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## Komentarji

Koliko je pravice? Kolikor je različnih nazorov!

Vsek človek, pa naj poskuša samostojno misliti ali če enostavno papigari za drugimi, ima pravico na jeziku. Kakšno pravico? Tisto pravico, katero smatra z ozirom na svoje življenjsko, to je eksistenčno stališče in svoje verovanje za najboljšo.

To pomeni, da je na svetu toliko pravice kolikor je nazorov različnih verskih organizacij, ekonomsko-socialnih razredov, idealističnih filozofov, političnih struj in nacionalističnih taborov. Z drugimi besedami: pravica je relativni pojem, po domači: kakor se vzame! Kar je nekomu pravica, je drugemu krivica in narobe.

Cloveška družba — niti večna družba — še nima enotnega nazora o pravici in pravičnosti, kakor ga ima na primer o matematiki. Matematika je samo ena, ki velja v praktičnem življenu za ves civilizirani svet. Isto tako je tehnika sprejemljiva za vse civilizirane ljudi. Ampak matematika, tehnika in ostale soredne stvari so le sredstva, orodje, katerega se človek poslužuje za dosego nečesa drugega.

Nazor o pravici in resnicu je nekaj višjega — je cilj in namen. Zakaj ni nazor — namen in cilj — enoten?

Zato, ker izvira iz razvoja različnih življenjskih interesov, zlasti pa ekonomsko-socialnih interesov, ki ne morejo biti enotni v razredni družbi. Odkar pomni agodovina — okrog šest tisoč let — je bilo človeštvo razdeljeno v ekonomski razrede povsod, kjer se je razvilo poljedelstvo in kjer so se ustanovile stalne naselbine in teh pa države. Bile so kaste lastnikov zemlje, obrtnikov, vojakov, trgovcev in sužnjev.

Ta razdelitev v razrede trajala je danes — in to je temeljni vzrok, da človeštvo še nima enotnega pojma o pravičnosti. Saj ga ne more imeti! Vsek razred ima svoje pojme o pravici. Ti pojmi si ostro nasprotujejo. Poleg tega so razna organizirana verovanja (cerkve), ki usiljujejo svoje nazore; je cela vrsta idealističnih (filozofskih) nazorov, ki imajo več ali manj pristašev. In vsek teh nazorov, kolikor jih je, je odsev eksistenčnih interesov svoje skupine.

(Pred kratkim so v Chicagu razpravljali profesorji katoliške univerze Notre Dame o pomenu socialne pravičnosti. Profesor Bolger, ki je obenem duhovenje svečano izjavil, da socialna pravičnost je, kadar ima človek pravico, da nemoteno uživa svoje dedne pravice, ki so: izvrševanje verskih dolžnosti, ženitve in stalen zaslužek! — Katoliški nazor o socialni pravičnosti torej postavlja versko pravico na prvo mesto. Zakaj? Zato, ker verska svoboda omogoča eksistenco in bogastvo duhovniške kaste! Na splošno pa cerkev soglaša z nazorom posedujočega, to je kapitalističnega razreda.)

Se eno dejstvo je treba primati. Naziranja o pravici niso in ne morejo biti stalna. Kakor se razvijajo, dozorevajo in razpadajo načini pridobivanja življenjskih potrebsčin, to je ekonomski sistemi, tako prihajajo in odhajajo nazori. Kar je bilo včeraj pravično, je danes krivično in narobe za gotove skupine in razrede.

Enoten — toda ne stalen! — nazor o socialni pravičnosti za vsek človeški družbo je mogoč le sedaj, kadar bo družba enotno organizirana za en sam cilj: vsestranski napredok vsega človeštva na temelju pozitivne znanosti, vsestranske demokratike in najvišje enakopravnosti!

Taka družba mora biti brezrazredna in stoddotno kolektivistična. Edino taka družba more jamčiti dostenjno eksistence posamezniku, če posameznik iz-

## Naloge članstva S.N.P.J. v novem letu

Leto 1934 je leto tridesetletnice SNPJ in leto velike kampanje za nove člane, ki morajo priti iz vrst naše mladine. V novem letu se mora uveljaviti naš "New Deal"

Še nekaj dni in leto 1933 bo za nami.

Kaj nam prinaša leto 1934? Ali nam prinese konec velike depresije, ki traja že četrto leto? Rooseveltovi "new dealerji" nas zagotavljajo, da je kriza zaključena in od slej bo vsak mesec bolje. Pravijo, da je Roosevelt "new deal" uposilil v leto 1933 šest in pol milijona delavcev.

Mi se ne vemo, koliko je na tem resnice. Tu pa tam so znamenja, da industrije oživljajo; da li oživljajo za stalno ali le provizorično, ne vemo. Ako je šest milijonov delavcev res upošlenih, je drugih šest ali osem milijonov delavcev še vedno brez dela.

Vemo pa eno, kar je, da je novo leto velike važnosti za SNPJ. V letu 1934 bo naša jednota staro trideset let in vsak aktiven ter agilen član SNPJ je pozvan, da se udeleži velike JUBILEJNE KAMPANJE, katere namen je, da popravimo škodo, ki nam je naredil tornado krize in da vlijemo novo življenje v organizacijo.

Pogoj uspeha te naše kampanje je seveda v splošnih ekonomskih razmerah. Ako je res, da je kriza zaključena in da bodo ameriške industrije proti pomladni v novem zamahu obravnavana, pričakujemo najboljših uspehov naše kampanje; saj vemo, da le upošleni delavci se lahko vrnejo v aktivno društveno življenje. Ce se pa rep krize nategne še na prihodnje leto, tedaj pričakujemo od kampanje le toliko uspeha, kolikor bo v aktualnih razmerah mogoče.

Na vsak način pa morajo aktivni bratje in sestre napeti vse svoje sile, da bo kampanja SNPJ naš največji triumf v letu tridesetletnice naše jednote.

Kampanja je splošna: za nove člane, nova društva in nove naročnike dnevnika Prosveće.

Kolikor je še rojakov priseljencev, katere je možno pridobiti za našo jednoto, so dobrodošli, ampak dejstvo je, da najboljše polje za nove člane danes je med našim naraščanjem, našo mladino. Mladino je treba prepričati, da ima pri SNPJ najboljše pogoje zavarovanja proti bolezni, telesnim nesrečam in za smrtnino. Tudi najboljše prosvetne pogoje! Nova društva med mladino in slovensko mladino v SNPJ!

Prosveće mora dobiti nazaj naročnike, ki jih je izgubila v dobi depresije. Tudi to je naloga članstva, posebno društvenih zastopnikov Prosveće, da v jubilejni kampanji pridobe Prosveće hujne bivše naročnike.

SNPJ ne bo vodila svoje jubilejne kampanje z vojaškim uniformom, ne bo se šemila s pisanimi uniformami, ki so lastne klovne v cirkusu; naša društva niso regimenti kranjskih Janezov, ki nimajo glav in smejo imeti le pete.

SNPJ se smatra za veliko demokratično družino, ki ne mara generalom in kaprolom v svoji sredi. SNPJ apelira le na razum zdravih rojakov, ne na dogme in čustva. To ni naš "deal."

SNPJ je v letu, ki gre zdaj v zaton, na svoji deseti redni konvenciji precej uredila svojo hišo; izvedla je drastične reforme, ki so bile nujno potrebne sistemuh jednotnine strukture in poslovanja.

Te reforme — naš "New Deal," ne Roosevelt — določajo v glavnem, da vsak član SNPJ dobri za svoje prispevke vse, kar mu gre, nič manj in nič več. Nobene pretirane radodarnosti pa tudi nobene skoposti! Poštena podpora za poštena vplačila! Skrajna previndost v investiranju! Čuječnost na vseh straneh!

Edino to, ta naš "New Deal," nam je garancija, da naša jednota ostane zdrava in da bo rasta in živila, dokler bo potrebna našemu ljudstvu v Ameriki.

Ta naš "New Deal" znači novo življenje v naši organizaciji. In naša jubilejna kampanja, ki se vrši v novem letu, mora biti zunanjji izraz tega novega življenja.

Zato pa vsi na delo! Takoj na novega leta dan! Po vseh naselbinah! V vseh društvenih SNPJ! Za nove člane! Za nova društva! Za nove člane mladinskega oddeшка! Za nove naročnike Prosveće!

V tem smislu: srečno novo leto vsem! Da bi bilo srečno za vse brate in sestre in v splošnem za SNPJ!

Velička kemijska tovarna odprta v Rusiji

Moskva, 26. dec. — Sovjetska vlada je včeraj odprla velikansko kemijsko tovarno v Bobrikih, ki je bila zgrajena točno ob napovedanem času in gradnjo so vodili Američani. Dnevna proizvodnja nitrata v tej tovarni bo znala toliko kolikor producirajojo tovarne v južni Nemčiji, ki so največje te vrste na svetu.

Obenem so soveti odprli veliko elektrarno Svir pri Leningradu.

Armenski nadškof umorjen v cerkvi

New York. — Leon Tourain, nadškof armeniske cerkve v Ameriki, je bil zadnjø nedeljo zaboden pred oltarjem v cerkvi Sv. Kríža v momentu, ko se je pripravljal z veliko mašo. Nekaj minut kasneje je umrl v zakristiji. V cerkvi je bilo 250 vernikov, toda v gnezdu pred oltarjem ni nikdo videl, kdo je storil. Prijeli so dva sumljiva človeka, Armenca, in ju neučinkljivo preteplili. Domnevajo, da je vzrok umora političen.

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vri vse svoje dolžnosti napram družbi. To jamstvo je še socialna pravičnost!

## MASNE EKSEKUCIJE DELAVCEV V NEMČIJI

36 marksistov obsojenih na smrt oboglavljena je bilo že 16. "Obravnava proti tisoču" — Hitler pričakuje Nobelovo nagrado!

Berlin. — (TIS) — Sestintrideset socialistov in komunistov je bilo obsojenih na smrt v raznih krajinah Nemčije na obtožbo antinacističnih dejanj, od katerih so nekatere stara že dve leti, veliko starejša kakor pa Hitlerjev nasilni režim.

Vseh smrtnih obsodb marksistov je bilo do sedaj, odkar je prišel Hitler na krmilo, 52. Pred par tedni je bilo v Kölnu oboglavljeno šest delavcev, ki so bili obtoženi in obsojeni, da so se spomiladi leta 1932, eno leto pred nastopom "tretjega cesarstva", udeležili nekih izgredov, v katerih je bil umorjen neki fašist. Umor ni bil nikomur dokazan, ampak so bili oboglavljeni "za vzgled".

Med 36 obsojenimi je tudi komunistični voditelj Thalmann ter njegov sin. Thalmann je bil spoznan krivim radi naciističnih krovoprisežnikov, ki so nastopili na sodišču.

Največja senzacija pa obeta biti "obravnava proti tisoču" marksistov, ki so bili zadnje čase polovljeni v raznih krajinah Nemčije in obtoženi — veleizdajstva, delovanja proti Hitlerjevemu režimu, največ kroženja antinacistične propagande. Prijetih jih je bilo nad dva tisoč, od katerih jih namerava Goering, diktator Prusije in desna roka Hitlerja, posaditi na začetno klop tisoč naenkrat. Obeta se največji masaker v moderni zgodovini.

Nedavno je tajna fašistična policija prišla na sled v Dresdenu tajni socialistični organizaciji, ki je ekspedicirala praki "Neue Vorwärts." Iz Prage so pošljali list v Nemčijo v zaboraj kot tobak in bili po več mesecih prijeti. Aretiranih je bilo nad 200 socialistov.

V koncentracijskih kempih je okrog 100,000 antihitlerjancev, med njimi tudi več tisoč "šturmarijev", Hitlerjevih vojščakov, ki so spregledali, da so jih "narodni socialisti" grdo potegnili in so rebelirali. Kolikor je znano, je v "tretjem rajhu" 68 koncentracijskih taborišč, od katerih je najbolj zloglašeno taborišče v Dachau, ki je v rokah nekega notoričnega sadista po imenu poročnika Heineja. Rebelni "šturmariji" so izolirani v svojih taboriščih. Tudi vse je zedeno med našimi rojaki. Bil je tudi član hrvaške zadržnice. Zapustil je ženo, dva sina in se giblje brez malega leva v ameriških krogih, govoril zelo dobro slovenčino, in stare domovine je prinesel lepe vtiske na kraje in ljudi ter je v domači druščini jako mikaven družnik.

