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Declaration of Principles.  
SNPJ By-laws.

# PROSVETA

## ENGLISH SECTION

Those who would give no essential liberty to purchase a little temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety.  
Sen. Franklin D. Roosevelt  
Historical Review.

### EDITORIAL COMMENTS

Say It With Subscribers

When at your lodge meeting you discuss the important topic dealing with the daily Prosveta and you decide definitely in its favor, to appropriate a certain sum towards the daily Prosveta, remember the following two points:

1. Along with the appropriation for the daily send also the names and addresses of those individuals who are willing but unable to subscribe to our daily and who in all sincerity will appreciate the favor of getting the daily Prosveta uninterrupted by your action.

2. The daily Prosveta is in need of subscribers; it is not asking for free contributions. Lodges can offer their help by paying for some members' subscriptions whereby the recipients will benefit educationally.

All English-speaking lodges are urged to help the daily Prosveta in whatever degree they can, by subscribing to it.

Say it with subscribers!

The 10th Convention

No graver problems of expertness were ever faced by our organization than those now pressing for wise solution at the 10th Regular Convention of the Slovene National Benefit Society, in May of this year, the fourth year of the most devastating economic, industrial and social upheaval in our history. The same problems, to be sure, are facing all other fraternal orders.

Our Convention will be held in Chicago at the Main Office of the Society, at the time the Century of Progress (to most of us the Chicago World's Fair) swings open its portals into its premises of numerous attractions which will embrace thousands of subjects depicting myriads of human achievements in the progress of modern events. Many suggested that the Fair should be postponed in view of the present grave economic situation; however, it will open as originally scheduled.

Arguing from the same standpoint many of our members thought it advisable to postpone the 10th Regular Convention until some more favorable time than the present. But the State laws governing Fraternal organizations require that they must meet every four years at their conventions, and our organization is no exception to this rule.

It is our hope and desire that our youthful representatives at the coming convention will in every sense of the word be a credit to their subordinate branches and to the Society itself; that they will have only the best to offer at the convention, so that the entire membership will benefit by their labor; and that they will work with their more experienced and mature brothers in harmony for the advancement and furtherance of those principles upon which our organization was founded and upon which it grew to be a dominant power among the Slovenes in America.

Election Time

Election of delegates to the 10th Regular Convention of the SNPJ takes place in the months of February and March of this year. Local branches failing to elect their delegates during the time specified forfeit their representation at the convention. Nominations are open and elections shall be secret. Combined branches hold elections for delegates simultaneously on the same day as agreed by them at the nomination meeting. (See Article V, SNPJ By-laws, page 254).

### Integrity Week by Week

Chicago.—Who will be the fortunate ones that will attend the Fifth Anniversary of Integrity lodge, Sunday, Jan. 29, at 3:30 p. m. at SNPJ Auditorium. It is the sincerest recommendation of ours—when we state that this program will be one of the best that Chicagoans have had the privilege of attending. The program has so been arranged that the time it will take in its presentation will be short and snappy.

Last year we inaugurated the 'Trophy for lodge attendance.' Again this year we will present the lodge with the largest membership present a beautiful trophy. Last year the Joliet Hustlers won. Who is going home with the trophy this year? Pioneers, Sunlars, Sentinels, Mohawks, Links or will it be one of the older lodges?

Again let us stress the time of the program—3:30 p. m. sharp. The doors will open at 2:30 so that you will have plenty of time to find your seats.

January 29 at the SNPJ Auditorium  
The characters and their players are as follows: Lon Hacher, the hard faced owner of the inn, Julius Abram; ghost woman, 'the hatchet

murderess, Ann Griz; Lucy Hacher, sister of Lon, Jewel Wittie; Joyce Wingate, the cool headed investigator, Augusta Alich; Florabel, Joyce's sister, Betty Losik; Bedelia, the colored mammy, Agnes Heindenreich; Ralph Channing, a rival for Joyce's hand, Andrew Podlesnik; Terry Tanner, the other rival, Joe Schweiger; Willie Worgle, a-tutoring 1-1-freshman, Adolph Griz; Blackie Simms, hard-boiled gangster, Anthony Knas; Farone, the feared gang leader, Emil Heidenreich. Each and every one is suited for their respective parts and gives a very vivid impersonation.

