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STATEMENT OF INCOME FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE

Table with columns: Clanski oddelek, Mlad. Oddelek, Adult Class, Juv. Class. Rows include Asosment, Obresti od bonrov, etc.

M. G. KUHEL, Blagajnik-Treasurer

Spartans

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The Cleveland Athletic Meet Committee, with the co-operation of the United Lodges, Utopians and Spartans...

Watch "Napredk" for the entry blanks for the various events. Also reservation blanks for sleeping quarters...

And now for some knick-knacks. All I know is what I read in the papers! Did you read that "Gertie Garbas, clerk at Jean's Funny House at the Expo, is about to marry her boss"?

Here's one to add to Moe's Stork Hit Parade. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tomasic, (former Josephine Hostnik) announce the birth of a boy, Franklyn Joseph, born on July 4th...

Heard that the love bug bit Louise Hocevar. Quite a serious sting at that!... Saw the Selan's at Hinkley Lake a couple of Sundays ago...

Rudy Lison, our personality boy, left last Saturday for a two weeks vacation in Vancouver, San Diego, Los Angeles, Portland, and other western cities by plane...

Eddie Dietz at the Beach standing like a scarecrow on account of the bad sunburned back. Old Sol got the best of him...

Spartans Defeat Utopians 7 to 2

Blepp-Coomb Spartans completely outclassed the SSPZ Utopians and handed them a 7-2 defeat.

Utopians were first to score in the fourth, but the Spartan big-guns were not to be held long.

Utopians opened the scoring in the fourth when Vadnal was safe on an error. Opalich walked, and Vadnal scored when Pizmoht doubled, but Opalich was out trying to score.

In the fourth for Spartans, Zagar doubled, Koman was safe on Laznik's error, and Hocevar singled scoring Zagar. Spehek was safe on Pizmoht's error.

In the sixth, L. Batis, first man up, homered to center. Bolka took two bags on an error, and scored on Zagar's single.

In the seventh for Utopians, Laznik singled. Raya followed with a single, and W. Tekovic walked filling the bases.

SSPZ members and Inter-Lodge fans attend the games. Games are played every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at Gordon Park, Diamond No. 4, 6:30 p. m.

Members of SSPZ who attended the game, am sure really saw an exciting and thrilling ball game.

The following Friday Spartans tackle their friendly rivals the Utopians. SSPZ members attend this game and I'm sure you'll not be sorry.

BOX SCORE

Table with columns: Player, AB, R, BH, E. Rows include Spartans (Zagar, Koman, etc.) and Utopians (Vadnal, etc.).

Spartanology

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Spartans' Outing

Are all you folks ready to spend another eventful and enjoyable day (maybe evening too) with the Spartans? Our outing which is to be held this coming Sunday, July 25th...

It was a cool Sunday afternoon on the day of our meeting July 18th. Quite a number of members showed up. Plans for our coming outing were discussed and it should be a successful one.

Our Spartans team is tied up for first place with the SNPJ Feds.

Charles Wick would have been the proud possessor of two dollars had he been present at the last meeting.

Local Anesthetics

It seems Stan Zorc doesn't like to be called "Baby Face" as the Jibber Jabber named him. I bet he wouldn't like to get his hands on this Jibber Jabber.

—Antonia Zagar wishes she could have spent another week in New York. She had a marvelous time during her short stay there.

—Chuck Koman also has those "the day after the nite before" headaches. Ah Chuck, you shouldn't be lookin' at girls legs while discussin' business!

—Rumors have it that that handsome Frank Matetich might attend our outing Sunday. We hope so, Frank.

—John Nosse just got through telling everyone he was glad to see them. But I bet he wasn't glad to see the door he bumped into.

—Why did Sophie Opeka change her seat at the meeting? —Batis (Maxie) telling me work is good for a body. I should know. Well, I think I did enough so I'll let loose and sign off.

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HOOSIER PALS

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The boys played ball in the afternoon and the losers had to buy a case of beer and did they enjoy the cold beer after a hot game! Too bad I can't remember the score.

