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NAČRT ZAPADNIH SIL ZA RAZKOSANJE NEMČIJE

Določa ustanovitev zapadne nemške države s kontrolo nad Porurjem

RUSIJA MU BO NASPROTOVALA

London, 8. jun.—Zapadne sile so včeraj objavile načrt za razkosanje Nemčije, odnosno za ustanovitev zapadne nemške države, katero naj tvorijo okupacijske cone Amerike, Anglije in Francije. Načrt predvideva federalno formo vlade z mednarodno kontrolo Porurja.

Načrt je bil izdelan na šestdesetih konferenci predstavnikov Anglije, Amerike, Francije, Belgije, Holandske in Luksemburga v Londonu. Predno bo stopil v veljavo ga bodo morale odobriti vlade vseh prizadetih držav. Angleška vlada ga je že odobrila. Kar se Amerike tiče, ni potrebna kongresna akcija in se pričakuje, da ga bo državni tajnik George Marshall odobril v prihodnjih dneh. Isto se pričakuje tudi od takozvanih beluških držav — Belgije, Luksemburga in Holandske.

Načrt bo gotovo naletel na največjo opozicijo v Franciji iz razloga, ker predvideva rehabilitacijo nemških industrij in vzpostavitve nemške gospodarske moči. Toda smatra se, da ga bo francoska vlada potpisala skozi parlament.

Pričakuje se, da bo temu načrtu in razkosanju Nemčije nasprotovala Rusija. Svoja opozicija je že navdela ob začetku konference zapadnih sil, na kateri je bil izdelan ta načrt. Načrt bo gotovo naletel na večji odpor tudi med Nemci. Sicer pa je rečeno v načrtu, da so vrata odprta tudi vzhodni Nemčiji, ki je pod rusko okupacijo.

Ta načrt med drugim določa: 1) Ustanovitev svobodne in demokratične Nemčije z ustavo, ki bo omogočala priključitev vsem nemškim državam kakor hitro bo to v danih razmerah mogoče.

2) V bližnji bodočnosti naj se skliče skupna seja vojaških governerjev in nemških uradnikov vseh treh okupacijskih con — angleške, ameriške in francoske — ki naj skliče konstituantno za izdelanje nove ustave.

3) Ta ustava mora določiti federativno, ne centralizirano formo vlade.

4) Ta ustava mora biti predložena z referendumom nemškemu ljudstvu v odobritev v vseh državah.

5) Zunanja trgovina mora biti pod "skupno upravo in kontrolo." (Poročilo ne omenja, da-li to pomeni skupno nemško upravo in kontrolo, ali tudi zapadnih držav.)

6) Skupno posvetovanje Anglije, Francije in Amerike v slučaju, ako se pokaže nevarnost novega oboroževanja Nemčije.

7) Ustanovitev skupnega vojaškega varnostnega sveta, ki naj skrbi, dokler traja okupacija, da bo Nemčija ostala razorožena in demilitarizirana.

8) Formiranje dolgoročnega programa za inspekcijo in nadzorovanje nemške industrije, ki naj stopi v veljavo po končanju okupacije. Cilj te inspekcije bi bil preprečenje razvoja nemškega vojnega potenciala.

9) Ustanovitev mednarodne oblasti za kontrolo Porurja. V področju te oblasti bi bila alokacija premoga, koksa in železne rude pokrajine. To oblast bi tvorilo sedem držav — Nemčija, Francija, Anglija in Amerika, ki bi imele vsaka tri glasove, ter Belgija, Luksemburg in Holandska, vsaka z enim glasom.

10) Nemčija ostane pod voja-

Unija izdelovalcev farmskih strojev klonila

Stopila bo v območje Taft-Hartleyjevega zakona

Chicago.—(FP)—Unija izdelovalcev farmskih strojev CIO je pod težo razmer klonila pred Taft-Hartleyjevim zakonom in sklenila, da bo vložila "prisego lojalnosti". Eksekutiva unije je storila ta zaključek po referendumu, v katerem se je večina krajevnih unij izrekla za ta korak.

Eksekutiva je predložila to vprašanje krajevnim unijam pod izkubi stavke in organizacije pri Caterpillar Tractor Co. v Peoriji, Ill. Ker njeni uradniki niso vložili "prisege lojalnosti," kakor to zahteva T-H zakon, zato ta unija v Peoriji tudi ni prišla na glasovnico pri tovarniških volitvah. Na glasovnico so prišle tri druge unije, ki so se zgrnile na to unijo kot sestradani volkovi.

"Ta korak smo storili," je dejal Grant Oaks, predsednik unije Farm Equipment Workers, "da našo unijo obvarujemo pred takimi skebskimi navali s strani volkov delavskega gibanja," kakor se je zadnjič pripetil v Peoriji. "Toda taft-hartleyisti od te naše akcije ne bodo dobili nobenega zadoščenja. Smernice naše unije ostanejo nespremenjene. Mi smo proti anti-rdečkarski histeriji, ki je omogočila sprejetje T-H zakona v kongresu. Mi ne bomo vsogliasili naših smernic z mišljenjem senatorja Tafta. Mi se bomo držali Wallacea."

Ta unija namreč podpira Wallaceovo gibanje in novo stranko. Grant Oaks je bil na ustanovni konvenciji illinoiske progresivne stranke sploh nominiran za governerja.

Veselo te klonitve so resignirali štirje unijski uradniki: Gerard Fiedle, glavni tajnik-blagajnik, podpredsednik Ajay Martin, organizacijski direktor Milt Burn in Pope Huff, član glavnega odbora.

Grant Oaks je posvaril člane unije, naj ne pričakujejo kakšnih koristi od tega koraka. "Zvezni delavski odbor je taft-hartleriziran. Od tega 'outfita' ne pričakujte drugega kakor muke."

Ogrski kardinal sili v "stare-dobre" čase

Budapešta, 8. junija.—Kardinal Jožef Mindszenty, primat katoliške cerkve na Ogrskem, je ukazal svojim vernikom, da ne smejo več čitati vladnih listov in poslušati radija. Kardinalova prepoved je bila izdana v pastirskem pismu, ki je bil prečitán v vseh katoliških cerkvah. Kardinal je obsodil komunistični režim, da širi "laži, zavajanja in teror" v deželi ter da izvaja pritisk na ljudstvo. Dalje pravi kardinal Mindszenty, da so ogrski škofje združeni in da ni nobenih pogajanj med cerkvijo in državo glede vladnega prevzeta cerkvenih šol.

sko okupacijo, "dokler ni zagotovljen evropski mir."

Washington, 8. jun.—Uradniki državnega departmanta so pozdravili načrt za ustanovitev zapadne nemške države, ki je bil izdelan na konferenci zapadnih sil v Londonu. Smatrajo ga kot velik korak k obnovi Evrope, kakor tudi velik udarec za Rusijo v "mrzli" vojni.

Skrbi jih le, da-li bo Francija odobrila ta načrt. Doznava se, da so ji dali nova zagotovila ameriške pomoči in naj se ne bo novega podviga nemškega militarizma ali pa Rusije.

Iz članske kampanje SNPJ

Pet društev že dosegle svoje kvote; v kampanji je do zdaj aktivnih 178 društev, ostala naj se jim pridružijo!

Prva dva meseca kampanje za nove člane sta za nami. Rezultat do sedaj je nekako srednji. Meseca maja je kampanja prinesla 200 novih članov mladinskemu in 148 odraslemu oddelku. Od teh jih je 57 prestopilo iz mladinskega v odrasli oddelk. Skupaj torej 348 članov, kar ni slabo, toda lahko bi bilo bolje.

Do zdaj se je kampanji pridružilo 178 društev, kar je malo več kot 30% vseh društev. Ta lista je zadnji mesec narasla za 64 društev. Toda vsa ostala društva, po številu 425, so še v zimskem spanju, nekako tako kakor jazbec. Čas je, da se prebude tudi ta društva, odnosno članstvo teh društev in pogleda okrog sebe, po naselbinah za kake nove "prospekte". Vile rojenice, ki skrbje za naraščaj, so na primer zelo pridne povsod, toda "prospekti" so tudi med doraslimi. Vsaj tako pokazuje kampanja v onih naselbinah, kjer so na delu naši marljivji kampanjarji.

Kampanja je do zdaj najbolj živahna v prvem distriktu, v Pennsylvaniji, kjer je v tekmi več društev. V tem distriktu je še vedno v ospredju angleško poslušajoče društvo 716 v Imperialu, kar je največje zasluga njegove tajnice sestre Polly Sladick, ki je prijavila nadaljnjih 12 novih članov. To društvo ima na svoji kampanjski puški že 26 zarez.

Za petami pa so jim Avellani, društvo 292, ki je v zadnjih dveh mesecih naraslo za 24 novih članov. V maju so jih pridobili 18. Najbolj so se postavili Frank Zrimm in Pauline ter William Debalak.

V Aliquippi pa so v tekmi sestre Frances Zakrajsek, ki jih je pridobila šest, Josephine Struble, štiri, Theresa Gersel, tri, in Ann Ranica enega. Skupaj 14, od teh devet v maju. Še štiri člane in društvo Excelsior 721 bo doseglo svojo kvoto.

V Samsuli, Florida, pa je na delu Mike Machek, tajnik društva 603, ki je že prijavil devet novih članov. Še tri in društvena kvota bo dosežena. Če bi bilo tako blizu svojih kvot vsaj par sto društev!

Giblje se tudi v Latrobu pri društvu 725, ki je lansko leto odneslo najvišjo nagrado, kar je bila predvsem zasluga br. Georga Nacota. Tudi v tej kampanji je že pridobil dva, štiri pa tajnica Mary E. Fadel. Mary ima to čast, da je pridobila znane Zavadave četvorice, stare malo več tri mesece. Zavadava mama in oče, Barbara in Andrew, sta s tem družinskim dogodkom zadovolja po vsej Ameriki. Tem četvorčkom tudi naša jednota želi vsa srečo v življenju.

V Strabanu, pri društvu 138 pa sta zopet v akciji Frances Petro, voditeljica mladinskega krožka, in tajnik Jakob Pavlič. Pridobila sta jih še devet — sestra Petro pet, br. Pavlič štiri.

V drugem kampanjskem distriktu je še vedno na prvem mestu sestra Mary Dermotta, ki je društvu 476 v Salemu, O., in jednoti že pridobila 15 novih članov — pet v maju. To je štiri več kot je društvena kvota. Za petami ji je sestra Mary Opatray od društva 640 v Bridgeportu, O., ki je že izpolnila društveno kvoto 11 članov.

Za porast društva V boji 53 v Clevelandu (Collinwoodu) pa sta na delu njegov marljivji tajnik Jože Durn in Matt Petrovich, predsednik finančnega odseka gl. odbora SNPJ. Zadnji mesec sta pridobila šest novih članov, štiri br. Durn, dva pa naš Matt. On je že pridobil tri tudi društvu 614.

Za šest novih članov je v maju naraslo tudi društvo 518 v Detroitu, za štiri ali pet pa društvo 459 v Flintu, Mich., društvo 158 v Euclidu, O., in društvo 576 v Clevelandu.

Zdaj pa preskočimo v "mrzlo" Minnesoto, v Cisholm, kjer sta v tekmi društvu 322 (žensko) in 110. Kakor je bilo že poročano na tem mestu pred dvema tednoma, je Mary Pahule, tajnica društva 322, zopet prijavila osem novih članov, prej pa devet in je na prvem mestu v tretjem distriktu. Pri društvu 110 pa sta na delu Frank Klune in Frank Kne, prvi s petimi, drugi s tremi novimi člani. Vse priznanje našim pridnim Chisholmčanom!

V četrtem distriktu pa je razen treh društev še vse — mirno ... V tem zapadnem distriktu so v tekmi društvo 615 v Los Angelesu s 14 novimi člani, društvo 225 v Edinonu, Kansas, z osmimi in društvo 308 v Anacondi, Montana. Radi bi tudi kaj slišali od naših Coloradčanov, Washingtončanov, Oregončanov, Wyomingčanov in drugih.

Prva dva meseca kampanje, kot že rečeno, so za nami. Še dva meseca junij in julij, in zaključena bo prva polovica naše kampanje. Takrat bomo videli, kdo izmed štirih najboljših agitatorjev v vsakem distriktu bo deležen nagrad. Prva nagrada v gotovini za vsak distrikt je \$50, druga \$35, tretja \$25 in četrta \$15. Skupaj \$500. Enake nagrade veljajo tudi za drugo polovico kampanje. Ob zaključku kampanje pa bo v vsakem distriktu najboljši konstantni deležen tudi posebne naknadne nagrade. Vsakdo, ki pridobi kakega novega člana, je seveda upravičen tudi do nagrad, ki so razpisane za posamezne člane. Teh nagrad je v tej kampanji izredno veliko. Poleg tega pa vam bo tudi jednota hvaležna za vaše požrtvovalno delo. Torej na noge pri VSEH društvih!

Sovjetske oblasti zvišale plače

Berlin, 8. junija.—Sovjetske okupacijske oblasti Nemčije so naznanile, da bodo vsi delavci v ruski coni dobili zvišane mezde. Dalje so naznanile, da so proti izdajanju drugega denarja v zapadnem delu Nemčije, ki je pod okupacijo ameriških in francoskih vojaških oblasti. Nemški listi v Berlinu, ki je pod rusko okupacijo, trdijo, da se bodo ameriški vojaki kmalu umaknili iz Berlina, tem pa bodo sledili tudi angleški in francoski vojaki.

Deportacija "nezajeljenih" oseb

New York.—Odkar se je pričela gonja proti "rdečkarjem," je bilo že 50 oseb zaznamovanih za deportacijo. Odbor za protekcijo tujerodnih oseb pravi, da je med temi osebami več delavskih voditeljev, ki živijo v 15 državah. Obласти se ne ozirajo na ustavne pravice, temveč zaznamovane osebe hitro omrežijo za deportacijo. Vse te deportacije so političnega značaja.

Domače vesti

Nov grob na zapadu
Black Diamond, Wash.—Dne 20. maja je v bolnišnici v Rentonu umrl Joseph Primozich, član društva 57 SNPJ. Star je bil 63 let, doma iz Bloka pri Zidanem moštu. V tej državi zapuščala žena, tri sinove, hčer in brata.

Nov grob v Detroitu
Detroit, Mich.—Tukaj je naglo umrl Steve Klobučar, star 58 let, član društva 121 SNPJ. V soboto 5. junija je še delal na vrtu, ob 10. zvečer pa je bil že mrtev. Vzrok je mrtvoud all srčna hiba. Zapuščala žena, kateri društvo izreka globoko sožalje.

Iz Clevelanda
Cleveland, O.—Rojenice so se oglašile pri družini Adams in pustile zalo hčerko. Mati Marion je voditeljica krožka št. 2 SNPJ in hči Josephine Tratnik, tajnice cleveandske federacije.

V bolnišnici
Bridgeport, O.—V bolnišnici Martinsferry se nahaja John Gril, Louis Pirman pa v bolnišnici Glendale. Gril se je moral podvreči operaciji, Pirman pa je bil pobit v majni. V bolnišnici se nahaja tudi žena Franke Matkote. Vai trije so člani društva 13 SNPJ, katero jim želi hitrega okrevanja.

Rusija znižala Finski polovico reparacij

Dala ji je tudi \$5,000,000 posojila

Helsinki, Finska.—Finska vlada in finako ljudstvo je bilo zadnje dni izredno presenečeno, ko je sovjetski poslanik gen. G. M. Savonenkov obvestil finskega premierja Mauna Pekkalo, da je ruska vlada znižala polovico finskih reparacij in Finski povrhu dala tudi \$5,000,000 posojila.

Za olajšanje reparacij je Finska vprašala pred tedni, ko so bila v teku pogajanja za sklenitev obrambne pogodbe. Odgovor Moskve je bil, da bo to prošnjo upoštevala.

Preostale finske reparacije so bile s tem znižane za \$75,000,000. Celotne reparacije so znašale \$300,000,000. Od te vsote jih je polovico že plačala. Finski bo to v veliko olajšanje, prav tako tudi rusko posojilo, katerega bo lahko porabila za nabavo potrebnih v kateri koli državi.

Glavni razlog za to rusko velikodušje je v tem, ker hoče Moskva ustvariti med obema deželama iskreno prijateljstvo. S tem je Moskva razorožila svoje kritike med Finci. Ta ruska generoznost tudi ne bo prav nič škodila finskih levičarskim strankam pri prihodnjih parlamentarnih volitvah meseca julija.

Taftov zakon bo dobil nove "zobe"

Washington.—Ameriški velebiznes si prizadeva, da porine skozi kongres zakon, ki bo še veliko slabši kot je protidelavski Taft-Hartleyev zakon, s katerim sedaj delodajalci razbijajo stavke. Senator Ball, republikanec iz Minnesote, si s svojimi pajdajski prizadeva, da osedla zakon, ki bo fašističen in za delavstvo usodopolen, ako bo sprejet.

Novi krvavi izgredi v Indiji

Bombaj, Indija, 8. jun.—Uradno poročilo omenja izbruh novih krvavih izgredov med Hinduti in muslimani v Godri, 250 milj severno od Bombaja. Enajst oseb je bilo ubitih in čez 50 ranjenih.

Beneš resigniral kot predsednik Čehoslovakije

Vzrok je bolezen in politična situacija

Praga, 8. jun.—Edvard Beneš je včeraj resigniral kot predsednik čehoslovaške republike, katero je pomagal ustanoviti pred tridesetimi leti in po smrti njegovega očeta Tomaža Masaryka postal njegov naslednik.

