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OTON IN MADŽARI

Obisk habsburškega "princa" Otona v Zedinjenih državah je povzročil vihar med clevelandskimi Madžari. Ko je najstarejši sin zadnjega avstrijskega cesarja ob prihodu v Ameriko izjavil, da je prišel "proučevat demokracijo," je tukajšnji madžarski dnevnik "Szabadsag" objavil uvodni članek v angleščini, v katerem je rečeno, da Oton trpi na bolezni, ki je od nekdaj tipična za vse Habsburžane — na pozabljivosti, da pa madžarsko ljudstvo ne bo nikoli pozabilo zločinov, ki so jih Otonovi predniki zakrivili na njem. V sarkazma polnem tonu se v članku navaja preganjanje Kossutha, Rakoczija in drugih madžarskih patrijotov, ki so morali bežati iz svoje zemlje in se potikati po tujini, ker so vodili boj za neodvisno Madžarsko.

Ampak vsi Madžari se ne strinjajo s stališčem, ki ga je zavzel omenjeni časopis. Organiziran je bil odbor, ki je povabil Otona, da pride v Cleveland in da nastopi na shodu v mestnem avditoriju kot častni govornik. Temu odboru načeljujeta dva madžarska duhovnika, katerih eden je katoličan, drugi pa protestant. V imenu odbora je bilo na Otona naslovljeno odprto pismo, v katerem je med drugim rečeno: "Bog vas je pripeljal med nas, Oton, kralj-sin. Vi ste simbol boljše bodočnosti. Pravica mora zmagati. Ako najdete čas, da pridete med nas, vas bomo pozdravili z madžarskim navdušenjem in madžarskimi srci!" Iz Washingtona se poroča, da se je Oton tamkaj vdeležil proslave, na kateri so se ameriški Madžari spominjali revolucije, katero je Kossuth leta 1848 vodil proti Habsburžanom!

Ako je madžarsko javno mnenje razdeljeno glede Habsburžanov, je na svoj način razumljivo. Res je, da je bil cesarski Dunaj za Ogre često krut gospodar, ampak pod dvoglavim orlom so imeli mnogo več pravic, vsaj od 1848 naprej, kot pa kateri koli drug narod nekdanje Avstro-Ogrske. Hrvati na primer so omenjenega leta pod poveljstvom bana Jelačiča pomagali streti revolucijo na Madžarskem, ampak v zahvalo je Dunaj izročil Hrvate madžarski fevdalni gospodi, ki jim je vladala z bičem do razsula stare monarhije.

MARKSISTI MED SEBOJ

Ameriški levičarski pisatelj Lewis Corey je napisal v reviji "The Nation" serijo člankov, v kateri je podal kritično analizo marksizma v luči najnovejših svetovnih dogodkov, s posebnim ozirom na zbližanje med nacijsko Nemčijo in sovjetsko Rusijo. Po njegovi sodbi je zgodovina napravila na račun marksizma enega izmed svojih zagonetnih trikov, "kajti sedaj je jasno, da je demokracija prav toliko na defenzivi pred totalitarizmom ruskega komunizma kot pred totalitarizmom fašizma."

Coreyju je odgovorilo pet različnih predstavnikov marsističnega gibanja v Ameriki: socialist Norman Thomas, komunist Earl Browder, vodja "Lovestonitov" Bertrand D. Wolfe, predstavnik socialno-demokratske federacije Algernon Lee, in pa "trockist" Max Shachtman. Browder je edini izmed petorice, ki zagovarja politiko in taktiko Sovjetske Rusije, ampak tudi nobeden izmed ostalih ne soglaša z analizo, katero je podal Corey. Ta razdvojenost, ki obstoji med ljudmi, ki vsi trdijo da so učenci Marksa, je sama na sebi najbolj tragični komentar za položaj, v katerem se danes nahaja politično delavsko gibanje, ki se opira na marksizem.

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Proti združenju

Bon Air, Pa. — Pozivlja se vse člane in članice društva št. 162, da se gotovo vdeleže prihodnje seje ,katera se vrši 7. aprila ob 2. uri popoldne. Na dnevni red pride več važnih vprašanj glede delegata in veselice, katera se bo vršila 27. aprila. Torej vsi na sejo, da ne bo pozneje kake kritike. Svoje mnenje naj pride vsak povedat na sejo, ne pa po hišah, kakor imajo nekateri navado, ko pridejo na sejo, so pa tiho.

Glavni urad vedno apelira na člane, naj bodo aktivni in naj agitirajo za rast SSPZ. Ampak, kaj naj bi agitirali, ako je želja večine, da se združimo in bi postali vsi člani samo ene bratske organizacije? Večina naših članov pripada dvema ali trem društvom, in v slučaju združitve bodo prikrajšani na smrtnini in podpori. Mnogo je "old timerjev," ki še niso pozabili rezultata drugih združitev. Plačevati so morali velike naklade, končno pa so bili prisiljeni zavarovalnino znižati. Naše društvo je 100-odstotno proti vsaki združitvi.

Naj še omenim, da bo bonairski lovski klub priredil veselico na 30. marca v SNPJ dvorani. Začetek ob 7. uri zvečer. Akoravno so imeli preteklo jesen smolo z rogači na lovu, jih je poparjenost minila in se bodo malo razveselili in poskočili ob izvrstni godbi. Vabijo tudi druge od blizu in daleč, da jih posetijo na omenjeni večer. Pozdrav!

Sylvia F. Skedel, tajnica

Dopisi in poročila članstva

Proti združenju

Neffs, Ohio — Kdo utegne reči: Odkod se je pa ta vzel? Kajti član Zveze sem že od leta 1913, kar je že precej lepa doba, pa se nisem še nikdar oglasil v Zvezinem listu. Da to storim sedaj, imam za to dober vzrok. Najmanjšega namena nimam, da bi koga žalil, ampak podati hočem le svoje mnenje o problemu, ki bi moral zanimati vse naše članstvo.

Bliža se 10. redna konvencija SSPZ in v tej zvezi se oglašajo člani in pišejo o tem in onem, in med drugim se najde tudi priporočila za združenje. Kar se mene tiče, povem naravnost, da se s takimi priporočili ne strinjam, ker sem proti združenju. Vzrok temu so moje skušnje, ki sem jih imel v tem pogledu. Bil sem namreč član S. D. Zveze, ko pa se je ista združila s SNPJ, sem moral več plačevati za eno kot sem prej za obe skupaj. Tako sem bil primoran odstopiti od enodolarske bolniške podpore na dan in tako sem ostal tam kot sem prej, ko sem pridadal samo Jednoti.

Zakaj bi se mi morali združevati? Mar ni naša Zveza dovolj močno in solventna? Ali nam ne nudi vse, kar se od bratske podporne organizacije pričakovati more? Jaz sem popolnoma zadovoljen tako kot je, in apeliram na delegate prihodnje konvencije, da glasujejo proti združenju, člane, ki so istega mnenja kot sem jaz pa pozivam, da se izrazijo v glasilu. Prepričan sem, da bo zlasti za nas stare člane najbolje, da ostanemo kot smo sedaj, in kar se mladine tiče, vem, da jim naša Zveza nudi iste ugodnosti kot katera koli druga organizacija.

Z bratskim pozdravom,

Florian Pishek,
član št. 119

K razpravi o pravilih

Nanty Glo, Pa. — Kot večina drugih članov, tako hočem tudi jaz podati nekaj misli k razpravi o pravilih, članom glavnega odbora, ki imajo skušnje in so informirani glede zakonov, pa prepuščam, da prihodnji konvencijo pojasnijo, kaj je za sprejem in kaj ne.

Čital sem o resoluciji društva št. 26 iz Clevelanda glede posebnega razreda zavarovanja za plačitev bolnišnice (hospitalization). Glede tega bodo člani gotovo različnih mišljenj, toda po mojih mislih naj bi se ta stvar za enkrat še opustila, in to vsled tega, ker sem proti temu, da bi se še kak nov plačilni sklad upeljal, kajti člani še asesment, ki ga imamo sedaj, komaj plačujemo. Naj bi se n. pr. bolj delovalo za združenje, in potem ko bi bili malo bolj sigurni, naj bi se pa tudi to vzelo na dnevni red. Pomislimo, da delavec ima danes stroške povsod, kamorkoli se obrne; to je, kateri ima delo. Vzemimo premogarje. Pri lokalnih unijah imajo upeljan sistem smrtninskega zavarovanja za vse člane družine. Vsak delavec plača za sebe 50c (ponekod tudi $1.00), 50c za ženo in po 25c za vsakega otroka. Tudi tukaj so naše organizacije kolikor toliko prizadete, zlasti še, ker plačati moraš, pa če ti je prav ali ne, oziroma ti kar odtegnejo na plačilni dan. Poleg tega so še drugi sistemi zavarovanja, za zdravnika, za operacije itd., in podobno obvezno zavarovanje, med drugim tudi za bolnišnico, imajo tudi nekatere industrijske družbe.

Treba je torej trezno premisliti, kako boš plačeval še kake nadaljne obligacije, posebno, ako spada k več društvom. To mi daje misliti, da bi bilo potrebno združenje. Na ta način bi se članstvu marsikaj prihranilo. Namesto dveh konvencij bi se vršila samo ena, ravno tako pri glasilu, dalje pri glavnih odborih, in ravno tako pri društvih. Tudi agitacija za nove člane bi bila potem lažja in bolj uspešna. Znane so mi male naselbine, kjer imajo štiri, pet ali celo šest društev, in za dobrega kandidata se, lahko bi rekel, skoro tepejo. Kar se mene tiče, torej priporočam združenje.

Kar se tiče selitve glavnega urada SSPZ, sem proti, in to iz razloga, kar se morda uresniči združenje, poleg tega pa tudi radi stroškov. Zvezin glavni urad naj ostane tam, kjer je.

Glede bolniške podpore upam, da se nekoliko spremeni na boljše. Podpora naj bi se bolnikom odtrgala le za prvi in za zadnji dan. Ker smo sedaj nekoliko žrtvovali in bili zadovoljni, ko smo manj dobili, se naj za bodoče da nekoliko nazaj. Zelo priporočljivo bi tudi bilo, da bi člani prispevali po 2c v konvenčni sklad, kar bi bilo dovolj za kritje konvenčnih stroškov, ako bi bili previdni. Na mestu bi tudi bilo, da bi bili člani, ki prestopijo iz mladinskega v odrasli oddelek, takoj po prestopu upravičeni do polne smrtnine.

Kar se tiče sedanje obrestne mere na certifikatna posojila, sem bil in bom zmirom proti, ker to ni bratsko. Član, ki je brez dela in zaslužka se bo seveda najprej obrnil na svojo organizacijo za posojilo, da plača svoje mesečne prispevke. Jaz ne vidim vzroka, zakaj bi se obrestne mere ne moglo znižati na 3 procente. Po pet ali več procentov se dobi denar tudi marsikje drugje. Upoštevajmo bratstvo. Kar se tiče raznih operacij, naj se upoštevajo tudi nove metode, kajti tudi zdravniki se vedno učijo in skušajo najti pota za zmanjšanje bolnikovih bolečin.

H koncu naj še dostavim, da združenje ni priporočljivo, ako se prej ne ustvari dobra podlaga. Le z dobro podlago se bo dalo kaj koristnega doseči. Ako se združenje izvrši na tak način, bo članstvo bolj sigurno, pa tudi bolj ponosno, ker bo spadalo k močnejši organizaciji. To naj zadostuje za enkrat, ob priliki pa še kaj. Z bratskim pozdravom.

