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- Nov. 4—Fall Dinner, Br. 33, Duluth, Minn.
- Nov. 12—Penny Social, Br. 2, Chicago 7:30 p. m. St. Stephen Hall
- Nov. 14—Fifth Anniversary Dinner-Dance, Br. 103 Washington D. C., 6:30 p. m. to 1:00 a. m. St. Thomas the Apostle Church Hall Woodley Road N. W.
- Nov. 15—Choral Concert by Dawn Choral Group, Euclid, O.
- Nov. 22—Card Party, Br. 3, Pueblo, Colo.
- Dec. 9—Christmas Meeting, Br. 40, Lorain, O., at 6 p. m.
- Dec. 12—Potluck, Christmas meeting, Br. 79 Enumclaw, Washington

OPEN LETTER TO MEMBERS OF SLOVENIAN WOMENS' UNION

ALVERNIA MANOR, 1598 Main St., LEMONT, ILLINOIS 60439

September 22, 1970

Dear Friend,

Soon our cherished dream of a Retirement Home ALVERNIA MANOR will become a reality.

We appeal to you, our dear friends, not only to request alms, but at the same time to offer to you the glorious opportunity of sharing in our Apostolate.

Your generosity may be designated in a small way by joining our DOLLAR A MONTH CLUB or any amount you desire to contribute.

The Home provides a select number of items that may be designated as memorials. These offer excellent opportunities to perpetuate the name of a loved one.

A plaque inscribed with the name of the person being honored and the name of the donor will be attached to each item selected as a memorial.

May God Bless you, and St. Francis intercede for you.

Gratefully yours in Christ,

Sister Mary Rose, Provincial

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- Dec. 20—Juniors' Christmas Party, Br. 2, Chicago, Ill, 2 p.m.
- Dec. 20—Anniversary Mass, Br. 2, Chicago, Ill., at 10 a. m., St. Stephen's church

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS IN NOVEMBER:

Branch Presidents:

- Nov. 4—Frances Plesko, Br. 12, Milwaukee, Wis.
- Nov. 7—Ann Markovich, Br. 10, Cleveland, Ohio
- Nov. 10—Celia Simich, Br. 54, Virginia, Minn.
- Nov. 15—Antonia Kastelic, Br. 64, Kansas City, Kansas
- Nov. 16—Marion Marolt, Br. 17, West Allis, Wis.
- Nov. 25—Katie Triller, Br. 16., So. Chicago, Ill.
- Nov. 30—Mary Shikonya, Br. 23, Ely, Minn.

Secretaries:

- Nov. 1—Mary Klemencic, Br. 96, Universal, Pa.
- Nov. 6—Dorothy Kastelic, Br. 101, Bedford Heights, O.
- Nov. 6—Myrna Krizmanich, Br. 93, Crested Butte, Colo.
- Nov. 16—Charlotte Sherek, Br. 39, Biwabik, Minn.
- Nov. 27—Mary Grzelj, Br. 68, Fairport Harbor, Ohio

Nov. 5th is the birthday of our dear Albina Novak, who cannot be forgotten from this listing of Birthdays of our Officers. May she enjoy — with all of our wonderful officers.

MANY HAPPY RETURNS OF THE DAY!

A Message from Vietnam:

IT WILL ONLY HAPPEN ONCE

To The Press:

Many of us here in Vietnam have been following the stories about unrest on the nation's campuses with subdued anger. It is demoralizing to read about our under privileged counterparts, vandalizing campus buildings, manhandling institution leaders, and generally making "Fools" of themselves. It is painful to the thousands of less pampered "Students" here, who take their lessons from instructors dressed in black pajamas and sandals; where classrooms are sandbagged, hot sweaty jungle clearings; where the Saturday night date is a cold beer and a letter from home; and where the grades are not "A"s, "B"s, or "C"s. but sudden death, crippling; wounds or maybe victory.

But we don't expect you people back in the world to be concerned. You did your share in '44—or was it "52"—and you are too tired to do more than mutter: "What's this world coming to?"

Well, don't worry people, someday soon this war is going to be over, and half a million angry men are

A THANKSGIVING PRAYER

Did I forget to thank Thee, Lord,
For things that may seem small:
A flower by the wayside,
A wild bird's lonely call;
For all the daily happenings,
That we call commonplace;
For autumn and for sunsets,
And a neighbor's smiling face?
For life is made of little things . . .
So let me not forget,
To count my smallest blessing,
And before the sun is set,
To thank Thee, Lord, for every one
That adds a note of cheer,
And our blessings will be multiplied
Before another year.

—Pauline Drew Stone

going to be descending on the 50 states, with dreams of home and families and education and jobs. When these men hit the campuses, I sincerely hope that someone tries to stop an ex-marine from going to class, or that some sorry, smelly social reject tries to plant a Viet Cong flag next to the artificial leg of a navy seabee, or spits in the burned face of an army medic.

I guarantee that it will only happen once.

SGT. JOHN R PLESETZ,
United States Marine Corps,
South Vietnam

WIN A FREE TRIP TO WASHINGTON, D. C. FOR THE SLOVENIAN CHAPEL DEDICATION AUG. 15, 1971 IN THE POST-CONVENTION CAMPAIGN

During the next 8 months, from Nov. 1, 1970 until June 30, 1971, you can qualify for a free trip to Washington, D. C. next August, 1971, when Slovenian-Americans from all parts of the United States will attend the Dedication Ceremony of the Slovenian Chapel in the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D. C.

Thousands of our members will come from all branches to represent their communities. You can win a FREE TRIP. Here's all you have to do to qualify.

EARN 50 POINTS IN THE POST-CONVENTION CAMPAIGN

A new member in Class B is worth one full point; (1)

A new member in Class A is worth one half point; ($\frac{1}{2}$)

A new Junior member is worth one quarter point; ($\frac{1}{4}$)

Besides the point tally, you will be entitled to a cash award for every new member as follows: For every new member in Class B, \$1.00; Class A \$.50 and Junior, \$.25. *Every worker Gets a Cash Award!*

Begin now — write up your new members and send them in. Your branch secretary has the application blanks. Remember: the name of the worker must appear on the application blank as usual as there will be no changes allowed after the application is received in the Home Office. One name can receive credit for the new member.

Every worker who reaches 50 points will win a free trip to Washington. Let one of the winners be YOU!

FANIKA HUMAR, National Secretary

4 MOTHER-DAUGHTER COMBINATIONS ALL OFFICERS OF S.W.U.



At the National Convention in Euclid, Ohio the sessions had just concluded when up popped Olga Ancel with a camera, wishing to take the photo you see here, of the mother-daughter combinations present at the Convention, and all serving as officers of this organization. Recruiting a photographer was easy — Fanika Humar obliged and the result was a rather historic photo of four pioneer officers whose daughters have also followed in their mothers' footsteps and each serves in an important function.

Seated at left is Josephine Erjavec, past National Secretary and charter officer of Br. 20 with daughter Olga Ancel behind her. Olga is the newly elected Investment Secretary and is secretary of Br. 20. Center left is S.W.U. Founder and Honorary President, Marie Prislund with her two daughters, Margaret Fischer, secretary of Br. 1 and Hermine Dicke, Secretary of Scholarship Committee and columnist for Pots and Pans and Pastime in Zarja. Newly retired National officer Albina Novak is

CAMPAIGN DEDICATION

On the successful completion of the campaign for funds for the Slovenian Chapel at Washington, D. C., we come to another drive that will bring a gift of future success to our organization. It is the membership campaign that begins this month. If you were to consider bringing into our organization your friends, young ladies, and relatives you would bring the greatest gift of all to crown the success of the Slovenian Chapel fund drive, a family of Slovenian women larger than ever and eager to work to reach greater importance and meaning for S. W. U.

The Campaign is from Nov. 1st to June 30, 1971. I know that every member wants to do her part so that the Dedication of the Slovenian Chapel will be more significant. It will be, if in our ranks we have many new members who want to be members of the Slovenian sisterhood and support the good causes that give us a greater sense of unity.

This is your opportunity, dear members, to make Slovenian Women's Union the largest organization of its kind, and bring a great representation to the Slovenian Chapel Dedication in Washington, D. C. next summer.

The worker who reaches 50 points in the campaign will win a free trip to Washington for the Dedication ceremonies. You have 8 months in which to work — the goal is exciting and important. Let us bring a large, vital family of Slovenian women to Marija Pomagaj, members who came together to be under her protection and who will work together in the Slovenian Women's Union to do many wonderful things. Good luck and success!

Fanika Humar, National Secretary

center right and behind her is daughter, Corinne Leskovar, Editor of Zarja. Seated at right is Marie Floryan, National Vice-President and secretary of Br. 17 with her daughter, Marion Marolt, president of Br. 17.

There are many more mothers and daughters who are active in Zveza and to all—a hearty salute and wish for continued success!

Editor

A MESSAGE FROM THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT

Here I am again, writing about the busy year we have all had.

First of all, preparing for our 15th National Convention, I was very happy to hear that the delegation was very satisfied with all arrangements that were made by the Cleveland and Euclid committees.

Right after the Convention, I left for Washington, D. C. with my husband Frank and Mr. Joseph Nemanich, where we had an important meeting with the Washington Committee in regard to the coming Dedication of the Slovenian Chapel. The meeting was held at the lovely home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Zorc, Jr. Present also was Mr. Rudy Vecerin of New York City who had charge of printing the beautiful stamp of Marija Pomagaj and the Immaculate Conception Shrine which you will all be able to obtain.

At the end of July, we had our National Board meeting. Present were the new National Secretary, Fanika Humar; new Auditor, Jennie Femc; new Treasurer, Elizabeth Zefran; new Investment Secretary Olga Ancel and new State President of Illinois-Indiana, Ann Lustig.

Former officers were also present. They checked all the bonds and found the books in good order. Also, lovely Irene Planinsek of Washington dropped in to see us while visiting her mother in Joliet. The new three year term for the National officers began July 1, 1970.

At the Convention, a Resolution was made to try and change the the frequency of the Convention from three years to four year intervals to save expenses, but I have received a letter from the State of Illinois Dept. of Insurance advising that it is impossible to change this ruling. Therefore, we will have our next National Convention in 1973 as planned.

August 10th my branch, No. 50, had their annual picnic at my home. Present were 62 members. What a time we had! Three sisters, Vicki Planecki, Ann Kristoff and Mary Petrich planned a wonderful time for all with games, prizes galore and the tables laden with all kinds of delicious food. The picnic was enjoyed by all and we are looking forward to next year. The best part was that they presented the branch with \$32, proceeds from the affair. More branches should have similar doings and bring in members so they enjoy coming to the meetings. A few days after the picnic, we left for the KSKJ Convention in Milwaukee where Frank was a delegate. I spent five days attending the sessions and had a nice visit with Mrs. Marie Prislund who came in for a few hours from Sheboygan.

I wish to thank all officers and members of Br. 17, West Allis, for the beautiful corsage they sent me which I wore to the banquet — and they even didn't forget my husband either by sending him a boutonniere.

Vice-President, Marie Floryan and her daughter Marion Marolt and husband and State President of Wisconsin Rose Kraemer and many other Zveza members were present.

After the Convention, I left for Minnesota to visit my mother and three brothers. I really needed a rest, but I guess when a person goes on vacation, he tires himself out more than when he stays home. Well, I was in my glory to be able to go out and pick blueberries. The day after we arrived, I went out and picked a lot as this year the crop was plentiful. The berries were hanging like grapes — only I was a little late for them as they were pretty ripe and harder to pick. After getting a big supply, and walking 15 minutes back to the car, through the woods, I was really tired and my legs and back became sore. It took me three days to get back into shape but it was worth it, as it brought me memories of my younger days. I went fishing and the first day caught a walleye that was

about 24 inches long. In all, I caught 12 fish which made me proud of myself as I am not much of a fisherman. Most of the vacation was spent helping my mother who is 83 years "young" and has a seven room home.

While vacationing in Minnesota I visited Mrs. Mary Lenich of Eveltehr, Mrs. Mary Kolar in Keewatin, attended a meeting and card party held by Br. 38 in Chisholm and a week later, a meeting and card party at Br. 56, Hibbing. Nice to see all the officers and members. After 3 weeks vacation, we arrived in time to begin our social activities and getting caught up with the work that had piled up at home while we were away.

On Sept. 12th, I attended the wedding of Lois Ann Prime, Frank's niece. The bride and her mother, Jennie, are both members of Br. 25 and the next day was the 50th Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Okorn. Mrs. Okorn is a member of Branch 25, too.

On Sept. 13th, two State Conventions were held, one in Colorado and hosted by Br. 66, Canon City and the second was in Minnesota, hostess Br. 81, Keewatin. At both meetings, the State Presidents presided, namely Anna Pachak of Pueblo and Barbara Rosandich of Ely. At Minnesota, the guest speaker was Fanika Humar, our new National Secretary.

A week later, Wisconsin State Convention was held at Milwaukee with hostess Br. 43, also celebrating their 40th Anniversary and presiding was State President, Rose Kraemer with guest speaker Marie Prislund. We hope to hear some very interesting reports on these three events.

Slovenian Chapel, Maria Pomagaj

Happy to announce that the Marija Pomagaj, Slovenian Chapel at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception is now under construction and will be complete by January 1, 1971. The Washington committee is very busy at this time getting everything in readiness for the grand dedication to be held August 15, 1971 on the Assumption of Our Lady. Literature and all details will be mailed to all organizations and individuals who have sent in their donations towards the chapel fund.

Our Zveza secretaries will also receive the beautiful commemorative stamps of Marija Pomagaj and Immaculate Conception Shrine which can be used on your letters, cards and especially for Christmas cards. This money will be used to cover the expenses that will be involved for the dedication such as printing, postage, etc.

Hotels have already been reserved and all other programs are well under way so that your stay in Washington D. C. will be a memorable one.

Convention Queen Campaign closed with 321 new members enrolled which was a very nice increase. Meetings again will be resumed by all branches and let each and every one of you keep up the good work. Your branch will benefit by your activity.

Branches that are busy are the ones that have good, hard working officers and members. I find that if the President or Secretary has the love for her branch and tries to do or give some fine programs of activity after the meetings, members will enjoy themselves and will attend — looking forward to each and every meeting. Why not give it a try?

The 1968 printing of cookbooks, Woman's Glory—The Kitchen is completely sold out! Notice to branches: please do not send in any orders until further notice. We know there are some books still out among the various branches — and this is all there is left. We have begun working on a new printing and when the new book will be available, you all shall be notified.

At this time, we are asking all members to please send in your favorite recipes, either bread, cookies,

Highlights of Colorado State Day

The tenth annual State Convention of Colorado-Kansas-Missouri was held at Canon City, Colo. on Sunday September 13th. The day opened with a special High Mass at St. Michael's Church at 11 a. m. with the Rev. Bonaventure Bandi, OSB, the celebrant. Luncheon was served to 115 members and guests at the Club Belvedere. Father Vincent Peter, asked the blessing.

Mrs. Richard Clark accompanied by Mrs. Catherine Logue sang "You Are Love," "Climb Every Mountain" and "Ave Maria."

Mrs. Josephine Del Monte was toast mistress, introducing state president, Mrs. Anna Pachak of Pueblo, other officers and guests.

Christine Konte, president of Branch 66 gave the welcome and response was made by Anna Pachak.

Father Bonaventure was the principal speaker and he gave a talk on Women's Liberation Movement which was well received by the members and guests.

It was such a pleasure to receive greetings from our National President, Antonia Turek; our Founder, Marie Prislant, State President of Wisconsin, Rose Kraemer and from Mrs. Antonia Kastelic, president of Branch No. 64, Kansas City, Kansas.

Mrs. John Germ of Pueblo and Mrs. Hannah Adamic were presented corsages as being the oldest members of their local branch attending.

The Rev. Stephen Sulstrick, OSB, of St. Benedict's Church of Florence, Colo. gave the Benediction at the close of the program.

A short meeting followed with our state president presiding. Yours truly was recording secretary. Minutes of the meeting were read. Reports were given by Frances Simonich, delegate of Branch No. 3, Pueblo, and Helen McFarland, delegate of Branch No. 66. Members agreed that our Zarja, which came under discussion, should remain as it is with English and Slovenian languages both printed in each issue.

We were sorry there were no delegates from branches 63, Denver and 92, Crested Butte. Mrs. Kay Stariha, a member of Br. 92, and her husband of Colorado Springs and Mrs. Martha Popovich of Branch No. 63 and her guest Mrs. Grande of Denver, also attended the Convention.

Dancing, visiting and distribution of prizes provided a most enjoyable close to the Convention day. Music for dancing was provided by Frank Yekovich Sr., on guitar and son, Robert, on accordion.

Potica, ham and coffee were served to the delegates and guests prior to their departure for home.

The 1971 State Convention is scheduled to be held in Denver, Colo. **Christine Konte, Rec. Sec'y.**

cakes, pastry, meat, dishes, casseroles, canning fruit and vegetables, pickles, relishes or what have you. Please be careful in sending in correct amounts of ingredients, with all other information such as size of pan, correct amount of yeast, if used, correct time for baking or cooking, temperature of oven, etc. Please sign your name under the recipe. Send it in immediately so it can be kitchen-tested and made ready for printing. Mail your recipes to the Columnist for Pots and Pans: Mrs. Hermine Dicke, 3717 Council Crest, Madison, Wis. 53711, — or to: Mrs. Marie Prislant, 1034 Dillingham Ave., Sheboygan, Wis. 53081 — or to the Home Office, S. W. U., 1937 W. Cermak Rd., Chicago, Ill. 60608 — or to me: Mrs. Antonia Turek, 986 Bryn Mawr Ave. Wickliffe, Ohio 44092.

A speedy recovery to all ailing and Happy Birthday to those celebrating this month.

Toni Turek

WISCONSIN STATE CONVENTION AND 40th ANNIVERSARY

Wisconsin State Convention and 40th Anniversary turned out to be a great success. I am sure that Wisconsin branches will agree that the State Conventions are getting larger in membership and much more interesting.

The day began with a Mass celebrated by Rev. Claude Okorn, our spiritual advisor. He congratulated the National Board of Officers, the charter members, delegates and members of the SWU gathered together in Milwaukee. This was followed by a very interesting sermon.

The choir, under the direction of Ernest Majhenich, who is an excellent director, sang beautifully. Everyone remarked what a wonderful choir we have at St. John's.

After Mass, we assembled in the hall for sweet rolls and coffee and at 10:30 a. m., the meeting was on its way.

Father Okorn opened the meeting with invocation and present was an overwhelming group of members who numbered 89. The National Board members were introduced including Honorary President and Founder, Mrs. Marie Prislant of Sheboygan; Marie Floryan, National Vice President of West Allis; Fanika Humar, National Secretary of Chicago and Ann Lustig, State President of Illinois-Indiana who came from South Chicago, Ill.

Joan Ziebell was appointed recording secretary and the Minutes from the previous State Convention in Willard were read.