O njegovi nameravani resignaciji so krožile govorice že nekaj tednov. Vzrok za njegovo resignacijo je dvojni: njegova bolezen in pa velike politične spremembe, do katerih je prišlo prošlega februarja in pozneje. Iz poučenih krogov se doznava, da je Beneš mislil resignirati zadnjo soboto, toda mu je to preprečila bolezen. Ti krogi pravijo, da je on zadnje čase tako slab, da večkrat pade v omedlevalo in tudi hoditi ne more več, marveč se premika le na bolniškem kolesnem stolu.

Znano je, da so politične spremembe v obliki mirne notranje revolucije Beneša zelo poparile in mu nedvomno omajale zdravje. Odkar je prišlo do te spremembe, je stalno živel v svoji podeželski villi pri Sezimovem Usti v bližini Prage. Po smrti Tomaža Masaryka je bil on smatran za enega največjih državnikov v Evropi. Njegov največji udarec, kakor tudi največji udarec Čehoslovakije je bila monarkovska kupčija, s katero je bila dežela izročena na milost in nemilost Hitlerju.

Beneševu resignacijo je zadnji ponedeljek pozno popoldne naznanil premier Gottwald, ki je obenem dejal, da bo Beneš dobival svojo predsedniško plačo (\$60,000 na leto) do smrti. Beneš je zdaj star 64 let. Kdo bo njegove naslednik, še ni znano. Govorice so, da ga bo nasledil bodisi znani levičarski socialist Fierlinger, ali pa Zdenek Nejedly.

Bivši rumunski kralj se poroči

Na rumunski prestol se še namerava povrniti

Atena, Grčija, 8. jun.—Zadnje dni sta semkaj dospela bivši rumunski kralj Miha in danska princeza Ana, da se prihodnji četrtek tukaj poročita. Na letališču sta ju sprejela grški kralj in kraljica z vojaško godbo. Grški kralj Pavel je Mihotov stric. Poroča se bo vršila po obredih ortodoksne grške cerkve, svatba pa bo kraljevska. "Ohceti" se bosta udeležila tudi premier Sofulis in zunanji minister Tsaldaris. Indirektno bodo na "ohceti" tudi grški gerilci.

Miha reflektira, da se bo s pomočjo zapadnih sil še povrnil na rumunski tron. V Rumuniji pa so seveda drugačnega mnenja in so Mihatu nedavno zaplenili vse premoženje: 16 lovskih gradov, čez 400,000 akrov zemlje in gozdov, 143 gradov s 3,060 sobami in dvoranami, prav tako tudi zlahkne kamne in delnice velike vrednosti. Ampak Miha s svojo nevesto vred kljub temu ne bo stradal, kajti se je bil že prej preskrbel za "vsak slučaj" in v tujino poslal čedne "prihranke". Miha bo preživel medene dneve s svojo nevesto v poletni palači grškega kralja, nakar se z ženo povrne na zapad, kjer si bo pri zapadnih "demokratih" iskal zaveznikov za strmoglavljenje rumunskega levičarskega režima. Pravijo, da namerava priti zopet v Ameriko, kjer je bil zadnjič v Beli hiši častno sprejet in baje dobil tudi zagotovilo od predsednika Trumana, "da je Amerika na njegovi strani."

OREGONČANI ZAHTEVAJO VLADNO PREISKAVO

Reka Columbia zopet narasla; 4000 prostovoljcev jači nasipe

ARMADNI INŽENIRJI KRITIZIRANI

Portland, Oregon.—(FP)—Reka Columbia je zadnje dni zopet narasla do iste višine kakor je bila 30. maja, ko je skoro totalno uničila portlandsko predmestje Vanport. Vzrok je, ker so iz Skalnatega gorvoja radi naglega tavanja ledu privrvele nove mase vode.

Pri jačanju nasipov dela že blizu dva tedna preko 4,000 prostovoljcev samo v Portlandu. Zadnje dni jim pomaga tudi narodna milica, katero je oregonski governer poslal na lice mesta. Le temu prostovoljnemu delu tisočev delavcev se je zahvaliti, da narasla reka ni razbila še več nasipov. Zadnje nedelje je reka Columbia zopet narasla na 29.7 čevljev nad svojo normalo, le dva palca manj nego je bila teden prej.

Prostovoljni delavci imajo največjo borbo na 20 milj dolgem nasipu vzhodno od Portlanda, kjer je največja nevarnost. Ako bi reka tukaj pretrgala nasip, bi zalila 10,000 akrov sveta, kjer so bogate farme sa sočivje, zelenjavo in rože. 50 milj od svojega izliva v morje je reka zadnje dni pretrgala jez in zalila 10 čevljev globoko 150 akrov zemlje dveh farmarjev, katerih družine so se rešile s splezanjem na strehe.

Skoda te povodnje se ceni na \$140 milijonov. Ta vsota bo po mnenju poznavalcev n a j b r z e večja. Rdeči križ je do zadnje nedelje ugotovil, da je utonilo 82 oseb—45 otrok in medem odraslih. Več je še pogrešanih. Po poročilu Rdečega križa v San Franciscu je okrog 48,000 oseb ostalo brez strehe. V okolici Portlanda jih je brez strehe 26,000. (Prvotna poročila so govorila o 80,000.)

Razne organizacije so začele zahtevati kongresno preiskavo. Vzrok je, ker pravijo, da so te povodnje in katastrofe v Vanportu krivi armadni inženirji, ki so odgovorni za nasipe in varnostne naprave.

Ta zahteva je prišla od oregonске farmarske organizacije Grange in od državnega Wallacevega odbora. To zahteva je takoj podprl Portlandski svet CIO, kakor tudi unija skladiščnih delavcev.

Predsednik te farmarske organizacije Morton Tompkins je dejal: "Kakor mi razumemo, so bili nasipi pod popolno kontrolo armadnih inženirjev. Mi trdimo, da bi jim moralo biti znano, kje je pretela nevarnost. Ako niso vedeli, kje nasipi niso bili dovolj močni, tedaj niso bili sposobni za to delo."

Tompkins in Thomas G. Moore, direktor državnega Wallacevega odbora, sta dejala, da ta povodnja in katastrofa, ki je zadela Vanport, kličeta po enakih merah, kakor jih je vlada pred desetimi leti podvela v dolini reke Tennessee, to je z ustanovitvijo Columbia Valley Authority, ki bi gradila velike jezove in elektrarne na reki Columbiji. "Z vanportako katastrofo so privatne elektrarske družbe požele svoje dividende," je dejal Moore.

Omeniti je treba, da se proti takim javnim podjetjem kot je TVA dosledno bore vsa leta tudi armadni inženirji, ki imajo v kongresu močno lobijo. O Columbia Valley Authority in o sličnem vladnem projektu v Misourski dolini ne marajo nič slišati, ker bi se morali oprijeti drugega dela, regulacijo in izkoriščanje rek pa prepustiti drugim avtoritetam.

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Glasovi iz naših naselebin

PIKNIK DRUŠTVA MIR ŠTEV. 142 SNPJ

Cleveland, O.—V nedeljo, 13. junija, se bo vršil piknik društva Mir na izletniški farmi clevelandskih društev SNPJ na Heath rd. Ta dan zasede članstvo društva Mir izletniške prostore v družbi znancev in prijateljev.

Društvo Mir ni že precej časa obdržavalo zabave v prosti naravi in zato je sedaj primeren čas, da se zopet enkrat snidemo člani, članice in prijatelji na solastnih prostorih, za katere je tudi to društvo že precej prispevalo, da se malo pozabavamo, obnovimo spoznanje, srečamo stare in nove znance ter prijatelje.

Društvo Mir ima okrog 650 odraslih članov in članic in je v svojem osemindesetletnem poslovanju izplačalo lepe vsote v slučaju nesreče ali smrti svojemu članstvu potom organizacije SNPJ.

Na prostore bo vozil tudi bus: Prvi odpelje izpred Slovenskega doma na Holmes ave. ob dveh popoldnih, gredoč ustavi pred Slovenskim delavskim domom na Waterloo rd., na Bliss in St. Clair, Babbit & Lakeland; drugi pa odpelje ob štirih in vozi po isti poti kot prvi.

Sedaj, ko je dograjen plesni paviljon na farmi, tudi dež ne more dosti kljubovati, ker strehe je dovolj. Igrala bo dobra godba in nova peč je prazila za lačne in preurejena pivnica pa stregla žejnim.

Louis Katerla.

DAN SNPJ V CALIFORNIJI

Los Angeles, Calif.—V Prosveti čitamo poročila iz raznih slovenskih naselebin, v katerih društva prirejajo piknike in druge veselice, kar je znamenje, da je zima minila in da gorko sonce zopet vabi ljudi na razvedrilo v prosti naravo.

Toda to ni vabilo na piknik. Le čitajte naprej in zvedeli boste, da smo letos organizirali v Californiji nekaj drugega. Naša društva bodo namreč priredila dan SNPJ v Los Angelesu, in sicer v soboto, 3. julija, in v nedeljo, 4. julija.

Odbor za program svojega dela še ni izvršil, vendar ste lahko prepričani, da bo program pester in zadovoljiv za vsakogar. Upamo tudi, da nam izvrševalni odbor SNPJ pošlje govornika za to našo važno priredbo.

DAN SNPJ V MILWAUKEEU

Milwaukee, Wis.—Veliko se govori o pripravah za našo tridnevno slavnost, ki se bo vršila 4. 5. in 6. septembra.

Ni bilo veliko poročil o tem v časopisu, to pa v sled tega, ker smo vsi čez glav obloženi z vsakovrstnim delom, doma in v tovarni, poleg tega pa so razne seje in shodi na dnevnem redu.

Nekaj posebnega nam bo nudil piknik, ki se bo vršil v Pleasant Valley parku v nedeljo, 5. septembra. V ta namen smo se izbrali in zasigurali najboljše godbenike in sicer Bahelov in Yankovichov orkester.

Vstopnice bodo v kratkem v razprodaji. Preskrbite si jih pri društvih tajnikih in članih federacije. Vsi boste dobrodošli.

Torej 3. in 4. julija vsi na dan SNPJ v Los Angeles! Odbor.

VAŽNO ZBOROVANJE PROSVETNE MATICE BO V NEDELJO 13. JUNIJA V MILWAUKEEU

Chicago, Ill.—V nedeljo, 13. junija, se bo vršilo zelo važno zborovanje organizacije Prosvetne matice za severni Illinois in Wisconsin, in sicer v Milwaukeeju, v Reberniškovi dvorani, 539 S. 6th st. Pričetek ob 9.30 popoldne.

Kakor je dozdaj znano iz zastopnikov in zastopnic, bo zborovanje zelo reprezentativno. Na dnevnem redu bo razprava o tretji politični stranki, o letošnji predsedniški kampanji in jesenskih volitvah, katere bodo najbolj važne v zgodovini Amerike.

Samo ta predmet razprave je toliko vreden, da je vredno iti poslušat. Kdor le more, naj se udeleži zborovanja in sledi razpravam. Vsakdo je dobrodošel.

Na dnevnem redu bodo tudi razprave o naših lastnih problemih, katerih je mnogo. Podana bodo tudi poročila iz različnih naselebin: o društvenih, kulturnih, političnih in drugih aktivnostih.

Na svidenje v nedeljo, 13. junija, v Milwaukeeju! Louis Zorko, tajnik konference.

GLEDE IMENA FEDERACIJE

Barberton, O.—V mojem zadnjem poročilu o federaciji, je bila pomota. Glasiti bi se moralo "North Western Federation SNPJ", ne pa "barbertonska federacija SNPJ". (Uredništvo navadno zapiše "barbertonska federacija SNPJ" zato, ker je krajše ime in zaeno natančneje označuje okrožje, kjer postuje vsa federacija. Na vašo željo bomo od sedaj naprej rabili ime "federacija SNPJ za severozapadni Ohio".—Ured.)

L. Frank, tajnik.

Penne, marveč tudi iz bližnjega dela Ohio. Društva v Los Angelesu ga bodo praznovala 3. in 4. julija, clevelandska federacija 8. avgusta.

Glavna letošnja jednotina priredba bo seveda v Milwaukeeju. Potrebno je, da za ta izlet mobilizirajo svoje članstvo tudi ilinojske federacije, zlasti čikaška in lasallska. Po dolgih letih bo to prvi SNPJ Day na srednjem zapadu.

O DETROITSKIH AKTIVNOSTIH IN O KRITIKI GL. PODPREDSEDNIKA

Detroit, Mich.—Seje detroitske federacije SNPJ se vršijo redno, so stvarne in udeležba je vedno povoljna, kajti na njej so zastopana vsa tukajšnja društva, in sicer št. 121, 518, 564, 677 in 711.

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VABILO NA FILMSKO PREDSTAVO IN DRUGO

Detroit, Mich.—Namenjam vsem Slovincem v Detroitu in okolici, da bo podružnica št. 1 SANSa predvajala zanimive filme v nedeljo, 13. junija, začetek ob treh popoldnih v Slovenskem narodnem domu na 17153 John R.

Kakor vam je znano, je blagajna naše podružnice prazna, denar pa potrebujemo, posebno sedaj, ko je naša organizacija v polnem zamahu, da pripomore do izvolitve Wallaceja in Taylorja ter drugih kandidatov nove stranke.

Izrazil sem svoje mnenje o tej zadevi in upam, da ne bo nihče užaljen. Albert Naprednik.

Z ZAPADNE STRANI CLEVELANDA

Cleveland (West Park), O.—Le malo kdaj je priobčena kakšna novica z zapadne strani Clevelanda v naših listih.

Dalje poročam, da je John Tomazin nabral za svobodo tiska \$14.50, Frank Mlakar pa \$10. Na določeno mesto smo torej poslali \$24.50, poprej pa smo darovali iz društvene blagajne \$10, člani pa so prispevali \$6, skupaj znaša naš prispevek za ta namen \$40.50.

Na bolniški listi imamo pet članov in članic: Josephine Bizjak, Anna Košak, Josephine Inthar, Louisa Hočevar in Nick Kominsky. Vsem želimo hitro okrevanje!

Frank Knafelec, tajnik.

L. MEDVEŠEK SE ZAHVALJUJE

Cleveland, O.—Na Spominski dan, 31. maja, mi je društvo Naprej št. 5 SNPJ priredilo lep poslovljni večer. Iskreno se zahvaljujem društvu Naprej in odboru za vso oskrbo, vsem zastopnikom podpornih, kulturnih in drugih narodnih ustanov za lepe govore. Enako pevskeemu zboru Zarji in solistu Glasbene matice Louisa Belletu za krasno petje. Lepa hvala za lepa darila, katera ne bom navajal, toda so krasna in mi bodo v trajen spomin na moje bivanje v Clevelandu.

V staro domovino odpotujem v ponedeljek, 14. junija, ali v torek, 15. junija, in kličem društvenikom in prijateljem ZIVE-LI! Ostanite zvesti narodu in delujte po vaših najboljših močeh za dobrobit naroda. Pozdravljeni!

Ludvik Medvešek.

PLESNA VESELICA DRUŠTVA 235 SNPJ

Edison, Kans.—Društvo Karl Marks 225 SNPJ bo priredilo plesno veselico tretjo nedeljo v juniju, to je na Očetov dan, 20. junija, v dvorani Franklin Community, začetek ob dveh popoldnih do polnoči. Za ples bo igrala izvrstna Bogalajeva godba.

Naše društvo vabi na veselico vse članstvo SNPJ od blizu in daleč, kakor tudi vse prijatelje in znance. Pridite in se boste malo poveselili ter pozabili na vsakdanje skrbi. Na razpolago bo dober prigrizek in mrzlo pivo. Vsi dobrodošli! Torej na gotovo svidenje 20. junija!

Jersey O'Korn, tajnik.

PRISPEVKI ZA SVOBODO TISKA

West Allis, Wis.—Za obrambo našega naprednega časopisja je društvo 104 SNPJ prispevalo \$25, Ralph Cheplack \$14, ena oseba \$3, štiri po \$2 in petnajst oseb po \$1. Denar je bil poslan na pristojno mesto.

France Puncer.

NA ZNANJE ČLANSTVU DRUŠTVA SLAVIJE I SNPJ

Chicago, Ill.—Redna mesečna seja društva Slavije se bo vršila v petek, 11. junija, v spodnji dvorani SNPJ, začetek ob osmih zvečer, asenmt pa bom pričel pobirati že od sedmih. Udeležite se v velikem številu!

Ob tej priliki se zahvaljujem v imenu federacije pevskeemu zboru Prešernu, ki je zapel več pesmi na Spominski dan na pokopališču Woodlawn, ko so se vršili spominski obredi za pokojnimi člani SNPJ. Prav tako hvala br. Gorencu, Trojarju in Oscarju Godini za govore.