John Srebernak,
član št. 2

Poziv na članstvo društva "Danica"

Indianapolis, Ind. — Deseta redna konvencija SSPZ se urno bliža. Samo dva meseca je še do časa, ko se snide, in v tej dobi je naša dolžnost, da predložimo dobre ideje in priporočila za bodoča pravila, o katerih vemo, da jih bo treba izboljšati in spremeniti. V teku štirih let se veliko spremeni, in tudi mi moramo iti s tokom časa naprej, ako hočemo napredovati pri naši organizaciji SSPZ. So nekateri, ki si mislijo: Saj smo izvolili delegata, ki nas bo zastopal, zakaj naj bi si torej še mi belili glave s problemi organizacije? To je lepo in dobro z enega stališča, ampak kot izvoljeni delegat apeliram na vas, člane društva Danica, da se vsi vdeležite prihodnje društvene seje, katera se bo vršila dne 7. aprila ob 9. uri dopoldne v S. N. Domu. Vsak član naj vzame sedanja pravila v roke, in ako bo primerjal razmere pred štirimi leti, ko so bila sprejeta na 9. konvenciji v Milwaukeeju, z onimi, ki obstoje danes, sem prepričan, da bi našel mnoge razlike. Bratje in sestre, sedaj je čas, da izrazite svoje mnenje in da podaste svoja priporočila za prihodnja pravila. Dolžnost vsega članstva je, da sedaj da navodila delegatu, moja dolžnost, kot vašega zastopnika, pa bo, vas resnično zastopati. Da mi bo to mogoče storiti, apeliram na vas, da pridete na prihodnjo sejo, katera naj bi se predvsem bavila z našimi bodočimi pravili.

Opozarjam vas že naprej, da jaz ne morem vedeti za mnenje posameznega člana ali članice, in ne želim, da bi po konvenciji prišlo do kakšnega vpitja in kritiziranja, češ, zakaj smo ga poslalo na konvencijo. Ako boste upoštevali ta moj poziv, mislim, da se bo uredilo vse pravilnim potom za članstvo in za SSPZ. Ne apeliram na vas iz razloga, da meni pomagate, ampak ravno obratno: pomagajte sami sebi, za dobrobit vaše mladine in celokupnega članstva SSPZ. Ne pozabite tudi tega, da SSPZ je odvisna od marljivega članstva, ki se zanimajo zanjo in ji pridobivajo nove člane v oba oddelka. Naša agitacija naj bi bila ne samo med našim narodom, ampak dolžnost nas vseh je, da jo razširimo tudi med druge narodnosti. Raztolmačimo jim naša pravila in društveno delovanje, naše certifikate, itd. Ako niste pri prvem uspeli, ne ustrašite se ,temveč stopite do drugega, tretjega, pa boste videli, da vaš trud ne bo zaman. Ne zamudite nobene priložnosti, da napeljete pogovor na SSPZ.

Ako bomo vsi storili svojo dolžnost, potem se nam ne bo treba pogajati glede združenja, ampak rastli bomo naprej in zrastli v veliko in močno organizacijo. Zatorej vsi na delo in pokažimo Amerikancem, da je ta dežela, v katero smo prišli, jo gradili in bomo skoro vsi tudi za vedno tukaj ostali, tudi naša. Ako razložimo drugim narodnostim in Amerikancem vse to, potem so nam po mojih mislih ravno tako vrata odprta kot kateri koli drugi ameriški zavarovalninski ustanovi, bratski ali komercialni, ki štejejo na milijone članstva in posedajo ogromne finančne vire. Vse te organizacije in ustanove so morale enkrat začeti z malim, zakaj bi torej ne poskusili tudi mi? Vsi na delo za večjo in močnejšo SSPZ!

Louis Znidarsich,
član št. 22

(Dalje na 2. str.)

Svet ugiba, kaj bo Stalin sedaj storil

Kaj bodo storili sovjeti, kadar se rdeča armada oddahne od vojne kampanje na Finskem?

Sedaj ko je oboroženi konflikt med Rusijo in Finsko končan, stopa v ospredje vprašanje: Kaj bo Stalinov prihodnji korak?

Odgovor je vse prej ko lahak. Edini gotov način bi bil, ako bi mogli čitati Stalinove misli, kar pa je seveda nemogoče. Za enkrat se lahko s precejšno gotovostjo računa, da si bo Rusija vzela nekoliko počitka, da se zacelijo od vojne zadene rane ,ter polagoma prevzela od Finske odstoplo ozemlje ter svoje pridobitve konsolidirala.

Mar se Rusija sedaj obrne na Balkan?

Nekateri opazovalci so mnenja, da bo Stalin, čim si rdeča armada nekoliko oddahne, stopil v akcijo proti Romuniji in ji iztrgal Besarabijo ter se zavzel za povečanje ruskega vpliva na Balkanu v obče.

Drugi zopet mislijo, da se bo Stalin poslužil prve priložnosti, da napravi življenje neprijetno za Anglijo na bližnjem vzhodu, ali pa da bo začel s prizadevanjem za podjarmljenje vse Finske, kakor je storil Hitler s Češkoslovaško.

Ugiba se vse mogoče reči, med drugim tudi, da se bo Rusija brezpogojno priklopila vojni Nemčije proti Franciji in Angliji, in zadnje dni se je iz Berlina celo namignilo, da razgovor, ki sta ga imela Hitler in Mussolini na Brennerju, prinese novo os: Moskva-Rim-Berlin.

Nova presenečenja niso nič nemogočega

Vsi opazovalci priznavajo, da le ugibajo. Z ozirom na to, da Stalin nima navade, da bi svetu naprej pravil, kaj namerava, se s precejšnjo gotovostjo lahko računa, da bo njegova prihodnja poteza enako dramatična in osupljiva kot je bil n. pr. sklep prijateljskega pakta z vlado tretjega rajha prošlega septembra. Enako gotovo je tudi, da prava preizkušnja novega razmerja med Nemčijo in Rusijo se šele poraja.

Ako ima Stalin namen, Hitlerju res pomagati, sedaj je njegova prilika. Zdaj, ko je vojna s Finsko končana, Stalin s pomočjo nemških inženirjev in tehnikov lahko odpre ogromne naravne mire Rusije ter ga zalaga z vojnimi potrebščinami, ki so že na razpolago.

Ampak tu se vedno pojavi vprašanje, koliko je Stalinu prav za prav na tem, da bi podprl Hitlerjevo vojno proti zapadnima zaveznicama. Nerešeno je poleg tega tudi še vedno vprašanje, koliko pomoči mu je v stanu nuditi, pod pogojem, da je to njegova želja.

Stališče pred vojno kampanjo na Finskem

Pred invazijo Finske se je splošno smatralo—zlasti Leon Trocki je to poudarjal—da se bo Moskva skoro za vsako ceno skušala izogniti vojni in da bo sledila premišljenemu programu nevtralnosti, ki bo Rusiji ob povratku miru dal pozicijo najmočnejše sile na kontinentu, ji omogočil sadove te pozicije, obenem pa bo v stanu udariti za izvojevanje svetovne komunistične revolucije.

Sedaj, ko je vojna s Finska, ki je bila za Rusijo dražja kot je pričakovala, končana, se more sklepati, da bo Stalin zavzel prvotno stališče in čakal trenotka za začetek svetovne revolucije.

Prevelika pomoč za Hitlerja bi bila opasna

Lahko se dokazuje, da ako Rusija oskrbi Nemčijo z materijalom, živežem in potrebščinami za izvedbo uspešnega Blitzkriega, proti zaveznicam, bo Hitler tisti, ki bo na konju, in ne Stalin. Na drugi strani pa mnogi dokazujejo, da ako Stalin preskrbi Nemčiji baš toliko vojnega blaga in živeža, da bo mogla vzdržati zavezniško blokado, kar bi pomenilo podaljšanje vojne, dokler se bodisi ena ali druga stran ne sesede vsled izčrpanosti, bo zanj tem bolj ugoden položaj za podvzetje kampanje, v kateri bi komunizem zavladal Evropi.

Sovjetska propaganda v škandinavskih deželah se bo z vstopom v Finsko brez dvoma povečala. Da-li bo propaganda v tem delu Evropi uspešna, je problematično, toda dvoma ni, da si je Rusija pridobila novo in učinkovito bazo za širjenje svoje filozofije širom Evrope.

Propaganda ali orožje?

Ponovno je bilo rečeno, da je tudi Nemčija vse prej ko varna pred komunistično propagando. Nekateri opazovalci gredo tako daleč, da trdijo, da je v Hitlerjevem rajhu komunizem danes močno utrjen, samo da je ime drugačno: nacizem, oziroma, da se nacije lahko smatra za "sopotnike."

Nikakega dvoma ne more biti, da bi Stalin ne zamudil prilike za upostavitev sovjetskega sistema v Nemčiji, ako bi Hitlerjev režim padel, ali ako bi bila Nemčija poražena. Mnogi so prepričani, da je to baš tisto, kar Stalin pričakuje in upa, da se zgodi.

Kaj se nahaja za vojnimi pripravami Turške?

Gledajoč na rusko uganko z drugega vidika, ni mogoče prezreti skrivnostnih dogajanj v Turčiji. Že skozi več tednov se v časopisih pojavljajo zagonetne kratke vesti, ki omenjejo mobilizacijo vojaških rezerv, klicanje diplomatskih zastopnikov na Balkanu in v centralnoevropskih državah na posvetovanje doma, in poročila o kretanjih mornarice in sličnih vojnih pripravah.

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VELIKA NOČ

SPET SE BO razlegala aleluja in proslavljalo se bo Vstajenje v tisočerih hramih, posvečenih naukom Onega, ki je bil pozdravljen kot poslanec miru in dobre volje, potem pa bil peljan pred Pilata, bičan in zasramovan, in se mu je naložil težki križ, pod katerim je trikrat padel, bil na Golgati pribit nanj in je med bliskom in gromom izdihnil svojo veliko dušo... Krščanski svet bo proslavljal zmago življenja nad smrtjo, pesmi bodo donele od vzhoda do zahoda, od severa do juga, ampak v srcih ljudstev ne bo velikonočnega duha, ne velikonočne pesmi, temveč le jad in bridkost. Kajti človeštvo doživlja danes Golgato — svoj Veliki petek, Velika noč, dan Vstajenja pa se zdi, da je daleč daleč za gorami...

Nekdo je zapisal: Ko se je Kristus razjokal na Oljski gori, ni bil Bog... Ampak, ko je visel razpet med nebom in zemljo, se je izvil iz Njegovih ust klic: "Oče, odpusti jim, saj ne vedo, kaj delajo..." Božanstvo, zanikano na Oljski gori, je v teh besedah, izrečenih na Golgati, dalo človeštvu nauk in navdih, da ne omaga na svoji dolgi poti; da tudi na Veliki petek ne izgubi vere, da vendar le napoči dan Vstajenje... Skozi trpljenje vodi pot na Goro...

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Ivan Cankar je nekoč pisal zgodbo o Kristusovi procesiji. Poslušajmo:

Ko je bil Kristus star dvanajst let, mu je sešila Marija haljo iz rdečega sukna; iz enega kosa je bila šita in rokavi so bili tako široki, da se je razgalila do ramen, kadar je pridigal; ta halja je rastla s Kristusom, šla je z njim na Oljsko goro in na Golgato...

