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## Norman Thomas urgira socializiranje industrij

### Domač drobiž

Prvodsedniški kandidat socialistične stranke pojasnil svoj program na shodih v Milwaukee.

Milwaukee, 27. sept.—Socializiranje industrij potom konfiskacije, ki ob se posudejoči razred nasilno upiral, in socializiranje potom obdavčenja, aka mogoče, je priporočal Norman Thomas, predsedniški kandidat socialistične stranke, v svojem govoru v Eagle dvorani.

Socializiranje potom nakupa, ki naj se bi ga financiralo z obdavčenjem kapitala, je bolj priporočljivo, ker to obeta najbolj miren prehod iz privatne v socializirano industrijo, je dejal govornik.

Thomas je priznal, da ni noben način transferiranja industrije v roke naroda prava pot v vsakem času in vseh okolnostih. Konfiskacijo industrij je oznail za poravnavo.

Za socialiste v Milwaukeeju je bil včerajšnji dan pomemben. Organizirali so parado v glavnem delu mesta, v kateri je korakal tudi Thomas. Pohod se je pričel ob vznojni Wisconsin ave., ob obrežju jezera, od koder se je pomakl proti malemu parku ob Union železniški postaji, kjer je imel Thomas svoj prvi govor.

Thomas je v detajih pojasnil načrt za socializiranje bank in industrij. Dejal je, da je obdavčenje kapitala potrebno, da se odpravi ali vsaj zmanjša breme vojnih in drugih neproduktivnih dolgov, pod katerimi stoka narod. Tako obdavčenje kapitala bi samo na sebi posnelilo in olajšalo aktualno socialno lastništvo industrij.

"To ne bi pomenilo nujni našilni odpor s strani posudejočega razreda," je dejal Thomas. "Rebeliral ni proti britskim davkom, ki so bili naloženi veleposestnikom. Poleg tega se pa posudejoči razred bojuje le, ako lahko prevara veliko število delavcev, da se mu pridružijo v boju za njegove interese. Ako ne bo mogel vptiti proti konfiskaciji, da s tem alarmira človeka, ki poseduje malenkost, tedaj ne bo pridobil na svojo stran delavcev in farmarjev. Zdrufeni v socialistični stranki, podpirani po strokovnih unijah in zadružah, bomo posedovali moč, ki ne bo nič manj učinkovita in še manj destruktivna kot drzni apel k nasilju."

Hoover urgira odgovritev konference železniških delavcev

Washington, D. C.—Načelnik zveznega delavskega departmента Doak je po konferenci s predsednikom Hooverjem podal izjavlo, da predsednik želi odgovritev konference glede mezdne redukcije med uradniki železniških unij in zastopniki kompanij. Konferenca naj bi se otvorila v prvih dneh januarja, "ko bo plosna ekonomska situacija mnogo jasnejša kot je sedaj."

Komunistična zmaga v Bolgariji

Sofija, 27. sept.—Komunisti so odnesli presenetljivo zmago in včerajšnjih municipalnih volitv. Poročila se glase, da so dobili 22 sedežev izmed 35 v sofijskem mestnem svetu. Komunisti so vodili agitacijo več let, večinoma tajno, toda učinkovito. Razkol v vrstah burzooznih strank je deloma odgovoren za najnovo komunistično zmago.

Polska razglasila kmetsko stranko za nepoštavno

Varsava, 27. sept.—Polska vlada je včeraj razglasila radikalno kmetsko stranko v Ukraini za nepoštavno na obtožbo, da vodi komunistične in zarotničke aktivnosti. Policije je zapala glavni stan stranke in aretiral voditelje. Odslej naprej bo vsaka oseba, ki je aktivna v prevratni agitaciji, strogo kaznovana.

## INDIJA PRAZNUJE GANDIJEVO ZMAGO

London bo morda sklical novo konferenco, na kateri se bodo nadaljevale diskuzije o avtonomiji Indije.

Poona, Indija, 27. sept.—Britska vlada je pogojno odobrila kompromisni načrt voilinige sistema, katerega so sestavili reprezentanti hindutskih kast in zatiranega sloja, nakar je Gandhi končal gladovno stavko, v kateri je vtrajal šest dni in pet ur.

Vest o tej akciji je povzročila velikansko veselje po vsej Indiji. V dvoranah indijske legislative v Simli so odmevali radostni vzklikov poslanec, ko je prišel počelo o Gandijevi zmagi. Slične demonstracije so bile v teku tudi v pokrajinskih postavodajah.

Največlastnejše proslave pa so se vrstile med zdovji vjeravdski jetnišnike, v kateri je Gandhi zaprt že več mesecov. Krog sto sorodnikov, prijateljev in pričetnikov "svetega moža" je prispeval v jetnišnico in mu prineslo šope cvetja in rož.

Predno je Gandhi končal stavko, je dobil zagotovilo od generalnega jetniškega in spektorja, da bo lahko vzdrževal stike s svojimi pričasi, čeprav ostane v zaporu. Vprašanje komunikacije s svojimi pričasi je važnega pomena, ker Gandhi pričakuje, da bo novi dogovor, nanašajoč se na enakopravnost državljakov, rezultirati v revolucionarnih izpremembah, ki bodo prinesci zatiranemu sloju njegove pravice.

Gandi je po končanem smrtnem postu podal izjavlo, v kateri naglaša, da bo vedno živil pravice zatiranega sloja, obenem se pa zahvaljuje vladu, upravijeti jetnišnice in zdravnikom za skrb in pozornost, ki so mu moži izkazali.

London, 27. sept.—Po britski vladi odobren načrt voilne enakopravnosti, katerega so se stavili reprezentanti indijskih nižjih in višjih kast, in končanje Gandijeve gladovne stavke, se smatra tukaj za triumf potrebitje diplomacie premijera MacDonalda. MacDonald je urgiral to akcijo že ob pričetku konference okroglo mize pred enim letom.

Dvom vseeno obstoji, da bodo zastopniki višjih indijskih kast izvajali določbe novega dogovora. Prepred med kastami je prevelik in se ga ne more premostiti v enem dnevu, menijo britski uradniki.

Ako se bodo indijske kaste držale dogovora, tedaj bo Velika Britanija pričela s pripravami za novo konferenco okrogomizke, ki bo nadaljevala z delom prve konference. Pričakuje se, da se bo druga konferenca, aka se ne pojavijo nove zapreke, otvorila v Londonu proti koncu novembra.

Zivilska industrija dela dobitek

New York.—Kompanije, ki delajo največje profite v tej depresiji, so one, ki se bavijo s prodajanjem živil, je rečeno v buljetinu, ki ga je izdal Moody's Investors Service. Na drugem mestu so javnonapravne družbe, katerih profitti so se zmanjšali samo za 3.2%, dočim so v drugih industrijah povprečno padli za 45%. Milijoni dolarjev, ki so bili zbrani za razne pomožne sklade, so povečali profite živilskim firmam.

Deportacija komunistov v Chile

Santiago, Chile, 27. sept.—Ciljska vlada je odredila deportacijo dvajsetih komunistov v neoznačen kraj. Med deportanci sta tudi Elias Laferte, voditelj čilske komunistične stranke, in R. Chamudez, prominenten komunistični agitator.

Hrvatov nazaj v star kraj. Med temi je bilo 156 (največ Hrvatov) deportiranih.

## Proces proti senatorju Davisu

Sodnik odloknil apel obrambe, naj ustavi obravnavo

New York, 27. sept.—Apel za umaknitve obtožbe proti zveznemu senatorju Jamesu J. Davisu iz Pennsylvanije, je federalni sodnik Frank J. Coleman odločil. Coleman je dejal, da evdence, katero je predložil zvezni prosekutor, in izpovede pričakujejo, da je moral Davis vedeti o loteriji, ki jo je vodila britska organizacija Moose, v kateri je on generalni direktor.

