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Japonska bojna letala nad San Franciscom!

Japonci zadali težak udarec ameriški bojni mornarici v napadih iz zraka. Kongresnik Dingell zahteva, da se pet poveljnikov postavi pred vojno sodišče. Argentinska pristanska na razpolago Ameriki. Devet latinskih republik napovedalo vojno Japonski. Hitler jeve čete občale na moskovski fronti.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., 9. dec.—Japonska bojna letala so se pojavila nad tukajnjim salivom, so naznani vojaški krogi. To dejstvo dokazuje, da se je vojna približala ameriškemu obredu.

Dva štadra bojnih letal po nejanjih vsek sta letela skozi ozraje župinod od San Josea proti Južnemu koncu saliva pri San Franciscu, nakar sta se ločila. V San Franciscu je bil izdan alarm v znak prahivalcem, da so sovračna letala v bližini.

Washington, D. C., 9. dec.—Iz zanesljivih virov se doznavata, da je ameriška bojna mornarica dobila težak udarec v japonskem napadu iz zraka. Šest bojnih letal in več pomožnih, med temi eno za prevažanje letal, so japonske bombe potopile ali poškodovale.

Senator David L. Walsh, demokrat in načelnik odseka za mornarične zadeve, in kongresnik Carl Vinson, načelnik zborničnega odseka za mornarične zadeve, sta pozvala mornarični department, naj v detajlih pojasni izgube, ki jih je utrpela bojna mornarica.

Kongresnik John D. Dingell, demokrat iz Michigana, je zahteval, da se pet poveljnikov mornarice in armade postavi pred vojno sodišče kot osebe, ki so odgovorne za polom obrambe na Havajskeh otokih. Dingell je dejal, da bo predložil zadevno resolucijo v nižji zbornici.

Berlin, 9. dec.—Časnikarska agentura DNB citira poročilo iz Tokija, da japonske čete napadajo Singapor, največjo britsko trdnjavo na Dalnjem vzhodu, dočim letali mimo bombe na britska letalska oporišča na Malajskem polotoku, ki so razbile več angleških letal. Druga vest pravi, da so japonske bombe ubile 63 oseb in ranile 133 v napadu na Singapor. Dve angleški križarki so Japonci potopili v singapskem luku.

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New York.—Pet dni trajajoča stavka, katero je oklicala ujetna ladje gradninskih delavcev, včlanjena v Kongresu industrijskih organizacij, v ladjejdinci Robins Dry Dock & Repair Co., je bila končana z zmago unije. Kompanija je pristala na zahtevo gledi zvišanja plače za deset odstotkov in minimalno plačo 75 centov na uro. V stavki je bilo zavojevanih okrog 6000 delavcev.

Pravstovoljci se priglašajo za boj proti Japonski

Washington, D. C., 9. dec.—Na tisoče mladih Američanov v vseh državah in mestih se je pravstovljivo prijavilo v nabornih uradih za službo v armadi, mornarici in letalski sili, da se bodo lahko borili proti Japonskem. Poleg teh so se prijavili tisoči drugih, ki so služili v armadi v prvi svetovni vojni.

Domače vesti

Cikaške vesti

Chicago.—Filip Godina, upravitelj Prosvete in Mladinskega lista, se je po petih tednih odstopnosti povrnih na svoje delo zadnji pondeljek zjutraj. Dejstvo, da je imel Filip eno najtežjih operacij na želodcu—za tretjino mu je zdaj manjši—a je v enem mesecu tako dobro okreval, da že lahko opravil svoj posel, je pač dokaz, da je moč klijub svojim 63 letom precej trda grča.—Andrej Miško, znani kulturni delavec, je bil zadnje dni operiran na kili. Nahaja se v bolnišnici Norwegian American. Žeja vseh, ki ga poznamo, je, da čim prej korenito okreva.

Iz Detroita

Detroit, Mich.—Rudolf Butala, član društva 121 SNPJ, je te dni izgubil stiriletnega sinčka edenca.—Ročak z imenom Kapus (morda Kapš) je umrl v starosti 67 let. Zapušča ženo in hčer omoženo Vadnal v Clevelandu. Druge podrobnosti o njem niso znane.

Ameriški družinski koledar

Chicago.—Zadnji teden je izšel Ameriški družinski koledar za 1942. Ta koledar je vezan v platno, šteje 224 strani in kot običajno je zelo bogat na informacijah vsake vrste, leposlovnih spisih, poučnih člankih in slikah.

Stane samo en dolar s poštnino vred. Čitaljem Prosvete ga toplo priporočamo. Naslov za naročila: Proletarec, 2301 So. Lawndale Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Milwaukee vest

Milwaukee.—Pred dnevi se je tu pri delu ubil Matt Zimmerman, star 50 let in doma od Novega mesta na Dolnjem. Bil je krovce in padel je s strehe ter bležal na mestu mrtev. V Ameriki je bil 30 let in tukaj zapušča hčer. Pri podporjem društva ni bil nobenem. Ermenciev zavod mu je oskrbel pogreb.

Adamič ni več urednik

New York.—V najnovnejši številki magazina Common Ground naznana Louis Adamič, da je pustil uredništvo te revije, ker je do vrata zaposlen z drugim delom. Kdo je prevzel njegovo mesto, še ni znano.

Magle smrti v avtobusu

Duluth, Minn.—Jože Kočevar in njegova žena sta se pred dnevi peljala z avtobusom, med vožnjo je pa moža zadel mrtvud, kateremu je podlegel. Kočevar je bil star 69 let in rojen v Brezini pri Stopičah na Dolnjem. V Ameriki je živel 47 let, in dolgo let je živel v Calumetu, Mich. Bil je član KSKJ in poleg žene zaušča tri sinove in pet hčer.

In Pennsylvaniji

McKees Rocks, Pa.—Dne 4. dec. je po kratki bolezni umrl Petrica Ambrožič, hčerka br. Jakoba Ambrožiča ml., stara dve leti in pol.—John in Evelyn Zupančič, člana društva 121 SNPJ v Conemaughu, Pa., sta 29. nov. dobiti sinčka prvorjenca in mladinski oddelok SNPJ je dobil novega člana. Čestitke!—V Johnstownu, Pa., so bili pred kratkim poročeni: Adolf Glavač in Carrie Rose ter Stanko Ključevšek in Rose Verpošek. Obilo sreče!

Zakonec umrl eno uro narazen

Export, Pa.—Dne 6. dec. sta umrla eno uro narazen mož in žena Frank in Mary Merljak, člana društva 317 SNPJ. Ona je umrla ob sedmih zjutraj doma, on pa ob osmih v bolnišnici v Greensburgu. Frank je bil star 55 let in rojen v Hoterdešici pri Logatu na Notranjskem, ona pa bila starca 53 let in rojena v Mokronogu na Dolnjem. Zaušča šest sinov, od katerih najstarejši je v starem kraju in pet hčer, od katerih so štiri omožene. Frank je bil več let tajnik omenjenega društva in zelo aktiven delavec.

DELAVSKE UNJE OBLJUBILE PODPORO VLADI

Murray, Green in Lewis podali izjave

AKCIJA PROTIV STAVKAM OD LOŽENA

Washington, D. C., 9. dec.—Enotni vojni napori so bili zagotovljeni, ko so delavski voditelji obljubili vso podporo vladi po napovedi vojne Japonski.

Philip Murray, predsednik Kongresa industrijskih organizacij, je podal izjavo v imenu petih milijonov delavcev, članov unije CIO. "Ti delavci so pripravljeni in voljni storiti vse, kar je v njihovi moči, za obrambo, dežele proti zločinstvom in neprovocirani agresiji japonskih militaristov," je dejal. "Napelj bodo vse svoje sile v naporih, da se končno zlomi hitlerizem, ki je poginal ves svet v kravu vojnou, da zasuši človeštvo."

William Green, predsednik Ameriške delavske federacije, je zagotovil Rooseveltovo administracijo, da njegova organizacija ne bo vodila stavk, dokler bo trajala vojna. "Delavci se zavajajo svojih dolžnosti," je rekel. "Novi zakoni za preprečitev stavk niso potreben. Ameriški delavci bodo skrbeli, da se produkcija bojnega materiala poveča na najvišje točko. Glede na to, da bo naša oborožena sila založena z optjem, streljivo in vso drugo bojno opremo, dokler ne porazi vseh sovračnih in zagotovi mir."

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Letne seje

Cleveland. — Pozivam vse člane in članice društva Lunder-Adamic 28 SNPJ, prej SSPZ, kakov tudi članstvo društva 87 SSPZ, da se kot združeni bratje in sestre udeležite letne seje 14. dec. v sobi št. 1, novo poslopje SND na St. Clairju. Seja se prične točno ob 1. popoldne. Bodite točni, da bomo prej končali. Ta seja je važna za vsakega člana in članico, ker njeni sklepi so merodajni za vse leto. Vodilni bomo odbor za 1942 in silišali boste tudi poročila odbora o finančnem stanju in drugem poslovanju.

Po seji bo prosto zavaba za članstvo, njih sorodnike in prijatelje društva. Vsakdo je dobrodošel. Vsak navzoč član dobi za 25c prostih pivskih tiketov. Odbor pričakuje, da se udeležite stodostotno, ker dolžnost je vsakega, da pride enkrat na letno sejo. Torej na svidenje na letni seji 14. dec. ob 1. uri popoldne.

Wm. Candon, tajnik.