Five years of strife, five years of happiness and five years of meeting various personages in the SNPJ world. Many are remembered for their various personalities and it is hoped that they will come down for our program and let us have the opportunity of reciprocating their hospitality. (Noticed in last week's paper a note from Kosela asking Chicagoans to give us a break. Thanks, Lou. Those are pleasing words from a regular feller. Wish you could come down and give us an opportunity to show you the ropes.)  
Frank J. Mejasch.

### STRUGGLERS

By Lindy

Cleveland, Ohio.—In a few short weeks the doors of the Slovene Workingmen's Home will swing open to the hundreds of Struggler followers. All this will happen on Saturday night, Feb. 11, when the Strugglers usher in their anti-depression dance season featuring Grand Valentine Frolic. Louis Simonic and his famous Struggler Harmony Aces will furnish the music. The admission price will be only 35c. A good time awaits all of you. Be on hand and make merry with your friends Saturday, Feb. 11.

Bro. Louis Kafferle was united in marriage with Sister Mary Godie, treasurer of 'Jadran' singing society. Kafferle was former President of 'Verovsek' and also a delegate at last SNPJ convention. He formerly resided in Thomas, W. Va. Our heartiest congratulations.

February First  
Struggler members are urged to attend their special meeting to be held at the usual place on Wed. night, Feb. 1. At this meeting you will elect your official representative and delegate to the coming SNPJ convention. In choosing your delegate combine his or her merits, integrity, honesty and past work. Remember, he or she will represent you and Strugglers.

Slovene Nite  
Something new and different awaits all you lovers of Slovene talent. For the benefit of those unemployed and unable to pay the price to a show, the Slovenes will present a few hours of real up-to-the-minute entertainment at the Auditorium of Collinwood high school on Feb. 20. The admission will be free. If your lodge or club has some good Slovene talent, kindly get in touch with me immediately.

ately by calling Kemore 4565-J or calling in person at 1198 E. 170 St. This is open to all Slovene organizations. These different nationality shows attract thousands of patrons.

Do Your Duty  
Sec'y. Mickey Dan informs us that the New Era Lodge in West Park, O., is holding a huge dance on Feb. 25. This dance is very important and the New Era Lodge needs the help of all the Cleveland SNPJ lodges. We appeal to you all to attend this dance and help put New Era on the map! Do your duty by attending. Your help is needed.

Big Features  
Once again the Strugglers will sponsor a two-day anniversary celebration to take place on April 22-23. All of you that attended last year's celebration and were one of the lucky 1,400 to gain admission, better get your tickets as soon as they go on sale. A party de luxe on Saturday. Vaudeville supreme, featuring radio stars on Sunday afternoon, and Sunday evening dancing to finest music in town. This celebration is promised to surpass all previous ones. More detailed information will follow. Watch these columns and reserve April 22-23 for the Strugglers.

Remember  
Cleveland and vicinity should not fail to visit the exhibit of the Slovene School of Modern Art at Slovene Nat'l. Home on St. Clair ave., beginning Feb. 8 and lasting 4 days. The school is under the complete supervision of our well known Slovene artist, G. H. Pruseck. Bro. Pruseck and all his students deserve a visit from you.  
(Edit. Note:—Please use standard size writing paper if at all possible.)

### Wolverine News

Detroit, Mich.—Noticed there was not any article from the west side of Detroit in last week's Prosveta. January 15, at the Slovene Workers' Home, the biggest crowd of the year assembled to be entertained by the singing club 'Svoboda.' And when the crowd started to leave late at night it seemed to me that they had this one thought on their mind, 'If the Slovene clubs can keep on giving us good entertainment, they will see us often.'

So the Wolverine Sport Club, with this same thought on their mind, are sponsoring a dance at the Slovene Workers' Home, Friday, February 3. (I'll receive more data on this affair from the entertainment committee and put it in one of my later articles.)

The complaint is heard that social life among the younger set is at a standstill. The young woman of charm and beauty are compelled to stay at home, sometimes as much as one evening a week, crying in solitude because they are unable to obtain an escort. Where are the young men? They are hema tearless gritting their teeth at this depression because they haven't any money to finance a dinner or show. But just as soon as the girls get used to staying at home these young men will help them spend a quiet evening, providing the girls can't talk.