A telegram was received from our National President, Toni Turek of Cleveland and a letter from Anna Pachak, State President of Colorado. Mrs. Floryan's card of greetings and a letter from Br. 17 was also presented to the Convention. The delegates were then called upon to give their reports. Br. 1 of Sheboygan, Margaret Fischer; Br. 12, Milwaukee, Frances Plesko; Br. 17, West Allis, Marion Marolt and Br. 43, Milwaukee, Sophie Bevesek — also a report from Branch 102, Willard.

After this, a floor discussion was opened and the main topic was the trip to Washington, D. C. I have been asked to get the information on both bus and plane transportation and in the near future, will have this to pass on to you. Following the discussion, a few door prizes were given. Awards were presented to Mary Beley, 88 years young, the youngest member at the meeting; the branch having the largest attendance, that was Sheboygan and a special gift was given to Ann Lustig, a beautiful Madonna statue.

Dinner was served at 1 p. m. and followed by a short program. Marie Prislant spoke as did our National Secretary, Fanika Humar. The four charter members were introduced by our president and given awards, namely: Josephine Kolar, Celia Marolt, Christine Rebernisek and Antonia Velkovich.

The choir, under the direction of Ernest Majhenich, was fantastic. I just cannot find words that would due them justice. The Memoriam was very heart-warming. On the stage, a box covered with purple satin and on it a cross with a spray of white flowers—on each side a candle burning while the names of 48 deceased members were read. Mr. Kotar and Mr. Rifel sang a very beautiful duet accompanied by Mr. Majhenich at the Memoriam. We had another very talented singer, Harry Konczal, son of our president, Anne. He sang: "I Believe", also accompanied by Mr. Majhenich and in conclusion, two members from the Jolly Slovenes of Sheboygan played their accordions, namely Johanna Zore and Frank Koroshetz.

This concludes our State Convention and 40th Anniversary and to all National Officers, delegates, members and friends, the choir, Mr. Majhenich, Mr. Kotar, Mr. Rifel, Mr. Konczal, Mrs. Zore and Mr. Koroshetz and Jean Jelenc for the dinner tickets, a great big thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Rose Kraemer, State President

ACTIVITIES

OFF TO A FAST START BOWLING

No. 1, Sheboygan, Wis. The September meeting was well attended. Discussions were held concerning the State Convention in 1971, which our branch will be hosting. The report of our card party was read by our treasurer Dorothy Kregel. The secretary read the six months report which showed a nice gain into our treasury. A new member was initiated, Louise Strmec. We welcome her into our branch. After the meeting slides on Yugoslavia were presented, taken from the vacation of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Falle, which were greatly enjoyed by all. Dorothy Kregel served coffee with a delicious tea-ring to celebrate her birthday the following day.

We extend congratulations to our newly-wed members and their husbands: Barbara Schmidt married to William Wessler and Kathleen Simenz married to Mark Zovic. May they have a long and happy life together.

Our sincere and deepest sympathy to the following families: John Turk, Steve Radovan and Maurice Ziegenhorn in loss of their beloved ones.

We are proud of our member Doris Carek, manager and an employee of the Social Security Office. She has been given cash awards in recognition of outstanding work at the administration office here.

Early this summer member Olga Slapnick attended the biennial convention of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America at Atlantic City, New Jersey. She represented the Lakeland Mfg. Co. as a capable delegate.

Due to the good attendance at our last year's Christmas Party, by request plans will be made at the November meeting for another such party. Ladies interested please contact an officer or myself for date and arrangements. There were several disappointed members last year, so we suggest you make a reservation this early in advance.

A thank you to Milwaukee Branch No. 43 for their hospitality at the State Convention. We were happy to be awarded for the largest attendance at the meeting. It was a pleasure to see so many ladies present and especially from far away Willard.

Wishing our shut-ins and sick a speedy recovery.

Meeting date November 15th, do try and be present.

Margaret Fischer, Secretary

No. 2, Chicago, Ill. Such a wonderful meeting — with a nice crowd of members and guests, attending in October. We enjoyed the discussion — commentary by our guest speakers, Dr. Marla Bernik and Mrs. Andrew Remec and hope they will come

No. 2, Chicago Bowling News. — There were quite a few new faces at Townhall bowling lanes as the 1970-1971 Chicago S. W. U. bowling season got under way August 25th.

As is usual this early in the season, there were also quite a few teams vying for top position. Marquette Service Station and St. Paul Federal were tied for first place as October began, with a record of 13 wins and 5 losses. Zefran Funeral Home, with 12 wins and 6 losses was close behind in third place.

Tied for fourth place, with 11 wins and 7 losses, were Dr. Grill and John F. Cuneo. Jelinek Drugs, 10 wins and 8 losses, came in a close sixth.

Other teams returning for the new season are Reliance Federal, Wagner's Bakery, Zarja and Barbara's Beauty Shop.

Dr. Grill has the lead in high team series with 2744. High team game is held by Marquette with 981. In the individual categories, H. Fitzgerald led in high series with 650 and A. Persa had the high game of 249. These are all handicap scores.

The railroad-pickup portion of these articles continues to be the favorite of most of the bowlers. September's list includes: E. Statkus, 5-7 and 3-10; A. Hozzian, 5-10, 6-7 and 5-7; A. Kovacs, 5-7, 2-7-10; R. Swartz, 5-7; 5-10 and 2-7; A. Persa, 5-8-10 and 5-10; H. Fitzgerald, 2-10 and 5-6-10; B. Zalik, A. Leben, 5-10; M. Zefran, S. Melissa, 5-7; L. Ovník, S. Gorka, 3-10; A. Fingerhut, 3-7; K. Lexa, 6-7; J. Ovník, 2-7-8.

The league's officers this season are: Shirley Melissa, president; Barbara Zurek, vice-president and scribe; Lil Putzell, secretary-treasurer.

Next month I hope to bring you some news about our outstanding bowlers. Barbara Zurek

No. 20, Joliet, Ill., Bowling News. Here we go again, with another season of sports. After 3 weeks of bowling, we have a few girls bowling like the pro's. Vickie Bernikas bowled 513 on the first night of bowling. Millie Brisko also had a wonderful series of 491. The rest of us will have to try a little harder.

We would like to welcome our new bowlers. We have Betty Marocco, Mary Mihelick, Theresa Juricic, Jenny Lou Skul, Ann Kozol and Nancy Jandura. Good luck girls!

Dorothy Jaksetich had to give up bowling this year because of illness. All the girls will be wishing her a speedy recovery and our prayers will be with her so she can return soon.

We also have a new sponsor, the Tezak Funeral Home to replace Bluth's Sausage sponsor. The Bluths have discontinued making "smokies" which is a great loss for us who like sausage. Thanks for being a sponsor all these years. And also thanks to Tezak Funeral Home for being our new sponsor and well as to all our faithful sponsors.

Team standings as of Sept. 28th are as follows:

	W	L
Northwestern Recreation Club	7	2
American Slovenian Home	6	3
Tezak Funeral Home	5	4
F. C. Dames Funeral Home	4	5
Merichka's Restaurant	4	5
Sheps Sunoco Service Station	1	8

Well, girls, don't forget this reporter would like a little more news once in a while. If you have anything you think might interest the members, let me know. See you next month. Gen. Klainsek

again. Our members seemed very enthusiastic about the discussion program contemplated for the future so we will go on and plan another one soon. Thanks to the many members who donated goodies — the trays looked like a wedding feast — so we know that everyone enjoyed their coffee-time very much.

Our members extend deepest sympathy to our treasurer, Liz Zefran whose mother, Mrs. Mary Skrjanec passed away last month at the age of 87 years. Grandma Skrjanec was one of the pioneer members of this community and a more energetic and vital person never lived. She will be greatly missed by her family and all who knew her.

November 12th is the next night we are looking forward to — It's

the annual Penny Social at 7:30 p. m. at the St. Stephen Lower Hall — don't forget to come and bring your families and friends. It's lots of fun to play games and again — those delectable goodies. All donations of prizes and home-made cakes, poticas, strudels, etc., will be gratefully appreciated. The proceeds as you know, for our Junior's Christmas party to be held December 20th.

We also invite you now to attend the Anniversary Commemorative Mass on Sunday December 20th at 10 a. m. at St. Stephen's church — it will be the 44th Anniversary of our Branch! Three dates to look forward to and we'll be seeing you at all three.

Corinne Leskovar

ZARJA—THE DAWN

AS SEEN AT THE ILLINOIS-INDIANA STATE CONVENTION



One of the largest gatherings of officers and members of the states of Illinois and Indiana attended the Ill.-Ind. State Convention October 4th at Br. 16, South Chicago, State President, Ann Lustig, chairlady, presided at the very interesting meeting that followed Holy Mass at St. George church and dinner at Rupich's Restaurant.

On the first photo top left are officers of the local South Chicago branches and visitors: Pauline Druga,



State Rec. Sec'y, and Gladys Buck, Secretary, both of Br. 16; Ann Kompere, National Auditor (Br. 95), Fanika Humar, National Secretary (Br. 2), Ann Lustig, State President (Br. 16), Elizabeth Zefran, National Treasurer (Br. 2) and Sophie Petrovic (Br. 2).

Top right photo shows visiting State President of Wisconsin, Rose Kraemer and Mrs. Zefran, Miss Buck and Mrs. Humar.



Among the many guests present was this group of Br. 2, Kate Sarbarneck, Millie Paisoli, Frances Zibert, Secretary, Jennie Kitz, Richard Kraemer (son of Mrs. Kraemer of Milwaukee) and Mitzi Krapenc.



Joliet was represented by this nice group, top right from left: seated: former National Auditor Frances Gaspich, Emma Planinsek, President, and Josephine Erjavec, former National Secretary and Recorder of Br. 20.

Standing are Anna Mraz, Olga Ancel, SWU Investment Secretary and Sec. of Br. 20, Marlene Gaspich, Millie Pucel and Theresa Marentich, Auditor of Br. 20.



Members of branches 16 and 95, South Chicago grouped together for the two photos above. Top left, seated: Evelyn Driscoll, Millie James, President of Br. 95, Millie Poropat, Sec. of Br. 95 and Ann Pave; standing: Dorothy Pleban ki, Pauline Druga, Helen Magnus, Ann Kompere, Angela Novak, Josephine Blasovich, Sylvia Spretnjak, Pauline Klobucar and Katie Vidmar.

Right photo: seated. Mary Primozich, Mary Slobodnik, Mary Brebrick and Josephine Kralj; standing: Katie



Zlogar, Janice Hutchinson, Tessie, Josephine Maggio, Jean Winters, Mary Marsetich, Mary Krznarich and Tina Ziebart. All Illinois and Indiana branches will meet again next year at a time to be determined by hostess branch No. 20, Joliet.

CHANGES AND ADDITIONS TO THE BY-LAWS AS ADOPTED AT THE 15th NATIONAL CONVENTION

Regulations, pertaining to the State Conventions, giving it more representation, were un-
animously approved by the Board of Directors at their semi-annual meeting in July.

The revised articles read as follows: (Please clip and paste in your By-law books for future reference.)

14. The business of the convention shall be conducted by special committees appointed by the National President, namely: Committee on Credentials, Committee on By-laws, Committee on Resolutions, Committee on Appeals, Committee on Salaries and Transportation, Committee on Promotions and Publications, Committee on Youth Activities, and Committee on Elections. The convention accepts, rejects or changes the recommended motions of the Convention Committees. The Election Committee shall present two candidates for every National Office.

Additional candidates can be nominated from the floor. The nominations are public, voting by ballot only, if more than one candidate is nominated.

17. Subordinate branches having a membership of less than 100 members shall be combined with other branches having less than 100 members for the purpose of electing a delegate. The total membership for consolidation for elections shall be considered as of the first day in the month of January of the convention year. The consolidated branches shall have a total of 200 members to be entitled to one delegate. The National Secretary shall issue the order of consolidation after which the delegates shall be elected. Consolidated branches shall elect their delegate in the month of March of the convention year.

Consolidated branches shall contribute to personal expenses of the delegate representing them at the National Convention.

19. Delegates and alternates shall be elected in the month of Jan., February or March in the convention year. Elections held earlier than the first day of January or later than the last day of March of the convention year shall not be considered valid. The nominations of delegates shall be public, the election being made by written ballot. If more than one delegate is nominated and a majority is not reached by any one candidate, the two highest nominees shall be voted upon to decide the election. A separate election shall be held for each delegate. Alternates shall be elected in a similar manner.

29. The members of the National Board shall be elected at the National convention for a term of three years, and for two successive terms, except the National Secretary and the Editor. The nominations shall be public, balloting secret. Directly upon their election, the National Board members shall be installed into their respective offices.

Finance Committee

49. The Honorary President, the National President and the National Secretary shall comprise the Finance Committee.

The National Convention shall elect an Investment Secretary who shall invest the Union's funds according to the Insurance Laws of the State of Illinois.

She shall report all financial transactions to the Board of Directors and to the National Convention. She shall allocate accumulated gains to the organization's Classified Funds.

59. The candidate for State President shall have leadership ability. She presides at the state convention, prepares for the convention a program of interest and new ideas for improvement and expedience within the branches and the Union. In her state or in her group of states, the State President assumes the leadership to membership campaigns. She shall represent her branch or her group of branches as the delegate at the National Convention. To the National Convention she shall submit a report of recommendations made by the branches in her state or in her group of states.

One year before the National Convention, every State Convention shall elect a candidate for State President, who shall attend the National Convention where she is elected and installed as the president of her state or group of states.

Investments

89. The Investment Secretary shall invest the Union's funds in reliable banks, in State and Government bonds, in Catholic institutional bonds, in insured Savings and Loan associations, in high rated Public Utility debentures and in City and County bonds which carry direct obligations.

Membership

102. All women and their families of Slovenian descent and women and their families of other ethnic groups being in good health, of good moral character and of Catholic faith, shall be accepted into the organization. Non-Catholic spouse married by a Catholic priest can be accepted as a member. Members of the Adult Department in Class A shall be at least 16 years of age and not over 50 years old. Class B member's age shall be from 16 to 60 years. Applicants for membership are not required to undergo a medical examination before being admitted to membership. The applicant for membership shall be recommended by a member knowing the applicant well.

Junior Department

119. Children and young adults ranging from birth to 25 years of age, who are in good health, shall be accepted into the Junior Department. Their assessment shall be ten cents monthly. In the event of death, and after two years of Junior membership, the Union shall pay to the beneficiaries \$100.00 death benefit.

120. The Junior member certificate expires at the age of 25 years. When the Junior member attains the age of 16 years, she or he may be transferred into the Adult Department. At such time a Rider of \$50.00 is attached to her or his certificate for the normal amount, to be

payable at death, providing such a Junior member was enrolled before its first birthday. If a Junior was a member over ten years at the time of transfer to the Adult Department she or he shall receive one year free assessment in Adult Class.

162. She shall forward to the National Secretary monthly assessments, and other fees for all the members of her branch to be in the Home Office by the last day of each month.

163. The Secretary shall be responsible to the Union for the monthly assessment she receives paid.

General Decisions

195. By-laws accepted and approved at the 15th National Convention held on May, 25,

26, 27, 1970 in the city of Euclid, Ohio and shall become effective July 1st, 1970, and supersede those of previous date, except those pertaining to the burial benefit of regular members who were admitted prior to January 1, 1929, regardless of their age.

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The Resolution, presented to the last National Convention by the By-Laws committee regarding the petition for a year of extension for the next National Convention, was not approved by the Insurance Department of the State of Illinois. — We will continue to abide by the Section 340 of the Insurance Code which states that the National Conventions must be held every three years. Marie Prislant, Chairman By-Laws Committee.

DEEPEST SYMPATHY

President of Br. 85, DePue, Ill., Mrs. Mary Stupar passed away last month. The members offer their sincere sympathy to the family who mourn her and her sister members. May she rest in peace.

C. L.

A Note from the First S.W.U Scholarship Winner

Detroit, Mich.

To the Scholarship Committee:

Just thought it may be of interest to you to know that some of my writings have found their way into the permanent collection, Rare Books and Gifts Room of Oakland University, Rochester, Michigan.

A poem I wrote about a dozen years ago in memory of our city's great minister and Lincoln scholar, Rev. Edgar DeWitt Jones, is even on tape recording — narration by the chief announcer of station WJR, Charley Park (who specializes in poetry readings) — with organ background. I had given this verse to Mr. William Springer, this area's foremost Lincoln scholar-historian-writer-editor (publisher of the paper that I worked on at that time), and it was used during a special memorial program honoring Dr. Jones. The recording was made at that time.

Last summer, Mr. Springer presented his collection of about 6,000 items of Lincolniana to Oakland University. This tape recording was among those. Included also were several more of my essays, which had been published or delivered as addresses at at various times — all dealing with the Great Emancipator and his times.

Incidentally, Mr. Springer was born in Austria 73 years ago and is of Yugoslav-German ancestry. He came to the U. S. as a lad of 16 years.

The enclosed check of \$10.00 is for the Scholarship Fund. Sincerely,
Marie Bombach Dye

No. 7, Forest City, Pa. Our wonderful president for all the years of our branch, Mrs. Anna Kameen, died Sept. 26th. We will all miss her very much. God rest her soul.

Mrs. Kameen celebrated her 91st birthday July 2nd. She was stricken with illness in August. Mrs. Kameen, daughter of the late Frank and Anna Kutnar, came to this country from Slovenia in the early 1900's. She married the late Joseph Kameen in 1902. He passed away in 1929, the victim of miner's asthma at the age of 54. Their 8 children were reared from the family home in Forest City. Her children gave their mother happiness with 16 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren. A daughter, Mary and 6 sons survive. They are Joseph, Louis, William and Paul, the co-owners of the Kameen Hardware Co., of Forest City and Carbondale, Dr. Anthony J. Kameen, an ophthalmologist and Lawrence A. vice-president of the RCA Corp. Electronic Components and Devices Division. A seventh son, Rev. John Kameen passed away in 1957. He was a former pastor of St. Joseph's church in Forest City.

Mrs. Kameen was the charter president of Br. 7 and we were always so proud of her. She was well-known among our pioneer officers and attended many conventions and other functions in earlier years. Our deepest sympathy to the family on their great loss.

To all our sick members, we wish a speedy recovery, especially to Mary Shivitz.

Members, please come to our next meeting. We have many things to do and election of officers is coming up. Members who have not paid up their dues are reminded to take care of this or you will face suspension.

My best wishes to all the officers and members of Slovenian Women's Union from far and near.

Josephine Gostisha, Sec'y.

No. 12, Milwaukee, Wis. — The meetings started up again with a fair crowd, hope they get much better as we do have fun after the meetings and it helps to have more representation and voices when decisions are

to be made, besides new and better ideas often arise with a greater attendance.

It was suggested that we arrange to take a sightseeing trip through the countryside to see and enjoy the beautiful Wisconsin fall colors. It met with approval and it was decided to take such a trip to Port Washington for dinner, visit to a wholesale house in the area and end up at Holy Hill for a bit of prayer as well. October 20th was the day most suitable so I hope we will have a good report on this activity in the next issue.

After the meeting, we sang Happy Birthday to Stavia Dobersek who brought a good cooked ham for sandwiches, so we all enjoyed the good luncheon. Coffee was among the prizes, so you see, we always have someone going home with a prize.