Družni pionir umrl

Bridgeport, O. — Tu je umrl pionir v ustanovitvi društva "200 SNPJ John Konig", star 70 let in doma od Kočevja. Ceprav je bil kočevski Nemec, je bil popolnoma več slovenskega jezika in živel je vedno med našimi rojaki. Bil je tudi član hrvaške zadržnice. Zapustil je ženo, dva sina in dve hčeri. Pokopan je bil civilno.

Dva grobova v starem kraju

West Allis, Wis. — Vincent Pugelj je prejel vest, da je v Gradu Krížu pri Kamniku umrl njegov mati Ana Pugelj v starosti 87 let. Rojena je bila v Strugah. Započa dva sinova in eno hčer.

Gross, Kans. — Julija Vene, članica društva št. 206 SNPJ, je prejela vest, da je v Lazah pri Bučki umrl njen oče Jožef Goran v starosti 86 let. V Ameriki zapušča eno hčer, v starem kraju pa štiri hčere in sina.

Marijan Pfeifer obsojen

Chicago. — Ljubljanski list poročajo, da je bil 9. decembra pred okrožnim sodiščem v Ljubljani obsojen 27-letni Marijan Pfeifer na 3000 Din denarje kazni oziroma 50 dni zapora zaradi raznih prevar. Dokazano mu je bilo, da je oslepil šest oseb za 37,000 dinarjev. Ta Pfeifer je bil nedavno v Ameriki. Držal se je v New Yorku, kjer je vodil propaganda za jugoslovanski režim.

Spanski revolucionar umrl

Madrid, 26. dec. — Francisco Macia, vodja republičanov v Kataloniji in predsednik te znamenite španske province, je včeraj umrl v starosti 72 let.

Mussolini udaril ameriške filme

Rim, 26. dec. — Italijanska fašistična vlada je odredila \$2000 karne na vsak ameriški film. Vsak ameriški zvočni film mora biti podvojen z italijansko govorno.

## Hitlerjevi jezni na sodništvu

So pa potolažili, ko je 20 drugih obsojenih pod sekiro

Berlin, 26. dec. — Vodilni načiščni listi v Nemčiji, ki so v sotočju ostro kritizirali rezultat pozigalske obravnave v Lipskem z oprostitvijo vseh štirih komunistov, so se malo potolažili. V sotočju so pisali, da je sodišče nadretilo "grdo napako", ker je oprostilo komuniste Torglerja Dimitrova, Daneva in Popovatka, ki so podobi fašistov so komunisti krivi vsega, cesar so obtoženi, samo zaradi tega, ker so komunisti.

Fašisti danes pravijo, da sprejmejo pravdorek sodišča, saj je dovolj drugih komunistov, ki so obsojeni na smrt. Djavaset jih čaka na sekiro. Oproščeni komunisti niso bili izpuščeni na prost. Tri Bolgare nameravajo depozitari, Torglerja pa čaka nova sodniška obravnava z drugimi komunističnimi voditelji vred, ki so obtoženi "veleizdajstva".

Domači droblj

Adamčev obisk

# DRUŠTVENE VESTI

## Plesna veselica

Verona, Pa.—Društvo št. 216 je sklenilo prirediti plesno veselico dne 30. decembra. Ker je to prva naša zabava po dolgem času, utežno vabimo vsa sosednja društva, rojake in rojakinje iz tujih okolic, da nas posetijo v čim večjem številu in tako pomagajo do boljšega uspeha. Poseljeno pa apeliramo na člane tega društva, da ne prezrejo te zabave ter da pokazejo svojo ljajnost napram društvu. Veselica se bo vrnila v korigi društveni blagajni.

Sicer se zavedamo, da so slabí člani in da nas tarejo že tri leta, je pa vstopnika tako nizka, da jo lahko vsak zmore. Ta je samo 25 centov za moške in ženske. Odbor se trudi in bo gledal, da bi vsak posetnik dobro postrežen. Za plesaljne je tud vse preskrbljeno in pripravljeno. Upam, da bo vsak zadovoljen. Pričetek veselice ob 7. zvečer v prostori na 312 Arch st. Veseljni odbor.

## Obvestilo društva št. 320

White Valley, Pa.—Članice društva št. 320 obvezčam, da je za mesec januar razpisani izredni asesment 25 centov na vsako članico, ki bo šel v društveno blagajno. Dalje naznam, da se bodo naše redne seje v prihodnjem letu vršile vsako drugo sredo v mesecu ob 7. zvečer v navadnih prostorih. Članice, udeležuite se, ker so na dnevneh redu vseležne stvari. Frances Bohinc, tajnik.

## Važna seja društva št. 209

Nokomij, Ill.—Na seji, ki se je vršila 3. decembra, je bilo sklenjeno, da se vse člane društva št. 209 pozove, da se udeleži prihodnje seje 7. januarja v polnem številu. Na dnevem redu bo več važnih stvari, katerih nismo rešili na decembarski seji. Udeležite se vse, da ne bo kdo pozneje godrnjal, da to in ono ni bilo prav urejeno. John Deželak, tajnik.

## Člani društva št. 78 udeležuje se seji

Manor, Pa.—Članom društva št. 78 poročam, da je bilo na seji 3. decembra sklenjeno, da se mora vsak član udeležiti seje najmanj na vsake tri meseca. Z vsakim, ki tega ne storii, se bo postopalo strogo po pravilih, kar naj člani upoštevajo.

Gledo uradnik tega društva je ostalo vse po starem. Člane, ki so počasni pri plačevanju asesmenta, opozarjam, da poravnajo svoje obveznosti kadar hitro mogoče, da bom lahko sestavil trimesečni in letni račun ter predložil knjige nadzornikom v pregled. Thos. Oblik, tajnik.

## Sprememba seje

Windsor Heights, W. Va.—Na letni seji društva št. 353 je bilo sklenjeno, da se bodo redne seje prihodnje leto vršili tretjo nedeljo v mesecu v istih prostorih in ob istem času, ne pa prvo nedeljo kot doslej. Prihodnja seja se torej vrši 21. januarja, kar naj člani upoštevajo ter se je udeleži v polnem številu. Na tej seji boste sišli poročilo uradnikov. Kdor hoče dobiti stenski koledar SNPJ, naj se zglaši na domu tajnika pred sejo. Običajno izrekamo ob novem letu vsočila in dajemo darove. Najlepši dar, ki ga moremo pokloniti SNPJ, bi bil to, da ji pridobimo kakega člana v odrasli ali pa v mladinski oddelku. Na člane, ki se nimajo svojih otrok v jednoti, apeliram, da jih vpišejo na prihodnji seji. Fr. Kolenc, tajnik.

## Nov odbor društva št. 30

Fleming, Kans.—Na letni seji društva št. 30 so bili izvoljeni sledčeli člani v društveni gubor: Matt Lomšek, predsednik; Frank Zupančič, podpredsednik; Frank Gasperut, tajnik; Jos. Zupan, blagajnik; Frank Zupančič, nadzornik; dr. Hays, društveni zdravnik. Društvo opozarja člane, da se morajo strogo držati pravil. Ako jih ne boste spolnjevali, si pripravite posledice sami sebi. Tajnik ne bo hodil na domove članov in jim tolmačil pravila. Frank Gasperut, tajnik.

## Odbor društva št. 390

Calumet, Mich.—Društvo št. 390 je izvolilo naslednje v odbor na letni seji: Anton Turk, predsednik, 841 Rocklan st.; John Somrak, tajnik, 22 6th st.; Joseph Srebrnak, blagajnik, 511 5th st.; društveni zdravnik dr. Rauch. Seje se vrše prvo nedeljo v mesecu ob 9. določidle. John Somrak, tajnik.

## Zahvala in poročilo

Joliet, Ill.—Zahvaliti se moram članom in članicam društva št. 115 za veliko udeležbo na letni seji 17. decembra. Ako se boste tudi prihodnjih udeleževali v takem številu, bo društvo prav gotovo napredovalo.

Treba je, da se zanimamo za društvo in jednoti in da plačujemo asesmente redno in ob pravem času, ker nihče ne ve, kje ga nesreča čaka. V zadnjih desetih mesecih smo imeli pri društvu pet smrtnih slučajev. Umrl so Rose Turkovič, Anna Klepec, George Dajčman, Joseph Jelenik in John Škamperle.

Bratje in sestre morajo pomisliti, da bi bilo slabo za svoje teh umrlih članov, ako ne bi ti plačevali asesmentov ob pravem času in bili zavarovani pri jednoti. Člane, ki se nimajo svojih otrok v jednoti, prosim, da jih vpišejo, kajti SNPJ nudi najboljšo pogoj. Za 18 centov na mesec lahko zavarujete otroka in smrtni certifikat raste od enega do šestnajstega leta, od \$34 do \$60.

Uradniki našega društva za prihodnje leto: Fred Malje, predsednik, 1617 Dearborn st.; Louis Kerhliker, podpredsednik; Helen Sternska, tajnica, 1616 Wilcox st.; Frank Mandel, blagajnik, 203 Ruby st.; John D. Kern, zapisnikar. Nadzorniki: Rudolf Šilc,

Burgettstown, Pa.—Društvo št. 287 SNPJ priredi plesno veselico dne 30. dec., v Slovenskem domu. Ulično vabimo vse tukajanje in okoliške rojake in rojakinje. Pridite in se zahavljajte z nami! Postrežba bo izvrstna in godba tudi. Igrali bodo slovenski in angleški komada. Poleg tega pa bo na tej veselici oddan tudi velik puran; dobil ga bo nekdo, ki bo tako srečen. Na tej veselici se bomo zabavali imenito, kajti to bo tudi naša zadnja letaščina veselica.

Frank Sternska, tajnik.

## Veselica društva št. 287

Burgettstown, Pa.—Društvo št. 287

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# Ob tridesetletnici društva Slavije in SNPJ

DOKUMENTARNI PODATKI K ZGODOVINI RAZVOJA NAŠIH PRVIH DRUŠTEV IN NAŠE JEDNOTE

Piše Frank Zaitz

XII.

## Članstvo Slavije

V prvih mesecih — od ustanovitve pa do konca decembra 1903 je imela Slavija 47 članov, ki so plačevali po 25c na mesec. Do pričetka prve konvencije jih je pristopilo nekaj nad trideset. Aprila 1904 je imela 74 dobrih članov, to je takih, ki so imeli plačano članarino. V jeziku naših podpornih organizacij označujemo člane, ki redno plačujejo svoje obveznosti, za "dobrostoječe" (posneto iz angleškega "good standing members").

## Pionirji Slavije in SNPJ

Ako bi mi bila dana naloga, da vzporedim prve člane Slavije po njihovi vrednosti za društvo, in za jednotno, katero so imeli v osnutku, je ne bi izvršil. Vzrok je, ker je nemogoče reči, "ta in ta ima največje zasluge," zatem drugi, tretji itd. Bila jih je celo vrsta, ki so vsak na svoj način imeli "največje zasluge". Res je, da so nekateri dobili več priznanja in drugi manj — nekateri preveč in drugi premalo, ta ali oni pa nič; res je tudi, da so v poznejšem razvoju jednotne nekateri bili deležni priznanj zgolj zato, ker so bili ali v prvem glavnem odboru ali pa, ker so imele prve certifikatne številke.

## Delo in boji Martina Konde

Martin Konda je bil človek zelo agresivnega nastopa. K vplivu v društvu Slaviji in v novi jednoti mu je pomagala ta njegova lastnost in pa dejstvo, da je bil izdajatelj Glasu Svobode in da se je lahko ves posvetil listu in društvenemu življenu. Član Slavije je postal na ustanovni seji.

Dne 30. junija 1904 je bil Konda izvoljen za gl. tajnika SNPJ, ker je dotedanj tajnik Frank Medica odstopil in odšel v stari kraj. Devet čikaških glavnih odbornikov, vsi člani Slavije, so se sešli skupaj in si vzeli mandat, da izpolnijo izpraznjeno mesto. Kandidirala sta za tajnika na tej seji gl. odbora Konda in Anton Mladič. Konda je dobil 6 glasov in Mladič 3.

