

DRUŠTVENE VESTI

Priloga društva št. 30
Fleming, Kans. — Iz urada društva "Popotnik" št. 30 SNPJ se naznanja vsem društvom in članom SNPJ sledeče:

Ker so delavke in življenjske ter finančne razmere pod ničlo, vsled česar je moralo mnogo članov postati pasivnih, zato apeliramo na vse člane vseh društev SNPJ, da bi se spomnili pasivnih članov s tem, da bi jim omogočili prejemanje uradne številke Prosvete. Kjer dobivajo po več tednikov Prosveto, naj bi jih oddali pasivnim članom, tako da bi tudi pasivni člani videli in vedeli kaj se godi pri društvih in pri enoti. Na ta način bodo poučeni o važnih tekočih ednotnih zadevah.

To priporočamo radi bratstva.
Frank Gasperut, začasni taj.

Važno obvestilo

North Chicago, Ill. — Članom društva "Sloga" št. 14 SNPJ malo pojasnila in navodila v slučaju smrti in pogrebu.

Tukajnja društva v Waukeganu — 12 po številu — so se strnila skupaj — kakor federacija — ter poslala več pogrebnikom vprašanja, pod kakšnimi pogoji ali cen bi se zavezali delo izvršiti radi stroškov pogreba.

Najnižje cene in pogoje je dal Mihael Plasecki, 128 — 13. st., North Chicago. Znaprejš se bodo vsa ta društva na njega obrčala v slučaju pogrebov.

Kdor članov želi natančnih pojasnil, naj gre k predsedniku našega društva ali pa k meni, pa bo lahko dobil vse zadavne informacije radi cen.

Pogodba nam jamči, da se bodo dali vsi pogrebi napraviti veliko ceneje z ravno isto dostojnostjo, če ne še lepše, kar se je že pokazalo ob zadnjem pogrebu. Dosedaj se skoro ni moglo napraviti pogreba pod \$150.00. Kakor pa sedaj pogodba določa, se bo lahko za \$110.00. Pri tej vsoti so vračunjeni vsi stroški, tudi pokopališče.

Člani društva št. 14 SNPJ, upoštevajte to, ako hočete, da ne boste plačevali pretranih cen.

V slučaju smrti naj se prizadeji sorodniki zglasiti pri društvenem predsedniku ali tajniku. V slučaju, da bi oba delala, bo šel z njimi kateri drugi društveni odbornik; bomo na razpolago vsi.

Vaško društvo ima dve kopiji pogodbe in cen in si bodo člani omislili pogreb kakor bodo želili.

Opominjam člane tudi radi asessmenta. Kdor ne more plačati, naj pride na društveno sejo in tam vpraša. Društvo mu bo pomagalo, seveda, dokler bo mogoče. Mene nikar ne nadlegujte, ker nimam nobene pravice do društvenega denarja, sam pa ga nimam. Dokler sem mogel, sem založil za enega ali drugega. Asessment pa moram poslati vsaki mesec in pravočasno. Kdor ne plača, ni zanj denarja, da bi ga poslal. Zaradi tega ni tajnik zani. Kakor se sedaj vrši radi plačevanja asessmenta, je pa skoro nemogoče voditi društveno delo. Kdor je v pomanjkanju, naj pride na sejo in naj tam pove svoje težave, ne meni, ker jaz sam ne morem pomagati.

John Artach, tajnik.

Frank Medle

West Allis, Wis. — Dne 20. junija je preminil član našega društva št. 104 SNPJ Frank Medle v starosti 41 let. Tudi tukaj je zopet tista stara pesem: proletarska bolezen jetika. Dobili jo je pri kamnoseki obrti, v kateri je bil usposlen več let.

Frank Medle je bil eden tistih članov pri društvu, kateri delajo in ne iščejo časti, plače ali kakšnega priznanja. Imel je iskren namen: graditi vzajemnost in zaupanje v našo dično SNPJ.