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IZJAVA SLOVENSKEGA AMERIŠKEGA NARODNEGA SVETA

Dnevni listi z dne 28. maja t. l. objavljajo vest, da je justični tajnik gospod Clark tudi Slovenski ameriški narodni svet uvrstil med organizacije, ki jih reakcionarni mogotci imenujejo "prevarne". Slovenski ameriški narodni svet deli to označbo z mnogimi organizacijami, katerim je bila že prej očitana "nelojalnost", dasi ni bilo za tako obdolžitve nobenega dokaza. Prav tako ni ocrnjevanje SANSa podprto z nobenim dejstvom, za katero bi se mogla po pravici rabiti beseda "subverzive". Nasprotno je Slovenski ameriški narodni svet ves čas svojega obstanka z neštetiimi dejanji dokazoval svojo lojalnost do ustave Zedinjenih držav, ki je edino resnično merilo lojalnosti v tej deželi. V najbolj kritičnih časih vojne je SANS vzdrževal moralno svojih pristavev, večinoma delavcev v podjetjih vojne produkcije na vrhuncu; po SANSovi vzpodbudi so njegovi člani in njemu sledeče organizacije nakupile za milijone dolarjev obrambnih in vojnih bondov, podpirale Rdeči križ in vse ustanove, ki so delale za zmago zaveznikovih demokratičnih narodov nad poostjo fašizma. Mnogoštevilne so družine SANSovih članov, ki so žrtvovali svoje sinove za to zmago in naštevaje vsega, kar je SANS storil na tem polju bi napolnilo knjigo. Lojalnost SANSa je često dobivala priznanje merodajnih faktorjev, ki so pri njem iskali informacije, vabili njegove člane, da govore na radio za domačo in prekomorsko oddajo in mu dajali moralno oporo.

Ce se sedaj nenadoma vse to označuje za prevratnost, tedaj bi se moralo sklepati, da je bilo ravnanje Zedinjenih držav v dobi vojne napačno, da so bili Teheran, Jalta, Potsdam zmote, da je bilo že stremljenje po ohranitvi tiste skupnosti, brez katere ne bi bil fašizem nikdar poražen, prevratno. Tako misel je seveda SANSu tuja, ker je prepričan, da so edino skupni napori združenih demokratičnih narodov rešili svet strašne usode, ki bi ga bila zadel, če bi bil fašizem izšel iz vojne kot zmagovalček in enako verjame, da je ohranitev te skupnosti edino jamstvo svetovnega miru. Slovenski ameriški narodni svet je bil in je lojalna, ameriška organizacija, kar pa ne pomeni, da se ne bi smel posluževati ustavnih pravic, svobode govora, svobode tiska in predvsem svobode mišljenja, s čimer je nerazdružljivo spojena svoboda kritike. Zavedajoč se te resnice, glavni odbor Slovenskega ameriškega narodnega sveta odločno odklanja označbo nelojalnosti in smatra tako arbitrarno ocrnjevanje za nasprotno vsem načelom in tradicijam ameriškega naroda in njegove zgodovine.

Ta izjava je bila soglasno sprejeta na letni seji glavnega odbora SANSa v Clevelandu, Ohio, 30. maja 1948.

SLOVENSKI AMERIŠKI NARODNI SVET
F. A. Vider, predsednik
Mirko G. Kuhel, tajnik

Glasovi iz naselbin

ODGOVOR BRATU KIRNU

Dearborn, Mich. — Br. Albert Kirn je objavil dopis v Prosveti z dne 26. maja, v katerem piše, da mora protestirati proti nekaterim tako zvanim voditeljem SNPJ. To pomeni mene. Pravi, da so mene povabili na priredbo mladinskega krožka št. 58 SNPJ, da bi spregovoril nekaj besed v angleščini, kar bi bilo mladini v veliko vzpodbudo in moralno dobro vplivalo nanjo. K temu pa br. Kirn še pristavlja, da je čakal na moj odgovor do četrtka pred priredbo, toda tudi tedaj so morali prositi za moj odgovor, nato pa sem odgovoril, da sem preveč zaposlen z drugim delom, zato ne morem priti na priredbo.

Tako piše br. Kirn v omenjeni Prosveti. Zdaj pa naj citate, lji slišijo tudi drugo plat zvona. Naj navedem, kako je bilo s to zadevo. Teden pred priredbo mladinskega krožka je poklical po telefonu, a mene ni bilo doma, pač pa mu je moja žena odgovorila in pojasnila, da gotovo ne bom mogel priti na krožkovo priredbo, ker se delavci pri Dodge Truck in Chrysler Co pripravljajo na stavko in da bom imel tam preveč dela, kajti pri uniji Dodge Truck sem predsednik.

Torej br. Kirn je vse to dobro vedel, dne 6. maja pa me je zopet poklical po telefonu, a me zopet ni dobil doma, ker sem imel važno tunjsko sejo. Zopet mi je odgovorila moja žena, da je nemogoče, da bi se udeležil, ker sem zadržan, zato mi naj oprostite. To mu je povedala prvič in drugič.

V nedeljo, 9. maja, smo imeli vsi predsedniki lokalov sejo, ko pa sem prišel domov, mi je žena povedala, da je Kirn zopet klical in kaj mi je odgovorila. Sam pri sebi sem mislil, da nje-od pojasnilo zadostuje in da bodo upoštevali moje zadržek, saj je moje delovanje v korist delavstva, torej tudi članstva SNPJ.

Dalje br. Kirn vprašuje, "katero delo je zanj (zame) bolj važno, ali to, za katerega ga je izvolila konvencija SNPJ, ali ono drugo?" Kaj naj to pomeni "ono drugo delo"? Zakaj br. Kirn ni zapisal, KAKŠNO JE TO DELO? Saj je vendar dobro vedel, radi katerega dela sem bil zadržan. To njegovo kritiziranje ni umestno in sega predaleč.

pojasnim, kaj me je zadržalo, da se nisem mogel udeležiti omenjene priredbe. Dne 18. aprila sem prevzel predsedništvo lokalne 140 UAW-CIO pri Dodge Truck Co. Dne 9. maja pa je imel krožek 58 SNPJ priredbo, na kateri bi imel nastopiti kot govornik, dne 12. maja pa so šli na stavko vsi delavci pri Chrysler Motor in Dodge Truck Co. V tem času smo skleпали pogodbe in sem bil zelo zaposlen. Se je s mojim odgovorom in skoraj 30 ur neprenehoma. Navzgor smo morali biti vsi.

Torej, ker br. Kirn vprašuje, katero delo je bolj važno, sem zadevo pojasnil in mislim, da članstvo SNPJ lahko uvidi, da je delo, ki sem ga opravljal v tistem času tudi važno in v korist vseh članov SNPJ ter delavcev v splošnem.

Kirn tudi sprašuje, ali so moje dolžnosti in delo v dobrobit SNPJ bolj pomembna stvar, nato pa poudari, če nekdo prevzame neko delo in se zaveže, da ga bo vestno izvrševal, potem ga pa radi drugega zanemarja, nastane vprašanje, katero delo hoče obdržati, ako ne more obeh izvrševati.

Dragi br. Kirn, jaz vse to dobro vem in se zavedam, ampak to delo, ki ga imam pri SNPJ, ne more preživljati, kar dobro vseh tudi ti. Jaz nisem od vas oz. krožka 58 prejel nobenega uradnega pisma, da bi vani mogel odgovoriti, po telefonu sta se pa zmenila z mojo ženo, ali ne? Mene hočete le blatiti. To ni lepo od tebe, br. Kirn. Meni je pri srcu v prvi vrsti resnica!

Zakaj pa niste povabili drugega glavnega odbornika, ki tudi živi v Detroitu in je ljubitelj mladine ter morda bolj sposoben kot jaz? On je pomagal že na vse načine in daroval za naše stvari. Potrebno je, da smo složni in razumni. Ni težko človeka zbadati in ga loviti za besede. Povem vam, če ne bi bil za SNPJ tako navdušen, prav tako za našo mladino, bi me ta neupravičena kritika tako ne bolela. Leta 1940 sem organiziral mladinski krožek št. 29 SNPJ in ga vestno vodil do mojega odhoda v armado. Predno sem odšel, so mi otroci priredili odhodno in podarili lepo darilo, katerega zelo cenim in ga hranim. Po mojem odhodu pa je ta krožek prenehal. Kje si bil, br. Kirn, tedaj, ko so te potrebovali? Ko sem se vrnil iz ar-

mide, sem zopet krožek aktiviziral in se danes obstoja.

Naj še povem, da nisem nikdar zamudil nobene priredbe SNPJ, temveč se jih udeležujem in zraven pomagam po moji najboljši moči. Nikdo mi ne more vzeti to veselje, kar sem z dušo in telesom za SNPJ. Iz vsega srca pa tudi ljubim delavstvo in mu pomagam, v kolikor morem. In baš sedaj so delavske razmere resne in treba se je boriti za skorjo kruha.

Za delavske principe sem se že boril, ko sem bil še zelo mlad. Z mojim pokojnim bratom sem se borila, ko je bila prva sedeca stavka pri Dodge Truck Chrysler Co. Bila sva vse dneve in noči v tovarni in se borila v korist delavstva. Vsem je znano, kako je bilo to nevarno tiste čase.

Ko sva s pokojnim bratom William prišla domov, sva imela vse krvave noge od hoje. Bila sva lačna in trudna in še sedaj sem prepričan, da so bile posledice njegove prerane smrti, kajti od tistega časa se ni več počutil dobro. Človek se bori in prizadeva za delavske pravice, potem pa dobi mesto priznanja za znanca.

Tudi zadnjega sborovanja glavnega odbora v Chicagu se nisem udeležil, ker sam bil na konferenci pri Chryslerju. Glavni odborniki so moje odsotnost vzeli na znanje, kot je rekorderjaro v zapisniku glavnega odbora.

Naj še povem, da so moji stari naš otroke vedno učili, da se moramo držati SNPJ in naj bomo aktivni v njej, ker so jo ustanovili delavci. Prav tako so nas učili, da moramo delati v prid delavstva.

Ako kateri ne verjame mojim besedam, se lahko prepriča v Chryslerjevemu departmentu U. A. W., pisarna 4147 Pass ave., in bo lahko zvedel, da sem bil res na konferenci, ko se je vrnila krožkova priredba. Br. Kirn pa naj vzame na znanje, da je to moj prvi in zadnji odgovor na njegov dopis, kajti se ne bom pričkal v Prosveti.

Ray Travak.

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Naj pričnem najprvo s čitalniško priredbo, ki se je vršila v mesecu februarju v SDD na Waterloo rd. Dasiravno smo delali za to priredbo samo 4 ali pet odbornikov, se je prav dobro obnesla. Seve, na dan priredbe nam je še nekaj drugih delavcev prisloščilo na pomoč. Preostanek je znašal čez \$325! Kot tajnik in blagajnik te kulturne ustanove, se vsem, ki so kolikoj pripomogli do uspeha, prav lepo zahvaljujem!

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Drugi dan, 25. aprila, pa so imeli Zarjani svoj spomladanski koncert in opereto "Srce in denar". Tudi za to priredbo sem pisal, se je udeležil in bil zelo vesel uspeha.

Teden dni po Zarjinem koncertu pa se je vršil koncert moškega zbora Slovanov in opereta "Snubači". Ta Slovanova priredba se je to pot vršila v auditoriju Slovenskega narodnega doma na St. Clair ave. (Slovanov glavni stan je v Slovenskem društvenem domu v Euclidu, O.) Ta slučajna sprememba se jim je prav imenitno obnesla. Pevci so se prav dobro pripravili in želi velik uspeh.

V nedeljo, 23. maja, pa je imel odbor izletniških prostorov SNPJ otvoritev pikniške sezone. Dan je bil deževen in precej hladen, vendar pa je bilo važno precej ljudi, tako da ni bilo izgube.

Velika priredba vseh treh Sansovih podružnic pa se je vršila ob priliki zborovanja eksekutive in širšega odbora SANSa. Podan je bil zanimiv variantni program, poleg pa so nastopili še razni govorniki. Uspeh je bil prav dober. Ne morem pa utajiti, da je bilo s priredbo tudi veliko dela, ampak z združenimi močmi se vse prepriča.

Najlepša hvala vsem članom in članicam pripravljalnega odbora, istotako vsem delavcem in delavkam, ki so tako pridno pomagali, da je priredba potekla gladko in z velikim uspehom. Naj ne pozabim zahvaliti se vsem onim trgovcem, ki so nam naklonili oglašje, ki so bili po \$5 in \$10. Za te oglašje sva skrbela podpisani in moj pridni kolega John Pollock, ki je obenem blagajnik za svobodo tiska. Pri tem njegovem ogromnem delu in skrbi vrši še druga dela. Kot član nadzornega odseka pri Odboru za svobodo tiska, vse to dobro vidim!

Na Spominski dan, 31. maja, pa smo imeli poslovični večer za našega pridnega, narodnega in kulturnega delavca Ludvika

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ANDY JANČAR

Rojen je bil leta 1877 v vasi Javor pod Ljubljano v Jugoslaviji. Tukaj sapašča šaljivoče čeno (rojeno Vidger) in Zadvora in otroke. Na tem mestu se želimo prav lepo zahvaliti vsem, ki so ga obiskovali za časa njegove bolezni, za darove in za vse, kar hodi s nam dobrega storili. Srčna hvala vsem za darovane krasne vence in cvetlice in za obilen sprejem pokojnika na zadnjem polju na pokopališču k mirnemu počitku. Posebno se zahvalimo mrs. Joseph Hecavarjevi in mrs. Frank Bentina, ki so prišle iz Clevelanda, Ohio, ga obiskat v njegovi bolezni, kakor tudi za sprejem in udeležbo na mirodvor. Hvala lega tudi vsem za podarjene vence in cvetlice in splot za vse, kar ste nam pomagali v uri žalosti. Tebi, dragi soproga in oče, pa želimo, počivaj v miru in lahka naj Ti bude ameriška zemlja.—Zalujoci ostali: Mrs. Frances Jančar, soproga; John, sin; Mary Moonly in Anna Orsiny, hčeri, 611 Bentley Ave., Niles, O.

Naznanilo in zahvala

Tužnega srca naznanjamo vsem sorodnikom, prijateljem in znancom žalostno vest, da je dne 4. maja 1948 za vedno preminul naš ljubljani oče in stari oče

JOHN SOFTICH

Rojen je bil 18. junija 1875 v vasi Bač pri St. Petru na Notranjskem v Jugoslaviji. V Ameriko je prišel leta 1903 in sicer v Delgado, Colo. in ves čas delal v premogetovih in južnem Colorado. Leta 1945 se je s svojo družino preselil v Louisville, Colo., ter je tam živel dokler mu ni nemila smrt pretrgala ni življenja. Soproga mu je umrla pred 11 meseci. Bil je svetel in dober član društva in jednosa, ter marljiv plačnik društvenih prispevkov in je tudi poskrbel, da je vsa njegova družina zavarovana pri S. N. P. Jednoti. Pogreb se je vršil 7. maja t. l. na Green Mountain Cemetery na Boulder, Colorado, kjer sedaj počiva poleg svoje svete soproge. Na tem mestu se najlepše zahvalimo družini št. 218 SNPJ v Denverju, Colo., za krasni darovani vence in za prelepo urejeni mu spreved k mirnemu počitku na pokopališču. Nadalje srčna hvala vsem sorodnikom, znancom in prijateljem za darovane mu krasne vence in cvetlice. Hvala lepa posebnikom nosilec in vsem, ki ste ga spremlili na zadnji poti na mirodvor. Iskrena hvala vsem, ki ste nas tolažili in nam pomagali v uri žalosti. Tebi, dragi naš oče in stari oče, na želimo, počivaj v miru v prelepi coloradski grudi.—Zalujoci ostali: Mary Mihvec, Fanny Ray, Rose Kurelich, Anna Udovich in Rafael Warenburg, omočene hčere in Joseph Softich, sin ter štirinajsti vnukov in trije pravnuki, vsi v Louisvillu, Colo. V starem kraju v Jugoslaviji pa sestra Paulina, omočena Rovana.—Louisville, Colo.

Naznanilo in zahvala

Zalostnega srca naznanjamo vsem sorodnikom, znancom in prijateljem tužno vest, da je dne 15. maja 1948 preminul naš neposredni soproga, oče in brat

FRANK SPITZMILLER

Rojen je bil na Čatešu pri Brezicah, leta 1882. in v Ameriko je prišel leta 1900 k svojemu očetu, ki je živel v La Salle, Illinois. V svojih mladih letih je bil premoget, potem je veliko let vodil gostilniško obrt dokler ga ni bolezen ored več leti položila na posteljo. Pokopan je bil 22. maja na katoliških obredih. K Slov. narod. podp. jednoti je pristopil meseca marca 1905 in sicer k društvu "Triglav", ob smrti je bil pa član društva Sokol št. 98. SNPJ. Bil je ustanovni član Slov. Narod. Doma v La Salle, Illinois, in član prvega direktorija. Na tem mestu se iskreno zahvaljujemo vsem, ki ste ga obiskali v času njegove dolgotrajne bolezni, ter vsem, ki ste ga obiskali ob njegovem miravkem odu, vsem, ki ste ga spremlili na njegovi zadnji poti na pokopališču. Iskrena hvala vsem, ki ste mu darovali krasne vence, mašne karte in dali na raspolago svoje avtomobile za spreved na pokopališču, ter vsem, ki ste nam drugače stali ob strani v času njegove smrti. Je nemogoče nam tukaj navesti imena vseh, ker bilo vse je veliko. Hvala članstvu in odbornikom društva Sokol št. 98. SNPJ za vse, kar ste storili dobrega v času bolezni in ob smrti za pokojnika. Še enkrat iskrena hvala vsem skupaj. Počivaj v miru in lahka naj Ti bude ameriška gruda.—Zalujoci ostali: Katherine Spitzmiller, soproga; Frank ml. in John, sinova; Katherine, Gen in Tress, hčere; Theresa Vogrinc, Mary Bratkovich, Katherine Tolstovznik in Jennie Stein, sestre.—La Salle, Illinois.

Naznanilo in zahvala

Zalostnega srca naznanjamo vsem sorodnikom, znancom in prijateljem tužno vest, da je za vedno preminul moj ljubljani soproga, oče in stari oče

JOHN JACOBY Sr.