Akron. — Pozivam članstvo društva 535 SNPJ, da se gotovo udeležite prihodnje seje v nedeljo, 14. dec., ob 2. popoldne v navadnih prostorih. Ker je to glavna seja, je dolžnost vseh članov, da se udeležite. Poleg drugih važnih zadev, tudi volitve odbora za 1942.

Pridite, pozivam vse.

Jennie Penchak, tajnika.

Cleveland. — Članstvo društva Lipe 129 SNPJ je pošteno, da se udeleži letne seje 14. dec. ob 1. uri popoldne v navadnem prostoru v SND na St. Clairju. Bratje in sestre, na tej seji bomo volili uradnike za 1942 in silišali poročila odbora, kako smo na predovali v tem letu. Prosim članstvo, da upošteva to vabilo in poseča društvene seje v čim večjem številu, tako da ne bo navzamko samo društveni odbor. Na svidenje v nedeljo na letni seji.

Anthony Mekias, tajnik.

East Pittsburgh. — Pozivam članstvo društva 629 SNPJ, da se udeležite letne seje v polnem številu v nedeljo, 14. dec. ob eni popoldne. Od te vežne seje bi ne smeli izostati noben član. Na tej seji bomo storili zaključke za našo društvo in članstvo, po katerih se bomo moralni ravnavi leta 1942. In čim več na bo, toliko boljše zaključke bomo lahko napravili. Na tej seji bomo izvolili tudi odbor za prihodnje leto. V odbor sprejmite vse, ki ste pripravljeni delati za društvo in jednoto. Na svidenje na glavni seji v nedeljo.

Vjekoslav Trumbić, predsednik.

Glenco, Ohio. — Pozivam članstvo društva 54 SNPJ, da se v polnem številu udeležite letne seje 14. dec. ob 2. popoldne v navadnem prostoru. Na dnevnem redu bodo volitve odbora in tudi več drugih važnih stvari. Torej na stran z brezbrinjnostjo in pridite vse na sejo.

Albine Krevanja, tajnika.

Johnstown. — V s. b. m. članstvo društva Triglav 82 SNPJ na letno sejo, ki se vrši 14. dec. v navadnih prostorih. Na tej seji bo treba izvoliti odbor za 1942 in torej je dolžnost vseh članov, da se udeležite. Letos ni nobene kazni za odstopnost od te seje, toda se pričakuje, da se boste udeležili v polnem številu in uredili društvene zadeve po svojem najboljšem prepričanju v splošno zadovoljnost. Torej na svidenje 14. dec.

Frank Chuchek, tajnik.

Johnstown. — Pozivam vse članstvo društva Adrij 3 SNPJ, da se udeležite letne seje 14. dec. ob 1. popoldne. Na tej seji bo treba izvoliti odbor za 1942 in torej je dolžnost vseh članov, da se udeležite.

Joseph Garm, predsednik.

Pittsburgh. — Vsi člani društva Napredni Slovani 494 SNPJ ste vabjeni na letno sejo, ki se vrši 14. dec. ob 2. popoldne v West Pt. Marion pri Marku Klobučarju. Na tej seji moramo izvoliti odbor za 1942.

Sprožena je bila tudi ideja, da bi se združila v eno močno društvo vse bližnjega društva. To bi bilo že najbolj pametno, ker majhna društva nima nobenega napredka, pač pa le stroške in delo med društviom in gl. uradom. Taki bi pošljali eno mesecno poročilo namesto dveh ali treh. Imeli bi manj stroškov in več koristi na splošno.

Anton Zupančič.

Buite, Mont. — Pribihodna seja društva Slovensko-hrvatska sloga sloga 207 SNPJ se vrši 14. dec. ob 1. popoldne v Narodnem domu v East Buttu. Pridite vse, ker volili bomo odbor za 1942. Po seji bomo imeli pristne domače klobase in sodavico. Kdor se ni plačal 40c izrednega asesmenta, ki je bil načrtovan v aprilu, naj ga poravnava, da zaključim knjige. Kdor dolguje na asesment, naj tudi plača, da bom pravilno uredila knjige od 1. jan.

Mary Jeniker, tajnika.

Cleveland. — Vse članstvo društva Vodnikov Venec 147 SNPJ je pozvano na važno letno sejo, ki se vrši v soboto, 13. dec., ob 7. zvečer v dvorani št. 1 SND. Naredili bomo sklep za prihodnje leta in izvolili uradnike. Torej je dolžnost sihernega člana, da se udeleži, izvzame vas samo bolezni. Pridite!

Peter Jellar, tajnik.

Johnstown. — Pozivam vse članstvo društva 118 SNPJ, da se vrši letna seja 14. dec. Te seje se mora udeležiti vsak član in članica. Prisluh se ob 9. popoldne, ker bodo volitve odbora. Torej vse na sejo.

Joseph Hrvatin, tajnik.

West Newion. — Članstvo društva Slovenska zastava 64 SNPJ pozivam, da se udeležite letne seje v nedeljo, 14. dec., ob 1:30 popoldne v navadnem prostoru. Znamo vam je, da je to glavna seja, ki napravi smernice za prihodnje leto in izvoli odbor. Torej udeležite se v polnem številu, ker je že čas, da se vse vidimo.

Peter Jellar, tajnik.

Cleveland. — Članstvo društva Cvetci Nobis 450 SNPJ. Vabim vse člane in članice, da se gotovo udeležite te seje, ker je zelo važna. Volitve odbora in podani bedo 11-mesečni računi, pa tudi bo treba urediti več važnih zadev. Oddane bodo tudi vstopnice za spominsko slavnost, ki jo ima Cankarjeva - ustanova tisto nedeljo popoldne. Torej je vseh vas dolžnost, da se udeležite v polnem številu.

Mary Dodic, tajnika.

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J. F. Durn, tajnik.

Reliance, Wyo. — Društvo 177 SNPJ pozivam vse svoje članstvo na letno sejo, ki se vrši 14. dec. ob 2. popoldne v navadnih prostorih. Znamo vam je, da je to glavna seja, ki napravi smernice za prihodnje leto in izvoli odbor. Članstvo si naj postavi tak odbor, ki bo delal v korist vseh. Udeležite se v polnem številu.

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Annie Jelovchan, tajnika.

Cleveland. — Pozivam članstvo društva 87 SSPZ, da se kot združeni bratje in sestre udeležite letne seje 14. dec. v sobi št. 1, novo poslopje SND na St. Clairju. Seja se prične točno ob 1. popoldne. Bodite točni, da bomo prej končali. Ta seja je važna za vsakega člana in članico, ker njeni sklepi so merodajni za vse leto. Vodilni bomo odbor za 1942 in silišali boste tudi poročila o naši dolžnosti, da se udeležite v polnem številu.

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Upajmo, da se bomo zdaj razumeli

Clevelandška Ameriška Domovina je 5. dec. objavila članek z naslovom "Da se bomo razumeli". Kot tajnik pripravljalnega odbora za slovenski narodni kongres čutim dolžnost, da odgovorim na ta članek na lastno pest.

Ameriška Domovina pravi v tem članku, da ni proti sklicanju našega kongresa. To me veseli in razveselilo bo tudi ostale odbornike SNP. Obenem pa piše, da bo sodelovala na vsej črti za ta kongres, kakor hitro naš odbor popravi neke pogreške ali nedostatke, ki so baje bili storjeni takoj v začetku oziroma na konferenci, katera je iniciativala kongres.

Nato urednik A. D. navaja omenjene nedostatke, ki sta v glavnem dva: prvič, da se je na sestanku v Chicagu 15. novembra "poudarjalo in tudi sprejelo," da zastopniki jugoslovanske vlade, ki se nahajajo v Ameriki, ne bodo povabljeni na slovenski narodni kongres; drugič izvaja urednik A. D. iz tega, da zastopniki slovenskih organizacij, ki so sprejeli, ne priznavajo jugoslovanske vlade v Londonu.

Iz tega napovednega ugotavljanja in izvajanja urednik A. D. zaključuje, da neko jugoslovansko vlado moramo priznati in vprašuje: "Kaj se bomo morda mi ameriški Slovenci kot ameriški državljanji proglašili kot polnomocne zastopnike Jugoslavije?" Potem piše: "Jugoslavija ima danes pet vlad, med katrini moremo izbirati: Hitlerjeva, Mussolinijeva, Paveličeva, Nedićeva in po vlasti generala Simovića v LONDONU. Torej, katero bomo mi ameriški Slovenci priznali kot polnomocno?"

Vse to pisanje je absolutno avčev. Resnica je, da konferenca zastopnikov sedmih organizacij ni SPREJELA ničesar takšnega. V zapisniku omenjene konference ni niti besedice o kakšnem takem sklepu. Ne vemo, od katerih Ameriška Domovina jemlje te informacije, ki so docela napačne.

O, da na konferenci se je marsikov govorilo, ampak govor in mnenja še niso veljavni sklep. Pripravljalnega odbora SNK.

Federacije SNP

Clevelandška federacija SNP

Cleveland. — Zapisnik seje devetinske federacije društva SNP, ki se je vršila v nedeljo, 23. novembra, v S. N. domu na St. Clair ave. Br. predsednik Petrovich odpre sejo ob 9:10 zjutraj. Od odbora odstopna br. Chelegi in Strancar ml.

Zapisnik zadnje seje sprejet kot citan.