V Slaviji in na konvencijah je bil Kondov vpliv velik. Nemalokrat je bil zelo robat v počasjanju tudi z ljudmi, ki niso bili njegovi nepririjetljivi. S tem si je nakopal precej osebnih sovražnikov tudi med onimi, ki mu niso bili načelno nasprotni. Njegovi najožji pristaši pa so bili z njim v vsakem slučaju.

Martin Konda je bil ne samo član Slavije nego tudi član kluba št. 1 (JSZ), katerega je pomagal ustanoviti. Ampak tisti klubovi člani, ki so se navzeli socialističnega prepričanja v industrijskih in rudniških centrih v Evropi, so prišli s Kondom k malu v nesoglasja in ta nesporazum se je razvil v ljuto borbo, ki se je končala za Kondo porazno v klubu in v SNPJ. V boju med njim in večino kluba št. 1 je moralo poseči vmes vodstvo socialistične stranke čikaškega okraja. Poseben odbor stranke je uvedel vsled pritožb, obdolžitev in obtožb z obeh stran preiskavo. Izgledalo je že, da bo Konda vased pomoči svojih nekaterih dokaj sprehnih in zvitih pristašev bitko dobil — to je, da se bo preiskovalni odbor izrekel zanj in proti klubu št. 1, ki je vršil svoj boj pod Zavertnikovim vodstvom. Toda, ker se je preiskovalni odbor hotel o vsem prepričati, predno je izrekel svoje mnenje in razsodbo, je spoznal nakane in tako se je odlok glasil, da Kondova takтика ni socialistična in da je klub št. 1 pravilno postopal. Ob enem je bil Kondin Glas Svobode črtan iz uradnega seznama socialističnih listov. Tako je Konda proti svoji volji nehal biti član socialistične stranke.

Martin Konda je uvidel, da nove večine v jednoti pod vodstvom Jožeta Zavertnika ne bo več zmagal. Ali napadal jo je vztrajno. Zavertnik s svojimi kolegi je udarce enako energično v ravnini. Obzirnosti ni bilo na nobeni strani.

Martin Konda je s svojimi so-mišeniki ustanovil 25. junija 1908 novo podporno društvo, katero je bilo temeljni kamen Slovenske svobodomiselne podporne zveze.

## Izklučenje Konde iz SNPJ

Zaradi polemičnih dopisov, napadov in obdolžitev v Glasu Svobode so nastale ostre razprave tudi v čikaških društvih SNPJ, posebno v Slaviji. Dne 19. marca 1908 se je vršila izredna seja društva Slavije skupno z društvom Narodni Vitez. Razpravljali so edino o napadih v Glasu Svobode.

V teku razprave na tej seji je Frank Bostič predlagal, da se Martina Konda, člana tega društva, zaradi njegovega pisanja in pisanja drugih v Glasu Svobode proti SNPJ izključi. Razlogi: ugotovljeno je, da so dopisi v G. S. nujskajči proti SNPJ, da so lažljivi in skopljeni.

Kar se tiče kazni, jo je M. Konda v SNPJ dobil — najhujšo kazen, ki jo more nad svojim

Predlog Fr. Bostiča je bil sprejet z dodatnim predlogom člana Lesjaka, da se primerni kaznuje tudi tiste člane, ki so Kondinemu Glasu Svobode posodili pod dopsje svoja imena.

Ko so potem glasovali še posebej o predlogu za izključitev, so se člani društva Narodni Vitez odstranili s seje. Na vzočih je bilo 43 članov Slavije. S tajnimi volitvami so se izrekli za izobčenje Konde s 36 proti 7.

Na isti seji so na predlog Franka Keržeta sklenili obvestiti Kondine dopisnike, člane SNPJ, da bodo pozvani na obravnavo in naj si preskrbe svoje zastopnike v društvenem porotnem odboru.

Sprejet je bil tudi predlog Fr. Podlipca, naj se resolucija o izobčenju objavi v Glasu SNPJ in v Proletarju.

Seji je predsedoval Ivan Meden in zapisnik je vodil Frank Podlipce.

Izklučitev Konde seveda med prizadetimi ni bila mirno sprejeta. Na seji Slavije 14. junija 1908 se je o nji spet "obširno razpravljalno", kakor pravi zapisnik, ki navaja le skelepe in predloge. Anton Mladič, zvest prijatelj in pristaš Konde, četudi sta si stala nasproti v kandidaturi za glavnega tajnika po odstopu Fr. Medice, je na tej seji Slavije argumentiral, če smo sprejeli nazaj Franka Klobučarja, čemu ne bi tudi Martina Konde! In po dolgi debati, kakor jo označuje zapisnik, je Anton Mladič določno predlagal, naj se Martina Konda zoper sprejme v jednoto. Martin Potokar je protipredlagal, da se ga ne sprejme. 25 članov je glasovalo proti sprejemu in 16, da se ga spet vpiše med člane SNPJ.

Po tem izidu je bil Anton Mladič jako užaljen — zabolelo ga je, ker je društvo odreklo ponuditi roko Kondi v spravo in je demonstrativno odšel. Zapisnik te seje je v imenu predsednika podpisal podpredsednik Frank Bostič. Pisal ga je Mike Skočir.

Tudi Fr. Bostiču je bilo žal,

da je Konda ostal izključen, da si je bil on prvi, ki je predlagal izobčenje. Ker se je (Bostič) preselil na severno stran mesta, je prestolpil k ondotnemu društvu Slovenski dom (št. 86). Martin Konda je imel v Slaviji razne manjše odbore, od maja 1904 do januarja 1905 pa je bil njen zapisnik. Vsak zapisnik je pričel z uvodom, da je predsednik otvoril sejo "z narodnim pozdravom". Ta narodni pozdrav so potem ponavljali tudi mnogi naslednji zapisnikarji.

Zadnji svoj zapisnik v Slaviji 11. decembra 1904 zaključuje Konda sledeče:

"Brat predsednik se zahvali uradnikom in vsem društvenikom za vestno in trudopolno delovanje v tekom letu in ob enem vseki veselo snidenje k prihodnjem seji prihodnjega leta. S tem zaključi sejer ter udaritrikrat tako hudo s-kladivom po mizi, da bi bil istega skoraj zdobil v prah in znamenje starega leta."

Novega leta pa, kojega smo nastopili, pozdravil je pisatelj teh vrstic veseljega srca, ker mu ne bo potreba več protokola pisat. Istočasno arčno in veselo pozdravljam, vse navzde držuvene brate in jim želim v tekom letu vse najboljše, kakor sam sebi. Ob enem pa prosim, če sem se kateremu izmed vas bratje vedoma ali nevedoma zagatal, ali kojega razali, prosim oprostite mi kakor tudi jaz vam odpustam v znamenju ljudzni bratstva in sloga. Živio!" — Martin Konda, zapisnikar.

Seji je predsedoval Frank Klobučar.

Negledje na hibe Martina

Konde, in na boje ter očitke, ki

je imel s posamezniki in ne-

malokrat s slovensko sociali-

stično skupino v celoti, so njego-

ve zasluge velike, posebno v

borbi proti mračnjaški verski

vzgoji, ki so jo prinesli naši pri-

seljenci iz starega kraja. Vre-

den je priznanja za svoje delo v

Slaviji in v SNPJ. Priznanja

je bil sicer v življenju prav ma-

lo deležen, ker si ga je oviral s

svojimi odbijajočimi svojstvi.

Nemalokrat so mu ta zakrila vse

njegove dobre strani.

Kar se tiče kazni, jo je M.

Konda v SNPJ dobil — najhuj-

šo kazen, ki jo more nad svojim

članom izreči podpora organi-

zacijo. Delal je potem z vnemo

v SSPZ, ali tudi v njej je bil

zaradi svojih hib v taktiki po-

lagrama potisnjene ob stran.

Veliki so bili njegovi naporji

za ohranitev svojega lista Glasu

Svobode. Z uredniki je imel

zelo slabo srečo — največ po

svoji krivdi.

Martin Konda je umrl 8. mar-

ca 1922. Zadela ga je kap pri

zdravnik, ravno ko je zdravnik

izvrševal malo operacijo v

nosu. Zavedel se ni več in kma-

lu potem je umrl. Rojen je bil

1. 1872 v Osojniku pri Semiču v

Belokrajini. V Ameriko je pri-

šel 1. 1886. S časnikarjem se je

začel pečati že v Pueblu, kjer

je sodeloval najprvo pri listu

Mir, potem pa je l. 1902 usta-

novil s svojimi kolegi Glas Svobode. V Chicago se je z listom

vred preseil 1. 1903 in takoj

posegel v društveno in politično

življenje.

Na zadnji poti z njegovega

doma v krematorij so ga spre-

mili poleg svojcev, prijateljev

in nekaterih članov SSPZ tudi

čikaški glavni odborniki SNPJ

in urednik ter upravnik Prole-

tarca. Pogreb je bil skromen,

kajti ko je Konda umrl, je imel

že zelo malo prijateljev.

Na vodstvu SSPZ so prodile nove

moći. Na njegovem domu je

govoril o rakvi Zvonko Novak,

ki je bil tedaj urednik Glasu

Svobode. Le malo ljudi —

njegovih najbližnjih — je bilo v

sobi in le malo v sprevodu. To-

da zgodovina Slavije in SNPJ

ter zgodovina ameriških Slo-

vencev bi Martina Konde ne

mogla pozabiti, tudi če bi ga kak

zgodovinar skušal potisniti v

pozabljenje ali v brezpomen-

bnost.

(Dalje prihodnjih.)

## Išče soseda

Ironwood, Mich. — Iščem mo-

jega soseda in znance F. Ška

Renčeviča, o katerem sli-

šal, da se nahaja v okolici Cran-

tona, Pa. Prosim, da se mi ja-

vi, kar je zadeva vaša. Njegov

brat John je nameč umrl v

meseču oktober. Ako kdo izmed

Slovencev in Hrvatov ve za

njegovih naslov, prosim, da mi ga

sporoči.

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## Glasovi iz naselbin

Zanimive beležke iz raznih krajev

### Sumljivi bolniki

Milwaukee, Wis. — Čital sem dopis br. M. Slanovca, ki opisuje, kako je br. Barbč obiskoval bolnika, ki je rad vince pil. Zdi se mi, da taki slučaji niso redki. Bolniki se radi kratkočasijo s pijačo in se je tu pa tam tudi pošteno nasrskajo. Pri nas smatramo take stvari za malenkost, navedel pa bom slučaj pri našem društvu, ki se meni ne zdi malenkost.

Sestra G. je bila namreč na bolniški listi, sestra M. jo je pa obiskovala. Slednja je na seji poročala, da se ji zdi sestra G. nekam sumljiva. Izvolili smo dva člana, ki naj bi jo spremajala k zdravniku, da jo preleže. Ce se ne motim, se je to zgodilo po naročilu iz gl. urada. Zdravnik se je izrazil, da je sestra G. sposobna za takha delo, saj tako sta poročala člana, ki sta bila z njim na preiskavi, a kljub temu je ona dobila podporo. To jo je toliko opogumilo, da je oboživila sestro M., ker je ta še vedno trdila, da sestra G. ni bila upravičena do podporo. Vršili sta se dve porotni razpravi, na kateri je članstvo s tričetrtinsko večino odločilo, da se sestra M. oprosti vsake kazni. Nato je tožiteljica izročila zadevo višji inštanci. Gl. porotni odsek je razveljavil društveno razsodbo in sestra M. je dobila ukor, menda zato, ker je govorila resnico, kar potrjuje tudi društveni zapisnik.

Ko sem prečital odlok gl. porotnega odseka, sem spoznal, da so bili napačno informirani. Na prvi seji sem sugestiral izvolitev odbora treh ali petih članov, ki naj bi preiskal, kaj in kaj ni bilo poslane na višjo inštanco. Odgovor od višjih je bil, da stvar ne spada društvu v preiskavo. Sestra M. je kot obtoženka dvakrat vprašala društvenega tajnika, kje je zapisnik društvene porotne razprave. On je odgovoril, da ga ni, neki član pa je namignil, da so ga miši snedle. Pri gl. porotnem odseku smo vložili priziv, od tam pa je bil poslan gl. upravnemu odboru. Odgovor obeh je bil, da proti taki kazni ni priziva in menda stvar še danes čaka rešitev nekje na polici. Star pregovor se glasi, da čez sedem let vse prav pride.

Frank Juvan, 16.