Prišel mu je nasproti otrok, mladoleten, v cunje oblečen; na glavi je imel butaro drv in je jokal, ker je bil lačen.

"Kam, otrok, in zakaj jokaš?"

"Truden sem in lačen!" je rekel otrok.

"Odloži butaro," je rekel tujec, "in pojdi z menoj!"

Otrok je zvrnil butaro na cesto, prijel tujca za roko in je šel z njim. Njegov drobni obraz se ni smejal prej nikoli, zdaj se je smejal; njegove plahe oči se niso svetile prej nikoli, zdaj so se svetile...

Prišla jim je nasproti dolga vrsta ljudi; vsi so imeli cule v rokah in so gledali v tla. Moški in ženske, starci in otroci. Tudi otroci so bili tihi in so gledali v tla...

Tujec se je ozrl nanje, pogledal je vse po vrsti in nenadoma so se vsem zjasnili obrazi, ki niso bili prej nikoli jasni in veseli.

"Odložite cule in pojdite z menoj!" je rekel tujec. In takoj so vsi zvrnili cule na cesto in so šli z njim.

Prišli so v vas, tako temno in žalostno, kakor da jo je bil Bog sam zapustil. Na pragu so stali ljudje, tihi in upognjeni; črni molki so rožljali med koščenimi prsti.

"Odložite molke!" je rekel tujec. "Tudi svete podobe obrnite in žegnančke izpraznite in pojdite z menoj!"

Ljudje so vrgli molke na cesto, obrnili so svete podobe, izpraznili so žegnančke in so šli z njim...

Pa so prišli do hiše, ki je imela visok zvonik, in prišel jim je nasproti debel gospod v črni suknji. Debeli gospod je zardel v obraz in je vzdignil roke.

"Apage satanas!... Stran odtod, antikrist, da ti ne pljunem v lica!"

Zgodilo se je, da je tujec vzdignil glavo in odprl temne oči. Debeli gospod v črni suknji je sklenil roke nad glavo, zgrudil se je na kolena in je skril obraz v prahu...

V klanec so šli, zmirom višje; vsa pokrajina je bila pod njim, jasno razgrnjena kakor na dlani. Pred njimi se je svetila dolga rdeča halja svetli lasje so goreli v solncu.

"Kam?"

Tujec ni odgovoril. Ko je stopil na hrib, je nagnil glavo in je zakril obraz z obema rokama. Zakaj velika je bila bridkost v njegovem srcu.

"Ne ozrite se, vsi vi tisoči in milijoni, ki ste koprneli za menoj! Vi vsi ponižani in užaljeni, vsi vi zasužnjeni in obremenjeni — zdaj, ko je vaš dan, pojte hozana in aleluja! Od bičanja in iz križanja, iz sramote in trpljenja je vzrasel vaš dan — pojte mu hozana in aleluja!"

Šel je pred njimi, visok in lep, v dolgi rdeči halji in vsi so šli za njim, vsi ponižani in užaljeni, vsi usužnjeni in obremenjeni...

Šli so v svetli dan, ko se je zgrnila nad Sodomo strašna noč; sodbe noč in obsodbe.

Šli so z njim, tisti, ponižani in teptani so šli z njim, ki jim je rekel: Božje kraljestvo je v vas!

Tedenski pomenki

A. ZAITZ

O TISTIH ČASIH...

V Judenburgu so nam nametali stare flinte; da rabim izraz "flinte," je vzrok, ker niso bile več rabne ter imena puške tudi vredne niso bile. Z njimi so nas najprvo vodili in iste smo morali čistiti. "Svetiti se morajo znotraj v cevi kot luč, razumete, kot luč!" je ponovil kaprol, "če ne, boste drgnili po tleh." Ako bi mi bil oče dal star zarjavel lemež s tem naročilom, ki mu lažje ugodil kakor pa je bilo ugoditi sitnemu kaprolu. Staro zarjavelo puško zdrgniti, da se sveti znotraj kot luč, to ni bila malenkost, in povem vam, da smo drgnili in drgnili, da je bila cev vroča, pa je bila še vedno daleč od tiste svetlobe kot luč. Pa pride naokrog rezervist, kateri so bili pomešani med nami ter služili cesarja še v mirni dobi, ter se ustavi pred menoj, videč me vsega potnega. "Nič se ne huduj," se mi smeje. "O tistih časih, namreč v mirnem času, ko sem jaz služil, smo še vse drugače drgnili kot drgnete vi sedaj. Dr, v mirnem času bi moral biti vojak, potem bi poskusil, kaj je disciplina. In ko še ni bil prvi dobro gotov o tistih časih, se mu je pridružil drugi, ki je ne dolgo nazaj prišel iz bolnice zakrpan od rane, katero je dobil v Galiciji. "Ej," je zategnil skozi nos, "kako se boste še tajali fantje, ko pridete v fronto v Galiciji ali kamor že." Drgnil sem zarjavelo puško naprej. Odgovoril bi jima, da me prav nič ne skrbi Galicija in fronta, ampak to bi bilo proti zakonom tedaj, en rekrut ugovarjati rezervistu, staremu soldatu, zato sem molčal in mislih na povest o tistih časih ,ki sta jo načela najprej roditelja, sedaj pa jo ponavljajo drugi.

Na tistega rezervista, ki nas je strašil o Galiciji, pa sem se potem le spomnil skoraj leto pozneje ob deseti ofenzivi pri Soči. Tudi tam smo bili pri polku vse zmešani, novinci in stari soldati, med katerimi je bil precejšen odstotek onih, ki so poskusili Galicijo. Pa si naenkrat slišal: "Ej, kaj je bila v primeri s tem peklom Galicija in Bukovina! Tam je bušknila granata v debelo plast mehke zemlje in največkrat ostala mrtva, da ni eksplodirala, in če je, zasula nas je v blato in otresel si zemljo raz sebe in šel naprej. Tukaj pa, ko trešči ob živo skalo, se razleti na tisoče in tisoče malih koščkov, kateri nosijo smrt daleč na okrog. Da, Galicija je bila v primeri s tem peklom komaj senca teh grozot in razdejanj." Prvič v svojem življenju sem čutil, da sem nekaj tudi sam doživel, nekaj, kar prekaša prejšnje in o čemur bi tudi sam, če se vrnem, lahko pričel staro ponavljajočo povest: "O tistih časih ob deseti ofenzivi na Soči... o enajsti in dvanajsti in..."

Zapisalo se je nekaj let med tem, ko sem se znašel v tej deželi in iskal kruha v temnem in hladnem rovu v Forest City. S prijateljem sva delala skupaj v rovu na prostoru, kjer je curljalo od stropa celi dan. Plačal mi je polovico, kar je bilo tam nekaj izrednega in delala sva oba enako. Ako bi bilo samo curljalo od stropa, bi še bilo, pa je stala v prostoru tudi voda, tako da sva z lopatami lovila koščke premoga v vodi in nakladala voziček. Zraka v tistem prostoru ni bilo dosti več kot za petelinov kljun. Ogibala sva se večjega curka vode od stropa, ogniti debelih mrzlih kapelj, ki so padale na vseh krajih na razbeljen hrbet, pa se ni dalo in se je kadilo iz naju kakor iz konja, ki je končal dirko. Od glavne proge v naš prostor se je zasvetlikala svetilka.

"Eden gre," mi je omenil tovariš. "Naj gre, kdor hoče," sem odvrnil nejevoljno in iskal dalje koščke premoga v vodi. "Kako kaj, fanta?" se je oglasil glas poznanega rojaka, ki je imel prostor tik najinega. "Kaj bi spraševal?" sem odgovoril namesto tovariša, ki je bil prav za prav gospodar prostora ter imel manjnarske papirje. "Vidiš, kako je." Rojak obiskovalec pa se je nasmehnil. "Ga slišiš novinca! Zakaj mu ne poveš o tistih časih, ko smo bili mi njegovih let, ko si moral popolnoma sam narediti vse delo ter niti besede reči. Povej mu," je hitel, "da je bila v tistih časih samo ena lopata za dva človeka v prostoru, kar znači ,da je delal en sam. Ob štirih zjutraj sem prišel na prostor, da sem vse pripravil, predno je prišel majnar in imel že vožiček naložen." Prijatel me je poznal in je molčal, v meni pa je nekaj vrelo. "Ti," sem rekel, "zgubi se v svoj prostor in delaj kakor se vsakemu spodobi. Mene bi bilo sram hoditi okrog po prostorih, med tem ko bi se tvoj sodelavec mučil na smrt v prostoru. Kar hitro se mi zgubi, če ne, bom porabil to, kar imam v roki, za kaj drugega."

Odšel je; najbrž se je spomnil, da sem bil v vojni ter bil pod vtisom, da takim ljudem, ki so ubijali na debelo, ni dosti zaupati. Prijatelj pa me je tolažil: "Ne porajtej njega; navajeni so ter nimajo večjega užika, kakor pripovedovati o tistih časih."

Zunaj dela smo se srečevali s starimi društveniki. Spraševanje, kako je bilo v prejšnjih časih, bi bilo odveč, ker so tako radi sami pripovedovali. Ker je bil nekdaj sedež društva Sv. Barbare—če se ne motim druga najstarejša podporna organizacija v Ameriki—v Forest City, sem tu in tam prišel v dotiko z bivšimi glavnimi odborniki organizacije. "V tistih časih da si videl naše parade ob slavnostih ali pogrebih! Čisto po soldaško smo marširali po mestu v uniformah; za časa cerkvenih procesij si videl v paradi vsakovrstne uniforme z maršali na čelu." —"Ej, kaj bi sedaj," se je popraskal po goli glavi eden, ki me je seznanil z vso preteklostjo tistih dni. "Delali smo kot živina in ko smo pili—pili kot živina, in kar se zabav tiče, nismo poznali meja."

Koračil sem že v trideseto leto, pa še nisem prišel do besede. V prihodnjih pomenkih pa pride vrsta name. Dobil bom besedo in ker sedaj skoraj celi svet stoji na glavi, se bom postavil še jaz s tem, da bom ponovil nekaj silno starega: povest o tistih časih, o našem društvenem življenju tekom zadnjih petnajst let.

DOPISI IN POROČILA ČLANSTVA

(Dalje s 1. str.)

Veselica na Republic, Pa.

Uniontown, Pa. — Tem potom poročam vsem članom in članicam društva št. 23 SSPZ, da se bo vršila v soboto 30. marca v naselbini Republic v novi dvorani, De Gregory Hall, veselica našega društva. Na redni mesečni seji 10. marca smo sicer sklenili, da se veselica odloži na poznejši čas, ampak ne jaz niti drugi niso vedeli, da je bil z orkestrom podpisan kontrakt za omenjeni dan, in tako se veselica vseeno vrši, kar smo bili takorekoč prisiljeni k temu. Navzlic temu je treba, da gremo korajžno na delo, pa bo veselica gotovo uspela.

Za ples bo igral Joe Kremarjev orkester, v katerem so dobri godbeniki. Ko smo 13. januarja imeli veselico na Republic, so dobro pokazali, kaj znajo, nadaljni dokaz pa je bilo občinstvo, ki je napolnilo novo dvorano do zadnjega kotička. Kot sem slišal govoriti, je to najboljši orkester v celem Fayette okraju. Mogoče je res tako, ako dvomite, pa pridite in se boste sami prepričali in sodili o njih. Torej ste vabljeni vsi od daleč in v bližini, da na 30. marca pridete med nas. Imeli bomo tudi izvrsten prigrizek, kakršnega se bolj težko dobi, na Republic ga bo pa dovolj za vse. Tudi mazila za suha grla ne bo manjkalo. Vstopnina ne bo visoka: za moške 35c, za ženske pa 25c, kar je malenkost za cel večer razvedrila.

