

DRUŠTVENE IN DRUGE SLOVENSKE VESTI

Plesna veselica žogometnega odseka društva št. 36 ABZ v Conemaughu, Pa., se bo vršila v soboto 11. januarja.

V Spring Glenu, Utah, v Skerlvi dvorani, se bo v soboto 11. januarja zvečer vršila plesna veselica društva št. 168 ABZ, s sedežem v Helperju, Utah.

V Lloydellu, Pa., se bo v soboto 18. januarja vršila plesna veselica žogometnega odseka društva št. 35 ABZ. Prostor veselice: Slovenska dvorana.

V Struthersu, Ohio, se bo v soboto 25. januarja vršila plesna veselica tamkajšnjega društva št. 229 ABZ.

Desetletnico ustanovitve bo proslavilo angleško poslujoče društvo št. 221 ABZ v Centru, Pa., s plesno veselico, katero priredi v soboto 25. januarja.

Tretji glavnik porotnik ABZ, brat Steve Mauser je sporočil uredništvu, da se je preselil. Njegov dosedanji naslov je bil 4439 Washington St., novi naslov pa je: 4627 Logan St., Denver, Colo.

V bolnišnico v Wilkinsburgu je bil v svrno operacije odpeljan brat Andrej Bogataj, zapisnikar društva št. 116 ABZ v Delmontu, Pa. Nadzornik istega društva, brat John Remic, se je poškodoval na roki in se zdravi v domači oskrbi.

Proslava petintridesetletnice svojega delovanja naznanja Slovenska narodna čitalnica v Clevelandu, Ohio, za nedeljo 9. februarja. Prireditev z lepim programom se bo vršila v avditoriju S. N. Doma na St. Clair Ave.

Koncert slovenskega peva Johna Lubeta v Clevelandu, Ohio, je naznanjen za nedeljo 2. marca; vršil se bo v avditoriju S. N. Doma na St. Clair Ave.

V Conemaughu, Pa., je po večletni rudarski bolezni preminil Joseph Kavšek, star 52 let, član društva št. 36 ABZ. V Conemaughu zapušča soprogo, štiri hčere in dva sina, v starem kraju pa dva brata. Rojen je bil v Podkrajju pri Zidanem mostu v Sloveniji in je bival v Ameriki 30 let.

V naselbini Grass Valley v Californiji je umrl Mihael Gričec, po rodu iz vasi Srednji Lipevec pri Žužemberku. V Californiji zapušča soprogo, sina in hčer, v Chisholmu, Minn., pa sestro Frances Lukanich. V Ameriki je bival 36 let.

V Clevelandu, O., je umrl Frank Smrekar, star 65 let, po rodu iz Dolenje vasi pri Višnji Gori. V Ameriki je bival od leta 1898. Tu zapušča soprogo, tri sinove, tri hčere in brata, v starem kraju pa dva brata in dve sestre.

Dalje je v Clevelandu preminil Anton Pezdirc, star 53 let, doma od Metlike v Beli Krajini. V Ameriki je prišel pred 30 leti. Tu zapušča soprogo, brata in sestro.

SPLOŠNI TEDENSKI PREGLED

PREDSEDNIKOV GOVOR

Predsednik Roosevelt je predtekli ponedeljek pred člani obeh zbornic zveznega kongresa podaril, da v svrhu obrambe demokracije morajo Zedinjene države nuditi vso možno pomoč deželam, ki se borijo proti diktatorjem, katerih namen je zasužniti ves svet. Dejal je, da bodo potrebne občutne denarne žrtve za primerno obrambno oborožitev te dežele in za pomoč tistim narodom, ki se bojujejo za svobodo, demokracijo in vse tiste ideale, ki predstavljajo dušo in srce te republike. Pripomnil pa je, da pri tem ne smejo biti žrtvovane socialne pridobitve ameriškega ljudstva. Ameriško ljudstvo mora biti uverjeno, da nobena materialna žrtev ni prevelika za ohranitev dobrin, ki jih nudi demokracija. Nobenemu posamezniku pa ne sme biti dovoljeno, da bi skubil ameriškega orla in si z njegovim perjem nastil svojo gnezdo.

ZVEZNI KONGRES

Dne 3. januarja se je sestel novi, 77. kongres Zedinjenih držav. V zbornici poslancev je 268 demokratov, 162 republikancev, 3 progresivci, en član "American Labor" stranke in en član farmersko delavske stranke. V senatni zbornici je 66 demokratov, 28 republikancev, en progresivec in en neodvisnež. V obeh zbornicah je ostala velika večina dosedanjih zastopnikov, 32 pa je novih, od teh 70 članov poslanske zbornice in 12 članov senata.

POSPEŠITEV DELA

Vlada Zedinjenih držav želi s kar največjo brzino izgraditi mornariška in letalska oporišča na otokih, kjer je nedavno vzela od Anglije v najem v take svrhe potrebne komplekse. Pri dotičnih projektih, ki jih vlada gradi v lastni režiji, je predsednik začel suspendiral osemurni delavnik, da se delo čim bolj pospeši. To pravico mu daje postava, tikačica se izredno nujnega dela.

DOLGO ZBOROVANJE

Kongres, katerega poslovna doba je potekla 3. januarja opoldne, je bil v zasedanju 367 dni. To je bilo najdaljše posamezno zasedanje kongresa Zedinjenih držav. Prejšnje najdaljše zasedanje kongresa je trajalo 354 dni, in sicer v vojnih letih 1917 in 1918. Tekom dveletnega termina zadnjega kongresa je umrlo 30 ljudskih zastopnikov.

BOMBNIKI ZA ANGLIJO

V Zedinjenih državah izdelani bombniki redno odhajajo v Anglijo. Polet iz Newfoundlanda do Anglije traja približno 10 ur. Bombniki so pošiljani iz Zedinjenih držav v Canado, odkoder jih večina ameriški piloti odpremljajo v Anglijo. Ti ameriški piloti so po večini bivši civilni letalci, ki so najeti od canadskih oblasti in so plačani od tisoč do dva tisoč dolarjev na mesec. Kot najeti letalci niso pod vojaško komando. Anglija dosedaj še vedno plačuje za vse vojaške potrebščine, naročene v Zedinjenih državah.

LETALA MESTO AVTOV

Razne avtomobilske družbe so dobile velika naročila za izdelovanje motorjev za bojna letala. Avtomobilske družbe Studebaker, Ford, Buick in druge so do-
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ZADRUGE SE MNOŽIJO

Tekom zadnjih petih let se je ustanovilo več kot 3500 posojilnih zadrug v pomoč malim izposojevalcem.

Ustanovitev več kot 1000 novih posojilnih zadrug (credit unions) tekom 1. 1939—skoraj po tri na dan—jasno kaže, kak razmah je dala federalna zakonodaja ideji takega zadrugarstva.

Podatki, nedavno priobčeni od urada za delavske statistike, kažejo, da je bilo koncem 1. 1939 8,315 posojilnih zadrug, polovica izmed katerih je obratovala pod federalnim čartrom. Bile so v vsaki državi, distriktu Columbia in Hawaii. V 1. 1939 so skupaj imele 2,400,000 članov, njihova skupna imovina je znašala 193 milijonov dolarjev, posodile so vsega skupaj 240 in pol milijona dolarjev in izplačale so svojim članom več kot 4,500,000 dolarjev dividend.

Dasi kreditne unije so bile prvič legalizirane v Massachusettsu pod državnim čartrom že 1. 1909 in je potem še drugih 42 držav uvedlo slično zakonodajo, vendarle jih je bilo ustanovljenih manj kot 500 v vseh 25 letih pred federalnim zakonom, ki je bil sprejet 1. 1934 in se naziva Federal Credit Union Act. V prvih petih letih, odkar je ta zakon v veljavi, je bilo ustanovljenih več kot 3,540 novih kreditnih zadrug pod nadzorstvom Farm Credit administracije.

Kreditne unije so se večinoma razvile v industrijskih okrajih. Vsaka izmed držav Illinois, New York in Wisconsin jih je imela več kot 500 ob koncu leta 1939. Izmed 300 in 500 jih je bilo v državah California, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio, Pennsylvania in Texas.

Kreditne unije nudijo svojim članom priliko tako za štednjo kot za posojila. Sestavljene so na zadrugi podlagi od delavcev ali skupine ljudi, ki se med seboj poznajo in ki so v kakšni zvezi med seboj, kot je članstvo delavske unije, jednote, cerkvene družbe oziroma, ki živijo v isti sosesčini, občini ali poljedelskem okraju. Ta pogoj je potreben, kajti svrha zadrug je posojevati mala posojila dostikrat brez jamstva in je zato potrebno, da je izposojevalec osebno znan drugim članom.

Prodaja delnic, navadno po \$5 ali \$10, zalaga za začetno glavni kreditne unije. Člani smejo imeti več kot eno delnico, ne pa več kot en glas. Število delnic pa določa, koliko dividend bo član prejel. Federalni čarter ne dopušča, da bi dividenda znašala več kot 6% vloženega kapitala. Na ta način imajo člani priliko vložiti svoje prištednje.

Posojila brez jamstva ne smejo presegati \$50 pod državnim čartrom oziroma \$100 pod federalnim čartrom. Obresti, ki se nalagajo, znašajo redkoma več kot 1 odstotno na mesec od neplačanega preostanka posojila, in dostikrat je obrestna mera še nižja, do pol enega odstotka. Komercialne posojilnice in industrijske banke nalagajo od 1 do 3 in pol odstotno, čim manjše je posojilo, tem več stane razmeroma. Kreditne unije pa morejo biti cenejše, ker imajo malo stroškov za upravo in dostikrat jim ni niti treba plačati najemnine. V običajnih posojilnicah so stroški preiskovanja precejšnji, pri zadrugah pa ne znašajo takorekoč nič.

Federalni čarter in tudi večina državnih čartrov dovoljuje posojila le za "previdne ali pro-
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GOZD ZA FILMANJE

Filmske družbe si pomagajo na razne načine, kadar je treba filmati scene v naravi. Včasih se tako filmanje res vrši kje v naravi. Na primer, pušavske scene je mogoče filmati v sami Californiji, nedaleč od Hollywooda. Isto velja tudi za ozirom na obmorske kraje. Celo scene v zasneženi pokrajini se zamorejo včasih filmati v sami Californiji, kajti tam je najti visoke gorke kraje, kjer leži sneg vse leto ali vsaj večino leta.

Mnogokrat pa si filmske družbe pomagajo za umetno zgraditvijo scen, kakršne potrebujejo, na svojih lastnih prostorih v Hollywoodu. Za film "Northwest Mounted Police," na primer, je filmska družba Paramount "presadila" na svoj lot v Hollywood prostorn gozd. V gorovju Arrowhead, kakih 100 milj od Hollywooda, so delavci posekali okrog 350 velikih in malih iglastih dreves, katere so na tovornih avtomobilih prepeljali v Hollywood. Nekatera teh dreves so bila skoraj po 100 čevljev visoka. Delo je bilo komplicirano, ker drevesne veje niso smele biti poškodovane.

Ko so bila drevesa dostavljena na prostor, določen za filmanje, so se lotili dela tesarji in mizarji, da so iz dreves sestavili gozd, ki je sličil gozdom na daljnem severu, kjer raste večina le iglasto dreve. Za vsako drevo je bilo treba privedi primeren podstavek, da je stalo trdno in pokončno kot v naravi. Nekatera drevesa so bila "posajena" na umetne strmine in griče, zgrajene iz lesa in plastike.

Umetni gozd je pokrival skoraj šest akrov površine. Med drevesa je bilo treba navoziti stotine ton zemlje, da je bilo mogoče formirati neravna gozdna tla. Seveda tudi kamenja, mahu in dračja ni smelo manjkati. Gozd so stražili pravi gozdarski gasilci, ker iglastemu drevju je ogenj posebno nevaren.

Umetni gozd je zrastel v Hollywoodu v teku enega tedna. Ko je bilo filmanje gozdnih scen končano, so delavci gozd spet podrli in drevesa odpeljali. Razume se, da je bil dotični umetni gozd zelo drag, morda najdražji, kar jih je kdaj rastle v Zedinjenih državah, toda filmski družbi se je izplačal.

VRTNARSKI NASVETI

Prazne vrtno grede, ki niso bile prekopane v jeseni, je priporočljivo prekopati še sedaj, ako zemlja ni premokra ali zmrazil. Prekopana zemlja naj se ne poravnava, ampak pusti naj se v grudah. Sneg, led, zmrzovanje in ponovno tavanje uničijo mnogo rastlinskih škodljivcev, obenem pa tudi razkrojijo zemljo, da je bolj rahla. Tako prekopavanje je posebno priporočljivo za težko, ilovnato zemljo.

Ako je na razpolago pregretni hlevski gnoj ali kompost, je mogoče z istim pognojiti vrtno trato že zdaj. Raztrosi se lahko kar po snegu. Na sličen način se za more pognojiti mlajšemu drevju in grmičju. Umetni gnoj pa naj se v take svrhe ne rabi pred pomladjo.

Proti koncu januarja in v februarju je primeren čas za obrezovanje vinske trte. Kjer se vinska trta goji bolj zaradi sence kot zaradi grozja, je obrezovanje enostavno. Pravilno obrezati trto za pridelek grozja pa je
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POJAVI NOVIH KOVIN

Znanstveniki od časa do časa odkrijejo kako novo kovino, ki se včasih izkaže velike vrednosti v industrijah in sploh v narodnem gospodarstvu. Navadno so take nove odkrite kovine v surovem stanju primešane drugim rudam, in sicer največkrat v malih količinah. Proces čiščenja pridobivanja takih kovin je mnogokrat drag in kompliciran. Nove ali izboljšane metode pa navadno sčasoma pridobivajo pocenijo. Na primer aluminij je dandanes prav poceni kovina; od začetka pa je bila kovina draga, ker je bilo drago pridobivanje iste.

Zadnje čase se mnogo piše o beriliju (beryllium), katere kovina je bila sicer odkrita že leta 1797 in izolirana okrog leta 1840, toda pretekle so dolga desetletja, predno je bila odkrita njena praktična vrednost.

Kovina berilij se navadno pridobiva kot postranski produkt kovinske industrije; primešana je v malih količinah drugim rudam. Pridobivanje čistega berilija pa je bilo do nedavnega časa zaradi nepraktičnih metod zelo drago. Še leta 1922 je veljal funt berilija pet tisoč dolarjev. Metode pridobivanja so se polagoma izboljševale in s tem se je cena berilija zniževala. Danes stane funt berilija samo 15 dolarjev.

Berilij je zelo lahka kovina, lažja kot aluminij, ter izredno močna in trpežna. Za enkrat se rabi kot primes k drugim kovinam, posebno kot primes k bakru. Baker, kot znano, je primeroma mehka kovina, toda če se mu primeša poldrugi odstotek do dveh odstotkov berilija, nastane izredno močna zlitina, ki je trša od jekla ter izredno močna in trpežna. Zlitina bakra in berilija se imenuje beryllium-copper. Poleg tega, da je izredno močna in trpežna, je ta zlitina tudi dobra prevodnica temperature in elektrike; ni pa magnetična, niti ne oddaja isker pri udarcih. To zadnje svojstvo je posebno velike važnosti za orodja, ki se rabijo v zvezi gorljivih tvarin ali eksplozivnih snovi.

Dandanes se iz mešanice bakra in berilija izdelujejo fine vzmeti in komplicirani kovinski deli za letala, avtomobile, očala, fotografske kamere, gasilinske in oljne sesalke, električne peči, godbene instrumente itd. Cena izdelkov iz take zlitine ni pretirana, kljub primeroma visoki ceni berilija, kajti približno 98 odstotkov take zlitine tvori baker, ki je poceni.

Poraba berilija kot primesi k drugim kovinam pa s tem še ni izčrpana. Primešan niklju daje kovino, ki je zelo porabna za gotove dele letal. Metoda tega mešanja pa je dosedaj še precej komplicirana in zato draga. Nadaljni poskusi pa bodo v teku časa skoro gotovo poenostavili in pocenili tudi ta proces.

Poskušnje mešanja aluminija z berilijem se dosedaj še niso prav povoljno obnesle, toda to ne pomeni, da se ne bi obnesle v dogledni bodočnosti. Taki zlitini bi se odprle široke nadaljne porabe.

Za peresa ali vzmeti v finih žepnih urah že rabijo zlitino nikla in berilija. Ako se zlatu primeša en odstotek berilija, se trpežnost zlatih izdelkov silno poveča. Tako zlato že rabijo optikarji pri izdelavi očal in nekateri moderni dentisti pri
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ZAPOZNELE VESTI OD TAM PREKO

GRADBENE MEZDE

Uprava dravske banovine je določila mezde, ki jih imajo dobivati delavci v gradbeni industriji. Posamezni kraji so razdeljeni po draginskih razredih in mezde so določene sorazmerno s tem. Za kvalificirane delavce po 12 mesecih prakse so plače po 6.25, 7 in 7.50 dinarjev na uro; za kvalificirane delavce z manj kot 12 meseci prakse po 5.50, 6 in 6.50 dinarjev; za pomožne delavce nad 18 let stare po 5, 5.25 in 5.75 dinarjev; za pomožne delavce mlajše od 18 let po 3.75, 4 in 4.25 din.

OGENJ UNICUJE

Pod Jurharjevo planino pri Trbovljah je požar uničil samotno kmečko domačijo Zuperlovo. Gasilci so k sreči rešili gospodarska poslopja in živino. Nesreča je bila toliko bolj tragična, ker se je Zuperlova družina ravno pripravljala na poroko starejšega sina in je zgorela tudi nevestina oprema, katere je bila usodnega dne prinesena na ženinov dom. Škoda je le deloma krita z zavarovalnino. V vasi Gaberje pri Novem mestu je ogenj uničil gospodarska poslopja posestnikov Franca Boltesa in Jožeta Erjavca.