### Martinek in Geer govorita v SN

#### PJ dvorani v petek večer

Chicago. — V zadnjih par letih je izšlo v Prosveti več dopisov iz Ohio o prizadevanju društva in drugih delavskih organizacij, da izvajajo zakon za starenost pokojnino. To so dosegli pri novemberskih volitvah, ko so ga volilci sprejeli z veliko večino pri splošnem državnem glasovanju.

O tej borbi ohijskega delavstva ter o zakonu samem bo prihodnji petek večer, dne 29. dec. ob 8. uri, govoril v SNPJ dvorani Joseph Martinek, vodilni češki socialist v Clevelandu. On se bo koncem tedna nahajjal v Chicago in so to priliko porabili češki socialistični klub ter klub št. 1 JSZ za prireditve tega shoda.

Vprašanje starostne pokojnine je važno tudi za nas v Illinoisu, kakor po vseh državah, zato se udeležite tega shoda.

Gоворil bo tudi Owen Geer o zavarovanju proti brezposeljenosti. Oba sta dobra govornika. Martinek bo govoril tudi v angleščini.

Ko pišemo o tem shodu prihodnjem petek, naj se omenimo da vse prej omenjeni socialistični klub prično prvo nedeljo v januarju serijo predavanj, šest po številu, o socialnih in ekonomskih problemih. Predavanja se bodo vršila v Sokol Havliček Tyrš dvorani, 2619 S. Lawndale ave. (v istem bloku kakor je

SNPJ poslopje) in sicer vsako prvo in tretjo nedeljo ob 2. pop. Izjem bo le prva nedelja v marcu, ko se bo predavanje vršilo v soboto zvečer radi nedeljske prizrede kluba št. 1 JSZ.

V četrtek večer ob osmi urini 8. februarja pa bomo imeli javen shod v dvorani SNPJ, kjer bo govoril o NRA August Claessens iz New Yorka, ki je prvak med socialističnimi oratorji. O NRA bo govoril s socialističnega vidika. O "novem dealu" je mnogo različnih in konfliktih pojmov. Mnogi so navdušeni za NRA, drugi so skeptični, večinoma pa vladu velika konfuzija. Kdor se bo udeležil tega shoda, bo dobil jasno sliko o pomenu NRA za delavstvo in deželo.

V prihodnjih par mesecih bomo v zapadnem delu Chicaga imeli torej dosti prilike za izpolnitvene našega znanja o važnih vprašanjih in kar je važno, tudi okrepili naš borbeni duh. Vstopnina na shode je prosta, za predavanje pa bo deset centov za kritje stroškov, brezposebni prosti. — Odbor.

### Izkoriščevalci v naši jednoti

Ironwood, Mich. — Pravila SNPJ dovoljujejo svobodno kritiko članom, zato hočem nekoliko opisati poslovanje pri našem društvu v tem letu. Da li bodo moje besede kaj zategle pri članstvu, bo pokazala bodočnost, to da resnico je treba povedati.

Od kar je prišla v deželo kriza, se opaža, da so nekateri člani naklonjeni bolniški listi. Priznam,

da so bili mnogi člani upravičeni do bolniške podpore, toda ne vse.

Kdor so rudniki obratovali, so se pripeljele nesreče, toda bolniški slučaji so bili redki. Cudno je to, da je veliko bolnikov v času, ko je malo dela. Pred seboj imam rekord bolniške podpore, ki je bila izplačana v tem letu. V mesecu januarju smo imeli 11 bolnih članov, ki so prejeli podporo, v februarju 13, v marcu 9, v aprilu 11, v maju 10, v juniju 8, v juliju 7, v avgustu 5, v septembetu 5, v oktobru 4 in v novembetu 4 in v decembetu enega. Vsakdo lahko vidi, da imamo manj bolnikov, ko se je zaločeno nekoliko bolje delati v rudnikih. Do prvega decembra t. l. je članstvo društva št. 323 prejelo bolniške podpore v vsoti \$3,379, vplačalo pa je jednoti v oddelek odraslih \$2,836.48 in \$67.08 v mladinski oddelek.

Kadar je razpisani izredni ase-

mment, se članstvo jezi in tajnik mora marsikaj preslišati. To ni prav, kajti tajnik ni kriv in nima pri tem nikakih osebnih koristi.

On mora gledati, da člani povravnajo svoje obligacije in pod-

tati natančno poročilo o poslovanju med društvom in jednoti in društvenih stroških. Stvari je treba gledati v prav luči in kri-

vda mora biti tam, kamor pripada.

Kadar zdravnik zdravi rano, išče vzroka v korenini in ne na površju. Ako bo članstvo pre-

čeločrpanje bolniških skia-

dov, tedaj ne bo potreba izrednih dokladov; ako pa tega noče, se je

treba na doklade pripraviti.

Naši bolniški obiskovalci ne o-

biskujejo članov, da se uverijo o bolezni člana in še se ravna po-

pravilih in potem poročajo o tem na društveni seji. Podpišejo le svoje ime na nakaznico kar tako

iz formalnosti, kako se pa bolnik obnaša, za to se ne brigajo.

Nekateri se boje zamere, zato ne poročajo na seji o kakih nepravil-

nostih, ki jih opazijo pri obisku bolnika. To pomeni uvajanje koro-

upelje, iz katere je izhod težak. Dokler bomo take stvari trpeli,

ne moremo upati na boljše dneve in pogope v bodočnosti.

Ako bi v naša pravila uključili točko, da mora vsako društvo,

ki napravi deficit, poravnati razliko z izrednim asementom, bi

kmalu našli krvce.

V naselbini Mareniseo, Mich., ima naše društvo 15 članov, ki so prejeli do 1. decembra bolniške podpore \$1,406. Jaz ne trdim, da niso bili bolni, toda vprašanje je, ali so bili v resnici tako dolgo bolni, za kolikor so dobili podporo? Jaz brez pomoči ostalega članstva ne morem na to vprašanje odgovoriti.

Rekel sem že, da ne vem, kakšen vtis bodo naredile te vrstice na članstvo. Ali je bil rezultat nepovoljen zaradi nesodelovanja članstva? Zdravniki nočejo pričati proti svojim klientom, kajti svoje izjave dajejo tako kakor člani hočejo.

Mi moramo sami gledati, da očuvamo organizacijo za nas in našo mladino. Ne smemo dopustiti, da bi jo kdo izkorisčal, kajti treba je gledati tudi v bodočnosti, da nam ne bodo izkorisčali pustili prazne vreče. Pobabiti moramo na vse pomanjkljivosti v prošlosti in gledati, da bo SNPJ v resnici koristila poštenim članom, ne pa onim, ki ji kopljajo grob. — John F. Plow, tajnik št. 323.

### Vprašanje previšnih dnevnic

Radley, Kans. — Društvo št. 72 SNPJ je na svoji redni seji 19. novembra razpravljalo glede previšnih dnevnic, ki so bile izplačane nekaterim delegatom dežete konvenčije. Kot je razvidno iz izjave gl. odbornikov, so prejeli ti delegati vsoto \$600, do katere niso bili upravičeni. O tem se je nekaj debatiralo v glasilu in par društev je zahtevalo, da se imena dotičnih delegatov objavijo. Gl. urad ni prejel danes niti centa od delegatov, ki so preveč prejeli, niti niso bila imena objavljena.

Junak dneva je baje vinotrežec Bombek, ki ga ima njegova huda žena Cecilija že tri leta za-

prtega, ker se boji, da bi mu "sapa mozek ne izsušila". Po na-

klicu pa izve za njegovo usodo

zdravnik dr. Rogan, ki prepriča Cecilijo, da je za Bombek edina pomoč — radikalna kura v Rogaški statini. Naivna Cecilija,

ki o zaroti niti pojma nima, se

veda z veseljem dovoli Bombe-

ku odhod v toplice, kjer se zdra-

vijo fizične, kot tudi srčne bole-

cine na primer:

Če želodec Vas boli ali v jetrih kaj tišči, hitro v avto, hop, hop, hop, in v Rogaško gre galop!

Naši znanci se v Rogaški statini izborni počutijo. Bombek pri-

čne krokati po receptu. Pri "Ve-

selem petelinčku" ga najdemo v

dokaj pisani družbi. Ob veselju

razpoloženju ga Konte Bombelli

proglasil za barona, dočim ga

madžarska lahkoživka Etele u-

vaja v ljubezenske tajnosti. Sledi petje in ples — revmatizem iz-

gine, berglje odpadejo. Tedaj se

pa pojavi novica, da je prišla

njegova žena Cecilija. Učinek je

porazen.

Pred nami se pojavi vila Do-

nati. Naši znanci skujojo ponov-

no zaroto proti Ceciliiji. Etele

de Gomboš pa uči Bombeka ma-

đarski, češ, da bo to najučinko-

viteljše orožje proti vratjemu

"huzarju". Prične se vaja s sle-

dečko kitico:

Curica je kišason, poljubac pa čokolom, seretni je ljubiti, nemoj zaboraviti.

Proti Ceciliiji uvedejo zarotni-

ki fingirano sodniško postopa-

nje. Sledi kompromis, ki je pa

poravnal se ob starega leta

in podzavrnal novega v družbi

veselih ljudi! Tudi star

Miklavž bo prišel. Ples traja do

3. zjutraj.

Zadnjih šest mesecev je Dom

precej dobro napredoval. Zato

pa pomagajmo, da bo zaključni

meseč tega leta najuspešnejši.

Pridite zgodaj, kajti vrata se za-

na se dno ob 11. uri zvečer!

je zagotovo udeležite, kajti to

bo v korist skupni organizaciji.

Ker bomo zaključili ta dan le-

to 1933, ki ni bilo za nas delav-

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Slovenska Narodna



## Podpora Jednota

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VSA PISMA, ki so napisana na podež. gl. predsedniku, naj se naslove na predsedniku.

VSE DENARNE posiljanje in storci, ki se niclevaj na upravnem odseku in jednoti vobla,

naj se posiljajo na gl. tajništvo.

Vse nadere, tukajda: ne bolniški podporo, naj se posiljajo na bol. tajništvo.

Vse nadere v zvezi z blagajniškim posl. naj se posiljajo na blagajništvo.

VSE PRITOŽBE glede negovanja v gl. upravnem odboru naj se posiljajo Frank Cajon,

predsednik nadzornega odbora.

VSI PRIZIVI na gl. porozni odsek se naj posiljajo na John Goršek, predsednika poro-

zni odseka.

VSI DOPISI in drugi opisi, raznolik, oglasti, naravnina in sploh vse, kar je v vred-

ju glavnim jednotam, naj se posiljajo na "PROSVETA." 2657 S. Lawndale Ave., Chicago, Ill.

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Communications for the supreme president should be addressed to him.

All remittances of money and business concerning lodges and members other than sick

benefit should be addressed to the secretary's office.

Matters of sick benefit should be addressed to the assistant secretary.

Financial matters under the jurisdiction of the treasurer's office should be taken up

with him.

Complaints concerning the work of the executive board should be addressed to Frank

Cajon, chairman of the Board of Supervisors.

Charges, complaints and appeals should be addressed to John Goršek, chairman, Judicial

Committee.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Month of November, 1933

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# PROSVETA

ENGLISH SECTION

PAGE SIX

FOR MEMBERS OF SLOVENE NATIONAL BENEFIT SOCIETY AND AMERICAN SLOVENES

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27.

## The End of the Year

This is the last official issue of the Prosveta that will come to you this year; the next one will come out January 3, 1934. It is customary, at the end of each year, to briefly survey our work in the light of the past year's experiences in the fraternal field and in the light of the general conditions which very largely determine our course as well as with a view on the future outlook. Since the economic trends are the strongest determining factors in our life under the present system, that phase should be taken up first.

The year 1933 which is now passing into history has seen the mightiest financial citadels, the main pillars of the present order, crumble to pieces; they have cracked under the merciless whip of the severest depression. It has seen the very foundations of the capitalistic system which thrives on profit, exploitation, graft and injustice shaken by its own sordid inconsistencies. The inevitable has happened—the present system has arrived at the end of the road and is on its deathbed. But at the same time the year 1933 has seen the workers—producers of all wealth—suffer untold misery, humiliation and deprivation in the midst of plenty. Mother nature with the aid of the workers and farmers has poured from her horn of plenty more than enough for all, but the owners, the masters, the privileged class—are denying the producers the right to enjoy the fruit of their labor. And the masses have not yet advanced enough to realize that their salvation is in their own organizations.