Veselični odbor je že na delu in bo storil vse, da se ustreže vsem, ako sploh mogoče. Torej na svidenje 30. marca na Republic, Pa., ob 8. uri zvečer!

Veselični odbor:
Louis Dornik,
Mike Unetich,
Tony Cernalogar,
John Pesec.

Sygan bo prenovljen

Sygan, Pa. — Na naših sejah smo že večkrat razpravljati in ugibali, kaj bi priredili enkrat v korist društvene blagajne. In končno smo prišli do zaključka, da bi poskusili s prodajo listkov, ker s prirejanjem veselic je danes tu na Syganu bolj težko, ker imamo zelo slabo cesto. Delajo namreč novo, pa je naš Sygan za enkrat v resnici precej blaten, posebno sedaj, ko enkrat sneži, drugič zopet dežuje, solnce se pa bolj skriva. Omenjeni listki so naši blagajni precej pomagali. Prvo nagrado je dobil Joseph Tome iz Bridgevilla, drugo je dobilo društvo št. 295 SNPJ iz Bridgevilla, in tretjo nagrado je dobil Oblakov fant iz Kady. Najlepša hvala vsem, ki ste pomagali do tolikega uspeha. Plesno veselico bomo pa poskusili prirediti tja poleti enkrat v prosti naravi.

Kakor sem že omenila, skozi Sygan so pričeli že poleti delati novo cesto. Blata je res za enkrat precej, ali v enem letu ali kaj bo pa naš Sygan prenovljen. Kakor pravijo stari naseljenci, je bila syganska naselbina pred kakimi 30 leti še mnogo bolj na slabem. Takrat niso imeli plina ne vode in ne elektrike. Vodo so morali nositi v posodah precej daleč, posebno če je bila suša. Takrat še ni bilo toliko avtomobilov. Malokdo je bil toliko srečen, da je imel "karo." Tu je danes v vsaki hiši plin, elektrika, in mestni vodovod nam daje vode, kolikor je hočemo. Za gospodinje danes v resnici polovico manj dela kot so ga imele nekdaj. Danes, ko imamo vse pri rokah, pa še stokamo (jaz že): Oh, koliko imam dela! In danes vozi v bližini Sygana železnica in bus. Za mal denar se lahko pelješ v Pittsburgh ali kamor hočeš. Tega včasih ni bilo. Ljudje so prehodili peš cele milje. Za mlade je bilo to dobro, ker mladina mora imeti, kakor pravijo "exercise," a za stare in priletne ljudi je bilo bolj slabo. Pa vse so prestali. Danes leto pa bo naš Sygan še bolj izboljšan.

Pisala bi rada o tem še več, pa naj zadostuje za enkrat. Se bom pa še drugič kaj oglasila. H koncu želim vsem članom SSPZ ter vsem prijateljem vesele velikonočne praznike, in da bi vam Easter Bunny prinesel kaj lepega.

Julia Kramžar,
tajnica št. 89

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Z avtomobilom po stari domovini

ZA "NAPREDEK" NAPISAL PAUL BERGER

(Nadaljevanje)

V Valjevu se ustavimo za zajtrk, čeravno je bilo že solnce precej visoko. Valjevo je majhno mestece, toda še precej čisto in še bolj živahno, ker tukaj se nahaja večja vojaška posadka. S tlakovanjem glavne ulice so tako hiteli, da so še na nedeljo pozabili, in da bi človek mislil, da hočejo ravno v nedeljo zvečer vse končati, da bo mogoče praznovati "plav pondeljek".

Cesta naprej proti severu se vije po hribih in obronkih, poraščenih z visokim drevjem. Ob cesti sem opazil tu in tam dečke in deklice, ki so prodajali sveže nabrane rdeče jagode v posodah narejenih iz brezovega lubja. Kupil sem, in plačal tako bore malo, da ni vredno omenjati; in jagode so bile okusne, kot ne vem kaj; še sedaj me skromina po njih. Ko sem pozneje tukaj v Chicagu v trgovini s sadjem videl rdeče jagode, sem rekel: "Kaka razlika! Tukaj stare, že malo plesnjive, in poleg tega pa še drage, tam pa sveže nabrane in za par centov štirikrat toliko."

Cesta je bila še dosti dobra, samo preveč prahu je bilo, in ne bi škodilo, ako bi bila malo bolj široka, ker, ako srečaš na ozki cesti "kučo na kolesih," moraš biti salamensko prividen, da greš mimo. To sem preizkusil, ko se je nasproti pripeljal avtomobil s trailerjem; ni bilo nič kaj prijetno, v oblaku prahu, in sem že mislil, da je nastal kak vihar, ki pometa ceste, toda med tem, ker sem vendarle zavozil malo bolj na stran, pa švignejo mimo mene trije veliki avtomobili, v katerih so bili menda sami častniki; kaki častniki, nisem imel časa pogledati, ker sem pazil na svoj avtomobil in tudi preveč prahu je bilo. V Užici, kjer sem se ustavil, da sem grlo spral, mi je pojasnil slovenski častnik, doma iz Ljubljane, da se je sam mladi kralj Peter II. peljal iz letovišča domov. Da so bili visoki gospodje, sem vedel takoj, ko sem videl tako velike avtomobile, ker v Evropi vidiš največ same majhne avtomobile, nekako tako velike, kot so ameriški Austin, in še celo Ford, ki je narejen v Nemčiji, je manjši od ameriškega. Na cestah po Evropi opaziš avtomobile Tatra, narejeni na Češkem, nemške D. K. W., italijanske Fiat, in razne francoske in angleške, ki so vsi majhni. V Italiji imenujejo te avtomobile "topolina," Slovenci so jih pa krstili "miška."

Ko smo prevozili par kilometrov, pridemo do razpotja, in sedaj nisem vedel, ali bi vozil na levo, ali desno, da bi prišel v Sarajevo. Na razpotju je bila sicer napisana tabla, toda ker nisem hodil v srbske šole, nisem mogel prečitati, in tudi ne moj sopotnik Mirko, in ne njegova soproga. Čakali smo, da je prišel prvi Srbin, ki je povedal pravi smer; ker smo morali čakati, da smo zvedeli, po kateri cesti naj "jo uberemo," sem zopet rentačil, kaj vraga postavijo na napisne table na tako prometni cesti, kot je ta, v cirilici, katere itak nihče drugi ne zna čitati kot "pravoverni Jugoslovani," in kak Rusin, ako zaide v te kraje. Ker sem že pri tem, naj omenim, da je ameriški avto klub oskrbel kažipotne table po vsej Evropi na bolj prometnih cestah, razpotjih in križiščih, vse table so v enakih barvah, in imajo različna znamenja, ki so takorekoč mednarodna. Ko kak Amerikanec potuje z avtomobilom v Evropo, tedaj dobi poleg potnega lista za avtomobil, ki je v francoskem jeziku, tudi razne knjižice, v katerih so vsa potrebna navodila in pojasnila o raznih znamenjih. Ker ima na parniku dovolj časa, se lahko nauči. In razni varuhi postave to dobro vedo, in ako prideš z njimi v dotiko radi prestopka ali kršenja prometnih odredb, ne boš imel dosti izgovora, ker te bo opomnil, da imaš vsa navodila in pojasnila v posebni knjižici, in tvoja dolžnost je iste prečitati in si zapomniti. Ali nimamo tudi pri naših organizacijah določbo, ki se nekako takole galsi: "Nepoznanje pravil ne opravičuje nikogar." V vseh jih mestih imajo pa posebne stražnike na križiščih, in tudi menjajoče luči, kot v Ameriki.

Od prašne ceste, dolge vožnje in vročine smo bili vsi zelo utrujeni in tudi okrepčila potrebni. Ustavili smo se v starem napol turškem mestu katerega ime sem pozabil, na zemljevidu ga pa ni. Za mojo soprogo smo dobili potrebnih okrepčil, zdravil v lekarni, ostali smo sami pa okrepčali "s čajem v rumu" (ne z rumom v čaju). Jedila so bila zelo okusna, toda midva z Mirkom sva bila bolj žejna kot lačna. Med pogovorom s hotelirjem je nekako v zadregi vprašal, ali prosil, ako bi mi bilo mogoče "potegniti" njegovega prijatelja v 40 kilometrov oddaljeno mesto Rakitico. Predstavil mi ga je; bil je visoke postave srednje starosti, krasno zraščen, zelo simpatičen in po poklicu lesni trgovec. Samoumevno, da nisem odklonil, ker sem želel kaj zvedeti, kaj se godi "doma," in to pa najlažje zveš od domačinov samih. Bil je zelo vesel, in takoj dal za pijačo. Oprostil se je takoj, ker ni tako "praznično oblečen," ker opravljen je bil v priprosto toda čisto obleko in belo srajco brez ovratnice, in pokrit je bil s domačo "kučmo," ali kot nekateri pravijo "ruska kapa"; dodal je, da po obleki ni treba soditi človeka, kar sem mu rad pritrdil.

(Dalje prihodnjič.)

ROSTER OF VRTEC OFFICERS

No. 1, "Pioneers," Forest City, Pa: Admx., Angela Pevc, Box 232, Vandling, Pa.; Pres., Anton Trelc, Hudson St.; Sec'y-Treas., William Pevc, Box 232.— Meeting every third Friday of the month at the Naprej Hall.

No. 2, Butte, Mont.: Adm., Frank Putzel, 2120 Spruce St.; Pres., George Petritz, 2118 Cottonwood St.; Sec'y, Mary Kranitz, 300 Cherry St.; Treas., Anton Fajon, 2301 Cottonwood St. — Meeting every 1st Sunday of month at 2 p. m. at National Home.

No. 3, Slovan, Pa.: Admx., Anna Baich, Box 55; John Dubich, President, Box 524; Josephine Baich, Secretary-Treasurer, Box 55. Meeting every 1st Sunday of month at the home of Mike Dubich.

No. 4, Alliance, Ohio: Adm., Frank Racki, RFD 4; Pres., Joseph Racki, RFD 4; Sec'y, Amelia Racki, RFD 4. — Meeting every 4th Sunday of the month.

No. 5, "Spartan Jrs.", Cleveland, Ohio: Adm., Matthew Debevec, 1110 East 72nd St.; Pres., Dolores Rossman, 451 E. 112th St.; Sec'y-Treas., Helen Papesh. Meeting every second Friday of the month at 7:00 p. mč at Slovene Nat'l Home.

No. 6, Donora, Pa.: Adm., Anton Bucic, 526 Ohio St.; Pres., Steve Lukac, 564—5th St.; Sec'y, Caroline Andabaka, 518—5th St.; Treas., Florence Bucic, 526 Ohio St. — Meeting every 2nd Sunday o fthe month at 513 Fifth Street.

No. 7, Herminie, Pa.: Adm., Mike Pavsek, RFD 3, Box 74, Irwin, Pa.; Sec'y-Treas., Steve Pavsek, RFD 3, Box 74, Irwin, Pa.