POSTEN NAJDITELJ

Pekovski mojster Hinko Čelan s Teznega pri Mariboru se je podal po važnih poslovnih opravkih z doma ter je vzel večjo vsoto denarja s seboj. Ko se je vrnil, je opazil, da je iz žepa suknje izgubil listnico, v kateri je nosil 58,500 dinarjev. Domneval je, da je denar izgubil na cesti od Sv. Miklavža do Maribora ter je imel le malo upanja, da bi dobil izgubljeni denar nazaj. Toliko bolj vzradošen je torej bil, ko se je drugi dan oglašil pri njem čevljarški mojster Alojzij Babič od Sv. Miklavža ter položil polno listnico predenj. Čelan je postenega najditelja ne samo zahvalil, ampak tudi lepo nagradil.

SMRT POBIRA

V Črnomlju je po daljši bolezni preminil gostilničar in mesar Josip Skubic. Mož je bil dober narodnjak in delaven za napredek svoje drage Bele Krajine. V Ribnici na Dolenjskem je v starosti 63 let umrl Anton Pelc, posestnik, gostilničar in lesni trgovec. Pokojnik je bil znan gospodarstvenik in poplaren daleč na okrog.

GRADNJA SKLADIŠČ

Vlada se je odločila v raznih krajih Jugoslavije zgraditi žitna skladišča. Vsega skupaj bo zgrajenih 69 takih skladišč s kapaciteto po 25 do 100 vagonov žita. Štiri taka skladišča bodo zgrajena tudi v Sloveniji.

VSE JE MOGOČE

Na svetu je vse mogoče. Cigana Ivan in Marija Cener iz Prekmurja sta nedavno ob petanjskem mostu postavila vrtljak, ki jima je zvečer vrzel 370 dinarjev izkupička. Ko je zvečer Cener legel k počitku v svoji uti, je obesil suknjč z denarjem nad glavo. Zjutraj je bil suknjč ob oknu, denarja pa ni bilo. Nekdo je ponoči z dolgo lato, na kateri je bil pritrtjen žebelj, potegnil suknjo k oknu in pobral iz nje denar. Tako se je zgodilo, da je bil eigan okraden, kar je vsekakor redkost.
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VSAK PO SVOJE

Staro leto, ki je pred nekaj dnevi zatonilo, je bilo leto nepopisnega trpljenja za velik del Starega sveta. V Novem svetu, to je v Ameriki, smo bili deležni miru in priličnega blagostanja. Lahko bi rekli, da je bilo leto 1940 za Zedinjene države še eno najboljših v preteklem desetletju. Z ozirom na to moremo samo želeči, da bi novo leto 1941 ne bilo za nas slabše od lanskega ter da bi bilo boljše in srečnejše kot lansko za Stari svet.

Predsednik Roosevelt je v svojem nedavnem govoru povedal svetu, kaj večina ameriškega ljudstva misli o nacijskih grožnjah glede poraza vseh demokracij in glede zaslužnja vseh nemških narodov. Pa so močniki v Berlinu takoj vzroili, češ, da Roosevelt ni pravilno razumel Hitlerjevih groženj.

Novoletne resolucije so na svoj način podobne laškim junakom: v paradi so lepe, v praksi pa malo pomenijo.

V Rimu so pronašli in javno ugotovili, da Amerika ne ljubi tiranije in diktature ter da je nasprotna fašizmu in nacizmu. Tej ugotovitvi so dodali zavito grožnjo, katere smo se tako ustrašili, da smo bili v noči od starega na novo leto skoro do jutranje zore pokonci, pripravljeni na boj s papirnati čaka-mi in plehastimi trobentami.

Mussolini se zadnje čase le bolj redko oglašja, pa še takrat, kadar se oglasi, imajo njegove besede grški ali egiptovski naglas. Mož ne more pozabiti bre, katere je dobil na Grškem in v Egiptu.

V zvezi z gori navedenim bi bilo zanimivo vedeti, kaj si mislijo grški bogovi in egiptovski sfinge o laških junakih.

Naselja v North Walesu v Angliji je nedavno zazibal precej močen potres in prebivalci so v prvem hipu mislili, da se zemlja trese vsled eksplozij nemških bomb. Ko so se prepirali, da zemljo stresa le naraven potres, so se zadovoljno oddahnili.

Neki farmer v okolici mesta Venice v Floridi je dolgo časa ugibal, kaj je narobe z njegovim radijskim aparatom, iz katerega so včasih prihajali čudno zverženi programi. Poklicani ekspert je radijski aparat pregledal in našel v istem dve kači klopotači.

Zadnje čase je dosti povpraševanja, kje je tista zvezda repatica, ki so nam jo zvezdogledi obljubili za božič. Pa je oni dan neki znanstvenik, ki se razume na zvezde, izjavil, da je obljubljena zvezda repatica že na nebu in tudi vidna prostemu očesu, samo njen rep se ne vidi. Z ozirom na to pojasnilo filozofa prijatelja Caheja, da je repatica opletala s svojim repom nad evropskimi bojišči, pa jej je bil rep odstreljen.

V mestu Bethany, Missouri, je bil Raymond King zelo razočaran, ko mu je bolniška streljica v porodnišnici sporočila, da mu je žena rodila hčerko. Mož je namreč sigurno računal na sina. Dobro uro pozneje pa mu je zdravnik naznanil, da je
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TRIJE BRATJE

Tretji dan je prišla vrsta na Milana

JANUS

little circles! says Susie May. Susie May wears a RED cap with a wide GREEN turn back. Her snow suit is RED with GREEN collar and cuffs on her ankles. Her mittens are bright woolly RED.

Teddy wears a cute little ORANGE color (use RED and YELLOW mixed).

Mince Meat Tartlets

These tiny tarts are delicious to serve with tea or marmalade at a school or club party.

USELESS BUTTONS

Helen was examining her father's new frock coat, which had just been sent home from the tailor's. She was very much surprised to see two buttons on the back just were the tail of the coat begins. She could find nothing to fasten to those buttons and she wondered why they were there, so she asked her father why. He told her that many years ago men wore coats with long tails that almost trailed on the ground when they walked. If speed or hurry was necessary the long tails were in the way, so buttons were fastened to the coat, the button holes were placed in the corners of the tails that the long ends might be looped up and buttoned out of the way. Now-a-days there is no use for such a button, but it is used on the coats as an ornament and stands as a relic of a former style.

Juvenile Page Filled With Favorite Treats for Kiddies

Included this week are two columns of a Slovene story. Even though our American Fraternal Union has been streamlined to fit this fast-moving age, we must not forget that our Yugoslav nationality and tongue is the backbone of our organization. In printing the story in Slovene we feel that you juveniles will read it and get to know better your mother tongue. It is wise to know as many languages as possible.

Last Month's Winners

Considered prize winning articles in last month's juvenile section were those listed below who won prizes accordingly. Constant improvement in your writing will merit you a prize also. Be a good correspondent, and you will find that it will pay you in the end—in popularity and in money. Winners last month were: Florence Dorothy Startz, Lodge 1, Ely, Minn., \$3.00; Margaret Mary Startz, Lodge 1, Ely, Minn., \$3.00; Ursula Balantich, Lodge 30, Chisholm, Minn., \$1.00; Dorothy Martincic, Lodge 149, Canonsburg, Pa., \$1.00; Florence Prosen, Lodge 173, Cleveland, O., \$1.00; Mirko Tomsic, Lodge 149, Canonsburg, Pa., \$1.00; Veronica Berbic, Lodge 149, Canonsburg, Pa., \$1.00; Walter Kodolja, Lodge 87, St. Louis, Mo., \$1.00; Tommy Turk, Lodge 36, Conemaugh, Ja., \$1.00; and Pauline Jerich, Lodge 200, Ely, Minn., \$1.00.

Gnjevoš:
ČEZ POLJE BELO

Ali snežec ne boji se:
v zraku urno razkropi se,
se poredno smeje
vetru, ki zastoni ga veje.

Nerve and Nerves

Carl sat down and held the guide ropes while his sister got on behind. "Ready! One-two-three!" Off they swooped like birds on the wing over the smooth unbroken snow. It was wonderful! Marion like that scared feeling

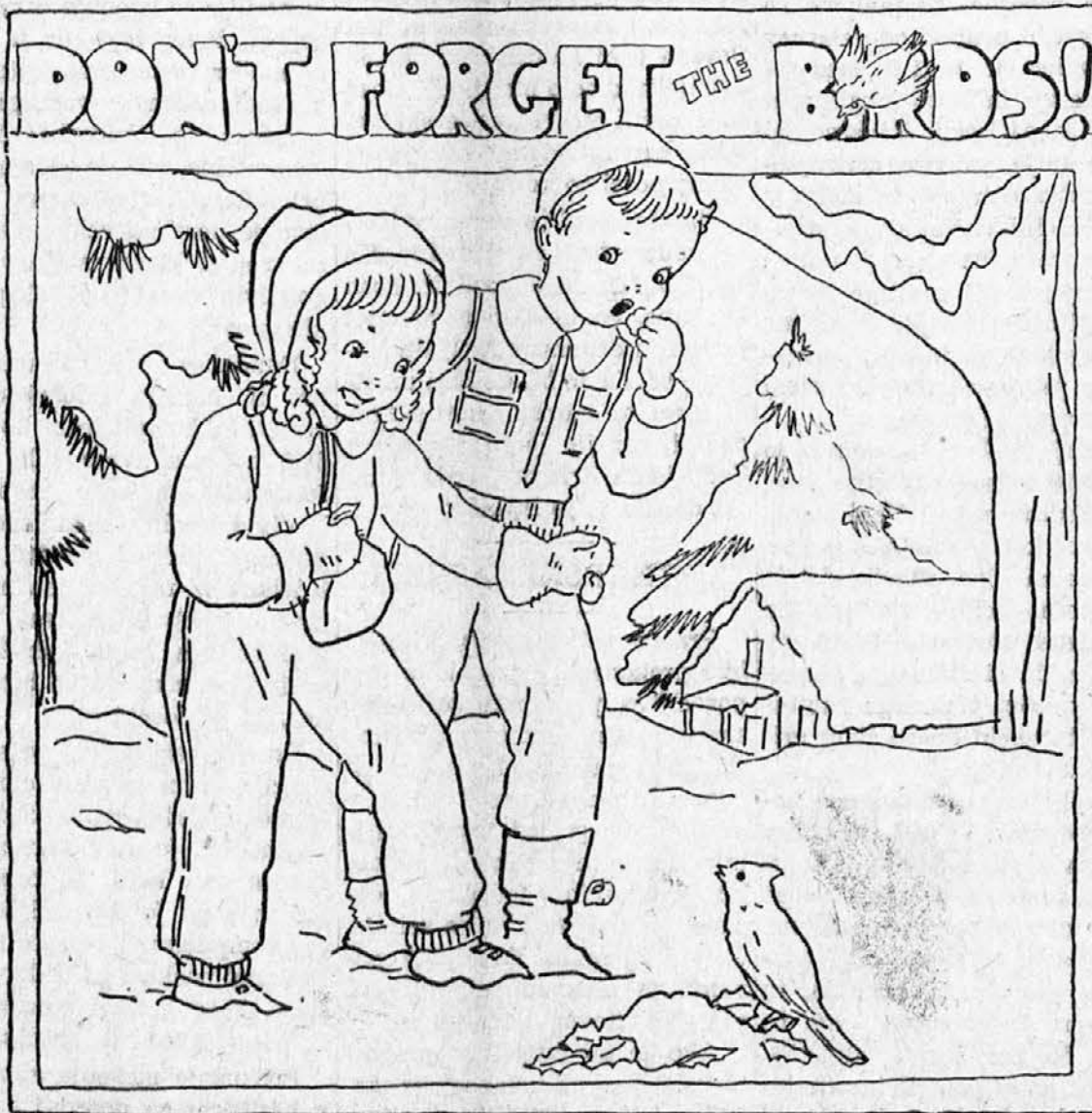
FORTUNE TELLER

FORTUNE TELLING GAME

her fortune told will step to the table
blindfolded with a handkerchief, and

in your arm. I could cut it out by ripping you just as I did your coat."

nervy as could be. She's going to make
a crackerjack nurse and I've decided
what I'm going to be. I'm going to be
a doctor!"



(To be colored with paints or crayons. Whenever you come to a kord spelled in CAPITAL letters use that color.)

The house is light GREEN with a snow-covered roof; the windows can be colored YELLOW because the lights

PINK, too, and so are both their chins —you see Jack Frost is pinching about.

The Snow Pile

Children get quite excited over the game, although it is really one of the calls for the greatest caution. But the evidently only helps to make it more exciting, still. A number of pure white bonbons are piled on a dish in the center of the table and the player is furnished with a tiny pair of bonbon tongs. The aim is to lift one candy without disturbing any of the other in the heap. If any roll off the player loses the candy he has picked up. If the pile is undisturbed he keeps his candy. The one who wins who can show the largest number of candies.

Magic Carpet Sails Into Cleveland

Plans to Take Juvenile Members on Regular Trips Weekly!

By Little Stan

Cleveland, O. — Though not completely unheralded, a new streamlined Magic Carpet has entered Cleveland, Ohio, on the heels of a baby New Year 1941.

This mystic rug of the skies, a product of the old SSCU, now transformed into the new and American AFU has sailed from the Home Office in Ely, Minnesota to the newspaper office of Nova Doba in Cleveland, where it will be in much better position to take care of every juvenile member in the AFU world.

Bad weather has no bearing on this goodwill messenger and you can be certain that every juvenile who submits original articles, stories, and poems will be part of this imaginary rug every single week. Other novel features will be embodied in this Magic Carpet—a rug created by juvenile members—in 1935 when the first juvenile convention was held in Ely, Minnesota.

It's going to be the juvenile's page—a page where everything you send in will be printed in likeable style, a page that you will really enjoy because it will be a part of you and the American Fraternal Union.

Send in your articles as often as you can, and see them printed along with all the others on the Magic Carpet juvenile page. We plan even to start a letter-writing column so that you juvenile members can write to each other personally.

In sending in your articles you must remember these rules, otherwise the Magic Carpet may get real angry and postpone your ride.

The rules are:
1. Write clearly and as legibly as you can on one side of each sheet.

2. Try to be as original as you can. Don't copy anything from books, newspapers, or magazines, and if you do, thinking it is very good, mention the name of the magazine, its date of publication.

3. Always sign your name in ink to every article you submit. Be sure to write it. A typewritten signature will not be sufficient and your ride on the Magic Carpet may be postponed until we get that signature in ink.

4. Also state the name of

your lodge and No. And if you want to have the Magic Carpet answer you, you'll have to write your return address.

5. You don't have to, but if you want to share in any prizes, take part in small contests which will be featured on the Magic Carpet page. You will win prizes and besides will have a higher standing with the Magic Carpet.

Now everybody read these rules carefully, and let's start making friends with the Magic Carpet. No matter where you live remember address your articles to:

English Editor, Nova Doba
6233 St. Clair Avenue
Cleveland, Ohio

And Little Stan will see to it that you and the Magic Carpet will be the best of friends.

Always keep in good standing with the Magic Carpet by sending in at least one article each month. You'll have a lot of fun, because just think, your juvenile friends from all over the country will be able to get on this mystic rug of newspaperdom and get together for a real grand time each month.

Little Stan will try to operate the controls to the best of his ability so that every one of you will be able to have your favorite place.

A lot of you may be afraid to write, thinking — ooo — a countless number of things. You'll say, I haven't anything to write about; or my writing isn't good; the editor will laugh at it; others will make fun of it. Don't think like that at all. Who knows, perhaps by writing, the editor may recognize something extraordinary in your article, and it may make you famous almost overnight!

Just send your articles in and let Little Stan be the judge. He'll fix them up so that every lodge member in your community will recognize you as official Nova Doba Magic Carpet reporters.

Now let's get friendly with the Magic Carpet right away. Let's qualify by writing our first article now. Then watch the results!

Got the pen, pencil and paper? Swell, let's go right to work!

Beginning 1941

By Florence Dorothy Startz

Ely, Minn. — By the time you read this article, it will be 1941, and one of the resolutions I've made is to write to our juvenile page every month as I have been doing constantly since I commenced to write a letter over four years ago. That is one resolution which won't be difficult to carry out. As a matter of fact, I enjoy writing my monthly articles.

It would be nice if all the juveniles would adopt a New Year's resolution to have at least one article in the Nova Doba each month. How about it, juveniles? We should all strive to write better articles and not pile unnecessary work on our new editor, Stan Pechaver. Let us take this opportunity to thank him for his work in the past. Without Stan's encouragement, I might not have written constantly. Each time I write, thoughts and ideas seem to come easier to me. You might ask what inspiration or enlightenment can I give you in writing. For instance, when I saw the new calendar for our Union, the first thing I noticed was the name. As I studied the calendar more deeply, I got the idea what's in a name. I said to myself, "There's an idea for an article."

I jotted it down in my notebook and as I concentrated I thought why that could be a title for an article and around that title I could build my article.

I'm starting an article: "What's In A Name," but I had to lay it aside to write this article for the juvenile page. It will appear on the adult page in the near future. Will you please read it? It will give you a better idea what I mean. As you all know the South Slavonic

Catholic Union (SSCU) has changed its name to American Fraternal Union (AFU). I think the new name fits our organization to the fullest and is an idealistic name for our Union. One thing is our resolutions should be that we will cherish the old name of our organization in our memory and adopt the new name and take it to it at once.

I hope all you juveniles had as nice a Christmas as I did. Santa was exceedingly good to me this year and maybe a little better than I deserved. I received many practical and useful gifts. My most cherished gifts were a camera which I had wanted for a long time and a beautiful pen and pencil set from my Uncle John in Michigan. My sister Margaret received a pen and pencil set, too.

