

G OETHE, eden največjih mislecev modernega časa, je zapisal: "Drži svoje dvome in bojazni ter svoj pesimizem zase. Toda, če imaš kaka upanja, ako imaš kaj, kar bo dajalo poguma ljudem na svetu, potem jim to daj in postal boš dobrotnik človeštva."

Vsako doživi momente, ko ga vsega prevzame pesimizem — črnogledje in malodušnost, da začne obupovati nad seboj in vsem svetom. To je pač človeško. Ampak kdor bi se popolnoma vdal pesimizmu, bi sploh ne vzdržal življenja. In življenje je na vse zadnje zelo lepo, kadar ni lepo, pa je vsaj zanimivo. Zlasti dandanes, ko se svet nahaja v takem vrvežu, da človek komaj sledi neštetim dogodkom, ki se mu kažejo kot pravi kalejdoskop. Kar se je davi zgodilo, je morda do večera staro in pozabljeno. Ne, dolgega časa danes gotovo ni treba nikomur prodajati na svetu.

Navzlic temu se dobijo pridigarji pesimizma in tudi med nami jih je nekaj. Oglasi se tu pa tam kdo in zatarna, da je z nami Slovenci v Ameriki vse pri kraju in da bodo skoro naši samo še grobovi.

Ali pa je to res? Niti daleč ne. Gotovo, sodnemu dnevu Slovenci v Ameriki ne bomo trobili. To vemo. Ampak, kdor ima oči in ušesa, da z njimi gleda in posluša in pa razum in srce, da misli in čuti, bo odkril tudi mnogo, mnogo znamenj, ki govorijo, da smo še precej živi.

Te dni na primer izide v Clevelandu prva številka "Cankarjevega glasnika". To je dogodek čisto svoje vrste v zgodovini ameriških Slovencev. Imeli smo že mesečno revijo — precej let je že tega — ki je bila delo posameznika, medtem ko je "Cankarjev glasnik" sad kolektivnega prizadevanja. Dejstvo, da novo revijo urejuje Etbin Kristan, je garancija, da bomo dobili nekaj resnično dobrega, to, da ja zainteresirana večja grupa, posameznikov in družtev, pa nam daje upanje tudi za gmotni uspeh novega kulturnega podvzetja.

To se tiče našega javnega dela in življenja. Ampak vse dobre in upe vzbujajoče reči se ne gode na javnem odru. Človek včasih naleti na presenečenja, ko jih najmanj pričakuje — presenečenja, ki so več vredna kot vreča rumenih cekinov. In kako to človeka poživijo!

Tak slučaj se nam je primeril pred nekaj dnevi.

V uredništvo je stopila skupina posetnikov iz zunanje nasebine, kakršnih se zlasti tekom poletja ne manjka v Clevelandu. Med došleci se je bila mlada žena, stara okrog trideset let, krepka in bujna, smejočih oči in svetlih las. Pravi tip življenja polne Slovenke. Vprašamo jo in ona, ona odgovarja, vprašuje in pripoveduje. Slovenska govornica ji vre iz ust kot veselo žuborenje potoka. Vprašamo jo, odkod je doma. Pa odgovori z veselo prostodušnostjo: "O, jaz sem rojena tukaj. Moj dom in rojstni kraj je v Pennsylvaniji!"

Odgovor nam je skoro sapa zaprl. Ne rečemo, da je to tipičen slučaj, ampak nedvomno jih je več kot si navadno predstavljamo. Na take primere ste gotovo že vi sami naleteli ali jih poznate v vaši okolici. Pa naj bi obupavali!

Kakor je lepo in zaželjeno, da se naša tukaj rojena mladina uči slovenske govornice, pa

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PREGLED VAŽNIH DOGODKOV DOMA IN PO SVETU

Kongres odgoden. Preteklo soboto zvečer se je zaključilo 75. zasedanje kongresa Zedinjenih držav, ki je bilo sicer ne navadno dolgo, ampak zelo neplodovito. Najznačilnejša stran tega zasedanja je bila trdovratna opozicija, ki so jo razvili nazadnjaški demokrati proti Rooseveltovemu zakonodajnem programu. Med drugim je kongres pred odgodenjem zadavil zakonski načrt za minimalne mezde in maksimalni delovni teden. Skupina new-dealerskih kongresnikov pod vodstvom Maury Mauricka iz Texasa je skušala izsiliti sprejem resolucije, ki bi bila odsek za dnevni red prisilila predlogo izročiti zbornico. Toda konservativni demokrati so namenoma izostali od strankine konference in poizkus je padel v vodo, ker ni bilo kvoruma. John L. Lewis, predsednik CIO, je v tej zvezi upravičeno izjavil, da vodstvo demokratske stranke ni sposobno izvesti obljub, podanih lani za časa predsedniške kampanje. Obnem je dal razumeti, da bo CIO resno začel razmišljati o akciji za delavsko politično stranko.

Davki in gradnja. Poslanska zbornica je prošli teden brez vsake debate sprejela administracijsko predlogo za zamašitev lukenj v obstoječem zakonu za dohodninski davek. Predloga je bila sprejeta tudi v senatni zbornici. Konferenčni odsek obeh zbornic je dovršil delo na tej predlogi ter jo skupno z zakonskim načrtom za sladkorno kvoto, nakar sta bili obe predlogi poslani predsedniku. V poslanski zbornici je bila na rešitvi predloga za vladno financiranje stanovanjskih hiš in omejitev na \$4,000 kot najvišje posojilo za dom ene družine, katero je sprejel senat, je bila dvignjena na \$5,000.