Umrl je zaradi srčne bolezni in premogetarske nadehu dne 1. maja 1948 ob 5:30 jutraj. Pogreb se je vršil 4. maja t. l. po cerkvenem obredu v Johnstownu, Pa. Rojen je bil 16. novembra 1879 v St. Jerneju na Delenjskem v Jugoslaviji. V Ameriko je prišel leta 1905. Bil je ustanovitelj in član društva št. 254 SNPJ na Bon Air, Pa. Na tem mestu se prav lepo zahvalimo soprogi Ignac Grosniku, ki je poslovični govor za druž. št. 254 in br. Johnu Michnyu, ki je govoril v imenu U. M. W. of America ob odprtem grobu. Srčna hvala vsem njegovim sorodnikom pogrebcem, ki so ga nosili in spremlili k mirnemu počitku. Iskrena hvala vsem, ki ste mu podarili krasne vence in cvetlice in vsem za darove "za sv. maše, ter vsem, ki ste ga obiskali ob miravkem odu, vsem, ki ste dali na raspolago svoje avtomobile in venci v sprevedu na mirodvor. Srčna hvala tudi vsem, ki ste nam poslali tolažilne kartice, ter splot vsem, ki ste nam kar koli dobrega storili, nas tolažili in nam pomagali v uri žalosti. Dragi naš ljubljani soproga, oče in stari oče, skloni si svoje trudopolno not življenje, odde si od nas za vedno; tako Ti želimo, počivaj v miru. Ohranili Te bomo v vedno ljubitem spominu do konca naših dni.—Zalujoci ostali: Josephine Jacoby, soproga; John, Geistoun, Anthony, Frank, Joseph in Louis, osonjeni sinovi in Mary, omočena soproga, Josephine omočena Delence, hčere, ter petnajsti vnukov in vnukinj, vsi v Bon Air, Pa.; Louis v Library, Pa. in Tony v Clearfield, Pa., brata, ter ena sestrična, Florence Zlogar, v Youngtownu, Ohio.

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Glavni urad SNPJ prosi čitatelje, ako je komu kaj znanega o naslednjih progredanih dedih, naj blagovoli sporočiti v gl. urad: FRANK BRATKOVICH ml., sin pokoj. Franka Bratkovicha st., ki je umrl 1. januarja 1936 v Claridgu, Pa., in bil član društva št. 2 SSPZ. Frank Bratkovich Jr. je bil baje, kot nam poročano, adoptiran po neki družini pred letom 1913, in od tistega časa naprej ni sledu o njem.

RUDOLPH SUPAK, sin pokoj. Charlesa (Cvetko) Šupaka, ki je umrl 27. januarja 1939 v Bellevillu, Ill., član društva št. 591. Rudolph Supak je odšel od doma v letu 1937 neznan kam in od tistega časa ni sledu o njemu.

ANTON KODERMAN, FRANK KODERMAN, GREGOR (GEORGE) KODERMAN, THOMAS KODERMAN, bratje pokoj. Johna Kodermana, umrli 21. marca 1946 v Coverdalu, Pa., član društva št. 427. Iz stare domovine je nam poročano, da so vsi zgoraj navedeni — Anton Koderman, Frank Koderman, George Koderman in Thomas Koderman — bili v Ameriki in da so vsi umrli za kraj in datum smrti oblasti v stari domovini ne vedo; George Koderman je baje bival v Coverdalu, Pa., ali bližnji okolici.

Ako je komu od čitateljev kaj znanega o zgoraj navedenih, naj sporoči v gl. urad. Prosimo tudi čitatelje tega lista, da poizvedejo pri svojih znanih in naj sporočijo v gl. urad karkoli bi zvedeli.—F. A. Vider, gl. tajnik.

IZKAZ SMRTNIN IZPLAČANIH V MAJU 1948

REPORT ON DEATH CLAIMS PAID IN MAY, 1948

Table with columns: Ime umrlega člana, Vredn. čl. (Član društva—Member of lodge), Član društva—Member of lodge, Vredn. (Amount)

Skupaj — Total \$28,000.55
F. A. Vider, gl. tajnik—Supr. Sec'y.

POROČILO O OPERACIJAH IN ODŠKODNINAH

REPORT ON OPERATIONS AND DISABILITIES

in May, 1948

Table with columns: Ime člana, Član društva—Member of lodge, Vredn. (Amount)

Main membership list table with columns: Ime člana, Član društva—Member of lodge, Vredn. (Amount)

Skupaj — Total \$11,530.00
F. A. VIDER, gl. tajnik—Supr. Sec'y.

NEKAJ GLEDE NOVE CARINE NA ZAVOJE ZA STARI KRAJ

F. A. Vider, predsednik SANSa

Da je precej težko pozabiti, če ti nikdo ukine redne in lepe dohodke, ki jih mesečno ali letno prejemaš brez vsakega in lepe pora ali dela, je popolnoma razumljivo. Zato se tudi ne razburjamo, kaj taki ljudje govorijo ali mislijo o novi Jugoslaviji. Bolj žalostno pa je, ker tem kričarjem sekundirajo tisti, ki bi lahko bolje razumeli prave vzroke omenjene propagande.

siljali tudi luksuzne predmete, s katerimi prejemniki na "črnem trgu" kujejo velike dobičke. Ker je ljudska vlada—ako hoče ostati kot taka—uvidela, če bo dopustila te vrste trgovino neomejeno, bosta v Jugoslaviji zopet kmalu nastala dva razreda, je sprejela zakon, ki je stopil s 1. aprilom t. l. v veljavo, kateri določa carino na predmete luksuznega značaja in novo blago.

Jugoslovansko poglavitstvo v Washingtonu je pojasnilo, kar so naši časopisi tudi objavili, kakšno blago in koliko ga je po novemu zakonu dovoljeno pošiljati v Jugoslavijo, ne da bi bilo podvrženo carini. Kljub temu se nekaterim ljudem ne dopove in mesto zdravega pojasnila v interesu ljudstva na obeh straneh Atlantika prilivajo olje antagonizma.

Da se "vsem zdi carina previsoka", naj bo povedano to: Pred menoj je pisno sestre moje soproge, katerega smo pred nekaj dnevi prejeli iz Jugoslavije in v katerem poročila, da so od nas prejeli zavoj po uveljavljenju novega davčnega ali carinskega zakona.

POLITIČNA SVOBODA

Cleveland, O.—Ohijski "Wallace for President Committee" je vložil pri tajniku države Ohio 46,000 podpisov svobodnih ameriških državljanov, ki zahtevajo, da pride ime Henryja A. Wallacea na predsedniško glasovnico pri volitvah v prihodnjem novembru.

Kakor poročila lokalno časopisje z dne 5. junija, je državni tajnik Edward J. Hummel te petičije zavrgel. Izjavil je, kakor poročila časopisja, da njegov odlok temelji na postavi, ki je bila sprejeta v letu 1941, in katera zanika pravico do glasovnice "strankam in skupinam, ki se udeležujejo v protiameriških aktivnostih."

Torej sedaj vemo kje smo! Kdo je že rekel, da "It cannot happen here"? Zgodilo se je in sicer na zelo preprost način. Navaden politični birokrat se je začutil dovolj močnega, da vzame politično pravico tisočim volilecem zato, ker si želijo ustanoviti svojo lastno politično stranko. Njegov argument je: "Nova stranka je protiameriška."

Seveda, to še ne pomeni, da Wallace ne pride na glasovnico v državi Ohio. Naš odbor je takoj apeliral na sodišče, da zavrne bedasti odlok predrznega birokrata. Za nas je najbolj važno to, da smo spoznali kakšnih metod se bo poslužil vladajoči razred, kadar bo ena politična stranka dobila resnično podporo ljudskih mas in postala nevarna tistim, ki so na krmilu.

Rad bi vedel, kakšno stališče bodo zavzeli glede tega odloka tajnika države Ohio tisti, ki že dolgo časa pretakajo krokodilske solze glede takozvane "izgube" političnih pravic raznih manjšin v Rusiji, Jugoslaviji in v drugih državah vzhodne Evrope. Ali bodo imeli eno solzo radi izgube naših pravic tukaj v Ameriki? Rad bi vedel, kakšno stališče bodo zavzeli glede tega novega pojava drugi nasprotniki nove stranke.

Rad bi vedel, kakšno stališče bodo zavzeli Thomasovi socialisti, ki odobravajo Trumanovo doktrino in Marshallov načrt, ali kakor se že imenuje tisto poseganje v grško ali kitajsko civilno vojno ali pa v splošne narodne volitve v Italiji. Ali ni mogoče, da bodo birokratje dovolili socialistom pravico do glasovnic samo toliko časa, dokler je stranka majhna in brez vpliva? Kaj pomaga vse blebetanje o demokraciji in o demokratičnih spremembah, kadar jim lahko neki navaden birokrat odvzame pravico do glasovnic?

In kaj bodo storili sedaj takozvani delavski "voditelji", unijski uradniki, ki so navadni kilmovci demokratičnim politikantom? Delavskim unijam so prepovedali delovati za Wallacea z motivacijo, da nova stranka ni prava delavska stranka! Zaklinjajo se, da bodo oni, to je delavski voditelji, ustanovili pravo delavsko stranko takoj po prihodnjih volitvah, to je potem, ko bodo pomagali, da bo Wallace poražen. Bojim se, da ta boj unijskih voditeljev proti Wallaceu ni odkritosrčen, da je samo maska, pod katero se skrivajo njihovi resnični namen—pomagati Trumanu do zmage. Pod to mas-

DRUŠTVENA VEST

Lowellville, O.—Članstvo društva 37 SNPJ pozivam, da se udeležijo redne mesečne seje, ki se bo vršila 20. junija. Na dnevnem redu bomo imeli važne zadeve, prav tako je potrebno, da se pogovorimo glede kampanje za nove člane. Skušajte pridobiti kakšnega člana, da bo tudi naše društvo izpolnilo svojo kvoto. Seja se bo pričela ob eni polpodne v običajnem prostoru. Martin Soldo, tajnik.

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Glavni urad SNPJ

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West Allis, Wis.—V nedeljo, 20. junija, se bo vršil piknik Ameriškega slovenskega sveta v Pleasant Valley Parku, 98. ulica in West Dekota st. Udeležite se v velikem številu. Odbor bo vsem dobro pristregel. Vstopnina prosta. Vršil se bo tudi ples in razne igre. Torej na svidenje v nedeljo, 20. junija. Joseph Radelj.

V Prosveti so dnevne svetovne in delavske vesti. Ali jih želite vsak dan?

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First California SNPJ Day July 3-4

LOS ANGELES, Calif.—Extending a most cordial invitation to all SNPJ lodges and their members and friends to our first SNPJ Day to be held Saturday and Sunday, July 3 and 4, at American Croatian Hall, 330 S. Ford Blvd., East Los Angeles. Follow either Whittier or Olympic Blvd. to Ford. Out-of-towners for housing contact Ray Prim, 638 Burger st. Phone AN 10535.

There will be a program and two big dances. Dance Saturday at 8 pm to 7 Ballina tournament Sunday at 10 am and continuing until a winner is decided on; a trophy will be presented to the winning team. If your lodge wishes to enter a team in this tournament, contact Frank Matjasic, 1226 Elysian Park ave. Phone MA 62931.

Program Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Dance in the evening 8 to 10. Louis Simonic orchestra.

There will be plenty of barbecued lamb, kibobae, potica and strudel, beer and soft drinks on hand to be enjoyed by one and all. Come and have a good time, renew old friendships and make new acquaintances.

We urge all members to attend the June 20 meeting. Come and volunteer your services. We need help from all of you for this two-day affair.

COMMITTEE, Lodge 615

Lodge 142 Gives Picnic Sunday

CLEVELAND, O.—On Sunday, June 13, there will be a picnic held by the SNPJ Lodge "Mir" to be held on the SNPJ Farm, located on Heath Road in Chardon. For all who have no cars or other means of transportation to the Farm a bus has been provided.

The first bus will leave the Slovenian Home on Holmes ave at 2 p. m. and will stop at the Waterloo Home, at Bliss Road and St. Clair and also at Babbit and Lakeland. The second bus will leave at 4 p. m. from the Slovenian Home on Holmes and make the same stops to the Farm.

For reservations on this bus, call the secretary of the Lodge, Mr. Ivan Bostjanic, 15800 Holmes ave., telephone MU. 5516. The charge for this is \$1 per person round trip and children under 12 years of age, accompanied with their parents, will be admitted free.

Come one and all and join in the fun. There will be dancing in the new hall and refreshments will be served.

L. KAERLE

Young Americans

DETROIT, Mich.—In a few weeks we will hold our regular monthly meeting, so let's all plan to be there.

The girls' and boys' softball team had their first practice Sunday, May 30, and you would never guess how many came out. Oh well, I might as well tell you that Bro. Berry and myself were the only ones. We did get our practice in, too. I am sure that more players would have shown up but due to the fact that I sent in my article late it was not published and you did not know we held a practice. We held another practice Sunday, June 6, at 10 o'clock, at Ford's park.

I wonder if Mary Golia and Mitzi Werholtz were luckier in catching fish than they would have been had they come out to practice. I expect you two girls to report to me and give me all the details of your fishing trip.

The women's balina got under way last weekend and by the looks of things, there will be some stiff competition. The Young American girls did not fair so well, but they will pick up 3 points next time.

Now is also the time for you to plan your bowling for this fall. Let us get all our arrangements together now and not wait until the last minute. You girls interested let me know, so we can plan accordingly.

LENA MASSER, 564

Toman Library Offers Vacation Loan Books

CHICAGO—The Toman Branch Library, 4005 W. 27th st., is making it possible for its patrons to take an unlimited number of books on their library card. Books taken now under a "Vacation Loan" arrangement need not be returned until October 1. Children may also take advantage of this plan by having the written consent of a parent or guardian. Library hours are 9 am to 9 pm on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday; 9 am to 5:30 pm on Wednesday; and 9 am to 1 pm on Saturday.

JUVENILE ANNIVERSARY CAMPAIGN YIELDS 348 MEMBERS IN MAY

Five Lodges Attain Quotas; First Half Contest Ends July 31; Four Winners in Each District to Share \$500 in Awards

Complete returns of the JUVENILE ANNIVERSARY CAMPAIGN for the month of May reveal that 200 juveniles and 148 adults, or a combined total of 348 members, were admitted into the two departments of the Society. Included among the new adult members were only 57 transfers from the Juvenile Department, a figure considerably lower than the average established over the past years.

Statistics further show that five lodges have already attained their assigned quotas. They also show that a total of 178 lodges, slightly more than 30 per cent of the Society's local branches, have given support to the campaign by enrollment of new members in the first two months. This campaign by enrollment of new members in the first two months. This campaign by enrollment of new members in the first two months. This campaign by enrollment of new members in the first two months.

Despite the unimpressive monthly totals and percentages reported above, campaign activity is slowly but surely picking up momentum in at least three of the four campaign districts.

The contest which is almost certain to develop into an exciting race is beginning to take shape in District No. 1. Here Lodge 716 and its Secretary, Sister Polly Sladick, Imperial, Pa., are still out in front, but not by the same comfortable margin enjoyed a month ago, even though a gain of 12 more new members was recorded in their favor.

Lodge 292 of nearby Avella, Pa., has whittled the lead of Lodge 716 down considerably during the past few weeks through the hard work and efforts of Frank Zrimm, Pauline and William Debelak, and others in this small but thriving community. Altogether 18 new members were added here in May, giving it an actual total of 24 as compared with 26 for the Imperial lodge. There is, however, a difference of five additional members in their designated quotas which enables Lodge 716 to retain the lead by a margin of seven members as the campaign enters the third month.

In Aliquippa, Pa., the campaign pyrotechnics are being set off by a quartet of feminine contestants, namely, Frances Zakrajsek, who is the current leader with 6 new members, Josephine Struble with 4, Theresa Gerzel 3, and Ann Ranica 1, all of which adds up to a respectable total of 14 members (9 of them signed up in May) for Excelsior Lodge 721, only four under the quota.

In Samsula, Fla., campaign activity has begun to brighten up like the Florida sunshine with Brother Mike Machek, Secretary of Lodge 603, busy building up the membership. Nine new members have been enrolled, so far, and were it not for the fact that three membership applications, intended for the Juvenile Anniversary Campaign, were sent to the Main Office in March (a month too early), Brother Machek would now be among the honored few who have attained their quotas.

Lodge 725, Latrobe, Pa., winner of the highest award in the Lodge Campaign last year, enrolled six new members in May, two by Brother George Nace who was the individual leader in 1947, and four by Secretary Mary E. Fradel. The four secured by Sister Fradel are the famous Zevada quadruplets, children of Barbara and Andrew Zevada, who were born a little over three months ago. They are the first set of quadruplets ever to be admitted into the SNPJ. We are proud and glad to have them as members of our great Society and hope they will remain with us through a long, healthful and happy life.

In Strabane, Pa., the same combination who brought success to Lodge 138 in last year's campaign, namely, Circle Director Frances Petro and Secretary Jacob Pavlic, are collaborating in the new drive and have, so far, succeeded in gaining 9 members, five of which are credited to the latter.

Still the outstanding contestant in the Second Campaign District is Sister Mary Dermotta whose splendid work has kept Lodge 476, Salem, Ohio, in the leadership position throughout the first two months of the contest. In gaining 5 new members in May, she has, thereby, increased her total to 15, four in excess of the lodge's quota. Close behind the leader in this district, with a total of 11 new members to her credit, is Sister Mary Opatzny of Cardinal Lodge 640, Bridgeport, Ohio. Its quota, like that of the Salem lodge, is 11 new members.