The administration's recovery plan which is trying to inject new life into industrial and economic life has barely more than scratched the surface; no permanent cure has been applied and the results, few as they are, are not permanent. For a permanent recovery there must be a permanent cure—a permanent remedy for all economic and social ills of the nation. The nation needs a complete collectivization—socialization—under which the control of production and distribution would be planned by the government of workers' representatives and in the interest of all the people.

Since the Slovene National Benefit Society is composed entirely of workers and their children, it is natural that our members organized in subordinate branches have endured severe hardships in the past few years along with all other workers and their organizations. But in spite of that our members have carried their share of work remarkably well, and that primarily because they have faith in the SNPJ and its principles of mutual help.

We are standing at the threshold of a new year. It will find us practically unchanged economically and industrially; the slight changes in these phases are no indications of greater and permanent achievements. The workers must cease to believe in Santa Claus. They themselves must work out their own economic, industrial and social salvation. Then, and only then will they enter into a new year of permanent prosperity—a new era of justice and understanding. Progressive workers, young even more than old, must fight for the creation of a brotherhood of men, which must eventually come about if civilization is to survive. They must fight for the new order based upon the virtual equality of men. We have absolute faith that the workers can and finally will free the world from its economic and social dislocations.

This is our New Year's message to our members. Carry on towards the liberation of mankind!

## Adamic's Book Out Feb. 1

Louis Adamic's book about Jugoslavia, "The Native's Return," which Harper & Brothers, of New York and London, will publish on February 1, is a success before it is published.

A few days ago, the Book-of-the-Month Club, the largest book-distributing organization in America, selected the book for its February "book of the month." This means that on the first day of that month the organization will send more than 55,000 copies to its subscribers, who include some of the most prominent and influential citizens of the country.

Every "book of the month" selection almost inevitably becomes a best-seller, and it is expected that in addition to the Book-of-the-Month distribution, from 20,000 to 50,000 copies of Mr. Adamic's book will be sold in bookstores before the middle of 1934.

"The Native's Return" was picked by the judges of the Book-of-the Month—Dr. Henry Seidel Canby, William Allen White, Heywood Broun, Christopher Morley, and Dorothy Canfield—from among nearly 1,000 titles which are to be published in America during February. It was, moreover, their unanimous choice.

The book will appear also in England and arrangements are being made for its translation, during 1934, into the Russian, French, Czech, Spanish, and Danish.

## SNPJ Federation

VERONA, PA.—Last minute instructions for the participants in the SNPJ Federation Bowling Tournament to be held on New Year's Day. Don't forget to bring copy of the Entry Blank properly signed to Ambridge. The address of Pike's Bowling Alleys, where the Tournament will be held, is Fourth st. & Maplewood avenue, Ambridge, Pa. The Tournament will begin promptly at 1:00 p.m.

Immediately after the Tournament the Federation is sponsoring a dance at the Croatian Hall, Ambridge. The price for the dance including a luncheon will be 35c. We sincerely hope that all the lodges affiliated with the Federation will co-operate with the Athletic Board by participating in either the bowling or the dance.

ATHLETIC BOARD.

Pittsburgh, Pa.—Keeping step with the New Deal, we have planned one of the largest Federation events on New Year's day for our members and their friends—the Bowling Tournament, Luncheon and Dance which will be featured on New Year's day at Ambridge, Pa. (the home of the Reveliers). Reports are being received from the lodges, showing great enthusiasm and interest regarding the New Year's day event, which will provide splendid entertainment for our members.

The Athletic board is in charge of the Bowling Tournament. They report that cash prizes will be awarded to winners of all events. Trophies will be awarded to members in the men and women divisions making high scores. The Bowling Tournament will be held at Pike Bowling alleys in Ambridge, Pa., and will be started promptly at 1 p.m.

The Luncheon will be served immediately after the Tournament. The girls from the Reveliers and Excelsiors lodges under the capable leadership of our secretary, Louis Kosela, will have charge of serving a specially prepared Slovene Menu to the members and their guests.

Now then, friends, in order to start the New Year off right, we want you all to come to the Big Dance which will be held at the Croatian Hall, Ambridge, Pa., in the evening. Dancing from 8:30 until you leave. Ernie Vagias and his orchestra, one of Pittsburgh's most popular bands, have been engaged to furnish the music. Be sure to come. You know the splendid times we always have . . . and Brother Jakovac and the committee have exerted themselves to make this the biggest and the best ever. And that's reason enough for every member being there. Brother Grandovec promises lots of refreshments (John Barley-

corn Special) and what not . . . so with all that and good music, and good fellowship . . . we dare you not to have a good time!

F. J. Kress, President SNPJ E. S. Fed. W. Penna.

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## Buckeyes' Bits

By Oh

Barberton, Ohio.—This department takes pleasure in congratulating "Lindy Lokar" on his election for President of the Strugglers. This being his eighth year, we believe that he has made a record or something. Two more years and you'll be celebrating a decade, Lindy. We wish you more luck for 1934.

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## Milwaukee News

### Old and New

1933 has been a year of hardship for the members of the Badgers, but as far as lodge work is concerned, with hard work and co-operation of the members, the Badgers have progressed. In times of adversity, in times of depression, when a lodge or a group of members can look back and see what they have accomplished during the past year and see that success has been their reward for their untiring efforts certainly this group should be paid a compliment and urged to keep up its good work and courage.

Therefore, as the past year has been so successful, and we are facing a new year, let us resolve to keep up this pep and enthusiasm. Each of us as members of the lodge and the great SNPJ must contribute everything we are able to widen the progress of the English Speaking Lodges which have suffered unusual hardships during the past few years.

Wishing all my fraternal Brothers and Sisters, a very happy and prosperous New Year.

### Somewhere in Old Aurora

Somewhere in Aurora, Minnesota, are two Badgarettes who have gone to their folks to spend the holidays. They are, Frances Zupancic and Alice Glaven. Give my regards to all the folks. Happy New Year to you both.

### My Appreciation

Thank you Dicky, for the lovely card, and everything included. May this coming year bring you much joy, health and happiness. Toodle-doo.

Molly Pogorelc,  
Badgers Publicity Committee,  
Lodge 584

## Little Fort News

Waukegan-No. Chicago.—Our Annual Little Fort meeting, held on December 21, was the best attended of the year, but not as well as it should have been. The important matter taken up was the election of officers for ensuing year. They are as follow: Louise Zelesnik, President; Frances Kirn, Vice-President; Christine Stritar, Secretary; Frances Mese, Recording Secretary, Mary Michalski, Treasurer; Angela Dobrovols, 1st Trustee, Edward Konchan, 2nd Trustee; and Edward Ogrin, 3rd Trustee. The Publicity Committee consists of Tillie Mese, Mary Mese, and Alibena Ogrin. The girls have it all over the boys this year since there were only two boys elected to hold office. Last year's officers were very well praised for their work, and now it's up to the new officers to make a good impression.

Anton Konchan is our newly transferred member, being transferred from Lodge No. 14.

Refreshments were served after the meeting in real Xmas style by Sis. Marie Gary and Sis. Elsie Gantar. Sis. Stritar played the piano and we all joined in singing Xmas carols.

Anne Hendricks is on the sick list. Won't you pay her a visit?

Next month we will celebrate the installation of officers by having refreshments, which will be served by "Foxy" Mese, "Duke" Novak and "Ham" Mese. Don't forget that there are also girls in the lodge, boys.

The play, "There Goes the Bride," is coming along fine and should be in tip-top shape by February. Tickets for the Anniversary are being given

out and every attempt should be made to sell those given you and even more if possible.

Sports Club is giving a card and bocce party on January 20 for the benefit of the girls' basketball team. Good refreshments will be served and there will be many prizes. The tickets are only 25 cents and can be obtained from Frances Mese, who has charge of the event. Sell as many as you can to help the girls along.

Now, since the other two of the publicity committee gave their good-bye speeches, I might as well give mine. First of all, I thoroughly enjoyed writing these articles although I know some of you didn't care so much about reading them. All in all, I think we've kept up as well as could be expected and hope the next year's committee will do as well and even better.

Kaye—

## Wolverine News

Detroit, Mich.—The Young Americans have challenged the Wolverine keglers to a bowling match. We cannot make a definite reply at the present as we have not been able to get in touch with all of the Wolverine bowlers, but we will have a reply forthcoming soon.

The Young Americans will celebrate their eight anniversary on January 6 and 7, 1934, at the Slovenc Home, 437 Livernois ave. There is no doubt that these two days of celebration will be a great success. There will be out-of-town speakers

at the banquet on the first night, then, on the following night, one can be sure of an enjoyable night of dancing to good music. Tickets to the event can be purchased from any Young American officers. Let's all be there.

The winner of the door prize at last Wolverine meeting was Vincent Straus, our president-elect.

We see by the papers that Ed Potocan, a former Wolverine, was elected secretary of Lodge 292, at Avella, Pa. Congratulations.

When it comes to talk about mystery men, I think that Detroit boasts of one who has no peer—none other than Windy—who has contributed some very fine articles to the Prosveta. Almost every member of the Young Americans and Wolverines has been accused of being this said person. Many admit that they are, which fact makes it all the more complicated. We are still in a quandary as to his identity. A few of the Y. A. Entertainment Committee have been trying to find out who he is. They would like to have him speak at their Anniversary Banquet. That would be a treat, and it is probable that they will get him.

The entire change in the personnel of the Young American officers for the year of 1934 came as quite a surprise to almost everybody. Our best wishes for your success.

"Danny."

(Social Dates of English Speaking Lodges of SNPJ for Dec. and Jan.)

Dec. 30—Veronian Lodge, No. 680, party and dance at Verona, Pa.

Dec. 30—Flood City Lodge, No. 712, New Year's Eve Ball, Johnstown, Pa.

Jan. 19—Jolly Allis Lodge, No. 686, card and dance party, Pilgrim hall, West Allis, Wis.

Dec. 31—Badgers Lodge, No. 584, New Year's Frolic, SST hall, Milwaukee, Wis.

Jan. 1—E. S. Federation of SNPJ Lodges in W. Penna holds Bowling Tournament, Luncheon and Dance at Ambridge, Pa.

Jan. 27—Integrity Lodge 631, 6th anniversary celebration, SNPJ hall, Chicago, Ill.

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

Ben Franklin, Motto of  
Historical Review.

## The Reporters' Revolt

Whatever else—and there is a great deal—may be charged to the credit side of the NRA nothing is more striking and, we hope, significant than the development of newspaper guilds. For years every effort to organize the brain workers in newspaper offices has failed, reporters and sub-editors being too cowed. But as we have already reported, the NRA has made it possible for these white-collar slaves to organize with complete safety. If any newspaper proprietors dare to forbid organization there is at last a superior tribunal to which their workers may appeal. At first there was considerable resentment on the part of employers. Thus, the Philadelphia *Bulletin* and the Philadelphia *Inquirer* warned their employees that it would not be healthy for them to take part in the discussion of the proposed press code before the Deputy Administrator, or to be affiliated with a guild in so doing. The *Editor and Publisher*, special organ of the journalistic fraternity, which depends upon the good-will of the proprietors for its advertising support, was a first very doubtful "Are editorial craftsmen ready for unionization?" it asked in August last. "We doubt this . . ." Now, in December, the movement has spread so fast that the *Editor and Publisher* no longer has any doubts as to whether the workers want unionization. As far back as September it admitted "unrest among editorial workers without parallel in our memory."

In its issue of November 25 it reported that the Cleveland Newspaper Guild had taken steps to organize the craft in the 107 cities of more than 50,000 population. It is doing this not only in order to obtain permanent organization, but so that a more determined opposition may be presented to the newspaper publishers when the final hearing on the long-delayed newspaper code take place. It has gone farther than this. It has asked the workers in every other department of a newspaper to organize separately for the purpose of joining the guild, especially the business, advertising, and circulation departments. The guild reported that it had received applications for chapter status from three other journalistic groups—the employees of the Newspaper Enterprise Association, the Central Press, and the wire groups headed by the International News Service. At the same time the Newark, New Jersey, Newspaper Guild reported a membership of 126, and its intention to be represented by delegates at the national meeting in Washington, D. C.