Many Ely residences were lighted up very beautifully during the holiday season. The home which won first prize in the lighting-up contest in Ely featured a setting of encircling pine boughs and colored lights depicting a Christmas card, and showing on it a map of the United States in white on a background of blue. On one corner was a red bow. A Santa and the salutation: "Season's Greetings" were in the center of the map while above the card was written: "To be an American is a gift."

A few days before Stan Pechaver left for Cleveland, O., to take up his duties as editor, a farewell party was given for him at the Yugoslav National Home. Many local officials of the AFU were present. Stan was given a fountain pen and pencil set.

Gloria Terbovec, I want to take this opportunity to thank you for the sympathy card you sent me. It was appreciated very much. Gee, but it's been such a long time since you've written to the Nova Doba, Gloria, and I really miss the wonderful articles you used to write.

I was quite surprised to see a letter from Pauline Jerich on our juvenile page last month. I know Pauline very well and am looking forward to seeing more letters from her.

Practicing first aid keeps me busy during vacation. Our Girl Scout troop has a first aid lesson every Thursday. It's really very interesting. But we certainly get our instructor disgusted with us sometimes, because nearly every time he ties a new bandage on someone we all remark: "Oh, doesn't that look like the latest style?"

Our Scout troop is making plans to take a trip to the twin cities of St. Paul and Minneapolis in the near future. It will be loads of fun, I know, and I can hardly wait.

I was very sorry to hear of the death of Julia Adamic (Lodge 68, Joliet, Ill.). From her picture she seems to have been a very sweet girl. I wish to, at this time, express my sympathy and condolences to Julia's parents, brothers and sisters.

Well, I had better close my article now. My sister Margaret has been persuading me all noon to go skating with her, but I just had to finish this article first.

In closing, I would like to wish all the supreme officers, and members of the AFU a very Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Florence Dorothy Startz
Lodge 1, AFU

(Ed. Note: The same to you and your's Florence and hats off to one of our ablest and finest juvenile correspondents!)

Contributions From Our Junior Members

105-2nd Ave., So. W.
CHISHOLM, MINN.

DEAR EDITOR:—

Well, Christmas is past and I still didn't write a story, but maybe next time, I'll write one.

Our lodge had a Christmas party on the 21st, and boy did we have fun! First of all we sang, "God Bless America!", then we had a contest. The one who sang the best won 25 cents. Then there were stories and more singing. Last of all, anyone that wanted to could go up in the front of the group and tell why they are glad to belong to St. Joseph's, Lodge 30. Of course I went and though I wasn't prepared I won the prize. Gee, was I glad! Then I was called by the secretary, who is Mr. Joseph Bovitz, to the front again, and he awarded me a dollar from our president, Mr. Hren. Mr. Hren said that he gave me the dollar because I had the best article in Nova Doba last month. I was so thrilled that I went back to my seat in a daze. Then everyone asked me where and how to write to the Nova Doba. I told them the easy instructions and from what I hear, they are writing now.

Our president was very proud to say that I was the one and only one that wrote from this city. Then they told the children at the party that I had also given them a member. Everyone clapped for me, and I think that was the merriest Christmas party we ever had.

Well, New Year is rolling around and I didn't make any resolutions because I break them anyway. Well, I'll close now and will be writing next month again (I hope). And thanks loads for the one dollar check I received. It came in handy for Christmas!

Rose Yartz
St. Joseph's Lodge 30,
(Ed. Note: Congratulations, Rose, and keep up the good work!)

303 7th St., S. W.
CHISHOLM, MINN.
Dec. 31, 1940

DEAR EDITOR:—

This is my second letter to the Nova Doba.

I read the contributions printed in this section and find it all very interesting.

I hear that the name of the South Slavonic Catholic Union has been changed to American Fraternal Union. I think this is right because there are not only Slovenians in the society, but all different kinds of nationalities.

I hear Little Stan is going to be editor of the juvenile department. I wish him the best of luck in the holding of this office.

I had a very Merry Christmas and I hope all the juveniles had a Christmas as Merry as mine.

Now I'll close my letter by wishing you all a happy and prosperous New Year.

Edith Mae Petrich (Age: 11)
Lodge 30, AFU
(Ed. Note: Thank you Edith, and write again and often. — Stan.)

Dec. 30, 1940
418 Mahan Ave.
HAZEL PARK, MICH.

DEAR EDITOR AND READERS:—

It has been a long time since my last letter. I'm sure it has been over a year. I think that is a good record for a Detroit juvenile. Since I brought up the subject I'll speak my little piece on the matter. Why don't we hear from other Detroiters? There are a lot of them, but will they write? No! What is the matter? Are you afraid? Don't you have paper and pencil? Or, don't you know the address? (All this goes for me too.) I'm sure you all can find something to write about, even if it is crabbings about something as I am doing. If there is something going on in smaller towns for other juveniles to write about, there must be something going on around here for us to write about. SO COME ON AND WRITE, DETROITERS!

Now to get to the subject of my letter (and there is a subject). I'm writing especially to congratulate Little Stan on his new position as the English Editor of the Nova Doba. We will miss Mr. Kolar's touch to the columns, but I'm sure Little Stan can fill his shoes well. And Stan if you steer that magic carpet correctly you'll end up in an office in Cleveland, Ohio. Congratulations again and lots of luck.

This is Anna Hiti signing off for Detroit and its vicinity and wishing all a HAPPY AND SAFE NEW YEAR.

Anna Hiti
Lodge 144
(Ed. Note: That's the spirit Anna, and thanks for the congrats!)

feathers like a chief and they had Indian costumes in brown.

About five miles from Brookville, a trail turned off from the road which they had followed for one mile. Then they crossed a foot bridge and followed the trail. On both sides of the road were large and beautiful trees. Finally, the three girls turned and opened a gate. They then walked into the yard. It was a very beautiful place in which a log cabin was built. Close by was a spring from where cool water trickled into the nearby river.

The first gate led to two other gates, on opposite sides. The gate to the right led to a haystack where the horses ate and a little further on was a small barn where the horses were saddled, bridled, etc. The cabin and springhouse followed the left-hand gate. In the cabin were four rooms, a kitchen, a living room and two bedrooms. One of the bedrooms was very large and had three beds so each girl had a separate bed of their own.

When you follow up the lane it leads to a pasture and corral where the three girls round up wild horses and cattle. The name of the mysterious girl was Jean Holly and her two Indian companions were Tanra and Onra. Jean had deep blue eyes, ruby lips, and a beautiful complexion. Tanra and Onra as most Indians, had black braids and brown eyes, but a more beautiful color of brown.

The next day the three girls were rounding up some beef cattle.

"Where did you say that fight was going to take place, Onra?"

"You mean the bank robbery, don't you?" replied Jean.

"Yes," returned Onra, "I guess that's what it was. What time it was going to be robbed?"

"10 o'clock tonight," Tanra answered. "Who is going to rob it?" asked Onra.

"Onra, I don't know the name, but they live at the Park Hotel in the taproom," said Jean.

Jean and her companions started towards the bank that night about nine o'clock. Jean had a plan and thought it might work. But the three girls arrived just as the robbers were leaving the bank.

"White Star!" cried one of the men. All three girls started as fast as they could toward the hideout. But the thief who was carrying the gold started out the opposite way.

"Girls!" yelled Jean, "Go out after the other crooks. I'm going after the one who has the gold."

Jean chased the crook that had the gold for about four miles when the crook hurriedly dismounted and fled behind a huge group of rocks. No use trying to catch him! Jean had an idea. She put her hat on a stick, buried some bullets and started them on fire. She made the crook think she was still shooting and so the crook kept shooting in the direction of the fire.

Jean slipped around behind the crook and knocked him over the head just enough to knock him out. She took the crook and placed him on his horse, taking the gold and started for town and the sheriff's office. When Jean got to the sheriff's office she wrote a note saying: "Here is one of the crooks that was in with the bank robbery. He was the one who was carrying the gold." Signed: "White Star."

(To be continued.)

(P. S. I hope all of you had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year of 1941. I hope my story will interest you.)
Velma Teckovec (Age: 14)
No. 78, AFU

Ed. note: A good story Velma. Very interesting.)

A Message From Ely

By Little Al

Ely, Minn. — Here we are in the little Ely Shopper office, with the whole gang tearing around us. It's that weekly jam session of the peddlers getting their tickets for the afternoon show. Soon it will be quiet and peaceful. Little by little the boys disappear. Now there are only half a dozen left and it's quiet already! The interest changes. After all the passes are passed out, the few boys crowd around the machine that writes out its message to our friends all over this continent from coast to coast.

Flash! The New Year was welcomed by Elyites in an extra big way last week... At least 2,000 people were out... (take that two ways). What a swell time everyone had... We could call Ely a "Boom Town" featuring Red the Masnari, Ray (Glasses) Gradishar, Bill (Tough guy) Kosorok, Ed (Left

guys) Stan? To complete the list there was music by "Fishy" and "Ten Scales," also featuring Little Lukie on the sound effects. (Does this sound like the Circulation Department?)... (With ideas flopping in from all sides of the gang, we should have something written about the history of the New Year's Eve doings.) To continue — Stan — you should have seen

the mobs in town. I suppose you saw plenty in Cleveland, but the boys and I think you missed a big celebration here in Ely. Yep, the Nova Leta is here with bells and bottles. All the popular places were packed especially Dee's Place (so Red tells me).

Who said it was quiet and peaceful in here. I guess I spoke too soon. Right now we have the whole staff of peddlers zooming back and forth...

A new name! American Fraternal Union! A little name with a big meaning behind it, backed up by thousands of Americans, giving our leaders a high standing in our Union. We feel sure that our name will grow larger and larger. Yes, without our leaders it would be difficult to carry on, without the help and encouragement brought forth from our paper — the Nova Doba, we would lose our strength. This is the time to start making our name grow! A new year and a new name!

I'm hoping that when every Friday comes, I can find the Nova Doba filled to the brim with articles from all of our friends. Let's not think that this space is reserved. Remember it is for all of us! I was surprised to see Justine Korent's article. It's been a long time, hasn't it Justine? I'm sure everyone will be looking for your articles from now on. Isn't it swell to be an active member in the adult department? Now we should see many articles from Ely. Come on Ely juveniles, let's all write and tell Little Stan and everyone else in the United States about Ely. We have a lot to tell — more than enough for everyone to fill ten years' editions of the Nova Doba. One month's editions could be filled just by telling about Ely's wonderful weather. (Little Stan says he blew into Cleveland on the wings of a snowstorm and Brother Terbovec said there wasn't any snow in Cleveland.) We're glad that Little Stan took the snowstorm with him when he left Ely — most of it anyhow — Stan took the wings and left the tailend with us. (Heh Heh Thanks, Stan) We have so much to write about, members, don't you think we can keep Editor Pechaver busy? I'm sure he will welcome all letters from you, so don't wait...

Here it is, space short, time short, and ideas all run down — except that we, the people, (including mostly Pop, Lou, Sis, Ed, Rosemary, and all the pals back home) send our best regards to Little Stan, with it the best of luck in his new job. And so comes the end of another article. I sincerely wish everyone the happiest New Year you ever had and may the American Fraternal Union zoom to the top, with it, the Nova Doba in what we hope will be the best year for — 1941!

Albert Pechaver
No. 2 AFU

About This And That

By Elsie M. Desmond

Cleveland, O. — A Happy New Year to Little Stan, as new editor of the Nova Doba; to Mr. Terbovec, Slovene editor; officers of the supreme board; and to all members of the American Fraternal Union.

A welcome to Little Stan to Cleveland. It probably was difficult for Stan leaving his parents, brothers, hometown, and friends and coming to a new city to make his home. But, as a new home, let's hope it will be a good and pleasant one to you, Stan. May your work as the new editor bring you joys and happiness; may you carry out your work and social affairs just as well as Mr. Louis Kolar did. In all, best of luck for your work, activities and socials, in your new city, Cleveland.

Life comes and goes! Work comes and goes! So Mr. Kolar has left with the office of the Nova Doba as the English editor. Known to all his friends as "Lou" he not only took deep interest in his journalistic career, but also was a great man for social affairs. Mr. Kolar, may you always keep this in your mind — THAT the members of the American Fraternal Union will always remember you as at one time the English Editor of the Nova Doba and a very good one. So as you have left the office of the Nova Doba, let's hope that you will still join in with our AFU affairs and be with the members for more good times. Mr. Kolar, once editor of the N. D. will forever be remembered by the brothers and sisters of the American Fraternal Union.

As you readers know there will soon be three pages of English section to the Nova Doba. So there will have to be more articles written by members of the Union. This can be done. Must say that the Rossa girls are doing their part... What about St. John's reporter? Col-linwood Booster's? Napredk's? George Washington's? (P. S. We haven't heard from them for a long time now.) and so many more lodges. Do you not vote for a reporter at your yearly meetings? Well, then do so at your next lodge meeting. Vote for a reporter. Someone that you know will be capable of doing the job. That is — reporting for your lodge when you have a dance... giving news about sick members... engagements... deaths... births... write in and tell us of your lodge's election. You can dig up a lot of news, if you will only try. You will have to co-operate with your new editor now. There will be three pages of the Nova Doba in the English section. Lodges you must help if you want your paper to be known as the best in the U. S. You must all help... Begin in now — sit right down and write a letter telling the readers about your lodge and the members. Come — wake up, especially the young members — you can do it — only if you want to. Let's see how much news we can have in by next week. Boy, we'll be watching to see how much energy the younger set of the AFU have!

Visited the Nova Doba office last week to welcome Stan to Cleveland and had a chat with him. The office has a new reception room now — next to office. All the improvements aren't finished as yet, but they soon will be. Little Stan did say that he had some new and better ideas for the Juvenile Page, but wouldn't say anything more. So juveniles, you'll just have to wait and see. Oh, don't forget the resolutions you made: An article a month in the Juvenile Page for the Nova Doba.

On Saturday, January 25th, Adria singing club will sponsor a dance at the Slovene Society Home in Euclid, Ohio. Music will be furnished by Tony Malovasic's orchestra.

Wish to thank all the members of the AFU for their beautiful cards sent to me during the holidays. Your appreciation will long be remembered.

The news of the death of Mr. Startz of Ely, Minnesota was also a shock to the people of Cleveland. Deepest sympathies are extended to Mrs. Startz, daughters, Florence and Margaret and two sons. May his Soul rest in peace — forever.

Seems that the time is up for your reporter again. So once again "A very Happy New Year — may it bring you happiness and peace and health. May you enjoy it — 1941 — Extended to all members of the American Fraternal Union from your sister scribe, E. M. D.

Elsie M. Desmond

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UPOŠTEVANJE MLADINE

V odraslem oddelku Ameriške bratske zveze tvori znatno število članov naša tu rojena mladina. Koliko je teh članov, ne vemo za gotovo, toda sodimo, da jih je nekako eno tretjino. Med to mladino zaradi enostavnosti štejemo vse v Ameriki rojene člane in članice, dasi so nekateri med njimi že v tako zvanih srednjih letih. Večina novih članov odraslega oddelka, ki smo jih pridobili zadnja leta, je tu rojena. Mladinski oddelki pa je seveda po veliki večini "ameriški."

V naši organizaciji smo že vrsto let upoštevali mladino, prav posebno upoštevanje iste pa je pokazala 16. redna konvencija. Samo pogledimo nekoliko. Glavni odbor Ameriške bratske zveze, katerega termin se je pričel s prvim januarjem 1941, šteje 17 članov, in od teh jih je 8, ki so bili rojeni v Ameriki. Ti so: drugi, tretji in četrti glavni podpredsednik, šesta glavna podpredsednica, pomožni glavni tajnik, vrhovni zdravnik ter tretji in četrti glavni nadzornik. Ako hočemo še računati prvega glavnega nadzornika, ki je bil sicer rojen v Sloveniji, pa je prišel še jako mlad v Ameriko, in ga za 50 odstotkov prisodimo tukaj rojeni mladini, pronajdemo, da ima tu rojena mladina v sedanjem glavnem odboru natančno polovico zastopstva. Z drugimi besedami bi se to povedalo, da je tu rojena mladina v našem glavnem odboru po številu bolj zastopana kot smo mi priseljeni člani.

Tu rojena mladina ima zastopstvo tudi v glavnem porotnem odboru v osebni druge glavne porotnice. Pomožni urednik oziroma urednik angleške sekcije Nove Dobe sicer ne spada v glavni ali porotni odbor, je pa kljub temu zelo važen uradnik organizacije. In oba biva pomožna urednika sta bila v Ameriki rojena Slovenca, kakor je sedanjí pomožni urednik. Tudi to dokazuje, da so starejši člani vedno želeli dati mladini tisto, kar jim je najbližje, in da so jim vedno skušali po najboljši možnosti ugoditi.

Zadnja konvencija je tudi upoštevala večkrat izraženo željo naše mladine z ozirom na razmeram primernejše ime organizacije. Novo ime Ameriška bratska zveza ali v angleščini American Fraternal Union more biti sprejemljivo za vsakega tukaj rojenega rojaka ali pa za drugorodca.

Značilno je, da je bila mladina deležna takega upoštevanja od strani konvencije, na kateri je bila mladina v odločni manjšini. Ako bi bili "stari" trmast vztrajali pri starem, bi mladina pač ne bila dobila takega zastopstva v glavnem odboru in tudi vprašanje spremembe imena bi bilo še odloženo. Pa se je pokazalo, da znajo starejši člani pametno računati z razmerami, obenem pa se je tudi pokazalo, da znajo ceniti zmogljive in delavne mlade člane. Zdi se, da tisti neizogibni prehod iz "starokrajšine" v postopno amerikanizacijo ni tako težaven, kakor smo se nekoč bali. Mi bolj in bolj razumemo našo mladino in tako tudi ona bolj in bolj razume nas ter začne ceniti nas in naše ustanove. In, kjer je razumevanje in medsebojno spoštovanje, tam so tudi prilike za sodelovanje.