See you on Nov. 15th at 2 p. m. at Old Tony's on South 2nd and W. Florida Streets. The bus stops on the corner, and there is plenty of parking space. Light lunch and drinks will be available to those who so desire to spend more money on such pleasure, so you can bring your friends and families. Tickets were donated by the Jelenc Funeral Home and can be bought at the door or from Mrs. Plesko. Please plan to attend and let's have a grand turnout.

It was good to have so many of our members attend the State Convention. It helps to make a successful venture and more gets accomplished. It was good to have our new National Secretary as a guest so that most of us had a chance to meet her as she's a very pleasant and friendly addition to the organization. Speeches made by our Founder, Mrs. Prislant and Spiritual Director, Father Okorn were also very enlightening. It was brought out that next August, 1971, we will have another chance to enjoy a trip to Washington, D. C. with the very able Irene Planinsek to help set up the sightseeing and accommodations. You all remember what an excellent job she did in May of 1967, so start planning now to be one of those seeking reservations for transportation as

DAWN CHORAL CONCERT NOVEMBER 15th

Representing four SWU branches from the Greater Cleveland area, the Dawn Choral Group was organized by State President Mary Bostian in 1967. On November 15, 1970 these members from Branches 14, 25, 32 and 50 will have their Concert at the Slovenian Home on Recher Avenue in Euclid. The Concert will begin at 4 p. m.

The Choral Group has been invited on many occasions to participate in Cultural Programs and Benefits for other lodges as well as celebrations honoring the anniversaries of our own Slovenian Women's Union branches. One of the latest performances was at the last National Convention in May.

Directing the Dawn Choral Group is Mr. Frank Gorensek. Mr. Gorensek also directs the Korotan Singing Society of Cleveland and has received high praise for his work. He has taught the SWU singers from the

very beginning and has selected melodies for the Concert that will delight all who attend. Many of his selections are done in acappella arrangement.

Some of the soloists will be Mimi Rezonja, Tillie Spehar, Mary Strazisar, and Albina Tichar. All have been working very hard for this special event.

After the Concert, warm sandwiches will be served along with the usual refreshments. Of course, there will be dancing for everyone with music furnished by the John Grabner Orchestra.

We hope to see many of our friends from all the neighboring areas. The singers have always appreciated seeing members come from far distances to hear and wish us well. An enjoyable evening is promised to all who attend.

Mitzi Globokar, Publicity

Br. 12:

they will have to be made by next June at least. Sunday, August 15th will be the Dedication of the Slovenian Chapel with the extra weekend days for sightseeing and traveling. Let's have a good representation from Milwaukee.

State Conventions are always a good time to see and visit with friends from our other state branches and so it was for us. All branches were well represented. Next year will be our turn to take a bus trip as Sheboygan will be hostesses and we're sure to have real Slovenian food and hospitality.

Our sympathy to the family of Mary Primozich who passed away in September.

Wish everything is well on the road to recovery for Mmes. Gornik, Cvetan, Remshak and for Mary Evanich's husband, Carl, because we hate to see our loyal recording secretary looking so sad and worried. Good luck to you all. Mary Dezman, Sec'y.

From the Mystery Writer of Branch No. 14

Here is my second attempt at mystery writing and for once, I don't have anything to write about. Except . . .

A little birdie told me about the concern of the Dawn Choral Group who are diligently working to put on their 2nd concert on Nov. 15th at the Recher Ave. Hall in Euclid, O.

The Concert will start at 4 p. m. Many surprises are in store for those who will attend. So, get your tickets and join the crowd! The tickets cost only \$1.75 and seating is limited.

The autumn time is the best time of all the seasons, I think. Nature decks herself out in all her finery and struts around. Sad to say, it's not for long.

To our vice-president, Mary Strazisar, (Arrowhead) — (since we have two Mary Strazisars I have to identify her) — we extend our good wishes for she has a hard cross to carry — illness of her husband — Joseph.

Oh, by the way, Z. Z. Br. 14 results of the recent card party was very favorable. Our president, Mrs. Skur and chairlady, Pauline Krall say: well done girls! To everyone, we say thank you. To our patrons, we are most grateful as we are grateful to those who attended.

Again, the time to consider your officers for 1971 is quickly coming around. Be sure that the candidates are good fraternal material and not just because she is a friend! There is much work in these offices and only the qualified should be considered.

I wonder what Br. 14 is going to do for Christmas? I hope something other than what we have done in the past. Time will tell.

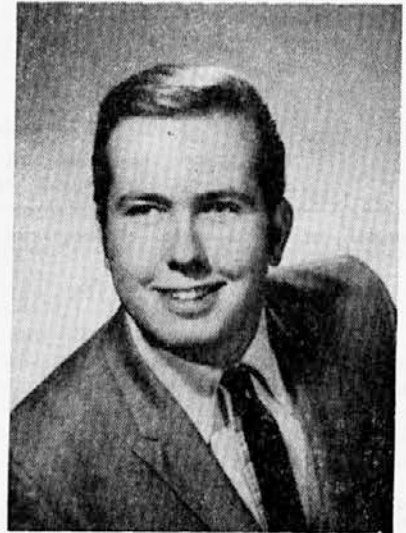
To all our ladies and sisters, who have birthdays, anniversaries, may we wish them the best. To our ill members, may we ask God to give you all speedy recovery and good health.

Our secretary, Vera Bajec did good at the October meeting. She went home richer by 5.50, because the original B caller was absent.

Good luck to the rest of you ladies — better luck next time. Adijo — goodbye — until next time.

Madame X

No. 16, So. Chicago, Ill. — Jeffery Mannorelli, 18 years old, died Aug. 31, 1970 at Our Lady of Mercy Hospital in Dyer, Indiana as a result of an auto accident. He was a June graduate of Thornton Fractional South High School in Lansing, Ill. and was an active member of the Drama Club.



Jeffery Mannorelli

Jeff was a member of Br. 16 since birth. His mother, Joanne Mannorelli was a former member and his grandmother, Katy Triller is a charter member. His great aunt, Katie Triller of Whiting, Ind. is president of Br. 16. He also has three aunts and several cousins, all belonging to the S.W.U. We extend our sincere sympathy to the family.



Bonnie Mannorelli

Bonnie Mannorelli, sister of Jeffery, and also a junior member since birth was graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree from Northern Illinois University in August. Bonnie majored in journalism and minored in speech. She is planning on a career in advertising. All our best to Bonnie for a happy and rewarding life. Ann Lustig, State President

THE SAINTS SHOW THE WAY

Vatican Council II has made Christians aware that they are the people of God, the community of all the faithful moving onward toward the full kingdom of God fore, the unity and brotherhood of all men in Christ,

The social aspect of religion have been brought to the fore, the unity and brotherhood of all men in Christ, the responsibility that each man must take for the good of all.

We need the sense of community, this realization of unity of all men in Christ to offset the tendency toward self individualism. The individualist looks upon himself as an island, surrounded by his fellow men but not conscious to any great degree of unity with them. His prayer even at Mass becomes a matter between himself and God alone. The important thing in his eyes is how he personally stands before God. This attitude can produce the type of man who goes to Mass regularly, but pays his employees starvation wages or who looks with indifference upon the poverty and hunger of others.

However, we must not push this sense of community to the opposite extreme. Some writers today tend to make the individual completely unimportant. In religion, they imply that an individual Catholic should no longer be concerned about his own little soul but only about the good of the whole people of God. They seem to believe in a sort of group salvation in which a man is saved not because of personal merit or cooperation with grace but only because he is a part of God's people. For this reason they de-emphasize private prayer, ascetical practices, the cultivation of personal virtue and the seeking of God in the solicitude of one's own soul.

Some even ignore the evil of actual sin because in their eyes a man is saved or lost not by his good or evil actions but because he belongs to the group.

However, the beautiful and important concept of the communion of saints should not lead an individual to reject the concern for his own soul. Faith is the beginning of his own justification and Faith is an act of the individual mind commanded by the will. Faith leads to response to God's call, God's message, God's command and each person must respond for himself and then then in union with his fellow men.

West Allis, Wis., No. 17. — Our September meeting was nicely attended and we were very pleased to get together and get into the swing of things. The "Welcome Back" mat is extended to our vacationers, especially Mrs. Josephine Schlosar, Josephine Paucak, Lucille Kozlouchar, Angela Kastelic, and Jennie Jarz, who visited beautiful Slovenia. By the reports, they all enjoyed themselves.

Our heartiest congratulations go to Br. No. 43 Milwaukee on their 40th Anniversary which was held on Sunday, September 20th combined with the 10th Wisconsin State Day Convention. Both affairs were a success and many thanks go to the hostesses Br. No. 43 for their warm hospitality, delicious banquet, and a very delightful program. Also congratulations to our State President Rose Kraemer; the Convention meeting was very well conducted, and the turnout of members was very inspiring to see.

Rev. Claude Okorn celebrated the Holy Mass and gave an inspiring sermon. The Mass was in Slovenian and the mixed choir sang some beautiful Slovenian selections under the direction of the organist, Mr. Ernest Majhenich. Our group from Br. No. 17 was very much satisfied and we were represented by a large attendance.

A REMINDER that the Annual meeting will take place on Sunday, December 20, 1970 at 2 p. m. in the new St. Mary's church hall meeting room. One must use the rear door of the church for entering. At this time, there will be election of officers and other important topics will be discussed for the coming year. After the business meeting a social time will be held. Christmas gifts

AN OPEN LETTER OF THANKS TO MY FAMILY

I guess one does not realize the value or should I say security, the unseen character within ones own family till something like illness or death comes. I really found out how wonderful my family is during my mother's death. I had taken care of her for five and a half years, and thru the years they'd thank me and tell me I was doing a good job. I'd say "you're welcome" and think nothing more of it, but when my mother died (in August) my family was so good and wonderful to me; it enabled me to take my mother's death differently. Their gratitude really came through and it warmed me.

My brother Joseph, who NEVER writes letters, wrote me: "thanks for taking good care of Mom. It was a good job well done and we all appreciate it." My sister Em called me long distance. We generally keep it short, and I attempted to, but she knew it was hard for me to be alone, after five years with my mo-

ther. And so we talked quite a while, and what a lift she gave me.

My sister Betty wrote me: "I'm thinking of you up there. Is it tough without her? I know it is and there's nothing I can say except my thoughts are with you." And my dear sister Dore flew up from California to help me. To you: Joseph, Em, Dore and Bette, I say thanks, and I am proud to have you for my brother and sisters.

As I re-read this I questioned my writing this. Will it show that I took good care of my mother more than that I wanted to thank my brother and sisters openly? The thought came to me that actually, I think, what I really would like to do is openly say thanks to my Mother and Father who gave us, (Joseph, Em, Dore, Betts and me) the opportunity of being a family on this earth plane.

Louise A. Zidanic,
Chicago, Illinois

for the children (incl. 12 years) will be distributed and the exchange of a \$1.00 gift for the members.

Cake and coffee will be served. Please try and make this a MUST!

The officers and members of Br. No. 17 wish to extend our best wishes to Mrs. Marie Priland, foundress, and Br. No. 1 on their Anniversary. May God shower you with many blessings.

For THE gift, birthday, anniversary, or Christmas gift, give either the book "From Slovenia to America" or "Women's Glory Cook Book" to your relatives or friends. By purchasing them you are doing two good deeds: someone will enjoy the book and the proceeds from the sale go into the

SWU Scholarship Fund. The supply is getting low, so get them now.

The 15th National Convention of SWU in Euclid, O. was most interesting and successful. This event will benefit our organization. Many thanks go to National President Toni Turek, all Cleveland area branches and the workers who had a lot to do in preparing food and entertainment for the Convention. They excelled themselves in all the categories and did an excellent job. The Banquets, dinners served during the entire time, were just superb, everyone was so gracious. When we left for home, we carried the most pleasant memories with us that will stay for a long time.

Congratulations to Ray Anthony Marolt, winner of 2nd place in the India Ink design drawing and art contest. It was sponsored by the Knights of Columbus in West Allis. He is a scholar at St. Mary's Catholic school and is a member of our branch, and son of president, Marion Marolt and her husband Anthony.

Best wishes are extended to the sick members and to our shut-ins, a speedy recovery.

This year is drawing to a close with Thanksgiving Day soon upon us. A fitting day for all of us to express our gratitude to God for all the material things of life and the faith to see us through another year.

Marie Floryan

No. 23, Ely, Minn. Now that the summer season and vacation time is over we have resumed our meetings for the fall and winter months.

Our first meeting was held at the church hall on the first Tuesday of the month. We have changed the meeting night from Sunday to Tuesday and have better attendance and hope that the members will continue. We are having a social hour after each meeting — hoping this will get the members to attend the meetings.

This is rather late to write about the National Convention but since its my first report I thought I would.

First of all we most sincerely want to thank the ladies from Euclid and surrounding areas for the wonderful hospitality shown us at the Convention. I really miss the good food that we were served and the wonderful Slovenian programs. I can't forget the Cotillion Ball and the talent debutantes had done for us especially the singing by a Miss Culkar. I can't remember her first name. Last but not least Mr. Turek (Nat'l Pres. husband) our guide on the bus, we can't forget him as he was the life of the party.

We were happy to see Albina Novak at the Convention and we all pray for her speedy recovery and Josephine Zeleznikar whom we missed at the Convention. The Wisconsin ladies that were on our bus were just like one happy family. We enjoyed having their company. We all wish to thank the Nemanich's for the homeward bound goodies they had given us on the bus. They are the Brother and sister-in-law of Barbara Yapel who was on our bus from Soudan, Minn. She was the delegate.

On Sunday September 13th, our annual Minnesota Slovenian Women's Day was held at Keewatin.

The day began by registration and coffee hour at 10 a. m. The ladies were each presented with a corsage donated by the Keewatin ladies. The meeting took place at 11 a. m. with Barbara Rosandich, State Pres., pre-

siding together with our honored guest and National Secretary Fanika Humar and Ann Podgorsek National Auditor from Duluth.

We were very glad that Fanika Humar was able to attend. She really is a sweet person and I know she has her heart for Zveza. The members we met her all speak highly of her. We had Holy Mass at the St. Mary's church with the Rev. Perkovich officiating. He really gave a fine sermon and talk. At 1 p. m. a banquet and program was held.

On behalf of the members we wish to thank the Keewatin branch for giving us such a wonderful day. Everything was just fine that we won't forget how such a small branch did a superb job.

The reporter for the Dawn Club asked me to send the report in for the club as she is quite busy and can't attend the meetings right now since her husband Judge John Somrock had a heart attack. He is getting along now and we all wish him a speedy recovery.

The Dawn Club had their meeting on the third Wednesday of the month. Lunch and entertainment was in charge of the committee. "Help your Neighbor" was played with the lucky winners getting the pennies.

The third Wednesday of October, the Dawn Club planned to hold a games party with each getting half of the profit.

Mrs. Katherine Slogar, our former president of Zveza was all set to go to Florida for a vacation with her relatives, but on the day before she was to leave, had an accident by falling down the basement steps and broke her arm. We wish her a speedy recovery. Fraternally yours.

Mary M. Shikonja

No. 26, Pittsburgh, Pa. — For our September meeting the attendance was not as good as usual. It seems some of the women are afraid to go out at night. I guess you can't blame them considering how things are today. At the meeting it was decided to have a Halloween party.

We welcome our new junior member, Karen Marie Wilhelm.

Belated condolences to the following: Rosalie Golob and her two daughters on the loss of their husband and father, John Golob and to the Coghe family on the loss of their mother, Mary Coghe who was the former secretary of our branch. Also, to Mary Slancy and Angeline Veselic on the loss of their father, Joseph Bahoric. Frances Balkovec has our sympathy on the loss of her son, Stanley. May all these souls rest in peace.

Get well wishes to two very sick members: Elizabeth Pecman and Justine Lokar.

Thanksgiving greetings to all the members. Ann Frankovic, Sec'y.

This month, on the Anniversary of the death of John F. Kennedy

A reprint from the Joliet newspaper, 10 years ago: October 27, 1960

"When countless thousands of people—some estimates say 50,000—turn out in the rain to welcome a Presidential candidate, such a turnout could hardly be attributed to curiosity alone.

Some people waited in the rain and cold for two hours or more to get a fleeting glimpse of Sen. John F. Kennedy's infectious smile. The crowd was heavy from the near Plainfield area where we picked up the Kennedy caravan.

Riding in a car with city officials and a lady from the press, we were impressed by crowds that gathered along sparsely populated U. S. 30. Thousands converged upon the highway as we moved on toward Joliet. At Hillcrest Shopping center and surrounding area, there must have been at least 5,000 persons.

The crowds grew as we approached Joliet. At that awkward intersection of Raynor-Plainfield-Ruby, it appeared as tho we might not make it.

At this point I might add that had it not been for the Joliet policemen and firemen and the auxiliary police and state troopers, the Kennedy caravan would have been never the heart of Joliet.

Moving down Ruby St., the crowds increased. They continued to swell until we met the thousands who jammed downtown Joliet.

Along the route, the demonstration was not without hysteria. I saw women weeping. There were all kinds of signs, many homemade, bearing all kind of messages for the senator. Men with clenched fists were waving and shouting: "Thata bay, Jack!"

In downtown Joliet, persons were fighting to get a close look at Sen. Kennedy. Women and children were pushed and trampled upon. Above the roar of the crowd came the eastern-accented words of a smiling Kennedy who electrified the gathering with enthusiasm as he pounded away about the "future of America".

Veteran police and firemen, as well as hard political observers, agreed that they had never before observed such a demonstration in the city.

One can never be certain what the voters are thinking. But one thing is certain, Sen. Kennedy has captured the imagination of the voters, probably greater than anyone since Franklin D. Roosevelt."

Yes, many things have happened in these last ten years since President Kennedy, then a Senator paid his visit to Joliet!

Submitted by Josephine Erjavec.

Primozich Family Celebrates Wedding

August 8th was the wedding day of Linda Lee Primozich, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph J. Primozich of Eveleth, Minn. who are seen here with the newlyweds and bride's brothers, Joseph W. and Thomas M. The family was joined by many friends at the ceremony at Resurrection Church in Eveleth and at their wedding reception at the National Guard Armory that evening.

Linda Lee is a graduate of the Duluth Business University and is employed with a legal firm. Bill is a graduate of Sams Technical Institute in Indianapolis, Ind. and is stationed at the Duluth Air Base. The couple will make their home in Stanwood, Michigan.

Nine members of the Primozich family are members of Br. 19 including Linde Lee, her mother, and brother Tom. We extend our sincerest wishes to the newlyweds for happiness. God bless you with good health and a long life together.

Mary Lenich, Sec.



Mr. and Mrs. William G. Tingley and Primozich Family

No. 33, Duluth, Minn. On a rainy night in October, Branch 33 turned out in a good number to attend the meeting of the Zveza at St. Elizabeth's. It was good to see so many of the ladies coming once again.

First off we would like to congratulate the Branch from Keewatin for their hospitality and a very nice day. And needless to say our National Secretary who was a guest here from Chicago was an absolute delight. Yours truly had the privilege of a very nice visit on the drive back to Duluth. She was such an interesting person; we hope her stay will be longer next time. Everyone enjoyed her thoroughly. Time was just too short.