Next time I'll get an assistant to watch who was dancing with whom, and get the lowdown on some pals.

As told to me sis. Leona Turk was seen with a bottle of beer in her hand all afternoon, and not the same bottle either.

Sis. Zora Semehin couldn't take it. She stumbled and took a fall. Asked if it was the effects, she answered, "Effects heck, it was an accident."

All our pals seemed to be there but a few. Bet I can guess why. I'll try anyway. Bro. Al Butcher couldn't get away on account of his crops, which had to be picked.

Sis. Mary Stray stayed at home. (Was it because your husband worked behind the bar and couldn't be with him, or did the rain keep you back?)

I am getting tired of writing, so I'll make this brief as possible. I wish to thank all those that donated something for the picnic, all our helpers, and our car drivers.

Members please remember our monthly meetings held at National Home first Monday of the month at seven o'clock.

Cruising Around

Sis. Mary Ivancic sailed for Europe June 28th, to visit relatives and friends. Best of luck, on your trip! Bro. Gus Powell Jr. graduated from Washington High in June.

—Don't forget the Wheel of Progress pals, the more members the merrier we will be.

Sophie Krapes, President.

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Wheel of Progress Gains New Speed in Spite of Summer Heat

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part of today's issue, as I mentioned once before, you'll find the campaign story dressed-up in "figure-finery," which, after all is said and done, is the shortest and possibly the best way of giving you the facts as they really are...

Be LOYAL BOOSTERS by putting your shoulders right up there against the WHEEL OF PROGRESS and give it one grand and glorious continuous push up and over the hill of success!

OUTSTANDING BOOSTERS OF WHEEL OF PROGRESS CAMPAIGN

So far in the present campaign, the following members have been the most consistent campaigners... Leading the entire list is none other than brother Louis Karish, secretary of Lodge No. 239, North Braddock, Penn'a., who has enrolled 7 new adult members and 4 juveniles.

In the City of Cleveland, where our largest lodges are located, there are several stand-out campaigners... Among the most ardent workers here, we find brothers Anton Wapotich and William Candon of Lodge No. 20 and John Bohine and John Za-

man of Lodge No. 26... Each is doing his utmost to bring to his Lodge and Vrtec the National Grand Prize of \$100.00... Riding at the crest is Lunder-Adamič.

The campaign spirit of the Chicago members has waned somewhat during the past two months. The Trail Blazers, Lodge No. 197, paced by brother Stanley M. Tisol, president, is now leading the "Windy City" units by the small margin of \$250.00.

Milwaukee continues to boast of brother John Maren and sister Sophie Stampfel... And further west... Butte, Montana, particularly the Western Leaders, Lodge No. 209 and Vrtec No. 171 (recently established), are on their toes cheering the good work of brother Peter J. Kranitz...

For the first time in many years, our San Francisco unit, Lodge No. 46, has been reached by the spotlight of SSPZ fame... Here, sister Margaret Nemanich is largely responsible for placing her Lodge at the top of GROUP "C".

Western Pennsylvania Lodges boast of a number of noteworthy WHEEL OF PROGRESS boosters. Brothers Frank Cernuta of Lodge No. 189, Marion Pellingrini of Lodge No. 235, Joe Tekstar and John Uhernik of Lodge No. 41 and sisters Julia Kramzar of Lodge No. 89 (and Vrtec No. 72), Anna Baich of Lodge No. 146 (and Vrtec No. 3), Lillian Kosmach of Vrtec No. 10 and Christine Kvartich of Lodge No. 237 (and Vrtec No. 169), all have played a leading role in adding new strength to the Society's structure during the present membership drive.

We mustn't forget Pierce, W. Va., where brother Frank Polantz, administrator of Vrtec No. 140, is doing a right "smart" job of keeping his unit of youngsters in the forefront. This month Vrtec No. 140 leads the Juvenile Department for the first time, having gained a total of 12 new members since the start of the campaign.

CAMPAIGN BITS

Not once, during the three weeks and three days of my "Juvenile Month" tour, was I lost—but here in the narrow confinement of our none-too-large Home Office quarters, riding a squeaky swivel-chair, I've been in that situation a number of times since my return...