Pisu teh vrstic ni znano v kakšnih proporcijah je tu rojena mladina zastopana v glavnih odborih drugih slovenskih in jugoslovanskih podpornih organizacij, toda skoro prepričan je, da je mladina tozadevno najbolj upoštevana pri naši Ameriški bratski zvezi. Dolžnost nas starejših je, da našo mladino na to dejstvo opozorimo, ne enkrat, ampak pogostoma. Na ta način jo bomo tesneje navezali na našo organizacijo ter ji dali veselje za agitacijsko delo. Ako bo znala pravilno ceniti našo nestransko, izključno bratsko in finančno trdno podporno organizacijo, bo ponosna in vesela, da je vključena v isti, ter jej bo pridobivala nove člane med svojimi prijatelji. Mladina ima lažji dostop do mladine kot mi starejši, in dandanes dobivamo nove člane skoro izključno iz vrst tu rojene mladine. Zato mora postati mladina naša najboljša agitacijska sila. Mi starejši pa ji bomo seveda pomagali pri dobrem delu za našo organizacijo.

Danes se mladina ne more več izgovarjati, da ne more med svojimi tovariši pridobivati novih članov zaradi neprimerne imena organizacije. Naša organizacija, ki je bila že dolgo let po svojih pravih bratska podpora organizacija brez vseh drugih pritiskov, kaže sedaj tudi s svojim imenom. Vsaka značajna in zdrava oseba belega plemena, ki je v pravi starosti, lahko vstopi v našo Ameriško bratsko zvezo. Mi starejši vemo to in delamo zanj na tej podlagi, toda logično in potrebno je, da k temu delu za organizacijo pritegnemo tudi našo mladino.

Vazna naznanila iz glavnega urada A. B. Z.

NOVA PRAVILA

Te dni se razpošiljajo na društva nova pravila, ki so stopila v veljavo dne 1. januarja 1941.

Novih pravil smo naročili 12,000 iztisov, dočim šteje odrasli oddelki nad 15,000 članov. Torej jih prejme vsako društvo nekaj manj kot ima članov v odraslem oddelku.

Nova pravila so mnogo dražja kot so bila pred štirimi leti, zato priporočamo društvenim tajnikom, da varčujejo z njimi in da jih oddajo samo tam, kjer je absolutno potrebno. Za vsako družino naj bi zadostoval po en iztis. Člani naj nova pravila po prečitani skrbno shranijo, da se jim ne izgubijo, kajti možno je, da čez štiri leta ne bomo izdali povsem novih pravil, ampak le dodatke ali spremembe v istih. Na ta način bi Zveza prihranila najmanj en tisoč dolarjev.

Nova pravila se pošiljajo na stare tajnike, ki naj poskrbijo, da pridejo v roke njihovim naslednikom. Ako bi kako društvo novih pravil do 31. januarja ne prejelo, tedaj naj obvesti glavni urad Zveze.

IZREDNI ASESMENT ZA ONEMOGLOSTNI SKLAD

Izredni asessment v znesku 5 centov, ki se je do 31. decembra 1940 pobiral za onemoglostni sklad, od 1. januarja 1941 naprej DOBRODELNI sklad, je s 1. januarjem 1941 odpadel. Zvišan pa je od 1. januarja 1941 naprej asessment za dobrodelni sklad, in sicer od 5 na 10 centov, katerega mora plačati vsak član, ki je zavarovan v dobrodelnem skladu. Skupni asessment bo torej isti, kot je bil prej z izredno naklado vred.

PODPORA ČLANOM STARIM NAD 70 LET

Člani, ki so zavarovani v dobrodelnem (prej onemoglostnem) skladu deset let ali več, ki so stari nad 70 let in ki niso toliko nezmožni, da bi bili upravičeni do bolniške ali redne dobrodelne podpore, in pod pogojem, da še niso izčrpali celotne podpore v dobrodelnem (prej onemoglostnem) skladu, bodo od 1. januarja 1941 naprej upravičeni do dobrodelne podpore v znesku \$3.00 na mesec za dobo 5 let. Skupna vsota dobrodelne podpore ne sme presegati vsote \$180.00, in kar so taki člani prejeli iz prejšnjega onemoglostnega sklada od 1. januarja 1931 naprej, se jim od skupne vsote odbije. To podpora bomo nakazali članom na vsake tri mesece. Prva podpora se jim bo nakazala meseca marca 1941. Listine za to podporo bodo družbeni tajniki pravočasno prejeli.

Z bratskim pozdravom,

ANTON ZBAŠNIK, glavni tajnik.

VSAK PO SVOJE

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

štorklja njegovo željo upoštevala in mu prinesla še sinadvojčka.

Dvanajstletno Dorothy Neuman v New Yorku je njena mati nekega popoldne poslala po neko reč v trgovino. To je bilo pred enajstimi leti. Deklica je odšla in se je vrnila šele na lanišnji božični večer. V New Yorku so res velike razdalje. Vsekakor se je punca zamudila doma samo par ur in je spet odšla. Je morda kaj pozabila.

Po odredbi angleškega vojnega ministrstva ne smejo vojaki več nositi svetlih gumbov na svojih uniformah, kajti svetli gumbi predstavljajo dober cilj za sovražnika. Marsikateri bivši vojak, ki je "pucal knofe" nekdanjih avstrijskih uniform, se bo na tihem jezil, češ, zakaj ni bila moda temnih gumbov oblikovno vpeljana v vseh armadah že pred desetletji.

Amerika je svobodna dežela in ni protipostavna, če kdo svoj nos vtika kamor koli, tudi tja, kjer nima nikakega interesa. Zdravo pa to ni vselej. Včasih se zgodi, da človek dobi po nosu, če ga nepoklican vtakne kam, kjer prav za prav nima ničesar iskati.

V zvezi z gori navedenim lahko po farizejsko zavijem oči in svečano izjavim: Zahvalim te, o veliki Jehova, da nisem tak kot oni cestinar za vrati. Glej, nikdar se ne ponašam, da sem velika zverina javnega delavstva, in nikdar ne vtikam mojega nosu v notranje zadeve drugih podpornih organizacij.

Ob priliki praznovanja novega leta se lahko zgodi marsikaj. Malokdaj pa se pripeti kaj takega kot se je za letošnje novo leto zgodilo Josephu Callahanu v Chicagu. Mož se je v salunu nabral nekoliko noveletne korajže, nakar je srečno prišel v svoje stanovanje in sedel na stol. Pa se je zgodilo, da je mož omahnil s stola in telebnil na tla. Njegovi umetni zobje pa so bili hitrejši in so padli na tla pred njim. In to je bila tragedija.

Mož je priletel z nosom naravnost na rezeče se zobe in tekla je kri. Tako se je mož z lastnimi zobmi ugriznil na nos. Za nooletno voščilo ugrizniti samega sebe na nos je pa že malo od sile.

A. J. T.

SPLOŠNI TEDENSKI PREGLED

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

bile naročil za letalske potrebščine za mnogo milijonov dolarjev. Mnogokje je bilo treba tovarne povečati in federalna vlada bo pomagala financirati taka povečanja.

POSEBNI OPAZOVALEC

Predsednik Roosevelt se je oddelil poslati v Anglijo Harryja Hopkinsa kot svojega osebnega opazovalca. Hopkins je osební prijatelj predsednika ter je z ozirom na pravice delavstva in preprostega ljudstva sploh sličnih nazorov kot predsednik. Poznavalci razmer sodijo, da bo sedanja vojna pometla z vplivom angleških lordov in drugih bogatašev in da bo prosto ljudstvo Anglije prišlo po vojni do večjih pravic. Predsednik Roosevelt, ki je znan borilec za pravice delovnega ljudstva doma, želi biti potom nepristranskega in simpatičnega opazovalca poučen, kako se stvari tozadevno razvijajo v Angliji.

KOMET RAZOČARAL

Zvezdoslovci so razočarani nad ponašanjem novega Cunninhamovega komete, katerega so nedavno odkrili. Komet kaže manj briljance kot so znanstveniki pričakovali, poleg tega pa opazovanje tudi ovira oblačno vreme. Najlepše bi se moral videti komet na severni zemeljski poluobli v noči 10. januarja. Po tem datumu bo malo prilike ga opazovati, ker bo zahajal kmalu po sončnem zahodu. Po 14. januarju ga bo mogoče videti le še z južne zemeljske poloble.

RAZSTAVA V CLEVELANDU

Dne 4. januarja je bila v Clevelandu, Ohio, otvorjena mednarodna razstava, ki bo trajala

16 dni. Na tej razstavi bodo veččinoma razstavljeni predmeti različnih narodov, pobrani iz zaključene svetovne razstave v New Yorku. Razstava se vrši v Public Hallu in bo dnevno odprta vključno do 19. januarja od 1. ure popoldne do 11. ure zvečer. Vstopnina je zelo zmerna.

REPUBLIKA ZASPALA

Francija, ena najstarejših republik, je pod silo razmer opustila svojo republikansko označbo. Dosedaj se je imenovala republika Francija, v bodoče pa bo njen oficijelni naslov država Francija.

DRAGA PROTEKCIJA

Češko-moravski protektorat, del bivše Češkoslovaške, ki je zdaj v okviru Velike Nemčije, ter ima le nekaj svoje lastne notranje uprave, je dosedaj plačeval Nemčiji 200 milijonov čeških kron na leto. To se smatra za nekako odškodnino Nemčiji, ki je prevzela gotove administracijske posle češkomoravskega protektorata. Kot se poroča iz Nemčije, bo v bodoče vsota te odškodnine podvojena.

NAPETOST NA BALKANU

Kljub mnogim nasprotujočim si poročilom je zdaj gotovo dejstvo, da ima Nemčija mnogo vojaštva v Rumuniji ter ob bolgarski in jugoslovanski meji. Iz Maribora in Ljubljane se poroča, da je nemško armadno poveljstvo zasledilo šole v Gradcu, v Celovcu ter v drugih krajih Štajerske in Koroške. Šolski pouk je odgojen in v šolskih poslopih je nastanjen vojaštvo. To bi kazalo, da namerava nemška vojska vdreti preko Bolgarije ali Jugoslavije ali pa preko obeh v Grčijo. Da li se bo Jugoslavija z orožjem uprla taki invaziji, ni znano. Iz Bolgarije prihajajo nasprotujoča si poročila. Enkrat se poroča, da če bo Nemčija zahtevala prehod preko bolgarskega ozemlja, se mala Bolgarija ne bo mogla upirati; drugo poročilo pa pravi, da se bo Bolgarija tako invaziji uprla z orožjem. Ako zadnje poročilo vsebuje kaj resnice, mora biti Bolgariji zagotovljena ruska pomoč. Rusija ima baje zbranega mnogo vojaštva ob vsej nemški meji in še posebno mnogo ob rumunski meji, kajti Rumunija je v popolni oblasti Nemčije. Vojški eksperti sodijo, da če bo Nemčija res udarila dalje na Balkan, se bo zapletla v vojno z Rusijo in Turčijo, kajti niti ena niti druga ne mara, da bi se Nemci preveč približali Dardanelom.

Grki še vedno dosegajo nekaj uspehov v Albaniji, dasi je zaradi snežnega vremena in zaradi močnejšega odpora Italijanov napredovanje le počasno. Po poročilih iz raznih strani pomagajo Italijanom v Albaniji tudi nemške čete. Koliko nemškega vojaštva je v Albaniji, ni znano.

VOJNA NA SEVERU IN JUGU

Nemško bombardiranje Anglije se nadaljuje z nezmanjšano silo. Tudi na morju vršijo nemška letala in podmornice svoje uničevalno delo naprej. Pred dnevi je bilo vrženih nekaj nemških bomb tudi na nevtralno Irsko. Angleži vračajo Nemcem milo za drago in s posebno silo bombardirajo nemška industrijska in pristaniška mesta. Pretekli teden so silno bombardirali nemško mesto Bremen.

V Sredozemlju so Angleži še vedno gospodarji položaja, tako na morju kot na važnih točkah Grčije in Afrike. Iz Rima je bilo poročeno, da so bili vsi italijanski letalci, ki so pomagali Nemcem bombardirati Anglijo, poklicani domov, in da prihajajo nemške letalske sile v Italijo, da obračunajo z Angleži v Sredozemlju. To dokazuje, da Mussolini ni v nič kaj prijetnem položaju, ker je moral poklicati Nemce na pomoč.

Angleži so pretekli teden po silnem bombardiranju zavzeli Bardio, močno utrjeno postojanje

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Vse te nagrade so izplačljive šele potem, ko so bili za nagrade plačani trije mesečni asessmenti.

ko v italijanski Libiji. Pri tem so zajeli in odpemili v ujetništvo nad 25,000 italijanskih vojakov, med njimi šest generalov.

VRTNARSKI NASVETI

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

že umetnost. Kdor ni takega dela vajen, je najbolje, da ga prepusti kakemu rojaku, ki prihaja iz vinskih krajev in se na tako reč razume.

Stara, posušena ali deloma posušena drevesa je priporočljivo v zimskem času izkopati in odstraniti, da se prihrani delo pomladi. V zvezi s tem je vredno omeniti, da na mestu, kjer je prej rastle staro drevo, je zemlja tako izčrpana, da mlado, novo posajeno drevo ne bo uspevalo, razen, če se izkoplje zelo velika jama in napolni z dobro zemljo od drugod.

Obrezovanje ali čiščenje dreves je priporočljivo odložiti do marca ali aprila, vsaj v hladnejših krajih. Nastale rane naj se gladko obrežejo in zamažejo s cepilno smolo ali asfaltom (asphaltum), kar se dobi v trgovinah s semeni in vrtnarskimi potrebščinami; to preprečuje gnitje. Kdor hoče, si lahko napravi cepilno smolo doma s tem, da raztopi primerno količino kolofonije (resin), ki se dobi v trgovinah, ter doda nekoliko raztopljene masti in špirita ali alkohola. Alkohol obdrži cepilno smolo mehko, in ko isti izhlapi, se smola strdi. Zato jo je treba hraniti v neprodušno zaprti posodi. Pri mešanju raztopljene smole in alkohola, je treba previdno ravnati, ker sta obe stvari vnetljivi.

ZADRUGE SE MNOŽIJO

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

duktivne svrhe," ali ta določba je zaostali elastična, da obsega vse potrebe povprečne družine, kot hrano, oblačila, najemnino, hišne potrebe, pohištvo, nakup avtomobila, počitnice in plačevanje malih dolgov naenkrat. Seveda le člani morejo dobiti posojila.

Federalne kreditne zadruge se morejo ustanoviti tudi le od

sedmice ljudi. Kadar take osebe, ki morajo imeti kake sklene interese, hočejo ustanoviti posojilno zadruge, napravijo prvo na Farm Credit Administration, da se jim podeli strazicija, da se jim podeli ter. Kasneje smejo pristopiti novi člani, ki imajo iste pravice in dolžnosti kot izvirni člani. Novi člani morajo biti le tak, ki spadajo k isti skupini interesov oziroma sosedstva. Common Ground — F.L.I.S.

POJAVI NOVIH KOVIN

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

popravi zob oziroma pri umnem zobovju.

Starodavni alkemisti so skušali delati zlato iz železa in drugih cenih rud, kar se jim je vedno ni posrečilo. Kemisti modernih časov pa znajo s primerno mešanjem navadnih kovin, katerih novo odkritih kovin, čarati kovinske zlitine, ki so praktično porabo neprimerne, več vredne kot je zlato.

ZAPOZNELE VESTI OTAM PREKO

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

POTUJOCI PESNIK

Ze kakih 20 dni se mudijo potovanju po Sloveniji J. D. Kij, narodni pesnik iz Bosanske Krajine, ki se je bil zaobljudil da v petih letih preroma v mesta in vasi Jugoslavije. V leg tega, da po najsamotnejši zasledki dviga in drami zanimanje za domačo pesem in za rodno stvar, si je nadel tudi logo, da v pokrajinah, kjer plemenost še ni obča narodna lagina, poučuje pozabljene in puščene pisanja in branja. Tem pogledu si je J. Djukič potovanju po Jugoslaviji priključil nekaj lepih zaslug, ki so jih priznale tudi mnoge podeske občinske uprave. V Ljubljani ostane samo par dni. Vsej Sloveniji je bil deležen lepega sprejema, tako da ohranil nanjo najlepše spomine, a še posebno na Maribor, kjer je srečal svojega sina, ki pravi, da služi vojaški rok.



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4. — Send your articles in so that they will reach Nova Doba by noon Tuesday of each week, and sooner if possible.

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LODGE 45 STEPS INTO LIMELIGHT

Plan Many Social Activities; Eye Nat'l Bowling Tourney

Indianapolis, Ind. — "Bang! Bang! Bang!" — with this roar, well likened to that of a cannon, St. Joseph's Lodge 45, AFU is waking up again. Several socials are being planned, one scheduled early in January.

Members are enthusiastic about sponsoring the National Bowling tournament of our AFU in the city. This takes place the latter part of April, and it is expected you'll all hear more about that as soon as we get more information. An increase in local lodge membership is visualized during 1941!

I would also like to tell all members of St. Joseph's to be alert. A meeting will be called in the near future concerning a social to be given in the Holy Trinity School basement sometime in January. Music will be by Frank Bozovicker, Blandford, Indiana, formerly of Detroit, Mich., and known as the best Slovenian polka accordionist around these parts.