The Branch having lost so many members recently we are in the process of finding new faces to fill these losses. Our most recent loss in the person of Mary Popovich was deeply felt by everyone in Branch 33. Juvenile members are also most welcome, so let's all try to get a new members.

Our November meeting will be taken up by our annual Fall dinner, which will be November 4th. A Mass celebrated by Father S. Dolsina will open the evening at 6 p. m. This will be an important and pleasant meeting, as it is a time when many members will get together and see many friends they don't get to see for one reason or other. It is a wonderful time to see old faces and get to see some new ones.

Greetings to all our members and friends on the sick list and to those

unable to get out. Condolences and sympathy to those of us in the loss of a loved one. Try to remember someone with a card or a visit soon. Time slips by so quickly.

Don't let us miss the adventure of today by thinking too much about what we're going to do tomorrow.

Florence Burger, Reporter

No. 34, Soudan, Minn. I am sure that everyone who was there will agree that the small Branch No. 81 in Keewatin, who were our hosts for MINNESOTA DAY on Sunday Sept. 13th, did a magnificent job of preparing for a most happy day for everyone. Not only the warm welcome for all, including hand-made corsages for everyone, but the entire day's festivities, were geared to make everyone feel happy and satisfied. Starting with registration and coffee and many warm and friendly handshakes, to the meeting conducted by our State President, Barbara Rosandich, the noon Mass with the Rev. Frank Perkovich celebrating the Mass and giving us a glimpse into Jugoslavija from where he had just returned after a vacation trip there, and then the roast turkey Banquet and good program where SWU was represented by Mrs. Fanika Humar, our National Secretary, and also our State President Barbara Rosandich and Mrs. Ann Podgorsek of the National Auditing Board. Our Principal Speaker was Dr. Rudy Perpich, Minnesota State Senator, and we had a surprise visit from our U. S. Con-

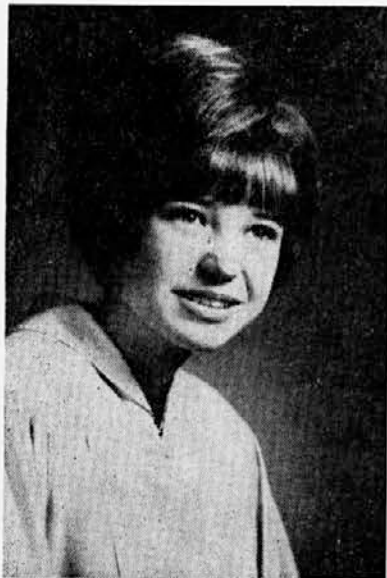
gressman John Blatnik who reminisced about the good old times on the Iron Range. Of course, there was Community singing with Mary Hutar of Ely leading, and accordion selections by Mrs. Mary Spolarich and her daughter Bobbi Jo on the guitar, as they both sang. After the wonderful food and good program, many prizes were awarded. Thank you Branch 81,—it was truly great!

Our Branch No. 34 met for the first meeting of the Fall season on Wed. Sept. 23rd with Mrs. John Pahula presiding. Mrs. Anthony Yapel gave a report on the National Convention proceedings which she attended as delegate in May in Euclid, Ohio. Those who attended MINNESOTA DAY all expressed thanks and satisfaction for a good time.

A social hour followed the meeting with prizes being awarded to Mmes. John Tekautz, Frederick Myre, Louise Chiabotti and Mary Pahula. The attendance prize donated by Barbara Yapel was awarded to Mary Pahula. The hostesses, Mmes. Joseph Gornick and Joseph Skala served a delicious dessert to conclude the evening. Hostesses for October were Mmes. Michael Musich and John Tekautz.

I must add that during the month of August we had a delightful two weeks visit when my brother and sister-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Joseph J. Nemanich of Euclid, vacationed here.

Surprising us during that time one Sunday afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Turek—our SWU "Toni Turek"—who were vacationing in Chisholm at Toni's mother's home. We



Miss Beth Pachak

OFF TO GERMANY

Studying in Europe is in the very exciting future of Miss Beth Pachak, granddaughter of our State President of Pueblo, Colo., Mrs. Anna Pachak.

Beth will be enrolled at the University of Regensburg for a year, studying German through the University of Colorado's foreign language department. She will return to her alma mater, Southern Colorado State College next fall as a senior.

Beth is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Pachak. She received a grant from the Tatcher Foundation to help her financially while abroad. Fluent in French and German, Beth may easily follow a career in international relations. Heartiest congratulations!

surely did enjoy their company. We were sorry Toni couldn't stay for MINNESOTA DAY.

During this beautiful season of Autumn, we wish health to all SWU members so that they could get out and enjoy the beauty of the changing colors—a drive on the highway is pure pleasure—the colors of the trees are so beautiful.

Barbara Yapel, Reporter

No. 40, Lorain, Ohio. Autumn is here and it is the beautiful time of the year because all the leaves turn to beautiful colors.

At our September meeting, we celebrated the 90th birthday of our member, Mary Plecnik — she still attends our meeting. Her two daughters, also our members, served us a nice lunch. Thanks, girls.

The December meeting will be on the 9th, starting with a luncheon at 6 p. m. There will be a Christmas gift exchange as usual for one dollar value. Please bring something along in the line of baked goods or a prize.

There will be election of officers so come on, you members, let us see some new faces at the meeting as we always have a good time.

A happy birthday this month to Albina Novak wishing her many more in good health.

An abundance of good wishes to all of our members who celebrate in November and December.

Our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Larry Englert on becoming parents of a daughter. The family lives in Richardson, Texas. The new mother is the former Arlene Voytko.

Also congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. David Billick on their new son, Jason. They live in Cleveland. Mrs. Billick is the former Patricia Voytko. Grandparents twice in a row are Mr. and Mrs. George Voytko, and great-grandmother twice in a row is yours

truly! See all of you at the December meeting. Na svidenje!

Angeline Kozjan, Sec'y.

No. 43, Milwaukee, Wis. — The September meeting was more social than businesslike, but all details for the State Convention and 40th Anniversary were completed.

The latter part of August was the time for a beautiful wedding, that of Helen Rifel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Rifel. The wedding Mass was celebrated at St. John the Evangelist church and the evening reception was at St. Aloysius Hall. The newlyweds built their own home where they now reside. Congratulations and best wishes to them, Mr. and Mrs. Springob.

Sorry to hear that Rose Karveick's husband Al was hospitalized and underwent surgery. Hope that by now he is better.

To all our sick and shut-in members, a speedy recovery and to Josephine Zinko at St. Joseph's hospital who has been hospitalized for some sometime.

Congratulations to the following grandparents: Mr. and Mrs. Frankowski on their first grandson; Mrs. Amanda Esteres on her granddaughter; Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Kotar on a grandson and Rose Pugel on a granddaughter. Grandmas, I'll have to start carrying my application blanks around with me and enroll these juveniles — as you know, until the age of one year, they have free membership and afterward pay only \$1.20 per year.

Mr. and Mrs. Sery and their two daughters spent a few days in Pittsburgh to attend a wedding and I'm sure you all enjoyed the trip.

Mary Bushnik took a tour which enabled her to see Spain and Africa. I'll bet you enjoyed the tour, but also happy to get home.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wuky enjoyed and celebrated their second honeymoon after 36 years. They flew to Texas to visit friends then to Arizona, and lastly, Las Vegas. Congratulations and best wishes for many more years.

This year is quickly coming to a close so please remit your dues as soon as possible.

In concluding this report, I would like to mention special thanks to the following who helped toward the State Convention and 40th Anniversary: Mr. and Mrs. James Verbick, Fran Widemsek, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Gallun, Anne Konczal, Christine Rebernisek, Cell Groth, Sophie Bevsek, Joan Ziebell, Jenny Pugel and Richard Kraemer and to the following for their poticas, gifts or money donations:

Anne Konczal, Josephine Verbick, Mrs. Ozbolt, Rose Pugel, Jennie Pugel, Mamie Ambrosh, Fran Widemsek, Mrs. Beley, Mrs. Kotar, Mrs. Velkovrh, Mrs. Gallun, Josie Durand, Vickie Sporis, Mary Frankowski, Anna Gorishek and Christine Rebernisek. Rose Kraemer, Sec'y.

No. 54, Warren, Ohio. — Summer is over and are meetings resumed in October. We shall continue to have them at St. James White Hall on Burton St. S. E. at 7:30 p. m. The next meetings will be Nov. 17th and December 15th. Please try to come.

This July, Mrs. Barbara Smuke, wife of Richard and mother of our members, Lynn, Lori and Lee, passed away. She was only 35 years old and a very lovely and sweet person. She will be sadly missed by her beloved family and all who knew her. She suffered greatly with her terminal sickness but seldom complained in her few remaining months of her life. Many paid their last respects to her at her bier and she was laid to rest in All Soul's cemetery.

Frances Banozich, our member, has been visiting here from her home in Phoenix, Arizona and while here had to be hospitalized. We hope she will feel better and we enjoyed seeing her again.

Mary Tomsich is presently hospitalized and we wish her better health.

Our prayers go to the Jack Lunder family. He is still gravely ill and almost completely bedfast.

Our branch is very proud of our member, Anna Marie O'Block, who received the S.W.U. Scholarship. She is certainly deserving of this honor and we all wish her much good luck and success in her college years. We have great faith in her and will be plugging away until she graduates.

Our plans for the Christmas meeting will be made at this month's meeting so we will inform you later.

Please pay up your dues and try to attend our gatherings. Happy Thanksgiving to all.

Joanne Ponikvar, Sec.-Treas.

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QOTS & QANS and PASTIME

Our RAISED DOUGHNUT recipe this month has an international touch. In both pictures doughnuts are being prepared: one was taken in Euclid, Ohio and the other in Slovenia.

I photographed Mrs. Frances Bajc of Branch No. 68 while she was preparing doughnuts in the beautifully equipped kitchen of the recreation center of the American Mutual Life Association, a Slovenian insurance society. Last May, in this center the 1970 delegates to the National Convention of the Slovenian Women's Union were served dinner with the doughnuts for dessert. The other picture was taken when my mother, husband, two daughters and I toured Slovenia by car and stopped at the popular "Gostilna na Trojaneh" to enjoy their famous fried doughnuts featured daily with steaming hot coffee. In a month's time several thousand are served to tourists and passers-by. The young ladies in the picture were delightful to meet and the doughnuts absolutely delicious.

While I did not get the recipe for RAISED DOUGHNUTS from the Gostilna, I did jot down the ingredients from Mrs. Bajc.

Many recipes are rechecked for accuracy so mid September I sent a scratch copy to Mrs. Bajc in preparation for this column. I asked her to please check the ingredients and explain just how she added the yeast since this was done before I watched her prepare the dough. The letter never reached Frances and was returned to me eight days later.

Knowing I must have addressed the letter incorrectly or misspelled the name I decided to telephone Mrs. Antonia Turek in Wickliffe, O. that evening to ask if she would please check with Mrs. Bajc about the yeast. Mr. Turek answered the phone and said, "Toni is at a meeting. Can I have her call you when she returns?"

I explained my purpose in calling and asked if he would have Mrs. Turek call Mrs. Bajc then phone me the next morning for I too was going to a meeting and wouldn't be home before 11 o'clock. Toni called later that night before I returned. Although the Zarja deadline was near I decided to send a copy of the recipe "Airmail" to Mrs. Turek rather than phone for her verification. A week later her reply came "Airmail" with a pleasant note that she talked with



Mrs. Frances Bajc Preparing Krofne

Mrs. Bajc about the doughnuts and decided to try them to check the accuracy of the ingredients. Knowing how busy Toni is I surely appreciated the time and effort to make such a large batch. She wrote: "The doughnuts were out of this world." (Hope Frank enjoyed them.) Two suggestions she made for perfect results are that large rather than medium eggs be used for that amount of flour and that the recipe be cut in half, for ordinary use, for easier beating and mixing. This recipe actually makes about 80 doughnuts.

I am indeed grateful to Mrs. Bajc and Mrs. Turek for their part in perfecting this recipe that those of you who have never made fried doughnuts may try them with some confidence.

RAISED DOUGHNUTS

- ½ cup lukewarm milk
- 3 packages of dry yeast or 2 oz. compressed yeast
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- Take ½ cup of lukewarm milk, add yeast and the teaspoon of sugar; mix well and let rise using at least a two cup bowl or the mixture will overflow.
- 1 quart lukewarm milk
- ½ pound butter
- 1¼ cups sugar
- 1 tablespoon salt
- 2 jiggers whiskey or rum (rum preferred)
- 1 dozen large eggs; well beaten
- Rind of one lemon
- 5 pounds of flour

Except for the flour mix all the ingredients together with the yeast mixture in a large 8 quart mixing bowl or kettle. Then with a large mixing spoon preferably wooden add flour a little at a time until all flour has been used. Beat until dough leaves spoon and is not too sticky. Let rise in a greased bowl or kettle covered with cloth until double in bulk.

On a table covered with a well floured cloth spill the dough in the middle and pat with palm of hand



The Young Bakers at Trojane

until dough is about ½ inch in thickness. (Do not roll). Cut dough with floured sharp doughnut cutter, (without hole), and place about one inch apart on floured cloth and let stand covered with cloth until very light or about double in size which takes 20 to 45 minutes.

Melt about two and one half pounds of vegetable shortening (Crisco or Swiftening) in large deep pan. Electric deep fryer is perfect. Shortening should be at least 3 inches deep in pan when melted. Heat to 370 or 380 degrees (where a cube of bread browns in fat in 60 seconds) then lift with spatula and slide quickly into hot fat. Fry as many at a time as can be turned easily. Turn doughnuts when they rise to surface and fry to a nice golden brown. Fry 2 to 2 minutes total, or just until golden brown. Lift from fat with long fork. Drain on absorbent paper.

NOTE: If fat is too hot, it will brown the doughnuts too quickly leaving a raw center; and if too cool they become grease-soaked.

Serve plain or sugared. For sugared doughnuts: place in bag with granulated sugar and shake; or, if desired, sprinkle with powdered sugar. To keep fat to use again: clarify with raw potato (4 slices to 1 quart). When fat bubbles, strain into jar or can through 2 or 3 thicknesses of cheesecloth, over wire strainer. (The potato absorbs flavors). Keep in a cool place in light-proof, tight, covered container.

BOUQUET OF PEOPLE

by Peggy O. Downey

To make the world a more beautiful place,
God gave us each a different face;
Different features, different hair,
Some are dark and some are fair;
Eyes of green or brown or blue,
Skin of different colors, too.
Just like flowers in colored array,
People, too, make a lovely bouquet.

PUMPKIN BREAD for Thanksgiving is becoming more popular especially with this easy recipe. It is moist and flavorful. If made the day before it cuts easier.

1 cup white sugar
½ cup brown sugar
1 cup canned pumpkin
(8 ounce can)
½ cup salad oil
2 eggs unbeaten
2 cups sifted flour
1 teaspoon soda
½ teaspoon salt, nutmeg, cinnamon
¼ teaspoon ginger
1 cup raisins
½ cup chopped nuts
¼ cup water

Combine sugar, pumpkin, oil and eggs. Beat until well blended. Sift flour, soda, salt and spices. Mix well. Stir in raisins, nuts and water. Spoon into oiled 9x5x3 loaf pan. Bake at 350 degrees 60 to 70 minutes or until toothpick stuck into center comes out clean.

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FOOD FOR THOUGHT

The best day — Today
The greatest mistake — Giving up
The cheapest, stupidest and easiest thing to do — Finding Fault
The meanest feeling — Feeling bad at another's success
The greatest thought — GOD
The great thing, bar none, in all the world — Love

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Happy cooking on Thanksgiving Day and always!

Nasvidenje, Hermine

No. 56, Hibbing, Minn. — Our fall season got off with our September meeting. Many members didn't realize that our meeting night was so soon after Labor Day. We had a surprise guest at the meeting, National President Toni Turek stopped in, and also her sister-in-law, Mrs. John Gornick.

Following the business meeting, during which we discussed the upcoming Minnesota Zveza Day at Keewatin, Mrs. Turek gave a talk on the different things pertaining to our Zveza and also on the dedication of the Slovenian Chapel in Washington, D.C. Plans are in the making for groups to attend the dedication, so keep posted by attending the meetings and reading in Zarja all the news to come. Quite a few members are interested in making the trip — non-members are also welcome to join us.

Following the meeting, lunch was served by the hostesses, Mary Babich, Margaret Shelko, Margaret Matosich, Dorothy Plese, Valeria Carlson and Mamy Valeri. Prize winner after games were played were Mary Meadows, Rose Maras, Agnes Barkis, Mary Drobnick, Mary Massich and An-

geline Passino with the door prize going to Dorothy Plese.

On Sunday, Sept., 13, 29 members and husbands attended the doings in Keewatin. We all had the opportunity of meeting our new National Secretary and heard her fine com-

Hats off to Br. 81 for the wonderful day we had. Thanks again, ladies, and best wishes to Br. 52 on next year's Minnesota Day.

A speedy recovery to all sick members and wishes to all.

Anne B. Satovich, Pres.

No. 57, Niles, Ohio. How fast the summer passed and here it is, time to plan our Christmas dinner. That will be our next subject for discussion at the meeting. Some of our members were really lucky this year as far as vacations were concerned. I myself toured the west for three weeks along with my daughter Kathy and family. We went as far as California. It was a thrill for me and we saw so much I couldn't believe it.

Mr. and Mrs. Ignace Loger and daughter Ann Leonard and children went to California to visit her son, Frank. Mr. and Mrs. Loger then went on a trip to Hawaii. What a time they had! Viola gave a brief talk about her trip to the Islands at the last meeting. Lucky people!

Louise Matejko and son were among those who traveled to Slovenia for three weeks and they had a most enjoyable trip and visit. Mr. and Mrs. George Stanek went to New Jersey to visit relatives.

It was a pleasure for our president, Frances Yerman and myself to meet the three ladies from Br. 91, Oakmont, Pa. We hope to meet again someday.

Blessings and a lot of luck to a happy couple, Marcia Majovsky and Armand Spano, who were married this summer. Congratulations and blessings to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Havaich who celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary.

Mary Macek became grandma when a baby girl was born — Keri Ann. Mother is Marsha Majovsky. Our best wishes to all.

Whole-hearted sympathy goes out to Louis Flere family on the loss of their son, Albin Flere of Omaha, Neb.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Moler and family spent a day in New York City and several days in Hamden, Conn. at the residence of Donald Moler.

So, ladies, we'll see you at the next meeting. Hope you enjoyed the nice summer days just past.

Mary Moler, Rec. Sec'y.

No. 72, Pullman, Ill. — Dear members: Please note — our December meeting will be held on Sunday, Dec. 13th at 2 p. m. at the home of Margaret Vrhovnik, 1327 East 169th Place, South Holland, Ill. This will be our last meeting of the year, as

Thanks from Minn. Hosts — Br. 81

..Br. 81, Keewatin, Minn. Minnesota "Zveza Day", sponsored by Br. No 81 in Keewatin, was a huge success. Approximately 285 members were in attendance from all branches throughout the state.