The New York Newspaper Guild has shown a remarkably militant spirit. On November 15 it resolved that "the freedom of the press is one of the essential foundations of human liberty," thus apparently giving support to the publishers' campaign headed by Colonel Robert R. McCormick of the reactionary Chicago *Tribune*, who has been exerting himself on behalf of that liberty in a crusade which both General Johnson and the Deputy Administrator, Professor Lindsay Rogers, declared to be entirely unnecessary. But then the guild proceeded to aim a savage blow at its employers in these words:

Resolved . . . That we do not believe, however, that the newspaper industry, which asserts its freedom from governmental interference with the news, or free comment on the news, can rightfully evade its responsibility to assume, by organization under a code of fair practice, the same responsibilities for public welfare that other industries are being called upon to assume.

This is opposition pure and simple, for the publishers in the open hearing on the code in Washington on September 22 absolutely refused to accept the government's suggestion that they embody in their code a statement of fair practices similar to that of other industries. Their attorney informed the Deputy Administrator that they were quite competent to take care of any abuses that there might be in their business. They were not moved when John H. Fahey, publisher of the Worcester *Post*, declared on that same occasion that he "knew of no industry characterized by more unjust and unfair competitive practices than the newspaper industry."

The New York Guild evidently does not differ from Mr. Fahey in feeling that the newspaper publishers, now so suddenly awake to the freedom of the press though nine-tenths of them have connived at unnumbered interferences with personal liberty, freedom of speech, and public assembly ever since 1917, ought to adopt a code of fair practice without a day's delay.

We sincerely trust that when the reporters have perfected their organizations they will utilize them not only to insist upon fair practices in the business itself, but to make sure that the editors and owners are consistent in regard to the freedom guaranteed by the Constitution to individuals as well as to the press. The newspapers ought to understand that every time some "red" is denied his constitutional rights, it is a blow at the rights of every individual and of the press in this country.

—The Nation.

## The Reveliers' Column

Ambridge, Pa.—With almost a 100% cent attendance the Reveliers' December meeting was the lengthiest of the year. The new officers for 1934 are: President Martin F. Spec, Vice-President John Gaul, Sec'y Katharine Rasky, Treasurer Louis Kosela, Rec.-Sec'y George Maletich, Serg.-at-arms Betty Obed, Trustees Wm. Towncimak (chairman), Nick Pavlik, Anthony Grandovic, Jr., Sick Committee Rudy Kosela (chairman), Dan Obed, Nick Pavlik, Edward Rosenberger, Mike Spec, Frank Pogega, Rudy Kuhel, Louis Uhernik, Sam and Anthony Cousins, Physician Dr. Fleming and Publicity Louis Kosela.

As the Reveliers' lodge was placed in charge of preparations for the Jan. 1 Federation luncheon and dance program the following three who serve as a planning committee were also placed in the following capacities: Chairman of Decorations, Rudy Peitz, Chairman of Luncheon, John Kerzan, Chairman of Dance, Louis Kosela. The members were unusually responsive in accepting committee positions for the affair. The Excelsiors have also selected some of the girls to assist at the luncheon and dance. Both lodges, Excelsiors and Reveliers, have responded to the call for co-operation exceptionally well. Committee members should hold themselves in readiness to assume their responsibilities on Jan. 1.

For the SNPJ E. S. Federation conference that will be held in Ambridge on Jan. 21 the Reveliers have delegated Bros. Kerzan, Pavlik and Towncimak to be the lodge's representatives.

The program offered by Chairman Gaul and his committee for the after-meeting social was both hilarious and enjoyable. Two door prizes were offered (winner unknown) to the writer. Tony Grandovic won the chair-circling-sitting-rising-walkathon contest, with Denny Ochman as runner-up (sits downer). Ed Rosenberger furnished the music. Chairman Gaul lead the Reveliers' Symphony Orchestra in a silent half hour rendition of classical airs with the assistance of Martin Spec, who assumed the role of executioner for those not in harmony with the leader. Following the fun the girls served a luncheon. (And in the end quite a number were speaking in praises of the program.)

**ALL THAT SORT OF THINGS.** The Revs have elected officers for

the new year. If in December you helped in the election, even if one of your nominees may not have been selected, it's your part to keep going along. If you were one of the two or three absentees you too are expected to co-operate... Sec'y Kerzan has given three years of service in the toughest job within the lodge. Now it is Sister Rasky who will manage the secretarial duties in 1934... Frank Zorman, Jr., was elected a trustee in 1932 and vice-president in June 1933. He was one of the lads deserving of credit... For my part, I hope 1934 will be a banner year for the Revs, the other E. S. lodges, the E. S. Federation, and the Society as a whole...

The Strugglers ought'a give a push to Lindy to renew his articling... Jane Fradel's recent contribs complimentary to the E. S. Federation and Ambridge should be acknowledged. So here goes—Thanks... That Preser chap's words are welcome in these pages... Prexy Spec of the Revs read an item out of Whoosit's column at the last meeting and commented on the lodge that gets 100% support from its membership. The same lad said some nice things about the Revs columns of the past, and with the membership giving the writer the glad hand made it—shall it be denied?—pleasant... To Marion Konchan: Sailing isn't exactly in my line, but under a good Commodore the trip should be pleasant... If you notice a smoky atmosphere in Cleveland on Feb. 10 you'll know Kosela and the cigar's in town... With you, Commodore, knowing who the Two Beacon Bachelorettes are—I knowing them, and the editor knowing their identities—well, the Bachelorettes better behave themselves, at least in writing...

The tournament, I predict, will draw a throng of SNPJ enthusiasts into Ambridge to the Pike Bowling Alley (at Fourth st. & Maplewood ave.) in Jan. 1. The dance hall (Croatian Hall, Merchant st.) will be packed. Ernie Vagias' eleven piece orchestra will assure the best in dance music... Last week I omitted the Rev entrants in doubles events. They are Denny Ochman and Dan Obed... The Excelsiors have written that some twenty members will attend; the Comets, fifteen; the Revs, everyone... And now at 3:45 a.m. so long until again...

Louis Kosela.

## Here and There With Comrades

Cleveland, Ohio.—Our annual election held on Tues., Dec. 19, certainly was a big affair. We've seen some Comrades for the first time. Members that never come to our monthly meetings came to our annual meeting and we had a nice crowd. Of course, there are always some members that just can't come to even one meeting, but since they won't come of their own accord, it's just their hard luck and they wonder why only the same members are always on committees and hold offices. We noticed that even tho' some new people were nominated for various offices, they refused to run, and the officers that were elected for the Comrade Lodge for the year 1934 are all old-timers, that is all except one or two and even these have held smaller positions in the Comrade Lodge.

After about six nominees for President five declined the nominations, leaving Joseph Fifolt our new President for the year 1934. For Vice President we elected John Alich. We know he is very capable and will do his utmost as Vice President and Chairman of entertainment committee. For Secretary we retained Otto Tekautz and as Recording Secretary Teresa Turk was chosen with Frank Truden as Treasurer.

And now watch the Comrades go places!

To continue with the elections, Mr. Krizman, Mr. Zorman and Miss Alice Belinger were elected for the Auditing Committee. For delegates to the Federation Bros. Vehar and Jare were selected. John Alich remained in the office of delegate to Club Drusky of the Slovene National Home, while Joe Birk was elected as a delegate to the Stockholders' meeting.

After the meeting everybody rushed for the kitchen, where hot dogs, coffee, cake, potica and wine were served. The Comrade girls brought the cakes and did they go fast. The boys furnished the wine. We'd like to mention that the potica that was brought by Caroline Bradock certainly was delicious and we think Caroline went to a lot of trouble and the Comrades certainly appreciated it. Thanks a lot, Caroline, and all the other girls that brought cakes. Also thanks to the boys for the wine.

If you ever want to see a peppy bunch of young folks, just visit the Commodores. Here they have just been organized for such a short while and we believe they've visited an affair of every sister lodge, except those that haven't had affairs. They certainly should be given a big hand for their forwardness and we hope to see them reach their goal.

In order to pay them a return visit

Mr. Ewolski of the Commodore, trying to sell the Comrade girls tickets to their dance.—Lodge Comrades purchase dozen ash trays with SNPJ insignia. Members may buy them when the Sec'y gets them.—A new publicity committee should be appointed.—Last but not least—we wish all the writers of the Prosvesa and all SNPJ members a very happy and successful New Year.

Saint and Sinner.

## Excelsiors Lodge No. 721

W. Aliquippa, Pa.—Our annual lodge meeting was unusually well attended. The officers elected are: Frank Struble, President; Tony Michic, Vice Pres.; Matilda Derglin, Sec'y; Mike Zekrasek, Rec. Sec'y; and Joe Michic, Sergeant-at-arms. On the Auditing Committee: Josephine Sivie, Chairman; Mary Somonich, and Mary Smrekar. We hope that the officers, including ourselves, will serve our lodge as faithfully in the future as they did in the past and with the help of each and every member raise our lodge to far greater heights.

The howling epidemic has taken Aliquippa by storm. Both girls and boys have entered their first game of the season. Don't let this dishearten you. Your victories will be much swifter after tasting the bitterness of defeat.

Now as the old year is quickly passing into oblivion, resolutions are in order. How's about one of yours being to resolve to be present at all of the meeting of the ensuing year?

Here's wishing all you Brothers and Sisters a happy, prosperous and satisfactory New Year.

The Old Man of the Mountain.

## J. Z. Jrs. Bright Spots

Library, Pa.—Well, Christmas is gone and New Year is here. May it be a better and a more successful year for the J. Z. Jrs.

The meeting of our Lodge was changed from Jan. 14, 1934, to Jan. 7, 1934. So the committee for the Program will be ready for that Sunday instead of a week later. Don't forget.

On January 14 the J. Z. Jrs. Lodge will sponsor a show at State Theatre at Library. So all of the members please take note of this and try to make a great success out of this show. It's your show, so boost it.

And also about the program that is to be arranged by the committee to be put on after each meeting; everyone try to be at these meetings and enjoy an evening of fun. Maybe the membership will increase them.

Also the J. Z. Jrs. will hold a dance close to Valentine Day, either on Feb. 10 or Feb. 17. Look for more details about this dance in later editions.

The bowling tournament will soon be here, which is to be held at Ambridge on Jan. 1, with a dance and party in the evening. Due to financial difficulties our Lodge will not take part in the event.

Seeing that Jane Fradel is back in the headlines again and also see "Hie-Hie" and "Burp" coming in to the column, keep it up, old pals. Louis Kosela ought to be the official scorekeeper at that tournament, what do you say, Louis?

Don't forget you members about monthly meeting on Jan. 7, 1934, at 7 p.m. sharp.

The J. Z. Jrs. Lodge 682 extend to all Lodges a happy and prosperous New Year. Frank J. Ambrozie Jr.

## Friendly City

Johnstown, Pa.—The elections are over. The following were elected to see us through another year: Sister Elsie Cukar, Pres.; Bro. V. Skvarna, V. Pres.; Sister Anna Bricey, Sec'y; Sister Jennie Bombatch, Rec. Sec'y; Sister Albina Bombatch, Treas.

The entertainment committee is: John Volk, John Gabrenja, Josephine Volk, Jennie Bombatch, Sophia Bricey, Elsie Cukar. They are a bunch of good workers and we can depend on them for some good times this coming year. They'll have a surprise for us next meeting, which falls on every second Sunday in the month, the meeting to start at 7 o'clock in the evening. You can depend that it's going to be a good surprise, so don't miss it. After the meeting fun is for members only for January. Don't miss the meeting or the dance for you will have the time of your life.

To the bereaved family we extend our heartfelt sympathies.

Pioneer Lodge 559 SNPJ.

Wishing all a Happy New Year! Anna Bricey.

## The S. N. P. J.

THE immigrant fathers sowed the seed into earth  
Made fertile with ideals from the land of their birth;  
The sea that divided old worlds from the new  
Irrigated the sod, and the plant sprouted through.

But the new life so risen surpassed the intention.  
Of those who but slightly to this gave attention,  
For the roots firmly grew, and the branches spread wide,  
And bore a great principle not wont to hide.

It was the fruit of that early attempt  
To find a true brotherhood to their content,  
In a world that was strange to their customs and needs  
And denied them appraisal for their efforts and deeds.