Lodge 53, Cleveland, Ohio, came through with a nice gain of six new members last month, four by Secretary Joseph Dura, who now has eight altogether, and two by Bro. Mati Petrovich, Chairman of the Supreme Finance Committee, who has also secured three new members for Lodge 614. Another lodge to enroll six new members in May was 518 of Detroit, Mich., which now has a total of nine. Other commendable gains of 4 or 5 new members were made by Lodge 459, Flint, Mich., Lodge 158, Euclid and Lodge 576, Cleveland, Ohio.

The two best gains of the month in District No. 3 were both made in Chisholm, Minn. As reported in this column two weeks ago, Secretary Mary Pahule of Lodge 322 added 8 new members to her previous total of nine, giving her first place over the Badgers (584) of Milwaukee, Wis. The same number of new members were enrolled by Brothers Frank Klune and Frank Kne of Lodge 110, the former receiving credit for five of them. Congratulations, Chisholm SNPJ.

Competition in the Fourth Campaign District is at present narrowed down to three lodges. These are Lodge 615, Los Angeles, California, whose contestants have enrolled a total of 14 new members since the start of the campaign, five of whom were written up last month; Lodge 225, Edison, Kansas, with 8 new members, five also secured in May; and Lodge 308 of Anacosta, Montana. Considering their quotas, these three lodges and their respective contestants are in a virtual tie for first place in this district.

In closing may we remind everyone that only two months remain of the first half contest of the Juvenile Anniversary Campaign—June and July. At the end of that period the four contestants in each district, who will have the highest number of new members over their assigned quotas, will be entitled to cash awards of \$50, \$25, \$25 and \$15. Altogether a total of \$500 in special prizes will be distributed among the winners of the first contest in addition to the regular payments for each member enrolled. And these same new members, added to those secured in the second four months of the campaign, will apply to the national contest for the grand or supplementary prizes. Furthermore, you are entitled to as many different prizes as you can win. In other words you can win a special prize in the first half of the campaign, one also in the second half, and then wind up with a grand or supplementary prize for your efforts and work in the two sections of the campaign combined. You can plainly see that your opportunities of being rewarded liberally are manifold. Now is the time to get those new members! Join the Juvenile Anniversary Campaign!

MICHAEL VRHOVNIK, Campaign Director

Mich. Slav Congress Gives Picnic July 18

DETROIT.—On July 18 the American Slav Congress of Michigan will hold a grand picnic at Warsaw Park, Utica, near Detroit. Warsaw Park is an extremely accommodating and suitable place for a picnic. There will be varied refreshments.

J. R. GERLACH, Rec. Sec'y.

Silver Stars Lodge Hold Dance June 12

YUKON, Pa.—Just a last reminder to everyone to attend the Silver Stars Lodge 729 dance this Saturday, June 12, at the Slovene Hall here in Yukon. The well-known Frank's Trio will furnish those favorite Slovene melodies. Dance time is from 9 pm to 1 am. Plan to attend our dance now and enjoy the Slovene hospitality in our community.

CAROLYN ZALAKAR, Sec'y

Campaign Leader



POLLY SLADICK

At the end of the second month of the Juvenile Anniversary Campaign, Sister Polly Sladick, Secretary of Lodge 716 and Director of the Juvenile Circle, Imperial, Pa., leads all contestants with a total of 25 new members. She now belongs to the group of super-campaigners who have secured over 100 new members each in campaigns of recent years. Congratulations!

BADGERLAND NEWS

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—Our sincere congratulations to Jim Poulos and Jean Bevsek who were married just recently.

It's a baby girl at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Abramowski, Mrs. Abramowski is the former Josephine Zajec. Mr. and Mrs. Spirewka are also the proud parents of a baby girl. Our congratulations. Mrs. Spirewka is the former Louise Kropuska.

Tommy Leskosek has transferred to the adult group. Tommy is the boy who is very nimble on the piano accordion and has played for dancing for our last two monthly meetings.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Jereb and children are up in the north woods for a ten-day vacation.

Frank and Tony Verbiak spent last weekend up in northern Wisconsin, at Frank's summer home where they say the fishing is tops. Better send me a sample, boys, or you will suffer the consequences. We have heard a lot of fishing stories, but the one Frank tries to make us believe cops the cake. He says that the fish are so thick up there that they crawl right into the boat looking for the worms. Hm, looks like the Zvonar boys and Doc Schuler are in for some keen competition.

Those on the sick list are Pauline Pink, 815 S. 34th st., Vie Kouchich, 705 W. Virginia st., Martin Leskosek, 1009 W. Scott st., Agnes Meyer, 8419 W. McMyron, home from the hospital after a recent operation. Please drop in to see these people whenever possible.

DUES. Some pay their dues when they are overdue, some never do. HOW DO YOU DO?

Dates to Remember
June 25—The date of our regular monthly meeting. This date should be a must for all Badgers. So get on the bandwagon and let's start rolling as the days of yore.

July 25—The date of the annual Badger picnic. Sagadin's Grove, located at S. 38th and W. Burnham st., is the place.

Sept. 4-5-6—This is the date of the National SNPJ Day which will be held in Milwaukee this year.

The various committees are already hard at work getting set for these three big days. People will be coming from all over the country for this occasion and let's show them the real Milwaukee hospitality. That means plenty of work for all and with cooperation from all should go over in big style. So if you are asked to do your share do it and do it willingly. All details will be published in this and other columns from time to time to keep you posted.

Thank you, Butch, for those words in your last week's article. And you Snippy, when are you getting back into print?

Don't forget to get into the habit of paying your dues on time and to attend our monthly meetings.

SALTY, 584.

Slovenian Dance

NEW SALEM, Pa.—There will be a Slovenian dance at the Melody Rink in Uniontown, Pa. (Date not given—Ed.) Music by Frank Yankovic and his Columbia Recording orchestra from Cleveland.

MICHAEL SEPIC, 144

Detroit SNPJ Feder- ation Picnic July 25

DETROIT.—The last Federation meeting was held Saturday, May 15, at 7:30 pm on 17153 John R. The attendance of lodge delegates has been very favorable this year. Plans are progressing smoothly for our SNPJ Federation picnic to be held at Welcome Park, 15 1/2 Mile road and Livernois, Sunday, July 25. We will have Stan Novak and his Vagabonds, from Sharon, Pa., giving out with the music for your dancing pleasure. Tickets for this picnic will be on sale in the near future.

The following were elected for the picnic committee: Alberta Marvey, committee chairman; Albert Naprudnik, bar committee; Lena Maier, kitchen committee; John Rimac, admission ticket committee; Frank Modic, refreshment ticket committee. If anyone of the above ask you to volunteer a bit of your time for one of the various jobs, be inclined to accept. Of course, voluntary help will be readily accepted. As you all know, if we all do our share, we all can have a wonderful time. Since the Federation is composed of five lodges we should make this the most talked of picnic this year.

Another thing, folks—don't forget that drawing tickets are being sold for that new Chevrolet, Philco refrigerator and combination radio to be given away at this picnic. The proceeds going into the SNPJ building fund for our new "Dom." They can be purchased from many of the SNPJ members.

A round of applause goes to Juvenile Circle 58, also their director, Sister Gertrude Taucher, on their wonderful play given on Mother's Day, May 9. At our last meeting it was stated that Sister Taucher be requested to attend all future meetings and give her Circle report.

Our next Federation meeting will be held on June 12, at 7:30 pm at 437 S. Livernois SWH. Let's keep up the good attendance.

HELEN STIMAC, Sec'y

Integrity Broadcast

CHICAGO.—There will be a special meeting of the Integrity Lodge 631 at Brother Otto Sitter's home, 2731 W. Richmond st., on Sunday, June 13, at 7:30 p. m. If you are interested in lodge activities, please be present.

Sorry, Uncle Kozuk, that we mentioned you were in Kansas when you were only in southern Illinois. Next time we'll do better.

Brother Jim Modic, our vice president, will undergo an operation. Sister Helen Young is in the Illinois Research Hospital. We wish them speedy recovery.

MICHAEL R. FLEISHACKER

JUVENILE ANNIVERSARY CAMPAIGN

Below are the standings of the Juvenile Anniversary Campaign as of June 1, 1948, showing all lodges who have enrolled five or more new members each and their respective leading contestants.

DISTRICT NO. 1	
Lodge—Location	New Members—Leading Contestants
716—Imperial, Pa.	26 Polly Sladick
292—Avella, Pa.	24
721—Aliquippa, Pa.	14 Frances Zakrajsek
603—Samsula, Fla.	9 Mike Machek
265—Southview, Pa.	9 Patricia Patnesky
138—Strabane, Pa.	7 Jacob Pavlic
295—Bridgeville, Pa.	7 Frances Oblick
3—Johnstown, Pa.	6 Mary Vidmar
287—Burgettstown, Pa.	6 Frank Laurich
725—Latrobe, Pa.	6 Mary Fradel
DISTRICT NO. 2	
476—Salem, Ohio	15 Mary Dermotta
640—Bridgeport, Ohio	11 Mary Opatzny
53—Cleveland, Ohio	10 Joseph Durn
518—Detroit, Mich.	9 Frank Tehovnik
753—L'Anse, Mich.	7 Albin Testen
264—Cleveland, Ohio	7 Charles Zakely
271—Gary, Indiana	7 John Pavlovic
590—Cleveland, Ohio	7
604—Cleveland, Ohio	7
158—Euclid, Ohio	6 Frank Mivec
105—Indianapolis, Ind.	5 Anton Vukovich
258—Baltimore, Ohio	5
459—Flint, Mich.	5
DISTRICT NO. 3	
584—Milwaukee, Wis.	18 Mary Pahule
322—Chisholm, Minn.	17 Frances Debelak
110—Chisholm, Minn.	9 Frank Klune
659—Chicago, Ill.	7 Donald Lotrich
58—Depue, Illinois	5 John Zugich
DISTRICT NO. 4	
615—Los Angeles, Cal.	14 Anna Okorn
225—Edison, Kan.	8 Violetta Stavanja
308—Anacosta, Mont.	7 Anne Prosper
608—Butte, Mont.	4
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FLASHES

By Donald J. Lotrich

CHICAGO, Ill. — Memorial Day services at the SNPJ section of the Woodlawn Memorial Park were well attended and would have been a complete success if it weren't that our list was incomplete and that it was inaudibly read. Frank Gorenc of Lodge Delavec, Anton Trojar of Slavia Lodge and Oscar Godina of the Pioneers made the presentations. Anton Udovich and Singing Society Preseren put a fitting climax to the services with a couple of fine songs. If anything is worth talking about on Memorial Day, it is the fact that such organization as the SNPJ section at the cemetery is a necessary department of our life. Indeed, these services prove the value of the section. They prove the need for such singing groups as Preseren. The suggestion going the rounds about a Memorial Tablet should be considered seriously. No doubt, many of our people would like to contribute towards a genuine memorial. I would suggest therefore, that the SNPJ Federation consider this suggestion seriously and that a committee be selected which would plan such a memorial and otherwise supervise the services each year. Such committee would make the rounds and prepare a fine program each year.

Those of us who had our fingers in the original plans for this SNPJ Section at the Woodlawn Memorial Park and all of those who have helped to promote it have a certain satisfaction in knowing that the project has been deeply-rooted and that our many members are responding in ever larger numbers as more and more of our fellow members and fellow workers find their destination there. It was a tough beginning, this SNPJ Section. The members weren't certain that it would carry through and the opponents did everything to prevent it from becoming a reality. Well, they knew the reason. But we are now well established and we certainly hope that this section will receive the proper attention from the Federation and from the membership. A separate and special committee would be just the thing to give it that extra boost it deserves.

The Pioneers are talking about softball these days. Though no team is in the field as yet, Frank Kuhnnek is trying to interest enough players to make a good team. This will enable them to bid for the Midwest SNPJ title and perhaps find a berth for the National title. Albert Luzar has volunteered to promote the team and participate with them. All who wish to play should attend a meeting Friday, June 11, at 8:30 pm at the Center. Barbara Luzar Janicki gave birth

to a baby a few days ago. Congratulations—Frances Trater, a former Pioneer and now of Fontana, Calif., is visiting her friends in Chicago.—Arley Bozicnik with his wife Margaret and son Ronald have left for a vacation in Kansas.—Sylvia Hassiepen is enrolling her baby during the present membership campaign. This brings us down to the problem of fulfilling the Pioneer quota in this campaign. It is higher than it was in the last campaign, but we can easily reach it if more of our members will see the need in helping us acquire it.—Stanley Zele has been added to the list of those who reserved places for the 1948-49 Bowling League. We continue to urge the rest of you bowlers to follow suit.

A short while ago Mary Matjasic lost her father. He was buried in the SNPJ Section at the Woodlawn. To the family we extend our sympathies.—Frank Golub, father of Ann Cartier, and Emil Golub of the Pioneers, passed away at his Ontario, Canada, home. The family intends to bring him to Chicago for burial at Woodlawn. To them too, we extend our sympathies.—Joseph Supancic has had some medical work done and thus has been placed on the sick list.—Anne Beniger has returned home from Billings Hospital and has reported well.—Our Democratic Senator, Scott W. Lucas, responded to our request regarding the Mundt-Nixon Bill. We urged him to vote against it. He promises to weigh all of the factors and use his good judgment in the best interests of the country. Which reminds us that the U. of C. Round Table discussion last Sunday, was indeed enlightening. One could see that the forces demanding the passage of this bill are fearful lest some day a new and better economic system be set up here.

For those who may not know and who may need the services and the supplies of the Department of Forestry, let it be known that the State of Illinois has such a department and that seedlings are sold at \$5 per thousand while transplants sell at \$10 per thousand. Those in charge of this department realize that the timbers are cut twice as fast as they are being replaced and are now making good headway in an effort to catch up with the demand. Illinois has over 1000 saw mills and they are not able to supply all of the lumber consumed in the state. Much of it comes in from other states.—The June Bulletin of the Peoples Lobby has a number of important articles. It reports about the stand taken by the National Grange against the grab of the natural resources of the Senate Bill 1988. They oppose the passage of the bill therefore and the arguments and logic are sound. The second story recites the news about "Bases and Empire" which was written by George Marion, but for which the New York Times refused to accept a paid ad. This story is too incriminating. Yet it must be true. Else, the publisher would be liable for damages. The third story is a resume of Trygve Lie, Secretary General of the United Nations, on the future of the United Nations. The People's Lobby commended opponents in Congress of the "Dies" Committee. The Lobby is doing a good job for the betterment and well being of the common people of America.

Those of you who wish to help circulate petitions to place the third party on the ballot in Illinois can secure them at 2610 S. Lawndale, ave. or from Louis Zorko who is in charge of the 22nd Ward group doing that work.

P.S.W. News

ALIIQUIPPA, Pa.—Circle 13 of the Progressive Slovene Women organization met on May 13 with most members attending. Anna Ranica and Frances Zakrajsek attended the PSW convention in Cleveland on May 15-16.

On May 23, the SNPJ Juvenile Circle 56 put on a Parents' Day program which was a big success. Each mother present was presented with a carnation by the children. At 5:30 a supper was served by the women and in the evening there was dancing to the music furnished by Johnny Krek. I want to thank all PSW members for their help in making the dinner a big success.

Another good time will be held at a picnic of August 15 at Pollock's farm. Music will be furnished by Joe Urneck.

See you all at the next meeting June 10. EDNA YANKOVICH

Wholesale food prices now average about 12% higher than a year ago, the American Institute of Food Distribution estimates.

SNPJ SOFTBALL PLAY-OFFS AND LEAGUES

In order that there will be as little misunderstanding as possible concerning the rules which affect SNPJ national and district softball play-offs and leagues, we take this opportunity to re-state some of the more important provisions approved by the National Athletic Board.

The national softball play-offs will consist of four teams, representing the seven Athletic Districts of the Society as follows: One team will represent District No. 1 (Eastern Pennsylvania and New York), another team District No. 2 (Western Pennsylvania and West Virginia), a third team Districts No. 3 and 4 (Ohio and Michigan), and a fourth team Districts 5, 6 and 7 (Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota and Missouri).

All games shall be conducted under the rules of the Amateur Softball Association of America as approved by the Joint Rules Committee, except as otherwise provided by the National Athletic Board.

No district or combination of districts can be represented in the national play-offs, unless two or more teams of different lodges compete for this honor, according to rules and regulations approved by the Athletic Board.

All players who will participate in the national softball play-offs must be members in good standing, having joined the SNPJ on or prior to June 1, 1948. Their names and certificate number shall be furnished to the Office of the Athletic Director to be checked for eligibility in sufficient time.

All district play-offs shall be completed three weeks before the national play-offs. That makes August 15th the deadline.

The twelve-inch smooth seam ball shall be official for all play-offs. We advise that leagues also use this type of ball during regular season play.

Players participating in national, district and league games supported by the SNPJ, shall advertise only the Society and local lodge on their uniforms.

Each team qualifying for the national softball play-offs shall be entitled to regular railroad coach fare (not Pullman or First Class) roundtrip for 15 players, including the manager. Payment shall be made after the team has returned home and a bill for traveling expenses, approved by the lodge, has been submitted to the Main Office. The national softball champions shall receive, in addition to traveling expenses, the sum of \$150 for jackets or sweaters and a permanent trophy.

An SNPJ softball league shall be recognized as such provided it consists of four or more teams, each representing a different lodge. Wherever a league of this kind is organized, the winner at the end of the season automatically qualifies for district or national softball play-offs.