Vladna financa. Apropiacijski odsek poslanske zbornice je od tretje predloge za kritje vladnega deficita odbil 42 milijonov dolarjev, toda zbornica je navzlic odsekovim apelom za varčevanje zopet vpostavilo 20 milijonov od odbite svote ter skupno odglasovalo za apropiacijo v znesku 99 milijonov dolarjev. V prvih 47 dneh tekočega fiskalnega leta, ki se je začelo 1. julija, so vladni stroški znašali \$993,262,000, vladni dohodki pa \$700,704,000, kar pušča deficit \$292,558,000. V isti dobi preteklega fiskalnega leta so izdatki znašali \$773,734,000, dohodki \$516,758,000, deficit pa \$220,975,000.

Black potrjen. Senatna zbornica je po ostri debati s 63 glasovi je še bolj važno, kakšen je duh, ki jo preveva. In v tem oziru, hvalabogu, se prav gotovo ne smemo pritoževati. Ako se želite prepričati, po mešajte se med to našo mladino, kadar obdržava seje ali kadar se zabava. Ali še boljše — pridite v prihodnjih dneh v Cleveland na Olimpijado SSPZ, pa se boste sami pomladili in vaša vera v našo bodočnost bo večja kot kdaj poprej.

Ogledalo:

Tragedije, komedije in zanimivosti iz življenja

Weatherford, Okla. — Herman Schapansky, farmer srednjih let se je pred letom dni začel zanimati za zrakoplovstvo. Šel je ter sam zgradil primitivno letalo, da bi z njim vozil mleko in jajca na trg. Dvignil se je že štirikrat v zrak, ampak njegova ekpedicija se je vselej končala na kakem polju ali pašniku. Vendar ima srečo, kajti večjih poškod ni dobil še nikoli. Pravi, da ne bo odnehal, dokler ne uspe.

Moskva — Visoki sovjetski krogi pravijo, da bo Rusija do leta 1942 producirala dovolj umetnega kavčuka, da ga sploh ne bo več treba uvažati.

Martinez, Cal. — Oblasti so pridržale v otroškem zavetišču 13-letno Cleono Goad, obenem pa podvezle korake, da razveljavijo njeno poroko s 30-letnim moškim, ki je njen stric. Mati deklice je priznala, da v uradu za dobavo poročnih dovoljenj krivo pričala, da je deklica 16 let stara.

Los Angeles — V najetem letalu se je podala v zrak z dvema moškimo 38-letna Mrs. Gladys Reynolds. Letalo se je komaj dobro dvignilo v zrak, ko je tresčilo na zemljo. Trojica je bila na mestu ubita. Tragediji je bil priča 17 letni sin ženske.

Cannes, Francija — John Roosevelt, najmlajši sin predsednika Roosevelta, je na tujkajšnjem cvetličnem karnivalu osprical mestnega župana s šampanjcem, obenem pa mu vrigel na glavo velik šop cvetlic. Saj tako poročajo listi. Po incidentu je predsednikov sin zbežal v Pariz in se zaprl v svoj hotel. Župan je bil spočetka zelo razjarjen, pozneje pa je zaničal, da se mu je sploh kaj pripetilo.

Buhl, Idaho — Farmerji te okolice, ki se jih je začela polasčati panika, ko so videli, kako se njih polja in travniki pogrežajo (o tem smo poročali zadnjič), so v izrednem naravnem (Dalje na 3. str.)

NOVICE IZ ŽIVLJENJA NAŠIH LJUDI ŠIROM AMERIKE

Aktivnosti SSPZ

— Šport je povprečnemu Amerikancu pol življenja in tudi naša slovenska mladina, ki je bila rojena v Ameriki, ni v tem oziru nobena izjema. Lahko si torej mislite, kakšno veselje in navdušenje je zavladalo med našimi mladimi člani v Clevelandu, ko so žogometni igralci društva "Spartans", št. 198 SSPZ, v tekoči sezoni tako izvrstno igrali, daso si priborili prvo mesto med društvi, ki pripadajo Inter-Lodge ligi. Ta liga je sestavljena iz društev slovenskih, hrvaških in drugih organizacij, ki imajo svoje postojanke na vzhodni strani Clevelanda in je sploh edina športna organizacija te vrste v Clevelandu. Zaključne igre, ki odločijo šampionstvo v Inter-Lodge ligi, se prične v ponedeljek 30. avgusta. Nadaljni dve igri se bosta vršili v petek 10. in 17. septembra. V ponedeljek 30. avgusta se bodo našli Špartanci udarili z Orli od fare sv. Vida, ki stoje na drugem mestu v Inter-Lodge ligi. Ta kot tudi naslednji dve igri se bodo vršile v Glenview Park stadionu in sicer zvečer, kajti igrišče je bilo ravnokar prenovljeno in opremljeno z razsvetljavo. Špartanci vabijo tudi starejše člane SSPZ, da jih pridejo na omenjene tri večere pogledat, da jim s svojo navzočnostjo vlijejo ognja za zmago. Špartanci so trdno prepričani, da bodo zmagali ne le v Inter-Lodge ligi, temveč da to pot odnese šampionstvo v žogometu tudi pri Olimpijadi, ki se bo vršila v Clevelandu v dneh 4., 5. in 6. septembra.

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Vse pripravljeno za Olimpijado SSPZ v Clevelandu

V soboto prihodnji teden se otvori letna športna prireditev, ki bo trajala skozi tri dni.

Veliki letni dogodek mladine pri SSPZ se bliža. Skoro bo torkaj 4. septembra, ko bo Cleveland drugič v teku petih let, odkar se vršijo Olimpijade SSPZ, gost mladih in starih Zvezarjev, ki prihitijo v metropolo ameriškega slovenstva, da v znamenju športnih iger in tekem, prijateljskih sestankov in splošne družabnosti manifestirajo za slovensko Svobodomiselsno Podporno Zvezo.

In naši clevelandski Zvezarji so pripravljani.