Federalni prosekutor Louis Mead Treadwell je predložil evdenco, da je organizacija v letih 1930 in 1931 vodila serijo dobrodelnih plesnih zabav. Vsača oseba, ki je kupila vstopnice za te zabave, je bila upravljena do denarnih nagrad, ob katerih je bila najvišja \$50,000. To prosekutorica smatra za loterijo in Davis je bil zaradi tega obtožen kršenja zakonov proti loteriji.

Vstopnice so prinesle tri milijone dolarjev profita, ki pa ni vse šel v blagajno organizacije. Prosekutor je dokazal, da je od te voste Davis prejel \$173,000, Theodore G. Miller, načelnik propagandnega departmента organizacije, in Bernard C. McGuire, profesionalni promoter, pa sta dobila tudi velike zneske.

## Slavka angleških tekstilov

Boj proti mezdnim redukcijam na celih črti

London.—(AP)—Nad 150,000 delavcev v Lancashiru, angleškem industrijskem centru in svetovnem tekstilnem središču, vztraja na stavki od meseca avgusta. Obrat v tovarnah je faktično ustavljen.

V drugem tednu stavke so se takalcem pridružili tudi predložici. Boj je naprej proti redukcijam in prigrajanju. Kapitalistično časopisje hoče vso stvar pričakati kot incident, ki bi se ga lahko poravnalo, ako bi obe stranki pokazali več dobre volje in zdravega razuma.

Tekstilci gledajo na ta boj s povsem drugačnim vidika. James Maxton, voditelj neodvisne delavske stranke, pravi, da je ta borba odločilna za delavski razred, prav tako kot je bila rudarska stavka l. 1926, iz katere se je razvila generalni štrajk. Britski kapitalizem vodi splošno offenzivo proti delavskim mezdam in življenskemu standardu. To offenzivo mora voditi, ako hoče vzdržiti dobitčanosno kompetencijo s svojimi tekmaci. Kapitalisti sami priznavajo, da zahtevajo mezdne redukcije, da bodo lahko konkurenčni z japonskimi tekstilnimi tovarnarji. Stavka tekstilnih delavcev pomeni prizetek velike bitke med angleškim delavskim razredom in umajočim britskim kapitalizmom.

Angleški delavci so se pričeli zavestati, da so kapitalisti pokazali nesposobnost pri reševanju ekonomskih problemov. Edini izhod iz kaotične situacije vidijo v strmoljavitvenju kapitalističnega sistema.

Trije ubiti v rudarski bitki

Columbus, O., 27. sept.—Cete narodne garde so prevzeli kontrolo nad situacijo v Hollisteru, v okraju Athens, kjer ima Ohio Coalitions Company več premogovnikov, potem ko so bili trije rudarski stavkarji ubiti v bitki s stavkokazi. Ubiti rudarji so Clarmont Banfield, George Johnson in Boyd Vincent. Slednji je bil aktiven agitator.

Governer White je postal milijenike v stavkojno okrožje z namenom, da konča spor med rudarji in operatorji, ki je nastal, ko so slednji reducirali mezde.

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Zeneva, 27. sept.—Eamon de Valera, predsednik Svobodne angleške države, je včeraj otvoril trinajsto letno zasedanje Lige narodov z govorom, ki je zvenel kot nagroben govor.

Ne oziraje se na opozicijo je de Valera brutalno povedal ženevski bratovljični, da je izgubila zaupanje v svetu, ker je pokazala premalo odločnosti in poguma pri reševanju velikih mednarodnih problemov. To se je zlasti pokazalo na razočarlitveni konferenci in pri diskuzijah o situaciji na Daljnem vzhodu.

"Na vseh straneh se silijo pritožbe in sumnjenja," je dejal de Valera. "Narodi se pritožujejo, da Liga narodov posveča preveč pozornosti nepomembnim zadevam, vitalne mednarodne probleme pa ignorira. Ljudje govorijo, da snakopravnost držav ne šteje prav nič, kadar pridejo važna vprašanja na dnevnem rednu.

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# Glasovi iz naselbin

Zavaruje se pri naših društvtih!  
Burgettstown, Pa. — Zdi se mi, da je Amerika res svobodna dežela, kakor sem že mnogokrat napisal, pa le tiste, ki so si nakičili bogastvo, ne za delave. Pa saj to je sedaj menda že vsemu delavcu znano, čemu bi potem prostor trafil v Prosveti.

Dne 13. septembra je premil brat Frank Reven, član društva št. 287 SNPJ. Pogreb se je vrnil civilno dne 15. septembra na tukajšnje pokopališče. Naše članstvo je pokojnemu izkazalo zadnje časti z lepo udeležbo. S tem so pokazali, da se zavedajo svojih društvenih in jednotin dolžnosti. Pokojni je bil član dveh društva — SNPJ in SSPZ. Pokojni je bil samec in ima tu malo sorodnikov. Vsi so se čudili, ker je bio na njegovem pogrebu toliko ljudstva — članstva. Pa so vpraševali kako in zakaj. Pojasnili smo jim delo naših organizacij in njihovega članstva. Pa so rekli, da je to res nekaj lepega in prepotrebne-

ga. Pravijo, da bodo socialisti delili lastnino državljanov, toda kot vse kaže, bodo že prepozni, ker danes so že redki, ki kaj lastujejo. Nekdaj ponosni lastniki hiš so danes na cesti. Toličko opevani življenjski standard se je spremenil v filozovo župco. Mogočni Wall street nam je letalnim potom konfisciral imetje, za katerega smo garali cele generacije. Kdor misli, da mu bo Roosevelt dom zopet nazaj podaril, ta je v zmoti, ker zgodovina nam kaže, da je tudi on v službi Wall streeta.

Nekateri imajo fiksno idejo, da nam nasprotniki kradejo socialistične glasovne kar na koše. Kjerkoli se to dogaja, smo sami krivi. Vsaka legalna politična stranka ima po ustavi zajamčeno pravico, da poslje v volilno kočo svojega zastopnika, da pa pri štetju glasov. Zglasite se na lokalnih glavnih stanah, kjer dobiti poverilnicu, in čuvajte naše glasove.

Soc. klub 115 (zapadna stran) uprizori enkrat v novembru v Slovenskem domu zanimivo komedijo "Trije vaški svetniki." Ta kmettska satira je bila uprizorjena prosto leto z velikim uspehom v Clevelandu in Chicagu. Na repertoarju imamo tudi Canarjevo farso "Pohujanje v dolini Šentflorjanski". Ideja, da bi moralni socialisti uprizirjati izključno le globoko zamišljene socialne drame, ne pride vsaj pri nas še v poštev. Da se to doseže, bo treba premagati še mnoge ovire.—Frank Česen.

## Veselica in drugo

Collinwood, O. — Letna sezona nas zapušča, zapušča nas ceteča narava, katera nam je dala veliko zabave, dobrega zraka in splošnega veselja. Dobre stiri mesece nazaj so se nam vrata odprla v lepo prijazno letno sezono, in zopet se nam odpirajo ravno ista vrata v jesensko in zimsko sezono.

Ali se društvo kaj pripravlja, da se sezono? Seveda, pripravljam se. Vprašanje je, kako se bo izpolnilo. Jaz nisem v domu, da bi se nam ne izpolnilo naše upanje, če bi se dalo stresiti glavo kači depresiji. Prepričan sem, da bi močno pomagalo našim društvenim, kulturnim in drugim prireditvam.