Bil je soustanovitelj našega društva in bil skoro vedno v odboru pri društvu, dokler ga ni kruta proletarska bolezen položila v posteljo. Se par mesecev pred svojo smrtjo, ob času desetletnice našega društva, je imel iskreno željo še enkrat videti svoje društvene člane, kar mu pa ni bilo mogoče radi bolezn, nakar je poslal vsoto \$5 društveni blaginji.

Brat Medle je bil rojen v St. Petru na Dolenjskem, kjer zapu-

šča očeta in dve sestri, tukaj pa ženo, sina, brata, sestro, bratranca in druge sorodnike ter nešteto prijateljev. Brat Medle nam bo ostal v spominu kot vzoren soprog in oče svoji družini ter napredno misleč bojovnik za delavske pravice. Pogreb se je vršil dne 23. junija na Forest Home pokopališču.

Dragi Frank! Zapustil si nas, ali tvoja dela bodo ostala shranjena kot bliser v našem spominu! V imenu društva št. 104 SNPJ izrekamo najgloblje žalosti njegovi družini in sorodnikom!

Anton Yersin, tajnik.

Naznanilo društva št. 72

Radley, Kans. — Članstvo društva "Spoznanje" št. 72 SNPJ se naznanja, da smo preložili našo prihodnjo sejo (juljsko) s druge na tretjo nedeljo v mesecu. To pa zato, ker bo društvo dne 10. julija obhajalo svojo 25. letnico. Ob tej priliki pozivamo vse člane in članice v Kansasu, da se udeležijo naše društvene proslave ter tako pripomorejo do večjega moralnega in gmočnega uspeha našemu društvu. Dolgo smo se borili, da smo dočakali 25 let obstoja našega društva. — Jacob Remshak, taj.

Društvo št. 50

Clinton, Ind. — Društvo št. 50 SNPJ je na redni seji dne 3. julija sklenilo, da bo posebna naklada za nedoločen čas, in sicer po 10c na člana na mesec. Ta naklada bo na vse člane in članice. Zato apeliramo na vse članstvo, da to upošteva, ker je blagajna čisto suha. Vzrok je kriza. Tu so le premogorovi. Bil smi dolgo časa brez dela in so nam znižali mezo za 45 procentov in hočejo še "open-shop", da bi ne imeli več unije. Pa tega rudarji ne pušče. Tukaj gre vsak dan veliko premogorjev k rovom in pojdijo premogorje vrtati, da bi ne šli skebat, da pa počakajo, da bo kontrakt podpisan.

Apeliramo na vas, da držite skupaj, da ne zgrubimo organizacije. Ako še to zgrubimo, potem bo prišlo do tepeža.

Frank Mazely, tajnik društva 50 SNPJ.

Vabilo na piknik

Chicago, Ill. — Društvo "Slavija" SNPJ bo imelo svoj letni izlet v nedeljo 17. julija na Keglovem vrtu v Willow Springsu. Kot običajno, bo preskrbljeno za vse potrebno, da bodo posetniki piknika dobro preskrbljeni in postreženi tako z zabavo kot z jestvimi in pijačo. Za plesalnice bo igral John Kočevarjev orkester. Tudi za one, ki gledajo za dobrikanosnimi avanturami bo

nekaj preskrbljenega, kajti odlašani bodo trije dobinki v denarju, in sicer kupon pri vatopnici vam lahko pripomore do enega teh dobikov. Oddaja nagrad bo ob sedmi uri zvečer. Poleg tega bo prodan tudi en prašek, katerega bo nekdo gotovo dobil za en ali več. Baline bo dovolj na razpolago, in tudi druge igre se bodo igrale. Več v prihodnji številki. — Odbor.

Društveni izlet

Mansfield, O. — Društvo št. 238 je na svoji redni seji zaključilo, da priredi društveni piknik na 10. julija. Svirali bo izvrsten tamburaški zbor iz Loraina, O., katerega smo že mnogokrat slišali po radiu. Pridite vsi od bližje in daleč, člani in nečlani.