Thanks a lot to Bro. Frank E. Vranichar (supreme trustee) for visiting our city of Indianapolis during the dedication of

our new Slovenian Home. Mr. Vranichar has made many new friends here and has helped our lodge to go forward. I must say that Frank and his wife are welcome to our homes any time of the day or night.

I would like to add that our Sports club is all pepped up regarding the coming bowling tournament, and are eagerly waiting for word so that they can get things rolling.

Our lodge is the second largest out of 17 in the City of Indianapolis and we expect to be the largest before Jan. 1, 1942.

Fraternally,

Louis Milharic, Sec'y
Lodge 45, AFU.

Sergeant (after war game) — Private Bjones, didn't you realize you were exposing yourself to an imaginary enemy only 250 yards away?

Private Bjones — That's all right, Sergeant, I was standing behind an imaginary rock 25 feet high.

Lodge 200

Ely, Minn. — At the annual meeting of Lodge 200, AFU, the following officers were elected for 1941: John Otrin, president; George Peternel, vice president; Joseph A. Mertel, secretary; Andrew Pirtz, recording secretary; Frank Golob, treasurer; Mike Cerkovnik, Ignac Fink, and Jack Kunstelj, board of trustees; Dr. J. P. Grahek, lodge medical examiner; Frank Mavetz and Anton Stupnik, representatives to the Yugoslav National Home; John Otrin, Joseph A. Mertel, and Frank Golob, representatives for United Lodges AFU of Ely, Minn.

Lodge meetings will be held as in the past. Every fourth Sunday of the month in the Yugoslav National Home at 9 a. m.

At this writing I would like to notify all members that it has been moved and officially passed that all members pay a 10-cent lodge assessment. We have a fine treasury, most of the money being invested in secure United States Bonds, which bring good interest returns.

If we were to sell the bonds before maturity, we would receive a lot less than what returns we could get within a few years.

A hearty and happy New Year to all.

For Lodge 200, AFU,

Joseph A. Mertel, Secretary

Sergeant (instructing class) — Man can serve but one master.

Draftee — Well, in that case, Sergeant, I'll cast my lot with the paymaster.

Lodge 162 Reports New Officers; Urges More Articles From West Coast

Enumclaw, Wash. — On Dec. 16, 1940, at a well rounded-out meeting of Lodge 162, AFU, the following personnel was officially selected to carry on in 1941.

Members expressed faith and confidence in the leadership of Louis Kerne, for he was re-elected to the presidency by an unanimous vote. He will have as running mate, aggressive Frank Potochnik. The position of secretary was again extended to Reliable John Mehlich, and into the hands of the president's wife, Mrs. Louis Kerne, was placed the office of treasurer. Mrs. Josephine Richter was elected recording secretary. Serving on the Board of Trustees will be Rudolph Petchnik, John Chacada, and Ivana Chacada. And as members of the Hall Board of Directors for 1941 will be Louis Kerne and yours truly.

And here's a P. S., friends. Your reporter has unanimously elected herself as your publicity chairman. Heh Heh! But it really is no laughing matter and I hope to prove in the weeks and months to come how important it is that a branch lodge be continuously kept before the public eye. With contributions from our branch appearing more regularly in the official organ of AFU it is logical to conclude that more interest will be shown toward Nova Doba by our members and naturally the spotlight will fall on the organization behind the activity.

In too many instances have I

BRIEFS

Word has been received that Andrew Champa, a member of Lodge 2, Ely, Minn., passed away in Quebec, Canada, following fatal injury received on Christmas day while working in a mine.

All members of Lodge 182 are requested to attend the first meeting of the year scheduled to be held Jan. 15, 1941 in the School Hall on 57th street at 8:30 p. m. writes Mary L. Bodack, secretary-treasurer.

Lodge No. 36, AFU softball team is sponsoring a benefit dance Jan. 11 in the Conemaugh Slovene hall. Everyone is invited to attend.

Sacred Heart of Jesus Lodge 2, will hold first 1941 meeting in Yugoslav National Home, Sun., Jan. 12. Entertainment following business session and installation is planned. Gopher members of junior group are invited.

Cardinals lodge, 229, SSCU, Struthers, O., will hold a dance on January 25th. Frank Yankovich and his Cleveland radio orchestra have been engaged to play for the dance.

In Spring Glen, Utah, lodge 168, SSCU will hold a dance on Saturday, January 11th, in Skerl's Hall.

English-conducted lodge Center Ramblers, 221, SSCU will observe its tenth anniversary with a dance on Saturday, January 25.

seen where week after week the Nova Doba comes to the homes of members and is laid aside without so much as a glance through its pages. Many times I have approached members on certain articles and they could only answer with a shrug. In delving deeper into the sad condition, I met with almost 100 per-cent identical rebuff: "Oh, well, the paper doesn't hold much interest for us here on the west coast. No local news, no reports, no writeups of any sort from our local."

With more interest centered on Nova Doba, with the fine lodge work being carried on in other sections of the country being constantly instilled into the minds of members through this medium, I feel confident worthy results will be attained. Within the membership of the seven affiliates in this state, I am sure there are many who have the ability to write about the plans and activities of their lodge. In their minds, they harbor brilliant ideas but are a little lax in expressing themselves. Why not write?

We here in this state seem to have settled into a rut and by all outward appearances seem content to stay there. Brother and sister members, let's wake up! Let's make 1941 our banner year! Let's resolve to double our membership! Let's catch up and keep right in stride with the active organizations of the Union.

The New Year has made its debut and that means the in-

Advertising Is Lodge Asset

Canonsburg, Pa. — In the last issue of Nova Doba I noticed that Canonsburg Lodge 205 was represented through the able pen of our secretary, Louis Polaski. The letter was most interesting and I am at a loss as to why they haven't appeared before.

It is a well known fact that advertising is the greatest asset in any department and that the advertising need not be "classy" or formal, but merely consistent. Any lodge in any organization needs that sort of advertising power in order to be progressive.

Being a member of this great organization for the past several months, I suddenly have become deeply interested in its progress. Not on a national scale, but only in our locality. I say that because I am more familiar with the likes and dislikes of the members in our section.

Canonsburg is the center of organization in any branch you choose for an example. From miner's organization to the church and business mens' organizations you find the same display of utmost interest and close cooperation. That all comes through advertising in one form or another.

Being unable to read all the news in Nova Doba, I therefore spend more time studying the letters in the English section. I have found that the same lodges are always represented in that section and I'm sure that many more lodges should be represented through that section.

A bit of bowling news or perhaps a dance, or just a little item on the proceedings of your meetings does wonders in having others become interested in lodge work.

Speaking on the strength of experience through writing in the Amalgamated Journal, I can truthfully say that interest is created; interest that is vital to the very existence of any organization. We will, no doubt, cause opposition to take a stand, but in that manner the "fruits of progress," will lay exposed.

From time to time we will try to create interest and go forward by advertising our lodge through Nova Doba.

Anthony (Tu) Bastio
Lodge 205, AFU

auguration into office of our new supreme executives, a new name for our Union, a revised set of by-laws, and grand opportunities for new enrollees. There we have it — all the material at our disposal. All we need do is go to work. When new campaigns for memberships are launched, let's pitch right in and throw rings around them. Let's not be content to be just backseat Johnnies. Why sit back and accept the results derived from other members?

A few weeks hence when the Nova Doba arrives, I'll be looking forward to reading articles sent in by members of our other lodges. Paging Roslyn! Renton! Black Diamond! Tacoma! Cle Elum! No backing down now! You're on the spot! In a very short while I hope we'll be exchanging plans — the heat will be on, and we will be vying tooth and nail for top honors in achievement.

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Important Notices from the Home Office of the AFU

NEW BY-LAWS

Copies of the new by-laws that took effect January 1st, 1941, are being sent to lodge secretaries from the Home Office.

Total of 12,000 new copies of the new by-laws have been ordered and will be distributed among 15,000 members of the adult department. They will be distributed in such manner that each lodge will get a little less than the total number of adults enrolled in their lodge.

The new by-laws are much more expensive than they were four years ago. I therefore recommend that lodge secretaries use discretion in the manner of distribution, giving out extra copies only when absolutely necessary. One copy would be enough for each family.

Members should read the new by-laws over carefully then save them so that they will not be lost. It is very possible that after four years we may not have entire new copies of by-laws printed, instead, only the copies of changes and additions as ruled by convention may be printed and distributed. In this manner, our organization could save at least \$1,000.

Copies of new by-laws are being sent to those lodge secretaries who served during 1940. They are asked to take care of the distribution so that the new by-laws will come into the hands of their proper successors.

In case any lodge does not receive copies of the new by-laws by January 31st, 1941, lodge secretaries should write for them to the Home Office, American Fraternal Union, at Ely, Minnesota.

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT FOR DISABILITY FUND

A special assessment in the sum of 5-cents that has been collected up to Dec. 31st, 1940 for the disability fund (changed, effective Jan. 1, 1941 to Welfare fund) has been stricken from the by-laws.

Instead, from January 1st, 1941, and on, the assessment for the Disability, now Welfare fund, has been increased from 5-cents to 10-cents, which every member insured in this fund, is required to pay.

The total assessment will be the same as in the past — the total including the previous special assessment.

BENEFITS FOR AGED MEMBERS OVER 70 YEARS OLD

Aged members who have been insured in the Welfare (formerly Disability) fund for 10 years or more and who are now 70 years old or over, and who are not so disabled that they would be entitled to sick benefit or regular welfare benefit; provided that they did not yet get their total maximum benefits from said fund, will, from January 1st, 1941, be entitled to said fund benefits up to \$3.00 per month for a period of five years.

Total amount to be allowed under the Welfare (formerly Disability) fund, shall not exceed \$180.00.

For such members who have received financial aid from January 1st, 1931 and on, from the Disability fund; their total amount drawn under this new rule will be deducted from the maximum aid of \$180 allowed by this benefit.

This benefit will be paid members every three months.

First benefits will be paid members during the month of March, 1941.

Necessary forms for this benefit will be provided by the Supreme Secretary to lodge secretaries on time.

ANTON ZBASNIK, Supreme Secretary ABZ.

GETTING USED TO BIG CITY LIFE

By Little Stan



Little Stan

Cleveland, O. — While enroute to Cleveland some weeks ago, the passengers in the "machine"—car to you Elyites—wondered how they would become adjusted to life in the big city.

Everyone figured they would be very lonesome, especially at first.

It was while discoursing on the subject that someone suggested the organization of a Minnesota club here. A place where all could gather around a huge round table and discuss things at home. Needless to say, a plentiful supply of hankies or towels, would be furnished. Heh! Heh!

Since coming to Cleveland, however, not a soul mentioned the incident and it is, at least temporarily abandoned. In fact, have seen the passengers who drove all the way from Ely only once since. Apparently they are busy in their own little way and haven't much time for any "round table crying sessions."

The industrial outlook here in Cleveland looks very promis-

ing and 1941 is already being boomed as a banner year. Everywhere your scribe goes he hears of Minnesota people living in Cleveland. So far Little Stan has heard that most people are from Gilbert and Chisholm, Minn., and a large number who formerly lived in Ely. Most all are employed at present.

Just the other day, while visiting Joe Birk, whose bowling team is tied for first place (don't know which league) met a Mr. Filipovich, formerly from Gilbert. Recalled those athletic stars—Billy and Eddie Kern, Frank Erchul, and others.

One of the nicest things that greeted Little Stan when he came into official duty was a "Congratulations On Your Success" card from Mr. and Mrs. Frank and Edith Drobnic and daughter Joanne Drobnic, old friends from way back when. Frank's nickname you know, is "Samson." And it was Little Stan's pleasure to meet them in the Slovene National Home where New Year's Eve was spent.

Attended the affair with Bro. Terbovec, our editor-manager;

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LODGE 87 PLANS CHANGE OF NAME

Expect to Follow New AFU Pattern

St. Louis, Mo. — The members of the St. Aloysius Lodge want to take this opportunity to wish all the members of the American Fraternal Union a very happy and prosperous New Year. May it be a very prosperous one for the Union as well as for our lodge.

At our last meeting, which was the best attended in the year of 1940, we made plans, which if carried out, will make 1941 very prosperous and one that will make our lodge one of the outstanding in the Union. We also wish to change the name of our local lodge to a name that will better suit that of American Fraternal Union.

At our last meeting, we offered to give to any member who would suggest a name that would satisfy all members a reward of \$1.00. But that only includes members who are present at the meeting. That is another good reason why each member should attend. We also elected a committee to make plans on how the younger members could get together and form a club. I do hope the committee has a favorable report to make.

The following officers were elected: Frank Kodelja, Pres.; Mary Beg, Vice Pres.; Emily Kodelja, Financial Sec'y.; Mary Praprotnik, Treasurer and Jean Praprotnik, one of our newest members, Recording Sec'y. That is the kind of initiative that is needed, Jean.

After working very hard at our meeting planning for the betterment of our lodge we all were rewarded with a good time. We had plenty to eat, drink and also had dancing, thanks to Carl Lousha and Rudy Gabrian who played their accordions. Santa also visited us and brought nice gifts for everyone. We also had a "Polster Dance". Those are so much

fun. Everyone seemed to like it. I know everyone enjoyed themselves, even Santa Claus. He was very much surprised and pleased to see such a well attended meeting.

THIS AND THAT: At our last meeting we initiated Agnes Lousha into the Adult Department and Loretta Priesak into the Juvenile Department. This meeting we are looking forward into initiating Mrs. Lousha. We started the New Year with a good membership drive so let's continue by securing at least one new member at each meeting.

One of our adult members, Mary Kodelja, celebrated a birthday last month and I know each and every member of the St. Aloysius lodge is with me in hoping she had a very happy birthday and hopes she will enjoy many more. The same greeting is extended to our juvenile member, Anna Beg, who also celebrated her birthday last month. Seems to be a popular month for birthdays in our lodge.

Walter Kodelja, a juvenile member, wrote an article in the Juvenile section of the Nova Doba and was rewarded with a dollar check which made him very happy. So why don't more juveniles write?

Since we had such a well attended meeting in December let's all cooperate and make 1941 as well attended and one that will make 1941 history in our lodge. In order to do this each member must work with his fellow brothers and sisters. It won't be hard if each member does his share. So long until Sunday, Jan. 5, at 2:30 p. m. Let's start the New Year with a bang and end it with twice the number of members we already have in our lodge.

Emily Kodelja, Sec'y.

Chicago Bowling

Chicago, Ill. — Zefran's Morticians bowling five got a firm grip on first place when they pitched strikes and spares to take two out of three games from Gottlieb's Florists.

Louis Zefran of the Morticians was high with a 199-game, while John Gottlieb led the Florist pin five.

It seems like the Gottlieb Florists are having a bit of hard luck losing close games by equally as narrow margins. Winning games like these are those that really count in holding the team's position.

Chester Harey, the ace of the Wencel's Dairy team, let go again, and came up with high series of 558, getting a 225 single game. The Dairy team won two and lost the third by 12 pins. Captain Jo-

seph Fajfer was high for Maryton's Cafe.

Results to date are:

Team	Won	Lost
Zefran Morticians	21	15
Wencel Dairy	19	17
Gottlieb's Florists	18	18
Maryton Cafe	14	22

Here's hoping a happy and prosperous New Year for the members and teams of this great American Fraternal Union.

Reporter: Dolmovich, Jr.

Chubb—They've wirelessed the air, weighed the soul and photographed the stars and other things the eye can't see. I wonder what miracle they will perform next?

Fluff—Oh, I expect they will be reading the unwritten law most any day now.

PATHS OF 1941

By Florence D. Startz,
Lodge 1, AFU

Ely, Minn. — It is 1941 — a new road to travel!

Just where will it lead us to?

It all depends just how carefully we will follow it, for there are many side roads leading to the main road. One of these side roads leads to Ely, Minnesota, to the fourth Juvenile Convention and to the Third Athletic Conference. How many AFU members will take this side road? It is a long and narrow road and maybe slow to travel but we have seven whole months to travel it.

We may all be in darkness for a while, but if we have patience each day, each step will bring us closer to the end of our journey where glory awaits you all. The end of this side road, if you travel it, will seat you at the fourth Juvenile Convention and the Third Athletic Conference where you can be free to speak up and help make our beloved Union, the AFU, what we wish it to be, — a true American organization, a strong protector, now, today, and tomorrow. To fulfill this protection, we must of course travel this path not only one month, but steadily, for one backward step makes it so much harder to get back in step and we must retrace every step to get back where we left off in order to travel in safety, protection, and with a light heart knowing our minds are at ease because we have no fear when darkness sometimes overtakes us.

The path is not so clear to travel as all paths are stoney and hard to travel at certain times. If we stay on the right path and never step back, but steadily climb it onward, it is not so hard to follow because if our minds and hearts are set on a certain path, we are sure to reach the journey's end. And oh, there are ever so many of these side paths.

Let us travel as many as possible for each and everyone has a wonder to unfold to you, and a special reward if you make the grade. So, when each day is done we can with pride write down a good account for ourselves in our diaries. When the year again will be ending like it so quickly always rolls by, we can with pride, point to our side paths and can say with a smile. "It took many a path; some were easy; some were mighty hard, but it was worth struggling and pushing on. When the paths meet an end we have something worth while to look back to."

Tenth Anniversary Dance

Center, Pa. — As the time for Center Ramblers' Tenth Anniversary draws nearer, the committee works faster so that all will be ready on the "big red-letter day," Jan. 25.

Rambler roses will cover the trellis in front of the orchestra. The entertainment committee finds it lots of work, making all the roses to cover the trellis, also making "corsages" and "bouteniers" for the ladies' and men's admission tags, but we also find it loads of fun. Excitement rides high as we look ahead to the day when our work will be finished and our celebrating ready to begin.

The orchestra obtained for this occasion is the well-known "Frank's Trio," with Teanie as vocalist. Their music alone is assurance enough that all who attend will have an enjoyable evening. Come and "dance to

Onward Betsy Ross!

