

NEW ERA SUPPLEMENT

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Current Thought.

TIME IS AT HAND

S. S. C. U. athletic board conference will take place this Friday and Saturday, Sept. 12 and 13, in the Slovenian Home of Cleveland, O. Representatives from the State of Pennsylvania, Ohio, Illinois and Minnesota will be present to discuss various phases of athletics, and how they benefit our Union the most.

Ever since the last semi-annual meeting of the Supreme Board that convened in Ely, Minn., during the week of July 14, 1929, has appeared in the New Era Supplement, commenting on the forthcoming conference. Various suggestions were made to the members to help make the first athletic conference a success, and thus justify the confidence that the Supreme Board placed in the younger members of the Slovenian and Polish-American lodges.

It is very important that much be accomplished at this conference, with some assurance that plans formulated be carried out by the fellow-members. At the present time we are working with the solicitation of ways and means towards improving the general athletic situation between S. S. C. U. and the Polish-American lodges, so that a greater interest will be shown by all of the members. A final appeal is made to all of the members to be sure their representative equipped with suggestions from the past to be discussed at the proper time.

Representatives Will be Equipped With Ideas

Judging by the response received from the delegates so far, it can be reasonably sure that the conference will not be a failure—in fact a number of lodges active in athletics called special meetings together to solicit ideas from the delegates and all other members vitally interested in the promotion of sports. It is encouraging to note such a state of affairs, for it assures the athletic commissioner, as well as the members of the supreme board, that the money spent towards the improvement of sports is money well invested.

The future is the one primary object to look forward to with great optimism. By interesting the younger members in general activities sponsored by our Union induces them to greater enthusiasm for their lodge. Sports is one of the things that the majority of our youthful members are interested in, and once they are assured that a grand time is in store for them in the future will make them loyal supporters of our Union.

The athletic board conference will open up a passage hitherto closed upon as a possibility in some distant future. No means of maintaining a section champion, much less a national S. S. C. U. champion, has been provided for in the past, for want of lodges active in athletics. It is true a number of lodges have displayed marked interest in the formation of a section champion, but a sufficient number was lacking.

At the present time it is felt that a number of lodges are active in athletics to warrant the formation of plans whereby national champion lodges will be recognized in various field of sports.

Maytags, 10 to 4

K. S. K. J. in First of Series, 9 to 7

Waukegan, Ill. — Comrades baseball team split a header over the week-end drubbing the Maytag team, 10 to 4, and dropping the J. St. Joes by a score of 7 to 1.

The initial contest the Comrades easily downed the Waukegan Maytags. Hendrix hurled a good game for the winners, allowing only seven well scattered hits, and was given some support by his teammates.

Smith, Maytag ace, worked for six safe blows, but given very poor support by his teammates; five hits and timely hitting by the Comrades accounted for the ten runs.

Kaires' four-ply drive, and home run of the sea-son, and brilliant fielding at shortstop by Capt. Lavvy Palucius were nosed out by the Comrades in one of the first battles of the three-game series for the "Tenth Championship."

Comrades were in the lead until the eighth inning when they rallied in their last half of the inning by shoving the ball across the plate. The Comrades failed to score in the ninth.

Joliet (Ill.) Briefs

Concerning Members of Lodge No. 66

SS. Peter and Paul Society (No. 66, SSCU) now proudly boasts of having a championship horseshoe pitcher on its membership roll. That of Michael "Mix" Gregorash, who is also our star bowler, and who, with his cousin Frank Gregorash, N. E. A. C. star third sacker, helped the Phoenix Horseshoe Manufacturing Co. cop the Industrial League title of Will County. Zivijo Sloveni!

Wonder what some of our folks think of the "ponies" that are running in the 30-day meet at the Lincoln Field track? On Labor Day Henry Bluth and Johnny Horwath were seen looking them over. Did you do any good, boys? You know, we have some real sports in our boys. Yes, we have.

Indoor baseball has got very "hot" in Joliet. Never were there so many teams organized and playing the softball game at twilight and Sundays as at the present time. Recreation Director Slocum says that according to indications every gymnasium in the city will be used for this particular branch of sport this coming winter. A great number of our Slovenes participate in the indoor game, and some are classed with the best.

Over 3,250 students have enrolled at the Joliet Township High School for the fall term. The school has 141 teachers, the newest addition being Douglas R. "Gaga" Mills, the new football coach and former football player of the University of Illinois.

Not only are the kiddies at school started for a busy season, but lodges, clubs and various organizations such as SS. Peter and Paul Society in Joliet are preparing for the annual fall entertainment. Therefore, it would be well for the members to attend the next few meetings in as large numbers as possible to help and hear what the hard-working, busy officers and active members are contemplating for the future.

Slovenes School Opens Fall Term

School days are with us again. Public and parochial schools have begun classes and it needed but the Slovene School of the Slovenian National Home to round-up the order of things.

On Sept. 13, the Junior Slovene School will begin classes; pupils will be taught the rudiments of the Slovenian language, grammar, pronunciation, reading and writing. Such an opportunity is not given every Slovenian colony in the country as but a few can afford to hold classes. As usual, a large class will be on hand.