To that bright symbol of dreams that came true  
Was given the name well familiar to you—  
The S. N. P. J.—in whose honor all hail  
Till her name reechoes over hill—over dale.

May she grow ever stronger in glory and fame  
But may she those principles bear ever the same.  
In a strong link of brotherhood dispell all our fears,  
And be with us young folks through all future years.

Mary Jugg.

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## Jolly Allis

West Allis, Wis.—Think of the swell time we're going to have at the Badgers' New Year's Frolic, Dec. 31, at the South Side Turn Hall. I hope to see a lot of the Brothers and Sisters of the Lodge there.

It's indeed good news that the Stalwarts are to continue as a lodge. Congratulations! We are very glad to hear this because of the wonderful hospitality we have received from them during our past social and athletic relations with them.

By the way, folks, don't forget our card party Jan. 19 at Pilgrim's hall at So. 72nd and W. Greenfield. There will be a prize at every table, dancing and refreshments.

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## FLASHES

By Incognito

Chicago.—Cool weather and a nice bunch of young folks greeted the Pioneers on their first Xmas Dance, Sat., Dec. 23. But it seems that people like to stay home the night before Xmas.

Noticeable, more than anything else, was the absence of the old folks. Despite the fact that we had Petek's two-piece "kranjaks" orchestra in the "subway," especially reserved for them, only a few attended. Being the night before Xmas they were all playing the role of Santa. However, the young folks made good use of both orchestras, upstairs and downstairs. After 1:00 a.m., when the Merrymakers had ceased playing upstairs, they all flocked into the basement, there to prance to Petek's tunes 'till way after 2 a.m. and to wish each other—"Merry Xmas!"

We were sure sorry to learn that Josephine Hilti strained the ligaments in her knee while walking in the hall, but "Doc" Zavertnik soon "fixed" it up and the merrymaking went on as before.

Due to the death of Bro. Lawrence Lotrich Sr., our regular supervisor and general all-around manager, Donald J. Lotrich, was not present. "Doc" Nachtmann with the assistance of Godina, John Bink, John Kach, and Jack Gruber, took charge of affairs. Being used to teamwork and discipline, they did a fine job. Cultivation of fine habits always was a good thing.

Thursday, Dec. 23, 1933, the Social

Club will hold its annual meeting in the East Room of the SNPJ Hall. After the regular business meeting and election of officers for '34, there will be a general discussion on the money question. You are invited to come down and find out what such terms as gold standard, inflation, deflation and free coinage of silver mean. No one should be in ignorance of such terms because of the profound effects they have in our lives.

Joseph Martinek, editor of American Labor News in Cleveland, Ohio, will speak on Old Age Pensions, Unemployment Insurance, and Constitutional Rights of American Citizens Friday, Dec. 29, 1933, at the SNPJ Auditorium. Let us all attend and learn more about these burning questions.

Last but not least, we must not forget the New Year's Party sponsored by Club No. 1 JSF on the last day of this year. It is an old custom for the Club to sponsor these parties where we usher out the Old Year and wish everyone a "Happy New Year." Johnny's Merrymakers will officiate.

To anyone wondering why the difference in the style of writing in this week's Flash, let it be said that they were written by a substitute.

Pioneer Dance Committee will meet Fri., Dec. 29, at 8 p.m. at the office of the Proletarac, 3639 W. 26th st.

By Incognito's Substitute

## Young Americans' News

Detroit, Mich.—The last meeting of the Young Americans held December 10, 1933, which every member should have attended, had again a very poor attendance. Only 46 members out of 154 members of good standing attended. This was the poorest December meeting ever held by our lodge. Something is radically wrong somewhere, and this must be ironed out in order to keep the lodge on top where it previously was. Let's all put the responsibility on our shoulders, to keep the lodge on the top-notch.

Being the first English Speaking lodge or the SNPJ in the state of Michigan, we all must do our duty, by co-operating and attending the meeting and give our full support, to the new officers, and help them to guide the progress of the lodge. I am sure that this new group of officers will co-operate, with the best of their ability, and stir enthusiasm among the members. Let's all give our aid, for we must make the Young Americans lodge the best SNPJ lodge in the state, so that we can be proud of it. Now it's your duty, members, to come to the meetings, and your part. Those members who are at present in a rear with dues are asked to pay up all back dues, and also December dues. Notice from Supreme office urges us to send in our dues early so that the books may be closed for the current year. The Secretary's books also must be balanced before the newly elected secretary will accept them.

Upon resignation of Chas. Berry as the basket ball manager, Billy Travnik will take his place. Other details of the basket ball team, etc., will appear in the Prosvesa from time to time. Those interested may get

Andrew Grum Jr., Lodge 564.

## STALWARTS

### TO THE MEMBERS OF THE STALWART LODGE

Kenosha, Wis.—Our next meeting shall be held on Jan. 12, 1934. At the home of Mrs. Mary Czajkowski, 923-46 st. Be sure to attend the meeting of most importance. There shall also be a social gathering after meeting as this is the first meeting of the year, as it will be of great importance. There shall also be a social gathering after the meeting.

Flash, Gas Turk, started the ball rolling. He is our new Presy. But he needs a little help from the members. Osie Odar and his colleague are answering his appeal for help. And how! We are for better meeting and a still better lodge. We would like to start the new year right, with a bang and with a loud one at that.

We don't expect to reach our former stage of prestige in one or two months; but we do intend to get there within good time and stay there. The Roman empire wasn't built in a day, nor was it rebuilt, after its fall, neither were the Stalwarts but to differ with the Romans we shall rebuild. In order to build up the lodge we all agree that publicity is an important item.

We also know that not only must we get new members but we must boost all the branches of the lodge, to create an interest in all sport loving people who can not resist a party now and then. We then have good points to approach our prospects with. For that reason, we would like any lodge with a basket ball team to write and get in contact with our Athletic Director Gas Turk.

4216 Sheridan rd., Kenosha, Wis. (Out-of-town games preferred.)

The Stalwarts wish to extend the season's wishes to all the lodges of the SNPJ.

By Daddy's Son.

## Screenings

Springfield, Ill.—Where to New Year's Eve? On Dec. 31, the Dom will sponsor a big dance, and invites you all to come and help celebrate the passing of 1933, and welcome the New Year. Santa will be there, and dancing will continue until 12:30 a.m.

A monster crowd is sincerely looked forward to. But nevertheless, be sure you come.

The last six months have been pretty good months for the Dom. Let's make the closing month a dandy. Be sure to come early. The doors will be closed to everyone without, after 11:00 o'clock.</

# About This and That

## VOICE OF THE INTEGRITY

Chicago, Ill.—It has been a long time since I had anything to say. But now the time has come when I am forced to say a few things concerning the Federation of the SNPJ. It's not that I am against Federations, because I am not. I believe in belonging to one myself but not any of them that they have these days. They all take, but never give; feed you a lot of promises, but you can't live on a promise today. I suppose all the members remember what happened to the last Chicago SNPJ Union! Well it was a total flop, they promised a lot of things, but did just the opposite. They said they helped a lot of coal miners in Illinois with the money they got in, which they might have done. But I don't see why they didn't take care of their own members like they should have done. I believe that when a union of lodges has enough money to spend they should spend it on the needy of their own lodge.

I know several cases where the members got suspended for being behind with their dues and the lodge had money galore. They had enough money to help outsiders, why didn't they help their own lodge like they should have done? Well, the answer to this question is that when money is spent out of town it is not easily traced and no one knows how much is really spent.

I know a number of members that got suspended or put on the passive list (which there isn't much difference) that would keep up their dues if they had work. But everyone knows that some people are less fortunate than others, so why not give them a chance too? Everybody knows that when anyone has a job he wouldn't quit it just to get his dues paid by the lodge. I suppose everyone knows that when a member is suspended he is through. Well, to tell you the fact, there isn't much difference in a passive member, and I'll tell you why. When a member is on the passive list he hasn't a chance to vote, he doesn't receive sick benefit and his insurance is canceled if he dies. The months drag on and when the time is up he has a certain amount of money to pay on his back dues besides his regular dues which will make the member realize that he can get into another lodge or insurance for only a few dollars. So that's why I think that he lodge should look after their own members first if they want a lodge. Each lodge should have an investigator with power to investigate whether or not the member is really in need of the support.

At our December meeting we had a representative from the Federation present, whom I think we made an enemy. But I am very sorry, Brother John Rak. I am quite sure you mean good, but I hope that by us not entering the Federation will not make us enemies. We have to be cautious of the many mistakes we make these days because they are too costly. We haven't a thing against you but there are others that can't be trusted; at least I don't. (Just a few, not mentioning any names.) The Integrity Lodge stands behind its name. We don't believe in politics and federations of your kind. We've been going along swell till now, and we'll still be going when you're dead. (I think I'll have to change the subject to make it short because I could write a book on the work that has been going on in the last four or five years.)

West Penn Bowling Tournament:—Socially, the outstanding future function in this vicinity will be the Bowling Tournament to be staged at Ambridge on January 1, under the auspices of the English Speaking Federation of Western Pennsylvania. All affiliated lodges are acquainted with the details of the program. There will be a Bowling Tournament in the afternoon, to which all participants will be admitted free, and in the evening a luncheon and dance will be given, both at a nominal fee.

Although I advocated an entirely free program, I am firmly convinced that there are many possible benefits in such a program, and am heartily in favor of it. The importance of the affair is self-evident. It will make it possible for the members of the many lodges associated with the Federation to meet new friends and to join with them in good fellowship. It will rejuvenate the lagging members, individuals and lodges, by presenting a program which is suitable to all. Finally, it will help to reestablish the Federation as a worthy institution, by proving to skeptics and cynics, like myself, that the Federation has not forgotten one of the main purposes for the existence of the Federation, namely, promoting good fellowship. If finances and circumstances permit, you will find it to your benefit to reserve a date for the Bowling Tournament in Ambridge on January First.

Frank Bolte, Lodge 682.

## OBSERVATIONS ON WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA

Library, Pa.—Although I must admit that my inexperience and mediocrity as a newspaper correspondent makes my statements somewhat boring; yet, I shall venture to state a few facts which may or may not prove interesting but which are, nevertheless, proper at this time.

Concerning girls' basketball. I as manager of the Eric Clothiers would like to book a few games with different lodges in the city and out. Call Brunswick 2417, or send me a card and we'll make arrangements.

Albert Roych, Lodge 631.

First of all I must thank everyone of the countless number who participated in the celebration of the Fourth Anniversary of the "Joseph Zavertnik" SNPJ Lodge. The members of the lodge extend their utmost appreciative thanks to all those who so kindly gave of their time and money to help make the affair a success. But, even more, we are indebted to our friends from Cleveland and Chicago without whose cooperation no program would have been possible. I am sure that our feeble efforts would have made the afternoon a dismal failure, if Dr. John J. Zavertnik of Chicago, and John Aynik, Max Traven and their retinue from Cleveland had not been on hand to give us their help.

Dr. Zavertnik was the speaker of the afternoon. He gave a brief but very comprehensive address on general fraternal matters, especially stressing the character of the late Joseph Zavertnik, his father, and the man after whom our Lodge is named. For the first time the members of the J. Z. Jrs. learned who this man was, the principles for which he stood, and his general outlook on life. Therefore, the members knew only

one time was the Veronian ink-slinger. We thank you!

Following a nite of whoopee we journeyed on at 11:30 p. m. to Library and stopped at the home of Frank and Frances Strimian. Here we received a warm welcome and meals that will never be forgotten by the Beacons. We went to the "Garnish" (Slovene) Hall where we enjoyed the afternoon program immensely. Evening soon came and everything that goes with it. Here (it is the belief of your dot and dasher), never since the day the SNPJ convention adjourned, had so many English speaking delegates of the Eastern states met. Those present were: Henry Previc, August Riska, Louis Kosela, Jakob Dolenc, Joseph Stefancic, Dr. Zavertnik, and your scribe.—The J. Z. Juniors had a wonderful crowd at their birthday jamboree, among the lodges represented were: Comets, Keystonians, Revelers, Silver Stars, Veronians, Beacons, and Sisters Yannik, once right hand supporters of the Lucky Stars. But where were the Musketeers, Ramblers, Morning Stars, Torches, Young Valley Knights and the Quacks? The Disloyal Disorder of the Fleas was well represented. Time flew and even though the bottles were all taken care of, and emptied, we could not say "So Long." This continued until it was almost day-break and time to retire. Some went to "hit the hay" and others didn't. But believe it or not, that our pal John Aynik could not find his way, until about six the next morning. Good luck, John!