Naše društvo "Mir" št. 142 SNPJ je v letni sezoni privedlo svoj izlet kot vsako leto. Klub depresiji je bil izlet dobro obiskan. Naše društvo navadno privede vsako leto prvo veselicu v jesenski sezoni, tako tudi letos priredi veselico, katera se vrši dne 1. oktobra, ali pa prvo soboto v mesecu oktobru. Pričetek ob 7. zvezdu. Svirala bo izvrstna godba, Jančev trio. Vstopnica 25c. Oddani bodo štirje dobitki najboljšim plesalcem v slovenskem in angleškem valčku. Priporočam plesalcem, da si lepo osnažijo in obrusijo svoje teveljke, držače boste zapustili ples brez dobitka. Ker se bo vršila tekma v plesu, bo tudi dvorana v Namen lepo okičana. Torej vsi na plese, da bomo videli kdo se zna lepe vrteti.

Še nekaj kar pričakujemo v letnjosti jesenski sezoni. To je: voleite predsednika Zdrženih držav. Apeliram, da pridev vse na volišče, in da boste oddali svoje glasove pravilno. Priporočam socialistom, da vse volite za demokratia, ako hočete dobiti službe v Washingtonu, kot na primer naš dobro znani agitator socializma Cleveland in države Ohio. Agitator se je pri zadnjih mestnih volitvah premislil in agitiral za demokratia, in giej ga, dobil je službo.

Na svidenje na veselici dne 1. oktobra! Louis Mrmoly, tajnik.

## Aktivnost gospodinjskega odseka S. D. D.

Euclid, O. — Obvečam vse cenjenjeno članstvo in drugo občinstvo na aktivnosti našega gospodinjskega odseka SDD, kateri priredil 1. oktobra kartno zavaro v ples. Gospodinjski odsek deluje direktno za naš Dom, zato se prijavno vabi vse cenjenjeno članstvo in drugo občinstvo, da se po možnosti odzovete prijavnemu vabilu vsaj oni, kateri niste tako hudo prizadeti v tej krizi.

Na Detroitskih ulicah so se pojavili ljeni "tire covers" s primerno reklamo za Normana Thomasa. Cena je 50c. Ščitna reklama je zelo umestna, ker je potujočega značaja in vzbuja splošno pozornost.

Pokažite, da podpirate in simpatizirate z gospodinjskim odsekom SDD, kateri se trudi in deluje za njegov napredok in razvoj. Zahteva se pa tudi ne od nikogar veliko, ker razmere so vsem dobro poznane. Vseeno pa moramo gledati na to, da napolnimo dvorano ta dan in priznamo trud in požrtvovalnost gospodinjskega odseka SDD z našo navzočnostjo.—Matthew Debevec, tajnik S. D. D.

## Vabilo na važno sejo

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Frances Leskovec, tajnica.

## Smrtna kosa

Duluth, Minn. — Društvo "Leo Tolstoj" št. 205 SNPJ je zopet zgubilo člana iz svoje srede. V nedeljo dne 18. sept. je premil brat Frank Stritar po štirih tednih mučne bolezni na jetri in zelodcu. Pokojni je bil nečak polkjega slovenskega pisatelja Josipa Stritarja. Frank Stritar je bil rojen v Tratu februarja meseca leta 1871. V zgodnjem mladosti je začel delati kot zidarški vajenc. Ta posel je obdržal do zadnjega. V Ameriku se je našel pred tridesetimi leti in je delal v več krajih v Združenih državah. Započa soprogo, pet sinov in štiri hčere (razen enega sina so vse odrasli), zapušča tudi brata v Ohiu in enega v Jugoslavijo ter več vnukov. Pogreb se je vršil 22. sept. na Calvary pokopališču. Bil je član SNPJ in KSKJ, pod katerima vodstvom se je našel pred tridesetimi leti in je delal v več krajih v Združenih državah. Započa soprogo, pet sinov in štiri hčere (razen enega sina so vse odrasli), zapušča tudi brata v Ohiu in enega v Jugoslavijo ter več vnukov. 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## Česa se bojiš?

"Bojazen je mati nevednosti in nevednost je mati revščine."

Te besede si je treba dobro zapomniti, kajti iz njih odseva velika resnica. Zlasti velja to za delavce v mestih in na poljih, ker med njimi je največ bojavljivcev, zato pa največ nevedenje in revesež. Bojazen in nevednost sta vzajemni; druga iz druge izvira in druga drugo podpira in rezultat je mizerija.

Ne mislimo bojavni v splošnem. Človeku je prirojeno, da se boji recimo smrti in nesreče. In ker se boji, se čuva. To je nagon samozdravne. Kar imamo v mislih, je bojazen pred napredkom, pred koristnim znanjem in novimi idejami. Ta bojazen je največ kriva, da delavstvo tako počasi napreduje.

Včasih je človek pripisal vse svoje nesreče (pomanjkanje, glad, bolezni, vojno itd.) Bogu ali hudiču — in njima je prepustil vso skrb za svoje bitje in žitje. Sam si ni mogel pomagati, ker si ni znal in znal si ni, ker se je bil. Življenje tega človeka je bilo sam strah in trepet.

Pologoma pa so nekateri ljudje spoznali, da je najboljše, če si sami pomagajo. Nobena družga sila jim ne bo. Ta zavest — vera v samopomoč — je bila prvi korak napredka. Kajti čim je bila premagana bojazen, je bila premagana tudi nevednost; človek je drzno poglej dalok sebe in se učil. To je porodilo nove misli, iznajdbe, odkritja — porodilo je znanost in smisel za napredno izobrazbo.

Izobrazba je največje nasprotje bojavni in nevednosti!

Ti ljudje so spoznali, da razna zla bodo tepla človeka toliko časa, dokler jih ne bo znal premagati. Človek lahko premaga vsa zla; proti vsemu se lahko zavaruje. Natura je slepa in ne tepe človeka namenoma. Vse narutne sile se dajo prilagoditi in ukleniti, da aluzijo človeku, ali prej jih je treba poznavati, poznanje je pa treba organizirati in praktično izrabiti.

Ljudje, ki so tega zmožni, so še v majhni manjšini. Večina je boječa in nevedna, zato pa nezmožna. Ker je večina sama brez moći, mora slediti manjšini, tisti manjšini, ki kontrolira sredstva za življenje, moderno bogastvo in s pomočjo bogastva kontrolira večino ter izrablja njen bojazen in nevednost sebi v korist. Lokava manjšina je že davno apoznala, da je za njo najboljše, če ostane večina strahopetna in zabitna vso večnost, pa je napeljala vode človeškega napredka na svoj mil.

Tako je samopomoč (organizirano znanje) postala dekla privilegiranih slojev in večina ljudi, ki je podložena tem sloyom, ima več škode kakor koristi od te človeške samopomoči. Na primer stroj je na splošno velika pomoč in značil velik napredek, toda, ker stroj še ni v službi skupnosti in prinaša profit le svojemu lastniku, je delavcem v škodo, ker jim odjemlje zaslužek.

V Ameriki je danes slabo za večino ljudi baš zaraditega, ker je večina še boječa in nevedna. Ne zna si pomagati, ker se boji nečesa; ne da se podučiti, ker jo je strah novih idej. Rajši trpi silno pomanjkanje in — čaka, da ji bo nekdo drugi pomagal. V lastne moći in lastne zmožnosti nima zaupanja — sploh ne ve, da ima moč da dosega preobrat. Velika ameriška masa ne verjame, da je boljše življenje mogoče, da je mogoč nov red, tak red, v katerem bi bile gospodarske depresije nemogoče.

Ameriški delavci v industrijah, rudnikih, pisarnah in na farmah imajo dovolj priložnosti za izobrazbo, da bi se otreli nevednosti in strahopetnosti; imajo dovolj priložnosti, da bi si lahko sami pomagali. Večinoma znajo čitati in pisati in večinoma še uživajo politične svobodnosti. Ekonomika in finančna diktatura jim še ni vzela vse političnih pravic.