Cleveland, O. — At the time of this article, I haven't met up with "Little Stan" as yet, but I'm sure to when I deliver this write-up in person. (Ed. Note: Sure did!) From what I heard he's quite a fellow and a jitterbug, too! Tall and handsome, and all that... So I'm sure I won't be disappointed and I surely hope you'll enjoy your new home in Cleveland. Hope to see a lot of you along with us, Betsy Ross's, Stan!

Attention Cardinals! — B. R. will be represented at your dance January 25th. Our own Frankie Yankovich will supply the music. Yes, — we're sure there'll be a hot time in the Struther's hall the 25th! — From what I know it can't possibly be anything else. So we'll be seeing you!

Patsy Krall gave us a hint that the AFU Bowling tournament will take place in April in Indianapolis. May the date set for the tournament find every one interested and able to attend.

We will be well represented. Girls' and boys' teams will report in full swing and may the better team win. Teams are now organizing. Anyone interested make sure that you're on the list. If you're not bowling how about attending and giving us some cheering. Special rates will have been obtained for the round trip. Let's see to it that our reservations get in.

First monthly meeting of 1941 will take place at the Slovene Workmen's Home on Waterloo Road at 7:30 p. m. prompt! Installation of new officers will take place at this time. Also here's your chance to meet "Little Stan" in person. (I hope.) Let's start the year out right with a record-breaking attendance.

Odds and Ends — Wonder what happened to Frank Martie's school pin?... B. R. has a Wrong-Way Corrigan also... J. P. Morgan, by name, heading East instead of West while Cleveland-bound from Pittsburgh... Wonder who's keeping Jean Russ so busy these days and why "Chili" so suddenly comes to B. R. meetings... The boys bowling each Sunday afternoon... Patsy Krall with a 220 game... Rupert at the alleys but with a different team... Rudy Ujcie and Pauncho of Barberton's St. Martin's, spending New Year's Eve in Cleveland.

My first biographical sketch for the New Year will be about the little man who was always there. A very active fellow, incidentally, that is the reason he's our new athletic supervisor, he excels in all lines of sports... takes part in all and really is a star... He's tops in fashion at all times, but foremost on the bowling alleys (hat, collarless shirt, suspenders and tie on backwards). My! My! Some style!

P. S. He's quite a dancer and a pro in jitterbugging — brown hair, two devilish eyes, and a very beguiling smile, mixed up, you have Andy "Zaddles" "Boots" Zadell. Note to girls: He's free white and handsome but very, very bashful!

Rose Mary Rossa, Betsy Ross

Charity Worker—Have you any particular use for your old clothes?

Duff—You bet I have; I wear them myself.

a whirl with three men and a girl." Refreshments — everything you like—will be available. So remember, and come help us celebrate on January 25th at the Center Slovene Hall. We'll be looking for you!

Entertainment Committee
Center Ramblers No. 221
Dora Peternel

LITTLE STAN'S ARTICLE

(Continued from page 5)

Bro. Janko N. Rogelj, our supreme president; Mrs. Rogelj and Bill Zbasnik. Sitting at our table eating New Year's chicken were Bro. Terbovec, Ludvig Medvesek of Enakopravnost, Bill Z., and Little Stan. Miss Zakrajsek waited on these hungry gentlemen, and she gave swell service. Yep, all white meat! Heh! Heh!

Uncle Charlie and his gang were introduced. They proved grand entertainers and took a big piece out of the lonesomeness. Uncle Charlie played the accordion, and in no time at all a large gathering got together singing beautiful Slovenian songs. Little Stan was not familiar with the words, but knew the tunes. After a couple weeks in Slovene night school he should come home knowing most of the words all right. Uncle Charlie helped along with the orchestra downstairs; while upstairs the auditorium was packed to capacity as Frankie Yankovich, Betsy Ross president, and his orchestra danced the Old Year out and the New Year in.

Met Frank Zgonc and his brother (Doc's relations) and promised a visit soon. Met Joyce Gorshe who works in Enakopravnost, who looked charming in her formal. Time wasted on. When the New Year came in there was much noise, yelling and rejoicing, and the lights flickered. It didn't seem like that to Little Stan and Bill Z., who kept thinking it was only 11 p. m.—an hour before the New Year in Minnesota.

Felt like looking over the town to see how other people in Cleveland celebrated the New Year. Hopped into the Chevy—which by the way is purring very smoothly, and went downtown to Euclid Avenue. Everything there was in bedlam of celebration. About ten or 15 fellows crowded some small coupe, yelling, shouting, tooting on tooters. People scurried from one packed place of entertainment to another. The Alpine Village was closed — full house — and no standing room.

Drivers of automobiles had to be careful with brakes as pedestrians scurried about in the middle of the street. It is a picture Little Stan won't soon forget. And it made us pretty lonesome as we were just onlookers—not participants in the fun and merry-making.

Dropped back up St. Clair at Birks' and there met Mr. and Mrs. — gee whiz — can't think of their last name at the moment—anyway she visited in Ely, Minnesota and Little Stan met her there in Klun's store. She sent regards to Mrs. Klun. She is over to Slapnik's. Will drop in and get more acquainted anyway. Also met the councilman from this ward, handsome Mr. Kovacic, and Mr. Gornik, who just the other day introduced Little Stan to all the other Gornik boys in the store — and believe me there are a lot of them. Think maybe Little Stan changed their minds about going fishing to Canada; rather has them going to Minnesota instead. How about it, Ray and the Commercial club!

To top off the night, the Chevy went all the way to E. 152nd, headed for Bridge Tavern. Turned off all right, but found ourselves on Waterloo road then on Nottingham. Turned around and found ourselves back on St. Clair, and decided it was time to go home before we got lost.

Didn't get up until after dinner on New Year's Day—kinda bad way to begin the New Year. Johnny Shega came over with Bill Z., and we walked to E. 55th where we had dinner. Then visited over at Lou Kolar's on E. 60th and Bonna where we found Mrs. Kolar recuperating from an illness. Bub and Agnes Kardell were over, and the kids were having a swell time. Johnny Shega spent most of the afternoon untangling the knots of rope the kids fastened him with.

Met Chuck Smith and orchestra; ran into Johnny Pecon who played at the Metropole. Frankie Yankovich played there, too. Went downtown to take in the International Revue—beautiful too, at the Palace, drank a glass of beer in the Alpine Village and went back to the Metropole where Al Poklar was playing with a band, but didn't know that until afterwards when we met Tony Prime at the Slovene National Home. Tony introduced us to his gal friends— attractive young ladies. And met Lillian Rudolf who was just on her way home. Remember her at the juvenile conventions? Lou Trebar played music for the Maccabees club in the National Home.

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Tired of horsing around Little Stan went home to bed—before midnight, too. Thursday back to work again, and that alarm clock sis gave Little Stan for Christmas went off all right, but it was turned off and when your scribe snapped out of it, it was past ten a. m.! Jeepers! To the office in a hurry, and it wasn't long before the type-writer rattled away for the next week's edition.

Had some visitors this afternoon. Louis Champa dropped in from work, and in the reception room had quite a chat. Louis, son of our supreme treasurer, is working fine, and Little Stan promised to have dinner with him on Sunday. Way up in Maple Heights. Talked of home quite a bit, and Louis informed that his Uncle Andy Champa, a member of Lodge 2, had passed away after being seriously injured in a mine accident in Quebec, Canada, Christmas Day.

Already met with some members of Lodge 73 and Betsy Ross. Haven't run into old friends of Tony Drenik or Patsy Krall yet, but expect to soon. Everybody seems so busy working. Looking forward to seeing Trosky Urbancic, too.

Was a great pleasure to see Elsie Desmond who dropped in to renew acquaintance with Little Stan. With her was Milly Poklar, Al's fine sister. Elsie tells me her mother had been ill, but is splendidly recovering.

And so it is. Little Stan gently but firmly becoming adjusted to life in the big city. But he still glances down and stops to meditate over his typing fingers, and casts longing glances at a cute picture near his desk. Say you'd like it here!

And now going back to the regular news channels. A lot of our AFU boys and girls are gaining recognition in this world of ours. Many of our boys are in the conscription army; a lot of them are outstanding in sports and other fields. If any of you know them, send in their names. We'd like to tell the world about them. Don't be bashful. Publicity won't do anyone harm, and certainly the AFU would like to boast a little about their members! Don't forget!

Scribe Attends Birthday Party
Cleveland, O. — Pretty, Chubby, Healthy Mary Lou Champa, young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Champa, jr., and grand-daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Champa, sr. (our supreme treas-

Attention Members of Lodge 182

Pittsburgh, Pa. — Jan. 1941 is the date of our first meeting of the New Year, and with the change of calendars let us see if we can't inspire a larger attendance. By having a larger attendance at the meeting the lodge officials and members will better handle business affairs in session, instead of discussing and criticizing elsewhere. This has been going on and it is necessary for me to call a bit harsh in calling it to the attention of our membership. Through "after meeting" discussion elsewhere, we have ready lost one valuable hard working member who was active in promotion of lodge affairs. Success of our lodge activities can be traced to the work of people on committees who are willing to put 14 or 15 hours a day on work of this nature without being cajoled or coaxed. Our sister member who did this was hurt by evident remarks of other members, and was disappointed of the "fraternal spirit" shown by some members.

Our lodge is only as good as you members make it. We must work together and treat each other with deserved respect otherwise the reputation of the lodge and its members is endangered. A little discretion used in discussing lodge members and policies can do a lot toward preventing transferring and dropping out of members.

About one-sixth of our membership attended the last meeting. Where were the others? Some have complained about electing officials not present at the meeting. The only way to remedy this is to attend the meetings yourselves. Don't just sit back and criticize. Take part in the session, particularly the annual election meeting, so that you can elect your choice without complaint afterwards.

In this manner no one will have to apologize to anyone else. The only way to make yourself really heard is by attending the meeting and your complaints can be rectified. In that way, and only that way, will you make your lodge a better lodge than the next one. Then because there will be no lodge better than yours, and your members the kind that are easy to get along with, we will have no more talking about transfers and dropping out of the lodge.

Now, members of Lodge 182, a New Year's resolution: Buy the ax, attend your meetings and don't forget this first one now is very important, and we'll have a bigger and better Lodge 182.

Don't forget the date: Jan. 15, 1941.

The Place: School Hall, 57th street.

Time: 8:30 p. m.

Mary L. Bodack, Sec'y-Treasurer

urer) had a pretty birthday party at her home in Maple Heights (out of Cleveland) Sunday. Honored guests were Little Stan and Bill Zbasnik, who drove out for a fine chicken dinner — a prelude to Mary Lou's official birthday party.

With her adult guests and her mom and daddy, Mary Lou lost no time in getting acquainted and a fine afternoon was spent. At supper time, her mommy brought out the birthday cake with two lighted candles and her "puffing" was so good, she blew out the lights almost before her mom had the candles lit.

Visited also with Mr. and Mrs. Turk and family in Garfield Heights, and had a nice time talking about the old days in Ely, Minn. And do you know what — Heh Heh, didn't get lost either!

Stan Pechaver

Vstop v novo leto

Spet smo se poslovili od starega leta, nekateri z lepimi spomini, nekateri pa tudi z žalostnimi. Vse to se menjava kot sonce in dež. Onstran morja se menda zelo redki tisti, ki so se poslovili od starega leta z lepimi in prijetnimi spomini, nasprotno pa jih je tam milijone, katerim bo ostalo leto 1940 zapisano kot leto strahu, groze, žalosti, pomanjkanja in vseh vrst trpljenja. V začetku novega leta se navadno skušamo zadržati tudi v bodočnosti in ugibamo, kaj nam bo prinesla. Nihče ne ve, kaj prinese bodočnost, vendar pa v tej deželi lahko z nekoliko večjim optimizmom zremo v bodočnost kot naši bratje onstran morja. Ne vemo, kaj se nas zadene, toda prav bližnja bodočnost se za Evropo vidi še dosti bolj črna kot za nas. Upajmo na najboljše, pri tem pa se sami potrudimo, da privablamo zadovoljivo bodočnost v našo smer, ali da vsaj deloma odvrnemo oziroma ublažimo velike nepravilnosti.

Vsi upamo, da bomo v tekočem letu zdravi in da nas ne zadene nikakršna nesreča. Za večino se bo najbrž to upanje tudi izpolnilo. Toda prav tako lahko zadene vsakega izmed nas bolezen ali poškodba. Nič ne vemo, če ne bomo mi med tistimi, ki bodo obsojeni na dolgotrajno bolniško posteljo, če ne bomo mi tistimi, ki se bodo morali podvreči operacijam, če ne bomo mi med tistimi, katerih družine bodo izgubile svoje rednike. Za take primere moramo biti pripravljeni. In eden načinov, da se pripravimo za take slučaje, je, da smo zavarovani pri dobri podporni organizaciji. Podporna organizacija nam plača bolniško podporo, če smo bolni, plača nam operacijsko odškodnino, če se moramo podvreči operaciji, in zagotovi nekaj finančne pomoči našim dragim, če nas usoda za vedno odstrani od njih.

Mi, ki smo že člani Ameriške bratske zveze, vemo, da je to dobro in v vseh oziрах zanesljiva organizacija. Poslovala je nad 40 let pod imenom J. S. K. Jednote, z novim letom pa si je nadela današnjim razmeram bolj primerno ime Ameriška bratska zveza in bo poslovala naprej pod tem imenom, upam, še mnogo desetletja in stoletja. Vedno smo se lahko zanesli, da bomo dobili od nje tisto, do česar smo po pravih upravičenih, in tako se bomo lahko zanesli tudi v bodoče. Mi to vemo, zato se bomo držali te naše dobre in zanesljive organizacije, točno plačevali naše asesmente in sploh upoštevali vse, kar pravila predpisujejo.

Toda to nam ne sme zadostovati. Potruditi se moramo, da dobimo v to dobro organizacijo tudi vse naše prijatelje in njihove otroke. Pomnimo, da danes ime nikogar ne odganja od organizacije. Vsaka značajna oseba belega plemena, ki je zdrava in v predpisani starosti, lahko pristopi k tej naši organizaciji. Maksimalno bi se morala zavaroval pri dobri podporni organizaciji, če bi vedel, kako zmerno so prispevki in kakšno zavarovalnino nudi. Od nas je torej odvisno, da našim prijateljem katere koli narodnosti ali prepričanja predstavimo to našo organizacijo tako kot je, ter jih povabimo, da pristopijo. Pokažimo jim naša pravila, kjer je vse navedeno tudi v angleščini, za tiste, ki slovensko ne razumejo. Ako nagovarjate za pristop vaše prijatelje, boste najbrž dostikrat uspešni, ker prijatelj pač verjame in zaupa prijatelju. Morda se boste včasih sami čudili, kako lahko je bilo nagovoriti novega člana za pristop. Bratje in sestre, s take redne noveletni resolucijami začnimo novo leto ter vsebino resolucij izvajamo vse leto. Pri izvrševanju takega bratskega

DOPISI

Chisholm, Minn. — Dosti dopisov je že bilo priobčenih v našem glasilu od strani bivših rednih konvencij, toda noben dopisnik še ni poročal o izletu častnih delegatov v mesto Chisholm in v tamkajšnji "Chinatown."

Vse je bilo vzorno vpeljano in izvedeno. V petek 13. septembra se je točno ob 9. uri dopoldne ustavil bus pred S. N. Domom. Zasedli smo ga in se odpeljali proti Chicagu. Vreme je bilo krasno, da si lepšega nismo mogli želeli. Vozili smo se po gladkih cestah skozi lepo zasenčene kraje, kjer so med parki raztresena bivališča bogatašev. V Chicagu smo se najprej ustavili pred slovečo trgovino Marshall Field. Pri vходу sta nas sprejela ena uslužbenec in ena uslužbenka, ki sta nas potem spremljala skozi vse številne oddelke te ogromne trgovine. Mnogo smeha je bilo, ko smo stopali na premikajoče se stopnice, ki so nas peljale v višja nadstropja ali pa od tam dol. Nekateri takih naprav še niso prej videli. Sploh pa je v tisti trgovini videti toliko različnih reči, da si za mnoge človek niti predstavljati ne more, da sploh obstajajo.

Od tam smo se odpeljali v Chinatown. Če bi že vnaprej ne bili vedeli, kam se peljemo, bi nam bili to povedali naši nosovi, kajti tam se razprejajo čisto posebne orientalske dišave, ki jim mi nismo vajeni. Ustavili smo se pred neko gostilno, katera pa se nam ni zdela niti malo vabljiva, njen napis pa še manj. Potem smo prišli do kitajskega templja, v katerega nam je bil vstop rade volje dovoljen. Tudi tam so nas obdajale vse mogoče dišave. Zanimivo se mi je zdelo, da so bili povsod nameščeni napis: Do not touch! Mi nismo imeli poželjenja dotikati se tistih reči, ker se nam niso zdele niti malo vabljive. Po stopnicah pridemo do kipa kitajskega boga Bude, ki je ves obdan z izrezanim zlatom. Močne dišave pa so nas kmalu pregnale od tam. Tudi se nam je zdelo, da nas opazujejo neke nevidne oči. Da je bilo res tako, smo se prepirali, ko smo stopili v drugo sobo, kjer je imel kitajski koncil svojo sejo. Da bi še več kitajskega videli, smo se podali v njihovo restavracijo. Naročili smo kosilo "chow suey." Nekaterim je ugajalo, drugim pa spet ne. Prva rihta je bila neka čudna zmes, druga je bila že boljša, posebno poljški so nekaterim ugajali; riž in čaj, pripravljen po kitajskem načinu, pa je ugajal vsem. Sicer pa nam je bilo nekako tesno pri srcu, ko smo gledali neke čudne spake, ki so se rezale na nas s sten; dasi so bile mrtve, so se nam zdele skoro strašljive.