No. 8, "Hiawathans," Nokomis, Ill.: Adm., Frank Strazar, 500 Lincoln St.; Pres., Florence Kmet, R. R. 2; Sec'y, Rosella Blazic, R. R. 2; Treas., Virginia Kmet, R. R. 2. — Meeting every next to the last Sunday of the month in the Nenonah City Hall.

No. 9, "Jugoslavs," Indianapolis, Ind.: Admx., Elma Qualiza, 929 H. Holmes Ave.; Rose Klarich, President, 729 N. Haugh St.; Mary Klarich, Secretary, 729 N. Haugh St.; Treas., Louis Znidarsich, 938 Ketcham St. — Meeting every 1st Sunday of the month at the Slovene National Home.

No. 10, "Challenger Jrs.", Strabans, Pa.: Admx., Frances Vrhovnik, Box 452, Houston, Pa.; Pres., Samuel Zampan, Box 566, Houston, Pa.; Sec'y-Treas., Lillian Kosmach, Box 172, Strabane. — Meeting every 1st Friday of the month.

No. 11, "Outlookers," Cleveland, Ohio: Adm., John Zaman, 797 E. 156th St.; Pres., Olga Zaubi, 322 E. 161st St.; Elenore Ster, Secretary, 19302 Arrowhead Rd., Cleveland, Ohio. — Meeting every 1st Friday of the month.

No. 12, Palisade, Colo.: Adm., Frank Mautz, R. 1; Kenneth Kladock, President, Route 1; Albert Marolt, Secretary, Route 1; Leon Kladock, Treasurer, Route 1. — Meeting every 1st Sunday of the month at 1 p. m. at the home of Frank Marolt.

No. 13, Madison, Ill.: Admx., Rose Tirpak ,1221 Madison Ave.; George Tirpak, Jr., Pres., 1221 Madison Ave.; Sec'y-Treas., Olga Yambrovich, 1133 Greenwood St. — Meeting every 1st Saturday of the month at the home of the administratrix.

No. 16, "Termite", De Pue, Ill.: Adm., John Slatner, Box 564; Pres., Mary Zickar; Sec'y Dorothy Omahen; Treas., Alfred Slatner, Box 484. — Meeting every 2nd Sunday of the month at the Slovene National Home.

No. 30, "Budgets", Girard, Ohio: Admxs., Anna Rovan and Julia Pirc, 62 Smithsonian Ave.; Pres., Pauline Bahn, R. D. 1, 220 East Niles, Niles, Ohio; Sec'y, Irene Rovan, 62 Smithsonian Ave.; Treas., Joseph Leskovec, 1018 State St. — Meeting every 2nd Sunday of the month at Nagode's.

No. 33, "Balkan Jrs.", Milwaukee, Wis.: Admx., Sophie Stampfel, 1020-A West Washington St.; Pres., Herman Yerkich, 223 W. Florida St.; Sec'y Norma Stampfel, 1120-A West Washington St.; Treas., Gordon Ziglinski, 1418-B S. 5th St. — Meeting every 2nd Saturday of the month.

No. 34, "Red Knights", Reading, Pa.: Adm., Joseph Filak, 351 N. River St.; Pres., Henry Papich, 370 Tulpehocken St.; Sec'y, Pauline Filak, 351 River St.; Treas., Margaret Suklje, 460 Tulpehocken St. — Meeting every 2nd Tuesday of the month.

No. 43, Aguilar, Colo.: Adm., Carl Palowski, Box 153.

No. 44, "Comets", Ambridge, Pa.: Adm., Joseph Tekstar, 154 Maplewood Ave.; Pres., Frances Rosenberger, 138 Maplewood Ave.; Sec'y, Agnes Tekstar, 154 Maplewood Ave.; Treas., Rudolph Rosenberger, 154 Maplewood Ave. — Meeting every month by notice at the Slovene National Home.

No. 57, Sheboygan, Wis.: Adm., Matt Koschak, Jr., 214 S. 15th St.; Pres., Valentine Pekol, 1415 Wisconsin Ave.; Sec'y-Treas., Angeline Jakovic, 917 Alabama Ave. — Meeting every third Thursday of the month at the home of the Secretary.

No. 60, Johnston City, Ill.: Admx., Clara Resnik, 604 W. 10th St.; Pres., Anton Stefanic, 704 W. 10th St.; Sec'y-Treas., Edward Vatovec, 805 W. 11th St. — Meeting every 3rd Sunday of the month.

No. 61, Brewster, Ohio.: Admx., Agata Virant, Box 233; Pres., Steve Virant, Box 233; Sec'y-Treas., Mary Hummar, Box 32. — Meeting every 1st Sunday of the month at the home of Agata Virant.

No. 67, Herminie, Pa.: Adm., Jacob Peternel, Box 312; Pres., William Smolich; Sec'y, Anna Peternel, Box 312; Treas., Jacob Peternel, — Meeting every 2nd Sunday of the month at the Slovene Hall.

No. 72, Sygan, Pa.: Admx., Mrs. Julia Kramzer, Box 411, Morgan, Pa.; Pres., John Dolinar, Box 319 Bridgeville, Pa.; Sec'y, Julia C. Kramzer, Box 411, Morgan, Pa.; Treas., George Prosen, Bridgeville, Pa. — Meeting at the SNPJ Hall every 3rd Friday of the month at 6:30 p. m.

No. 76, Denver, Colo.: Adm., Steve Mauser, 4439 Washington St.; Pres., Albert Raitz, 3958 Brighton Blvd.; Sec'y, Edward Pozerl, 1739 Boulder St.; Treas., Frank Tomsic, Lyden, Colo. — Meeting every 3rd Sunday of the month.

No. 77, Center, Pa.: Admx., Elizabeth Knafelc, RD 1, Box 501, Turtle Creek, Pa.; Pres., Charles Horvat, RD 1; Sec'y, Helen Knafelc, RD 1, Box 501; Treas., Ella Shanter, R. F. D. 1. — Meeting every 2nd Sunday of the month at 1:00 p. mč at the Center Slovene Hall.

No. 101, "Pirate Jrs.", Burgettstown, Pa.: Adm., Rennison Malone, 35 Stella St.; Pres., Andrew Laurich; Sec'y, Frances Senchur. — Meeting every 3rd Sunday of the month at the Slovene Hall.

No. 103, "Kingsters," White Valley, Pa.: Adm., Michael Kastelic, Box 185, Delmont, Pa.; Pres., Helen Kastelic, Box 185; Sec'y, Helen Mladenick, Box 102, Export, Pa.; Treas., Edwin Sabec, RFD 2. — Meeting every 3rd Sunday of the month at the Slovene Hall.

No. 108, South Fork, Pa.: Adm., Marko Savor, 225 Highway St.; Pres., Margaret Prince, 200 Maple St.; Amelia Gregorich, Sec'y, 110 Maple St.; Treas., Mary Gregorich, 200 Maple St. — Meeting every 16th day of the month at 6:30 p. m.

No. 109, Renton, Pa.: Adm., Blaz Likar, Box 257; Pres., Virginia Bogatay, Box 71; Sec'y, Emma Kern, Box No. 130. — Meeting every third Sunday of the month at the Slovenian Hall.

No. 110, "Cadets", Massillon, Ohio.: Adm., Albin Osredkar, 1304—1st St., N. E.; Pres., Victor Selan, 928—13th St., S. E.; Sec'y, William Hocevar, 575—15th St., S. E.; Mary E. Osredkar, Treas., 1304—1st St., N. E. — Meeting every 2nd Sunday of the month at 1:00 p. m., at the home of Anton Hocevar, 757—15th St., S. E.

No. 112, Bon Air, Pa., "Starlighters": Admx., Sylvia F. Skedel, R. D. No. 2, Box 78 D, Johnstown, Pa.; Pres., Anthony Grmek, R. D. No. 2, Box 109, Johnstown, Pa.; Sec'y-Treas., Frances Pristow, R. D. No. 2, Box 108, Johnstown, Pa. — Meeting every 1st Sunday of the month at Boin Air SNPJ Hall at 2:30 p. m.

No. 118, "Go-Getters", Library, Pa.: Admx., Helen Dermotta, Box 262; Pres., William Krall; Sec'y, Anne Retonia; Treas., Violet Ocepek. — Meeting every 2nd Sunday of the month at 3 p. m. se....4....o.45trTues-UESyč .Lodge3,

No. 121, Russellton, Pa.: Admx., Theresa Gruden, Box 102; Pres., Andy Federinka, Box 40; Sec'y, Stanley Stock, Box 102; Treas., Frank Gruden, Box 102. — Meeting every 2nd Sunday of the month at the home of the administratrix.

No. 123, Avella, Pa.: Adm., Charles Ograyensek, Box 312; Pres., James Batove; Sec'y, Rudy Ograyensak, Box 312; Treas., Edward Debelak, Box 536. — Meeting every 2nd Sunday of the month.

No. 126, "Rainbows", Power Point, Ohio: Admx., Mary Bogatay, Box 12; Pres., Steffie Tauchar; Sec'y, Clara Chuck, Box 63; Treas., Virginia Chuck, Box 63. — Meeting every 4th Sunday of the month at the Slovene Hall.

No. 139, "Trail Blazer Jrs.", Chicago, Ill.: Adm., Ernest Vrhovnik, 10133 Wentworth Ave., Pres., William Trsar, 10213 Wentworth Ave.; Sec'y, Frances Trsar, 10213 Wentworth Ave. — Meeting every 3rd Saturday of the month at Stancik's Hall, 205 E. 115th St.

No. 140, "Mountaineers", Pierce, W. Va.: Adm., Joseph Fortini, Box 123; Pres., Roy Carrico, Jr.; Sec'y, Mary Bulick; Treas., Mary Klevisher, Box 52. — Meeting 3rd Sunday of the month at the Pierce School.

No. 148, Gowanda, N. Y., "Dawn Patrol": Admx., Rose Matekovich, 145 Miller St.; Pres., Ralph J. Korbar, Palmer St.; Sec'y, Walter Gnezda, Palmer St.; Treas., Violet Widgay, Palmer St. — Meeting every 2nd Sunday of the month at the Slovenian Hall at 2 p. m.

No. 160, "Roznik Jrs.", Chicago, Ill.: Adm., Victor Zupancic, 2421 S. Lawndale Ave.; Pres., William Zorko, 2847 S. Spaulding Ave.; Sec'y, Wilma Gratchner ,2412 S. Ridgeway Ave.; Treas., Edward Udovich, 2623 S. Springfield Ave. — Meeting every 3rd Sunday of the month at 2412 S. Ridgeway Ave.

No. 169, "Progressor Jrs." Bridgeville, Pa.: Adm., Joseph H. Klements, Box 348; Pres., William Ozanich, 747 Bluff St.; Sec'y, Tony Zaverl, 756 Bluff St.; Treas., Josephine Ozanich, 747 Bluff St. — Meeting every 2nd Wednesday of the month.

No. 171, "Concordians," Cleveland, Ohio: Admx., Margaret Jeric, 6925 Hecker Ave.; Pres., Natalie Svetlic, 1407 E. 51st St.; Sec'y, Mary Menich, 1411 E. 51st St.; Treas., Vera Somrak, 1043 E. 61st St. — Meeting every third Wednesday of the month at the Slovene National Home.

Danica News

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on alone? We are missing some faces at the meetings and at the alley. Why?

Well, folks, we hope this might be an inspiration, so we'll repeat—come one, come all!

High lady for three games last Monday was made by Leva Qualitza, 419; runner-up was Antonia Cesnik with 376. High single game was made by Leva Qualitza with 161, runner-up was Rose Medvescik with 148.