Lahko bi že danes spoznali trpko resnico, da vasi ne bomo nikdar milijonarji in da je živali individualizem velika bajka, ker so ropani individiji že vse pobrali in milijonom ljudem so vrata do privavnega bogastva absolutno zaprta. Ce bi to spoznali, bi se drugače pobrigali za izboljšanje svojih razmer.

Pa nočejo spoznati. Ne vedo, česa jim manjka in strah jih je pred — izpremembo. Nima jo poguma, da bi spoznali in sprejeti resnico, da bi se dvignili proti svojim izkorisčevalcem in izvolili popolnoma novo vlado, ki bi zastopal le njihove koriste.

(Dalej v drugi koloni.)

## Društvene aktivnosti

K 20-letnici društva "Venere"

Milwaukee, Wis. — Vsi člani in članice ter vse ostalo občinstvo in gl. odborniki! Vsi ste vabjeni na veselico društva "Venere" št. 192 SNPJ, katera se bo vršila v proslavo društvene 20-letnice v nedeljo dne 16. oktobra v SST dvorani. Ker se potem srečno, da sem članice tega društva, sem zložila sledete vrstice v obliku vabil.

Hladna jesen že prihaja, po planincih že slanca pada. Kam se človek naj podam, da bom vesel jesenski dan? Me, članice društva Venere, omisili smo si vse, ne same ene: povabiti Slovence, da se z nami veseli. Dvajset let je že minilo, od kar se je naša društvo ustanovilo. Zato pa bomo njegovo 20-letnico proslavile dne 16. oktobra v Turn dvorani, v katero so povabljeni vsi Slovenci. Igral bo dokaj zanimiva, za nameček pa tudi žaljava. Klubas vam članice bodo skuhalo kranjskih, da se bodo pijača do prilegle po grilih slovenskih. Svirala bo godba poskočne, da se bomo počutili vsi sočne.

Poleg vsega tega, kar je zgoraj povedano v nekaki rimlji, bo še mnogo drugega zanimivega na programu. Zato pa pride vse, da se skupno poveselimo na našem slavlju dne 16. oktobra! Frances Tratnik.

Plačna veselica društva št. 21

Pueblo, Colo. — Društvo "Orel" št. 21 SNPJ priredi plesno veselico na 2. oktobra ob 8. zvezcer v korist svoje blagajne.

Uljudno se vabijo vse Slovenci in Slovenec v Slovenec — sploh vse starje in mladi. Posebno pa se še vabijo vse člani in članice tega društva, da se gotovo v polnem številu odzovete temu vabilu.

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Odbor.

Plesna veselica z igro

Johnstown, Pa. — Naše žensko društvo "Naša Sloga" št. 600 SNPJ bo proslavilo svojo šestletnico na dan 19. novembra v Slovenakem delavskem domu na Moxhamu. Takrat bo uprizorjena veseloigra "Trije vaški svetniki," ki je zanimiva tridejanska komedija, vzeta iz podeželskega življenja. Trije svetniki predstavljajo tri člane društva za čednost in moral, pa se izve, da so nekaki soocetje nezakonskega otroka neke črne Lize, kateri plaćajo redne mesečne doneske, da se stvar ne izve, že celih 20 let.

Plesovanje v to šolo se prične v soboto 1. oktobra v uradu tajnika doma na St. Clair ave. od 9. do 12. dopoldne. Za dolino izvete od tajnika ali vspisovalcev, kateri bodo na razpolago z vsemi informacijami, ki bi jih želeli imeti. Poduk se dejansko prične 8. oktobra, in sicer se bo vršil dopoldne in popoldne v starem domovem poslopju. Napis

vstopnina presta. — Odbor.

Gledališče tajno godbenike

Baltimore, Md. — Gayety teater je izpriljubil godbenike in jih nadomestil z neunijskimi, toda prvi so dramatizirali izprtje. Vsak večer se vozijo na truku okrog gledališča in igrajo pogrebne koračnice ter tako odvračajo ljudi od teatra.

LISTNICA UREDNIŠTVA

L. M., Carlinville, Ill. — Počela bomo radi objavili. Pošljite.

Policijska prepričila komunistične shode

Los Angeles, Cal. — Tukajšnja policija, ki je poznana radi svoje brutalnosti, je stopila v akcijo, ko je James W. Ford, podpredsedniški kandidat komunistične stranke, prispel v mestno vodstvo in gradivo do pojavil.

Vse shode, na katerih je imel

Ford govoriti, je policija prepovedala, blokirala banket v počast Fordu, prepričila njegov

govor v radio ter arretirala večjo število komunističnih agita-

torjev.

(Nadaljevanje na L. Kolone.)

General Klement Vorosilov, sovjetski vojni komesar (desno), na konferenci komunistov (komunistična mladina) v Moskvi. Poleg njega je Kuzarev, tajnik komunistov.

S tem so stari učenci in učenke spet vabljeni, da se vpisajo za tisočo šolsko leto v slikarsko šolo. Podneval in razvijal jih bo naš pozrtovovalni umetnik Gregor Perušek. Oni, ki zmoričajo, bodo morali nekaj plačati, kar od daleka ne krije dejansko vrednost enakega poduka drugod; tisti, ki ne zmoričajo pa že vseeno v šolo, naj se pogovore v uradu, kajti za te žrtvujejo društvo, narodne ustanove in podporne organizacije ter nemalo posameznikov, med temi nekaj direktorjev SND poleg vsega zastonjskega dela v prid razvoju umetniške šole.

"Slike pove več kot 10,000 besed," pravi star kitajski pregovor. Umetnost to vedno dela. Zato vpišite in dajte otrokom, ki imajo talent v to smer, priliko, da vam bodo hvaležni. Storite to 1. okt. — Joseph A. Siskovich.

Prihodnjo sredo kampanjski shod v dvorani SNPJ

Chicago. — Citanje teh vrstic in drugih delavcev so vabljeni na kampanjski shod — socialistične stranke, ki se vrati prihodnjo sredo večer dne 5. oktobra v dvorani SNPJ.

Glavni govornik na tem shodu bo Jim Maurer, podpredsedniški kandidat socialistične stranke. Maurer je eden najboljših govornikov stranke in aktiven v delavskem gibanju nad 50 let, od svojih mladih let, ko je kot vajenec za polagalca cevi postal aktiven pri Vitezih dela — gibanje, ki je valovalo med ameriškim delavstvom pred 50 leti.

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*Declaration of Principles, SNPJ By-Laws.*

# PROSVETA

## ENGLISH SECTION

FOR MEMBERS OF SLOVENE NATIONAL BENEFIT SOCIETY AND AMERICAN SLOVENES

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Those who would give up essential liberty to purchase a little temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety.

*Ben Franklin, Motto to Historical Review*

WEDNESDAY, SEP. 28.

### Editorial Comments

#### The Problem of Fraternal Mergers

The question of merging with smaller or larger fraternal societies is rife. The necessity of merging particularly among the Yugoslav progressive fraternal societies in America becomes more and more pressing due largely to the present crisis. As the well-known fraternalist John Karel says, we cannot grow unless we have sufficient means to put into the field or campaign work to have a fair result of new applicants every year. We are of the opinion that whenever mergers can be made that will effect economy, mergers should be made in the interest of our fraternal system. The Yugoslav Fraternal Federation composed of all the main Yugoslav progressive fraternal organizations in America—although its work in the past has been largely on paper only—has the feasibility of growing into a dominant body. Its present work, although in a nebulous stage as yet, we sincerely hope will emerge in the end as imminently important immediately after its realization. We hope also that the factors holding its future will do their part in hastening its progress.