Some professor has just discovered some kind of a new drug. This drug will make a dog as strong as a horse and a cat as ferocious as a panther. A large dose given to a frail 200 pound woman will cause her to face a huge mouse in single combat. A woman without this dope is scared of a mouse and yet she can whip her husband every day in the week. Her husband, if he sees a mouse, will step on it and end its misery. New an-

swer this question: Why doesn't he step on his wife and do the same? We see so much about high hats in papers, but I've never seen one. Although I've seen plenty of people act as if they were wearing one. President-elect Roosevelt has just received another one making his total four. Postmaster-general Brown recently sent a car valued at \$5,000 back because the roof was so low he couldn't wear his high hat. If our government officials would take off their high hats so they would be low enough to speak to some of the people in our class, maybe this depression wouldn't be here today.

The Wolverines have started a zoo at the home of Frank Synder. So far it has two highly priced specimens. One looks like a duck, but it isn't quite as large. The other one looks like a chicken. Right now we are interested in naming these two specimens. We could name them after some Comrade, because they love each other, or maybe after some Struggler, because they are struggling to live. If any one has a name for these specimens, publish it in the Prosveta and the Wolverines will consider it. My selection is Saint & Sinner.  
"Windy."

LODGE CARDINALS NO. 640

Bridgeport, O.—SNPJ Cardinals, Lodge 640, are sponsoring a dance on Saturday night, Jan. 23, at 7:30 at the Boydsville Hall, Stop 18, Barton Line. A good time is assured to everyone as the Freddie Martin orchestra is furnishing the music.

Don't miss it! Enjoy a good time with your friends at the dance. Also notice our next regular meeting will be held Monday night, Feb. 6, at 7:30.—Frank Link.

### Waukegan

Waukegan, Ill.—The first meeting of the year was held last Thursday and as usual, it was the same group who attended. How about some new faces showing up for a change? When you come to pay your dues, can't you stay for the meeting? It seems to me you could spare one night in a month to devote your time to making Little Fort a bigger and better lodge. It was announced that the next meeting, February 16, is an exceptionally important one and that every one should attend. You have been given notice a month in advance. Attend! As an added inducement, there is going to be a social after the meeting with plenty of refreshments and pivo. So come on and let's see some new faces at the next meeting.

Our new officers were sworn in and believe it or not, Pres. John Meese wasn't nervous up in front. He carried the meeting off with a bang. Brother Kavnik, as chairman of the 7th Anniversary committee, gave a report and said everything was ready for a great celebration. The kitchen committee have an appetizing menu all planned so there are going to be plenty of good eats, of that you may be sure. Sister 'Horvat, director of the play 'Clarence,' made a very favorable report. She claims that the play is going to be one of the 'hits' of the season.

Say, girls, the boys are still waiting for an invitation from the Five Hundred Club to challenge them. Come on, girls, show the boys you know how to play.

This week's Whoozit is our young matron, who is tall and dark and has a part in the play 'Clarence.' Whoozit? Valkyrie.

### Calumet Sentinels

So, Chicago, Ill.—After a prolonged absence from these columns, we're here again to say we're getting along splendidly in South Chicago. Some of you probably thought we had dropped out of existence, so with this new year our news will be more frequently published.

The first meeting, January 16, proved successful, our new officers 'buckling down' immediately after installation. Our new president, Bro. M. Juracich, certainly believes in discipline, and does he know his by-laws? I'll say he does. Bravo, Bro. President, here's luck to you for 1933. With the help of the following ambitious officers, I'm sure we can progress: V. Pres., John Lustig Jr.; Sec'y., Zora Yurkus; Rec. Sec'y., Angelina Kuhel; and Treas., John Malnarich. Congratulations to you all!

Bro. Jos. Baumbich, Pres. of Lodge 631, paid us a surprise visit. Come again, Joe, we're glad to have you with us.

Since we have merged with lodge 631 in selecting a delegate, I want to impress upon our members the necessity of attending our next monthly meeting. It will be held Tuesday, February 14, not the third Monday as is customary. Come on, every one. Our nominee is Bro. Rudolph Kosic, and Bro. Joe Baumbich is Integrity's choice.

