the son of a very great genius to be equal to his father.

Such a recurrence is rendered almost impossible by the law of variation.

A great man is a lucky product of heredity and environment. He is a fortunate, and accidental, blending of several qualities which make greatness possible.

But the great man's son is not born of the same parents as his father. His blood is only half of it drawn from the families which produced his father's greatness; the other half is from another family, which many contain no elements of greatness.

Thus so far from its being strange that genius does not beget genius, we see that it would be strange if genius did beget genius.

The children of Shakespeare would not be Shakespeares; they would be half Shakespeares and half Hathaways; and it is quite possible that their intellectual qualities might come chiefly from the mother's side.

Now, if Ann Hathaway's family were not intellectually equal to Shakespeare's family, how could we expect the children of those two to be equal to the child of the superior breed?

We should not expect a mixture of wine and water to be all wine; nor the foal of a blood horse and a half-bred mare to be a thoroughbred horse.

Watch for further announcements.

John E. Mauer, Sec'y.

STALWARTS

KENOSHA, WIS.—The Stalwart Lodge, No. 684, is holding a picnic on June 21 at McKoon's Grove.

All neighborhood lodges are kindly requested to attend this Stalwart picnic. It will be a real surprise for you all.

Watch for further announcements.

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FLASHES By Incognito

We must tell our silent audience... The Pioneer Spring Festival and...
 The program was opened by the...
 After a short recess the diminutive Marie Gratchner sang and...
 Lengthy columns could be written...
 All of the representatives attended...
 Some dark shadows of doubt began...
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 The "crime" which Maloney committed...
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Official Notice
 PASSIVE MEMBERS AND THEIR RIGHTS

PROSVETA EDUCATION

It isn't anything new that striking miners will not get a square deal...
 An education, proper education, is a wonderful asset for anybody to have...
 Those that can defy fate, pick up enough courage and educate themselves without the aid of the institutions of learning...
 Great many persons have no better use for the education they receive...
 Ever-so-many believe that they must think only what they were taught to think...
Slovene National Home Banquet
 Detroit, Mich. — On May 30, the Slovene National Home Society sponsored a banquet...
 We had with us eight or ten Slovene visitors from Cleveland...
 Upon my arrival in Chicago, I was met by "Mrs. Traylor" of the Integrity and Gasper Turk from Kenosha...
 The next day after the banquet and it takes some mighty good cooks to prepare a meal like we were served...
 Back to Chicago again and to the Singlars' Buncu party...
 St. Louis, Mo. — The Spirits' Moonlight Excursion, as you already know by this time...
We Thank You All!
 Chicago — The Pioneer Lodge (559 SNP) Program Committee and its Slovene Juvenile School Board...
 We sincerely thank the following:
 The Chicago Boys' Club (No. 5) Orchestra, the "Sava" Singers, Ivan Molek, Katka Zupanic, Clarence Kerello, A. Zogor, Robert Zakovsek, Johnny Rak and his cast, and the refreshment committee.

we will have Rudie Derganz present his idea of the latest strut the "duck waddle."
 During the last week-end a few members of the "Highway Sailors" journeyed to Cleveland, the city of Slovians; they were, namely, Dick Zvertnik, the Trainers, Joe Baumlich and Frank Mejash...
A Brief Visit to Penna
 Chicago — After paying a brief tribute to my grandfather buried at Imperial, Pa., on Decoration day, I also had the privilege of meeting the Musketees of Moon Run...
 I also had the opportunity of meeting some of the Revellers of Ambridge.
Silver Stars No. 729
 Yukon, Pa. — May 7 was the day of our meeting, but how many members were present? Come on, Silver Stars, use if we can't make a 100% attendance at our next meeting on June 7...
 Our second dance was held on May 16, from which neither a profit nor a loss was made...
 On May 23, Pres. Frank Zupon, Rec. Sec. Mike Korber and I rode to Hermine, and from there we were taken to a dance in Liberty, Pa...
"Achievement Day"
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More Again!—Who?
 Meadowsdale, Pa. — No one else but the Trail Blazers themselves, the attendance at our last meeting was remarkably good...
 I thank each and every one who had worked and attended our affair and showed their co-operation...

Voice of the Members

Members who wish to contribute to "Voice of the Members" must confine themselves to 500 words...
THE TRUTH ALWAYS HURTS
 Cicero, Ill. — As I said before, I am not a Pioneer member, I am glad I transferred...
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Lodge News Notes

BASEBALL

hero besides playing a good game in the field.