State Senator Dr. Rudy Perpich, Hibbing, was the principal speaker. Congressman John Blatnik, Chisholm, also spoke briefly.

Invocation was given by the Rev. Frank Marincel, and benediction by the Rev. Frank Perkovich. Mayor Joseph Verrant, and Mrs. Matt Breitch, local branch President, gave the welcome address. Mrs. Barbara Rosandich, Ely, State President, presided at the Convention. Brief talks were given by Mrs. Fanika Humar, Chicago, National Secretary and Mrs. Ann Podgorsek, Duluth, a member of the National Auditing Board.

A crocheted tablecloth, won by Ann Hodnik, Aurora, and a crocheted vest won by Mrs. Tony Schweiger, were made and donated by Mrs. Ann Pre-shiren.

Many, many thanks to all our honored guests, and all members of the branch for the work well done.

Clem Bolf, Reporter

well as our Christmas meeting. Please try to come. Let's have a big turnout. If you need transportation or information how to get there, please call me at 474-1780. Wilma Zagar

No. 79, Enumclaw, Wash. Members are saddened by the death of our long-time member, Mary Potochnik of Cumberland, Washington.

Our September meeting at Helen Chacata's home was attended by 10 members. Vice-president Mary Bratovich told us of her trip to Europe. It sounded most exciting.

Several children entertained with music and songs. The meeting was followed by a pot-luck lunch.

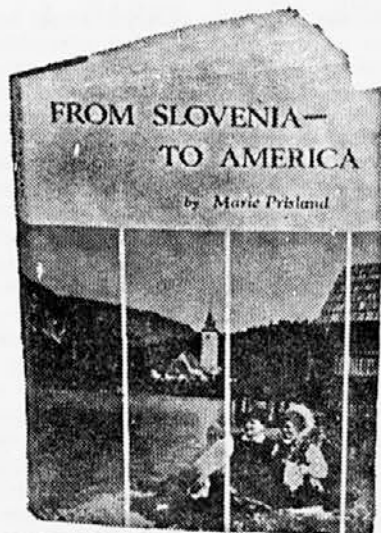
The next meeting is December 13th — the second Sunday at the home of Mary Kitna, Auburn, Wash. It will be a potluck with a \$2 gift exchange for members. Please bring a gift for your own children and Santa will be there to distribute them.

Yours truly is recovering with great success from my recent broken knee cap. Thank you for all your kind thoughtfulness to me at this time. Mary Mihelich, Pres.

No. 86, Nashwauk, Minn. It has been some time since your reporter from Nashwauk has sent in any news.

Our Minnesota Zveza Day was held in our neighboring town of Keewatin. The registration meeting and coffee hour was held in the Junior High School and each one was presented with a lovely corsage which the women of Br. 81 made. The Mass and Banquet followed with a lovely pro-

ZARJA—THE DAWN



FROM SLOVENIA TO AMERICA in President Nixon's Library

Mrs. Prislund has received a note from the President's personal secretary Miss Rose Mary Woods, complimenting her on the book FROM SLOVENIA — TO AMERICA and acknowledging the receipt of the book for the President's library by the Hon. Laslo C. Pasztor, chairman of the Heritage Division of the Republican Party. A friend of his was the donor of the book.

Miss Woods writes, that President Nixon is deeply interested in the heritage of American people, therefore he and Mrs. Nixon are pleased to have this volume in their library.

A few of the branches still have copies of this book on hand. This book is an excellent gift for any occasion: birthday, graduation, confirmation and most of all for Christmas. We urge the secretaries to remind their members to get this book as Christmas gifts for their families and friends.

Editor

gram. It was held at St. Mary's church.

Eight of us attended, namely, Anna Bolf, Katie Stimac, Marian Dergantz, Mary Gram, Mae Weldon, Mary Zakrajsek and yours truly, Anne Mazar. Oh, pardon me, I almost forgot to mention my neighbor, Anne Maurin.

The Mass was beautiful, ending with a lovely Slovenian hymn which I would love to learn. Father Frank Perkovich was the celebrant.

The Banquet that followed was just wonderful — the women who prepared the meal really out-did themselves. Father Frank Marincel of St. Mary's parish gave the invocation and Keewatin's mayor, Joseph Verrant, gave the Welcome with President of Br. 86, Mary Brlitich injecting a few words of sincere welcome. Toastmistress was Antoinette Mestnick.

The principal speaker was Dr. Rudy Perpich who will hopefully be our next Lt. Governor. Our own Congressman, John Blatnick was an unexpected guest and he also favored us with a few words. A part of the program was singing by the Choraleers, the male singers from various villages on our great Iron Range. Our new National Secretary, Fanika Humar also gave a short talk.

We enjoyed the community singing and accordian selections by Mary Spolarich and her daughter, Bobbie Jo.

Many prizes were given at the close of the program. Father Frank Perkovich offered benediction after which we all went our homeward way with the hope that we'll again get together next year.

Now, to get to our own first fall meeting of the new season — that was September 22nd. Yours truly nervously conducted the meeting in the absence of president Mary Zakrajsek who was detained for a time. We discussed holding a rummage sale, but tabled it until next month. After the business session, we played cards with Pauline Stish winning in Canasta, Mrs. Anna Bolf in Bridge and one of our guests, Lena Smolich, won

the cut prize. A delicious lunch was served by our hostesses for the evening, Mmes. John Zauhar and Clarence Meyer. Hope to see you all next month.

Anne Mazar, Reporter

No. 89, Oglesby, Ill. At our opening meeting in September, our attendance was a bit lacking. This perhaps was due to the relaxed summer we all had. We welcome back Frances Gorisek who visited her niece in England this summer. Also, Mrs. Sophie Frank was a visitor to her daughter in California.

At this meeting, we further discussed the convention, also the past bowling tournament finals. The bowling ladies have begun their candy sales and it is hoped everyone will help them by buying at least a few boxes — or selling some. They also will sell Christmas candles.

A cheery hello to our sick and confined members.

Mary Kernz, Sec.

No. 91, Oakmont, Pa. Our meeting the first of September was very well attended and I hope the same will be the case next month for the Christmas meeting. Please come on out, it will be an exchange gift party after we get through with our meeting and business. Luncheon will also be served and games played so a very nice evening is being planned.

A few members are taking a trip to Europe and also to Hawaii. I wish them and all the other travelers a safe, pleasant trip and return home.

I wish all our members and all members of our great Ženska Zveza good health and to each, a very Happy Thanksgiving. Have nice holidays and start off the next year, 1971, with a Big Bang of activity! Good cheer and loads of good luck to all. Hi, Mary Bostian. God bless you and your families.

A. K., Pres.

No. 95, So. Chicago, Ill. Our members got off to a flying start, with 43 attended our September meeting. It is heartening to see so many of our new members take an active in-

terest and have willingly accepted committee assignments for the coming year.

Hard at work to make our Christmas party a success will be our energetic Rec. Sec'y, Evelyn Driscoll, with Helen Golich, Mildred Poropat and your truly. It will be held at the Jovial Club, 9615 Commercial Ave., on Wednesday December 2nd at 6 p. m. Dinner tickets are \$3.50. Usual grab bag of \$1 is expected. Make your reservations for yourself and your friends with Evelyn (371-5088), Helen (ES5-7464), Mildred (BA1-6906), Yours truly (815-485-2603). Join us for an enjoyable evening, and I do know that Helen Spelich's dinner will be a delicious one, as she has demonstrated time and again her deep affection for our branch. For her fairness, she has won the admiration and respect of all of us.

What a big fat joy to report and to welcome the following new members, Anne Tonkovich, 1014 E. 93rd. St., Rose Winter, 9248 Anthony Ave., Irene J. Evans, 9332 Woodlawn Ave., Mary E. Alkovich, 9835 Ave. L., Virginia D. Pilarski, 9248 Anthony Ave., and Rosalie Racek, 8724 Kingston Ave. Welcome, ladies!

Our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Mat Tumpich who recently celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

On our sick list we have Rose Krneta (surgery), Eva Mlinarich, Matilda Grepo and Emma Yergovich all are on the mend. A heap of thanks to Emma Yergovich for enrolling so many new members.

Our members express prayerful sympathy to Ann Sertich on the loss of her beloved husband; to Helen Price on the loss of her beloved mother; and to Elizabeth Zefran our National Treasurer on the loss of her beloved mother. In your Masses and prayers, please remember them.

Bon Voyage to Matilda Stevens who is vacationing in Europe! The highlight of the evening was the awarding of five prizes. The first went to Rose Nowak, and the follow-

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He has been the balance wheel and has always managed that everything was kept on an even keel. He shall be missed. You both may be retiring from the business world but you cannot retire from the place you both hold in the hearts of all of us. Good luck to you and your family. Enjoy your retirement.

In conclusion, may your Thanksgiving be a joyous holiday, with rich blessings, good health and abundant happiness.

See you all at our Christmas party.
Mildred James, Pres.

No. 100, Fontana, Cal. — Summer recess is over and it's back to the writing pad once again. We didn't have a large turnout at our first fall meeting; let's hope it gets better as time progresses.

An Open House in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Filips marked the couple's Golden Wedding Anniversary, the honorees came to the U. S. from Slovenia and were married August 19, 1920 in St. Mary's Catholic church, Cleveland, Ohio. The happy and lovely couple have 9 grandchildren.

Sister Celia Horzen's husband, Frank was named to the Fontana Urban Development Board. Besides this, he is employed at Kaiser Steel Corp as mechanical shapes supervisor. He is also 3rd Vice-President of American Slovenian Catholic Union and chairman of the KSKJ Hall Committee. In other words, Frank is one busy guy and a credit to his nationality.

We welcome a new social member, Josephine Prudich. May you, Josie, find many happy hours at our gatherings.

Sister Mary Bernach, our traveling lady, is now in Yugoslavia. She and her husband Marko are spending a month with their relatives. You never know from one day to the next where Mary will be — she flies around like a bird, only she uses an airplane.

Our birthday celebrants were sisters Rose Krainik, Mary Skubic, Mary Jasina, Mary Mayzak, Mary Kovacic, and Mary Reck. Many, many happy returns. We all gained weight at the conclusion of our meeting. Our "boss" and president, sister Kurilich, brought a 5 gallon container of ice cream, cakes were brought by the other celebrants and Rosie Krainik outdid herself with the most beautiful flancete I have ever seen — took the time to braid them! Braid them as you would a heavy hank of hair! They were beautiful and delicious too.

Sister Mary Mayzak lost her husband George and we hasten to add our very sincere condolences. George was born in Yugoslavia and was a fifteen year resident of Fontana. He is survived by his widow, 3 sons, 2

ing were also lucky: Mary Matejevič, Rose Mary Cacich, Mildred Poropat, and Ann Nagoda. \$316.06 was realized. I can only say how grateful, indeed, I am for your courtesy, for your generous contributions, for everything. Thank you. To you Evelyn Driscoll for her eagerness to render the service as our Chairlady. She is entitled to all the praise one can bestow.

My sincere thanks to Rose Mary Cacich for her gift which was awarded to Mary Ann Taporja. \$13.25 was realized.

Cash donations were (\$2) Helen Spelich, Anna Nagoda, Katica Jakovich, Manda Spehar, Eva Cora, Mildred Poropat, Olga Krmpotic, Marge Krmpotic; (\$1) Kathy Hanson, Dragica Vukosovich, Ann Tumpich and Helen Hoff.

Cake donations: Emma Yergovich, Victoria Tomich, Matilda Martin, Anna Nagoda, Eva Cora, Mary Perko-

vich (96th. Musk) and Amelia Cuzella.

My thanks to Mary Nicksic, Marge Doherty, Rose Mary Cacich, Mary and Shirley Duich, Matilda Martin and Ann Kompere for your helping hands.

November birthdays: Doris Cuzella, Mary Duich, Anna Jovanovich, Francis Matanovich, Kate Musa, Helen Nowicki, Mary Perkovich (96th. Houston), Helen Plantz, Mary Plesha, Mary Sumunic, Helen Price, Fedelia Svalina, Ljuba Trgovac, Dorothy Worteska, Mary Mundger (Mich.), Marge Pozeck, Jacqueline Natzke, Helen Daly, Diane Wojnovich, Inez Carnavacciola, Katherine Klepich, and Mary Ann Sambol.

It would be quite remiss of me to let the occasion of Mr. William Pave, Ann's husband's retirement to go unnoticed. He has worked along side with my husband for many years. He has been a key man at Wisconsin Steel Works who has discharged his duties with the talent of a diplomat.

A HAPPY FIFTH ANNIVERSARY TO BRANCH 103!

No. 103, Washington, D. C. Just five years ago, November 1965 to be explicit, Branch No. 103 was formed. This year on Saturday Nov. 14th we will celebrate our fifth Anniversary with an elaborate dinner-dance to be held at St. Thomas' church hall on Woodley Rd. N. W. in Washington.

The festivities will begin at 6:30 p. m. with a program of cultural entertainment preceding the buffet dinner and the dance commencing at 9 p. m. We encourage all members to attend this dinner-dance with their relatives and friends, as all present members will be recognized at this special occasion. We guarantee, delicious food, interesting entertainment and a first-rate Slovenian orchestra.

Members who attended the September meeting were pleasantly surprised to find that our loyal member, Dora Voyatzis was so proficient in the art of decoupage. Dora lectured and demonstrated this fine art, displaying many of her masterpieces ranging from wall plaques to boxes and a lamp. Most of us were amazed at the patience required for decoupage and marveled at Dora's accomplishments. We encourage other ladies to share their skills and talents with the members at one of the monthly meetings as Dora did.

A message of sympathy is extended to Helen Krotec upon the recent loss

daughters and 9 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren. May God grant him eternal peace.

Our branch president, Jean Kurilich, donated a book, FROM SLOVENIA TO AMERICA to the Fontana Public Library and they in turn sent her a lovely letter of acknowledgment.

State President, Rose Scoff paid a visit to Fontana and was the house guest of the Kurilich's. Sister Scoff visited the Sacred Heart church and new convent that was built under the capable direction of our spiritual advisor, Father Francis Horvath. Rose donated a beautiful pair of hand-made pillow slips which will be given at our Christmas party. Thank you for a most generous gift, Rose, and we hope to have you visit us again in the near future.

I leave you with this beautiful thought. The only way to have a friend is to be one. See you next month. God willing.

Edith Drawenek

No. 105, Detroit, Mich. Vacations over and we have started our monthly meetings again. We had 15 members attend the meeting of September 27th: Fulvia Rosa was the hostess. Great seeing all of our faithful members again.

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of her father.

Get well greetings are extended to Junior member Helen Mejac who we hope by the time of this printing has recovered from surgery.

At the September meeting we found that many of our members traveled far and wide. Among those are Mary Lou Terselic and family who visited the west and part of the midwest; Anna Cernele found herself enjoying the beauties of Slovenia; Matilda Podborsek returned to Slovenia for the first time since her immigration over 50 years ago; her son John accompanied her; Matilda Ausich visited in Iowa, but her greatest pleasure was her mother's visit to Washington. Mrs. Ausich enjoyed the SWU picnic and especially the sport of Badminton in which she displayed much spirit and agility. I am sure many other members spent vacations away from home and we regret not being able to report on all of these experiences.

We regret not being able to report on all the news however, because of the high cost of printing the reporters have been asked to condense the monthly articles. We hope all the members will attend the meetings and hear of the news first hand as well as visit with their sister members.

Happy Fifth Anniversary
Irene M. Planinsek, Pres.

Pauline Adamic opened the meeting with a prayer. Katherine Musick read the Minutes of the last meeting held in June. Betty Karas was unable to attend since she recently underwent surgery. Our sincere wishes for a speedy recovery. Alice Sheets also was not present due to her husband's heart attack which proved to be fatal. We extend heartfelt condolences to Alice and family.

We all forgot about our diets when Fulvia served all that delicious food: chicken, meat balls, rice, ravioli, jello salad, rolls and that wonderful dessert. Thanks to the following ladies who donated extra to the kitty: Alice Becker, Ann Senko, Audrey Krulic, Ann McGee, Jennie Bole, Fulvia Rosa, Rose Jamnik, Catherine Michelic, Zorka Maisel and Betty Karas. The October meeting was scheduled to be held in my home.

Door prize winner was Cathy, a guest of Fulvia's — her future daughter-in-law, in fact. The gift was a beautiful bud vase. Looked like a put-up job, ha, ha!

Happy birthday to the following — belated wishes: Frances Rovsek, Anna Karun, Audrey Krulic and for October: Jennie Vidmar and Mary Zimmerman. Hope to see you at our next meeting.

Frances Seman, Reporter

From the Editor

An unusual activity — another in my search to find interesting things our branches are doing — is reported by Mary Dezman of Br. 12, Milwaukee, Wis. Her members took a bus ride to enjoy the lovely fall colors of the Wisconsin countryside last month. Isn't that about the most refreshing thing to do? How many of us talk of taking off a day — and really do it — to see the autumn in its full glory. They did it and are glad!



In the last issue you read the essays of the four S. W. U. Scholarship winners for the academic year 1970-1971. Reading them makes us proud to be so appreciated! It would be a lovely thought for our branches, once a year, to hold some activity and include your juniors — invite them to help — for the benefit of the S. W. U. Scholarship Fund. It's not only the money that's involved. The important thing is to bring your young members together and have them participate in something they understand . . . something that ties them to Zveza and makes them know that we are not that far away as the phrase "generation gap" would claim.



You can make us especially happy if you want to — by scouting some Christmas greetings for Zarja for the Dec. issue. Deadline is Nov. 5th and all will appreciate. Rates begin at \$5 and progress to \$30.00. All will be most appreciated. Monies go into Publisher's Fund.

At the recent National Convention the Zarja Publishers Fund or in Slovenian *Tiskovni Sklad* was given a boost and with this column, we intend to print the names of all future donors to the Zarja Fund. With the monies collected, we pay for the photos and cuts in Zarja and incidental expenses connected with the Editor's office. Thanks go to:

Br. No. 1, Sheboygan Wis., \$15.00; Anna Trdan, Br. 38, Chisholm, Minn., in memory of Frank Trdan and Jimmy and Elsie Trdan, \$3.00; Mildred James, Br. 95, So. Chicago, \$2.00; Ann Lustig, Br. 16, So. Chicago, Ill. \$5.00; Edna Winters, Br. 16, So. Chicago, Ill. \$5.00; Marie A. Floryan, Br. 17, West Allis, Wis., \$3.00; Kay Yuratovec, Br. 73, Warrensville, Hgts., O., \$2.00; Mary Kernz, Br. 89, Oglesby, Ill., \$2.00; Christine Konte, Br. 66, Canon City, Colo., \$2.00; and Josephine Erjavec, Br. 20, Joliet, Ill., \$2.40. These contributions have been received since the Convention. My sincere thanks to all.