Korespondenca: Pismo od tajnika girardske federacije, ki naznana, da so sestanek odbornikov ohijskih federacij preložili in ga sklicujejo za v nedeljo, 30. novembra, v Kenmoru. Ker se pa ravno isti dan vrši zborovanje ohijske konference P. M. v Clevelandu, je sklenjeno, da naš tajnik piše na omenjeni urad, če je mogoče preložiti na prvo nedeljo v decembru. Če ni mogoče, se bo zborovanja udeležil predsednik naše federacije, ker drugi odborniki smo zastopniki konferenčnega zborovanja. Drugo pismo je od gl. tajnika Freda Vidra, ki pojasnjuje, koliko so dobila posamezna društva novih članov v zadnji kampanji. Predtano je pismo gl. tajnika Prosvetne matic JSZ, ki se tiče članarine, in obenem se izvolita dva zastopnika na konferenčno zborovanje. Prevzameta in sta izvoljena sestra Tratinik in A. Jankovich.

Poročila odbora: Nima nič posebnega poročati, glede dvoran v dan SNP nismo še popolnoma na jasnum. Pozneje pride br. Alič in pravi, da je društvo Comrades odstopilo dvoranski federaciji: Se vzame z zadovoljstvom na znanje.

Za mladiški krožek društva so poročili br. Durn. Pravi, da so razmotrivali o zdržljivosti v vrtcu bivše SSPZ. Sklicali bodo skupno sejo 27. dec. V mislih imajo krožek razdeliti v dva oddelka: v že bolj dorastle in manjše člane.

Posebni odbor, ki je bil izvoljen na zadnji seji, poda svoje poročilo in predloži sledoč resolucijo:

Kulturna resolucija

Ker imajo društva, federacije in naša centralna organizacija SNPJ naložno poleg bratskega zavarovanja širiti tudi kulturo, prosveto in izobrazbo med našim članstvom, zato predlagamo, da federacije clevelandskih društev SNPJ moralno podpre in če mogoče tudi finančno tiste člane ali članice mladinskega oddelka SNPJ, ki se izkažejo, da imajo izreden talent, bodisi v glasbi, v drami, petju, plesu ali kakih drugih umetnosti. Obenem naša federacija apelira na gl. odbor SNPJ, da moralno in po možnosti tudi finančno podpre take eventualne talente.

Kontesti mladih talentov se naj vrši enkrat na leto in sicer na skupni kulturni priredbi krožkov SNPJ, ki se naj vrši pod avspicijo federacije. Pri takih priredbах sodelujejo vsi krožki in eventuelno tudi drugi mladiški člani. Kontesta se lahko udeleži tudi oni člani ali članice SNPJ, ki niso dosegli 21. leta, a bi bili pripravljeni nastopiti na takih priredbah. Sodniki kontesta imenujejo izvršni odbor federacije.

(Podpisi): Milan Medvešek, Frank Česen, Joseph Durn.

V diskuzijo poseže večina naših, ki je v svojih argumentih strinjajo z akcijo. V tem smislu bi morala že konvencija nekaj ukreniti in določiti gotov fond. Soglasno sklenjeno, da se resolucija sprejme in priobči v zapisniku. V akcijski odbor v smislu zgornje resolucije so izvoljeni: Česen, Durn in Zarnik.

Na današnji seji so zastopana sledoč društva: St. 5., 53., 126., 129., 137., 142., 147., 158., 237., 264., 312., 442., 477., 544. in 742. Zastopniki poročajo: St. 5. je za to, da se prihodnji dan SNPJ vrši na naših prostorih. Društvo 53. in 312. sta imeli uspešne proslave. Večinoma poročajo o regularnih društvenih aktivnostih, novih in

umrlih članih; st. 158. in 477. o razgovorih glede zdržljivosti z društvom bivše SSPZ.

Br. Zarnik poroča o seji atletičnega odbora. Se pripravljajo na bowling tournament.

Za izletniške prostore poročata brata M. Medvešek in J. Terbizan. Pravita, da se je letos potrošilo za napeljavo električne, kanalizacije in druga popravila nad \$1000 in plačale so se regulare obveznosti. V blagajni je še \$274.22. Se vzame na znanje.

Zaključek seje ob 11:30 do poldne.

Louis Zorko, zapisnikar.

Letna seja bridgeporiske federacije

Windsor Heights, W. Va. — Želim opozoriti vsa društva okrožne federacije SNPJ, da gotovo pošlijo svoje zastopnike na prihodnjo sejo, ki se vrši 28. dec. v Društveni dvorani na Boydsville (Bridgeport). Ta seja bo zelo važna, ker bo letna. Na tej seji bomo moralni rešiti zelo važne stvari in tudi začrtati pot za tretji ohijski dan SNPJ, ki se vrši pod okriljem štirih ohijskih federacij v Bridgeportu. 4. julija 1942.

Bratje in sestre, s tem smo prevzeli veliko odgovornost, da tako praznemo ohijski dan SNPJ kot smo ga zadnji dve leti in pa še bolje. Zatoj je treba, da gremo takoj na delo. Torej se enkrat apelirajo na vsa društva SNPJ v tem okrožju, da gotovo pošlijo svoje zastopnike na to sejo, predvsem pa se na nepridržljivo društva, da pristopimo k federaciji, ker več nas bo, lažje bomo delali v prid SNPJ. Udeležite se torej te seje polnoštivalno.

Frank Kolenc, predsednik.

Glasovi iz naselbin

Zahvala in vabilo

Denver, Colo. — Kot predsednik društva 218 SNPJ in poslostranski član pripravljalnega odbora za veselico, ki se je vršila 15. nov., se najlepše zahvaljujem vsem članom in članicam, ki so pripromili, da se je vse tako po izvršilo. Posebna hvala našim zavednim članicam, ki so napelje izvrstnih potic, kakršne znajo napraviti le Slovenke. Omenim naj, da je bil uspeh veselice zelo povoljen, sploh najboljši v zgodovini društva 218. Hvala tudi zunanjim članom in prijateljem, ki so nas posetili in pripromili do uspeha.

Ker je ta zadava velike važnosti za nas in naše potomce, bi bilo zelo koristno, da bi se vsi delničarji in prijatelji udeležili tega shoda in povedali svoje mnenje v prid te organizacije.

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GLASILO SSPZ

PRENEHA TA TESEN

Po sklepu dvanajstje redne konvencije je v tem tednu zaključeno izdajanje Napredka, tedenskega glasila bivše SSPZ. Ta teden izide zadnja številka, v boode pa je edino Prosveta uradno glasilo vseh združenih članov.

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V znanimenju teh člankov in podobne vsebine je bil Napredek lojaljen tovarši Prosvete. Imel

bo častno mesto v zgodovini slovenskega naprednega tiska v Ameriki.

S tem stališčem je A. D. začela 26. novembra to otročjo debato, toda v drugem članku z dne 5. decembra pa že prav nekoliko drugače. Ta članek je zaključen takole: "Slovenski narodni kongres naj bo parcela, na katerem bomo zgradili hišo našim bratom Slovencem onstran morja!"

All right! Otročja debata je zaključena! Res je nihče treba! Če je zdaj slovenski narodni kongres "parcela", na katero bomo — torej bomo MI — zgradili "hišo" našim bratom onkrat morja, je zadeva z naše strani končana. Saj to je, kar tudi mi hočemo!

Mi smo pozvani, naj POMAGAMO bratom v starem kraju. Če lahko pomagamo, bomo tudi lahko vodili svojo akcijo pomoci, to se pravi, da bomo svojo politično akcijo, akcijo ameriških Slovencev, vodili ameriški Slovenci sami. Kdo bo dejanski vodil, kdo bo v odboru, o tem bo imel zadnjo besedo naš kongres. Ne prepriajmo se torej, kdo bodo naši voditelji. Pravilno bomo na celo akcijo predstavniki vseh strank in naziranj, kajti le to bo znak demokracije, složnosti in iskrenosti.

Pravilno je tudi, da VSI skupaj pomagamo pri gradnji bodoče "hiše". Res je, da mi v Ameriki ne moremo odločati, lahko pa povemo jugoslovenski vladu v Londonu, kaj so naše želje glede "hiše" in kako bi mi zidali, če bi mogli. In nič hudega ne bo, ce povemo Snoju. Kreku in ostanim ministrom v Londonu, da "hiša", v kakršni bivamo v Ameriki, bi bila zelo dobra tudi za naše brate v starem kraju. Ali se bomo lagali? Povejte, bratje pri Ameriški Domovini, ali se bomo lagali, če jim tako pove-

Zadnji teden smo pa izvedeli, da voditelji tega gibanja ponovno vabijo slavenske podporne organizacije na "slovenski kongres", ki se naj zdaj vrši 6., 7. in 8. februarja 1942 v Pittsburghu.

Glasovi iz
naselbin

Zopet na delu

Chicago. — Ker se mi je zdravje precej izboljšalo in se čutim zmogočen za svoje delo, sem se v ponedeljek zjutraj, dne 8. decembra, povrnil v urad upravnosti publikacij SNPJ. Ob tej priliki se zahvaljujem vsem prijateljem, ki so mi poslali cvetlične ali vse naše slovenske podporne organizacije.

Ker je potreba nujna in ker

ima JPO svoje poslovanje posebno vladno dovoljenje, sme vso biti sigurne, da bo ves darovan denar prišel v prave roke

s posredovanjem naših skupnih podpornih organizacij, namreč v roke najbolj potrebnim med potrebnimi.

Vsa društva so torej prošena,

da v tem mesecu na svojih sejah

o tem razpravljajo in izvijijo

dva zastopnika — vsaj pa enega

— in jih pošljijo na ta sestanek.

Lahko skličejo v to svrhu tudi

izredno sejo, ako bi ta poziv prišel že prepozno za njih redno

sejo.