Mnogo sestankov, posvetovanj in sej se je vršilo tekom zadnjih mesecev. Odkar gredo priprave za Olimpijado proti koncu, se vršijo seje odbornikov Skupnih društev in drugih članov pripravljalnega odbora vsak teden. Ni šlo drugače. Šaj je bilo treba izdelati program v vseh podrobnostih ter organizirati vse delovne stvari in sicer zvečer, kajti igrišče je bilo ravnokar prenovljeno in opremljeno z razsvetljavo. Špartanci vabijo tudi starejše člane SSPZ, da jih pridejo na omenjene tri večere pogledat, da jim s svojo navzočnostjo vlijejo ognja za zmago. Špartanci so trdno prepričani, da bodo zmagali ne le v Inter-Lodge ligi, temveč da to pot odnese šampionstvo v žogometu tudi pri Olimpijadi, ki se bo vršila v Clevelandu v dneh 4., 5. in 6. septembra.

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ko zaupate, da bo svojo nalogo izvršila stoprocentno.

Srečo se bo seveda tudi lovilo. To panogo ima v oskrbi naš stari zanesljivi pionir William Candon, o katerem se zdi, da ima samo en cilj in eno željo — da bi SSPZ postala najbolj čislana in upoštevana organizacija med našim narodom v Ameriki. Njemu je Zveza pol življenja. — Ej, da bi imeli v vsaki naselbini vsaj enega Candona, pa bi se Zveza kmalu lahko kosala z vsako drugo organizacijo med nami.

Letošnja Olimpijada bo seveda tudi izdala svojo spominsko programsko knjižico, kot je že navada. Za blizu \$400 oglasov za to knjižico sta nabrali Marijanca Bašel in Mary Ule (prej Cerkevnik), kar je dokaz, da nista spali pri svojem poslu.

Pa naš Charlie Koman in Rudy Lisch, oba mlada, energična in navdušena. V njun delovno-karierno in v polno zadovoljstvo vseh številnih članov in članic, ki bodo tekom slavnostnih dni gostje naših društev in nasebine.

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Njegova desna roka tekom olimpskih dni bo Anton Wapotic, ki bo gospodaril nad tistimi prostori, kjer se bo žejne napajalo in lačne nasičevalo. Pod njim bo delal štab izurjenih kuharic, ročnih točajev in brhkih strežnic. Njegov prvi adjutant bo Frank Pucelj, naš vrhovni "sudac", ki bo imel pod komando priprave za program v zvezi z velikim olimpskim piknikom, ki se bo vršil v ne-riznu, slovenski primorski avijaciji Jože Križaj živ. Križaj, kot znano, je zbežal iz Italije, kjer je služil v armadi pri avijatiki ter dospel v Ljubljano, ko pa je izbruhnila civilna vojna v Španiji, je odhitel na pomoč lojalistom. Bil je z letalom vred zbit iz zraka in takrat je bilo poročano, da so ga fašisti ustrelili. Po najnovejših vesteh pa je Križaj ostal živ ter je bil nedavno pri izmenjavi vojnih jetnikov vrnjen valencijski vladni. Kot razvidno iz "Istre" se Križaj vrne v Jugoslavijo.

No, in kaj vse se bo vršilo tekom treh dni — 4., 5. in 6. septembra? Kompletan program vseh aktivnosti, športnih in družabnih, (Dalje na 2. str.)

Udeležimo se Olimpijade SSPZ!

Piše John Kvartich, gl. predsednik

Olimpijada, ki se bo vršila v Clevelandu tekom dni 4., 5. in 6. septembra bo brez dvoma velikega moralnega pomena za našo organizacijo in iz tega se bodo prej ali slej rodile tudi gmotne koristi.

Spominjam se, ko se je vršila prva Olimpijada SSPZ leta 1933, in sicer Chicago, Ill. Dotično leto smo tudi obhajali srebrni jubilej naše Zveze... Od tedaj se vršijo Olimpijade vsako leto in vsako leto se vidi večje izboljšanje. Tako tudi leto za letom raste zanimanje za te priredbe in pa navdušenje od strani našega članstva.

Olimpijada je torej postala letni dogodek pri Zvezi in potrebno je, da vse članstvo sodeluje, da je vsaka taka priredba uspešno izvedena, za kar je predussem potrebno, da se jih

članstvo po možnosti v čim večjem številu udeležuje.

Mladina težko pričakuje teh prazničnih dnevov, ko se bodo zopet skupaj veselili in imeli zanimive tekme v raznih športnih igrah. Atletika in šport sta velike važnosti za našo mladino. Mladina pa je velike važnosti in in rastoči faktor v vsem življenju organizacije. To je že danes in bo še v večji meri v dohodnosti. Potrebno je, da to vsi starejši člani pripozna in da delujemo z mladino pri vsaki priliki.

Angleško društvo "Progressors" iz Bridgevill, društvo "Challangers" iz Strabane in društvo "Pirates" iz Burgetts-towna, se pridno vežbajo, da bodo kos svoji nalogi in da premagajo Chicažane in Ohijčane. Upati je, da "Progressors" zopet pribore prvenstvo, kajti star pregovor pravi, da v tret-

je gre rado. Ni pa dvoma, da bodo zmagovalci iz Penne, če ne eni, pa drugi.

Olimpijade se bo udeležil tudi Vrtec iz Ambridge, Pa. Fantje so čvrsti in dobri igralci. Look out, Cleveland boys!

Program Olimpijade, kakor je bilo že iz dosedanjih obestil razvidno, bo gotovo bogat in zanimiv. Saj to vemo in radi priznamo, da so Clevelandčani sposobni marsikaj ustvariti in izpolniti, in med njimi vlada pravo zanimanje za našo organizacijo.