Briefs:—

Bro. Joe Cerovac is convalescing and doing fine after an operation, a short time ago.—We have another member on the sick list, namely, Bro. J. Milosevich, 3225 E. 96th St. All members living in that vicinity are requested to visit him.—Sis. Helen Cerovac is now Mrs. Puhar. Congratulations.—The Brus twins and Bro. J. Kuhel Jr. are greatly interested in music, traveling to Gary for a radio audition.—Sis. Sec'y. is still shopping for a lodge desk.—The inseparable Kuhel sisters visit the Park library often.

Keep your eyes open for the Calumet Sentinels' items from now on! Ruth.

### New Era Lodge

Cleveland, Ohio.—This lodge is still active even if we have only 9 active members. This is for them who think we don't exist. We had a bad year by having many of our members passive, but we hope that this year shows up better for all of us. Depression sure hurts our cash funds. We have a remedy that might help us. With all our neighboring lodges, with their co-operation to help us, we will make a great success.

Now this is going to be a dance to be held Saturday, Feb. 25, 1933, at J.D.N. Hall, West 130th and McGowan ave. Admission only 25c, with good music. So let's have you all come to this dance.

Would like to hear from the rest of the lodges in writing or persons if you are coming.

Mickey P. Dan, Sec'y.,  
3484 W. 59 St.  
P. S.—All our passive members get in touch with Joe Banker for tickets.

### FLASHES

At their regular meeting last Friday, the Pioneers passed upon several changes in the by-laws as recommended by its by-laws committee, who have gone over every detail carefully. The Pioneers went on record to hold conventions thru committees to save time and money for the SNPJ. They further sought modifications for the sick benefit department by urging the adoption of the J. B. F. plan. Also, the curtailment of passivity.

One new applicant was accepted and one nomination made. Mary Matjasic administered the oath to the newly elected officers and the fair sex rounded up great courage to applaud.

Because certain well-to-do Chicago interests are trying to curtail the public school system in their endeavor to cut taxes for the rich by lopping off a big sum from the school budget and because the Pioneers see the necessity of even better education to enable the men of tomorrow to solve the complex problems before us, the Pioneers adopted a resolution, censoring the activities of this well-to-do group and pledged their moral support to the teachers and students and all other civic organizations against these drastic cuts.

Many were the visits we made to Joliet, Ill., in an endeavor to help the Joliet Hustlers along. We even suggested a planned invasion to bring together the various English-speaking lodge members for a gala manifestation, but to no avail. The leaders of the Hustlers wouldn't listen to our pleas and experiences. We are sorry now that they have definitely agreed to disband.

Next to Cleveland, Joliet has the most compact Slovene settlement. True, religious orders have a stronghold on our nationals but with the proper leadership, it seems, even Joliet can be placed on the SNPJ English-speaking lodge map, firmly. If two SNPJ senior lodges can function, surely one English speaking group should be able to.

Pioneers should please note that Doctor Zavertnik has reduced his fees for examining new applicants to \$1.00 for the adults and 50c for the juveniles. This should make it a good deal easier to secure new members.

Students of the Pioneer Juvenile Slovene School will hold their monthly party Saturday, Jan. 28, at the SNPJ Hall. Frank Zaitz, President of the SNPJ auditing committee will lecture at 3:00 p. m. SNPJ members

are asked to send their young boys and girls to the lecture and party even if they are not enrolled in the school. We want as many youngsters to come as is possible.

Pioneers are also urged to attend and assist in serving the young. The following Pioneers have agreed to contribute cakes, cookies, potica, etc., for the party: Dorothy Compant, Anne Beniger, Mary Andres, Lillian Zavertnik, John Rak, Anne Widmar, Pearl Woodrich, Laura Gurrandich, Mary Roycht, Margaret Kneese and Olga Kneese. We urge each of them to bring or send their contributions to the SNPJ Hall, Saturday afternoon, Jan. 28.

In basketball we didn't fare so well. Squad one lost a thrilling hand battle to the Excello Shamrods while squad two annexed one from the Easy Aces. Despite the defeat squad one is still in the running. If they can defeat their next two opponents they will enter the next round. We feel confident that they can still do it. Jerry Dvorak played a stellar game.