Po naročilu zastopnikov cone-

majuške federacije SNPJ —

Andrej Vidrich, zapisnikar,

706 Forest ave., Johnstown, Pa.

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zopet enkrat poštano zabavati,

naj pride v našo naselbino 28.

decembra, ko bomo priredili

koncert in šaloigro "Gospa Kordula".

Igra je zelo zanimiva,

posebno pa za one, ki smo svoje boljše polovice preveč "pohujali"

s tem, da jim gremo preveč na roke.

Pa kaj bi jo opisoval, pridite na to našo priredbo in se sami preprinjajte.

Na tej priredbi bomo obhajali

tudi petletnico našega pevskega

zbora Bleida.

Potrudili se bomo,

kar je v naši moći in vas zaba-

vali. Slišali boste razna pevska

društva in tudi naš novorojeni

kvarter, ki pa je še v povojih.

Skrbeli bomo, da ne bo manj-

kalo zabave, vi pa nam boste

pomagali do večjega uspeha, ker

od tega je odvisno, če bomo mo-

gli nadaljevati s petjem.

Preteklo je pet let neumorne-

ga dela, odkar smo se organizirali.

Žrtvovali smo že precej-

šo vsto za naše učitelje, ali

tega nam ni žal, ker ta denar

ni izgubljen, kajti po mojem

mnenju je kultura in izobražba

vredna več kot ves denar na

svetu.

Jaz sem prepričan, da pri SN-

PJ je vedno gospodari članstvu,

ne pa kak posamezniki ali kakšna

grupa. Nobenemu se ne diktira,

vsakdo ima svobodno besedo v

glasilu in lahko okrtači posame-

zne glavne odbornike ali pa ves

glavni odbor, ako ima vzroke za

to. Torej nihče, da si članstvo

med seboj prednjoči, zakaj ni tako

opozoril delegacije? Vsi dobri

vemo, kakršno je članstvo, takš-

na je delegacija in kakršna de-

legacija, taka je konvencija. Res

smo ustrelili par kozlov na tej

konvenciji, in to na pritisk tit-

ki, ki so se čutili, da so vse iz-

gubili, kar je bilo prej pri SS-

PJ. Ali ni bilo sprejetje skoraj

vse, kar so prinesli pred konve-

ncijo? Ali niso bili razdeljeni

mandati in tudi večje šarže?

Ako ni to demokracija, potem

jaz ne vem, kaj prav za prav je

demokracija.

Naši prijatelji, ki so vse

zadnji teden v Pittsburghu

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V luči resnice o dvanaest redni konvenciji

Piše glavni tajnik VIDER

Ako bomo sami po zastopnikih na konvencijah delali in sprejevali take zaključke, s katerimi bi potem ovirano točno in za jednoto praktično poslovanje, boste morali, člani, kar se pripisati, da ne bo v organizaciji napredka.

Koliko in v čem bo članstvo ali jednota pridobila z znatno povsem glavnim odborom, bi bila dolžnost onih, ki so prišli pred delegacijo s priporočilom za povečanje, da članstvu pojasnijo. Dasi sem, ko sem bil poklican pred odbor za pravila glede tega vprašanja, dokazoval, kakor tudi pojasnjeval, posebno še, kar se upraviče, da z gospodarsko stran jednote ni posebno dobro, če je v uradu veliko število odbornikov, toda mojih argumentov niso niti nalo upoštevali. (V ocivid tega dejstva bi nekdo rad napravil vtip, da ne nisem oglasil na pristojnem mestu, kar ne odgovarja resnici, toda kaj je pomagal?)

Na združitveni konvenciji leta 1921 v Clevelandu so bile storjenje velike napake s tem, ker so upeljali \$4.00 in \$5.00 dnevne bolnične podpore in niso hoteli upoštevali nasvetov onih delegatov, ki so imeli vsaj nekaj pojma o zadevnih vprašanjih. Na konvenciji v Waukeganu leta 1925 smo pa napake ponovili s tem, ker so delegati dali zapeljati od nekaterih "modrih glav", ki so pripombe posjevanje jednotine denarja industrialnim podjetjem, da pri tem bo jednota napravila veliko denarja. Bolj dalekovidni odborniki in delegati so konvencijo opozarjali na previdnost ter neglašali, da industrialni bondi so smatrani bolj za špekulative. Ampak razsodnost je podlegla iluziji in pohlepnosti in posledice so bile namenito dobička, ki se je delegatom na konvenciji obetalo, velike finančne izgube in pa precej glavobola z dotičnimi defalitnimi bondi.

Izgleda, da bo sedaj zoper pametna beseda utonila nad ono, ki "placa," kaj in koliko bomo pridobili, če se spustimo v eksperimentiranje. Jaz ne razumen, zakaj bi vendar že enkrat ne postavili praktični in konstruktivni gospodarji in gradili stvari na solidni namesto peščeni podlagi, ker zgradba na pesku se mora prej sledi zrušiti.

Končno naj omenim še to, da je banket dvanaeste redne konvencije jasno pokazal, kam naša organizacija jadra, ako se članstvo pravčasno ne zdrami in pogleda, kaj se okrog njega godi. Člani, kateri imajo v enem ali drugem oziru neovrgljive zasluge za to organizacijo, so bili potisnjeni v ozadje, in ospredje so pa bili postavljeni "politikaši", ki niso naše jednotne nikdar poznaši, še manj pa za isto kdaj kaj storili. Celo konvenčnega predsednika so ignorirali na banketu, kar bo menda prvič v zgodovini naše organizacije. Opaziti ni bilo ničesar načelnega; onega, za kar smo se borili leta in gojili kot naš dragocen ideal. Nihče se ni ob tako važnemu slavljenju med govorji spomnil onih, ki so in še delajo po tužnikih, tovarnah, poljih itd., katerim gre velika zasluga, da je naša jednota postala močna, vplivna in bogata. Če bi teh ne bilo, bi se tudi "politikaši" veliko ne ozirali na naša povabilna. Zavedene diante je to bolelo in upajmo, da se kaj takega več ne ponovi, oziroma se ne sme ponoviti. Glavno besedo pri proslavljanju naše organizacije morajo vedno in predvsem imeti zvesti, aktivni in delavni dani, če hočemo še dalje računati na napredok te organizacije.

Končno pripravljamo, da se enkrat še ne upeljemo certifikati "preliminary term" vrste, ki pomenijo poviranje asementa novopristopilim članom, iz razloga, kot sem, že v začetku pojasnil, ker upravni sklad sedaj ne potrebuje nobenih postranskih dohodkov. Drugo pa, če se bodo obresti naših investicij tako hitro krčile, kot se poslednje čase, se bojim, da bomo morali še pred bodočo konvencijo našo smrtninsko lestvico znižati na 3% mero. Če torej sedaj povišamo asement in ga bomo prisiljeni še pozneje za smrtninsko zavarovanje, bodo prispevki tako narastli, da bo težko še koga v organizacijo dobiti.

Zavedajoč se važnosti predelavanja pravil, če hočemo, da so ista nastavljena tako, da ne bodo v škodo članstvu ali jednoti, bi bilo priporočljivo še sedaj misliti, če bi ne bilo dobro zediniti se za nov način dela o tem važnem vprašanju, ki naj bi omogočil boljšo upredno pravil in obenem skrajšal delo konvencije.

Moje priporočilo bi bilo, naj bi v bodoče upravni ali glavni odbor kaskone tri meseca pred konvencijo, odbor sedmih članov, kateri naj bi se sestal v glavnem uradu, jednote in pregledal točke pravil sodelovanjem izvršnih odbornikov. Popravil naj bi le te točke pravil, katerih se ne izkazale nepraktične ali pomankanlike in te, ki niso več času primerne. Ko bi bil dotedni odbor v svojim delom, naj bi zadevne popravke pravil objavil v uradnem glasilu pred konvencijo s primernim komentarjem ali pojasnilom. Ako bi bila katera točka v pravilih tako radikalno spremenjena, da bi dvignila močno opozicijo od strani članstva, sedaj bi bila sporna, vse druge pa naj bi brez debat potrdila kot po predloženem.

Te način preuredbenje pravil bi bil tudi bolj v skladu z demokratijo, s kateri kaj radi govorimo, ker bi imelo tudi članstvo nekaj pravil, da je skoro nemogoče dobro, pravilno in previdno iste se-

staviti. Dogaja se, ker odboru na konvenciji stvar ne gre dovolj hitro izpod rok, da ga je treba čakati ali ga celo priganjati, naj z delom pohititi, kot da bi hruške pobiral. Če bi se osvojila ta sugestija, sem popolnoma prepričan, da bi imeli boljše urejeno pravila, obenem bi pa konvenciju članstvu tudi prihranila nekaj tisočakov, kateri bi se lahko obrnili v dobre namene. Ako bi bil poveleni odbor izbran od konvencije in šele tedaj pričel reševati sporne zadeve delegatov, ko bi ga konvencija izvolila, sem skorov gotov, da bi konvencija trajala dan in pol, a ne dva dni več, kar bi bilo za članstvo pomenilo skoraj včas.

Če resno mislimo o pomoči starim članom, "spajamo" tam, kjer se lahko nekaj prihrani, ne pa samo govoriti, a v praksi drugače delati.

Kar sem v svojih člankih razložil, bratje in sestre, je bilo napisano s poštenim namenom, namreč koristiti vam in jednotnim interesom vobče in brez vsake osebne mržnjenje do kogar kolik. Vsem moje pisanje ne bo všeč, kar sem pričakoval in kar ste lahko že opazili, na česar se pa ne morem ozirati. Kdor se je čutil prizadetega, je razumljivo, zakaj.