Bratje in sestre, vzemite si čas in obiščite omenjeno priredbo. Naša dolžnost je — ne samo mladih, temveč tudi nas starejših, da se udeležimo. Naša navzočnost, ako bo dovolj številna, bo mladino razveselila in zadovoljila in tako bomo skupno proslavljali pravi dan naše mladine SSPZ!



Slovenska Svobodomiselna Podporna Zveza

USTANOVLJENA 1908 INKORPORIRANA 1909

GLAVNI URAD: 245-47 WEST 103rd STREET, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

JOHN KVARTICH, predsednik, 411 Station Street, Bridgeville, Pa.

WILLIAM CANDON, predsednik, 1058 East 72nd Street, Cleveland, Ohio

FRANK PUCEL, predsednik, 17921 Delavan Road, Cleveland, Ohio

DR. F. J. ARCH, 618 Chesnut St., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Spremembe v članstvu pri društvih SSPZ za mesec

Changes in Membership by SSPZ lodges for the month of JULY 1937

Table with columns: Drustvo, Lodge, and membership changes for various lodges.

črtani nazaj sprejeti prestopili k družini v umrli člani

Table listing members who returned to family or passed away.

Zapisnik seje gl. upravnega pododseka dne 30. junija, 1937.

Sejo otvoril gl. tajnik br. Rus ob 8:30 zjutraj v glavnem uradu te Zveze v Chicagu, Illinois.

nevlanjenih organizacij. — Vzeto na znanje.

Zaključeno soglasno, da se delo blagajne odda tvrdki Raymond Borst, ki ima najcenejšo ponudbo, vrata za isto se pa vzame od Diebolt Safe and Lock Co.

Sklenjeno, da se napravi osnutek pravil mladinskega oddelka, katerega bo napravil br. Vrhovnik, nakar se ga odloži v pregled in končno sestavo.

Glede uprave posestev in drugega premoženja poda br. Kuhel sledeče: Glede posestva z naslovom: 876 E. 141 St., Cleveland, Ohio, je sporočil br. Candon, da hiša rabi razna popravila.

Sklenjeno, da se obnovi posojilo na hišo št. 943 Yates Ave., Chicago, Ill., za dobo petih let po 5-1/2% obresti. Na to posojilo je bilo v zadnjih petih letih odplačano na glavnico posojila svota od \$1,500.00.

Dvema najemnikoma, ki sta sama počistila stanovanje v domačem uradnem posloju, se dovolj za njih trud po \$5.00 odškodnine.

Sklenjeno, da se popravi, kar je nujno treba, v samostojni hiši zadaj za uradnim poslojem.

Br. Kuhel poroča, da je oddal v najem trgovski prostor hiše 255 W. 103rd St., Chicago, Ill., po \$20. na mesec pod pogodbo za šest mesecev.

Br. Kuhel obirno poroča o poteku zadeve Central Texas Telephone Co. in Commonwealth Texas Telephone Co.

Poročilo, da je pogajanje za dobavo poslovnic v državi Pennsylvaniji v teku, se vzame na znanje. Za dobavo poslovnic v družini državnih se počaka, da je ta zadeva rešena ter da poslovanje SSPZ z novega pregledajo državni nadzorniki.

Izrednega pomočnika se s 1. avgustom t. l. odpusti, ker delo s spremembami certifikatov je do maleda zaključeno in urejeno.

Sklenjeno, da se da napraviti jeklene police za blagajno.

Sklenjeno, da se kupi za gl. urad nov stroj Mimeograph, ker dosedanj ni več poraben.

Sklenjeno, da se kupi "filme" in druge potrebščine za uradno "kadero" za uporabo br. Vrhovnika.

Br. Rus poroča, da je za prevesti v angleščino zapisnik seje gl. odbora, ki obsega dokajšnje število strani. Kdo bo delo opravil? Uradniki nimajo časa za to. Zadeva ostane nerešena.

Ker se najemna stanovanj vse splošno draži, sklenjeno zahtevati za najemnikom v lastovnih posestvih sledeče zneske: Stanovanja v ospredju uradnega posloja ostanejo po \$25., zadaj pa naj se zahteva za tri po \$32.00, za četrto pa \$34.00.

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Po daljši razpravi glede dobrobita mladinskega oddelka, se na predlagan predlog in sprejet, sejo zaključijo ob 5:30 popoldne.

A. Zaitz, nadomestujoči predsednik. William Rus, zapisnikar—gl. tajnik.

Razne vesti

— Tekom obiska v Clevelandu so se zglasili v uredništvu "Napredka" br. Blaž Kern, so-proga, sin Raymond in hči Zora, iz Puebla, Colo. Obiskali so svojo hčer, poročeno Dovgan, ki živi v Clevelandu. Dalje so se zglasili v uredništvu Mrs. Jennie Jerala in Mrs. Frances Skvarča iz Moon Runa, Pa., ter Mr. in Mrs. John Drglin iz Aliquippa, Pa.

— Iz New Yorka se poroča, da je poznani pevec Anton Šubelj prejel iz domovine zalostno vest, da se je v Viru pri Domžalah smrtno ponorečil njegov brat Peter, star 53 let, ki v starem kraju zapušča družino, tukaj pa dva brata in dve sestri.

— Na farmi rojaka Johna Šaferja v Crivitzu, Wis., je izbruhnil požar, ki je uničil vsa gospodarska poslopja. Komaj se je rešilo konje in krave.

— V Spanglerju, Pa., je 14. avgusta umrl Frank Učakar, star 61 let. Zadel ga je kap. Pred več leti je bil član društva št. 80 SSPZ v Herminie, Pa. Doma je bil iz vasi Ravne pri Zagorju ob Savi ter zapušča ženo Jero in sina Rudolfa.