#### Enlightenment —Pro and Con

Anything that tends to enlighten the workers is rightfully considered educational from a worker's point of view, be that along progressive political, cultural or economic lines. That stands nailed! No one can sincerely contradict this statement. We as workers must work out our own salvation and pave our own way out of the present chaotic state of affairs. No one else will do the work for us. Let us not for a moment be misled by empty promises given so liberally by our fat boys. We owe it to ourselves, our class and our posterity to work earnestly and faithfully for betterment of the present deplorable conditions and against the sordid manipulations of the exploiting class. We cannot afford to follow like sheep into our own destruction. It is in the interest of our captains of industries to keep us segregated, antagonistic and in darkness. It is education when the workers begin to realize that they must get out of that darkness, out of the shackles of the present system of exploitation and profit, out of suffering and starvation. The man who is not yet totally blind to the present day inequities administered by ruling class on the working people, can readily see that there is something radically wrong with the present system, that there must be a way out of this mass—that the toilers must organize politically and otherwise to become a deciding factor in our local and national life.

### An Appeal to Women

Our appeals to have Socialist members and Socialist sympathizers vote only for Socialist candidates have so far been made in general terms to all of these voters.

Today we want to make a special appeal to the women voters.

Women—the rearers and natural protectors of our future generations—have an even greater stake in the coming election than men have.

The hardship and misery, due to the present unemployment situation, which means not only temporary suffering but which will have a tremendous effect in stunting and dwarfing the minds and bodies of our children must, therefore, engender a special repugnance to the capitalist system among the mothers and potential mothers of working class.

Our future—the future of civilization—rests in the hands of you women.

We appeal to you to become fully informed about the present rotten system of society and about the proposals of the Socialist party for a better and grander condition of life for our children—the rising generation.

You must learn to understand the Socialist program for a society under which every family will be assured the right to a full and free life. A society free of the haunting fear of unemployment, misery and degradation.

The Socialist party is ready to help you to this understanding.

You women are the givers of life. We appeal to you to protect the lives you give and make these lives more worth while living.

To do this you must stand loyally with the men in the coming election and vote only for Socialist candidates.—Milwaukee Leader.

### Progressive Patches

By Pals Inc.

Euclid, O.—Fourth Annual Barn Dance—October 15, at the Slovene Society Home. Music will be furnished by the Progressives' Aces. The admission is only 35c. We are expecting a crowd. How many of our neighboring Lodges will be represented? The Beacons, Strugglers, Loyalties and Comrades will be there. How many more?

#### O. K., Silver Stars

The Progressives are ready to take care of all Silver Stars coming to our Barn Dance. Did you know that the Silver Stars will play for the sixty-six championship on October 15 at the Barn Dance? O. K., Brother Presidents, we are ready to take you on. Don't forget to write your plans.

#### New Clew

Pals Inc. have been very quiet lately in regards to Sugar's case. We have a clew that will lead to the conviction of the abductors. We are almost positive that Sugar will be found in the near future. More news regarding the case next week. (Sister Fradel—your hint will be revealed later.)

#### Sorry, Beacons

We are sorry we couldn't invade

Newburgh in the past few weeks, but you can blame the "official car." We hope to be with you in the near future.

#### On to Chicago in 1932!

The convention year is coming closer and the lodges are preparing to send E. S. delegates. Is your lodge among them? We want the E. S. members to be represented in full number. If your lodge hasn't as yet made plans, do so now. Help us push the English speaking motions across.

#### Notice, Bro. Baumhöch!

The Progressives would like to hear from you soon. Pals Inc. are certainly awaiting the results of the "Highway Sailors of America." Don't forget to write soon. Pals Inc. 807 E. 200, for all communications.

#### Convention Week

The Progressives are cordially inviting all Lodges to attend the Progressives' Mock Convention at the November meeting. The committee is ready to report. Is your Lodge sending a delegate?

(Editor's Note:—Your desire will be fulfilled.)

### The Reveliers' Column

Ambridge, Pa.—At the last meeting of the Reveliers it was decided to sponsor a New Year's Eve dance on Dec. 31. Other business transactions were the selections of Bros. John Karel, Martin Spec and George Maletich as delegates to the Oct. 16 conference of the W. Penna. E. S. Federation. Bro. Louis Uhernik Jr. was chosen as an alternate. A committee composed of Bros. Pavlik, Uhernik, Karel, Maletich and Spec were appointed to make a thorough study of the SNPJ by-laws; and, to make a report of their findings and recommendations thereof at the next meeting. The letter from Bro. Bias Novak pertaining to the Sick Benefit department of the society was read in its entirety.

With the summer activities over a few thoughts for doing this fall and winter would not be amiss. Last two winters bowling was highly successful; and Mr. Labens has already inquired as to our decisions in the sport. Conditions being what they are locally there is little likelihood that private social affairs, either at the individuals' expense or the lodge's, are feasible. There is a dire need for some form of activity. Cannot some action be had in ways that would call for no, or only a minimum of expense? With the interest most members are showing in pinball, five-hundred and other card-games it should prove an easy matter to organize a league. Games could be played at one another's homes. Possibly some of the other members may have other and better ideas. At the next meeting be present and state your plans.

During the winter months the monthly meetings in the past were held on Sunday afternoons. The present meetings are held Sunday mornings, and quite a number have fallen down in their attendance. Possibly a more propitious time can be selected for the meetings. A change to some week-day evening may prove beneficial. That can be settled by the members at the next session.

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Dom for alterations being done to their flag case which will be beneficial to the Revs for storage purposes . . . The Pittsburgh Boosters are inviting the Revs to their Halloween Eve doings on Oct. 31 . . . And the Universal Comets for Oct. 29, Louis Koska.

#### Penney News

Latrobe, Pa.—On Sept. 4 we organized Socialist Club in Latrobe with 12 charter members. At our first regular meeting we made plans to have Norman Thomas, Socialist candidate for president, as a speaker as many people would like to hear him. On this same day another local group organized in Coketown, at this town they have 40 charter members. Westmoreland County has two more new Socialist clubs.

On the 18th of Sept. we were at Johnstown. Socialist club No. 5 JZB held a picnic, the main speaker was the well-known Josko Owen. He gave a very interesting speech and also told many jokes, which makes the people feel good humored and makes them more interested. He said if we appealed to God to help us, his answer would be, didn't I give you lots of everything you need? What else do you want?

Sept. 25 we listened to Norman Thomas speak over the radio. He said, "The Republican and Democratic parties are like two empty bottles; each having the same label on them (meaning the platforms), but both being empty of any medicine to cure this depression and the present system."

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At last Thursday's meeting of the Chicago District Federation of SNPJ, among other things the annual Xmas party for children was talked about. SNPJ members in Chicago and vicinity will be entitled to special discounts on funerals and caskets thru an arrangement entered into with three undertakers. If money in your pocket means anything, the Chicago Federations has endeavored to have it mean something under the new agreement. Why pay exorbitant prices when you can get the same thing at a bargain?

It wasn't just the easiest thing to get special concessions on funerals and caskets, but persistent effort on the part of the Federation's commit-

tee has netted us a reasonable reduction. We have learned that our medical arrangement has benefited even non-members.—The Federation feels that it has done its duty. It is now up to the members to avail themselves of the advantages.

Let us look into this matter of our dances. The rental of the hall is still very high. Printing of announcements and tickets still at the old rates. The price of music hasn't come down any. There are miscellaneous expenditures which have been decreased a bit. Yet, the Pioneers have come down in price of the admission 50¢ without decreasing the quality of our dance. This we have done to enable everyone of our members and friends to attend.