V prihodnje se dotaknem vprašanja "starostne podpore" članom, o katerih se veliko govorji in piše, toda vsak se ogiblje najvažnejšega vprašanja, odkod dobiti denar za plačevanje take podpore.

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13 Sophia E. Kroflich \$20. Frank Slana \$40. Joseph Krajnc \$17. Mary Zuker \$17. John Reteli \$14.50. John Wolgemut \$10.50. Method C. Blasica \$26. Kristina Bregant \$20. John Rabbel \$14. Anton Trkač \$20. John Jakic \$25. John Gorup \$27. Anna Lozar \$20. William Spolarich \$26. Joseph Smorovnik \$44. Jacob Rožic \$26.

21 Frank Fatur \$14. Joseph Vrdnal \$20. Anton Hocevar \$20.

24 Albin Kline \$19. John Malnar \$46. 25 Simon Markovich \$14. Joseph Kasca \$62. Max Seljak \$58.

31 Agnes Vodenicker \$14.50. Mary Malovich \$15.50.

33 John Grandovic \$20. 34 Frank Hogler \$62. Martin Mirt \$90. John Stokovic \$50.

35 Gregor Markota \$27.

40 Joe Lukanc \$22. Frank Metelko \$20. 45 Therese Antzov \$14. Frank Pancar \$27. Ernest Krall \$14.

47 Paul Mesojednik \$20.

50 George Basarich \$32.

54 John Kravjanic \$14. Lovrenc Potocnik \$28. Mike Grgurich \$42.

55 Marija Mack \$27. Peter Kosul \$4. Josephine Steber \$28. Doris Steber \$20. Jacob Istenic \$20.

56 Simon Bajec \$14.50. Paul Staudhar \$27.

58 John Zupan \$12. 59 Anton Fojnik \$14. Frank Churchich \$17. Goldie Sitzman \$6. Vincent Kajner \$80. Steve Kezele \$72.

60 John Gresovnik \$12.

61 Gertrude Medizer \$28.

62 Mary Tasota \$21. Jurij Knesovich \$29. Thomas Kralj \$21. Mary Pirmat \$42.

64 Jakob Oblak \$60. Frank Briski \$24.

65 Bo. Battista \$40. Jacob Stillin \$25. Albert Venuti \$27. Angelo Blasutich \$15.

67 John Ottoničar \$62.

68 John Novak \$20. Louis Smolich \$24.50. Steve C. Kalina \$28. John Kren \$14.

70 John Rakovčik \$26. Joseph Botala \$29. Simon Bajec \$70.50. Anna Travnik \$14. Mary Mihelčič \$13.50.

73 Frank Kukovič \$26.

74 Frank Vozelj \$21. Anthony Nunes \$64.

75 John Milinovich \$33. Kristina Rogič \$28.

77 Frank Donat \$14. Lukas Smerdel \$14. Simon Bajec \$28. John Simic \$14. Karol Grebenič \$26. Joseph Penko \$14. Anna Kovacic \$29. Leopold Kalisek \$23. Terzija Božič \$25. Frank Campana \$28.

79 John Krancic \$27. Angela Grguric \$27. 80 John Kralj \$21. Jurij Kralj \$21. 81 John Steiner \$14. Louise Kausek \$28. Louis Kausek \$28. 82 John Strahota \$17.50. Andrew Cizek \$7. John Vogrich \$49.50. Angela Barbol \$28.

83 Mary Hodnik \$18.

84 John Zigon \$12. Josephine DeLois \$6. Josephine M. Mavrich \$9. George Milicki \$27. Susan Gabster \$28. John Striner \$16. Jacob Smerdel \$13.50. Frank Drenik \$50.50. Joseph Benesch \$23.

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NINTH ANNUAL NATIONAL SNPJ DUCKPIN TOURNAMENT AT STANLEY ALLEYS, CARRICK, PA.: JAN. 1, 1942

Sponsored by E. S. Federation of SNPJ Lodges
of Western Pennsylvania

VERONA, PA.—On January 1, 1942, the Ninth Annual National SNPJ Duckpin Tournament sponsored by the E. S. Federation of SNPJ Lodges of Western Pennsylvania will be held in Carrick, Pa. To enlist the active cooperation for another successful fraternal affair the following notices were sent to our lodges on Nov. 10, 1941:

A copy of the rules and regulations covering the essential details of the tournament. We urge that all bowlers become familiar with these rules.

Also, a credential form which must be properly filled out with the names of the members to participate in the bowling events. The committee is in for a busy day and we must require that this form be returned to Larry Cassol, 535 Penn St., Verona, Pa., no later than Friday, December 19, 1941. To avoid confusion and delay, it is likewise required that all entry fees be sent to Chairman Cassol. Your cooperation in this matter is respectfully requested.

All practice games must be rolled before 10 o'clock. The five-person event will be rolled off first, followed by the doubles' and singles' events, respectively. We suggest that a team manager or some responsible person be appointed by your lodge to see to it that all bowlers are on hand when a particular event is carded.

The Stanley Alleys, site of this year's tournament, is a large and beautiful place with twenty-eight alleys, occupying two floors. The address is 2036 Brownsville Road. A dance will also be held at the Slovenia Hall in Library, Pa., starting at 8 p.m. Good music will be furnished. Dance tickets will be mailed upon request of Chairman Cassol.

The committee trusts that your lodge realizes the busy day in store for them. With the hope, then, that you will give your whole-hearted cooperation and respond with splendid attendance, the committee extends fraternal greetings.

RULES

1. The tournament is open to all SNPJ lodges and to all members who were admitted into SNPJ at least

LARRY CASSOL, Chairman.

SNPJ Wolverine News

DETROIT, MICH.—One last reminder to all of you—be sure to attend the combined Young American-Wolverine dance this Saturday, Dec. 14, at Oakdale Hall with music by Frankie Yankovich and his band. This may be the last appearance of this band in Detroit, since the maestro has opened his own establishment in Cleveland and of course will retire from outside engagements to keep his customers well satisfied. Let's all come out and enjoy our favorite polka-dish-up (excuse the language) for the last time.

The Oakdale Hall is located above the Oakdale Theater at Eight Mile Road and Oakland Ave., very readily accessible with plenty of parking space available. For the benefit of those who do not have their own transportation we wish to add that the hall can be reached by taking a John R. Through or John R. North bus from the SND directly to the hall.

We'll have plenty of space for all types of dances, and refreshments for everyone. This is a fine chance to locate that old friend whom you haven't seen for some time, whether he's a Detroiter or otherwise. There'll be quite a few visitors from Cleveland, Chicago,

and Barberton, as well as Pennsylvania.

The Wolverines who attended the Buckeyes' dance hereby extend a vote of thanks to all Barbertonians (or isn't that the proper title) for a BIG week end, especially to Mary Apehak. Johnny of the Veronians earned himself the title of "Most Dutiful Hubby, or The Man Who Waited on Table." Were the girls successful in convincing Rezek to postpone the Golden Eagles' meeting so he could attend the dance in Detroit this week? The Loyalties sent the Roving Rossas, Albinia Gruden, and A&P Joe et al, and Rose Kositz and Bea Grabmeyer drove down from Detroit.

Another double occasion party was held last Thursday at the Alps Cafe, now under the joint management of Anzick and Benedict. This was the fourth wedding anniversary of Joe and Rose Cerne—many more of them—and it was also the eve of departure of Art Benedict, who was inducted into the army the following morning.

Can't forget that Red Zámen was showing the girls a few steps in Barberton. The Paulenich's were there too, and I have a promise of a dance this week in Detroit. By the way, what do Jo Klarich and Frank Rezek have on each other (I don't mean a case of love)? Ann Bogatay was holding hands with "Chucky-Wucky." Berchie flew down, only to contribute a dollar into the kitty. Too bad the same gang can't get together for the grand opening of the Domovina Hall, especially with Taffy and his boys.

Congratulations to another fine Young American couple whose engagement was announced during the Thanksgiving week-end—Tony (Blondie) Obrajanovic and Ann Stengel. Incidentally, Ann is in charge of financial matters for the dance this week. Blondie hopes she handles her domestic budget as well as lodge money.

LADDIE ZINDAR, 677.

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My Week

By Louis Beniger

Last Sunday Japan brutally attacked America! And on Monday Congress declared war on Japan! The attack was treacherous and consonant with all attacks made in the past few years by the Axis powers. Preparations for it were made by the Japanese war machine while pretending to negotiate a settlement of differences.

Thanks to President Roosevelt's farsightedness America was not caught unprepared. On the contrary, the United States with its formidable naval and air power is now in a position to crush the enemy eventually and decisively. The declaration of war found America a united nation ready to fight for its freedom everywhere!

Also, thanks to President Roosevelt's acumen and leadership the great majority of the people was convinced long ago that there was danger looming in the Pacific as well as in the Atlantic. He achieved this in spite of a deluded opposition of isolationists and assorted apes who were hindering him and thereby playing directly into the hands of our enemies as fifth columnists.

It was the actual attack so infamously executed that jolted even the most rabid isolationist from his perch. Now they realize that America did not want war, that President Roosevelt did all he could to prevent it. And it remains for America, England and Russia to knock out the entire axis combine which threatens to enslave the world.

Also on Sunday came the news that the captive mine dispute has been settled in favor of the union closed shop. This is something to rejoice about and I hope that most of the other pending and any future disputes will be settled in like manner especially in the present war emergency.