— Žrtev stare sleparske igre je postal slovenski farmer Paul Marn, ki živi na farmi blizu Jeffersona, Tex. Prišli so k njemu trije lopovi in mu ponudili "posojilo", ako bi jim dal za "dostojno varščino. Marn je rešil na banko ter dvignil \$1,300, kateri denar so mu lopovi potem ukradli.

— Da je slovenska potica slavna delikatosa, priznavajo tudi Amerikanci. Pittsburski list "Sun" je soprog rojaka J. Sirca izplačal nagrado, ker je poslal najboljši recept, kako se peče potica.

— Za primarne volitve v Clevelandu, ki se bodo vršile prihodnji mesec, je vložilo kandidatske peticije 210 kandidatov za mestni svet. Med temi so tudi trije Slovenci, ki sedaj sedijo v mestnem svetu, namreč Anton Vehovec, John Novak in Edward Pucel, ter še sledeči: Frank Somrak, William Kennick, Louis Zorko, John Rožanc in Frank Kraince. Od 210 kandidatov jih bo 66 dobilo nominacijo in od teh jih bo v novembri pri rednih volitvah izvoljenih 33. Naval kandidatov je bil letos posebno velik, ker s prihodnjim letom se bo letna plača councilmanov zvišala na \$3,000.

— Te dni je dospelo iz Španije poročilo, da so v borbi proti fašizmu padli trije mladi Clevelandčani, ki so se šli borit v Španijo kot prostovoljci. Eden padlih je Steve Kozjak, o katerem se poroča, da nje govi starši živijo v Jugoslaviji.

— Tu je umrl 77-letni odvetnik Charles E. George, ki je bil leta 1919 najet kot zagovornik bivšega nemškega kajzerja, ko so zavezniki grozili, da ga posadijo na zatožno klop kot povzročitelja svetovne vojne. Svoječasno je bil polkovnik v angleški armadi, pozneje pa je bil časnikan in odvetnik.

— Bivši angleški kralj Edward, ki biva tu s svojo ženo, se tako redi, da mora nositi za dve stevilki večje hlače kot jih je nosil poprej. Došli spanja in dobra avstrijska hrana mu prijata. Vendar tudi telesne vežbe ne zanemara. Igra vsak dan tenis po štiri ure, bodisi z vaskim pekom ali pa z učiteljem. Igro navadno izgubi.

— V Butte, Mont., je 12. avgusta preminula Mary Stukel, stara 47 let, doma iz Poljan pri Kranju na Gorenjskem. Pripadala je društvu št. 149 SSPZ v Butte, kjer živi tudi njena družina. — V Clevelandu, O. je 2. avgusta umrla Frances Kavaljar, stara 50 let, ki je podlegla kapi. Doma je bila iz vasi Lesce pri Radovljici na Gorenjskem. Bila je članica društva št. 26 SSPZ. — Sorodnikom izrekamo iskreno sožalje!

OGLEDALO (Dalje s 1. str.)

Table with columns: Društvo, Lodge, and financial data for various lodges.

San Francisco — Ko je neki delavec, ki je delal v pristanišču, padel s 50 čevljev visokega odra, je zadel nekega pešca in mu zlomil tilnik. Oba sta bila takoj mrtva.

OKRIM'S PUBLICITY NOT RELIABLE

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OKRIM'S column a number of times that he was booked to show movies or something to that effect that evening, and since he had not attended the last previous meeting, inquired if the Lodge had instructed the secretary to write to him concerning this matter.

But what puzzles me is where OKRIM got the idea that brother Vrhovnik would be at the meeting with the mo-

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were seen Lud Batis who has time on his hands and Stan Somrak who didn't know what to do on an afternoon off. Hear that when Stan has his vacation he intends to get rid of his tonsils.

Anne Opeka, our ever dependable secretary, just can't take the "heat". "Di Maggio" Joe starting to write letters to the gal in Pennsy but they always seem to land in the waste basket. Must be something wrong in his style of writing?

Val Polshac was quite lonesome for a while, but her boy friend is back in town and she on the "go" now! Rudy Lisch's "kid sister" is in town and she will stay until after the Olympics. She hails from New Frankfurt, Illinois.

So our ace pitcher, Stan Stokel, is now corresponding with a gal in Burgettstown. Our Spartan fellows sure made a hit with those gals in them thar Pennsy hills. You betcha!!! Who is Frances Jereb's new flame? You ought to bring him to some of our affairs Frances!

She: I hear a mouse squeakin' downstairs, don't you? He: Yes, but what do you want me to do? Go down and oil him? Well folks, I'm running out of facts so I'll say good-bye till we meet again. In the meantime keep your chins up. "Moe"

Račun - SSPZ - Statement

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William Rus, Sup. Sec'y M. G. Kuhel, Sup. Treas.

Main financial statement table with columns: Društvo, Lodge, and various financial columns.

On to Cleveland!

FIFTH NATIONAL ATHLETIC MEET
SEPTEMBER 4th, 5th and 6th

PROGRESS

"NAPREDEK"

Lest We Forget!

AMATEUR SNAPSHOT CONTEST. CLOSING DATE: SEPTEMBER 30th



From The Director's Desk

By Michael Vrhovnik

ENGLISH SPEAKING CONFERENCE

Representatives to the English Speaking Conference are hereby notified that the time of the conference, which was originally scheduled as 9 o'clock Labor Day morning, has been changed to an afternoon session, beginning at 3 o'clock of the same day. This last minute change was affected to take care of any emergency which might arise through inclement weather necessitating the postponement of the final play offs to Labor Day morning. All representatives are again reminded to please remember that the conference will begin promptly at 3 P. M. Labor Day. Registration will take place from 2:30 to 3:00. If you have not forwarded your credentials to the Home Office, be sure to bring them with you.