Od tam smo se odpeljali v tako zvani Field Museum. Ta muzej je zelo velik in vsebuje številne zanimivosti, od nagačenih živali vseh vrst, do preživetih rastlin in rastlinskih pridelkov, rudnin, meteoritov, starinskih in zgodovinskih predmetov itd. Kdor pride v Chicagu in ima kaj časa na razpolago, naj bi si ogledal tisti znameniti muzej. Jaz bi rekla, da tam lahko najde vsak nekaj, kar ga bo zanimalo. Seveda v uri ali dveh se more le mali del muzeja ogledati. Kdor bi hotel pregledati vse oddelke kolikor to dela-bomo lahko gotovi, da vršimo v resnici vsestranska koristno delo, ki ne more nikomur škodovati, ampak lahko samo koristiti.

K sklepu želim zdravja in sreče v novem letu vsem članom glavnega in porotnega odbora, obema našima uradnikom, vsem bivšim rednim in častnim delegatom in delegatkinjam 16. redne konvencije in vsem ostalim članstvu Ameriške bratske zveze.

Ignac Zajec, četrti porotnik.

liko pozorno, bi moral imeti najmanj en teden časa.

Potem smo si šli ogledat radijsko postajo, kjer smo našli tudi marsikaj novega za nas. Razkazali so nam prostore, povedali, kako se operira to in ono, koliko originalnih programov izhaja od tam itd. Povedali so nam, da je pod eno izmed onih treh sob, katere so nam razkazali, pod podom toliko žice, da bi lahko svet dvakrat obkrožili z njo. Zanimalo nas je še marsikaj drugega, na primer elektri, ki vozijo tako brzo, smo se kar za želodce prijemali in oči zapirali.

Naša enodnevna tura je bila s tem končana in pri tej priliki smo videli toliko in takih zanimivosti, da nam bodo ostale še dolgo v spominu. Odbor, ki je aranžiral ta zabavni in obenem poučni izlet, zasluži vso hvalo in priznanje. K sklepu se zahvalim F. Grumu za njegovo vljudnost in pozdravljam vse sopotnike in sopotnice z omenjenega izleta.

Mrs. Catherine Ambrozich, bivša častna delegatkinja 16. konvencije.

Windber, Pa. — V obvestilo onim članom društva Radnik, št. 204 ABZ, ki niso bili navzoči na letni seji, naj poročam, da so bili za leto 1941 izvoljeni sledeči uradniki: John Yordan, predsednik; Frank Mavri, Sr., podpredsednik; John Stipanich, tajnik in blagajnik; Anton Kinkela, zapisnikar; Frank Demojec, predsednik nadzornega odbora; John Cetina, predsednik bolniškega odbora. Sklenjeno je bilo, da vsak član odraslega oddelka, ki se ne udeleži seje vsaj na vsake tri mesece enkrat, plača 50 centov v društveno blagajno. Društvo šteje 21 članov v odraslem in 19 članov v mladinskem oddelku. Člani, ki so zavarovani v vseh skladih, bodo plačevali za društvene stroške v tem letu po pet centov mesečno, več kot so dosedaj; oni, ki so zavarovani samo za smrtnino, bodo še nadalje plačevali po 10 centov društvene asesmente. Društvo bo zborovalo še v bodoče v dosedanjih prostorih, in sicer vsako tretjo nedeljo v mesecu, ob pol dveh (1.30) popoldne. Bratski pozdrav! — Za društvo 204 ABZ:

John Stipanich, tajnik.

Export, Pa. — Člane in članice društva Sv. Alojzija, št. 57 ABZ, obveščam, da sem podpisani odklonil kandidacijo za tajništvo za v bodoče. Novi društveni tajnik je brat Anton Martinšek, Box 125, Export, Pa. Vsi člani našega društva, posebno pa tisti, ki bivajo izven društvene seje, naj se v bodoče v vseh tajništva se tikajočih zadevah obračajo na novega tajnika Antona Martinška.

Članstvo našega društva se zahvaljujem za vso naklonjenost in sodelovanje, katero mi je izkazalo tekom mojega enajstletnega tajnikovanja. Želim, da gre članstvo na roke tudi novemu izvoljenemu tajniku, da bo poslovanje vedno gladko in zadovoljivo ter da bo društvo uživalo ugled in da bo napredovalo. K sklepu pozdravljam vse glavne uradnike, vse delegate in delegatkinje 16. redne konvencije in vse članstvo Ameriške bratske zveze in želim vsem mnogo sreče in napredka v letu 1941. — Za društvo št. 57 ABZ:

August Stipetich, bivši tajnik.

Pueblo, Colo. — Člani in članice društva Sv. Petra in Pavla, št. 15 ABZ, so vabljivi, da se v obilnem številu udeležijo prihodnje seje, ki se bo vršila v nedeljo 12. januarja. Na omenjeni seji bo podano finančno poročilo društva. Potem bo na sreča odločila kdo izmed navzočih bo prost asesment za mesec januar.

Na letni seji so bili za leto 1941 izvoljeni sledeči odborniki: Peter Culig, predsednik; Joseph Merhar, 1201 Bohmen

Ave., tajnik; Ivan Culig, blagajnik; Joseph Yershin, zapisnikar. Članstvu sporočam, da sem dobil stenske koledarje ABZ, torej naj člani pridejo ponje na sejo. K sklepu želim vsem glavnim odbornikom in vsemu ostalemu članstvu Ameriške bratske zveze zdravja in sreče v letu 1941. — Za društvo št. 15 ABZ:

Joseph Merhar, tajnik.

Pittsburgh, Pa. — Prva seja društva Marije Vnebovzete, št. 182 ABZ, v letu 1941, se bo vršila 15. januarja. Priporočljivo bi bilo, da s spremembo letnice tudi spremenimo način posejanja naših rednih mesečnih sej. Članice naj bi se teh sej polnoštevilno udeleževale in naj bi tam rešile vse zadeve, ki se tičejo društva. Obdrževati privatne "seje" po vogalih, v gročarijskih prodajalnah ali mesnicah in tam "reševati" društvene probleme, se ne spodobi za društvo. To priporočilo je morda nekoliko ostro, toda vpricho razmer zadnjih časov se mi zdi na mestu.

Nedavno smo izgubile eno dobro članico, ki je bila vedno pripravljena delati za društvo in je res storila mnogo za društvo. Ni je več med nami zato, ker imajo nekatere članice navado, da vlečejo eno ali drugo sestro skozi zobe, kadar ni navzoča. To ni bratsko ali sestriško.

Vsako društvo je samo tako dobro, kot ga napravijo njegovi člani oziroma članice. Ako med članstvom društva ne vlada pravo bratstvo, ako se enega ali drugega člana ali članico obira ali opravlja, dobi društvo slab ugled in prizadeti člani ali članice odstopajo ali pa jemljejo prestopne liste k drugim društvom. Torej pazimo vedno, kaj govorimo o naših bližnjih. Postopajmo napram drugim tako, kakor bi želeli, da drugi postopajo napram nam.

Zadnje naše seje se je udeležila komaj ena šestina članic. Kje so bile druge? Zdi se, da nekatere članice rajši sedijo doma in pustijo da 9 ali 10 članic ukrepa o zadevah društva in volijo uradnike. Slišala se je že kritika, da so bile v odbor izvoljene nenavzoče članice. Toda taka kritika ni na mestu. Zakaj ne pridejo vse članice na sejo in izvolijo v odbor tiste, katere želijo imeti tam? Večina odloča. Potem ne bo vzroka govoriti o kakih bossih. Po seji pa je nemestno kritizirati zaključke seje, posebno, če se jih član ali članica, ki kritizira, ne udeleži. Na seji ima vsak pravico govoriti in povedati svoje mnenje, in če je kaka pritožba na mestu, jo bo članstvo gotovo upoštevalo. To je edini način za vsako društvo, da uživa ugled in da napreduje. Ako poskrbimo, da bo naše društvo najboljše med najboljšimi, bo uživalo ugled in ne bo vzroka za govorice, da bo ta ali ona članica odstopila ali vzela prestopni list k drugemu društvu.

Torej, članice društva št. 182 ABZ, napravimo novoletno resolucijo, da zakopljemo "bojno sekuro," posečamo mesečne seje polnoštevilno in se v vseh oziirih ravnamo kot prave sestre. Prihodnja seja dne 15. januarja bo zelo važna, zato je želeli, da bi bilo vse članstvo navzoče. Seja se bo vršila v šolski dvorani in se bo pričela ob pol devetih. Sestrski pozdrav! — Za društvo št. 182 ABZ:

Mary L. Bodack, tajnica.

Cleveland, O. — Pri društvu Marije Vnebovzete, št. 103 ABZ, je bil za leto 1941 izvoljen sledeči odbor: Mary Matoh, predsednica; Agnes Krall, podpredsednica; Anna Kovach, 15210 Saranac Rd., tajnica; Mary Walter, blagajničarka; Anna Walter, zapisničarka; Rose Simenc, Gertrude Bokal in Anna Novak, nadzornice. Društveni zdravnik so: Dr. Skur, dr. Opaskar in dr. Perme. Zastopnice za Slovenski

dom so: Julia Struna, Rose Simenc in Josephine Spilar. Zastopnici za federacijo sta Anna Walter in Mary Walter. Društvo zboraže vsako tretjo nedeljo v mesecu ob pol dveh popoldne v Slovenskem domu na Holmes Avenue. Sestrski pozdrav! — Za društvo št. 103 ABZ:

Anna Kovach, tajnica.

Euclid, O. — Člane in članice društva Napredek, št. 132 ABZ, vabim, da se polnoštevilno udeležijo prihodnje seje, ki se bo vršila v navadnih prostorih v petek 10. januarja ob pol osmih (7.30) zvečer. Na tej seji bodo prečtani letošnji računi in podana bodo letošnja poročila, da bo na ta način o položaju društva poučen vsak član, ki bo navzoč. Na omenjeni seji bo tudi zaprisežen odbor za leto 1941. Odbor za leto 1941 je sledeč: Jakob Gruden, Sr., predsednik; Joseph Svetin, Jr., podpredsednik; John Tanko, Sr., tajnik; Robert Kunstel, blagajnik; Frank Zaggar, zapisnikar; Mary Korošec, Louis Sajovic in Joseph Korencic, nadzorniki; Joseph Svetin, Jr., poverjenik za športne aktivnosti. — Za društvo Napredek, št. 132 ABZ:

John Tanko, tajnik.

Conemaugh, Pa. — Spet mi je poročati žalostno novico, namreč, da je smrt pobrala iz naše sredine dobrega člana društva Sv. Alojzija, št. 36 ABZ, sobrata Josepha Kaušeka. Pokojnik je bil rojen v Podkrajju pri Zidanem mostu v Sloveniji leta 1888. V Ameriko je prišel leta 1910 in k našemu društvu je pristopil leta 1914. Bil je zvest član društva do svoje pregodnje smrti. Tu zapušča žalostno soprogo, štiri hčerke in dva sina, v starem kraju pa dva brata.

Pokojnik je bil dobrega značaja in dober oče svoji družini. Delal je večinoma v premogorju. S svojimi službami je postelno vzgojil svojo družino. Dve njegovi hčerki sta graduirali za bolničarki. Delo v premogorju mu je nakopalo "majnarsko" bolezen, kateri je po štirih letih podlegel dne 26. decembra 1940. Pogreb se je vršil dne 30. decembra na pokopališče Grandview v Johnstownu.

Zalujočim ostalim naj bo na tem mestu od moje strani in v imenu društva izraženo iskreno sožalje. Vsi ga bomo pogrešali, toda taka je usoda, proti kateri smo brez moči in kateri ne moremo uteči. Prej ali slej bo dohitela tudi nas. Pokojnemu sobratu naj bo ohranjen blag spomin.

Joseph Turk, tajnik društva št. 36 ABZ.

White Valley, Pa. — Dne 29. decembra se je v Pittsburghu vršila seja pennsylvanske federacije ABZ. Zastopanih je bilo 12 društev z 28 zastopniki. Na seji je bilo precej pregovarjanja, da pennsylvanska federacija ni bila upoštevana na zadnji konvenciji. Debatiralo se je tudi, če se federacija še obdrži ali se jo razpusti. Nato je bilo sprejeto, da federacija še ostane. Nadalje je bilo sklenjeno, da federacija priredi piknik na dan 22. junija, ako bodo razmere primerne. Kje se bo namestila piknik vršil, bo poročano pozneje. V odboru za prireditev piknika je 5 članov: Previc, Farenchak, Golob, Rahner in Kosoglav. Prihodnja federacijska seja se bo vršila četrto nedeljo v aprilu v Claridge, Pa. Za leto 1941 je federacija izvolila sledeči odbor:

Frank Kress, predsednik; Rudolph Zupancic, podpredsednik; John Simončič, tajnik; Louis Polaski, podtajnik; Vincent Arch, zapisnikar; Anton Erzen, blagajnik; Anton Kosoglav, John Jurgel in Martin Hudale, nadzorniki. Več bo poročano v zapisniku. — Za federacijo društva ABZ v Pennsylvaniji: Jurij Previc, bivši tajnik.

Cleveland, O. — Vse članice društva Jutranja zvezda, št. 137 ABZ, prosim, da se gotovo udeležijo prihodnje seje, ki se bo vršila 16. januarja v navadnem prostoru in ob navadni uri. To bo prva seja v tem letu, na katero program bo marsikaj važnega.

Glede pobiranja asesmenta naznanjam, da ga bom pobirala na društveni seji, obenem pa tudi vsakega 25. dne v mesecu med 6. in 8. uro zvečer, in to v društvenih prostorih. Če bi katera članica ne mogla plačati na seji ali pa 25. v mesecu, lahko priinese asesment tudi na moj dom na 13608 Coit Road. Moja telefonska številka je: MULberry 2730. Toliko v obvestilo in na svidenje na seji 16. januarja. Sestrski pozdrav! — Za društvo št. 137 ABZ:

Dorothy Strniša, tajnica.

Chisholm, Minn. — Iz naselbine Grass Valley, California, sem dobila žalostno sporočilo, da je dne 31. decembra 1940 umrl moj brat Mihael Grivec. Pokojnik je bil doma iz vasi Srednji Lipovec, fara Ajdovce pri žužemberku, odkoder je doma mnogo drugih ameriških Slovencev in tudi članov ABZ. Pokojni moj brat je prišel v Ameriko leta 1904, in sicer v Cleveland, Ohio, ter je ostal tam do leta 1906. Istega leta sem tudi jaz prišla v Cleveland. Pozneje sem jaz odšla v Joliet, Ill., moj brat pa je odšel na zapad. Nekaj časa je bil v Coloradu, nato v Helperju, Utah, nakar se je preselil v Grass Valley, California, kjer je ostal do svoje smrti. Tam zapušča žalostno soprogo, enega sina in eno hčer, oba že poročena. Naj bo pokojnemu bratu lahka ameriška gruda.

Pri tej priliki se želim zahvaliti Mr. & Mrs. Frank Vranichar za poslana božična voščila. Mi je žal, da ju nisem mogla obiskati, ko sem se mudila v Jolietu. Pa drugo leto. Do takrat pa pozdravljeni!

Dobila in prečitala sem najnovejšo knjigo našega rojaka ameriškega pisatelja Louisa Adamiča, "From Many Lands," in se mi zelo dopade. Še posebno me je zanimalo, ker je v nji opisan moj ožji rojak Anton Kmet iz Clevelanda, ki prihaja iz Ajdovca. Naš rojak Adamič pač zasluži vse naše priznanje, ker je s svojimi knjigami in spisi predstavil nas Slovence Američanom in drugim narodom bolje in lepše kot še kdo drugi pred njim. Dasi smo Slovenci majhen narod, nas po Adamičevih spisih poznajo Američani, in sicer na simpatičen način. Rojaki, ki se zanimajo za Adamičeve spise, med njimi za najnovejšo njegovo knjigo "From Many Lands," jih navadno lahko dobi na posodo v javnih knjižnicah. Vsaj tukaj v Chisholmu se jih dobi. — Pozdrav vsemu članstvu Ameriške bratske zveze!

Frances Lukanich.

Chicago, Ill. — Kot je bilo že po par drugih naših članih poročano, je čikaški del naše federacije društev Ameriške bratske zveze, priredil dne 15. decembra lanskega leta lepo božičnico za mladinski oddelk v tukajšnji šolski dvorani.

Program je bil zelo bogat in obširen, na katerem so nastopili nekateri naši domači profesionalci, a večino točk so pa izvršili člani našega mladinskega oddelka, katere je učil tajnik A. Krapenc, društva Jugoslovanskega zvon, št. 70 ABZ.

Prišlo se je ob pol štirih popoldne, in prva točka je bilo petje. Člani mladinskega oddelka so zapeli "God Bless America" in za tem "Cor čez jezero." Obe pesmi so prav dobro zapeli, kar je značil velik aplavz. Za tem je Miss Jennie Zorko podala recitacijo "Večer pred božičem," in Miss Jennie Simenc je tudi recitala več krajših pesmi. Obe sta izvršili svoj vlogi prav dobro. Potem so Plu-

tovi trojčki igrali več komadov z dobrim uspehom, kajti oni se že štejejo med profesionalce, ker nastopajo na radio postajah. Nato je igral Johnny Gradishar na piano harmoniko, Gloria Gradishar pa je plesala "tap dance." Oba sta bila deležna živahnega priznanja. V recitaciji "Dvoboj" je Miss Vera Gorenz žela živahno odobravanje. Potem sta igrala Albin Mezmarich solo na klavir, Veronika Wegrzyn na piano harmoniko, in sta tudi dobila priznanje od občinstva.