Corinne Leskovar

RESOLUTIONS APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS DECISION OF THE 15TH NATIONAL CONVENTION OF S.W.U.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The success of the \$70,000.00 Fund Drive for a Slovenian Chapel in the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, D. C., our Nation's Capital has been acclaimed; and,

WHEREAS, The Slovenian Women's Union of America has spearheaded the Fund Drive since its inception at the National Convention held in 1967 at Washington, D. C., with the cooperation of the Slovenian American Societies, Parishes throughout the United States, Members and Friends; and,

WHEREAS, The committees in charge and individual solicitors who took this work truly as their own, are to be commended and extended the sincere congratulations of all Slovenian Americans who will proudly view the new Slovenian Chapel and pray there to the Patronness of Slovenians, Our Lady of Brezje, Marija Pomagaj; and,

WHEREAS, The Slovenian Women's Union of America is especially grateful to our Supreme President, Mrs. Antonia Turek and her husband, Mr. Frank Turek, the treasurer and secretary respectively of the National Slovenian Chapel Committee for their dedication and conscientious work of the past three years; and,

WHEREAS, The Slovenian Chapel will be a memorial to the Slovenian pioneers and great spiritual traditions of our nationality; and,

WHEREAS, The dedication of the Slovenian Chapel has been scheduled for August 15, 1971,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT KNOWN,

That the Slovenian Women's Union of America members are urged to participate in the dedication ceremonies and from every Slovenian community in the United States, to attend the Blessing of the Slovenian Chapel in large numbers, making it one of the greatest national and religious events for Americans of Slovenian descent.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The world in which we live in is a beautiful planet, nurturing life in the seas, on the land and in the air; and,

WHEREAS, As women who are by nature involved with the process of life, we honor the life God has given to this earth and pray He blesses it with abundance; and,

WHEREAS, Our natural resources have become less fruitful, less beautiful and less useful due to man's carelessness and neglect; and,

BE IT KNOWN, THEREFORE, That the members of the Slovenian Women's Union of America pledge to become more actively involved in our home communities with the programs connected with the conservation and preservation of our environment; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THEREFORE, That we shall, each and everyone, teach and instill in our children and families, the love of nature and knowledge of its essential necessity to man, so that the natural beauty of our country may be restored whether it be in the urban, suburban, rural or wilderness areas of America.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Slovenian Women's Union convening at its 15th tri-ennial National Convention May 24-27, 1970 in Euclid, Ohio, are loyal Americans and concerned with the country's state of affairs, and,

WHEREAS, the membership is anxious for world peace as well as unity, liberty and justice and equal opportunity for all of our country's citizens,

BE IT RESOLVED, that through our prayers may God bless and guide our President in the difficult task of bringing about World Peace, uniting our nation and bettering the future of all.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Slovenian Women's Union of America is dedicated to the better understanding of America throughout the world and in particular the ancestral land of its American-Slovenian members; and,

WHEREAS, This ancestral land, Slovenia, the northernmost Republic of Yugoslavia with 2 million population lies at the important crossroads where three main ethnic groups meet in Europe, namely, the Slavic, the Germanic and the Latin; and,

WHEREAS, Slovenia is the most developed industrial country of the Yugoslav Federation, with cultural standards among the highest in Europe, and where illiteracy is unknown for half a century; and,

WHEREAS, Said Republic of Slovenia, regarded as a most pro-western oriented country has no American presence in the form of a United States Consular Office; and,

WHEREAS, The United States Consul located nearest to Slovenia is at Zagreb, capital of Croatia, where besides English, the official language used is Serbo-Croatian, unfamiliar to many Slovenians and Americans of Slovenian descent seeking consular documents and services; and,

WHEREAS, It is through Slovenia that Yugoslavia welcomes masses of tourists including an increasing number of Americans each year; and,

WHEREAS, There are more than 600,000 Americans of Slovenian descent living in America, many of them still holding direct ties to the land of their forefathers; and,

WHEREAS, It is important that American and other foreign visitors have immediate access to an American Consulate in Slovenia itself; and,

WHEREAS, America will reap benefits from the good will and mutual respect of our brothers across the sea whose intrinsic love of freedom has been evident throughout history, NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT KNOWN, that the members of Slovenian Women's Union of America, representing Americans of Slovenian descent, urge the Government of the United States to seriously consider the establishment of an American Consulate in Ljubljana, Slovenia.

Ed. Note:

Information has been received that the United States Government has signed an agreement with Yugoslavia to open a U. S. Information and Reading Room in Ljubljana, the capital of Slovenia soon. In answer to repeated requests for the establishment of a U. S. Consular Office there, President Nixon in November, 1969 suggested the possibility of such a Reading Room and subsequent letters from U. S. Congressmen have been received noting that the government is in full agreement that this would be beneficial. We are happy to note now that the first steps have been taken and in the near future a U. S. Office will be operating in Ljubljana.

MARIE PRISLAND:

OH, TA SVET...



ZVEZINA DRŽAVNA KONVENCIJA V WISCONSINU

Državna konvencija za Wisconsin se je vršila v Milwaukee 20tega septembra, zaeno s proslavo 40-letnice podružnice št. 43. Na konvenciji je bila lepa udeležba, na banketu pa okrog 300 gostov.

Ob devetih dopoldne je č. g. Klavdij Okorn daroval sv. mašo za žive in pokojne Zvezine članice. V slovenščini in angleščini je govoril o velikem pomenu naše Zveze za dom, družino, slovensko narodnost in deželo, kjer prebivamo. Želimo, da bi Father Okorn svoj govor v ZARJI objavil.

Pri maši so cerkveni pevci, pod vodstvom prof. Majheniča, krasno prepevali slovenske nabožne pesmi. Vsi smo bili zamaknjeni v njih petje. Zbor je nastopil tudi na popoldanskem programu.

Rose Kraemer, državna predsednica je odprla in vzorno vodila konvencijo. Slišali smo poročila delegatk od vseh podružnic v Wisconsinu. Stavljeneh je bilo več predlogov za izboljšanje poslovanja. Nove regulacije, sprejete po glavnem odboru na seji meseca julija, so bile navzočim pojasnjene in enoglasno priznane kot pomembne za boljše poslovanje državnih konvencij.

Konvencije so se udeležile: Marie Floryan, gl. podpredsednica, Fanika Humar, gl. tajnica in Ann Lustig državna predsednica za Illinois in Indiana. Prijetno nas je presenetila velika udeležba članic od podružnice št. 102 na Willardu. Ta podružnica šteje 32 članic, od teh jih je na konvencijo dospelo 20. Potovati z busom na daljavo 260 milj ni ravno udobno, a kjer je volja, tam je uspeh. Zahvalimo se za udeležbo, predsednici Josefini Artac pa naš poklon za krasno idejo, ker je zbrala in na konvencijo dovedla toliko članic. Elizabeta Scharenbrock je prispela celo v invalidnem stolčku, ker je pač želela biti med nami. Kako krasen vzgled društvenosti in ženskega poguma! O tej članici več prihodnjič.

Po kosilu se je vršil kratek program z govori, petjem in glasbo. Program je vodila Ann Konzal, predsednica pod št. 43 ter predstavila 4 navzoče ustanovne članice, ki so: Antonia Velkovich, Josephine Kolar, Christine Rebernisek in Cecilia Marolt. Navzoči so bili sledeči častni gostje: Father Klavdij Okorn, Zvezin priljubljen duhovni svetovalec, dr. Joseph Gole, profesor na Sacred Heart kolegiju in dr. Leopold Humar, soprog Zvezine gl. tajnice. Dr. Humar je šef oddelka za duševno zdravje na veliki, moderni bolnišnici v Hines, Illinois.

Podružnici št. 43 smo vsi prav iskreno čestitali k 40 letnemu obstoju želeč še mnogo nadaljnjega napredka. Podružnica ima delavne odbornice in zvesto članstvo, zato smo uverjeni, da bodo v najlepšem obstoju praznovali prihodnji jubilej — 50 letnico.

Denar — Sveta Vlada

Brez denarja se ne da živeti. — Z denarjem lahko ljudi osrečimo. — Zaradi denarja nastajajo tragedije in komplikacije. — Denarja se nikdo ne brani.

Kaj misli mladina o denarju? Ga res postavlja na prvo mesto? Ali je lahko srečna tudi brez denarja? Nek list je mladini zastavil vsa ta vprašanja ter prejel zelo zanimive odgovore:

"Pravjo, da se mlada generacija ne zanima za nobeno stvar. Da nam grede samje neumnosti po glavi. Obsojajo nas, da se ne zanimamo za kulturo in umetnost.

Čudno nas gledajo, ker nosimo dolge lase in kratka krila. Ne razumejo nas zakaj se zabavamo po svoje. Pravijo, da raste z nami generacija ljudi brez ciljev in idealov. Generacija, ki verjame v samo eno stvar — denar. Vsi ne mislimo tako. Prosto življenje je več vredno kot denar v žepu", odgovarja visokošolec.

"Ali je res, da mladina postavlja denar na prvo mesto? Ali je res, da živimo iz dneva v dan brez misli na prihodnost? Mar nam odnosi med ljudmi, naša osebna sreča in zadovoljstvo nič ne pomenijo? Ni pošteno obsojati, da je vsa mladina takšna, kot si jo predstavlja starejša generacija", piše drugi.

"Za denar mi ni treba skrbeti, ker mi ga očeka da, a rada bi sama zaslužila kak dolar; znala bi ga boljše obrniti, ker bi bil moj kot denar, ki ga dobim od očeta . . ." piše dekle.

"Glavni cilj mi ne pomenijo lepe obleke, lepo stanovanje, denar. Zame je najvažnejša osebna sreča, dobri prijatelji in prijetni osebni odnosi med ljudmi . . ." omenja druga.

"Če imáš denar, so ti vsa vrata odprta. Zato imamo denar radi", komentira fant star 21 let.

"Nekdo denar skrbno varuje in ga hrani, drugi ga z lahkim srcem zapravlja, tretji gara zanj, četrti goljufa . . . Denar mi pomeni vse! Brez denarja se ne da živeti!" ugotavlja mlad športnik.

ŽENSKA LJUBEZEN

"Verjami mi, ne morem več zdržati . . . res ne morem", je žena tožila svoji prijateljici, med tem ko so se ji po licu kotalile debele solze. "Ne morem . . . Vsak večer prihaja pozno domov in če ga vprašam kje je bil se zadre: 'Kaj te briga!' Da, tako pravi in še vpije kot neumen. Zadnjič bi me skoro pretepel, če bi mu ne ušla. Svojo plačo mi včasih da, včasih pa jo spravi sam in niti ne pove kam je šla. Da bi me kdaj peljal v gledališče ali na kako zabavo, mu še na misel ne pride. Drugi mi kdaj pa kdaj naredi kompliment, da dobro izgledam, on pa na meni ne opazi ničesar. Lahko imam na sebi šetako lepo obleko, ali še tako posrečeno pričesko, on ne vidi nič! Kadar sem bolana se sploh ne zmeni zame; nič mi ne prinese, večkrat me niti ne vpraša, kako se počutim. Še več, čeprav se slabo počutim on hoče imeti na mizi kosilo ob času, sveže oprano srajco in stanovanje očiščeno. Nikdar se ne domisli, da bi mi doma kaj pomagal. Jaz čistim stanovanje, kuham, perem, šivam in delno sem zaposljena v restavraciji, on pa čita časopis in hoče imeti mir. Pravim ti, to je pravi tiran! Ne morem več vzdržati, res ne morem . . .", konča žena svoje pritožbe in globoko zaihti.

Prijateljica meni, da se s takim človekom res ne da živeti. "Loči se od njega! Pusti ga naj bo sam, da vidi kaj je žena vredna! Takoj, ko se boš moza znebila, ti bo lepše na svetu. Boš videla, kako boš na novo zaživela in postala srečna", prijateljica svetuje.

"Ko se ga znebim? — Po ločitvi?" — Žena začudeno vzklika.

"Kdo se pa hoče ločiti? Še na misel mi ne pride, da bi se moza znebila, saj ga imam rada in moj je."

SKLAD ZA ZARJO

Na naši narodni konvenciji sem svetovala naj bi podružnice tu in tam prispevale malo vsoto v sklad ZARJE, ki ima precej stroškov s slikami, ki jih priobčuje ter z raznimi drugimi stvarmi, ki so listu potrebne.

Kadar ima podružnica kako prireditev naj bi odstopila nekaj dolarjev za ZARJIN sklad. Podružnica v Sheboyganu je od svoje kartne zabave prispevala 15 dolarjev. To bi naj bil začetek. Upam, da bodo sledile tudi ostale podružnice. Zavedajmo se, da je naša ZARJA lep list!

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Ameriški Slovenci smo zelo nejevoljni, ker voditelji Slovenije niso dovolj odločno zahtevali, da pride predsednik Nixon tudi v Ljubljano, ko je bil na obisku v Jugoslaviji. Ali smo Slovenci še vedno "sluga pokorni?"

DVE DOLŽNOSTI DANES

Neki francoski škof je poslal svojim vernikom pismo sledeče vsebine: Nadloge, težave in razne krize so povsod na svetu. Drugi vatikanski cerkveni zbor je videl v tem "pravo družabno in kulturno preobrazbo," katere učinki vplivajo tudi na versko življenje.

Ker hoče biti cerkev bolj kot kdaj prej navzoča v svetu, se nikar ne vznemirjamo če trpi udarce tako globokih sprememb. Vsiljujejo ji razne novotarije. Duhovniki in verniki moramo poseči v te zadeve. Odpovedati se temu iz lenobe bi bila prav taka krivda, kakor opustiti pot k izvoru nepremišljenih novotarij.

Ne bojmo se vprašanj, ki se porajajo. Tudi ne obsojamo tistih, ki jih povzročajo, ampak v medsebojnem prijateljstvu in zaupanju skrbimo, da bomo zvesti izročilu pametno reševali in skupaj iskali to kar je treba spreminiti.

Vendar je iskanje še bolj potrebno kot drugo: "iščite naprej božjega kraljestva in njegove pravice in vse drugo se vam bo navrglo. Ne gre za to, da bi zamenjali druga vprašanja: družabno stanje duhovnikov, naloge lajkov v cerkvi, načrti in načini dušnega pastirstva itd. Gre zato, da poživimo vero naprej.

"Brez mene ne morete nič storiti." Pa tudi: "Vse je mogoče za tistega ki veruje. Brez Jezusa Kristusa bo naše iskanje samo pomnožilo prevare in nemir. Kristus je luč, s katero moramo odkriti pot, ki jo danes kaže svoji cerkvi. Pri njem bomo dobili pogum, da bomo imeli voljo izvesti potrebne spremembe.

Zdaj je ura vere in molitve. Ko so na jezeru valovi premetavali ladjico, ni bila največja nevarnost vihar, ampak pomanjkanje vere. Ko se je Peter, ko je šel pomorju začel potapljati, ga ni rešil strah pred valovi, ampak proseči klic: "Gospod, reši me . . ."

Dve dolžnosti imamo danes. Poživiti moramo vero in moliti. Vse drugo bo prišlo ob svojem času: "Tako je Jezus stegnil roko, ga prijel in rekel: "Malovernež, zakaj si dvomil! In stopila sta v čoln in veter je pohnal.

DOPISI

Št. 1, Sheboygan, Wis. — Odbor prijazno vabi vse članice na prihodnjo sejo, ki se vrši 15. novembra. Pogovoriti se moramo kdaj in kje se bo vršila naša božičnica. Lansko leto so mnoge bile razočarane, ker niso bile obveščene, letos pa pridite na sejo, da boste znale kako in kaj. Lahko tudi po telefonu obvestite predsednico ali tajnico.

Odbor se najlepše zahvaljuje Mrs. Mary Fale in sinu Raymondu, ki sta na seji v septembru kazala krasne barvne slike (slides) vzete na obisku v Sloveniji. Slike so nam priklicale v spomin ljube, nepozabne kraje naše lepe domovine.

Torej se vidimo 15. novembra! Vabi.

ODBOR

Št. 3, Pueblo, Colo. — "Vrle smo Amerikanke, smo slovenskega rodu . . ." tako pričinja slavna himna naše S. Ž. Z. — Slišala sem, da je bila slovesnost konvenčne maše KSKJ v slovenskem besedilu, kar je res pohvale vredno. Čestitam

preds. KSKJ, Mr. Joseph Nemanich in me veseli, da je ponovni gospodar spoštovane KSKJ.

Hladna jesen je tukaj, listje na drevju je orumenelo. Upamo, da se smrt ne bo prepogosto oglasila med nami. — Umrli je Felix Roitz, Agnes in Angela so sestre pokojnega. Frances Volk, Mary Peterlin, Frances Lipič, Jersin, ses. Gertrude Jordan, ki je umrla nenadne smrti v Denverju. Vsi omenjeni umrli zapuščajo sorodnice, ki so naše članice.

Usoda boleznin in pot v bolnišnico za ponovno zdravje: Anna Tomsic, ki si zdravi nogo v členku, Johana Pavček se kar dobro zdravi. Mary Kristan se je naselila v domu za onemogle v Pueblo Manor Home. Vse omenjene si želijo vaših obiskov.

Ko večasih premišlujem, kako smo sestre priseljenke trpele, pa si mislim, prav je, da sem stara in grem proti koncu, kajti mladina se mi smili; zdi se mi, da bo imela hude in trde čase.

Dne 22. nov. bo naša običajna kartna zabava za kritje stroškov

KOLORADSKA DRŽAVNA KONVENCIJA V CANON CITY

Lepo je bilo letos za našo drž. konvencijo pri podr. št. 66. Prijazne članice so nudile vso gostoljubnost za sijajno udeležbo tega dne v Canon City. Pri sv. maši je bilo nebeško lepo in lepa pridiga č. g. B. Bandi je nas vse razveselila, saj je bila podana v prid naše SŽZ. Kosilo je bilo okusno in program mično urejen.

Iskrena hvala vsem, ki so se zvesto trudile s pripravo: preds. Christine Konte in taj. Helen McFarland. Drž. preds. A. P. je sklicala kratko konvenčno sejo. Na vrsti so bili važni predlogi. Predlagano in sprejeto od članic je bil predlog, da se članki redno objavljajo vsaki mesec v Zarji in to v slovenskem in angleškem besedilu. Vse smo bile zadovoljne z lepim potekom uspešne, čeprav kratke seje.

Na programu smo imele častne goste Rev. F. Vincent, Rev. F. Stevens in gl. govornik Rev. F. B. Bandi. Med nami so bile Martha Popovich, soproga že pok. velikega prijatelja Zveze, dalje prijateljica Mary Grande iz Denverja, Mary Germ, soproga pok. preds. KSKJ, Johana Germa. Cvetlice so bile poklonjene Hanni Adamich in Mary Germ, ki sta bile najstarejše članice v dvorani, na kar sta bile posebno ponosne. Zahvalo naj sprejme čestita duhovščina, članice podr. št. 66, častni gostje in prijatelji naše Zveze. — Po pogramu sta igrala poskočne slovenske polke in valčke Mr. Jekovec in njegov sinček in vse staro in mlado se je veselo zavrtelo po dvorani.