ENTRIES INCOMPLETE

As in former years, so this year, entries are slow in coming in. Up till Saturday morning last, six Lodges and three Vrtec units were sure bets to be in the thick of the national championship games. Of the Lodges still missing are the Pirates from Burgettstown, who have not missed a National Meet since they were started in 1933; and Vrtec units not yet entered, who were expected to participate, are Vrtec "Outlookers" of Cleveland and Vrtec No. 169 of Bridgeville, Pa. Here's hoping their entries are in the mail on the way to Chicago.

OUR EDITOR MUFFS ONE

In last week's issue of the NAPREDEK, our Editor, brother Vatro Grill, boldly informed the readers of the English Section (with the help of my own column "From the Director's Desk") that I was mistaken as to the leading thought of his EDITORIAL of August 4, 1937. And now, I, on the other hand, not only deny having made a mistake in extracting the leading thought of that particular editorial, but also, that I positively did not refer to it in stating my views in regards to "talk of a membership campaign in 1938 to commemorate our 30th anniversary". You, who know me, must know that I don't beat around the bush in expressing my views on any subject; I never have and I don't intend to make a practice of it now or tomorrow or ever. In making the statement that brother Vatro Grill was never more mistaken in all his life than he was when he accused me of mis-interpretation of his editorial of August 4th, I offer the following proof to substantiate its truthfulness. Knowing that every man is susceptible to making mistakes and that every man has a right to draw his own conclusions as to what he hears, sees and reads, I shall leave the matter of apology and rectification to brother Grill. I hope his fair-mindedness will permit him to right the wrong he has done without creating any further misunderstanding or ill-feeling towards one or the other but, particularly, towards the Society.

There's an old saying that goes something like this: "Never explain, for your friends don't need any explanation and your enemies won't believe you anyway". It's true, perhaps, the best thing to do would be to forget the whole matter and this up; but, if you were in my place and an injustice done you at the expense of the Society, what would you do? Take it on the chin and laugh. I doubt it.

Where then, did I get the information regarding talk of preparation for a 1938 campaign and why did I bring that up? First of all, it was the Editor's business to ascertain the source of my information before jumping at conclusions and hammering me with the kind of publicity and mis-representation I was branded with. I believe my service to and position with the Society entitled me to that much consideration. But the Editor must have forgotten that.

It is not my intention to expose to your reading the name of the member, who, among other remarks, made these statements: "The WHEEL OF PROGRESS is really no membership campaign. The only difference between it and no campaign is that the Society is paying more money for new members she would enroll anyway. But next year, since it is the Society's 30th Anniversary, we'll have a REAL campaign and lay more emphasis on the, etc. etc." Then followed a discussion of what some of the features of that campaign might be. Being of normal intelligence (I hope), it was only natural for me to put two and two together and get four. And this I did by basing my thoughts on the work and effort of that particular member during the current drive for new members. If our Editor wishes me to furnish further proof, this I can do at the Supreme Board meeting when we'll all be together, including the party of the first part, the party to the second part, the party to the third part and the witness. I feel certain that none will be surprised to hear who that particular party, I had reference to in my article of a week ago, was. I hope it can be limited only to the parties concerned. I shall leave the entire matter in the Editor's hands.

Editor's Note: I am glad to hear that brother Vrhovnik did not have the Slovene editorial of August 4th in his mind when he wrote about "talk of a membership campaign in 1938 to commemorate our 30th anniversary. If, however, any member is guilty of sabotaging the Wheel of Progress Campaign it is not only his right but his duty as well to come out with all the facts and pin the guilt where it belongs.

OLYMPIC BOARD MEETING

Cleveland, O. — The next Olympic Board meeting will be held on Friday, August 27th, 8 p. m. at the Slovene National

Home on St. Clair Ave. All members of the United Lodges executive board are requested to be present. Other members of the organization are invited, also.

Blepp-Coomb Spartans, Orels in Finals

Full Program of Activities for the Fifth National Athletic Meet of the SSPZ

Full program of athletic and social activities for the Fifth National Athletic Meet which will take place September 4th, 5th and 6th, is hereby announced by the Cleveland committee which is in charge of the event.

The program which promises to be one of the outstanding events in the annals of Slovene fraternalism in America, is as follows:

PROGRAM

Saturday, September 4, 1937

Saturday Morning—Reception

7:30 A.M. Breakfast

9:00 A.M. Baseball games at Gordon Park: Trail Blazers vs Spartans at Diamond No. 4; Challengers vs Utopians at Diamond No. 6; Progressors vs Bye.

10:00 A.M. Vrtec Baseball Games at Gordon Park: Collinwood-Outlookers vs Indianapolis-Jugoslavs at Diamond No. 7; Ambridge-Comets vs Cleveland-Spartan Jrs. at Diamond No. 5.

12:00 P.M. Dinner.

1:30 P.M. Winner of Trail Blazers vs Spartan, Challenger vs Utopian games draw to play Progressors for semi-final game.

4:00 P.M. Horseshoe Tournament at Gordon Park Horseshoe Club.

5:30 P.M. Supper.

6:30 P.M. Elimination Balina Games at Slovene National Home indoor courts.

8:00 P.M. Olympic Dance at Slovene Auditorium featuring Frankie Yankovic and his Band.

Sunday, September 5, 1937

7:30 A.M. Breakfast.

9:30 A.M. SSPZ Softball Championship game at Gordon Park at Diamond No. 4.

9:30 A.M. SSPZ Vrtec Softball Championship game at Gordon Park at Diamond No. 6.

11:30 A.M. Dinner.

1:30 P.M. SSPZ Picnic at Pintar's Farm.

4:00 P.M. Balina Championship game at Pintar's Farm.