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Open Air Celebration

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BOLNISKA PODPORA Slek Benefit Claims

Table with columns: Name, Amount. Rows include Placana - June 10 - Paid, 4 Frank Rosec, 22 Mary Banich, etc.

Placana - June 24 - Paid

Table with columns: Name, Amount. Rows include 8 Matilda Zupancic, 10 Michael Resnik, 10 William Olivani, etc.

Placana - June 18 - Paid

Table with columns: Name, Amount. Rows include 1 John Gornik, 3 John Rešetič, 5 Miroslav Kenda, etc.

PIRATE NOTES

By Lone Star Pirates wish to extend a cordial invitation to all neighboring lodges and friends to attend their Mid-Summer Dance which will be held at Slovene Hall, Burgetstown on the night of Saturday, July 24, 1937.

On to Cleveland!

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

PROGRESS

"NAPREDEK"

Lest We Forget!

AMATEUR SNAPSHOT CONTEST. CLOSING DATE: SEPTEMBER 30th



"Wheel of Progress" Gains New Speed in Spite of Summer Heat

LUNDER-ADAMIC, LODGE NO. 20, CONTINUES TO LEAD ADULT LODGES. VRTEC NO. 140, PIERCE, W. VA., SWEEPS INTO FIRST PLACE

By Michael Vrhovnik

Well, friends, here we are again starting out pretty much like our old selves in spite of the long siege of summer heat ahead of us and the terrific spell of hot weather experienced during the past two weeks. It's still with us, but with so much work piled up on all sides, we haven't even time to wipe-off the beads of sweat that have collected on the fore-side of the "bean"...

Without wasting any more of your time than we can possibly help, we're going to start rolling along into a lot of campaign statistics and "meaty" bits we've collected here and there (there's a chance we might change our minds) and try to get you so gosh darn "dizzy" with figures, you won't know whether you're coming or going...

Don't let the summer heat stop you! You'll find out that if you can stay cool (you ought to see me now, sweating like a nigger hell-bent for election) for just a few minutes longer than the prospect you're trying to convince would make a valuable asset to your lodge, community and whatnot, and while discussing the insurance features from various angles and all the while having the figures ooze out kindo' smooth and velvety-like, as if coated with a special kind of imported oil, and added here and there with a pinch of "athletic pepper" and a sprinkle or two of "social and cultural sauce," though I'd advise you to be a bit "stingy" with the latter (for we really can't brag much about it), you'll have your prospect all ready to make for the nearest physician before you've even come to the point where you have to add a few promises you're not altogether sure the Society can keep...

It pays to be slow and cool when you approach your prospect, when you mention insurance to him and when you're ready to close the contract... Why, only the other evening, I accompanied one of our administrators to the homes of several prospects he had listed for "contact". I went along to help explain the insurance features of the transactions, and would you believe it?...

About all you have to do, in the GOOD OLD SUMMERTIME, to have that prospect see the point your way is to stay cooler than him and by golly, you'll be surprised how often that alone might be enough to convince him that what you represent must be okay or you'd be sweating like the "devil" who is trying to beat you out of something, but is afraid you'll find him out before he gets what he's after...

For the campaign statistics... Well, if you read the headlines, you already know what Lodge and Vrtec unit are leading the "parade" for the GRAND money prizes... And coming soon (like it says in the previews of movies to be shown) and if you read that far, you'll find out which members are sorto' standing out above the rest; although some there are, who just reached the "star grade" with little or nothing to spare...

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"AROUND THE S. S. P. Z." telling of Michael Vrhovnik's "Juvenile Month" tour, will be continued next week... Due to the crowded condition of today's Napredek, it had to be held back.

WHEEL OF PROGRESS

STANDING AS OF JULY 1, 1937

ADULT DEPARTMENT

By GROUPS:

Table with columns: Group, Previous Report (New Members, Total Ins.), Latest Report (New Members, Total Ins.). Rows for groups D, C, B, A.