On the other hand, it is hoped that the anti-labor bill passed by the House last week, will be either amended in the Senate as to better labor relations or be defeated altogether. The Smith bill, as it stands, is a vicious measure opposed by all except the labor-baiters and reactionaries.

Reading of the All Star Bowlers who are competing at the Chicago Coliseum December 7 to 14 I noticed the names of four bowlers in the list of 70 who are undoubtedly Jugoslavs. They are Charles Lausche of Cleveland, Tommy Brinovich of Peoria, Frank Benkovic of Cincinnati, Charles Butara, Ardmore, Pa.

SNPJ Lodge 41 Stage Yule Dance Dec. 20

IRWIN, PA.—On Sat., Dec. 20, Lodge No. 41, SNPJ, of Pleasant Valley, Pa., is sponsoring a gala Christmas dance. The social committee has secured a fine orchestra for this occasion, none other than the ever-popular Martin Kukovich and his Slovene Commanders.

All you dance lovers that have danced to this orchestra, know the fine waltzes, polkas and fox-trots this band can play. A variety of refreshments will be on hand to satisfy everyone.

We want to invite at this time lodges and friends from Export, Herminie, Claridge, White Valley, Universal, Yukon, Center and all other neighboring lodges.

All of you that had trouble getting to our hall the last dance, on account of the road, needn't worry any more, as now we have a newly constructed road from the Highway to the Hall.

I want to remind all members of Lodge No. 41 that our final meeting of the year will be held on Sun., Dec. 21. Let's have all members attend this meeting, as we will elect new lodge officers for the new year. All members of SSPZ Lodge 202 of Pleasant Valley are urged to attend this meeting to discuss the merging of the two lodges.

Once again we invite you all from far and near, to attend our Christmas dance at the Pleasant Valley Slovene hall. With your cooperation, we know that this dance will be a big success.

FRANK JELOCHEN, 41.

Lodge 286 to Give 2nd Yule Party on Dec. 28

EAST MOLINE, ILL.—SNPJ Lodge 286 will hold their 2nd annual Christmas party after the meeting which will take place Dec. 28 at 1 p.m. Each member will be assessed \$2 for the month of December. Proceeds will be used to provide candy for the children and refreshments for all others. All members are urged to be present to take part in the yearly election.

FRANK PENCA, Sec'y.

FLASHES

By DONALD J. LOTRICH

CHICAGO, ILL.—Imperialist and militarist Japan attacked possessions of the United States in a surprise war last Sunday. Many hours after the surprise attack, Japanese officials declared war upon the United States. Much damage has been done by the bombing and many lives have been lost already. It will most likely be several days before the U.S. forces can set up the necessary power and steam to properly combat the Japanese attacks. This attack has startled most Americans and the surprise attack has naturally given the Japs an edge in the struggle thus far. It has also united the American people and made all of them cast their repugnance on the Japanese militarists.

In this new world war situation, we find ourselves all of a sudden actively engaged against the imperialism of a clique that has been constantly causing trouble and bloodshed. We have confidence that the American armed forces will assemble the necessary equipment and man-power to properly combat this Japanese terror and to eventually secure victory for America. And in these times, it is only proper that our own American citizens feel that they are a part of this country and give every assistance possible for the achievement of victory.

And while we speak of the Japanese war, we want to remind our readers again that we were among the many Americans who had the foresight and honesty to write to our Department and to Mr. Roosevelt nearly a year ago to stop the shipment of scrap iron and oil for the Japanese. We felt then, as we know now, that all the scrap iron we sent was going to be put into bombs and bullets with which to kill American boys. Also, that the fuel oil was to be used to propel death driving devices against our own people. However, we can understand that in a capitalist society there is no such thing as patriotism for the owning class. It was profits they wanted. At the expense of how many thousand lives? That does not matter.

Little Fort Lodge News

WAUKEGAN, ILL.—With Christ-

mas around the corner and much work to do, one finds little time to concentrate on an article. But, do or die, it shall be written!

Mid-cheers and yell, Stan Gregorin bowled a 283 series the past Sunday. Fourteen strikes in a row, seven going out of the first and seven going into the second. His score for the three games were 297-235-241.

Stanley now holds high game, high average, high series as well as the best polka accordionist.

High team series, 2535, and high team game 899 is held by Team No. 2. Second high series, 2505, is held by Team No. 3.

The match game between Lefty Lotrich and Joe Hudale from Chicago and Slim Sedmak and Frank Vodnik from Milwaukee was postponed to some future date due to the fact that the latter were unable to be present. But Lefty, regardless, bowled and shot a 236 game, thereby causing more excitement.

On the sick list are Ella Zelenik, home with the flu; Jennie Korenchan, back from the hospital, and Vic Belec, tonsil case. Miriam Mahnich and John Celarce reported well.

Three Little Fort members joined hands in matrimony the past Saturday. To Mary Korenchan and her husband (name not known) and Sylvia Kirn and Angie Smolich extend our heartiest congratulations. A party for the latter couple was held at the Kirn homestead with much feasting and enjoyment.

The Athletic representatives met in Waukegan Sunday. At this meeting many matters were discussed, among them the Midwest Bowling tournament which is to be held in La Salle sometime in the near future. So prepare to attend, SNPJ members, and La Salle, look out for us, we'll be down to show you our bowling achievements.

The annual meeting of Little Fort Lodge will be held the third Thursday in December—December 18, at 7:30 at Slovene Home. Officers will be elected and plans for the coming year made. Dues will also be collected at this meeting. All members are requested to attend.

Don't forget the party to be held this Saturday, December 13, at Slovene Home for workers and committee members for the Night in Slovenia Dance. Milwaukee, Chicago and La Salle, we hope you, too, will be represented. Any and all desiring to attend can do so. Those well known polkas by Gregorin and Pugel can and will be heard!

AGNES TOMINSEK JR., Sec'y.

BUY DEFENSE BONDS AND STAMPS

Juvenile Circles

Juvenile Circle No. 20
Goes to Delagua December 14

AGUILAR, COLO.—On Sunday, Dec. 14, Circle No. 20 is to go to Delagua to take part in the Christmas program to be presented there on that day. We must get together and practice. This will be a joint program given by Circles 20, 23 and 1 (Aguilar, Delagua and Walsenburg, respectively).

Once again it is time for Circle election. I wish each and every member will attend the meeting Dec. 14 so that we may elect our 1942 officers. The meeting is very important. All members are urged to attend.

Our first 1942 meeting will be held on Sunday, January 11, at 10:30 a.m. in the City Hall, which is our regular meeting place.

MITZI KOSERNIK, Sec'y.

Circle "Voice of Youth"
Hold Yule Party December 18

MCDONALD, PA.—On November 30, our Juvenile Circle "Voice of Youth", No. 22, presented a three act play, "Here Comes Charlie," at Sygan, Pa., in the SNPJ hall. The play was a big success.

A large crowd witnessed the performance at Sygan and we were received there enthusiastically. Our play was a success because of the hard work put in it by our manager and the cast. We had a good time at Sygan.

Our Circle is going to give Christmas presents at the meeting on Dec. 19, and the following day, Dec. 20, there will be a dance at the hall and grab-bag presents will be given.

All members of Circle 22 are asked to attend the meeting on Dec. 19 and the dance and grab-bag the following day. VIRGINIA BARTON, Circle 22.

Milwaukee Circles Busy
Preparing for Yule Party Dec. 20

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—The three Milwaukee Juvenile Circles are going to hold the annual Christmas party at Harmony Hall, 939 S. 6th St., Saturday, Dec. 20. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

As reported in last week's Prosveta, the three Circles cooperating in this program are the following: Circle Junior All-Stars No. 4, Circle Violet Rays No. 18, and Virtue of the former SSPZ. The program will start at 8 o'clock in the evening.

Of course, good old Santa will be there and give free gifts to the children. Don't forget to bring your little brother and sister. Be sure and be there early. The tickets are only 25¢. A new member of the SNPJ is Martin Jeray.

GENE SCHWEIGER, Circle 4.

Juvenile Circle 7 Hold
Yule Party and Meeting Dec. 19

GIRARD, O.—All members of Circle Dawn of Youth, No. 7, please notice. This Saturday, Dec. 13, at 2 p.m. is our special meeting. It is important that all attend because names for the Christmas gift-exchange will be drawn.

Those of you who cannot attend please give your name to one of the members who is going to attend and it will be drawn with the rest. Those who do not attend or turn in their names will not be in the gift-exchange, so that means everybody should be there.

Our program and dance Nov. 22 turned out to be a huge success. We wish to thank everyone who contributed to this success. The program went along very nicely and was enjoyed by everyone. After the program dancing was enjoyed to the music of Jack Persin's popular orchestra.

BETTY REZEK,

President.

Sharon Circle 21 Plan
Christmas Party December 21

SHARON, PA.—The All-Around Juvenile Circle, No. 21, are getting in practice for their Christmas program, which will be held on Christmas Eve, Wednesday, Dec. 24, at the Slovene Home.

A short play in Slovene will be presented by the group, and of course, singing, too. All members and friends are cordially invited to attend. Santa will be there in person and we will all have a good time.

On January 10, 1942, the Circle will be given its first dance of the new year. It will be a "Snowball Balloon Dance". Music will be furnished by Melvin Rossman and orchestra of Bessmer. This orchestra is getting very popular among our people. Plan to attend.

FRANCES NOVAK, 755.

BUY DEFENSE BONDS AND STAMPS

Young American Lodge Annual Meet Sunday

DETROIT.—The annual meeting will be held Sunday, December 14, at 9 a.m. at 17153 John R. Every member should make it his duty to attend. There will be election of officers and other important matters will be discussed for the coming year. THOMAS HOSTNIK, Secretary Lodge 580.