LATROBE NEWS

Latrobe, Pa.—Our loyal members of "Torch of Liberty" lodge and other SNPJ members...

At Thompson field on Oakland ave. and Mass. near the old Maxwell plant...

At Ives Field on Hamilton ave. near Oakman Blvd. games will be played at 1 p. m. vs. La Belle Cleaners...

Young American lodge has about fifty boys who would like to play or are playing ball. Y. A.'s team carries 15 players...

SNAPS TRIM HIGHWOOD

No. Chicago, Ill.—The Snaps stepped out and handed the Highwood team a decisive trimming by a score of 9 to 1.

MORE FICTION—LESS FACTS

It is not my habit to argue with a person who is immune to new ideas, whose mind is closed to facts which alone have the merit upon which to base a sound conclusion.

Such seems to be the case with Brother Becek, a young lad of the Mellonland who is standing on the threshold of life.

It is not my intention to analyze the volume of fiction he has poured in Prosveta. I shall take a point or two and call it final.

First about the apparent inconsistency of Socialists who in one breath denounce capitalism and its political servant, the State...

Why do Socialists (using the term in denotative rather than doctrinaire sense) denounce the capitalist State and argue for state ownership of the means of production and distribution?

First, mankind has passed through various forms of society, from the economy of the cave man, the pastoral stage, slavery, feudalism, capitalism and in Russia, for instance, is passing into a socialist economy.

Since the government is the servant of the economic interests, under modern capitalism of the owners of industry, Socialists maintain, however, the industry should be owned and operated by the whole people...

This means control over and capacity to run the Machine in order to satisfy our lives' requirements. However, you cannot control the Machine unless it is yours, unless you own it; and you cannot run it unless you know how.

Now the "great minds" (and some not so great, indeed most circumscribed) own the present industrial machine, but they don't know how to run it. This they said so themselves only a few days ago at the convention of the International Chamber of Commerce (I and behold: "International")...

Finally, if anybody is inconsistent it is the defenders and would-be defenders of capitalism as "the best system human mind can conceive." In view of its rapid breakdown it is tragic that there is a single person outside of the master class who can still have a single word in its favor.

Either the people must own it or it will devour them together with its private owners, and if the latter occurs the pain will be most severe and devastating. They must own it through government which is neither bad nor good. If it is socially minded, it is good; if opposite, it is bad.

The next problem is, does the modern machinery throw the workers out? He says yes, but these people can be put back to work by selling and repairing these machines.

I heartily believe that Bro. Becek could learn plenty by reading the articles that are written by Bro. Kutch. According to Bro. Becek, socially minded, wealth is crime. Wealth!

Mark Twain Spins a Yarn Mark Twain once edited a paper in Missouri. One of his subscribers wrote him he had found a spider in his paper and wanted to know whether it meant good luck or bad.

The spider was merely looking over our paper to see which merchant is not advertising, so that he can go to that store, spin his web across the door, and lead a life of undisturbed peace ever afterward.

THE SERIOUS STUDENT OF POLITICAL economy, social organization and human history will answer, if he is open-minded and not glued materially and ideologically to the present system, that the Industrial Machine has become too complicated, operated too haphazardly upon the outworn principle of private profit and greed—or "initiative"—which can no longer serve the best interests of society.

Second, throughout the history, at whatever stage, we see the government as the servant of the strongest, the centers of private property; of the slave holders, the feudal barons, the merchants and now the industrial barons and the moneyed plutocrats.

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Facts vs. Fiction

Dearborn, Mich.—Reading the article "Fiction vs. Facts" by Brother Joseph Becek of Ambridge, Pa., in my opinion, the article isn't anything more than a lot of foolishness.

We will start where he says, "That the moment a worker puts any amount of money in the bank he automatically becomes a capitalist."

I have a couple of hundred dollars in the bank I am a capitalist! And when morning comes I will have to get up and go to work just like the worker that hasn't a dime to his name.

Let me say right here that the average worker isn't thinking about how much money he can save, nor does he want to take the place of the capitalist and put the capitalist where the workers are today.

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might not be a crime but it is a crime to see a man make fifty millions a year, like Ford, and a few miles from there there are people half starved. Brother Becek will say, "Why didn't he save money or invest something and today he would be like Ford."

Again, Socialism would see if the workers can make fifty millions for a man, the man should give the workers a chance to make a living. I really can't see how Bro. Joseph Becek has written such an article.

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