NOTE: During this period 73 juvenile members were transferred to the Adult Department for a total face value of \$36,500.

BY GROUPS AND LODGES (Leaders)

Table with columns: Lodge No., Location, New Members, Total Ins. Rows for groups D, C, B, A.

Table with columns: Lodge No., Location, New Members, Total Ins. Rows for Group B lodges.

Table with columns: Lodge No., Location, New Members, Total Ins. Rows for Group A lodges.

JUVENILE DEPARTMENT

BY GROUPS:

Table with columns: Group, Previous report, Latest report, New members, New members. Rows for groups A, B, C, D.

BY GROUPS AND VRTEC UNITS: (Leaders)

Table with columns: Vrtec No., Location, Total new members. Rows for groups A, B.

Table with columns: Lodge No., Location, New Members, Total Ins. Rows for Group C lodges.

Table with columns: Lodge No., Location, New Members, Total Ins. Rows for Group D lodges.

5th Annual SSPZ National Athletic Meet

Cleveland, Ohio, Sept. 4-5-6, 1937

OFFICIAL ENTRY BLANK

SOFTBALL

Office of Lodge No. at

Table with columns: NAME, Age, Certificate No., Period of Membership. Rows 1-15.

Athletic Manager

Lodge Secretary

IMPORTANT: Mail this entry blank, when properly filled out and signed, to Michael Vrhovnik, secretary of N. A. B., 247 W. 103rd St., Chicago, Ill., not later than August 20, 1937!!! An entry fee of two dollars (\$2.00) must be enclosed

CHALLENGER BITS

Fourth and fifth of July was enjoyably spent by Challengers, Spartans, Progressors, Pirates and friends of the SSPZ at a picnic in Meadowlands, Pa. The proceeds of the athletic fund, are ear-marked for the affairs and the Challengers are prepared to win the Meet in Cleveland...

Four new members were proposed at the last meeting of the Challengers. The list includes Mr. and Mrs. Patsy Lombardi, Joseph Horvat and Agnes Troha. Let us try at the next meeting to do "just a little better."

It is surprising how Challengers fail to attend the monthly meetings and the excuses fabricated are equally surprising. Some of the members haven't attended so long, that we forgot their looks. To those members, I urge them to attend and pay due respect to the order that they belong to.

Marion Pellegrini, our Vrtec administrator, promised the kiddies a treat to the show or the swimming pool if they obtain 15 new members in the Vrtec. So it looks like the treat is on Marion, thanks to a few active juveniles.

Anthony Sirca, the old reliable, is again taking interest in the Challengers, as he is recovering from his ailment.

Jack Zager doesn't prefer blondes—much. Harold Christy's specialty is making dates after twelve o'clock. That's rather early, Harold.

Where was a Challenger lass Sat. July 3rd? Andrew Milavec better beware of funeral processions.

Bro. Komovec can handle beer at the spigat, and elsewhere with equal ability. Zampan and Polinsky are certainly missed at the affairs. Come around fellas and bring the wives.

Is a certain Progressor lass going to transfer to the Challengers? Cross Eyed

Trail Blazers NOTICE! All Trail Blazers, who desire to attend the Fifth Nat'l S. S. P. Z. Athletic Meet, at Cleveland, Ohio, on September 4, 5, and 6, 1937, may call upon brother Edward Vrhovnik, at 10138 S. Wentworth Ave., or telephone Commodore 0767, for reservations.

The railroad fare on the New York Central will be \$10.30 to Cleveland and return. The tickets will be honored for a period of ten days. That is, anyone wishing to remain in Cleveland for a longer period than the three days, may do so, but they must return to Chicago before the ten-day period expires.

All S. S. P. Z. members and friends are invited to accompany the Trail Blazers to the Fifth National S. S. P. Z. Athletic Meet at Cleveland, Ohio.

President

Spartanology

BY MOE

Howdy folks here it is Thursday again and I'm back again with my bit of news from here, there and everywhere. Yesiree.