Rhythmic musical strains will come from Johnny's Joy Jesters, those popular boys who have delighted our big crowd once before. It has been an existing tradition for the Pioneers to have good music at all of their affairs, but especially so for our annual dance. And the 1932 Annual Fall Dance shall be no exception to the rule.

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## Lest We Forget

Verona, Pa.—Philosophy: "Habit has more force in forming our characters than our opinions have."—Robt. Hall.

Choosing a spectatorial role in any lodge, selected at random, one will discover many projects in evidence, with a subsequently expressive enthusiastic response. Every member is alertly interested in launching the chosen course until concerned in designing its shape when a diminished interest obstructs the exerted efforts of the few constant agitators desiring to enable an established survival. There are occurrences when full attention and unrestricted assistance is provided but, these occasions are so exceptional and infrequent that special mention is then deserved.

A clear conscience of having helped bears its own satisfaction, therefore every Society member should aid to the utmost.

Our Glossary: Perhaps some hoped our last article to be final, but some one is foisted, we're starting anew on another sieve.

Kosala summarized the Flea picnic as a matter of history, but with those present will linger memories of the twilight reveries till the next one; and herewith silence ensues, for we know not what we'll be accused of in case a slip is made regarding others, every one's mamma permitted them to remain out all night, though.

The Keytonians are such firm friends that we were ethically bound to attend their picnic and then, as is the usual custom, the country-side roaming began, reaching into Bell Vernon. It is a safe wager that the Klanchar family considers the local crowd boarders for we never travel near there without stopping off thereabouts or at Emil's place on the Lincoln Highway to have the family showering generous hospitality upon us; the cause, oh well, some one of the Langus' is along and since one friend knows another, we meet many good people! Thanks for the fruits, feed and hospitality until same is returned.

No detours around the Fradel abode, even in their treatment, so it naturally follows to be one destination in our eastern travels. We can not distinguish as yet, whether the family reception or the ball was superior for one's enjoyment. The locals Langus, Lessor, the sis and myself sincerely appreciate the incurred extensions and hope to reciprocate eventually. Met the Langerholz sisters, Flood City, and escorts of Friendly City whose names, unparsonably, cannot be recalled. Also the Yankin girls who well represent Imperial, L. Verhovick, Preserves, Bill Drap and many others whom the Society already knows.

Popularity winners: Ann Radojich and Bill Drap. We trust no offense or prejudice was created among the femmes who aspired to the title, because no one individual was considered completely outstanding, so the judges voted thru secret ballot elimination to determine this year's prize captor; the series began with votes for Langerholz, Yankin, Radojich and Klopchar who, being a Torch, was ruled ineligible for the contest entrance.

The Annual Reunion of the Veronians, Ramblers and Comets creates considerable attraction due to the fact that the Tri-Lodge picnics are customarily planned as a postlude to the summer activities, so naturally every-

where. Wm. N. Radojich.

## Here and There With Comrades

Cleveland, Ohio—"Harvest Dance"—October 8.—A little more than a week to the Comrades' coming out dance. Everybody has been waiting for this initial dance. What do you say, Strugglers, Loyalties, Beacons and progressives? Can't we count on you to help make our dance a success? Come dressed in your everyday clothes, overalls, and what have you! The hall is to be decorated with corn stalks and pumpkins—flickering lights—and oh! for a half hour of bliss!!! And waltzes. The music is to be furnished by Bob Tekauts and his boys. They promise us a good selection of music and an abbreviated intermission. The musicians promise to help make this a real harvest dance by donning overalls and old straw hats. Won't that alone be worth coming to the dance for? Pa he says!!!

The admission is only thirty-five cents; so come on, everybody, and give us your cooperation, and the Comrades are sure to return it.

At the beginning of the baseball season we had a few fellows who were interested in playing; but it was understood it would take more than just a few to make a team, so these few had to do without baseball. Now that the baseball season is almost here, we would like to see our Comrade team go out again. Perhaps the fellows who were interested in baseball would be willing to bowl. Come on, boys! Show us some of your Comrade spirit and hand your names to Rudy Cetina who has been appointed to take full charge of the bowling team (if there be one). The members have promised to give plenty of support to the future team. Isn't that encouraging? You bet it is!!!

At last our meetings are increasing in attendance. Say! did we have a nice, sociable time and crowd! Oh! seems like our members are acting like true brothers and sisters.

For our next meeting to be held

on October 18, we have decided to call it "Rally Night." All our SNPJ lodges are invited to attend, and we sincerely hope to see some out-of-town members. We hope to have a second crowd and the Rally will start promptly at 8 o'clock sharp, in the lower hall of the Slovenc National Home on St. Clair avenue and East Sixty-Fifth street.

We'll start off with a snappy meeting, then a few speakers representing our different neighboring lodges with our president, Joe Jare, acting as toastmaster. After our business is taken care of we will have some poppy music for those desiring to dance. Cards and card tables will be on hand for anyone desiring to play a hand or two of bridge or pinochle. That isn't all! No sires! We'll serve refreshments for a very small amount of money. There will be no other charges, so we say, "Pack up your troubles and smile your way to Comrades' meeting (better known as Rally Night) on October 18. Bring your friends, the more, the merrier."

We happened to hear of the death of a Keytonian, Paul Steben, who was killed in an auto accident. As we have known him rather intimately, we wish to express our sympathy to Mrs. Steben and her family.

Are you paying your dues on time? If not, did you inform your secretary? For those who find it hard to pay their dues, they may drop their sick benefit if they wish and pay dues only for their death benefit, thus still remaining members of the SNPJ.

The members sure were on pins and needles 'till the close of the last meeting due to the fact that our president got a big kick calling us the members for their opinions concerning our future Rally. By doing this he found out just what form of entertainment the members prefer, thereby satisfying them. Only Joe seemed to pick on the girls quite a bit. We guess he liked to see the girls get all aflutter and nervous.

But boy! oh boy! did he get fooled. The girls got up like majors and spoke as though they had been trained speakers.

### Odds and Ends

Noticed some of our old Comrades members at our meeting Tuesday night. Didn't the boys give Alice Balinger a grand reception when she walked in?

Noticed John Babich and Miss Gorak came in together.

Wonder whose ring Joe Jare is sporting these days?

The boys who were in Pennsylvania for Labor day surely make the other folks envious of them. That's all you hear now-a-days. There certainly must have been an attraction in Bridgeville to make these boys take such a long trip. Why don't you spill it, boys? Was it the "command" or was it "her"? We're bound to find out, boys, sooner or later, and when we do it'll be just too bad.

Well! folks, we're all ears when it comes to jokes. This one takes the cake!!! "Popeye" (Frank Modic) came Friday to the entertainment committee meeting with very sad news. He told us he went to a meeting on Tuesday that had already been held on Monday. He arrived at the meeting place and found no one was there. My! he felt important to be the first one there. After waiting around for an hour or two he was informed that the meeting was called for Monday and not Tuesday. Wish we could have seen the expression on his face when he received the sad news. Boy, we bet we would have never forgotten it. (Oh, give us something to remember you by.)

Wonder why we never hear anything of that one time roaming Romeo of the Silver Stars, Tony Omets?

Happened to notice in the "Prowess" where Louis Kosala wanted to know why we weren't at the Flea's picnic. One of us went to Pittsburgh and waited for a Flea to come and escort "the one" to the picnic—but that certain some one didn't show up and left "the one" stranded in that big smoky city of Pittsburgh. Next time the Fleas have an affair we would greatly appreciate it if they would let us know things more definitely. What do you say, Fleas?

Do you know that for our November meeting we are planning to have a speaker from Russia? He will tell us the truth about the conditions in Russia at the present time, and not what the people like to picture Russia to be. Guess that ought to draw another crowd. Bring your friends and enjoy a night in Russia at Comrades' November meeting.