This week's schedule calls for one game Tuesday at 8:45 p. m. for squad one and a travelling game Thursday to Chicago Heights against the strong Chicago Heights Merchants. Squad two plays Saturday, Jan. 28, at 8:45 p. m. The deciding game for squad one will be played Friday, Feb. 3, at 7:45 p. m. against the Goodfellows. Rooters are needed in this final first round game.

That fine bunch of musicians who have been fanching the young folks of the West Side, known as the Monarchs of Melody, are going to play for the Pioneer Post-Valentine Dance, scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 18, 1933, at the SNPJ Hall. Tickets have been distributed to all Pioneers. Admission shall be 25 cents and 40 cents. It is of the utmost importance for us to realize some revenue from this affair, Pioneers. We must work hard to get a big crowd.

The Chicago District Federation of SNPJ will hold its annual meeting Thursday, Jan. 26, at the SNPJ Hall. Election of officers shall take place. Every lodge should be fully represented.

Every members will have an opportunity to express his opinions on problems such as sick benefits, operations, special assessments, etc., on Wednesday, Feb. 8, at a mass-meeting called for that purpose. It is hoped that we can close the discussions on time for a little social period.

### Sidewalks of Detroit

By Herman Regel

Detroit.—After a brief period of silence I'll once again hit upon my weekly stride. Now that the storm clouds have blown over, I presume it's safe enough to come out in the open. (No Kansas ceylones up here.)

Here are a few highlights about the Y. A. Jan. meeting. A check for two dollars was sent to the Tom Mooney Defense Committee. The members are to be congratulated on this most worthy investment. Four three-month subscriptions to the daily Prosveta were made. Excellent work. The good is more than twofold. It will help our daily Prosveta out, and also the four needy families. Come on, Brother Beniger, give some more editorials in behalf of the Prosveta.

Up until this time everything ran smoothly for our new president, Estok Menton. Then my write-up came up for discussion. The member was given the needy direct relief, just one month after my write-up appeared on that subject.

The sudden death of Joe Griffberg Sr., an SNPJ member of lodge 72 at Radley, Kansas, attracts my attention. Poor health and out of work drove him beyond all endurance. My sympathy to the entire family.

Speaking in a general mood, I would like to have a word with the Slovene public residing in Crawford and Cherokee counties of Kansas. The Peoples Undertaking Establishment at Fontenac is operated on a cooperative basis, to serve the people with the highest possible public service, at cost. No profits to speak of. The Slovenes are 100% for the establishment while in good health. But let fate turn. An accident or sudden death, and nine out of ten Slovenes will run in haste and call John Haskell or some other undertaker; the bigger robber he is, the more sure he is to get the call. Now I don't know whether the Slovenes just can't help themselves or just plainly don't want to.

Less than a year after this company was started, caskets fell more than half of their original price.

If you are a share holder, you get free ambulance service. And, mind

this undertaker does not remain under your hospital window, asking the nurse if you are dead yet. You people have a good institution. It did more to do away with plain highway robbery than all the undersheriffs of Crawford county.

Sunday, Jan. 15, was one day of joy and contentment for the people of Detroit. The date represents the largest group of Slovenes to gather at any one occasion for some time. The hall was packed to full capacity. It was 'Svoboda's' fifteenth anniversary and the operetta 'Kakar Stari, Teko Mladi,' was very fitting for the occasion. Svoboda and the people of Detroit as a whole are very fortunate to have such a capable composer and leader in John Berling. I wish to congratulate him and the entire cast for the well performance on the above date.

### MOHAWKS

La Salle, Ill.—The Mohawks' social season of the year will be officially opened on January 28 with all the vim and vigor of the bygone days.

Almost a complete year has elapsed since our last public affair was held; so we are ready to show you something new in the way of entertainment. Needless to say, our 'Stunt Show' will prove to satisfy all. To attempt to describe it all would cover too much space, but we assure you, you will enjoy the play, 'Marrying Off Father.' The various dialogues and monologues will make you cry for more, and the singing will be a soothing tonic to your nerves. The orchestra engaged means second to none. In keeping with the hard times there will be no doing in the lower hall or any refreshments sold. The tickets are selling for 50c. We urge our loyal audience to speed the sale with us. To our members we say—make a last-minute effort to sell your tickets.  
Bigger and better than ever. Mohawks' Seventh Anniversary.  
Lad. Voznick.