Prostor za piknik se nahaja med North Main st. in Olivesturg rd. Ako vzamete North Main, peljite se kake tri milje in videli boste znamenje, velik napis "SNPJ Pic-nic". Krenite na desno in vozite se naravnost par minut in prišli boste do šune. Krenite na levo. Tudi na tem prostoru bo znamenje. Od tu se še vidi prostor.

Vatopnice ni nikake, razen od nekakega avta 25c. Pridite v polnem številu. Postrežba bo prvovrstna. — Leo Turk, zapisnikar.

Smrtna kosa

Hostetter, Pa. — Dne 12. junija je v Latrobu, Pa., podlegla operaciji sestra Sophie Judež, članica društva Svoboda št. 318 SNPJ v starosti 40 let. Pokojna se je rodila dne 18. maja leta 1892 v Irwinu, Pa., kjer zapuščila žalostnega soproga, sina in hčer. Članica našega društva je bila sedem let. Društvo ji je v zadnji pozdrav poklonilo venec cvetlic ter jo sprejelo k zadnjemu počitku dne 15. junija. Pokojna sestra naj počiva mirno, sorodnikom pa izrazimo naše globoko sožalje! — Za društvo Svoboda št. 318 SNPJ, John Remick, tajnik.

Društveno obvestilo

Pierce, W. Va. — Naznanjam članstvu društva "Domovina" št. 29 SNPJ v Thomasu, W. Va., da smo na prošli redni seji izvolili novega blaginjskega izvoljen je bil br. Frank Lenček, blaginjski, Thomas, W. Va., za zapisnikarja pa Frank Polantz, John Micheltch, box 3, Pierce, W. Va.

Od društva št. 315

Canton, Ohio. — Naznanjam vsem članom društva št. 315, da se bodo od sedaj naprej obdržale mesečne seje ob 9. uri dopoldne vsako tretjo nedeljo v mesecu v starih prostorih, ne več popoldne kot dosedaj. Naj vaša to upošteva in pride na sejo.

B. Odar, tajnik.

Vesti iz Jugoslavije

(Izvirna poročila iz Jugoslavije.)

Ljubljana, 15. jun. 1932. Čeljski pevski zbor Svobode je menda najboljši pevski zbor te delavske kulturne zveze v Sloveniji. Vodi ga glasbenik Ciril Pregelj že tretje leto in nastopil je že s mnogimi koncerti, ki so bili vsakikrat dobro obiskani ter od publike in vse kritike nad vse dobro sprejeti. Zbor godi delavske pesem, pa tudi narodne ter moderne umetne. Člani zbora so skoro sami delavci, in vendar so njih glasovi tako negovani, kot bi imeli za sabo kako pevsko šolo. Tudi precej močan je, saj šteje 46 grl. Pred nekaj dnevi je zbor spet priredil v Celju koncert ter dosegel znova velik uspeh.

Min pogorel. — Dne 13. jun. je zagorel veliki mlín posestnika Bračiča ob Muri v Gornji Radgoni. Ker je stavba deloma lesena, je ves mlín gorel kakor baklja in kljub gasilski pomoči iz naše in avstrijske Radgone pogorel do tal z vso precejšnjo zalogo žita. Škoda je velika. Kako je požar nastal, ne vedo.

Stefan Dražil umrl. — Pred nekaj tedni je umrl v Trbovljah stari socialist Rinaldo, pred nekaj dnevi socialist in nekdanji sourednik "Najreža" (Peterlin) dne 15. junija pa je umrl v Ljubljani v bolnici socialist in delavski zadržnik Stefan Dražil, znan širom Slovenije po svojem delovanju v delavskih političnih, kulturnih in gospodarskih organizacijah.

Umrli sta v Ljubljani trgovci Ciril Ahlin, v Kranju Franja Cofova.