The local crowd should earnestly strive to attend the following dances: the Veronians could always bank upon the support of the different groups involved, so we must aid in relieving their burdens as they do ours: Lone Star Club—Sat. eve, Oct. 8, Costa Hall; Verona Conquerors (C.P.U.)—Sat. eve, Oct. 22, Costa Hall; Verona Blues Chasers in the near future.

N. B. other lodges: Reserve New Year's eve for us. Everyone, disregarding distance, out to the Veronians' Annual Dance on New Year's eve, Sat., Dec. 31.

Personality: Bunking with Preston gives one nocturnal mares from his subconscious caletistica and what nots. Bro. Matt Avcin seldom comes to a meeting, but he's worth his weight in gold, for he can always be depended upon for bringing out a large crowd or disposing of more tickets than anyone else. Splendid! Keep up the good work and we'll devote a whole column to you later.

See from West Newton had to inform everyone that we met, if you ever tip dip cops in do local burg dat we know each other, day' jug ya, cause day can't locate us never.

Either the Keytonians or Silver Stars breeze into town like the Spirit of '76 and this time it was Praha and Vozel, hell bent for the Triangle picnic on a Sat. night with 36 hrs. to kill and ajingling the coin, so this poor guy and Languis also gets a car to promote a rip snortin' time, which the boys has afore the day's gone by. Like everything else, their visit ends and they leave a trail of memories behind and feelings of the morning after the two nights before.

"Saint and Sinner."

### Ramblers Reposing

Harmarville, Pa.—Sept. 20. No doubt you have all heard the expression, "a good time was had by all" in reference to some great event which has just taken place. Well, that's the best way we can describe the Tri-Lodge picnic held by the Ramblers, Comets and Veronians on Sun. Sept. 18 at a large farm near Center, Pa.

We feel sure that this picnic created a feeling of good fellowship in everyone present—and that alone is a great achievement. It goes to prove that a group of lodges can get together and through the co-operation of all, accomplish some definite purpose. The picnic was held with no intention of making it a financial success. The sole idea was to have a regular "get-together" affair and to see that every one who attended had the best time possible.

Will be seeing you at the Pioneers' Dance at SNPJ Hall October 29. "Danks and Goodbyes."

### Silver Stars News

Sheboygan, Wis.—Well folks, here we are again, Romeo and Juliet on the air through the courtesy of station B-E-E.

We begin our broadcast with criticism which we find necessary re-

garding the attendance at our regu-

lar meeting which was held on

Tuesday, September 20, and which

did not do credit to the Moderns.

Surely each one of us could find time

to spend a few hours each month in

attendance at our meetings. A good

deal more work could be accomplished

to the satisfaction of all of the mem-

bers which we cannot do if only a

few show up.

You all know or should know that

it is the duty of each member to be

present at these meetings, and so all

you people who call yourselves the

Moderns remember to keep the date

with your SNPJ brothers and sisters

on every third Tuesday of each cal-

endar month, barring none, at Pink's

Hall.

For the benefit of those who did not attend our meeting on Tuesday we want to broadcast our plans to try out a new method of entertain-

ment after our meetings.

A combination of card games and

bunco is to be arranged by the com-

mittee. Brothers George Konec and

John Zupancic, and we need the help

of all the members to make this plan

a success. Prizes will be waiting for

the winners.

Come on all you Moderns, help the

committee put this over in a big way

by attending our next meeting. We

guarantee an enjoyable evening for

all. It is something different. That's

that's that.

Now for the big news.

Our last meeting seems to have

been an inspiration for new ideas.

In our last broadcast we mentioned

our Sixth Anniversary. Here's the

dope (excuse the slang, but we can't

help it, we just feel like it).

We are going to have a Domada

Zabava.

Doesn't this strike you as an ideal

way of spending our Sixth Anniver-

sary?

We agree with you; it is ideal.

The committee elected, Sister Agnes

Ertz and Brothers Frank Resnick

and John Zupancic, are to meet

in the near future.

More will be broadcast about this

big event through this same channel

soon.

Before going off the air we remind

you once more to keep Tuesday, Oc-

tober 18, open.

This program came to you over the

SNPJ network, by Romeo and Juliet.

the woods alone, all of a sudden the birds and coots began to howl and scream (frightened by Franklin's auto horn). She thought the crowd was calling her and answered, "Yes, Franklin, I'm coming." What is the trick of understanding animal lan-

guage!

Leo Bregar was reaching for the

men in the lake and splash fell in!

Karl's motto while driving—"Ich

nicht go fast."

The wiener roast ended well at

twelve with many sides.

Most important of all, putting

aside all entertainment, is our next

monthly meeting, Oct. 10. Our past

few meetings have been attended

only by the usual few members. Why

can not some of you Zippers attend

meetings and help with our problems,

etc. Let's see the next meeting rep-

resented 100%.

There will be a card party imme-

diately after the meeting,

with refreshments and soft drinks.

This is a free admission party.

Remember. Some members are

carious about paying their dues, and

as a result are suspended. Blame

no one but yourselves for this.

Attend meeting 100%.

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## STRUGGLERS

By Lindy

Cleveland.—All of Cleveland is eyeing the outcome of the city treasurer's embezzeling case where Maurice Maschke and his five "boys" are on trial for embezzeling \$177,273 of the taxpayers' money. Maschke, the county republican boss for over 25 years, has been exposed. For over a week the prosecution had tried to get a jury, but after a week's struggle have agreed upon to have three judges try the case instead of a jury and leave the public outside. Our wish and desire is that the judges who will be given this task are honest and courageous and give the Maschke racketeers their medicine served behind bars. Some say these "racketeers" are not guilty. If not, why are their kind threatening the state prosecutor with death threats?

### All Ready

We won't talk you away from the states' most important trial of crooks, but we ask you kindly not to forget that big coming event that the Strugglers will expose. The date is Saturday evening, Oct. 29, when they stage their Annual Halloween Frolic. Folks, it's going to be different, and remember, with the Strugglers' Harmony aces serenading your tired feet and the admission down to depression rates—35¢—you can't help but be there. O.K. We'll be seeing you.

### What Happened?

In 1929, when everything was rosy and Ohio industries were paying out to their employees over \$2,000,000,000 a year the cyclone struck its death blow, the wheels of industry started to slow down. Payrolls shrank some 23%. Factories closed, wages cut, buying power curtailed and the worker counted out by a knockout. The difference between 1929 and 1931 payroll is \$723,034,024, which gives you a depression view of state of Ohio. But the two cars that we were promised 4 yrs. ago are still in raw material and the dinner pail has turned rusty from depression wear.

### Don't Forget

Next Wed., Oct. 5, is the Strug-

gers' regular monthly meeting. There will be three prizes in all and plenty of dance music for you to enjoy. Make the Struggler meetings a good time for you.

### Dramatics

All you lovers of stage plays, and amusement seekers don't fail to attend Dramatic Club Verövsk's 3-act presentation of "Veleturist" (The Tourist). It's great and its comedy will make you roar with laughter. It will take place on Sunday evening, Oct. 9, on the Slovene Workingmen's Home stage. If you miss this one, you will regret it.

### Be Present

On Sunday, Oct. 9, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon our reliable SNPJ lodge "Na Jutroveni" in Newburgh, Ohio, will sponsor their mammoth Anniversary Celebration. A very good program will be presented, and the speakers for this gala event are two supreme board members—Bro. Joseph Siskovich and John "Lindy" Lekar. Don't you forget!