Sprejele smo pismena voščila od gl. preds. Tony Turek, č. preds. Marie Priland, drž. preds. za Penna., Mary Tomsic in iz Kansas City, Antonia Kastelic ter brzovjavno voščilo od Rose Kraemer, drž. preds. za Wis. Upam, da nisem nobenega izpustila. Vsem izrekam iskreno zahvalo, posebno še podr. št. 66, saj je slavnost bila ena najlepših in se je bomo še mnogo let rade spominjale.

Pred odhodom so nas dobre članice še pogostile z okusnimi poticami, šunko in kavo. Torej še enkrat in na svidenje prihodnje leto, z busom seveda. Tudi jaz sem hvaležna za šopek in vse prijaznosti. Hvala tudi Father Claude Roberts, domačemu župniku za oglase v cerkvenem oznanilu za naš konvenčni shod.

God bless you all!

Anna Pachak, drž. preds. za Colo.-Kans.-Mo.

podr. Vljudno vabimo vse članice in prijatelje na to prireditel. S seboj pripeljite vaše sosede in znance.

Torej na svidenje ob pol osmi uri zvečer v cerkveni dvorani.

Najlepše pozdrave članicam naše Zveze, posebno vsem tistim, katere sem spoznala na naši gl. konvenciji v Euclidu.

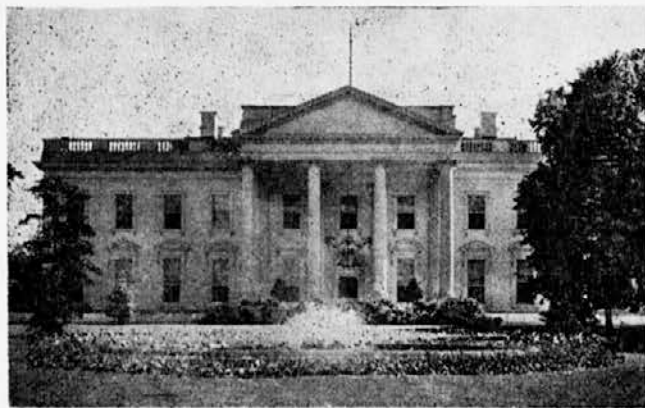
Anna Pachak, preds.

Št. 14, Euclid, O. — Poročilo naše oktobrske seje. Na večer naše seje, je bilo še kar vroče, čeprav smo že v oktobru. Upam, da jih bo še veliko takih, da zima ne bo predolga, ker nas tako rado zebe.

V imenu društva se članicam lepo zahvalimo za lepo udeležbo in da so tako pridno delale za kard parti. Posebno zahvalo naj sprejme Paula Kral, ki je tako vse skrbno vse pripravila. Sestre so ji dale malenkostno darilo.

Nekatere naše članice so bolane, nekatere bolj, druge manj. Mrs. Globokar in Mrs. Bajek so jih obiskale.

Naša članica Silva Pevak je zopet postala stara mati, ko so pri hčerki kupili novo baby. Naše čestitke!



Izredno lepa nagrada za vse tiste članice, ki dosežejo v kampanji 50 točk, bodo deležne brezplačne vožnje na vse-slovensko romanje v Washington, D. C. ob priliki posvetitve Slovenske kapele.

I točka za vsako novo članico razreda B, 1/2 točke za novo čl. razreda B in 1/4 točke za mladinske nove člane.

Vsi na delo — kampanja bo zaključena 30. junija 1971.

Mrs. Fortuna se je tudi udeležila naše kard parti. Prišla je iz dalne Kalifornije, kjer sedaj živi.

Predno zaključim moje poročilo, želim opozoriti vse tiste, ki še niste poravnale članarine za to leto, da to storite čimprej, ker leto gre proti koncu. To me je prosila naša tajnica, da opozorim vse članice, naj imajo plačane obveznosti do novega leta, da ne bo imela nepotrebnih težav.

Tega večera so darovale: Mrs. Simončič in Mrs. Strnad. Hvala.

Vsem članicam na vse strani lepe pozdrave.

Antonija Sustar

Št. 19, Eveleth, Minn. V poletnem času nismo imele seje, ker jih je veliko odšlo na počitnice po več državah. Upam, da ste vse se dobro imele. Tudi mi smo imeli poleti več prijetnih obiskovalcev.

Sedaj smo v oktobru in ko pišem te vrstice je pravo indijansko poletje saj toplomer kaže 82 stopinj. To poletje je bilo vroče, da je bilo prav prijetno povsod, posebno ob lepih prostorih naših minnesotskih jezer.

Črez leto se je nabralo precej novic, ker zadnja seja je bila v maju. Poročati moram žalostno novico, da smo izgubile našo dolgoletno članico Annie Benchina, katero je smrt rešila trpljenja, saj je dolgo bolehalo. Lepo so skrbeli za njo bolničarke in mož ter hči sta bila mnogokrat pri njej. Vsa zdravniška veđa ji ni mogla pomagati. Podlegla je 3. julija in članice smo se v lepem številu udeležile molitve pri krsti in pogrebu na sv. maše. Žalujemo soprogu, hčerki in vnuku iskreno sožalje. Naj blaga pok. sestra počiva v miru in ohranjena bo v najlepšem spominu.

Vesele smo, da je pristopila k naši podr. ses. Olga Klausner. Pristrčno dobrodošla!

Poročilo o zveznem dnevu

Dne 13. sept. se nas je zbralo za poln bus, 44 in to iz Aurore, Biwabik, Gilbert in Eveleth, druge so pa šle z privatnimi avtomobili. Bil je lep dan. Ko smo prišle v Keewatin ob 10 dop. so nas postregle s kofetkom in pecivom. Prvo nam je bila predstavljena gl. tajnica Fanika Humar. Vse smo jo bile vesele videti. Potem je odprla sejo drž. preds. Barbara Rosandich. Nato je govorila gl. taj. Fanika Humar o zaključkih konvencije ter o delu, katerega je prešla z željo, da bo skušala biti v vseh ozirih delavna, kot so bile pred njo, glavne odbornice. Vse smo ji čestitala z željo za veliko uspehov in dober napredek. Prosila je pomoči od članic in vse smo ji vesele obljubile. Spomnile smo se naše Albine, kateri želimo ljubo zdravje.

Tudi Annie Podgoršek je poročala, posebno če za drugo leto ko bo veliki izlet Slovencev v Washington na blagoslovitev nove slovenske kapele. Več bo še poročano.

Za konvencijo prihodnjega leta je sprejela podr. Kitzville.

Po zborovanju je bila ob 12 uri sv. maša, katero je daroval Father F. Perkovich iz Eveleth, ki je lepo govoril za napredek in o poslanstvu žene. Na banketu so nam servirali okusno kosilo z lepim programem in dobrimi govorniki: mestni župan, gl. taj. Fanika, Humar, odbornice, nato petje pod vodstvom Mary Hutar, Choraleers pevci iz Eveletha. Glavni govornik je bil državni senator, dr. Rudy Perpich in malo pozneje tudi naš slovenski kongresnik John Blatnik, ki je tudi lepo govoril. Tako je naš Zvezin dan zopet lepo uspel v zadovoljstvo vseh. Več naših sester je bolanih, bodisi v bolnišnici, ali nursing home, oz. na domu. Vsem želimo ljubo zdravje.

Ko uspešno zaključujemo denarno nabirko za Slovensko kapelo Marija Pomagaj v Washingtonu, vas vse pozivam, da doprinesemo nov dar na oltar naše Pomočnice! V ta namen odpiramo to posvetitveno kampanjo, da bi tako združile čim več žena, deklet in mladine v krog Ženske Zveze. Kampanja bo trajala od prvega novembra letos in bo zaključena 30. junija 1971. Vem, da hoče vsaka naša članica doprinesiti svoj delež, da bi bila slavnost pri posvetitvi prihodnje leto lepša in mogočnejša. Nudimo vam priložnost, da to storite in si s tem zaslužite plačano vožnjo v Washington, kjer se bo prihodnje leto zbrala vsa slovenska in ameriška elita, da bi čim lepše proslavila veliki dan, ko bo del našega življa dobil trajno mesto v ameriški prestolnici.

Vožnja na posvetitev v Washington je naša nagrada za vsako, ki bo dosegla 50 točk v tej kampanji; poleg denarh nagrad, kakršne so bile do sedaj. Časa imamo osem mesecev, cilj je lep in slavje brez vas ne bo popolno! Pojdimo na delo in se združimo v ljubezni in sodelovanju pod okrijem naše Marije Pomagaj! V Njenem imenu naredimo to kampanjo najlepšo, največjo in najuspešnejšo!

FANIKA HUMAR, gl. tajnica

Ses. A. Kuntara in mož sta tudi šla na obisk k hčerki Eriki in njene-mu možu g. Paternost, ki poučuje na Penna State College. Hčerka je medical technician in bolničarka in obe z mamó sta naše članice. Ker imata edino hčerko, zato je bilo snidenje še toliko bolj veselo.

Tudi ses. Mihelich in njen mož Frank sta šla obiskate hčerke v Cleveland. Ponosna sta na 7 hčerk, ki so sedaj poročena in so vse članice naše podr. Res z velikim obiskujeta hčerke, može in vnučke.

Ses. preds. Pollak je tudi imela obisk iz Mehike od hčerke, moža in 2 zdravih vnučkov. Njene hčerke so vse naše članice.

Tudi jaz sem dobila obisk, ko je za en teden prišel sin John z ženo Thereso in 2 vnuka. Tudi Theresa je članica Zveze. Vedno je veselje ko pridejo otroci domov.

Sožalje izrekamo ses. Seelantich ob izgubi ljubljene sina, ki je umrl v najlepši moški dobi okoli 50 let. Zapustil je žalujočo ženo, otroke in mater, vse naše čl. Izrekamo jim globoko sožalje. Naj vsi pokojni počivajo v miru in večna luč naj jim sveti.

Na Vseh Vernih duš smo se spomnile vseh naših umrlih sester. Vse pogrešamo vas, drage sestre in molile bomo za vas. "Blagor mu, ki se spočije, v črni zemlji mirno spi, lepše sonce njemu sije, lepša zarja rumeni."

Čestitke družini Primožič ob priliki poroke hčerke Linda Lee, ki je poročila William Tingley. V družini Mr. in Mrs. Joseph Primožich imamo 9 članic Zveze. Ponosni smo na nje. Bog jih živi! (Slike je v angleškem delu). Pozdrav vsem članicam Zveze!

Mary Lenich

Št. 20, Joliet, Ill. — Zopet smo izgubile članico Christine Blazekovich, ki je umrla v bolnišnici Sv. Jožefa v starosti 76 let. Imela je dom na 1917 Highland Ave. Zapušča 2 hčerke in 5 sinov ter sestro v Venona, Ill. ter več drugih sorodnikov. Pokopana je bila iz hrvaške cerkve Matere Božje na njihovo pokopališče. Naše članice so mo'le ob njeni krsti in na zadnji poti so jo spremlile: Emma Planinšek, Jo Sumic, Mary Bozic in Josephine Erjavec. Pokojna je bila priporočena po Anni Simonich. Naj v miru počiva, sorodnikom pa naše sožalje.

Članica Millie Brisky si je zlomila zapetje ko je barvala na stopnicah. Želimo ji, da se kmalu pozdravi. Ona je tudi kegjačica podr.

Dne 15. julija je naša podr. pogostila naše mladinske članice s piknikom na vrtu tajnice Olga Ancel. Bilo je mnogo mladine, igrali so za nagrade. Poleg mladinskih članic so prišle tudi sestre, ki se pomagale pri igrar: Mary Mihelich, Mary Kay Demich, Mary Ann Morgan a soprogom, Emma Nosse, Anna Starisha, Jo Lustick, Josephine Erjavec, Josephine Muster, Millie Pucel, Josephine Sumic in Theresa Muhich.

Za dobitke, pecivo in druge dobrote je darovala tajnica Olga Ancel, dalje se darovale tudi Millie Pucel, Emma Nosse, Jo Sumic, Anna Sternisha, Dorothy Koncar, Jo Lustig, Jo Muster in Jo Erjavec ter Agnes Lovati. Vsi otroci, kakor tudi njihove matere so se zadovoljno razšle in tega letnega otroškega piknika.

Naše sožalje družini Bostjančič iz Summit St. ob smrti očeta Franka, ki je ob smrti bil 81 let star. Zapušča ženo Mary, 3 hčerke in 2 sinova. Pokojni je živel tukaj mnogo let ter je bil zelo priljubljen med rojaki. Soproga Mary je naša dolgotletna članica. Naj pokojni v miru počiva.

Dne 20. sept. smo po letnem odmoru zopet imele sejo in odbornice ter članice so poročale o preživetju počitnic.

Poročano je bilo, da so bolne: Mary Gerl, Frances Kalcic in Theresa Zlogar.

Iz obiska domovine se je vrnila čla. Josephine Bericich, kamor gre skoro vsako drugo leto. Ona je učiteljica 6 razreda St. John nemške šole.

Hči našega prijatelja John Jevitza pošilja pozdrave iz obiska Austrije in pravi, da je Austrija zelo lepa, "skoro lepša kot na mojih filmih".

Dorothy in njen mož Reno Sartori preživljata počitnice na obisku Evrope.

Dne 4. sept. je umrla čla. Katherine Malesich, ki je pristopila nov. 1928 priporočena po Mary Kuglich. Zapušča več sinov in hčera. Naše članice so molile ob njenem odru in jo spremlile na zadnji poti. Pokojna je bila iz farne cerkve na pokopališče Sv. Jožefa. Bila je vdova dve leti.

ZLATA POROKA UGLEDNEGA SLOVENSKEGA PARA



Naša bivša gl. tajnica Mrs. Josephine Erjavec in njen soprog Mr. Jos. Erjavec sta v juniju slavila 50 letnico zakona v krogu številne družine in mnogih prijateljev, ki so prišli od blizu in daleč, da počastijo priljubljena slavljenca.

Med gosti zlatoporočnega slavja Mr. in Mrs. Joseph Erjavec v dvorani Sv. Jožefa so med drugimi bili od leve proti lesni: Mr. John Jevitz, uradnik mesta Joliet, Mrs. Marie Prislant, častna preds. SZZ, Mrs. Lottie Jevitz, slavljenca ter Corinne, Mimi in Lud Leskovar.

Naše sožalje žalujočim sorodnikom, a umrlim večno plačilo v nebesih.

Blag spomin moji mami Mary Setina, ki je umrla 26. okt. 1927; torej pred 33 leti, ko nas je tako hitro zapustila in se nenadoma poslovila od nas. Naj ji Bog poplača vse dobre, katere je nudila vsem, ki so iskali pomoči pri njej.

1. nov. bo Dan Vseh Svetih in nato 2. nov. Vernih Duš dan. Na pokopališču Sv. Jožefa imamo vsako leto običejno mašo na prostem v parku za vse pokojne farane, ob veliki udeležbi. Spomnimo se naših dragih v naših molitvah.

Na seji se je mnogo razmotrivalo, da bi bilo lepo, ce bi matere pripeljale njihove hčerke in sorodnice v našo podr., da se tako pridružijo našemu krogu v njihovo korist in dobro organizacije. Pridite vse na prihodnjo sejo 15. nov. Vas pozdravlja,

Josephine Erjavec

Št. 30, Aurora, Ill. — Septemberski dnevi so lepi, da bi le ostalo tako še par mesecev, potem pa, čeprav pride ta beli, ne bom preveč godrnjala. — Brala sem, kako ste se imeli v Clevelandu in po drugih mestih ob priliki krasnih koncertov ansambla Lojzeta iz Slovenije. O, kako sem si želela iti v Chicago tisti dan, pa ni bilo mogoče. Srečni ste ljudje po večjih naselbinah! V Aurori ni več slišati slovenske govornice in tudi tukaj v domu sem sama Slovenka, toda bila bi zelo vesela, če bi prišel še kak Slovenec ali Slovenka. Če kdo misli v tak dom mu zares svetujem, naj pokuša priti sem. ker res lepo skrivajo za nas!

V septembru so nam pripravili piknik. Veliki bus je prišel po nas in nas 2 in pol ure skozi mest Bristol in Bulder Hill ter po farmah, potem pa nazaj v City Park, kjer nas je čakalo dobro kosilo. Potem smo si ogledali še živali, po vsem tem nas je bus zopet pripeljal v naš dom. Vsi smo veseli in zadovoljni.

Še moram poročati, da sem bila na ohceti v Racine, Wis. Moj vnuk iz Oconomowoc je poročil dekle iz Racine. Oba sta na universi v Milwaukee, kjer sta se našla. Morda se smejete 84 let sem stara, pa še hodi na ohceti, vendar moram povedati, da plesala nisem, ha, ha. Richy ima še en semester in ko bo dokončal, bo moral iti za 2 leti k vojakom. Moj sin Edward je optometrist v Oconomowoc, Wis. in se je po sinovi ohceti z ženo in 12 letnim sinom odpeljal v Kansas City, obiskati prijatelje. Vozili so se tudi po sosednjih državah ter obiskali tudi mene. Pa sem potožila Edvardu kako pogrešam otroke, posebno dolg dan je nedelja, ko vedno pričakujem, da bo eden ali drugi od sinov vendar prišel. Pa se oglasi fant in pravi: "Gran-ma, če je tako hudo v nedeljo, pa ne pričakuj v nedeljo, pa raje pričakuj v ponedeljak, ko veš da nobeden ne pride." Nisem znala odgovora na ta nasvet, smejali smo se pa vsi. Tebi Kevin, pa rečem:

Glej ga, glej, glavica blistra, — majhen deček velik mož; kmalu boš še za ministra. Ako vedno priden boš!

Upam, da ste imele lepe počitnice. Opišite nam vaše vtise.

Lepe pozdrave članicam in družinam.
Frances Kranjc

RAJNIM SESTRAM V SPOMIN



ODPUSTKI ZA VERNE DUŠE:

Danes sem kot vrč hladila,
ko bi rada vso izlila
dušo svojo
v plamen vic,
da bi žejo pogasila . . .
Danes moje je molitev
kakor čist planinski vir.
Kapljica za kapljico
pada rosa v kraj trpljenja
in prinaša rajnim sestram
večni mir.

S. M. Valtruda Levec



Št. 32, Euclid, O. — Seja, ki se je vršila dne 1. septembra, je bila lepo obiskana, saj se nismo videli dva meseca. Odbornice so prečitale njhova poročila in finančne izdatke. Kakor izgleda, še na bomo kmalu milijonarki, ko je vedno dosti izdatkov.

Po končani seji, je sledil majhen prigrizek, ki ga je imela v oskrbi Mary Drobnick. Prav lepa hvala!

Dne 15. nov. bo v Euclidu na Recher Ave, ob 4 uri popoldne koncert, katerega bodo priredile naše članice zbora Dawn, pod vodstvom g. Franka Gorenška.

Tege dneva pa res ne smete zamuditi, saj smo lahko ponosne, da imamo svoj pevski zbor. Ustanovila ga je naša predsednica, Mary Boštjan. Lepo prosim, da pridete v čim večjem številu.

Dobrodošlico izrekamo naši novi članici Rose Jenko.

Naša poročevalka v angleškem jeziku, Anna Tekavec, je imela v enem mesecu kar dve smrti v družini. Po dolgi bolezni je preminula njena dobra mama, Katarina Choe, v Eveleth, Minn., dne 18. avgusta. V Ameriko je prišla leta 1882.