On Sept. 19, the Senior school will open the fall term and continue to hold classes every Friday evening. Students are invited to attend and take advantage of the opportunity offered them to master the language of their parents. Learning the Slovene language is an asset, much like learning a foreign language in high school or in college. And by conversing with Slovenian people it facilitates the mastery of the language.

Poland now has a population of 30,700,000.

BRIEFS

CROATIANS of Cleveland, O., displayed such an unusual flower float that they were awarded first prize in the International Flower Festival, held in connection with the air carnival. This is the second time that the Croats have taken the coveted honor in as many years.

EVELETH Junior College of Eveleth, Minn., will have Edward M. Kraker assisting in the college athletic work.

DURING the convention of the American Yugoslav Association of Minnesota held at Gilbert, Minn., John C. Arko Jr. was elected first vice president, John Movern secretary, Martin Sever treasurer; Joe

DELEGATES

S. S. C. U. athletic board conference will take place in Room 2 (new building) Slovenian National Home, 6417 St. Clair Ave., Cleveland, O. Meeting will be opened at 8:30 a. m. Friday, Sept. 12.

Accommodations will be made for all delegates when they arrive in Cleveland. Letters have been sent out requesting information as to what time the delegates expect to arrive, and, if possible, the writer himself will meet them at the station or have someone else in his place.

Should the possibility arise where a delegate is not recognized at the station, then it will be expected to have such delegates in the Slovenian National Home Friday morning at 8:30 o'clock in Room 2.

Kraker, John Zalar, Anton Erchul and Rade Poznanovic constitute part of the executive board. Louis Govze Sr. was re-elected recording secretary, while A. I. Lopp was elected president, with George Brince retiring from that office.

ETBIN KRISTAN of New York City gave a talk in Gilbert, Minn., where the convention of the state organization of the American Yugoslav Association was held.

UTSE RUPAR came first and John Fesnik second with their entries in the 4-H calf division at the St. Louis County Fair, held at Hibbing, Minn. Louis Grahek was awarded first prize with his entry of Rhode Island Reds.

TURY OMAN is one of the thirteen lettermen who will report for football practice at Wisconsin University at Madison, Wis., on Sept. 15. Oman is rated as one of the university's star backfield players, having distinguished himself in the 1929 season. He is from Chisholm, Minn.

CLASSES for adults of Cleveland, O., who desire to learn English, improve on it or complete the grades, will begin Sept. 15, sponsored by the Board of Education.

RECENTLY the Joliet Evening Herald-News contained a notice of a baseball feat performed exactly ten years ago by J. L. Jevitz Jr., member of

Collinwood Boosters Lose, 3 to 2

Game Played in Record Time

Eight innings of exceptionally fast indoor ball game brought defeat to the Collinwood Boosters baseball team (No. 188, SSCU) last Friday, Sept. 5, at the hands of the Orels, by a close score of 3 to 2. The game was played in record time of 40 minutes.

Collinwood Boosters gained a reputation for some fast fielding, and Friday's encounter showed it to the best advantage, with "Boof," John Koren and Berzin starring in the infield plays. John Laurich starred in the outfield, nabbing the ball while on the run. Berzin scored one of the two runs when his hit, an easy pop fly, dropped out of the second baseman's hands. And did Berzin circle those bases? He looked more like a deer using four legs instead of only two. John Koren scored the other run on a clean hit to the outfield, reaching second and eventually the home plate on the outfielder's error.

Tony Orazem of the Orels further proved that he is an exceptional pitcher. In the sixth inning, with two men on base and one out, Tony proceeded to strike out two heavy hitters of the Collinwood Boosters—Berzin and John Laurich. In one inning he struck out three men. Fred Marinko of the Orels played his usual errorless game at third. Fred is as good a third baseman as can be found on any team of the Inter-Lodge League.

As a result of the defeat, the Collinwood Boosters have been eliminated from the elimination series, thus forfeiting their right to the championship.

Returns to School

Mr. Anthony L. Garbas, former editor of the New Era Supplement and athletic commissioner of S. S. C. U., left Cleveland, O., Friday morning, Sept. 5, for Louisville, Ky., where he will resume his studies of oral surgery.

Mr. Garbas attended Carroll University, securing his A. B. degree, in Cleveland; attended Western Reserve School of Dentistry for one year, and then decided to finish his course at the University of Louisville. This is his second year at Louisville.

Members of fraternal lodges came to recognize him as a leader of the Slovenian groups, serving in many capacities and holding several offices, being vice president and then president of the Spartans, SSPZ. When Mr. Garbas graduates from college he will have his many admirers waiting for him in Cleveland, and it is hoped that he will remain in this community.

Portuguese

Portuguese is the prevalent language of Brazil. The country was formerly a possession of Portugal.

Instinct

"Is he a good rabbit dog?" inquired the hunter, after inspecting the animal.

"I'll say he is!" the dealer replied with pride. "You should have seen the way he went after my wife's new sealskin coat!"