If more than one SNPJ league is organized in a district, the winner of each one automatically qualifies for the district play-offs.

Teams, representing SNPJ lodges in an area bounded by an SNPJ league, must belong to the league in order to be eligible for district or national play-offs.

In a district where there is an SNPJ softball team or teams, who play regularly in an organized league or independently, but cannot be accepted into an SNPJ league because of traveling distance involved, such team or teams shall be required to participate in a special play-offs for non-league teams only to determine which team shall enter the district play-offs against league winner or winners. Such play-offs shall be arranged by the Athletic Director in conjunction with the district representative of the National Athletic Board.

Any lodge sponsoring a softball team which is not a member of an SNPJ league and which team desires to participate in the district play-offs to decide who shall represent the district in the national play-offs, must notify the Office of the Athletic Director prior to July 1.

A lodge cannot enter a team in the district play-offs unless it has played at least six games in organized or independent competition, having represented and advertised the lodge in each one of the contests. Official score sheets must be furnished on request.

If a team is not permitted to compete in any SNPJ league in its district, such team or teams shall have the right to enter and participate in the district play-offs.

The best two out of three games shall decide the winner in a district softball final to determine which team will enter the national play-offs.

The SNPJ shall donate \$100 per season to any lodge sponsoring a softball and/or baseball team in an organized league. The deadline for applications for this donation is July 1.

A team which does not play in an organized league shall not be entitled to the maximum amount of assistance. The same ruling shall apply to teams, representing lodges not showing progress in membership at the end of the year, on requests for financial aid the following year.

Sport Directors and Secretaries of lodges, desiring further explanation of above provisions of the rules, are requested to write to the Athletic Director of the Society.

MICHAEL VRHOVNIK, Director of Athletics

Bowling News

DETROIT.—Now that the bowling season is over we have the final results of some of our women's bowling teams.

The Wolverine "Piccolo Five" team captured top honors in the Nat'l Bowling tourney. The team was comprised of Mimi Selak, capt., Helen Klusvack, Anne Padar, Marie Benedict and Helen Adamic. The girls got right in there and really knocked down that wood.

A few of our Wolverine-Young American girls came out on top in a few of the other leagues and I'm sure most of you would be interested in the results.

On the Tuesday nite Palmer Park Women's House League, the Thrifty Dress Shop sponsored the following girls: Mimi Selak, capt., Miti Werholtz, Helen Adamic, Lena Yerman and Marian Rancuch. The girls won first place and were presented with individual trophies, and a large trophy which went to the sponsor. The trophies were presented at the Bowling Banquet held at the Palm Beach Cafe on May 4th.

"Lefty" Kovach's Omira team bowled themselves right into first place on the Thursday nite Grand River Business Women's League. The girls on the team are Jo Grum, capt., Marian Rancuch, Berchie Marole, Rose Miller, Lena Yerman, Rose Miller had a new nickname bestowed upon her. She is now better known as "Ride the Rail" Miller.

Now we come to the SNPJ Sunday League. The Wolverine "Sparklers" took first place in this league. The Sparklers captained by Lena Yerman are Jo Grum, Irene Golcar, Rose Miller and Marian Rancuch. Their team captain was presented with a beautiful trophy at the Bowling Banquet on May 8 at the SND on John R and 5th Mile.

Most of these girls that are mentioned in this column and a few more of the Young Americans took part in the Champion of Champs

Bowling tournament at the Crest Bowling Alleys. No results had been published at the time of this writing. I understand that some of the girls who bowled in this tournament helped Miti Werholtz celebrate her birthday at Omira's. Miti's birthday was on May 24, so Happy Birthday, Miti, and many more of them. ROSE OZANICH, 677

Midwest SNPJ Athletic League News-Views

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—All lodges intending to have softball teams this year, please contact me at once so that we can arrange some sort of a schedule for the Midwest SNPJ Softball league. The time is growing short so let's get moving. At the present time, Lodge Moderna of Sheboygan and Danica of Indianapolis have softball teams representing their lodges in local leagues. Where are the rest of the big lodges like the Chicago Pioneers, Little Ports of Waukegan, Milwaukee Badgers, etc.? Write me at 381 E. Bay St., Milwaukee 7, Wis.

Softball is going to be represented on the program at the National SNPJ Day in Milwaukee. Let's get a good representation from this area. In past years, the Midwest area put out some excellent teams. It could be done again. Your lodge team has to play at least six games of independent ball or enter some local league or the Midwest league in order to be eligible for the national championship games. The team uniforms must advertise the Society name too.

JOHN J. POKLAR, Sec'y SNPJ Midwest Ath. League

A Twentieth Century Fund report says that 15 cents out of every pre-war dollar spent by the American consumer for retail goods, or more than half the retailers' average markup, covered wages and salaries.

Conemaugh Valley Softball League

JOHNSTOWN, Pa.—In the inaugural of the Conemaugh Valley SNPJ Softball League, the Cambria City Adrijans Lodge 3-SNPJ defeated the Trojans, Lodge 749, to the tune of 16-0. The game was sparked by the brilliant hurling of Tom Lonchar of the victors who seated 8 batters the strikeout route. Tom limited the losers to but 2 hits, both of which were by our friend Larry Langerholt.

The Adrijans drew paydirt in the latter half of the first inning on an unearned run, followed by five in the second on two hits, and one in the third on one hit. In the fourth inning the Trojans settled down a bit to retire the Adrijans one, two, three. The Adrijans concluded the scoring for the afternoon in the fifth, scoring three runs on two hits.

The only extra base hits were two baggers by Draksler, Salas, and Vance of the victors.

At this time, the undersigned wishes to accept the welcome of the member teams of the Conemaugh Valley Softball League. I remember well the good times we had in the past and now am looking forward to the continuance of our friendship and good relations.

Also, I wish to express my gratitude for the wonderful response I have received to the call for softball players in our Lodge. I sincerely hope that this is the beginning of a greater sports program within our lodge. Already, because of the inaugural of sports in our lodge we have gained 10 members and have applications for several more. Again, I wish to say, all those interested in sports of all kinds, please come to our regular lodge meetings or reach me by dialing 376-672 after 6 p. m.

MATTY ORESKOVICH, Sports Director, Lodge 3

4th Annual Slovene Golf Tourney July 25

WAUKEGAN, Ill.—American-Slovenian golfers have chosen Sunday, July 25, for their 1948 outdoor frolic and golf tournament at the Suburban Country Club in Waukegan. This announcement was made today by John (Pewee) Dolence, American-Slovenian Golf Association president.

For championship flight golfers only: There will be an 18-hole preliminary round the day before so that fairly hot shots who decide their title in 36 holes of play will have half the distance covered before the big tourney day dawns. Decision to make a two days' event of top flight play came as the result of crowding at last summer's widely attended, festive and eventful "Anyone coming to join?" can contact Larry, Bernick or Ed-wood Blake.

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Member Settles in Portland, Oregon

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Detroit Wolverines

DETROIT.—Picnics and various outings are uppermost in everyone's thoughts these days mostly due to the beautiful weather bestowed us by the weatherman.

The important "Picnic of the Year" is being given by the Detroit Federation at Welcome Park on Sunday, July 26. Stan Novak and his Vagabonds of Sharon, Pa., will spin the tunes for dancing. A huge drawing is being held in conjunction with this picnic with three grand prizes given away—a new Chevrolet, Philco refrigerator and combination radio phonograph. Please bear in mind all proceeds from this drawing go to our building fund for our new SND in Detroit. The committee has received their building permit so things should be started any day now. We need a new SND in Detroit, so please members try hard and sell your tickets. A prize goes to the individual man or woman selling the most tickets. Turn in your stubs to Berchie Marole or myself as soon as possible. The latest out-state lodge to aid us by selling a few books are the Utopians of Cleveland. Our thanks to Rose Shume for your cooperation.

A visitor in Detroit over Decoration day was John Dolence of Waukegan. John is president of the American Slovene Golf Association and he reports that their 1948 tournament will be held on July 25. This tournament has grown to be one of the largest golf tournaments in the Midwest. Any golfers interested in participating in this event can contact John.

The Wolverine Softball Team has been playing fine ball without uniforms, but watch them really play now that they have their new blue and gold uniforms. They are in first place in the Royal Oak League by virtue of 4 wins, 1 tie. Cy Repovsh and Fred Marks still do a grand job of pitching. John Plestevic hit one of the longest home runs on record in last Tuesday game against the CYO team. It was the winning run for the Wolverines, making the score 8-7. These boys have the SNPJ championship in mind and are looking forward to a trip to Milwaukee in September.

Here is the Wolverines' schedule for the month of June: June 10—Wolverines vs. Clawson CYO. June 15—Wolverines vs. Velva Kreme. June 18—Wolverines vs. DPW. June 21—Wolverines vs. Clawson CYO. June 25—Wolverines vs. Velva Kreme. June 27 is SNPJ Day in Pennsylvania. A group of Wolverines and Young Americans are planning to drive down to South Park for this event. Anyone coming to join can contact Larry, Bernick or Ed-wood Blake.

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Spirit-O-Grams

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—Good old month of June is here and what a month for everybody to plan for vacation, picnic and good old barbecue. What do you say, Lodge members, we have one soon?

Members, don't forget our next meeting will be on June 18, and what a program is planned for that meeting. Oh boy, will the Dads be proud that nite, after seeing the juveniles practice their parts for Dad's day. So don't forget you Dads to be sure and attend that meeting on June 18.

I am not suppose to let the cat out of the bag, but I cannot help but write a few lines about the kiddies' practice at their last Juvenile Circle meeting. They are all right. I want to make a correction that the Dad's program will be had right after our regular meeting which is June 18, not June 25, as stated in the last issue of the Prosveta. To the members and juveniles: Did you see the picture of your Juvenile Circle in your last issue of The Voice of Youth?

Sick list—We still have Angela Boranich, Mary Petrovich Sr., Stanley Schober, Anton Hervatin and Sybil Youngman who had her ear lanced the past week. Juvenile Director Tillie Ducote who could not eat or hardly talk for a few days on account of bad case of tonsillitis. Our juveniles also had a few sick to report. John Rhodus Jr. has recovered from pneumonia, Charlotte Ducote is getting over the chicken pox and Mary Frances Yartz also had her tonsils removed. Wish you all a speedy recovery and be with us again at our next meeting. We also have Mrs. Mary Cankar of Belleville, Ill., at the Park Lane Hospital in St. Louis. She has undergone a serious major operation and at the last visit to her she was progressing nicely. She is the wife of Mr. Matthew Cankar, our delegate to the last convention. Wish you speedy recovery and good health again.

Visitors from out-of-town were Mr. Miklaute and Mrs. Johnson of Nokesia, Ill., who are brother and sister of Tillie Ducote. Joseph Klasek of Freebury, Ill., visited with Mr. Frank Roseman, Speak family and yours truly and family. Notice—Financial Sec'y Odella Markoff had her telephone number changed to Sweet Briar 0506, so make correction in your notebook at once so you have the right number when needed. Theresa Speck of Lodge 107 was a delegate to the SANC conference in Cleveland on May 29-30.

Bowling News—The Spirits got

SNH Singers Stage Operetta June 12-13

WAUKEGAN, Ill.—Rehearsals are drawing to a close for the Slovene National Choral Society of Waukegan. Everything is prepared for the performances of "The Gypsy Troubadour" to be given Saturday, June 12, at 8 pm and Sunday, June 13, at 3:30 pm. This two-act operetta will be held at the Slovene Home, 10th and McAllister, Waukegan. Milwaukee, Chicago and other nearby towns are cordially invited.

The elaborate costumes and gay dances will bring out much of the merriment in the operetta. The lovely gypsy melodies will have everyone humming. Some popular gypsy songs and a Slovenian gypsy lullaby were also added. The rest is filled with a mixture of comedy, love, cruelty and seriousness.

The characters are: Todor, ruler of the gypsy tribe of Haaren, Eddie Laben; Maria, his wife, Mayme Laben; Varlo, Todor's nephew, a schemer, Freddy Urh; Janina, a girl of the tribe devoted to Marko, Millie Gregorin; Elena, a former sweetheart of Varlo, Arlene Kutzler; Marko, the tribe's chief boaster, Freddy Bartel; Rosita, a gypsy girl, in love with Nikolai, Evelyn Kuhar; Nikolai, son of Todor and Maria, a poet, Dick Peklay; Tom Gordon, Nikolai's college friend, Frank Stritar; Mrs. Jean Jerold, a designing widow, Dolores Rode; Henry Clayton, a business man, Joe Kosir; Mary Matthews, a terrible talker, Blanche Mesec; Clare Clayton, Clayton's daughter and Nikolai's innamorata, LeVona DuBois. Other gypsies in the chorus are: William Jereb, Virginia Nagode, Robert Bartel, Josephine Bezek, Victor Belic, Marilyn Pierce, Mathew Miholic, Marjorie Houghton, Ruth DuBois, Sylvia Stanovnik.

Our hard working directors are Christine Jereb Stritar and Frances Hrovatin Troha. They have put in much of their valuable time towards making this operetta a success and we are very grateful to them.

Tickets will be available at the door or from any member of the cast. The program will start promptly at the time designated. A dance will follow Saturday night's performance with Stan Gregorin and his orchestra playing. We are looking forward to seeing everyone there. MILLIE GREGORIN DOLORES RODE

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WHO IS 'SUBVERSIVE'?—A REPLY TO TOM CLARK

NEW YORK.—At a press conference on Wednesday, June 2nd, at his residence, 439 East 51st Street, Mr. Zlatko Balokovic, President of the American Committee for Yugoslav Relief, Inc., released the following letter to the Hon. Tom C. Clark in answer to the Attorney General's charge that the relief organization was "subversive."

Copies of the letter were sent to President Truman, to candidate for the presidency and to Senator Wagner and Senator Ives. In the letter to the Senators, Mr. Balokovic expressed the opinion that the Attorney General's action was an infringement by the Executive on the prerogatives of the Legislative and Judicial branches and asked the Senators to bring the matter to the attention of the Senate. His letter to Tom Clark reads as follows:

"Dear Mr. Attorney General: "The American Committee for Yugoslav Relief has been listed by you as "subversive". The committee pleads guilty to only one fact—feeding the hungry, clothing the naked and healing the sick. We consider this God's work.

"We categorically deny that the organization has at any time or in any way engaged in activities other than the charitable activities for which it was chartered by the State of New York on December 18, 1944.

"As you very well know, Mr. Attorney General, the American Committee for Yugoslav Relief has been under rigorous supervision by Government agencies since its inception.

"Following its incorporation, our committee was registered with the President's War Relief Control Board. With the termination of the Control Board and the establishment of the present Advisory Committee on Voluntary Foreign Aid, the organization registered with the successor agency. Thus, the affairs of the American Committee for Yugoslav Relief have been constantly subject to current and periodic reviews of its programs, budgets, financial statements and audits. As lately as last February 9, agents of the Bureau of Internal Revenue made an exhaustive examination of our books and records and went out of their way to commend us.

"In view of this rigorous supervision, it is fantastic to suppose that any diversion of funds to illegal activities could have escaped notice. If the slightest evidence of such activities exists, why has not the Federal Bureau of Investigation proceeded against us in the fashion prescribed by law?

"Since your Department possesses no evidence of improper activity, because no evidence exists, it chooses to condemn us by fiat. It brings against us this extra-legal, this totally unsubstantiated charge of "subversion". Behind closed doors, without interrogation, without knowledge of the specific charge, without the presence of judge, jury or witnesses, with no opportunity to face our accusers, without knowing who they are and ignorant of the fact that such procedure was afoot, we have been examined, tried and publicly condemned in absentia.

"Do you, an American lawyer, trained in American jurisprudence, justify this procedure? What Article of the constitution authorizes the Federal Bureau of Investigation to act, in effect, as a secret police, to usurp the powers of the courts, suspend due process of law and condemn by innuendo honest men and women on the basis of gossip, malice or bias? No such authority exists, nor can it, so long as Americans remain loyal to their free traditions.

"Under our direction, two and one half million dollars of relief goods have been distributed through the Yugoslav Red Cross, an affiliate of the International Red Cross. Every dollar of these two and one half million has been an ambassador of good will as well as a messenger of mercy. Our efforts have been publicly praised by many eminent men and women and sponsored by

right on the ball, held a meeting and decided to bowl again next year if the Lodge sponsors them. Al Kacin did not wish to be our captain for next year, and we had to elect a new one, none other than John LaSterni. Good luck to you, John, and hope you can do the same as Al did and bring back another champion team from a tournament. Well, gals, what's this I hear about you all teaming up for the coming season? The complete report on our tournament was published last week. I see where the Athletic Board made some changes, which are good for the organization; there should be a few more changes made, but more on this next time. JOHN F. YURGEC, Pres.

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25th Anniversary Celebration of Lodge 476, SNPJ - Salem, Ohio PICNIC and DANCE Sunday, June 20, 1948 Heltman's Farm * 1:30 P. M. * Music by Frank Koran and his 5 piece Polka Orchestra COME ONE—COME ALL—AND SPEND AN ENJOYABLE AFTERNOON WITH YOUR FRIENDS AND THE MEMBERS OF LODGE 476 ON THIS GREAT OCCASION

Juvenile Circles Of the SNPJ

Jolly Spirits Of Detroit

DETROIT, Mich.—Our regular monthly meeting was held last Saturday, June 5. Plans were made to award prizes for various deeds done that will be beneficial to the Circle.