The membership drive "Wheel of Progress" is well under way now. Every branch of the SSPZ is giving their whole hearted support in this function with plenty of vim, vigor and vitality. Spartans hope to lead the way and it can be done if we all keep on trying till we win. Listen, members, you who have sisters, brothers or friends who do not belong to our SSPZ organization, entice them to join. Let us all try our best and Luck to you all and may the best lodge win.

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WITH THE SPARTANS

Cleveland, Ohio. — Spartans meeting held Sun., July 18 was quite well attended and very lively. Many important items were discussed and settled. Everyone is enthused about the coming Olympics and ready to work, harmony and co-operation prevailing over the membership.

Everyone is set for Sunday, July 25th. On to the private Recreation Park in Perry, Ohio for our outing and that "bitter" baseball game. If you don't know, our veteran baseball players are challenging our "younger" boys for a keg of that amber fluid usually referred to as beer. There also are facilities for the tennis players, horseshoe pitching, croquet, and swimming. The evening we will spend in the woods at a nearby farm, build a fire and make merry. Fun is in store for everyone, the veterans as well as the "young ones." Pack a lunch, don your hobo togs (don't forget your swim suit) and meet us in front of SND on St. Clair Ave. at 8:30 a. m. sharp. Transportation will be provided by private cars.

SSPZ Fifth National Athletic Meet! September 4th, 5th, 6th! All vehicles speeding towards Cleveland! Baseball, balina, horseshoe pitching, track, a picnic, a reception dance, an E. S. conference, a victory banquet, etc, etc. Fun for all! Let these few items flash through your mind, and what's the result? Naturally, you've definitely made up your mind to join the rest of your fraternal brothers and sisters and friends in Cleveland over the Labor Day week-end. What ever you do DON'T MISS THE SSPZ OLYMPICS IN CLEVELAND SEPT. 4th, 5th, and 6th!!!

Now's the time to prepare and organize your teams. According to reports the competition will be "mighty stiff." Trailblazers, Challengers, Pirates, Balkans, Victorians, Spartans, Utopians they all want "1937 Baseball Champs" and other honors pinned to their name. But the Progressors, 1936 Champs, say "nothing doing, the championship is in the bag." And so everything stands until the final decisions to be made at SSPZ Olympics on Labor Day. Vrtec teams will compete also.

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HOOSIER PALS

Indianapolis, Ind. — The first half of the year passed us by, or shall I say we passed it by, in which we had the opportunity of accomplishing a great deal, if we would have gotten down to brass tacks, but we lacked something and for the life of me I can't figure why we did. And so our first social affair of the year was a picnic, held on Mervar's farm, on July 11.

Boy, oh boy, and what a picnic it turned out to be. The committee sure worked hard to make it a success. I'll try and describe what took place as far as I can still remember. To make the picnic more comfortable and the view lovelier, we had out-door tables and chairs, and did it go over big! We sure had some nice compliments about them. Before I forget I wish to thank Mr. Frank Turk for the use of them.

We had plenty of refreshments and gobs of beer, and boy, can our boys dish out beer. I don't think that they had a minute's rest. A million thanks to Frank Stray, Gus Powell Jr. and Gus Semenich for your splendid help. Jora Semenich, Ann Turk and Ella Pushner were so busy they didn't know if they were coming or going, selling tickets, ice cream, sandwiches and what not. Thanks, girls!

Well, from here let's see what was outside of the bar and to some pleasure. (Continued on page 3)

SPARTANS TAKE NOTICE

CLEVELAND, O.—All Spartan members and friends who intend to spend Sunday, July 25th at the Spartan outing at Perry, Ohio, please send in your reservations. Transportation will cost only thirty-five cents a person. Pack your own lunch. Please make your reservations by notifying our vice-president Stan Zagar at 9306 Parmalee Ave. or call Liberty 3837. Please do this before seven-thirty Saturday July 24th. We will all meet in front of the National Home at 8:30 a. m. Will leave Cleveland at 9 o'clock sharp. Please be prompt!

Frances Moe

NOTICE! The softball and junior hobby exhibit "Entry Blanks" are published in this issue of the Napredek... July 28th!