Dne 12. sept. je umrl nenadne smrti brat Joseph Choe iz Willowick, O., star komaj 52 let. Oba pokojna naj počivata v miru Gospodovem, — naj jima bo lahka ameriška zemlja. Tebi Anna, pa vse članice z globokim sočutjem izrekamo iskreno sožalje.

Lepo opozrajamo vse članice, da poravnajo članarino. Vsem članicam, ki praznujete rojstne godove, — ključemo, še na mnoga leta. — Tistim pa, ki se ne počutite dobro, želimo hitrega zdravlja. Lep pozdrav — in na svidenje na koncertu 15. nov.

Tončka Skvarča, poročevalka

Št. 41, Cleveland, Ohio. V tem letu obhajamo 40 letnico ustanovitve naše podr., v ta namen je bila 20. sept. darovana sv. maša v cerkvi Marije Vnebovzete za vse žive in umrle članice. Vsem članicam, katere ste se sv. maše udeležile, iskrena hvala. Pristrčna hvala naši gl. pred. ge. Tončki Turek za udeležbo, kakor tudi njenemu soprogu g. Trueku.

Iskrene hvala naši ustanoviteljici ge. Marie Prislnd za čestitke ob 40 letnici.

Pred nedavnim sta praznovala zlato poroko, Mr. in Mrs. Andrew Fajdiga. Zlatoporočenka je naša dolgoletna članica. Zlatoporočema iskreno čestitamo in jima želimo še mnogo zdravih in srečnih obletnic.

Resno je bolana dolgoletna vestna članica in bivša odbornica ses. Mary Rogell. Ses. Gerthie Koshel se je pa par tednov zdravila v bolnici. Obema želimo čimprejšnjega okrevanja in najboljšega zdravlja v bodočnosti.

Pred kratkim smo se za vedno poslovile od dveh naših sosester. Lucije Romih in Jennie Barbish. Družinam obeh pokojnih, izrekamo naše iskreno sožalje. Pokojnici naj pa sladko snivata in večna luč naj jima sveti.

Pred nedavnim smo prejele vzpodbudno pisemce od naše gl. tajnice ge. Humar, naj skušamo pridobiti naše prijateljice v našo lepo organizacijo. Torej sestre, skušamo jih vsaj nekaj pridobiti.

Lepa hvala za dar v blag. sestram: Ann Videnšek, Mary Yerak, Ann Skok, Rose Piskur, Ann Rebolj, Mary Poje in Mary Dacar.

Pridite vse na prihodnjo sejo. S pozdravom, Ella Starin

Št. 68, Fairport, Hrb, Painsville, O. Drage članice, upam, da prečitate našo priljubljeno Zarjo. Počitnice so minile in sedaj bomo zopet nadaljevale z našimi sejami, redno vsako tretjo soboto v mesecu v istih prostorih v S. C. Fairport. To sejo je odprla Frances Ullie in prečitala zapisnik zadnje seje. Seje se je udeležilo precejšnje število članic. Po številu vseh članic podružnice, ki je razvidno iz Zarju, vidim, da bi nas vedno lahko bilo veliko število na sejah, saj je lepo in prijetno kadar je velika udeležba, ker se lahko razgovorimo za dobro naše Zveze in o vsem, kar je potrebno.

Po seji pa rade pokrivalo številke, kolikor časa se nam zljubi.

Torej, članice pridite na sejo in pripeljte kako novo članico, ker jo bomo z veseljem sprejele.

Končno lep pozdrav vsem čitateljcem Zarje.

Angela Godec, poročevalka

Št. 71, Strabane, Pa. — Za nami so počitnice in gorko vreme. Ko plšem te vrstice je pa že precej hladno, tako da smo že naše peči prižgali. Čutimo, da ni več daleč do zimskega časa.

Članica Mary Bostjančič se je nahajala za par tednov v Canonsburg bolnici in se sedaj zdravi doma. Zdravje se ji počasi vrača. Želimo ji najhitrejše ozdravljenje.

Naša dolgoletna članica Mary Frances Groho, se je 26. sept. poročila v cerkvi Sv. Petra, z Mr. Paul Sarvas. Mary je graduirala na Robert Maris College in zaposlena je v Union National Bank v Pittsburghu. Ženin Paul S. Sarvas je zaposlen kot director Training Institute v Pittsburghu. Najlepše čestitke in želimo jima, da bi jima Bog naklonil zdravje in veliko sreče v zakonskem življenju. — Posebna čestitka tudi stari mami, Mary Novak ob poroki njene vnukinje.

Na rokah že imam 2 lepi knjigi: FROM SLOVENIA TO AMERICA in WOMEN'S GLORY. Obe sta primerne darili za vsako priložnost.

Že sedaj vabim vse članice, da pridete na dec. sejo, da pri volitvah izvolimo mlade odbornice.

Dne 5. nov. je rojstni dan Mrs. Albine Novak. Iz srca Vam želimo ljubo zdravlja in da boste še veliko zdravih in srečnih rojstnih obletnic.

Vsem slavljenkam rojstnih dni v teh mesecih, pošiljam najlepše čestitke in želje, da bi dočkala še mnogo srečnih in zdravih let. Lepo pozdravlja,

Mary Tomsic

Št. 100, Fontana, Calif. — Po dvo-mesečnem počitku smo zopet pričele z našimi rednimi sejami, kot navadno prvi četrtek v mesecu od 7 uri v običajnih prostorih. Upamo in želimo, da bi se članice v večjem številu udeleževale in da bomo tako lažje kaj sklenile a korist naše podr. in cele organizacije.

V čast si štejemo, da smo poslale Jean Kurelich na konvencijo kot delegatino, ki je zastopala 3 States. Prišla je domov prav dobro razpoložena in je poročala, da se je vse vršilo v najlepšem redu.

Želim uradnicam, ki so šle v pokoj, da bi ga uživale v boljšem zdravju, posebno še Albin Novak, da bi z veseljem gledala napredek Zveze. Novim pa želim božjega blagoslova pri njihovem važnem delu!

Na delavski dan smo imeli veliko gostov od vseh strani, tudi iz San Francisca je prišel bus in Mrs. Rose Scoff, državna predsednica, ki je bila gost naše predsednice Jean Kurelich. Prinesla nam je darilo, ki bo prav prišlo za božičnico, katero bomo praznovala z okusno pojedino v korist blagajne. Pristrčna hvala sestra Scoff! Za božično kosilo je bilo sklenjeno, da vsaka plača \$1. Za meso

FINANCIAL REPORT — FINANČNO POROČILO — SEPTEMBER, 1970

Br.	Assessments	Adults	Jrs.	Branch	Assesment	Adult	Jrs.	Assessment paid: Sept. and Oct., a; Pd. to Dec., b; Pd. in August, c; July and August, d; Pd. in July, e; August and Sept., f; Oct., Nov. and December, g.
1	\$ 93.95	162	63	23	101.45	215	53	
2	209.00	350	187	24	139.60	139	69 d	
3	153.85	263	169	25	339.25	629	159	
4	8.25	13	— a	26	49.75	107	19	
5	87.70	101	21 a	27	—	44	3	Income in September:
6	44.10	104	8	28	44.00	75	15	Assessment \$4,045.40
7	50.90	96	52	29	10.85	25	6	Interest 2,909.30
8	18.10	46	—	30	—	9	— b	Rent 169.00
9	—	21	2 b	31	82.70	87	27 a	Tax deposit 21.33
10	131.60	207	26	32	81.05	138	73	Bank certificate withdrawal 10,000.00
12	62.80	162	58 c	33	122.10	196	151	
13	—	112	18	34	18.50	38	6	
14	149.10	296	52	35	32.45	55	37	
15	101.15	203	9	37	—	21	1 b	Assets (Bank. cert.) 10,000.00
16	82.85	142	87	38	41.80	116	—	
17	80.15	151	76 c	39	—	42	9	
17	80.70	—	—	40	52.50	101	2	7,145.03
19	54.10	112	24	41	80.40	200	30	Disbursement in September 1970:
20	151.45	329	62	42	23.40	48	—	Izdatki meseca Septembra 1970:
21	58.50	111	44	43	76.80	132	62	Death claims paid to the following:
22	—	18	— c	45	20.50	45	14	Br. 6, Barberton, Katie Svagar \$100.00
				46	13.50	29	5	Br. 16, So. Chicago, M. Rendosh 100.00
				47	54.90	105	36	Br. 16, So. Chicago,
gre iz blagajne in za zunanje goste				49	—	30	— e	Jeffery Mannerelli Jr. 100.00
je pa \$150.				50	139.95	213	92 c	Br. 20, Joliet, Kath. Malesich 100.00
				51	—	15	— e	Br. 22, Bradley, Barbara Schiltz 100.00
Letos je tudi za mene spominsko				52	21.20	52	19	Br. 33, Duluth, M. Popovich B 200.00
leto, žalostno in veselo. V jan. sem				54	57.10	57	40 f	Br. 38, Chisholm, A. Mihelich 100.00
izgubila sestro Matildo v starem kra-				55	26.60	54	3	Br. 41, Cleveland, Jen. Barbish 100.00
ju in brata Emelna v S. A. Oba				56	39.65	91	6	Br. 47, Cleveland, Louise Zidanic 100.00
sta bila mlajša kot jaz. Ljubi Bog				57	40.10	67	35	Salaries — Plače
jima bodi usmiljen. Dne 22. aug.				59	—	29	2	(Secretary, Editor) 1,038.59
smo pa praznovali zlato poroko, ka-				61	—	6	— a	Administration 295.00
tero nismo nikdar mislili, da dočka-				62	24.00	25	— a	SWU Rent — Najemnina 75.00
va. Zahvaliti se hočeva našima si-				63	48.60	92	22	Actuary 20.00
novoma, njihovim soprogam ter so-				64	—	45	2	F. I. C. A. Tax 49.86
sedom in prijateljem, ki so pripomog-				65	41.50	45	24 f	Postage, Telephone 76.42
li, da je vse tako lepo izteklo, da				66	32.30	59	21	Advertisement — Oglasi 35.00
ne bi mogli pričakovati boljše. Bogu				67	40.70	68	9	Fuel, Water, Electricity
zahvala za lepo vreme, ker smo bili				68	40.55	61	21	Kurjava, voda, luč 65.39
največ zunaj. Končali smo s sv.				70	—	14	3	Zarja — The Dawn 1,552.44
mašo ob 8 uri zvečer in stregli so				71	60.40	120	36	Miscel. — Razno 193.99
naši vnuki.				72	19.30	25	— f	Accrued interest; Dozorele
				73	56.50	102	71	obresti 32.06
Naše sožalje velja Mrs. Majzek ob				74	—	30	1 b	Bond investment 10,116.30
izgubi ljubega soproga. Dale smo za				77	22.65	47	32	Travel, per diem — Potni
sv. mašo. Hčerki Olgi želimo, da bi				79	—	30	20 e	stroški, dnevnice 134.00
ljubi Bog pomagal do boljšega zdrav-				80	16.65	9	—	Stationary; Pisarniške
ja, ker je že več let v convalescent				81	14.15	29	—	potrebščine 69.00
home zaradi poškodb, katere je dobila				83	8.55	17	—	Insurance — Zavarovanje 112.00
v avtomobilski nesreči. Pošljite ji				84	—	52	3	
kako tolažilno karto, kar jo bo raz-				85	18.65	40	2	
veselilo.				86	—	22	— c	
Rojstne dneve so praznovale:				88	—	57	9	
Mary Skubec, Rozi Krajnik, Mary				89	30.50	71	22	
Majzek, Mary Jasina, Mary Kovacic,				90	18.80	42	15	
Mary Reck in Cecilija Horzen. Hvala				91	29.20	48	11	
vsem, ki ste darovali, da smo se				92	15.05	23	2	
vse dobro imele ter vam želim še				93	—	58	2	
mного let zdravja in sreče. Zabav-				94	—	13	4	
nemu Klubu pa želim, da bi še ta-				95	—	186	22	
kako naprej se udeleževale. Hvala!				96	23.95	47	—	
Glede sklepa zadnje konvencije, se				97	7.25	15	—	Ledger balance August 1970 530,101.53
strinjam, da se en mesec poleti izpu-				99	—	16	— c	Correction in bond value
sti tiskanje Zarje, toda če bi našo				100	29.25	46	11	purchased in August 255.60
priljubljeno Zarjo popolnoma opustili,				101	20.05	27	14	Income in September 1970 7,145.03
bi pa bilo zelo žalostno za celo or-				102	52.05	34	3 g	
ganizacijo, ker veliko članic nestrp-				103	17.00	25	13	537,502.16
no čaka, da jo čita in tako izve				105	18.35	30	6	Disbursements in Sept. 1970 4,748.75
kako se godi po svetu, ker so od-				106	—	22	3	
daljeni od nasebin. Upam, da se								Ledger bal. Sept. 31, 1970 532,753.41
to ne bo nikoli zgodilo.								
Pozdrav vsem	Kristina Filipis			Totals	\$4,045.40	8003	2337	Fanika Humar, Sec'y.

JUNIOR'S CORNER

HI BOYS AND GIRLS!

From a Junior Catholic Messenger comes this story:

"The little brown mouse was growing thinner and thinner since the two big cats had come to live on the farm. They were always hanging around the pantry. So the poor mouse could not nibble on the sweet red apples or the big round chunk of yellow cheese.

"Finally the little brown mouse grew so weak that it had to risk a trip to the pantry. It was either that, or starve to death. The mouse peeked out of its hole and looked timidly about. The cats were nowhere in sight. But the cook was there! And he hated mice! Several times he had chased the little brown mouse with the broom.

"The little brown mouse, however, did not have to worry about the cook. For he was busy talking to a visitor—a kind-looking man with soft brown eyes, dark skin, and a wide smiling mouth.

"The little mouse didn't know it, of course, but this man was a very famous person. He was Brother Martin de Porres, a Dominican lay brother. He was in charge of the monk's hospital at the Dominican monastery.

"Brother Martin knew all about strange herbs; he had planted a whole garden full at the monastery. He cured all kinds of diseases with his herbs. Sometimes he cured people that the wisest doctors in the big city of Lima could not heal.

"While the cook and Brother Martin talked, the little brown mouse scampered safely into the pantry.

"When you came, Don Pedro was sure that you would cure his little daughter," the cook said. "But not even the rich soup you ordered will help her."

"Poor little girl," Brother Martin frowned. "Oh, if I could only find some new herb that might heal her. Please pray for that, Carlo."

"Meanwhile the little mouse was feasting inside the pantry. First it bit into a juicy apple. How good it tasted! Then it ate some of the rich yellow cheese. By the time it finished its meal there was a little tunnel dug deep into the cheese.

"When the mouse was ready to go back to its hole, it crept quietly up to the pantry door. Brother Martin had gone. And horror of all horrors! The cook was stuffing the hole with a piece of wood.

"The cook shook his fist at the pantry. "Oh, I know you are in there, you sly creature," he called. Then he opened the kitchen door and let in the two cats. "Over there, boys!" he ordered.

"The little mouse looked wildly around. There was only one place to hide—in the tunnel that it had made in the cheese. So it scooted inside just as the cats came into the pantry. The mouse could hear the cats climb up on the pantry shelf. It could feel their hot breath as they began to paw at the cheese. Soon they would shake the mouse out on the floor.

"But suddenly the mouse heard a voice—a rich, soft, musical voice. 'Scat! Scat! Leave the little mouse alone!' Someone was shooing the cats out of the pantry. The little brown mouse peeped out of its hiding place. It was Brother Martin who had saved his life. The kind man picked up the little mouse and held it in his big brown hands. 'Poor little mouse,' he whispered. 'I'll take you far away to my garden. You'll be safe and happy there.'

"So Brother Martin carried the little mouse away in the pocket of his habit. Oh, it was wonderful to live in Brother Martin's herb garden—and even more wonderful to have Brother Martin pick it up and stroke it and call it Mousey.

"One bright sunshiny day as Brother Martin was leaving the garden, Mousey ran swiftly up his back and perched itself on the brim of his big wide hat. 'I know you're up there, the Dominican laughed. 'I'm going to the mountain to pick some herbs. And you may as well come along.'

"When they reached the mountain, the little mouse got down and scampered about among some light-green herbs. Mousey wrinkled its nose and sniffed and sniffed. These plants had a fine delicate smell. Then the mouse began tasting the herbs. They tasted even better than they smelled.

The tiny animal ate and ate and ate. The more it ate the better it felt. Soon Mousey was dancing around and around.

"Brother Martin looked at Mousey and began to hum a little tune. 'I wonder, I wonder,' he said. He took a small sharp knife from his pocket and began cutting the plants. 'I've never seen this kind of herb before. Mousey feels so good after eating it.'

"When Brother Martin returned to the monastery, he ground the light-green herbs between stones. Then he put the fine green powder in a jar and set out for Don Pedro's farm.

"The next morning Brother Martin came into his herb garden. He picked up the little brown mouse. 'Oh, Mousey, if you only knew how you helped me,' he said. 'That herb was just what the little girl needed. Her fever is gone. For the first time in many weeks she smiled, and when I left she was laughing.

Thanks to our good Lord, she will soon be well again!'"

Martin de Porres was born December 9, 1579 in Lima, Peru. His father was a Spanish nobleman and his mother a beautiful colored woman. When it appeared that Martin would have his mother's features and coloring, the noble Spaniard could not bear the disgrace that this would bring upon him. Martin was ten years old when his father deserted him. From time to time, he sent the mother a little money, with instructions that Martin learn the trade of a barber. Four hundred years ago a barber in South America was also a combination druggist, doctor and nurse.

Even as a small child Martin showed a great love for the poor and unfortunate. He knew that he himself was an unwanted child, that his Spanish father was ashamed of him because he was "colored"; but he never wasted a minute feeling sorry for himself. There were too many far worse off than he and these he could help. Besides, he had learned in these early years, that there was Someone who did love him—just as he was. He learned from the Dominican and Franciscan missionaries that he could return this love that Jesus and Mary had for him: by seeing Christ in every poor, sick or needy person he met.

Martin died November 3, 1639 and two hundred years later he was made known by the Church as Blessed Martin de Porres. In 1962 Pope John XXIII officially proclaimed him a Saint.

Saints come from all nations and races. There are thousands who are listed in the Canons of the Church. But there are millions of unknown saints. They are the successful people, who made good in the only way that matters, who loved God more than anything else in the world.

Saints come from all ranks of life—kings, queens, popes, bishops, priests, nuns, fathers, mothers, children, laboring men, working girls and beggars. Some did great penances for their own sins and for those of others. Many died for Christ, after suffering terrible tortures. Others did nothing very much out of the ordinary, so far as anyone could see; for instance the Little Flower of Jesus, St. Therese of Jesus. While still others were at one time great sinners.

Difficult thought the task may be, all of us desire to be a part of God's family in heaven.

Here's Thomas A. Kempis's humble prayer:

Father, let me hold Thy hand,
and like a child
walk with Thee down all my days,
secure in Thy love and strength . . .

Your friend, REGINA

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