MILLIE SIMCIC, 568.

Universal Comets

Dates to Remember

UNIVERSAL, PENNSYLVANIA.
Dec. 25—Christmas Dance by Pioneers' Lodge 589, SNPJ Hall, Strasburg.

Dec. 25—Christmas Day Dance by Keystoneans' Lodge 613, Slovene Hall, Herminie, featuring Frank's Trio.

Dec. 31—New Year's Eve Dance by Comets' Lodge 718, Slovene Hall, Universal, featuring Martin Kukovich and his orchestra.

Jan. 1—Ninth Annual National SNPJ Duckpin Tournament and Dance on New Year's Day. Tournament will be held at the Stanley Parlors, Carrick (Pittsburgh), and dance will be held at the Slovny Hall, Library.

Comet's News

An early report by our Athletic Committee shows that there will be no less than four teams entered in the Ninth Annual Duckpin Tournament on New Year's Day, January 1st, reports that Moundsville, W. Va., will be represented with at least one team. That is indeed encouraging news on top of the report of other distant lodge entries given in last week's issue. Is it wishful to anticipate entries from our Johnstown friends? They have numerous bowlers out there who have contributed immensely to the successes of our past tournaments, and we hope their good company will be among us again at the next tournament.

To all lodges, get your teams organized at once and forward your entry blanks with the required fees to the chairman without delay. Let's make it a great big fraternal tournament made up of all SNPJ members regardless of ability to bowl. And a word of encouragement to the bowlers have less luck hitting them

THE PRIZES FOR LOW SCORES AND AVERAGES HAVE BEEN EXTENDED FOR THIS TOURNAMENT! Truly, a fraternal tournament!

The combined Wolverine-Young American dance this Saturday, Dec. 13, at the Oakdale Hall on Eight Mile and Oakland in Detroit, featuring Frankie Yankovich and his orchestra, seems to be the attractive place to go. That visit is more than a possibility.

MICHAEL R. KUMER, 715.

Bill of Rights

Next week we celebrate the 150th Anniversary of the Bill of Rights.

In these perilous times it is most appropriate that we renew our faith in and appreciation of the principles which the first ten amendments to our Constitution enunciate; it should inspire us to recall the basis of our freedom.

The very beginning of our Constitution declares by what authority the United States of America is ruled. The Constitution is the instrument through which the will of the people is expressed. While it prescribes the kind of government we shall have, it likewise limits and defines the powers of our government itself. The people are the absolute sovereigns, and the liberties guaranteed by the Bill of Rights and enjoyed by us are the creation and the creature of the people.

The intent of the Bill of Rights is to restrict national powers so that these rights are not taken away from the creators. The principles of freedom of religion, freedom of speech, freedom of the press, and freedom of peaceful assembly—are embodied in the Bill of Rights.

The desire for freedom is inherent in mankind—the destiny of man's nature being that he be free. For this America made a supreme fight, and it is worth preserving at all costs until we secure greater and more rights and achieve that fuller life which we all desire. The Bill of Rights provides the implements for the decent, humane, and full life to which we all aspire. It demands of us unity, cooperation, and organization on common ground for a common purpose.

News and Views

The Society's 1942 calendars should be distributed among our members this month. The picture of the little boy on the 1941 calendar is being framed by many of our members and we've also done this in our household.

Our sincere sympathies are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Ambrosie Jr., upon the death of their daughter, Patricia, who passed away last Friday. Pattie as her numerous friends called her, was a grand child, and she will be missed.

Brother George Presic, active fraternalist of White Valley, was at my home recently where he related the grand program they are preparing for the 25th Anniversary of the former SSPZ Lodge 142 of that town in the Slovene Hall on Sunday, December 21. The speakers on the program will include John Keatrich, president of the former Slovene Progressive Benefit Society, Dr. F. J. Arch, SNPJ Supreme Medical Examiner-elect, and the writer. Martin Kukovich's or-

I express my sincere gratitude.

PHILIP GODINA, Manager.

At Work Again

CHICAGO.—Now that my health permits me to work again, I returned to the office Monday, December 8. To all who visited me, sent me flowers, convalescent cards and wished me speedy recovery, may I express my sincere gratitude.

LOUIS KOSELE, Sec'y

Chicago's Xmas Program Com.

Send that unavoidable late ship-

ment by "SPECIAL DELIVERY."

If you want the tops in speed, send it "AIR MAIL—SPECIAL DELIV-

ERY."

S. Chicago's Column

So. Chicago's Christmas Party and Program

SO. CHICAGO.—For the last few years South Chicago's SNPJ lodges have sponsored Christmas juvenile parties and programs. Such affairs were promoted to show that our juvenile members are remembered, that we like to encourage them to be proud and active within their organization. In order that our South Chicago lodges can continue this good work this article is written.

It is often that we ask our entire membership to come out in full force to support an affair. But the annual Christmas Juvenile Program and Dance on Dec. 21 is one affair we want all of our South Chicago members to attend. Particularly this year, the Christmas program should have your patronage and support.

This year every SNPJ lodge in South Chicago is behind the program—this includes our former SSPZ lodges.

The lodges of South Chicago have endorsed and promoted the affair: the members, and that means you, should support the affair. It means that the largest, organized group of Slovenes in South Chicago are behind the Dec. 21 affair. This program, with your assistance, can prove to be the greatest affair ever held by South Chicago Slovenes. Do not fail to help to promote the program, tell your friends about the affair, attend the affair.

REPORTS OF THE SUPREME OFFICERS

To Delegates of 12th Regular Convention of SNPJ, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Report of S.N.P.J. Finance Committee

Brothers and Sisters:

We are herewith presenting to you the report of the activities of our committee during the four-year period, January 1, 1937—December 31, 1940, inclusive.

Four years ago we assumed the duties and responsibilities of managing your investments, and we have fully realized that safety of principal should always be considered before anything else in our transactions. Fraternal organizations, such as ours, have great obligations toward their membership. Only by investing their reserve funds safely and profitably can these obligations be met when they fall due. We hope that this report will help you form your judgment as to the extent we have succeeded in our efforts.

GENERAL REMARKS

It may be pointed out in the beginning, that the four-year period covered by this report has been a time of extremely low interest rates. The abundance of available funds on one hand, and the scarcity of new issues of bonds, on the other, excepting Federal Government obligations, has resulted in an unprecedented competition among Fraternal Organizations, Insurance Companies, Banks, and other Financial Institutions for every security that was offered on the market. New issues of high-grade bonds amounting to hundreds of millions of dollars, in many instances have not been offered to the general public, but have been purchased by a few large Insurance Companies. You will realize that under such conditions our committee has often found it very difficult to obtain securities which would have reasonable safety, combined with a satisfactory yield.

SYSTEM OF TRANSACTING BUSINESS

As most of you remember, the eleventh regular SNPJ Convention, held in 1937 in Cleveland, Ohio, had changed the structure of the Finance Committee by increasing the membership from three to seven. Three members and the chairman were elected by convention, the Supreme President, Supreme Secretary, and the Supreme Treasurer, forming the rest of this body.

This change in the structure of our Committee has been brought about chiefly for the following reasons:

1. To eliminate friction and misunderstanding between the Executive Committee and the Finance Committee, which was caused by the so-called veto-power of the Executive Committee.

2. To distribute the responsibilities of our investments among a greater number of individuals, thus decreasing the possibilities of error in the evaluation of securities.

Our experience in the past four years has shown that this change is of great benefit to our Society. The investment procedure is now being performed with more speed and less friction, because all of the powers have been placed with one Committee, so there can be no shifting of responsibilities. The danger of concentrating too much power in one Committee has been eliminated by the election of four members who are not members of the Executive Committee. Furthermore, when one considers that almost \$70,000.00 is invested every month, it is preferable, without question, that this enormous responsibility be shared by a greater number of individuals.

It has been the practice of our Finance Committee since the last Convention to vote on all purchases at our regular meetings, which are held once a month. At such meetings, numerous offers of securities are received from investment brokers. Every such offer is thoroughly investigated and all available data, as to legality, qualifications, and future possibilities is obtained before the vote is taken. When the Committee is satisfied that the proposed investment meets all the requirements, a roll call of the Committee members decides whether the purchase should be approved or rejected.

PURCHASES

We think it superfluous at this time to present you detailed figures pertaining to our purchases during the last four years. All such details are included in the minutes of our meetings, which are published monthly in our official organ. Included in these records were such details as face value and cost of securities, date of purchase, the approximate yield, and the name of the firm from which the purchase was made. As delegates to the Convention you will be called upon to formulate plans pertaining to future investment practices. It is, therefore, necessary to give you some figures which will help you visualize the size of the investment problem. Total funds invested in the eight six-month periods, from January 1, 1937, to December 31, 1940, are as follows:

TOTAL INVESTMENTS

Six-month Period ending	Amount Invested
June 30, 1937	\$42,271.00
December 31, 1937	265,000.00
June 30, 1938	487,235.00
December 31, 1938	375,969.00
June 30, 1939	366,309.00
December 31, 1939	356,805.00
June 30, 1940	406,600.00
December 31, 1940	497,463.00
Total Four-Year Investment	\$3,181,742.00

By comparing the total funds invested during the last four-year period with the total funds invested during the previous four-year period, you may realize how the duties and responsibilities of our Committee have been increased. These figures are as follows:

Investment period, 1937-1940, inclusive: \$3,181,742.00
Investment period, 1933-1936, inclusive: 2,213,000.00

Increased amount available for investment: \$ 967,742.00

This amount represents an increase of \$20,000.00 per month, or nearly \$1,000,000.00 for the four-year period.