Reporters, Ann and Leva

Mountaineers

My Penmanship

Pierce, W. Va. — Once one of my teachers said, "Anyone can learn to write well." So I gritted my teeth and made my share of those slanting circles and those lines—horizontal, vertical and on the bias.

One of my teachers gave me up early. Scanning my paper, which resembled a cross between a wind-blown bob and last month's stock market market charts, she would say, "You will go through life scribbling your way."

She was right. However, thru the years I have found that one who pecks, scratches, and smears gets along just as well as a good penman. We can use a typewriter, that is, if we can type.

My pop could not read my writing but he didn't have to put his specks on to see what poor grades I made in penmanship. He gave me a frightened look and said, "Kaj ne znaš lepše pisat?" "No," was my reply.

Months went on and my writing still looked terrible. One day as I was going thru the hall one of the other teachers called me into her room. I almost fell thru the floor when she told me to write the pupils names on the report cards and then write a few sentences on the board for the students to copy. I really felt proud but then a thought ran through my mind — my handwriting. Nobody, and perhaps myself, would be able to read it. And so, I spent about one hour scribbling. When I had finished the teacher thanked me.

Little did I think what was in store for me the next day. At noon time the next day the teacher called me into her room. I thought she was going to give me some more wrok. As I sat down waiting for instructions she started to say, "When I came to school this morning I noticed that something was written on the wall downstairs."

"What?" I asked eagerly. 'Did you write that Miss ——— is a stool-pigeon, Mary?" I told her that I didn't and then went downstairs to look at the writing on the wall. It certainly did look like my scribbling.

As the weeks went by I seemed to ignore the teacher, but one day I met her on the steps. She asked me again if I wrote that on the wall. I answered "No!" but sometimes I wished that I would have said "Yes!" just to make her think that she was right when she thought I did it.

Mary Klevisher,
Treas. of Vrtec 140

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CONFUCIUS SAY:

A man, sliding down the banisters of success, gets many splinters.

Policeman who arrest drug addict, has right dope.

Man who marries poor cook must accept burnt offerings.

Silk stockings cover a multitude of shins.

Him who swallow rubber band in for a long stretch.

Grandma used to wear nightcap; now she drinks it.

Man get tired of bringing home the bacon if wife not there to fry it.

He who is upon toes not down at heels.

A smart man is one who has not let any woman pin anything on him since he was a baby.

Boy meets girl in revolving door; go round ever since.

Son shaves because he feels a little down at the mouth.

Man who sleeps like a log snores like a sawmill.

Girl who gets kissed on forehead wear high heels next time.

A fool and his money is some party.

Bum steer not always found in stockyards.

Man who lay in poison-ivy patch may get itch for it.

Wise wife is one who beats up husband in morning.

To know value of dollar, try borrowing one.

Talkative mouth like overstuffed trunk—easy to open, hard to shut.

Seasoned troops are those mustered by the officers and pepperd by bullets.

Many an unfortunate husband kneads dough.

Gambling is equivalent to having hole in pocket.

Tiny rip sometimes turns glamour girl into clamor girl.

An unlicensed duck hunter will get gander at judge.

A dirty gambler sometimes gets taken to cleaners.

Man can always find sympathy in dictionary.

Woman prefer husband with will of his own—if will made out in her name.

Idle gossip like snowball—more you roll it, bigger it gets.

Trouble with man who know it all—can't keep it to self.

Anyone who crosses ocean twice and does not take a bath is a dirty double-crosser.

Honeymoon over when husband take wife off pedestal, put her on budget.

Man who gets out of bed on wrong side, should put bed against wall.

Don't count your countries before they're snatched.

Man who gives in when wrong is wise man—man who gives in when right is married.

Jury is twelve men who decide who has better lawyer.

Man who marry sometime find wedding knot tied in wife's apron strings.

Never pick on man when down—you never know how big he is when up.

Girl who know on what side bread is buttered it toast of town.

Two mother-in-laws plenty penalty for bigamy.

Cold is like woman—sometime or other you catch one.

Hardest job of all is to find soft job.

Woman never admit age till Uncle Sam say pension.

Ocean today is body of water surrounded by trouble.

World may be round, but today it is in very bad shape.

Confucius say: "Nuff for one time!"

"Mitzie,"
Vrtec 140

Dawn Patrol

Gowanda, N. Y. — March is here and spring is supposed to come with it, but by the looks outside at present, it looks like winter has just arrived. I guess the winter coats will be good enough to wear on Easter morning.

At our last meeting, we had a large attendance, more than I ever expected for such a cold day. I believe that this was one of the best meetings we have ever had. Arrangements were made at this meeting to organize a hobby club and then later in the year have an exhibition showing the different hobbies that our members are interested in.

We are sorry to hear that Brother George Samson Jr., a senior member, and "chief of police of Hidi" is ill. We wish you a speedy recovery and hope you can be around soon and play your accordion.

Now for a little of this and that: I wonder how come "Mici" wanted to play the kissing game at the last meeting, was there a certain "somebody" there? And how come a certain Johnny sits in the same place every time we have a meeting, is it because of that peek hole in the wall? The fake marriage isn't a bad game with our president "Shorty" Korbar as the priest. Dickie you sure can pick them out, and boy can you Joe Pecnik. Gee, was the bride blushing, I guess her first experience that's why. Good thing Julia wasn't at the meeting this month. And why does Joey L. always blush when I ask him that particular question.

Don't forget April 14, that is when our next meeting will be held and don't forget to give your picture to Rosie. Before I close I wish all SSPZ members a very enjoyable Easter, and hope nobody gets sick on the "Easter eggs," "potica," and "šunka" and other things.

Violet Widgay, Treas.
Vrtec 148

PROGRESSOR JRS.

(Continued from Vrtec Section)

PRAYERS

I often wonder what certain people pray for when in a church. Do they pray earnestly for a real purpose or do they pray for trivial things? Sometimes I try to imagine what these people are praying for. I notice an old gray-haired lady sitting in the front row—surely she must be praying for her wayward son to return home. He is all she has in the world and she loves him dearly. A few seats away from the old lady sits a feeble, old man. He looks neither to the right nor to the left as he prays earnestly and long. His mind is growing weak and he lives only in the memories of by-gone days. He prays that he will soon be called to join his beloved wife in Eternity. The proud, young girl sitting in the center row—is she praying for a real purpose? Probably not. She's young and beautiful and thinks only of herself. She must be praying for Father to buy her that dress she saw at the new dress shop. She can just imagine herself wearing it. She must get that dress! It was made for her! So she prays for the beautiful dress. Age and youth are both praying for varied purposes. I often wonder which prayers will be answered. After these thoughts have raced through my mind, I begin to pray for, I, too, have a purpose — a real one. I must pray for the inspiration to write an English theme which is due tomorrow.

Ella Yuvancic
Vrtec 169

THE FLOOD

(Continued from Vrtec Section)

these nights and mother got a bit worried about you. She wanted me to come and see if you were still here."

"Yes, yes, I am alright and tell your mother she needn't worry about me any more. Billings is an expert chauffeur and I'll be home in a short while."

"Well O. K. dad, but don't stay too long. Good night everyone." After David had left, Mayor Dudley relaxed again and sat down.

"I hope my wife doesn't suspect anything. It's a good thing we all live where the dam is likely to get us last. We can have a chance of getting our families to safety before anything happens to them, whereas these poor fools won't. If anything happened to my boy I would go crazy."

"Now don't be getting weak, Jim," said Engineer Henderson. He is insured isn't he? Anyway, nothing can come to him now.

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The deadline for contributions is Monday at noon. Please co-operate.—Editor

Pokojni člani

LENASSI LEONARD, umrl nagle smrti v Meadow Landsu, Pa., dne 18. februarja, t. l. vsled srčne bolezni. Pokojni je bil rojen leta 1878, v Šmihelu, občina Hrenovica v Postojnskem okraju na Notranjskem. Pokojni je bil vdovec in zapušča še dva sina in dve hčeri, ki so vsi odrasli. Eden sin, Victor, je preminul komaj dva meseca nazaj. Pokojnik je bil član društva štev. 113 SSPZ od februarja, 1913.

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LESJAK JOSEPH, umrl 22. februarja, t. l., v Lisbonu, Ohio, za pljučnico. Pokojnik je bil rojen leta 1892 v vasi Veliko Kompolje, pošta Krka, občina Moljava v okraju Litija na Dolenjskem. Bil je tu oženjen in član društva štev. 181, Power Point, Ohio, od leta 1929.

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BAVDEK LOUIS, umrl dne 1. marca, t. l., v bolnišnici v Windberju, Pa. Pokojni je bil rojen leta 1888 v vasi Sv. Vid, občina Žilce, v Logaškem okraju na Notranjskem. Bil je vdovec in zapušča sina Louisa in hčeri Esther, omožena Kitt, in Violet. Bil je član društva štev. 70, Krayn, Pa., od leta 1922.

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ROSENBERGER JOSEPHINE, umrla dne 3. marca, t. l., v Ambridgeu, Pa., po daljšem bolehanju vsled srčne bolezni. Rojena je bila leta 1891 v Jurki vasi št. 5, občina št. Mihel pri Novem mestu na Dolenjskem. Tu zapušča družino. Bila je članica društva štev. 41 od leta 1927.

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Družinam pokojnih naše sožalje!

Svet ugiba, kaj bo Stalin sedaj storil

(Dalje s 1. str.)

Ali se Turčija mar boji napada Rusije? Ali pa se morda Turčija pripravlja za hiter udar proti sovjetom? Znano je, da imata Francija in Anglija na bližnjem vzhodu armado, ki šteje milijon mož, ki bi bila na razpolago v takem slučaju.

Pozabljeni "sovjetski režim" na Finskem

Dejstvo, da je Rusija sklenila mir z legalnim finskim režimom, ki ga ob začetku sovražnosti ni hotela priznati za resnično vlado, pozabivši pri tem na vlado "finskih sovjetov," ki jo je Moskva postavila tedaj v nekem finskem obmejnem mestu, daje misliti, da je Stalina nekoliko skrbel položaj na vzhodu.

Kot rečeno že v začetku, ugibati in špekulirati se da na vse mogoče načine, ampak gotovega ne more reči nihče, razen tisti, ki bi mogel brati Stalinove misli. Končno pa morda celo tisti ne, kajti Stalin lahko misli tako danes, jutri pa zopet drugače, z ozirom na to, kaj bodo v bližnji bodočnosti storili drugi: Nemčija, Anglija in Francija, in pa Benito Mussolini.