### Good Advice

"We get along better in life by making good impressions on the people we meet. Good impressions are made upon others through pleasing personality, honesty and leadership. Fear, unnecessary anxiety and jumping at the wrong conclusion will often overshadow the pleasing side of one's nature and quickly take away from him the power to succeed. We must be careful in these trying days."

### All Prepared

Bro. Herman Preseren of these shining "Silver Stars" of Yukon, Pa., informs us that his band of go-getters are to hold their great Second Anniversary on Jan. 21, and I think that all the lodges should return those active Silver Stars a visit by attending their celebration. The Silver Stars can show everyone a good time and if Cleveland's Struggling Quacks are not snow-bound on Jan. 21, count us in with the rest of the "bartenders." We'll be there!

## Beacons Highlights

Cleveland, Ohio.—"That inkspilling bombie out Newburyway has certainly been bitten by the vacation bug," says one of the weaker sex, which causes this eavesdropping chap to witt. After several guzzles of rejuvenating aqua, Jawn finds himself starting the weekly whachamazit all over again. Won't you excuse us?

Beacons' outstanding events of the past four years were the anniversary affairs, all three being successes both socially and financially. No reason can be found why the Fourth Anniversary on Nov. 27 should be otherwise. Just what the program will consist of we don't know. It is safe to say that the annual dance will be one of the principal features. A memory test: Remember the Beacons' Fourth Anniversary on Nov. 27.

## The Farmers' Holiday

By Richard Bosch

(Richard Bosch, a former Commonwealth student, is publicity director for the National Farmers' Holiday Association, and here tells something about the background of the Holiday movement and the way in which it operates.—Editor.)

Reformers and believers in progress are disheartened by the passiveness, if not cowardly submissiveness, with which people in general are accepting the suffering and injustice caused by a ruthless economic system. Up to now there has been no formidable voice of protest against the pauperization of millions of workers and farmers; there has been no strong resistance to the sacrifice of all human rights for the protection of property rights.

Is there any group with the will, courage and strength to challenge and overthrow the power of financial and economic tyranny in its mad course of "economic readjustment"? Liberals and intellectuals talk a lot about what must be done, but they do not constitute a social movement. They have no unified concrete program. They are not putting up a fight and besides have no political or economic weapon with which to fight.

Small business men are like liberals in that they are a group but not a movement. They have no program of concerted action, no dangerous weapon that they can or will use. They have no desire for any significant change.

Labor, whom we have traditionally regarded as the natural-born enemy of the capitalist, has so far failed to repel the attacks upon wage levels and the standard of living. With millions unemployed, labor's chief weapon, the strike, has been sadly crippled.

The farmers as a class have been called individualists, petty bourgeoisie. They are property minded, hard working, patient, and submissive. But they will fight. And when they do—look out! The farmers are now doing what practically everybody would have said was impossible—they are going to strike to take a "holiday."

### Selling Below Cost

Why are the farmers striking? As an independent producer within the capitalistic system, the farmer has certain costs to meet, such as taxes, depreciation, equipment, labor. If his income is less than his costs, he goes into debt and sooner or later goes broke. Farmers everywhere are facing bankruptcy or have already gone bankrupt, losing their homes, their savings, their means of livelihood. If you don't get your cost of pro-

daction you'll go broke as surely as two and two are four. This is the simple and obvious fact that is everywhere catching the imagination of the farmers. And why don't the farmers get their cost of production? Because they continue to deliver their products regardless of the prices received. The common sense remedy as it appears to farmers is to refuse to deliver their products at a price less than cost. Nobody else delivers goods regardless of price. Why should we? Let's call a "holiday."

As Vebien said: "Any certified accountant of economic theory could point out certain fallacies and difficulties in the above cost-of-production argument. But theoretical validity is irrelevant. The argument is simple, logical, understandable. It gets people to act, which is the important thing."

The farmers are combining to use their economic power, not in the name of planned economy or the class struggle or historical materialism, but in the name of agriculture as a basic industry, in the name of liberty, equality, justice, Americanism and God Almighty. But the program, nevertheless, looks toward a planned economy. If cost of production prices are established for farm products, and if there should be a surplus at that price, each farmer, according to the plan of the Holiday Association should keep and hold on his own farm his proportionate share of the surplus. This means a sharing of limited opportunities, comparable to the sharing of jobs among workers in some of the labor unions.

### How It Is Done

The methods of organization are simple, speedy and cheap. A mass meeting is called in a state. A state committee is elected and they in turn arrange for mass meetings in each of the counties within the state. The county committee is elected, and it selects a man in each township who, with five or six helpers of his own selection, calls upon every farmer in the township. Each farmer is asked to sign a pledge to refuse to sell his products for whatever period the "strike" may be called, or until he obtains the cost of production. In this way every farmer is visited in the county or state which is being organized. Usually from 75 per cent to nearly 100 per cent sign. A few refuse to sign, but vow they will strike just the same. A very few insist on sticking to the old way of selling when you please.

At this writing (September 5), the farmers' holiday is being organized in twelve states. Eight other states have asked the Holiday Association to come in and organize, and the movement promises to be nation-wide. In organizing for the holiday movement, farmers have asked for and received the moral, and to some extent the financial, support of other groups, small business men, professional people, labor unions. Labor unions have endorsed the strike. A jobless railroad man is helping organize. The unemployed helped the farmers in Iowa to picket, and the farmers furnished free food to the unemployed.

As far back as 1927, when thirty-six farm organizations, constituting the Corn Belt Committee, met at Des Moines, a resolution was unanimously adopted that "if we cannot obtain justice by legislation, the time will have arrived when no other course remains than organized refusal to deliver the product of the farm at least production costs." And the farmers believe that time has now arrived.

The leaders of the Holiday Association are men who have long been active in farm organizations. The managers and officials of some of the farmer cooperatives support the strike and some oppose it. The officials of a large milk producers' association sent a statement opposing the strike to every one of the members. But the farmers themselves are lining up for a strike. Their attitude is: "If those fat boys are opposed to a strike, to hell with them. We're the producers. And now is the time to strike."

**Speak in Terms of People's Needs**

The lesson of the farmers' strike movement, as I see it, is that you can accomplish the impossible if you don't know that it is impossible. Where there is a widespread discontent, a general feeling of a need that must be met, there is a basis for an organized mass movement—of protest, even if nothing else. And that's worth knowing!

**Self pity is a spiritual suicide! So avoid it!** Perhaps you have troubles. Just remember, so does the other fellow. Only you are so engrossed by your own that you fail to notice his. Probably, you could help him in some way if you were not so selfish by pitying yourself, contumaciously. Give a helping hand if you can and boost your fellow companions and you'll be amazed how your burdens will lighten. Why don't you try something? "Smile—and you'll discover that no one can smile and at the same time keep counting his woes?" Don't pity yourself. "It's but a friendly warning, and if not heeded, will eventually lead to tragedy."

**When despair and discouragement hold hands, they mean a defeat. What a fight you must have to prevent it!** However, in the end, it's worth it, and then some. What would happen if everyone would be easily discouraged and give vent to despair? Indeed, it would be a sad fate! For instance, a doctor curing a patient from an uncertain disease. It is a difficult case. Experiments are required.

What is the answer? He must be patient. His very temperament must be under complete control. The furthest from his mind must be discouragement and despair. His case is won if he holds courage and conquers it. Do you know that courage brings hope—hope success and victory?

**Eventually you may lose a number of fortunes. The loss, alone, will teach you to proceed after more. But now, you have experience. You will hold on more firmly and the procedure will be smooth.** Is it not the truth that everything looks, feels, tastes or sounds better after you think you have lost it forever . . . but also, it's within your grasp?!

A real man never stays down after he is beaten by death. He stays above water, goes down, and up again to get his breath, then travels even more determined to attain success.

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**Client: "Fortunately, no."**

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