"Spaga's" clock struck twelve and we were forced to depart, but your carbon slinging scribe can assure you that they will never forget the J. Z. Juniors. Especially Mrs. and Mr. Strimian, parents of "Spaga," and Frances, Mrs. Kosson, Mr. and Mrs. Ocepek, and other J. Z. Juniors who made our visit a delightful one. Many thanks to Mrs. Strimian for her wonderful hospitality; we hope that some day we may be able to repay it. The seven Beacons schemed to kidnap the young Reveler Louis Kosela, but failed. Under no circumstances would he accept our invitation to travel to Yukon with us. (To be concluded.)

## Veronians

Verona, Pa.—This is the last reminder for the Veronians' Big Annual New Year's Dance to be held on Saturday, December 30, at the Costa Hall, Front st., Verona, Pa. A very popular orchestra has been engaged and all the necessary arrangements have been made to make this dance the Veronians' outstanding affair of the year. The committee also advises they are making elaborate preparations to make your visit with the Veronians one of the most enjoyable yet. Won't you reserve that day for the Veronians and an evening of fun and dancing you will not forget for a long time. Remember the date, Saturday, Dec. 30. We'll be seein' you.

The Veronians' final meeting of the year was held a few days ago. With the exception of a few minor offices, most of the officers were re-elected. Perhaps it would not be amiss to say a few words in regard to the past year which the Veronians have completed. They can point with pride to the fact that they have increased their membership during the past year and have been very active; this in spite of the many obstacles to be overcome.

From our observation and experience in lodge work we find that the President and Secretary of a lodge, as a rule, are usually burdened with a majority of the responsibility and a large portion of the detail work.

Upon them is dependent to a large extent the success of their lodge. If they are active and take a whole-hearted interest in their work, then the lodge is practically assured of success. With this in mind we offer a few words of commendation our President, Matt Kern, and Secretary, Joseph Stefancic. They both worked unceasingly during the past year for the Veronians, and the members take this opportunity to extend their sincere appreciation. Also a few words of praise are due to Steve Rafly and Paul Kira through whose untiring efforts the Veronians' Musball team enjoyed such a successful season in 1933. They were Captain and Manager of the team. They are also active in the lodge, Steve being Vice President and Paul the Chairman of the Trustees.

Bill Radocich is back from woods again; this time to stay. He has secured a job and has severed his connections with the Forest Army. The Veronians are preparing to invade Ambridge on January 1 for the Federation's Bowling Tournament. A bus has been chartered with Comets of Universal and they will travel together to Ambridge and attempt to secure some of the prizes being awarded by the Tournament Committee.

Spectator.

## EDITOR'S NOTE

Due to the season's rush a number of communications intended for this issue reached our office at the time when we went to press. They will be published in next week's issue.

Brown—"It's wonderful what some insects can do. A grasshopper can jump 200 times its own length!"

Smith—"That's nothing; I once saw a wasp rise a 200-pound man three feet off the ground."

Teacher—"What animal hunts in packs?"

Willie—"The custom inspector."

Friend—"Good! How far away?"

## Forest City News

By Joseph Drasler

Forest City, Pa.—A nice crowd of forty-seven members turned out for Lodge No. 124's yearly meeting. The following officers were elected for the new year: V. Germ, Pres.; J. Drasler, Vice Pres.; E. Ratic, Sec.; L. Sasso, Rec. Sec.; A. Gostisha, Treas.; Auditing Committee: A. Drasler, Chairman; V. Mehlitz, J. Kogac, Representatives to the Federation meetings: L. Sasso, F. Drasler and A. Gostisha.

Some of our active young members were quite busy after the meeting distributing copies of Proletarec and selling the Ameriški Družinski Koledar.

A short time ago, we in Forest City had the great pleasure of meeting our own well-known Jugoslaw-American writer and author, Louis Adamic. Every Slovene in America will do well to read Louis Adamic's book on Jugoslavia which will be out in the near future. After completing his book on Jugoslavia, Adamic is to go on a nation-wide lecture tour, taking as his subject "The Relation of the Immigrant to Contemporary America." Every Slovene, foreign or American born, should avail himself of the opportunity to hear Adamic.

Many words of praise for the 1934 issue of the Ameriški Družinski Koledar are heard from its local readers and already we have local talent rehearsing for Ivan Molek's "Nova Igra" (New Deal) which will be put on by members of Lodge No. 27, SSPZ, during their 25th anniversary celebration.

Among the membership of Lodge No. 124 we are fortunate in having a well-known high school instructor who, we recall, made a reputation for himself while in college as a feature writer of the college paper. And now we ask you, Joe, how about an occasional article for the PROSVETA?

Members of Lodge No. 27, SSPZ, are going to make a big time of it on February the tenth celebrating their 25th Anniversary. They request that all SNPJ and other local lodges arrange their dances so as to avoid conflicts.

Only too often two and even three local lodges have sponsored dances on the same night ending up with a handful of dancers on each floor. I believe that some central organization or body in our town, possibly the city council could handle this matter in such a manner as to avoid two dances being held on the same evening, simply by having all the organizations in the town announce the date on which they would like to hold a dance to the town council who would act as a governing body to grant the date if it were open and refuse the date if it had been already asked for by some other organization.

The painting entitled "A Wayside Garden," is well chosen art for SNPJ's 1934 wall calendar.

Last night, from two to three a.m., we worked at digging a communication trench between our front lines. In the darkness, which was but faintly lit by the moon behind the clouds, the battlefield of our last advance presents an extraordinary sight. There is nothing to be seen on the gashed and torn-up ground but every kind of wreckage and ruin. Gusts of the smell of corpses. The Germans work unwearingly every night from six p. m. to six a. m. A hundred hammers strike the boring bars and the hundred mines explode in the night. This work makes no great impression on us. We know that nothing will resist the action of our artillery. A gray sky this morning. Ten a. m.; a somewhat weary resumption of heavy shell fire. The concert becomes more lively as the horizon clears.—From MY WAR DIARY—Benito Mussolini. What can you expect from a war maniac who writes about war in this manner, I ask you?

IMPORTANT MEETING

Chicago.—How much do you know about the gold standard? The various inflationary measures? The upward and downward spirals of business? Are you following vague headlines in the newspapers, eager

to know more about the current topics in direct, comprehensible explanation, but at a loss to know where to find the information? The recently organized club, termed the Social Study Club, was formed expressly to meet that demand. The lecture committee had planned a system of discussion whereby you are able to answer the very question you came to learn about. The meetings take the form of an informal discussion, where all participate, and where any suggestions or comments are welcome. If you have not yet attended one of its meetings, you are cordially invited to be present Thursday evening, Dec. 28, in the East room of the SNPJ Hall, at 8 o'clock, and without any obligations. Election of officers for the coming year will also be held at that meeting. If you have attended and have been sufficiently impressed, it is hoped that you will let others know about it and bring a number of your friends to the next meeting.

Amelia Andolsek.

More Jobless

Unemployment in the United States increased by 11,000 between September and October, according to calculations of the American Federation of Labor based on government and union figures. The Federation estimated the number of jobless as 10,076,000.

The government reported an increase in employment of one-tenth of one per cent between September and October in the industries it covers. The most pronounced gains in individual industries were seasonal gains in the beet sugar and radio industries, according to figures of the U. S. Department of Labor. Payrolls in the same period increased only six-tenths of one per cent, "appreciably less than the average increase shown in October over the preceding 10-year interval," the department said.

HIT STRIKEBREAKING AGENCIES

Legislation to prevent the transportation of strikebreakers and a Congressional investigation of agencies which specialize in providing scabs, are asked in a resolution adopted by the recent American Federation of Labor convention.

The convention directed attention to the practice of transporting professional strikebreakers to any point where employers desire to attack established wage and working conditions. Strikebreakers are also transported to points where strikes have not occurred or even been threatened, with the purpose of intimidating the employees.

MOONEY FILM BOYCOTTED

The existence of a boycott against the film, "The Strange Case of Tom Mooney," is charged by the National Tom Mooney Council of Action.

There has been a boycott of the Mooney film in many sections of the country, especially in the west, according to reports made to us by the distributors," the council statement said. "The distributors explain that there is a 'bankers' boycott' on the

film because it bares the frameup against Tom Mooney so effectively.

"Hundreds of local unions have asked their local theatres to show the film and now we are writing them suggesting that if their 'asking' didn't get results, they demand that the film be shown. Organized

labor will smash this anti-Tom Mooney boycott." The Tom Mooney National Council's new address is Box 166, Station D, New York City.

PROTEST TRANSFER OF WORK

Removal of coach repair work from the Denver shops of the Colorado & Southern railroad to the Aurora, Ill., shops of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad was protested by employees of the Denver shops last month. The employees requested the Colorado Public Utilities Commission to intervene with the Federal Transportation Coordinator, Joseph B. Eastman, or with the Interstate Commerce Commission, and ask that the C. & S. be directed to suspend its order transferring the work.

NAZIS FIRE MANY RAILROADERS

Because they were not enthusiastic Nazis 20,000 workers on the German State Railways who were members of the German Railwaymen's Union have been fired, according to the International Transportworkers' Federation.

The workers are condemned to practical starvation since they cannot get unemployment insurance benefits from the Nazi government. Some 80,000 members of Hitler's storm-troops are to be put in the discharged workers' places.

CHILD LABOR DAY

Observance of Child Labor Day during the week end of January 27, 1934, is called for by the National Child Labor Committee in a statement for the occasion. The committee points out that there are still approximately 240,000 children under 16 years working in occupations not covered by codes.

## Lodge News Notes

### SHIP AHoy—NEW BRANCH AHEAD

Los Angeles, Calif.—Lodge No. 743 SNPJ, a new, recently organized branch, have certainly accomplished something worth talking about. Consisting of an enrollment of thirty-eight members and already obtaining five new members, these facts have been the most essential.

We are holding our monthly meetings the first Sunday of the month at 2 p. m., the next meeting to be held on January 7.

And another thing—we are having a New Year's Eve Dance at the Gracian's and we expect everyone to turn out. Place is located at 3722½ East Fifth Street. Outside of modern dancing there will be kolos and good old-fashioned dancing. We guarantee a good time, and that's saying something. Dancing begins at 8 p. m. until?

And still another thing—I forgot to mention the new officers of our Lodge No. 743 for the coming year: Tony Kaus, Vice Pres.; Joseph Chadez, Vice-President; Frank Grachan, Secretary; Charles Lasky, Treasurer. We owe our appreciation to Brother Frank Grachan for his efforts and undertaking in striving to build up this new lodge. He seems to put a new spirit in the lodge and our members are for him 100%.

So much for Lodge No. 743 and until next week you'll be hearing from us again. Anna Grachan, Reporter, Lodge No. 743.

GAMBLER REPOSINGS

Harmarville, Pa.—The Ramblers are sponsoring a dance on Jan. 27, 1934, at the Harmarville Hall. Refreshments and music will be the best. All attendants will be assured a wonderful evening. The admission is only 25¢ per person. Come and get your quarter's worth, folks. I take this opportunity to thank Bro. Louis Kosala for the card he sent me wishing me good luck and good health. I appreciate your kindness. I am progressing along the Health Highway at a rapid clip.

The Ramblers held their meeting on Dec. 17, and elected the following officers to conduct the business for the ensuing year: Joseph Komatz, Pres.; Tony Kaus, Vice Pres.; Joseph Langus, Sec'y.; Anna Witkovits, Rec. Sec'y.; John Kapron, Chairman, Auditing Com.; Charles Kitchen, Sergeant-at-arms. Meetings are to be held every third Sunday at 3 p. m.

In order that our meeting will not conflict with the Federation Conference, the January meeting will be held on the second Sunday at 3 p. m. You will be informed about the meeting place in a later article. All members must attend at least one meeting every three months. Let's see all of you at the next meeting.

Rambler Joe.

Oakmont, Pa.—With the last meeting of the year over, and the new officers for the coming year elected, we, the Ramblers, can hope to make 1934 a success if we can get the co-operation of all, which includes every member with no exceptions. Give your lodge, at least for one year, your whole-hearted support and watch us get ahead.

At the last two