Our outing to the Detroit Zoological Park at 10 Mile and Woodward will be held Saturday, June 12. We will meet at 17153 John R. at 11:30 a. m. and will be back there at 4:30 p. m. Everyone is to bring their own lunch. The Circle will take care of the transportation and this outing or any affair that the children have. Come along everyone and wear your most comfortable shoes.

Our next regular monthly meeting will be held a week later on July 10, so it won't conflict with the 4th of July weekend.

HELEN STIMAC, Director.

Circle 66 Plans Dance June 19

SOUTHVIEW, Pa.—On May 9, Circle 66 held their Mother's Day program which was a success. The hall was filled with parents and friends.

Each mother was presented with a carnation corsage. Potted plants were also presented to the eldest mother and the mother with the most children in the SNPJ. Mrs. Mary Peresutti (my mother) was the oldest mother present, and a member for 37 years. Mrs. Mary Bistarky, the mother of the most children—ten children and there are thirty members of her immediate family—truly a mother the SNPJ can be proud of. Mrs. Dorothy Vozel Benedict was the youngest mother; she was presented with a bouquet of lovely flowers. Then dancing, plays, recitations and singing including Slovene songs, piano solos. We certainly can be proud of our children and their ability to entertain. Each child had a part and each part was well done. I wish to thank Mrs. Urbancic for her piano accompaniment.

On May 21, I had the pleasure of attending the Mother's Day program at Strabane given by Circle 27. Their program was well worth seeing and very well done. I had the pleasure of meeting Mary Chesnik; Justine Sedmiak of Circle 19, Mary Koval and few others. Thanks to Mrs. Albina Yarkosky for the invitation. After the program a delicious dinner was served. Thanks again for a lovely evening.

On June 19, our Circle will hold a dance. Music by Frank Klobcar and his Airliners. Won't you come and enjoy yourselves with us?

Our Circle softball team is looking forward to playing Circle 19 some Sunday in the near future, so all you boys come out and practice your softball.

Don't forget our dance June 19 at Slovene Hall, from 9 to 1. Music by Frank Klobcar and his Airliners.

MARY WOLFE, Director

On Sunday, Aug. 15, the Progressive Slovene Women and Jolly Quips are holding a joint picnic to raise funds to carry on successful programs in the coming months at Pollack's Farm. Joe Umcek and his Rhythm Kings are going to play for dancing and we hope all Circles and Lodges will keep this date in mind. More details in the future.

JOSEPHINE STRUBLE, Director

"Jolly Quips" Honor Parents

ALBUQUERQUE, Pa.—Second annual Parents' Day program was staged on Sunday, May 23, to a large audience of parents and friends. Each mother was presented with a pink carnation upon arrival. Dorothy Rudic, the mistress of ceremonies had the program running along smoothly.

At the opening number the group sang the National Anthem followed by "My Parents Day" sung to the tune of "America." A short verse was recited by Jean Lampich, "Parents' Day," "Mati" (meaning mother in Slovene) was delivered by Marlene Smrekar. Carol Louise Benedict and "Madamoiselle." Ronald Derglin honored the fathers with a poem "Only a Dad." Abbey Ann Walker and Shirley Grazules sang and tapped danced "Blue Skies." A timely number was recited by Harriet Yankovich called "No One Like Mother."

A short skit was presented by six girls called "A Word We Love," namely, Daria Forsythe, Nancy Raub, Patricia Wanchak, June Marie Polojac, Carol Benedict and Elizabeth Valentick. Eleanor Zakrajsek sang a "Partisan Song." "Mother Must Remember" was recited by Abbey Ann Walker. Jo Ann Danjanic recited "One I Love Best." Eleanor Radesh, Mildred Radsonovich and Daria Forsythe danced a "Gypsy Number." Mildred Rudic and Ann Boranko recited "Your Mother." Edward Cerjak honored the fathers with a poem called "Daddy Knows." Harriet Yankovich and Abbey Ann Walker sang a beautiful number "The Stars Will Remember." "A Youthful Speaker" was presented by George Pukanich.

"Gay Bouquets for Mother's Day" was presented by Shirley Grazules, Catherine Danjanic, Joan Skiba, Helene Kostlick, Mildred Radsonovich, Eleanor Radish, Shirley Sintay and Irene Mukanas. Marlene Smrekar recited a poem called

On Mother's Day. "Serenade of the Bells" was sung by Daria Forsythe and Mildred Radsonovich. "Fences" was recited by Richard Derglin. A special poem dedicated to all grandmothers was presented by Eleanor Zakrajsek called "Stara Mati." A "Russian Dance" was presented by Abbey Ann Walker. The President of the Circle honored all mothers with a beautiful song titled "Mother."

A short skit called "Mother's Little Helpers" was presented by six small girls, namely, Jo Ann Arbentine, Janice Yankovich, Beverley Sintay, Shirley Gural, Suzanne Ranica, and Frances Derglin. John Yalkich recited "We've Done Our Best." Eleanor Zakrajsek, Eleanor Radish, Harriet Yankovich, and Marlene Smrekar sang "Now Is the Hour." At the closing of the program Samuel Benedict bid the parents "Good-bye," and a song titled "Good-bye" was sung by Catherine Danjanic and Shirley Grazules.

The Progressive Slovene Women's Circle served a delicious supper after the program to parents and friends. Later dancing was enjoyed to Johnny Kerk's orchestra. I wish to take this opportunity to thank Co-Director Frances Zakrajsek and Asst. Director Mary Ann Rudic for their valuable assistance with the program.

At last the Jolly Quips Circle are going to make the long awaited trip to Pittsburgh by special bus to hear and see the Wilken's Amateur Hour broadcast over the air. This is going to be an all-twin show and it will be especially interesting.

Veronian News

VERONA, Pa.—Remember the regular Veronian Dance, Saturday, June 12, beginning at 10 pm, featuring Frank Porovne and His Musical Stylists. This organization is well known in this vicinity and places near and far and the Veronians bid welcome to all members of the various lodges. It is nice seeing so many of you from Universal, Pittsburgh, Hamarville, Centre, etc., and invite you again to be with us at this time for an enjoyable evening.

The next regular Veronian monthly meeting day had to be changed due to SNPJ Day June 27. The meeting will probably be June 29, but Prexy Joe Lauer advises cards are to be sent out advising definitely of the meeting day. Remember, attend these meetings for there are many things of importance brought up at each and every meeting and your voice in the matter will carry weight. So make it your duty to attend each and every meeting, beginning at 8:30 pm.

The coming of May and June always means Graduation Day and we wish to congratulate Stan Dolis, Dolly York, Babe Sudich, Bilitze Papp, Marge Linerky, Cathy Sucevich and Tony Bozic who have completed their schooling and are ready to enter into a new phase of life, and wish them the best of luck in anything they may undertake. Congratulations go forth to Mr. and Mrs. Mike Semencar who are the proud parents of twin boys, born May 31.

Are you members of the different lodges set to attend SNPJ Day, Sunday, June 27, at South Park? Understand the Veronians plan to charter a bus for this event and for more information get in touch with Elmer Effler or Larry Cassol. This affair has always been successful and all who attended in the past enjoyed themselves and look forward to the next one when they can again renew old acquaintances and meet new friends. Again ask you members of the various lodges to please offer your assistance and help conduct this affair.

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Praises Circle 66 for Staging Fine Program

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The program consisted of skits, verses, and songs, both Slovene and English, all containing the Mother's Day theme. Preceding the program, carnations were presented to all the mothers of our lodge by the juveniles.

The program ended in a very impressive manner with the presentation of bouquets to Mrs. Mary Peresutti for being the oldest mother in our Lodge; to Mrs. Dorothy Benedict as the youngest mother; and to Mrs. Steve Bistorky for being the SNPJ mother—she has the greatest number of children and grandchildren in the SNPJ from Lodge 265.

On behalf of the Lodge I extend congratulations to Mrs. Mary Wolfe, our Juvenile Director, who so ably directed the program. Also, thanks are in order in appreciation of the fine work done by her in getting the Circle started and making it an active and beneficial one to the parents, to the Lodge, and to the children themselves.

FRANK RUPAR, 265

Out California Way

FONTANA, Calif.—It has been decided and voted on by both Lodges, Sunkist 723 and Orange Blossom 569, that on Sunday afternoon, June 13, beginning at 6 o'clock, pictures are to be shown at the SNPJ Hall here, by Brother John Olip of Lodge 615, Los Angeles. The committee invites all Croatians, Serbs and, of course, the Slovenes as these pictures pertain to all sections of Yugoslavia. Admission is free.

At the conclusion of the movies, an important meeting will take place. The object is to organize a bowling league from which can be selected a team to represent Fontana in competition with other SNPJ Lodges throughout California and other Western States. The aim is to form a bowling tournament as is held in the Midwest. If any Lodges of the Western States see a bright future in such an event—we of Fontana would like to hear from you, pro or con, just drop a line to the Secretary of either Fontana Lodge 723 or 569.

This year begins our first SNPJ Day celebration in California to be sponsored by Los Angeles Lodge 615: It's an event that we are all looking forward to. There will be singing, dancing and ballina contests. You can be sure that Lodges 569 and 723 will be well represented on the 3rd and 4th of July—and hoping that we may have it in Fontana in '49.

COMMITTEE.

MIDDLE EAST NOW U. S. OIL EMPIRE

By PETER MORTON

NEW YORK—(ALN)—"Protection of the military and economic security it represents will become one of the prime objectives of American foreign policy."

This statement appeared in the New York Times, March 2, 1947, 16 days before the Truman doctrine was proclaimed and a year before Warren Austin, U.S. delegate to the United Nations, notified the world that America was abandoning the General Assembly decision to partition Palestine.

Although a surprise to many, the Palestine reversal was hardly news to American oil circles. Fortune magazine, May 1947, explaining the U.S. support of Middle East feudal lords, said a "stable political and economic environment" was necessary to promote oil investments in that part of the world.

These investments and their profit potential stagger the imagination. The world's largest oil producer, the U.S., has proven reserves of 21 billion tons. In the Middle East known deposits are five billion more than that. Untouched fields are expected to yield 150 billion tons as fast as the drills can get it out.

World oil prices are based on U.S. gulf coast prices. This makes foreign resources more attractive than domestic ones to U.S. investors because low wage scales in the Middle East mean far greater profits.

Five U.S. oil companies with predominant Rockefeller control and combined assets exceeding \$5 billion have made millions since 1928, when the British first succumbed to U.S. government pressure and permitted Standard Oil of New Jersey, world's largest operator, to buy a quarter interest in Iraq fields.

Top U.S. oil combine is the Arabian-American Oil Co. (Aramco), operating in Saudi Arabia. Set up in 1936 by Standard Oil of California and Texas Oil to develop a concession acquired in 1933, Aramco has exclusive drilling rights for 60 years. Last year a 40% interest was sold to Standard of New Jersey and Socony-Vacuum for \$102 million plus entry into the European market which the two buyers control.

With wages as low as 25c a day, production costs in Saudi Arabia are kept down to 20c a barrel. King Ibn Saud gets a 23c-a-barrel royalty. Direct production expenses are about 6c for each sales dollar, allowing a huge margin for profit.

Before the war Britain dominated Middle East fields, producing over 75% of their oil against a U.S. output of 15%. By 1950, it is predicted, this ratio will be reversed. Profits

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The Post Office Department is urging all persons to use their own zone number as a part of their own address, and to use the zone number of the person to whom they are writing. This is always necessary but particularly so during the holiday season. The Chicago Post Office has arranged to enter the zone numbers on local mailing list without charge to the patron. Write the addresses of your Chicago friends and relatives on a sheet of paper and send them to: The Postmaster, Room 408, Main Post Office, 433 W. Van Buren St., Chicago 7, Ill.

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U. S. CURBS TRUST-BUSTERS TO SAVE GERMAN MONOPOLIES

By Allied Labor News

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CANADA SHOULD TEACH US TO BUILD OUR OWN PARTY

By EMIL MAZEY

Secretary-Treasurer United Automobile Workers - CIO

Last month Brother Victor Reuther, our Educational Director, and I had the opportunity of visiting the Canadian Province of Saskatchewan as guests of the Cooperative Union of Canada.

I looked forward to this trip because I had heard a great deal about the achievements of the Cooperative Commonwealth Federation—the Socialist Party of Canada—which is in power in the Province of Saskatchewan.

We spent three very busy days in meetings with Premier Douglas and his Cabinet, with representatives of the Department of Labor, Department of Cooperatives, Trade Union leaders of Canada, visiting cooperatives, as well as speaking at public meetings in Regina, Saskatoon and Moose Jaw.

We were greatly inspired by the tremendous co-op developments that we saw in operation in Saskatchewan, particularly the operation of the wheat pool. One out of every four citizens of Saskatchewan is a member of at least one co-op.

The achievements of the CCF Government gave us the greatest inspiration. While reaction is taking place in all of the parts of the Western hemisphere, it was good to see one section of North America moving steadily forward in improving the status of its people. The CCF in Saskatchewan is composed predominantly of wheat farmers. This Government took power in July, 1944, and in three and one-half years has made more social progress than any government has made anywhere in the world in the same length of time.

Progressive Labor Laws

The Government established a Department of Labor, and established a Trade Union Act, which is by far the most progressive labor act enacted anywhere in the world. The Act provides for compulsory maintenance of membership and the checkoff of union dues; and further provides for certification of unions as collective bargaining agents. The Labor Relations Board, which administers the Trade Union Act, has much broader powers than the Wagner Act had in its early period.

The CCF has passed a Workmen's Compensation Act, which provides for 75% of the worker's earnings as benefits. The benefits under this Act are higher than those paid in any other Province in Canada.

The CCF passed a Minimum Wage Act, which also provides for time and one-half for overtime. They have also passed Labor Legislation to protect women and children. Saskatchewan is the first Canadian Province that has established, by law, compulsory two weeks' vacation with pay for its wage earners.

The CCF has also adopted an Annual Holidays Act, which provides eight paid holidays yearly. Workers who work on the holidays receive time and one-half in addition to their regular pay.

Social Security Program

The most popular act of the CCF has been the hospitalization program. This program provides residents of the Province with basic hospital services on payment of an annual per capita tax of \$5.00 with a maximum of \$30.00 for a family regardless of how large it is. The \$5.00 covers complete hospital care. In the first year of operation, over 120,000 persons received hospital benefits. One of my "Canadian friends showed me a hospital bill that he had, totalling \$195.98, which was completely covered by the \$5.00

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—(United Automobile Worker)

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AN AMERICAN GIRL VISITS JUGOSLAVIA

From T & T—TRENDS AND TIDES

Last autumn I received a letter from Miss Anne Aldrich of Brookline, Mass., who said she had recently returned from Yugoslavia and added she might write a book about her visit. Would some publisher be interested? She was soon coming to New York, to continue her studies at Columbia University; could she see me?

I agreed to meet her for the State Dept. barred Americans (with few exceptions) from Yugoslavia on the ground that the U. S. Embassy there could not protect them from the savage Yugoslavs, and I wanted to know how a young lady of college age had got into the country and come out alive.

When we met, Miss Aldrich was full of her Yugoslav experience and of the problem what to do with it. But I had to rush off to another appointment, and as we parted after only some 15 minutes of talk, I suggested that she write me a letter for possible use in T&T.—L. A.

Dear Mr. Adams: . . . I was brought up in a small New England town . . . My father's story is that of a farm boy who became an executive in New England's largest independent milk company . . . a staunch, solid Republican Yankee who grew up in the age when the Great American Myth held true . . . a success in a country where a man is measured by the dollars he manages to accumulate in his lifetime.

From Columbia to Geneva

Along with the three R's came regular indoctrination in New England Puritanism and some good old homespun philosophy . . . preparation for college life in New York City. I studied via the accelerated program at Columbia University. In the last analysis this meant finding the method by which I could learn "the mostest the fastest." International relations—government, political theory, history—fascinated me. I had time to do the reading, and if it was a question of two great thinkers' ideas on the same subject, I had time to make a preference. But going to school summer and winter there was never time to decide what I really thought about anything.

Then in 1946 came the opportunity to go to Switzerland, to study at the University of Geneva with a group of students from Smith College. Academically the year was a waste of time; from every other point of view it was invaluable. It might have been the influence of the European students and university system; it might have been that I had reached a saturation point of "fact-ramming"; in any case, I spent the year doing a little talking, more listening, mostly trying to think . . .

Thesis: "Yugoslavia, 1941-46"

I came to a few conclusions—most important perhaps, that I really didn't believe in any absolutes, except life itself. If any good—any absolute good—exists, for me it is the possibility of the individual to develop all his potentialities for living, so long as this development doesn't infringe upon the development of others. Around this conviction I was able to integrate my formerly conflicting opinions concerning religion, morality and politics. Religion and morality were comparatively easy; politics was hard. Given my premise, I had only to find the political system which gave the individual that possibility. I knew the theories of both East and West, and the practice in the East.

At about that time we were assigned to write theses on any contemporary political problem in our respective fields. I began to read general histories of the Balkans, and narrowed my reading down to Yugoslavia, probably because somebody else had all the books on Czechoslovakia out of the library. In any case, I found myself writing my thesis on "Yugoslavia, 1941-46," and its present position as one facet in the greater problem between the U. S. and the Soviet Union. I got a pass to the League of Nations library, which turned out to be only really heated building in Geneva; the result was that I worked much harder than I might have otherwise. I got in touch with the Yugoslav Embassy in Berne, and with all the anti-Tito Serbian colony in Geneva. Preparation for writing the paper boiled down to reading everything I could get my hands on, and cross-checking to find the facts upon which both sides agreed, following through with logic, and stating that there was insufficient evidence to prove any more.