ENAKOPRAVNOST
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DOHODKI S. S. S. P. ZA MESEC FEBRUAR 1940
STATEMENT OF INCOME FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 1940

	Članski oddelek Adult Class	Mladinski oddelek Juvenile Class
Mesečni asesment		
Monthly assessment	$14,781.38	$584.63
Obresti od bondov		
Interest on bonds	2,231.25	332.50
Dividenda od delnic		
Dividends on stock	37.50	—.—
Obresti in odplačila od hipotek		
Interest and payments on Mortgages	965.45	—.—
Najemnina od posestev		
Rental on Real Estate	757.95	—.—
Odplačila certifikatnih posojil		
Payments of certificate loans		
Dr. št.—Lodge No. 20 Jacob Okorn	2.63	—.—
Andrew Sterbenk	88.45	—.—
Math Mramor	15.00	—.—
48 Rose Ribacchi	16.88	—.—
Dohodki od glasila do 31. decembra 1939		
Income from Official Organ to Dec. 31	82.15	—.—
Pristojbina za zemljiško posojilo		
Mortgage application fee	15.00	—.—
Skupni dohodki—Total income	$18,993.64	$917.13

M. G. KUHEL,
gl. blagajnik—Supreme Treasurer

Račun - SSPZ - Statement

Članski oddelek
Adult Department

JANUARY

Društ. štev. Lodge No.	Društva vplačala: Lodges Paid-In:	Društva prejela: Lodges Received:
1	$ 175.42	$ 44.00
2	117.67	17.35
3	129.91	46.50
4	48.48	38.50
5	56.50	5.00
6	30.31	5.00
7	75.98	20.00
8	71.94	9.00
9	94.21	52.15
10	76.35	19.00
11	54.27	3.00
12	32.79	31.00
13	28.78	15.00
14	83.52	15.00
15	29.71	55.00
16	88.15	15.00
17	35.60	—.—
18	215.40	317.00
19	165.60	—.—
20	747.45	1,130.20
21	—.—	—.—
22	275.78	1,071.00
23	68.69	46.00
24	267.17	43.50
25	85.90	7.46
26	539.98	107.83
27	151.53	71.50
28	312.32	140.50
29	97.75	30.50
30	17.93	10.00
31	45.95	—.—
34	33.84	31.00
35	102.57	18.00
36	32.74	33.00
37	82.54	19.50
38	34.12	36.50
39	86.17	73.00
40	36.13	—.—
41	149.28	16.77
42	60.42	5.00
43	12.38	—.—
44	18.64	20.50
45	5.41	—.—
46	134.94	—.—
47	44.09	20.00
48	84.80	10.00
52	15.05	—.—
53	55.95	4.00
54	187.66	69.00
55	35.45	—.—
56	56.16	5.00
57	4.89	—.—
59	126.14	31.00
60	77.27	65.50
61	64.59	51.50
62	22.59	—.—
63	154.74	11.38
64	52.46	35.00
65	10.35	5.00
66	37.51	—.—
67	73.16	25.50
69	77.15	—.—
70	93.49	109.00
72	21.80	5.00
74	26.87	20.38
76	23.72	5.00
77	10.29	—.—
79	51.73	15.00
80	141.18	44.31
81	33.97	46.00
83	69.72	31.00
84	19.42	5.00
85	60.12	68.00
86	54.97	—.—
87	102.60	15.50
89	85.22	22.00
90	57.43	5.00
92	57.33	—.—
97	11.59	—.—
98	2.21	—.—
99	11.62	5.00
100	134.93	9.12
101	166.64	25.00
102	63.02	5.00
103	79.53	24.00
104	116.49	18.00
105	13.03	5.00
106	9.79	28.00
107	107.60	32.38
108	26.51	25.50
109	56.74	31.50
112	26.08	8.00
113	185.66	757.76
114	28.18	—.—
115	51.99	—.—
116	30.50	47.00
117	147.21	—.—
118	14.51	—.—
119	58.69	5.00
120	200.01	187.00
122	23.30	15.00
123	128.45	16.00
124	101.22	255.00
125	50.38	43.00
126	90.60	38.38
127	48.94	11.38
130	11.44	—.—
131	43.55	5.00
132	35.25	—.—
133	12.79	—.—
135	9.04	—.—
138	13.93	—.—
139	79.61	75.00
140	145.98	138.43
141	40.34	—.—
142	106.96	23.00
143	54.99	31.00
144	75.03	—.—
146	105.04	12.75
147	51.13	—.—
148	2.57	—.—
149	425.10	107.50
152	64.05	39.00
153	9.14	—.—
155	84.54	34.00
156	25.62	—.—
158	88.09	25.00
159	11.23	—.—
160	45.27	5.00
161	32.22	5.00
162	103.20	—.—
164	12.37	—.—
165	12.73	5.00
166	11.59	—.—
167	39.26	—.—
170	35.09	—.—
171	8.59	—.—
172	137.55	54.90
173	78.53	36.00
174	35.39	5.00
175	101.25	34.00
176	163.58	49.00
177	36.53	—.—
178	54.72	7.00
179	38.54	—.—
181	39.90	—.—
183	25.03	—.—
184	26.05	—.—
185	2.57	60.10
187	34.05	5.00
188	24.82	15.00
189	107.82	503.00
190	25.21	—.—
191	20.45	—.—
192	31.92	—.—
193	14.11	—.—
194	6.08	—.—
195	13.21	—.—
196	44.48	—.—
197	87.03	—.—
198	415.60	38.00
199	51.66	5.00
200	77.03	.65
201	47.01	—.—
202	45.46	—.—
203	18.91	5.73
204	171.21	15.00
205	110.65	6.00
207	37.74	—.—
208	14.61	—.—
209	134.42	1,111.00
210	34.88	—.—
211	55.55	—.—
213	1.65	—.—
214	19.26	—.—
215	77.91	—.—
216	17.90	11.00
218	96.60	—.—
219	39.00	13.00
220	78.35	15.50
221	37.08	105.84
222	65.82	7.00
223	39.26	15.00
225	57.44	—.—
226	54.08	60.00
227	140.13	5.00
230	121.46	31.00
231	25.46	—.—
234	57.53	—.—
235	114.97	—.—
236	57.78	31.00
237	58.16	—.—
238	20.70	—.—
239	93.39	20.50
December assessment paid in Jan.		
156	25.88	—.—
231	25.46	—.—
237	59.83	—.—
Skupaj- Total	$14,729.90	$9,259.40

WILLIAM RUS, glavni tajnik—Supreme Secy

M. G. KUHEL, glavni blagajnik—Sup. Treas.



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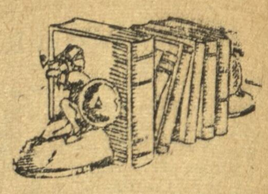
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REMINISCENCES OF NATIONAL BOWLING TOURNAMENTS



M. Vrhovnik

Nearly everyone, who attended one or both of our National Bowling Tournaments, has his own ideas of what the highlight event were. No doubt, many of them are not associated with bowling at all; but here is one that is, one with a story-book tinge and a climax that will long be remembered by those who witnessed it . . .

It was early Sunday morning, March 20, 1938. The place was Roloff's Bowling Alleys in Milwaukee . . . Gathered around alleys number 1 and 2 at the far end of the building was a crowd of members watching the Victorian women bowlers making their final bid for national championship honors . . . Already, eight consecutive games had been bowled that morning, three in the Five-woman team event, three in the Doubles and two in the Singles . . . The last and most important game, most important because upon its result hinged the crowns of three championships, was about to start . . .

Bowling were MARIE CHERNICH and TILLIE VIDMAR, the only two of the Victorians entered in all three events of this division . . . As they started the first frame, Marie held a slight lead over Tillie, but even she needed 217 pins to win the Singles title and 195 to sop the All-events crown . . . Up to that point ANTONIA ZAGAR of the Cleveland Spartans, who completed her competition the day before, scored the highest number of pins and few doubted she would be the ultimate winner . . .

The game was hardly three frames old and Marie held a commanding lead over her fellow-opponent — It was obvious to everyone present that she was "on" — Every ball bowled followed true to the groove and hooked beautifully — A row of three strikes and a spare, then two more strikes and a spare, is the way she mowed them down . . . Once near the end of the game she slipped and painfully twisted her side, but worked a spare out of that frame and continued bowling better than ever, and when the last ball rolled true to its mark and pins toppled to the floor, a great cheer went up on all sides for chalked up to Marie's credit was a score of 230 pins, a most wonderful finish. Her best previous high-game was 215, and her season's average in league competition was around the 145 mark . . . It proves once more that a tournament championship is not decided until the last game and the last ball is bowled.

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And last year at Cleveland . . . We were in the lower hall of the Slovene National Home, just before the banquet and presentation of trophies and cash prizes, when word got around that STANLEY ZAGAR and MATT LEVAR were tied for high single game with 246 each . . . Stanley couldn't be located so that the tie could be bowled off as provided in the rules — What to do, was the question . . . Finally, a few minutes before the banquet was ready to begin, Stanley made his appearance and, immediately, agreed to bowl another game . . . Then, on second thought, he suggested, "Why not toss up a coin to decide the winner of the trophy?" And Matt didn't hesitate a second in answering, "Suits me fine; what'll you take, heads or tails?" A coin was dug up and tossed towards the ceiling . . . "I'll take heads," said Stanley, and when it landed on the floor and stopped rolling, it was tails and so, Matt Levar added another trophy to his collection . . . What, a moment before seemed like a difficult problem, was cleared quickly and easily with prompt, spontaneous display of good fellowship and sportsmanship, and both won the plaudits of nearby onlookers.

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And then, there was MAX KALAN . . . I can still picture him nervously pacing up and down the lobby of the St. Clair Eddy's Bowling establishment, and every two or three minutes open the door to the street entrance and, anxiously, look up and down for a sign of the missing Victorian bowlers . . . Here it was, nearly starting time for the most important event of the 2nd National Bowling Tournament, with three regulars of the men's team and two of the women's nowhere in sight. It's no wonder that Max was, visibly, agitated . . . ANDY O'BOSLA came over and spoke to him and he, too, appeared worried. What had happened to the others — Had they overslept — Did they have an accident on the way, or what? . . . Finally, after the starting time was delayed for a half hour, the signal was given to proceed with the final event of the tournament . . . The Victorian men's team, what there was of them, including the substitute, started the opening game and were nearly finished with it, when in hurried EMIL HRAST, GEORGE ROSOL, MARIE CHERNICH, JOAN KOPRIVEC and others, very much excited . . . No, they didn't have an accident, neither did they oversleep, but their watches were running on Chicago (Central Standard) Time, an hour slower than Cleveland Time, which accounted for their late arrival.

Michael Vrhovnik

Danica Bowling

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. — Flash! From bowler to bowler from us to you! Un-flash!

Flash! Louis Znidarsich of the Vrtec team is showing up the senior members with a high single game of 206 and a high thre game total of 545. (Nice going, Louie!) Un-flash!

Flash! At our last meeting we selected our shirt colors. The shirts shall be made of blue satin with gold sleeves. We hope no other lodge chooses our colors and style. Un-flash!

Flash! We want the championship team to be distinctive! Un-flash!

The Vrtec team not only has good bowlers but it is also the livliest team in the lodge.

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Spring Frolic Dance

The Athletic Association is sponsoring a Spring Frolic Dance for the benefit of the bowling teams to be held April 6, at the Slovene National Home, 729 N. Holmes Ave., at 7:30 p. m. Come one! Come all!

There will be fun for all!

August M. Zupancic

Spartans Notes

By Ann Opeka

CLEVELAND, O. — Repeating and more repeating! We don't like repetition, for more or less it grows monotonous, but it also creates impression, the subject stays with you, so I hope Spartans' "Easter Parade Dance" on Easter Sunday, March 24 is well attached to your memory.

Spartans are now 13 year old, or should I say 13 years young, and our birthday calls for a mammoth celebration, and a festive occasion it will be. Lodge Spartans is the largest English-conducted lodge of our Society, numbering 204 members, it is one of the most active groups in our community athletically, fraternally and socially, constantly promoting good-will, clean sportsmanship and lasting friendship.

Now its up to each and every Spartan member to personally publicize our dance, to invite all their friends and help make our 13th anniversary celebration a huge success.