Temu je sledil odmor, med katerim se je razdelilo članom mladinskega oddelka nekaj dobrin za piti in jesti, kar je seveda napravilo med mladino zelo dobro razpoloženje.

Po odmoru sta najprvo nastopili sestrji Vranichar iz Joliet, ki sta zapeli par mičnih pesmic; tema je sledila Miss Ferenczak z recitacijo, ter Harold Verba in Frank Sustarich s piano harmonikami. Vsi so bili deležni živahnega aplavza.

Za temi je najprvo nastopil mladi Eddy Udovich, ki je s svojo kitaro in živahnimi pesmi spravil vse občinstvo v razigrano voljo. Njemu sta sledili sestrji Pluth — Pepca na piano harmoniko, Angelea pa s petjem, ki sta bili tudi dobro nagrajeni z aplavzom. Ti trije so že deloma priznani kot profesionalci in občinstvo jih vselej živahno sprejme.

Potem so naši člani mladinskega oddelka peli več božičnih pesmi, nakar je bila predstavljena kratka dramska skica o Miklavžu. Anton Krapenc je igral Miklavža, Leroy Laflamme, Frank Oblak in John Kosig, pa povrsti: Micky, Nicky, Dicky. Temu je sledila delitev darov, kar je seveda razveselilo naše mlade. Ko je bilo to v redu, sta Louis Zefran in Anton Wencel kazala premične slike iz stare domovine in iz Amerike.

Program je bil lep, dobro izvajen; udeležba povoljna, razpoloženje med udeleženci vsestransko veselo in zadovoljivo. Lepa hvala vsem, ki so sodelovali na programu, ter članstvu in drugim za dober poset. Srečno novo leto vsem!

Joseph Oblak.

Ely, Minn. — Na letni seji društva Sv. Barbare, št. 200 ABZ, je bil za leto 1941 izvoljen sledeči odbor: John Otrin, predsednik; George Pternel, podpredsednik; Joseph A. Mertel, tajnik; Andrej Pirc, zapisnikar; Frank Golob, blagajnik; Mike Cerkovnik, Ignac Fink in Jack Kunstel, nadzorniki. Društveni zdravnik je dr. J. P. Grahel. Zastopnika za J. N. Dom sta Frank Mavec in Anton Stupnik. Zastopniki za združena društva ABZ v Elyu: John Otrin, Joseph A. Mertel in Frank Golob. Seje se vrše kot po navadi vsako četrto nedeljo v mesecu v J. N. Domu in se pričenjajo ob 9. uri dopoldne.

Pri tem priliki opozarjam vse članstvo tega društva, da je bilo sklenjeno, da plačuje vsak član 10 centov društvene naklade. Sicer imamo precej lepo blagajno, toda večina premoženja je naložena v U. S. bonde, kateri dosedaj nominalno vrednost še ne dozorajo. Ako bi jih zdaj izmenjali, bi dobili zanje manj kot bomo dobili čez par let. To liko v pojasnilo glede tega. Pa srečno in zdravo novo leto vsem! — Za društvo št. 200 ABZ:

Joseph A. Mertel, tajnik.

St. Louis, Mo. — V imenu društva Sv. Alojzija, št. 87 ABZ želim vsemu članstvu Ameriške bratske zveze srečno in v vseh oziirih uspešno novo leto. Naj bi bilo uspešno za našo ABZ in tudi za naše društvo.

Na naši zadnji seji, ki je bila najboljše obiskana v letu 1940, smo napravili načrte, kateri, če bodo izvedeni, bodo postavili naše društvo med prva društva naše organizacije. Naš načrt je tudi izpremenil. (Daje na 8. strani)

Damir Feigel:

ČAROVNIK BREZ DOVOLJENJA

(Nadaljevanje)

Tistega suha z rdečim nosom so začeli opazovati tudi drugi bolniki. Tri tedne že ima levo nogo v mavcu in sedaj se pripravlja, da zapusti brez tuje pomoči in podpore svojo posteljo. Ze sedi na njej. Počasi, počasi vstaja, stopil je že na zdravo nogo, zasuknil se na njej, prijel se z obema rokama za rob sosedove postelje, nagnil se k tujcu, niže, niže. Da dožene njegovo istovrstnost? Da ga poljubi? Blaženo se je namuznil in še, ko je ležal po hudem naporu zopet v postelji, se je razlivala ona blaženost po vsem njegovem obrazu.

Kakega znanca je spoznal v tujcu, mogoče prijatelja, celo dragega sorodnika, tako si je tolmačila večina njegovo zadovoljnost.

"Ali ste ga spoznali?" so ga izpraševali vsi bolj s pogledi ko z besedami.

"Takoj! Konjak, pomešan z brinovcem!" jim je veselo odgovoril suhec z rdečim nosom.

V sobano je stopil zdravnik. Šel je naravnost k novemu bolniku, potipal mu žilo, premeril mrzlico, nagnil se k njemu, dvignil mu roko, privzdignil glavo in se zamislil, zroč mu ves čas v obraz.

Niti najmanjšega šuma ni bilo slišati v sobi. Vsi so slutili, da je novodošlec bolnik posebne vrste, in si šteli v odlično čast, da so ga zdravniki naklonili prav njihovi sobi. In še ko se je bil zdravnik že davno odstranil, se ni drznil nihče, da bi pretrgal svečani molk.

Prišla je strežnica s posebnimi zdravnikovimi navodili. Posameznim skupinam je pravila z zamolklim, pridruženim glasom, da je novi bolnik pritikavec, naj se mu nihče ne smeje, naj mu nihče ne oponaša palčje postave, ker je prav tak revež kakor so oni, poleg tega so take po naravi skoparsko ustvarjene osebe večkrat maščevalne, če jih kdo smeši.

"No, da le otrok ni!" se je tolažil bolnik št. 13. "Gleda postave se nisem bil pa prav nič zmotil," je zatrjeval svojemu sosedu, "samo poglejte, koliko ga je pod odejo! Marsikakega šestletnega smrkvca je več ko njega. Čudna prikazen tak pritikavec. Jaz sem mnenja, da mora biti bolezen kakor je bolezen, če kdo preseže visokost dveh metrov, če kdo tehta več ko sto kilogramov."

"Jaz bi tega ne trdil," mu je ugovarjal sosed, "če bi bila bolezen, bi imeli že davno zdravilo zoper njo."

"Ker jih imamo že proti raku, proti jetiki!" se je odrežal prvi bolnik in pogledal večkrat na sosedno posteljo, pripravljen, da pretrga razgovor, kakor hitro bi se kaj zgenilo na njej. "Ne vem, ali sem kje bral ali mi je kdo pravil," je nadaljeval po kratkem odmoru, "da slovi po vsem svetu dežela Liliput s svojimi pritikavci. Kje naj bi bila ta dežela, ne vem. Iz mladosti se še spominjam sejemске lope, v kateri so kazali take ljudi — bilo jih je za pol otroškega vrtca — in izklicevalec je zatrjeval po vsaki predstavi, da so jih pravkar sveže dobili iz Liliputa."

"Čudno se mi zdi, da ni nič povezan, ko pač mora biti polomljen, sicer bi ga ne bili prinesli na naš oddelek," je zasuknil govorico njegov tovariš, ki ni vedel ničesar o tisti deželi in se radi tega ni mogel razgovarjati o tem predmetu. "Strežnica ko poprosim za podatke, ko nam prinese večerjo. Iz našega kraja je doma, sestrična mojega svaka ji je bila birmaska botra. Sedaj vstanem, da pokadam zunaj na hodniku cigareto."

Če me povabite, se vam pridruživim. Počasi že pojde. Da bi le ne bila zasedena klop pred vrati! Sedaj je v resnici najprimernejši čas za kako tajno cigareto."

Počasi sta prikrevsala na hodnik. Eden ob palici, drugi po bergli. Sedla sta na klop, prižgala si cigareto in se pazno ozirala na vse strani, da ju ne zaloti kak zdravnik pri prestopku hišnega reda.

Začula sta od daleč korake po stopnicah. Nenadoma sta izginili cigareti. Brezbržno sta zrla proti stopnišču. Prišla je strežnica. Ko bi trenil, sta se jima pojavila v ustih tleči cigareti.

"Gospodična Dorica!" jo je ustavil bolnik, ki je bil v daljnem svaštvu njeni birmski botri. "Prej ste nas opozorili, naj homo dobri s svojim novim tovarišem, ker je nesrečen: Ali bi nama lahko povedali, kaj se je zgodilo z njim, da je prišel v bolnišnico?"

"Z visokega drevesa je padel. Poškodoval se ni menda nič. Jutri zjutraj pride pod žarke. Danes je še preveč nasekan. Medpotoma so ga baje opili sopotniki, ker se jim je smilil. V vaši sobi ne ostane dolgo. Zdravniki samo čakajo, da se izprazni kaka posebna soba. Soba samo zanj. Dognali so namreč, da mora imeti nekaj težkega v notranjosti. Preiskovali ga bodo. Pazita, da vaju ne vidi zdravnik s cigareto. Slabe volje je in ves nasajen radi tega novega slučajja!"

"Hvala, Dorica, za pojasnilo in opozorilo! Le nič se ne bojte za naju!"

Strežnica je izginila v eno izmed bolniških sob.

Zopet sta začula korake. Vstala sta s klopi, da se počasi odpravita v posteljo. Mislila sta namreč, da prihaja zdravnik. Kadar roje zdravnikom posebne misli po glavi, naj se jim človek ne nastavlja na pot.

Tuj človek je prihajal po hodniku. Zdaj je pogledal v svojo beležnico, zdaj na označbo nad vrati. Pri klopi se je ustavil.

"Oprostite, gospoda," ju je vojaško pozdravil, "ta soba, kaj ne, je soba C."

"Pogodili ste. Ali bi radi govorili s kakim bolnikom? Nekoliko prepozno prihajate, ker so obiski dovoljeni le do pete."

"Nekega bolnika sem prišel nadzorovat, da se mu kaj hudega ne pripeti, ker ima mnogo sovražnikov." Gabrovšek se je bil še pravočasno spomnil nasveta svojega predstojnika, naj ne vzbuja s svojim nadzorstvom posebne pozornosti in naj upošteva dejstvo, da pride med bolnike, ki so po večini že radi svojih bolečin razurljivi in nezaupni. "Ali ima soba samo ta vrata?"

"Se ena so tam bolj naprej. S te klopi pregledate lahko hkratu oba vhoda. Nič ne pride ne v sobo niti ne gre iz nje, da bi vi ne opazili."

(Dalje prihodnjico)

DOPISI

(Nadaljevanje s 7. str.)

ti ime društva, da bo bolj odgovarjalo novemu imenu naše organizacije. Na zadnji seji je bilo sklenjeno, da damo en dolar (\$1.00) nagrade tistemu članu ali članici, od katerega ali katere predlagano novo ime bo sprejeto. Torej, člani in članice, pridite na prihodnjo sejo, in vsak naj si zamisli eno primerljivo novo ime za naše društvo. Ime, ki se bo zdelo večini članstva najprimernejše, bo sprejeto, in predlagatelj ali predlagateljica dobi en dolar nagrade. Seveda, predlagati bodo mogli le tisti člani in članice, ki bodo na seji navzoči.

Na zadnji seji smo tudi izvolili odbor, ki bo skušal izdelati načrt, po katerem bi mlajši člani društva formirali kakšne vrste klub.

Na letni seji je bil za leto 1941 izvoljen sledeči odbor: Frank Kodelja, predsednik; Mary Beg, podpredsednica; Emily Kodelja, tajnica; Mary Praprotnik, blagajničarka, in Jean Praprotnik, ena naših najnovejših članic, zapisničarica.

Po letni seji, na kateri smo skušali napraviti najboljše zaključke in načrte za v bodoče, smo bili nagajeni s prijetno domačo zabavo. Dovolj je bilo za jesti in piti in za godbo sta poskrbela brata Carl Lousha in Rudy Gabriel. Plesali smo celo "polštertane," ki je, kot znano zelo zabaven. Obiskal nas je tudi Miklavž in vsem prinesel lepa darila. Z našo zabavo je bil videti vsak zadovoljen, celo sam Santa Claus.

Zdaj pa še par drobnih novic. Na zadnji seji smo sprejeli in vpeljali Agnes Lousha v naš odrasli oddelek in Loretto Priesak v mladinski oddelek. Na prihodnji seji upamo sprejeti Mrs. Lousha. Novo leto smo pričeli z dobrim agitacijskim razporedjenjem, in upam, da bomo tako nadaljevali. Vsako sejo bi morali sprejeti vsaj enega novega člana. Mary Kodelja, članica odraslega oddelka našega društva, je pretekli mesec obhajala svoj rojstni dan, in prepričana sem, da so ji vsi člani in članice našega društva, z menoj vred, želeli vse najboljše in še mnogo, mnogo veselih rojstnih dnevo. Isto velja za našo mladinsko članico Anno Beg, ki je tudi obhajala svoj rojstni dan pretekli mesec. Zdi se mi, da je bil pretekli mesec zelo popularen za rojstne dneve naših članov in članic.

Naš mladinski član Walter Kodelja je bil napisal mal dopis za Novo Dobo, ter je dobil iz glavnega urada nagrado enega dolarja. Dečko je bil zelo vesel prejetega čeka. Naj bi še več mladinskih članov pisalo dopise za Novo Dobo.

Naša zadnja seja je bila tako številno obiskana, da bi bilo želeli, da bi bila vsaka naslednja seja tako. To pa je odvisno od članov in članic. Poskusimo za enkrat s prihodnjo sejo. In pripeljimo novih članov, tako, da bo društvo ob konci leta štelo še enkrat toliko članov kot jih ima sedaj. Na svidenje na prihodnji seji! — Za društvo št. 87 ABZ:

Emily Kodelja, tajnica.

Kansas City, Kans. — Na letni seji društva Vit. sv. Jurija, št. 49 ABZ, je bil ponovno izvoljen ves stari odbor, in sicer: Math Petek, predsednik; John Anžiček, podpredsednik; Martin Mootz, tajnik; Anton Simonich, blagajnik; Anton Pinter, zapisničar; Joseph Kastelec, John Yarc in William Novak, nadzorniki; Joe Derčar, predsednik bolniškega oddelka. Društveni zdravnik je dr. Joseph Evans. Društvo zboruje vsako tretjo nedeljo v mesecu ob 3. uri popoldne v Slovenski dvorani na 513 Ohio Ave.

Na letni seji je bilo sklenje-

no, da vsak član ali članica odraslega oddelka od 1. januarja 1941 naprej plačuje po deset centov mesečno v društveno blagajno, v pokrivanje društvenih stroškov. Dalje je bilo sklenjeno, da mora vsak član poravnati zaostale prispevke do prvega v mesecu. To prilagodnost ima vsak član do 1. aprila. Kdor ne bo imel poravnanih starih asessmentov do tega časa, bo plačal še posebej 10 centov globo v društveno blagajno, in sicer za vsak mesec. Izvzeti bodo le tisti člani, ki se pri tajniku javijo, da niso mogli plačati asessmentov tisti mesec. Torej, člani in članice, pomnite, da kdor ne bo imel plačanega svojega asessmenta do prvega dne v mesecu, bo plačal globo 10 centov na mesec. — Bratski pozdrav in srečno novo leto vsem! — Za društvo št. 49 ABZ:

Martin Mootz, tajnik.

Hermine, Pa. — Na letni seji društva Veseli slavec, št. 154 ABZ, ki je bila precej dobro obiskana, je bil za leto 1941 izvoljen sledeči odbor: Frank Vozel, predsednik; Frank Hribar, podpredsednik; John Rahne, tajnik; Louis Sustar, blagajnik; Valentin Murn, zapisničar; John Arch, Frank Skrapski in Charles Vozel, nadzorniki. Društvene seje se vršijo vsako tretjo nedeljo v mesecu ob drugi uri popoldne. Sestrski pozdrav! — Za društvo št. 154 ABZ:

Ida Klančičar.

Iz urada gl. tajnika

From the Office of Supreme Secretary

PREJEMKI IN IZDATKI MESECA NOVEMBRA 1940.

INCOME AND DISBURSEMENTS DURING THE MONTH OF NOV. 1940.

Odrasli Oddelek.—Adult Dept.

Dr. št. Lodge No.	Prejemki Income	Izdatki Disbursements
1	\$ 402.00	
2	796.55	322.00
3	1,152.00	
5	71.00	
6	84.83	
9	114.07	
12	179.00	
13	36.37	
15	112.37	
16	62.00	
18	30.50	
20	42.50	
21	122.00	
22	62.83	
25	1,144.36	
26	108.50	
27	69.50	
28	245.00	
29	1,021.00	
30	768.00	
31	145.33	
33	74.22	
35	100.00	
38	204.50	
39	954.00	
37	109.00	
40	90.37	
41	1,007.50	
42	97.30	
43	256.25	
44	85.00	
45	966.87	
49	141.00	
50	214.50	
51	28.67	
52		21.50
53		75.67
55		78.83
57		114.90
61		36.00
64		14.90
66		100.50
69		54.90
70		70.80
71		60.33
75		39.50
76		130.00
77		14.90
78		28.00
81		1,037.33
82		574.00
83		21.00
84		36.00
85		154.50
86		154.23
87		37.00
88		89.00
92		65.00
94		23.00
99		25.00
101		115.00
103		57.00
105		181.00
106		138.33
107		44.00
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111		11.00
112		66.00
114		143.00
116		120.00
118		120.00
120		351.56
121		39.30
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123		53.23
125		31.00

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170	23.00
171	34.33
172	14.50
173	42.00
174	28.00
185	87.00
186	7.67
188	
190	54.00
192	313.88
194	45.00
196	71.00
197	80.00
199	16.00
200	252.00
201	73.00
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