Forbidden Fruit

In the early spring I began to hear about the Omladinska Pruga, the Youth Railway, in Yugoslavia—first over the grapevine, then from a friend of mine in the States who sent me the article in PM about the Harvard boys who had been refused passports to Yugoslavia to work on the Youth Railway by our State Department on the ground that Yugoslavia was not safe for our citizens. Forbidden fruit always appears tasty—I got in touch with the organization in Geneva that was sending a Swiss brigade to Yugoslavia, changed my boat reservation home from July 25th to August 27th, and talked a friend of mine, Elizabeth McKittrick, into going with me.

I began to learn Serbo-Croatian from my anti-Tito exile friends, who were convinced that I had lost my mind. I waited until the last minute to tell Dad my plans, then

wrote him something which began, "I know you are much too intelligent a man to believe all the things you may be reading in the papers about Yugoslavia," and ended by leading him to believe that the whole project was similar to plans in the U. S. in which college girls helped in the harvest by picking apples.

We got our Yugoslav visas, and kept away from the American diplomatic people in Geneva since our passports, issued a year before did not bar us from Yugoslavia. We knew that passports were being restricted on grounds that citizens couldn't be protected in that country, but we had no way of knowing whether our State Dept. had any valid reason for following such a policy. My motivation for going was primarily curiosity—plus the fact that I wanted to take advantage of seeing Eastern political theory in action. It was a risk, a gamble, and a crazy idea.

In the Heart of Darkest Balkans

The Youth Railway, the Pruga, was being built in Bosnia between the towns of Samats and Sarajevo—the contribution of the Yugoslav youth organizations to the first Five Year Plan. It is tremendously important to the industrialization of the country as it will facilitate the transportation of the presently untapped raw materials which are to be found in the region. Construction was being done by 140,000 Yugoslav young people and groups totaling more than 4,000 young people representing nearly 20 other nationalities.

Our brigade, 90 strong, left Switzerland on July 10. It was a wonderful group, and couldn't have been composed of more diverse elements—everything from conservatives to Communists, Catholics to atheists. Factory workers, office workers, students, housewives—from all economic strata. Only about 16 of them spoke French; I began to learn German. We spent nearly 5 weeks working on the Pruga—two weeks in a camp with Czechs, Poles, and Yugoslavs, and then in a camp with Austrians, Ljubljana students, and a Belgrade students' brigade.

In return for four week's work the Yugoslav government underwrote our traveling expenses in the country and furnished our food and living quarters. The latter consisted of long wooden barracks, with wooden shelf-like affairs on which we slept. The food was certainly adequate, though far from varied. The government also issued us blankets, a ration of 15 cigarettes a day, and work uniforms—trousers, jackets, and caps of gray cotton twill. These came in two sizes—large and small, I managed to draw small trousers and a large jacket.

The railroad runs through a terrain which rather resembles parts of the New England Berkshires, with its low rugged mountains and winding rivers. It is the most backward region of Yugoslavia, inhabited by a Moslem population which lives as it has lived for centuries. Clustered in tiny villages, they carry on agriculture in a most primitive fashion. Unbelievable contrast—Moslem women, still veiled, working in their fields, and at the same time the modern youth putting through their railroad with shovels, pickaxes, and wooden wheel-barrow-Loans? Machinery from America? Not on your life! They are determined to be independent, and to them, financial aid from abroad looks like the equivalent of a mortgage on that independence.

Refused to Be "Decadent"

Our day began at 3 a. m. The flag went up, breakfast went down, and we were at work by five. The first day was the worst. The Yugoslav director led us to our work-place—a cliff some sixty feet high to which he pointed, then addressed the group in polite and precise German. "There are 90 of you—it should take ten days to move this," I stared at the cliff. It was unimpressive. I looked at the pickaxe, sleepily and uncertainly. Then some brave soul began to chip away at the mountain; the others followed suit; I followed the others. We worked hard—I nearly killed myself swinging that pickaxe, mainly because I was resolved to be anything but "decadent."

However, if our Swiss group managed to beat the set norm by 35%, the Yugoslavs beat it by 300 or 400%. They not only walked with the wheel-barrow, they ran. And they sang at the same time. And found time for classes, sports, and festivals besides. Their slogan, "We build the railroad; the railroad builds us," best expresses the well-

rounded program. It is building them as individuals with unity of purpose—in place of the disunity and hatred that had existed between the national groups in pre-war Yugoslavia. Everyone has a hand in the creation of the new state; the spirit is much like the youthful enthusiasm that built our United States. Emphasis was placed on wiping out illiteracy, on raising the cultural level, and on the importance of comradeship in group living. "Bratstvo i jedinstvo" (brotherhood and unity) became common vocabulary in all languages—the central theme of the songs and cheers.

Festivals were held to celebrate all major and minor events—the completion of the line as far as Doboj, the Swiss national holiday (similar to our 4th of July), the departure of a work group for home. Evenings when nothing special was planned we entertained ourselves by building campfires, singing and dancing. Since the proportion of boys to girls was approximately three to one, the dance was usually the kolo, the Yugoslav national dance, done in a circle and requiring no partners. Politics entered into everything. I remember dancing one night with a Swiss, and having an enormous Czech cut in on us and inform my poor little bewildered partner that he was an imperialist—he'd had three dances with me already!

A New Angle on America

Political discussions, both group and individual, were frequent, frank and sincere. I began to see America as others saw it, which was enlightening if painful. Was America going to start a war? Why were we still manufacturing atomic bombs, throwing them around the Pacific, and practicing winter warfare in Canada? And supporting with arms a Greek government that certainly wasn't supported by the Greeks? And what about racial discrimination in the States? I could answer with counter-accusations, but defense was often quite difficult. However, I defended against all and every attack. I have a passion for arguing for the sake of argument.

I was tremendously impressed by the youth of eastern Europe—particularly the Yugoslavs. They knew where they were going and why. And with their tremendous spirit and physical energy there was no doubt about them getting there. They were wonderful people—unspoiled by the delicacies of over-civilization, uncorrupted by the superficialities of any of Emily Post's rules for "gracious living." They were natural, uninhibited, and good—it would have reaffirmed anybody's wavering belief in human nature. (Concluded next week.)

A Jackrabbit Policy

By K. M. Landis II

Who will win the war in Palestine between the Jews and Arabs, no one will know for a long time.

But it can be said without waiting that the hostilities represent a defeat from which the United Nations will not soon recover.

It can also be said that this defeat was not caused by Soviet Russia, or by anybody's veto. It was caused by the affirmative action of the United States.

On occasion Russia has vetoed action which she thought contrary to her interests, a right expressly granted by the Charter and which we have insisted upon for ourselves.

But what has the United States done? We can skip the question whether by-passes like the Truman Doctrine and the Marshall Plan are as bad as the veto.

In the matter of Palestine, we have not vetoed or by-passed the U. N. No, we have used it as a plaything, and then thrown it away like a rag doll.

We got the U. N. to recommend partition because of domestic political considerations. Then we got U. N. to abandon partition for foreign oil considerations. Then, as the U. N. was dutifully considering our trusteeship proposal, we pulled a last one on our own delegates, and became the first nation to recognize the Jewish state we had been opposing.

THE UPPER CRUST



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"To Secure These Rights . . ." PLEASE, MAY I FEED MY CHILDREN?

By Labor Reports

LAST HIRED—FIRST FIRED! This is the sad four-word story of minority groups and the business of earning a living.

"White girl wanted . . ." "Gentiles Only . . ." These phrases are shockingly familiar in the want-ads of our newspapers.

The President's Committee on Civil Rights let's us know that such discrimination is not unusual—that it is a definite policy affecting millions of our fellow Americans in their basic right to earn a living.

In the last depression unemployment hit racial minorities five times as hard as other workers. Now, after the war, cut-backs are hitting such minorities twice as hard as other groups.

The Fair Employment Practice Committee, set up by President Roosevelt during the war and now dissolved, warned in its final report that "the wartime gains of Negro, Mexican American and Jewish workers are being lost through an unchecked revival of discriminatory practices."

Even in times of full employment discrimination is cruelly felt. Jews, Negroes, Mexicans, Indians . . . find it next to impossible to get jobs for which they are trained. Only one out of twenty Negroes get a skilled or professional or managerial job as compared to slightly less than one out of three white men. Railroads generally exclude Negroes from jobs as engineers or conductors. In a Chicago employment agency Jews were barred from 50 percent of executive jobs, 41 percent of male clerical jobs, 24 percent of female

clerical jobs. And these are only a few random examples.

How much do you earn? That, too, may depend on your race, your color, your religion.

Even during the war, in 1942, if John Doe, unskilled laborer, was a Negro, his average wage was 41.4 cents an hour; if he was white, it was 65.3 cents.

In 1940, Negro high school graduates earned only half as much as equally trained white men. The same was true for college graduates.

Once again, according to the President's Committee, our Federal government sets a poor example. Fully one-fourth of the complaints about employment practices made to the FEPC were directed against the government itself!

The best non-discrimination record is that of labor unions, but even they fall short of the goal. Six percent of the complaints were lodged against them. However, the AFL and the CIO, the Committee reports, have officially condemned job discrimination based on race or creed and are waging vigorous campaigns against it.

Can we control unfair employment practices? In wartime the FEPC proved that it was possible. Now, six states have legislation against discrimination in employment. The record of New York State alone proves how much can be accomplished.

In our remaining articles in this series we shall examine the Committee's report on abuses of rights in housing and education. Meanwhile, the report on employment is a challenge to every decent American. As the Committee shows, depriving our fellow workers of jobs for which they are fitted sets up a vicious circle: less wages . . . less purchasing power . . . fewer goods . . . then increasing unemployment all around.

It stands to reason, therefore, that every American is protecting his own best interest in fighting for adoption of the Committee's recommendations—an effective FEPC with clear legislative powers in the National Government and similar agencies in the states.

You Tell Him

Boy: "Mother, this book says that in the ocean the big fish eat up the little sardines. Is it true?" Mother: "Yes, I believe it is." Boy: "How do they open the tins?"

Read "The Silent People Speak"

THE SILENT PEOPLE SPEAK is the title of the latest book about Yugoslavia written by Robert St. John. The author spent last year nine months in Yugoslavia, studying the conditions by contacting the rank and file of the people, rather than the government officials. The book should be of interest to all Americans who are still confused about that country, and particularly to those of Yugoslav descent. It can be ordered from SANC, 3424 West 26th St., CHICAGO 23, ILLINOIS. (In Cleveland, contact the Secretary of branch 39 at the Slovene National Home). Members of SANC can purchase the books at a special discount (\$3.50), otherwise the book sells for \$4.00.

THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE-II

By Frederick Kuh

There's a second field in which we're setting an example in how to repel friends and, in the long run, perhaps to lose influence. That is in our policy concerning Germany.

Today and for many years to come, Germany is the key. It is THE prize. If either the United States or Russia succeeds in bringing the Reich into its camp, it will decisively have won the struggle for Europe.

We've revised our German policy, as well as our attitude on Japan.

Last year the United States ruled that German industry, within the next three years or so, is to regain its productive level of 1936. Why 1936? Because that was the year in which Hitler launched his stupendous rearmament program.

To our decision, vastly to boost German production, there are two European comments.

First, even in 1936 German industrial output and war potential were formidable. In that year Hitler felt strong enough to challenge Britain, France, Poland and Czechoslovakia by tearing the Versailles and Locarno treaties to shreds and invading the Rhineland.

Within a couple of years the Germans annexed Austria and broke into Czechoslovakia. In another year, they overran and smashed Poland, partitioning it with Russia.

So our choice of 1936 as the norm of German production has failed to put the victims of German aggression at ease.

Secondly, these troublesome Europeans are asking: where is the guarantee that Germany, having recovered its 1936 production level, will be content to stop there?

Now, we've decided to run those risks. An immense flow of raw materials, food and goods will be poured into Germany, starting now. Among the 16 ERP nations, Western Germany is expected to be second on the list.

After Britain, it is to receive the biggest slice of American credits and supplies, that is, more than France or Italy.

Imports for German industry in the first Marshall Plan year are to be increased TWENTY times in the next 12 months from \$50 million to one BILLION.

Reasonable men will support our interest in German prosperity, as long as it is not given priority over that of our Allies, and so long as it stops short of reviving Germany's war potential. But does it?

Have the German people changed their skins or even their spots?

I asked about 200 Germans and Allied military government officials this question: If there were a free election in all Germany today, what proportion would vote Nazi, using the word "nazi" not in the party-card sense but as expressing a way-of-life?

I jotted down estimates. The average suggested at least 45% of the German people are still ideologically Nazis. My friends afterwards laughed at what they considered a grotesque underestimate.

Heavy Cost in Friendship

If no price is too big for rebuilding Western Germany as a bastion against Russia, our policy would be right. It will be very hard to persuade most Europeans of this.

We ought to know that we are paying a heavy price, maybe over a longish period, for these decisions. We're estranging some of our friends. They may keep silent in their present reliance on America for economic help and security, but they distrust this policy.

There is a third field in which we are exposed to European criticism. That is on the question of peace or war with Russia.

Until now, non-Communists have primarily blamed Russia for the failure to make a general peace and for the drift towards war. Lately some doubts have arisen in European minds.

During the past three months, Deputies of the Big Four foreign ministers in London have been discussing a peace settlement for Austria. Previously, Moscow stubbornly refused to budge on the main issue, namely the fate of former German assets in Austria, especially oil and Danube shipping. Last month the Russians began to thaw. They made one concession after another.

Every day at lunch time a few American correspondents had been going to our London embassy to hear from our own delegation what had occurred at that morning's Big Four meeting on Austria. We noticed that whenever our delegates returned from the conference looking sad and droopy, the Russians had yielded another point. All the reporters—and they are far from being Soviet propagandists—felt that the United States wants to keep our troops in Austria and apparently opposes a treaty for Austria now.

"Unconditional Surrender?"

A few days ago something else happened in a much broader field and under the spotlight of publicity. I mean the exchange between Ambassador Bedell Smith and Molotov. This fiasco left the impression that we're performing the ambivalent act of standing up to Russia while running away from a discussion of our differences with her.

Are our terms to Russia "unconditional surrender?" Or are we ready to talk on a give-and-take basis, in the spirit which enabled us to reach agreement, for instance, on the peace treaties for Italy and the former German satellites? Are

we so obsessed with fear of appeasement that we confuse appeasement with accommodation?

If any such belief became embedded in the European mind, it would hurt us. The overwhelming majority of Europeans loathes the thought of war.

More than our prestige is involved. We cannot hope to keep the world's respect and friendship simply by being strong. To declare one day that we are ready to discuss our differences with Russia and a week later, after Moscow accepts, to say in effect, "We were only kidding," will strike many civilized people as extremely unfunny.

It's certainly not too late to undo the damage. Nothing could more greatly promote prestige than a successful initiative to arrange a balanced truce in the cold war.

But this is possible only if we look into a dictionary and remind ourselves that accommodation and appeasement are not synonyms.

One approach, deserving more attention than it's been receiving, is the possibility of "an agreement to disagree." What's to prevent us from trying to define our respective spheres of interest? Admittedly, it's a second best, far from the ideal of one world, an effectual United Nations or real understanding on all the controversies dividing us. But how much better than a third world war.

We should not, at this stage, set our sights too high. It would be useless to negotiate right away on some of the major issues: control of atomic energy, disarmament, the veto, a world police force, German unity.

The most we can hope to achieve now is an easing of tension, a retarding of the toboggan towards war. This might be attained by delimiting our orbits all around the map.

It would mean a cooling-off-interval.

We Can Try Again

During such a breathing-space we could, after a time, try again. Then a new effort could be made to come to terms concerning Germany.

Writing in the "New Statesman," H. N. Brailsford also favors this approach. Here's what he says:

"The present moment seems favorable for such an attempt. The West, by adopting the Marshall Plan, American rearmament and the creation in principle of the Western Union, has so clearly affirmed its will and ability to survive that it can afford to take first steps towards relaxing the tension. If we make no effort to check the drifts towards war, it may overtake us sooner than we expect. History warns us that two groups of Powers cannot indefinitely indulge in public quarrelling, mutual frustration and competitive rearmament without stumbling eventually into war.

"Sooner or later, while it measures out retaliation against provocation, one side or the other will miscalculate. It is easy to argue that neither side dare risk an early war. A contrary reckoning is equally plausible. Twice the older among us have lived through this nightmare of an armed and angry peace, and we know how it ends."

—(Sun-Times)

Kenosha Unions Start Health Co-op

A community health center cooperative that will provide complete medical and dental care to its members, has been formally launched in Kenosha, Wis., with the help of the trade unions.

Leader in the movement is Arthur Martell, Business Representative of Machinists Lodge 34, who is also chairman of the committee in charge of incorporating the new health cooperative.

The Wisconsin Attorney General has approved the articles of incorporation of the new organization and plans are now being made for construction of a modern building to house it.

Martell explains that members expect to get better and cheaper medical and dental care for their entire families through the co-op, than they could afford individually.

The group will emphasize preventive, rather than curative, medicine and will encourage its members to guard their health through regular and thorough medical examinations.

Plans call for hiring a staff of 30 persons, including 13 physicians, to care for the 2,500 families that are expected to enroll.

A schedule of costs of services has not yet been announced, but it will be worked out in the near future. Incorporation of the new Health Center culminates a year's work by trade unionists in Kenosha.

The executive boards of all trade unions in Kenosha were invited to help in organizing the new co-op, which will be run by a board of 15 directors selected by the membership.