TYPES OF SECURITIES PURCHASED

The securities purchased fall into general classifications: U. S. Government Bonds, Municipal Bonds, Privately-owned Public Utility Bonds, Federal Housing Administration Insured Mortgages, and Federal Savings & Loan Certificates of Deposit. The above-named securities were purchased in the following amounts:

Type of Bond	Amount Invested	% of Total
U. S. Government Bonds	\$1,240,000.00	39%
Municipal Bonds	920,000.00	29%
F. H. A. Insured Mortgages	742,000.00	23%
Fed. Savings & Loan Certificates	155,000.00	5%
Public Utilities	125,000.00	4%

As in the previous four years, the largest amount of our funds was again invested in Federal obligations. While these Bonds have the highest degree of safety, the yield is not as high as is desirable. The reasons why we have continued to place such a large percentage of our available funds in these Bonds have been explained to you in our Semi-annual Reports to the Supreme Board.

The next highest amount, or 29% of our available funds, has been invested in Municipal obligations. These Bonds usually have a little better yield than Federal Bonds, but since we have always insisted on purchasing highly-rated Bonds, the yield obtained was seldom greater than 3%.

A very large amount (nearly three-quarters of a million dollars) or 23% of the total was invested in F.H.A. Insured Mortgages. Since we entered this investment field at the very beginning, we were able to obtain a very liberal yield of from 4%—4½%. In addition to this liberal yield, the safety of principal is guaranteed by F.H.A. Insurance, and the danger of any possible loss is almost entirely eliminated.

The small amount of \$155,000.00, or 5% of the total, has been invested in Certificates of Deposit in various Savings & Loan Banks. Since these deposits are insured only up to \$5,000.00 this entire amount has been divided among many banks so that in no case does it exceed the amount of insurance.

The somewhat smaller amount of \$125,000.00, or 4% of the total, has been invested in privately-owned Public Utility Bonds. We have been careful in making these purchases by selecting only highly-rated bonds, issued, not by Holding Companies, but by Operating Corporations with a long record of successful and profitable operations, and with a low corporate debt.

SALES OF SECURITIES

It has been a policy of the Finance Committee to abstain from speculative sales and trading of securities. We have made some sales of securities, both in bonds and stocks, but for reasons not connected with speculation. Some sales were made in obligations of Municipalities located in southern states because we wished to reduce our extensive holdings classified as non-admitted assets by the State Insurance Department. While

the law requires all non-admitted Assets be disposed of in a short time, we have tried to do so gradually in an attempt to prevent serious and unnecessary losses to our Society.

This gradual elimination of undesirable Securities, in addition to much refinancing of Defaulted Bonds, has resulted in a very much improved quality of our portfolio. This improvement can be best illustrated by comparing the amount of Defaulted Bonds four years ago. These are the comparative figures:

DEFAULTED BONDS	
January 1, 1937	January 1, 1941
Municipals	\$ 439,347.00
Industrials	378,000.00
Matured but Unpaid	241,620.00
Total in Default	\$1,058,967.00
	\$284,110.00

COMPARISONS OF PORTFOLIOS

The improvement of our portfolio has been due not only to the gradual sale of undesirable securities, but also to the steady purchase of securities of the highest grade. It is interesting to compare the list of securities which we own today with the list we owned four years ago.

TYPES OF SECURITIES OWNED BY SNPJ

Kind	—1/1/37—	—1/1/41—	Increase	Decrease
U. S. Govt's.	\$1,688,598	\$2,813,072	\$1,124,474	\$6,550
H. O. L. C.	508,159	501,609		
State & Mun.	2,506,163	2,907,022	400,859	
Ind. & Misc.	332,110	487,261	155,151	
Mortgages	609,793	988,951	379,157	
Stocks	34,578	45,000	10,425	

The greatest increase is shown in U. S. Government and Municipal Bonds, and in Real Estate Mortgages.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Our future actions should be guided by our past experience, and any rules that may be made at this Convention should be flexible and adaptable to possible changes during the next four years.

We are living today in a period of great political and economic upheaval. World War, and peace, which is to follow, will, without a doubt, bring about many changes in Industry, Commerce, Banking, Labor, and in all branches of production and distribution. We know now that the cost, the value, and the safety of securities will be greatly affected by these changes. However, we do not know today the nature of these changes, and consequently, we cannot prepare for them. For this reason it is advisable that this convention does not make any unchangeable rules pertaining to our investment practices.

We recommend that the present provisions in our Constitution & By-Laws defining the powers and duties of the Finance Committee be left unchanged; and that the Finance Committee, composed of trusted and responsible members, shall have full power of buying and selling securities, subject only to the Laws of the State of Illinois, and possible restrictions by the Supreme Board.

This is our joint report and recommendations. If this Convention desires any additional information, we shall be glad to give same during the Discussion of Reports by the Supreme Board Members.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

MATH PETROVICH, Chairman

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Report of the Judicial Committee

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

The Supreme Judicial Committee, as customary, has submitted their report of each half year of the Supreme Board meeting, which was recorded and then published in the minutes of the Supreme Board meeting.

It is provided by the By-Laws that each individual member of each group from the Supreme Board submit a report to the 12th regular convention. We, the Supreme Judicial Committee, have worked together and carried out all the details pertaining to our work. Therefore, we are submitting to the 12th regular convention a joint report, which is according to the By-Laws. The report includes the period of time from March 1st, 1937, to December 31st, 1940.

During this time the Judicial Committee has received for decisions 73 disputed cases, consisting of appeals, complaints and charges. Of these we have settled 53 and 20 of these were rejected for different reasons. The reason for rejection in most cases was in the fact that the complaints were either delayed over a six-month period, which made them unconstitutional, being too old. Also in many cases there was not submitted enough proof from complainant making it necessary to reject such cases and the parties were notified accordingly.

From 53 cases 16 complaints were rejected sick benefit. In three cases sick benefit was granted and 13 cases were rejected as it was proved that members involved were not entitled to sick benefit. One case punishment was complete forfeiture of sick benefit. Regarding operation cases there were 10 complaints, in 3 cases benefits were paid and in 7 cases benefits were declined. There were five complaints for different injuries, which were all rejected as it was proved that, according to the By-Laws, they were not entitled to benefits, which they demanded. In 3 cases lodges preferred charges against members. Involved in such cases were 17 members and through thorough investigation it was found that they were not guilty. In four cases, punishment was reprimand. Four members were punished with 3 months suspension. Three cases were punished with expulsion, involved were 10 members and lodge officers. There were ten cases pertaining to various matters and were settled to the best of our knowledge and as satisfactorily to the complainant as possible.

From this report it is apparent that in the past there were not many complaints filed before the Judicial Committee, which gives the society much credit. The reason for this is that the By-Laws have been much improved and made so helpful that it is no wonder we have benefited so much by their change. In the past we find many things which were not quite clear, for instance there were many cases which were purely personal and belonged to different sources and not to the society. Also there were many private cases, in which the society had no connection whatsoever, but they were filed with the Judicial Committee and the complainants demanded a decision. There were also many cases, which were entirely too old and we still have some at present, but are able to reject them according to the By-Laws. The heaviest matter for jurisdiction was many strikes all over, especially in the coal industry and it is evident that the society members suffered in such striking cases. The 11th regular convention has done away with the above condition, consequently proving very beneficial both to the society and the members.

This is the summary of our report. We hope we have done our work satisfactorily, as it was done strictly according to our By-Laws. We put forth every effort to help and fulfill every desire and request of lodges and federations and individual cases, together working exclusively for the interest of the members and the SNPJ.

JOHN GORSEK, president; FRANK BARBICH, FRANK VRATARICH, ANTON SHULAR, JOHN TERCELJ, committee.

(Continued next week)

With the Ladies League at the SWH Recreation

CLEVELAND, O.—Ah! the worm has turned! Strugglers No. 3, who have been holding the last place since the season began, won three straight from their opponents Strugglers No. 2. A good deal of the credit goes to Jeram and Tomasic who bowled a fine series of 467 and 437, respectively. Jean Slabik shouldn't be forgotten with her 331 series although she is still struggling to make her 100 average.

Exceptionally fine bowling was contributed by the Spik sisters, Fran and Pauline, who bowled 535 and 523 series. Fran had games of 191, 185 and 159, while Pauline blasted a 208 and then 132 and 183. Their team won two games from the leading team, Comrades No. 2. Pauline Ross of the opponents bowled a beautiful series of 511 games, all in it was a dandy match, the Croatian girls bowling a total of 2381 while the Comrades bowled a 2294 series.

MARY FIER of the Strugglers No. 1 got a "lift" to her Strugglers when she made a neat "turkey" to end with a

MOLLIE KOREN, Sec'y.

SOPHIA STAMPFEL, Sec'y.

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Buckeye Bits

By OH

BARTON, OHIO.—The Buckeye Bowlers Hop was the event of last month and many were the folks who enjoyed themselves with the gang that night. It was gratifying to see the Wolverines of Detroit, the Loyalties and Strugglers of Cleveland, the Golden Eagles, the Veronians, Keystoners, Zippers and Warren folks having a good time. We're glad you all came out and hope to see you again in the near future.

The members who worked at the dance deserve a bouquet of the rarest orchids for theirs was a whole evening's job with nary a respite. So thanks to Beres, Cecep and their aids at the bar, ditto to Apchak, Matzel, Mrs. Fidel