Of course, a most cordial invitation is extended to all SSPZ lodges of Cleveland, and to all out-of-town lodges to join Spartans at their gala affair.

Three more days before Spartans' 13th anniversary and Easter Parade Dance on Easter Sunday, March 24 in the S. N. H. auditorium at 8:00 p. m. Louis Trebar's orchestra will furnish the rhythm, admission 35c. An assortment of refreshments will be served at your command. We'll be seeing you!

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Just a few more weeks and we'll be yelling "Chicago, here we come!" According to reports appearing on this page lodge Victorians, sponsoring the Third SSPZ Bowling Tournament are hard at work making preparations and accommodations for the bowlers and visitors and we certainly wish them just loads of luck and success. The Victorian bowling tournament committee is doing their part, now it's up to our co-operation with this committee to bring about a most successful affair and I'm sure everyone will respond.

I see where Indianapolis will be well represented by lodges Hoosier Pals and Danica. Approximately 15 teams will enter the tourney from Cleveland representing Utopians, Concordians, Združeni Bratje and Spartans.

Happy Easter to everybody!

WOMEN'S BOWLING NEWS

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. — Easter is drawing near and our lady bowlers are all "a-twitter" about new outfits. They plan to dazzle their feminine contenders as well as the men. What will the numerous array of splashes of color to be worn now, even our eyes will squint from the glare that will be so vivid in the bright sunlight. (Cross our fingers, we are hoping for a sunny Easter day.) All of this leads us nowhere, but there is a path that leads us to new ambitions. Where is that? Our meeting place for all of us bowlers. What is so interesting? Our last decision was enthusiastically received by everyone, for the men as well as the women are having their "splashy" outfits to add warmth to the tournament. If you get what we mean. Fellows, your outfits will look "hot" and your bowling should be the same!

Women bowlers! Must the faithful six continue to carry

(Continued on page 3)

S. S. P. Z. BOWLING TOURNEY NEWS NOTES

A number of teams entertering the tournament will probably be in Chicago early on Saturday, April 13. They will be in a position to bowl their team games earlier than 2:00 p. m. Having this in mind, the Chicago Committee has moved the official starting time to 12:00 o'clock noon. The teams starting at this time will do so by previous arrangement. We are sure this will ease the pressure on both the managing committees and the bowlers, especially, because of the indication of a record entry of teams this year.

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The secretary has received a number of questions from out - of - town teams about hotel accommodations. Because housing arrangements are being made now, no definite registering can be written. Chicago is a large town so rest assured that you will have a place to sleep. We are trying to concentrate bowlers in the vicinity of the meet. More on this later.

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Remember that April 1st is the deadline for entries. At this early date we already have teams registering their intentions. As soon as your March meeting is over, don't wait. You will help us a great deal by being prompt. Beginning next week, we will publish lodge entries, to let you know who is going to compete.

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Marie Chernich was hostess to the bowling committee last week. We had a fine meeting in her cozy home and the "coffee-and" was indeed welcome.

Joe Potsch

"Balkan" Highlights

MIYWAUKEE, Wis. — Altho there was a very poor attendance at the bowlers' meeting on Friday night, March 8, nevertheless all the necessary pre-arrangements pertaining to Balkans' participation in the SSPZ National Bowling Tournament were decided upon by those present.

First the secretary read the register of all bowlers, who either filed or reported that they wish to participate. Fifteen men and six lady bowlers were mentioned on the list, thus comprising three men teams and one lady team. Each team was also arranged reparately, by individuals chosen by the body. Captains appointed for respective teams were: Al Maren, Henry Maren, John Gole for the new squad, and Mary Lenko for the ladies.

Next the financial matter was discussed, and it was unanimously decided that all team entry fees and cost of transportation be compensated thru the lodges' athletic fun. It was also decided that bowling shirts for all bowlers be purchased, the ladies being entitled to bowling dresses.

All matters pertaining to the tourney being in order for the present, all bowlers are requested to give that "last minute" cooperation, that is, to try your utmost to be present at the scheduled place of assemblage at the proper time, as notified by secretary, and thus avoid all unnecessary delays.

Also, all bowlers are requested to get in contact with the captain of any team, or myself, in regard to the line-up of the teams; and those who desire to bowl in doubles and singles kindly deposit entries and fees thru above mentioned source, and do so before, or not later, than the dead-line, April 1st, 1940.

I hope that all participants will show their full cooperation in all respects, while waiting for the dawn of April 13-14, the dates of the SSPZ National Bowling Tournament in Chicago.

John Maren

Janko Lavrin, a Professor of Languages on the University At Nottingham-London, Great Britain, Endorses Zvonko Novak's Dictionary

Last week, Zvonko Novak has received from Janko Lavrin who was born in Bela Krajina, Slovenija, and educated in Novo mesto, and who is now a prominent professor of languages on the university at Nottingham-London in Great Britain, the following letter:

"My dear Zvonko Novak:

"Please excuse the delay in answering your kind letter: my two sons were ill and have only now recovered.

"First off let me tell you how pleased I was to hear from you. I remember you very well and am much interested in your literary activities.

"As for the Anglo-Slovene Dictionary which you are about to publish, I can heartily welcome the idea, and this for two reasons.

"The practical value of such a work for all the Slovenes in America is invaluable; but this point is so obvious that it hardly needs stressing. Nor need I say how important such a book will be to all those Slovenes at home who are anxious to learn English and to become acquainted with the literature of Great Britain and America. I should like to stress however, if I may, another point which is also interesting. Having looked at the specimen pages which you sent me, I have no doubt that a book of this kind may foster the interest in Slavonic studies among the students both in Great Britain and America.

"The British and American Universities have — comparatively recently — included the Slavonic studies among their subjects; but as far as the Jugoslavs are concerned, there are hardly any publications to help those American and English students who are interested in Jugoslav languages and literatures. Your dictionary will certainly fill a gap in this respect, and the sooner it finds a publisher, the better.

"I was pleased to hear about your work among the American Slovenes, and I hope to hear from you again. If you meet Louis Adamic, please convey my regards to him.

"With best wishes and greetings

Yours very sincerely,

Janko Lavrin."

Cleveland United Lodges Bowling News

T. VRH HITS 638 SERIES
F. SLEJKO BLASTS 246 GAME

The league leading Utopian Falcons beat the Spartan Blue Jays in two games to hang on to their lead. J. Spilar had a 553 series and M. Lenassi and J. Jerse had 501 series. For the Blue Jays, L. Batis and J. Moze had 508 series.

The Utopian Eagles beat the Lunder Adamic team in two games. J. Glavic had a 538 series with a 202 game. J. Birk had a 440 series and A. Kollander had a 201 game.

In spite of the fact that T. Vrh blasted a 638 series with 235, 203 and 200 game the Utopian Hawks took only one game from the Spartan Yankees. For the Spartan Yankees S. Centa had a 565 series with a 207 game and E. Dietz had a 533 series with a 219 game.

The Zdruzeni Brati beat the Spartan Presidents in two games. For the Zdruzeni Brati F. Slejko was high with a 564 series with a 246 game good for third place in the standings. T. Debeljak had a 554 series and John Leskovec had a 515 series. For the Presidents T. Bolka had a 532 series with a 202 game and F. Skabar had a 529 series.

With T. Dusa hitting a 604 series with a 204 and 221 game the Concordians beat the Spartan Cavaliers in two games. For the Cavaliers B. Schlardb had a 502 series with a 203 game.

Standings

	W	L	Pct.
Utop. Falcons	47	25	.650
Utop. Eagles	46	25	.639
Spar. Cavaliers	39	33	.542
Spar. Yankees	39	33	.542
Zdruzeni Brati	36	36	.500
Concordians	36	36	.500
Utop. Hawks	34	38	.472
Spar. Presidents	33	39	.458
Spar. Blue Jays	27	45	.375
Lunder Adamic	23	49	.319

Schedule March 24

Alleys 1-2 — Utopian Hawks vs Utopian Falcons.

Alleys 3-4 — Lunder Adamic vs Concordians.

Alleys 5-6 — Spartan Yankees vs Spartan Cavaliers.

Alleys 7-8 — Zdruzeni Brati vs Utopian Eagles.

Alleys 7-8 (3:00) — Spartan Blue Jays vs Spartan Presidents.

LADIES BOWLING LEAGUE

The high flying Utopian Flyers cut down the leading Utopian Roolers and took two games from them. Mary Krevic lead her team with games of 141-152-141 for a 434 series. For the Rollers Al Gruden had games of 166-138-122 for a 426 series.

The cellar team the S. S. Aces upset the faltering Spartans in two games. Rose Hocevar was high for the Spartans with 398 and Marge Jeric lead the Aces with 372.

Schedule March 24

Alleys 3-4 — Utopian Rollers vs S. S. Aces.

Alleys 5-6 — S. S. Flashes vs Utopian Flyers.

Spartans bye.

Standings

	G	W	L	Pct.
Utop. Rollers	60	37	23	.616
S. S. Flashes	60	34	26	.566
Utop. Flyers	60	30	30	.500
Spartans	63	31	32	.492
S. S. Aces	60	28	32	.466

Health And The Census

By F. J. Arch, M. D.,
Sup. Medical Examiner SSPZ

Next month all over our country the regular ten-year census will be taken. That the census has some relation also to the health of the nation as a whole is proven by the facts brought to light by the 1930 census. The results of this year's census will give statisticians the opportunity to survey the changes that have taken place in relationship to illness and death in the United States over a period of years. These changes are significant because they point the way to new attacks on the causes of death.

A child born in the United States in 1890 could reasonably expect to live 43 years; by 1910 this age had moved up to approximately 51 years and by 1930 to 60 years. Obviously, when the average age of death is around 60 years, a considerable number of people live to 70, 80 and 90 years.

Significant in relationship to the causes of death are the changes that have occurred in the lists of these causes in the last thirty-five years. In 1900, tuberculosis led all the causes of death, but in 1930 it was sixth. In 1900, heart disease was third, in 1930 it was first. In 1900, cancer was seventh, but in 1930 it had become second. Automobile accidents did not appear at all in the 1900 list while in 1930 they were tenth. Appendicitis did not appear on the list in 1900, but was fourteenth in 1930. Diptheria, did not appear on the list in 1900, but was forteenth in 1930. Diptheria, however, was twelfth in 1900 and twentieth in 1930.

Certain of the leading causes of death are definitely related to the speed of modern life and the coming of the machine age. The deaths from accident, which now are high in the list, are again to be associated with the changing methods of life of the people in America. The rise in the number of deaths from angina pectoris and from coronary thrombosis is believed to be associated with the tremendous strain and speed of modern life, which throws an immense burden on the nervous mechanism and on the heart.

Heart disease, cancer, apoplexy, diseases of the kidney and pneumonia were the leaders among the causes of death in 1930. It will be interesting to know the leaders after the 1940 census. We as fraternalists should be concerned that the present census about to begin produce true facts. All questions on health or anything connected with health should be truthfully answered so that when the final results are tabulated they will give a clear picture.

Watch Your Step

To reduce the tragic toll of life and the suffering that auto accidents bring the Police Department asks that everyone consider these questions before they step from the curb to cross the street. Is there enough time to cross? Can the approaching car stop in time? Remember that a mistake can easily be fatal!

— Public Relations Bureau, Cleveland Police Department.

Bosco — You say that girl doing the exhibition jitterbug has a cold? What's she doing for it?

Rosco — She's trying to see if she can shake it off?