6:00 P.M. Giving away of gifts.

Dancing from 1:30 P.M. until??? In case of bad weather Sunday afternoon Picnic will be held indoors at Slovene Nat'l Home.

Monday, September 6, 1937

7:30 A.M. Breakfast.

9:00 A.M. Playing of all postponed games.

12:00 M. Dinner.

12:00 M. to 1:30 P.M. Registration of delegates to E.S. Conference.

2:30 P.M. Symposium and E.S. Conference.

6:00 P.M. Victory Banquet in lower hall of Slovene Nat'l Home with entertainment, presentation of trophies and dancing.

Farewell!!!

(All meals will be served in the annex of Slovene Nat'l Home.)

I. L. INAUGURATES NIGHT GAMES

Championship Series Monday, August 30th

CLEVELAND, O. — First time in Inter-Lodge softball history, the championship series will be played under floodlights. The Inter-Lodge league for a number of years has tried to inaugurate night baseball even before the fields were constructed on the west side of Cleveland.

The first game for the Inter-Lodge softball title between S.S.P.Z. Spartans, first place winners in season's play and the St. Vitus Orels winners of the semi-final game will be played Monday August 30th at Glenview Park Stadium at the foot of East 110th Street, about 300 feet north of St. Clair Ave. The other championship games will be played on Friday, September 10th and September 17th. Should the first game be rained out, then the first game will be played Friday September 10th and the series will be moved back one week.

Glenview Park Stadium is ideal for night baseball. It is a huge arena with space for several thousand people. New lights have been installed thereby providing sufficient lighting for each and every fan to view every detail of plays on the field from any spot in the stadium. An incline of about 25 feet will be a good spot to bring along your blanket, pillow, stool etc. and be able to rest and watch the games the same as if you were sitting in your favorite chair at home listening to your favorite radio program. ADMISSION TO GAMES IS FREE.

The Inter-Lodge league plans a huge celebration, in Mardi Gras style, for the opening game.

A program of music and fun plus a neat girls' preliminary game is a feature you cannot and should not miss. Vrtec No. 11 orchestra from Collinwood will furnish the music for the games. Each and every fan is invited to bring along an old cow bell, noise makers, or any such article to join in the fun. S.S.P.Zers note.

Spartan fans and followers should well remember East 110th field. Some few years back the rivalry between Spartans and Utopians was first inaugurated. Many were the arguments, fun and good baseball had at this field, now remodeled into beautiful Glenview Park. Do you remember?

Congratulation to the Spartan lads who have battled cleanly and played "teamwork" baseball to finish on top and gain the finals for the I-L crown. The boys have showed the true fighting spirit of the Spartan warriors of old and am sure will continue to do so. The motto of the Spartans has been and also will be "Fight, fight for the gold and blue." Most of the fans attending games have seen what the S.S.P.Z. can do and now for the finals, let's see several thousand members and friends attend the games.

The Spartan opponents, Orels, have battled hard and long to gain the finals, typical of Orel teams in the past. After finishing the regular season, they played the second place S.N.P.J. Feds in the first semi-final game which ended in a 1 to 1 tie eight inning game and coming back two days later they whipped the Feds 9 to 2.

This series promises to be the hottest and most bitterly-fought contest "Up to Inter-Lodge Standards". Two young teams will be battling. Spartans to win their first Inter-Lodge softball championship and Orels to uphold the tradition of Orel teams of the past.

The same Spartan team battling for the I-L title will also fight for the S.S.P.Z. National softball championship in Cleveland over Labor Day holidays. The boys are set and determined to cop both championships. The true Spartan warriors fighting for the blue and gold of Spartans and best organization, the S.S.P.Z.

"Uncle"Charlie.

What Happened at the Widow's Farm

Cleveland-Collinwood, O.—Hail, hail, the gang was not all there. But some of the members of the Utopian lodge enjoyed an outing at "The Widow's Farm", Sunday August 15, 1937.

Oh, where is that old swimming hole? All aboard, Hank and Joe Zorman tried to paddle the canoe with a spouting center. What a whale of a ride; only to be tipped over for a splash in the deep by Al Bohinc.

Ducks aren't the only ones on the farm who get their heads wet. While wading Frances Pucel, Albina Gruden, Angelina Pirnat and Elsie Zaman were assisted by Hank to turn bot-toms up and heads down for a good wetting but all in fun.

Hank turned Hawaiian with Angelina's skirt on for a teaser. Henry slacks on backwards.

Puff, puff, Elsie Zaman must have eaten to much picnic lunch because going up the hill.

Who's little what-is-it was put in the dog house?

To work up an appetite the young people danced to the accordion music of Chuck Krevich.

As on all picnics the boys enjoyed their baseball game, but most of their time was taken up in hunting lost balls.

Ending an enjoyable day with hot roasted weiners and marshmallows, the young folks went home with a full stomach and a contented feeling. Easy, Lodge No. 204

HOOSIER PALS

Indianapolis, Ind.—After dragging my pencil and paper out every day for two weeks, I finally got my mind to function, which isn't saying very much. Everyone seems to be talking about the Olympics which will be held in Cleveland the 4th, 5th and 6th. I am sure a few of the Hoosier Pals will attend and have a swell time.

Sorry the Pals couldn't participate in any of the events. Altho I am glad one of the lodges from Indianapolis is taking part in one event. It seems as if the Vrtec members from Indianapolis have more ambition than the Pals. I wonder what is the cause of that. I am sure it isn't the old age creeping on us. By the way, bro. Anthony Qualizza is the manager of the Vrtec team. Bro. Pushner and his daughter Ella visited Cleveland several weeks ago and reported a very good time.

I can't think of anything else to write, with my sister bothering me. I thought she would be some help but I had another guess coming. Next time she better stay home when I am writing.