Lodge No. 66 of Joliet, Ill. Jevitz Jr. allowed but five hits to bring victory to the West Ends over the Leaman Stars.

SPORTING BITS

FOUR STATES WILL BE REPRESENTED

Eleven Delegates Will Be on Hand for the Conference

Delegates of eleven S. S. C. U. lodges active in athletics will assemble in Cleveland Friday, Sept. 12, and discuss the various phases of athletics in the interest of our Union. Four states will be represented—Pennsylvania, Ohio, Illinois and Minnesota.

Pennsylvania has three delegates—Joseph Kopler, National Star, No. 213; Frank Kress, Pittsburgher, No. 196; Louis Polaski, Jefferson Collegians, No. 205.

Ohio has four delegates—Joseph Jaklich Jr., George Washington, No. 180; P. J. Mihelcic, Collinwood Boosters, No. 188; Al Ulle, Napredeks, No. 132; J. L. Zortz, St. Aloysius, No. 6.

Illinois has three delegates—John Petrovic, Comrades, No. 193; William B. Laurich, No. 211; J. L. Jevitz Jr., No. 66.

Minnesota has one delegate—Anton Vessel, Jubileers, No. 215.

These delegates represent lodges that have been active in athletics and as such will be in a position to formulate plans for the next year, 1931, when athletic activities will be launched on a large scale. Each delegate knows the wishes of his lodge and how it can best arrange a schedule with other lodges of the S. S. C. U. in close proximity. Details will be worked out and obstacles overcome so that the burden of responsibility does not fall on one particular person.

Much time has been expended on the forthcoming conference with the hope that it will bear fruit. No effort will be spared to bring about the desired end, and with the co-operations of fellow-members this conference should stir the entire membership into greater enthusiasm for the South Slavonic Catholic Union than it has ever before. The younger element of our Union can and will justify the confidence that the Supreme Board extended them when it sanctioned the suggestion for the "Little Convention."

The entire S. S. C. U. membership can rest assured that these delegates are not coming to Cleveland on a pleasure trip, but rather to accomplish great things for their organization. Each delegate has a number of ideas that will be voiced and discussed upon.

Lodges that have not been active athletically in the past should take time and effort to do so immediately. Plans will not be made to accommodate just the eleven lodges represented; rather, plans will be made with a view to include all the lodges of the S. S. C. U.

One of the many reasons for holding this conference is to stir enough interest among members of all lodges to become active in athletics and join in the many inter-lodge contests.

Rally Eliminates Comrades in Tourney

Seek Bowling Match Game With Chicagoans

Waukegan, Ill. — Comrades lodge baseball team was defeated by the strong Waukegan West Side A. C. nine last Sunday in a crucial game for the Lake County championship by a score of 7 to 4, in the semi-finals of the Lake County Elimination Tournament.

The winners sewed up the game in the initial frame by shoving five tallies across the platter by virtues of four hits, a wild pitch and an error, a lead which the Comrades could not overcome; as a consequence, the locals were eliminated from the Lake County tourney.

The Comrades scored two runs in the sixth and two more in the seventh, and again threatened in the final frame, with two men on base and two outs. Capt. Palucius drove one out to center field what looked like a sure hit, in fact, it looked like another home run for the captain, but the center fielder made a marvelous running catch in deep left center to retire the side.

After the first inning both sides displayed airtight baseball. However, the Comrades outhit their opponents securing nine hits to the losers eight, but failed to hit in the pinches. Kaires' three-ply drive and brilliant fielding at first by Captain Palucius were the features of the hectic tilt.

Last Sunday and Monday the Comrades met the Waukegan Maytags and the KSKJ St. Joes respectively. The results of the games will appear in the forthcoming issue.

Score by Innings: R. H. E. Comrades 000002200-4 9 1 West Side 50101000*-7 8 1

Sokols Come Third

Traveling to Detroit, Mich., the Slovenian Sokols of Cleveland, O., proceeded to take third place in the All-Slav Sokol exhibition sponsored by the Bohemian group (župa). The meet was held on Aug. 30 and 31, and included the following: Jugoslavanski Sokol and Slovak Sokol of Detroit; Sokol Havlicek, Sokol Nova Vlast, Sokol Tyrs and Slovenian Sokols of Cleveland, O., and Sokols from Owdeso.

John Spehek of the Slovenian Sokols came third in the individual class, scoring 104.25 out of a possible 110 points, while Frank Jereb came close behind with 103.75. Stanley Bencina scored 92.5.

And How!

Teacher: We should never be discouraged too easily. Look at Napoleon. He would stop for no obstacle, he refused to be turned aside by anything, but kept on relentlessly to his destination. And what do you think he became?

Pupil: A truck driver.

Shoe Clerk: Do you know what wears out most shoe leather?

Sheba: No. Shoe Clerk: That's right.

The Waukegan Comrades bowling pin five (S. S. C. U.) would like to meet any S. S. C. U. team of Chicago, Ill., the latter part of September in their opening game of the season. The Comrades are very anxious to meet the Windy City five on their home alleys. If interested, voice your opinion thru this medium.

John Petrovic, S. S. C. U. No. 193.