Members please don't forget our next meeting as we would like to have another social affair in September and remember seven o'clock sharp.

Sophie Krapes, President.

The Comets Column

Ambridge, Pa.—Undoubtedly you fellow members must have begun to think that we Comets have gone out of existence entirely for it has been a pretty long time since you've heard from us. We're all OK and progressing as much as ever.

Now a few words on the weather. Well, it is kind of warm here in Ambridge.

Say, have you all forgotten! The Comets have a very good mushball team this year. These energetic and alert boys had a little tough luck. The Comets Vrtec No. 44 and the Sygan Vrtec No. 72 played their second game of the season Sunday August 15. The Sygan Vrtec defeated the Comets by a score of 8 to 6. Both teams played a swell game but the Sygan team won. Wishing them more luck next time. What they need is more encouragement from the members. More members should attend the games which are played.

Fellows, kind of get your arms limbered up. The National Meet is almost here. This means that the Comets mushball team will have a chance to compete for championships and come out on top. I am sure the Comets are going to try very hard to cop the championship this year. What do you say boys, let's get busy and keep the ball rollin'!

Is the "Wheel of Progress" turning? I hope that the other Vrtec lodges are doing their best to make it turn. Vrtec No. 44 is trying to do its best but we don't seem to be succeeding very much. We'll keep on trying.

I don't want to bore you members with a lot of urging but I thought that I might remind you that the time for our monthly meeting is drawing near.

Don't forget the meeting! Date: August 26, 1937. Time: 7:30 p.m.

Here's good-bye till you hear from me again.

Agnes Tekster, Sec'y.

Vrtec 44.

QUARTERS FOR OLYMPIC GUESTS

Anyone having any available rooms for sleeping quarters for out-of-town visitors who will attend SSPZ Olympics in Cleveland Sept. 4-5-6, can leave his name and address with Vatro Grill, Napredek office, 6231 St. Clair Ave., or Ann Opeka, 1127 East 71st St.

Okrim's Publicity Not Reliable

CHICAGO, Ill. — Last Thursday night was meeting night for the TRAIL BLAZERS at Stanck's Hall. As a rule, I admit, I don't attend meetings regularly; but this time, since special notices were mailed to all members requesting their presence for the purpose of discussing and deciding a number of important matters pertaining to the coming National Athletic Meet, and, also because, I read in OKRIM'S "What's The News" column that there would be movies shown by brother Michael Vrhovnik taken during his Juvenile month tour (which I thought might be interesting), I made it my duty to be present even though I was compelled to walk in the rain for several blocks.

I got there on time and I noticed as I entered that a half dozen or more people were standing around the entrance. These, I took for granted, had come to see the movies, too, because all of them were not members of the Trail Blazers.

The meeting got under way with brother Stanley Tisot presiding as usual.

The meeting went along very nicely, until a phone call interrupted the proceedings. The call was from brother Andrew O'Boila and Joseph Potoch, who had just finished showing three reels of sound movies to the members and friends of Lodge No. 227 and Vrtec No. 160. Both were anxious to bring the show to our meeting; and the Trail Blazers, being the good sports they are, decided, "Sure, tell them to come over. We'll be glad to have them and the entertainment". At this juncture, brother Stanley Tome inquired of brother Michael Vrhovnik, who was already on his way to the phone to invite the West Side boys to the meeting, if he had brought the S. S. P. Z. movies along. In answer, brother Vrhovnik turned around and said something about talking more about that later and hurried out. I wondered what he meant at the time. Later on, I found out to my utmost satisfaction.

Well, the meeting continued where it left off and everything was settled favorably about the National Meet and representatives to the E. S. Conference and then, brother Michael Vrhovnik asked the floor. It was granted. He got up and claimed there seemed to be some misunderstanding regarding the showing of S. S. P. Z. movies; that he had been asked by several members if he had forgot to bring them along or if he intended to go after them later. He stated, also, that he had read in

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Spartanology

By "MOE"

Cleveland, Ohio.—The Fifth Annual National Athletic Meet is the topic of conversation wherever you go.

Have you made plans to attend?

Usually the preparation for such an important event as the S.S.P.Z. Athletic Meet leaves those who are in charge with little time to do much besides work on the program. The publicity and various business matters are left in the hands of many members. From the very first mention of the program, there was such a warm cooperative spirit shown by the members of the younger S.S.P.Z. lodges in Cleveland that it is a genuine pleasure to continue on with the work.

A glorious event this will be. After all it can't be anything but a great success. Why, with all the cooperation of each and every member in the S.S.P.Z. organization, this meet will be the biggest and best and will surpass all others.

Three days full of joy and merry making and a chance to renew old acquaintances. The fact that so many members of the S.S.P.Z. organization from remote parts of the country are attending will make this celebration a most eventful one.

In the line of athletics, arrangements have been made for various baseball games which will be most exciting. Then there are other events, such as, indoor track for ladies, balina, etc.

A brief outline of the program scheduled for Sept. 4th, 5th and 6th, will run somehow in this order.

Sept. 4th—A reception dance with melodic melodies furnished by none other than our ever popular Frankie Yankovich.

Sept. 5th—An outdoor picnic at Pintar's farm. Here the Vrtec No. 11 orchestra will show you how to go to town. And "baby", they sure know how to go about it. Yesiree!!!

Sept. 6th, Labor Day—An S.S.P.Z. conference and the the most gala event which will end the meet is the "Victory Banquet and Dance" where trophies will be presented to the honorable champs.

Don't forget the dates, Sept. 4th, 5th and 6th.

The Affair? Why the "Fifth Annual National S.S.P.Z. Olympic Meet." Be seeing you there! ! !

LOCAL ANESTHETICS

Swimming in "Gordon Park Resort"

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