Bogataš-mecen. — Pred nekaj dnevi umrl veletrgovec milijonar R. Kollman je bil finančni podpornik mnogih organizacij, društev ter zavodov. Zapisal smo, da je med drugim poklonil Narodni galeriji — hram naše likovne umetnosti — 100.000 dinarjev. Vsa društva, ki jih je živi Kollman podpiral, so se nadejala, da se jih spomni podpornik tudi v oporoki. In res, ko so odprli oporoko, so brali, da je zapustil Kollman za razne organizacije, zavode in društva več milijonov dinarjev. Tako je zapisal, naj njegov znan, več milijonov bogati grad pod Rožnikom prodajo, skupček pa po polovici porabi za alepce in trgovske onemoglosti uslužbenice. Daje je zapustil mnogo tisočakov raznim pevskim društvom, revešem, dijaškim kuhinjam in sploh vsem humanitarnim organizacijam v Ljubljani. Poleg gradu je razdelil mednje še 300.000 Din. Zapustil je seveda precej tudi sorodnikom — družine ni imel — kotiko, tega ne poročajo.

Uboj cestarja pri Konjicah. — Iz Konjic poročajo o uboju, ki se je dogodil v Križevcu pri Strančah. Državni cestar Mihael Košič, star 45 let, se je vračal v nedeljo 12. junija zvečer proti svojemu domu v Križevcu. Blizu doma ga je pet fantov iz Stranč napadlo s koli in palicami. Pobili

so ga na tla, kjer je Košič kmalu nato zaradi krvavenja možganov umrl. Med napadali sta bila tudi brata Klančnik iz Stranč, ki sta se potem sama javila orožnikom. Izpovedala sta, da je Košič pretepel izval, nakar je skočil v svoje stanovanje ter se vrnil z nožem. To je fante tako razjezilo, da so ga pobili brezobzirno na tla ter ubili. Mogoče pa je, da je ta izjava zlagana, ker je bil Košič zaradi vestnega izvrševanja službe med ljudmi osovračen ter je eden od Klančnikov haje celo rekel: Tu imáš svoj policijski red! Vodi se preklavka, ki bo dognala, kako se je ves dogodek vršil.

Dva bančna uradnika pred sodiščem

V Kranju sta bila pri tamkajšnji podružnici Ljubljanske kreditne banke uslužbenca uradnika 27-letni Franc Gajšek ter 31-letni Adolf Vran, prvi je bil knjižgovodja, drugi blaginjski. Oba sta stala dne pred malim sodnim senatom v Ljubljani, obtožena raznih prevar v letih od 1924 do 1929. Stiri in osesdeset strani dolga obtožnica naštevajo, kaj in kako sta goljufala banko za velike vsote. Povepravila sta okrog 1 milijona dinarjev v skupno 100 primerih sleparije. Oba sta se pred sodniki zagovarjala s tem, da sta imela slabo plačo in da je bil njuna velika želja, da bi živela udobno, kakor drugi, ki manj delajo, a tem bolj uživajo. Skozi njune roke so šle velike vsote denarja, pa ju je zaspeljal cvenk, da sta začela slepariti. Priznavata vsa dejanja, povedala in dokazala pa sta tudi, da sta precej škode že povrnili. Franc Gajšek je bil obsojen na 5 let robije in 8820 Din globe, Adolf Vran pa na 2 leti strogega zapore in 2820 Din globe. Povrniti morata tudi sodne stroške in banki poverljene vsote.

Glasovi iz naselbin

Zahvala in priporočilo

Buhl, Minn. — Podpisani se najlepše zahvaljujem uredniku Prosvete za prostor v listu v prid moje agitacije pred primarnimi volitvami. Daje tudi vsem jugoslovanskim volilecem v 7. distriktu sentijuskega okraja, ker so mi pripomogli do nominacije dne 20. junija. Upam in želim, da bi tako složno tudi v jeseni nastopili in me izvolili za okrajnega komisarja (county commissioner). Delal bom v korist delavskega razreda, za farmarje in delavce, ker sem tudi sam delavec in kot tak poznam delavske težkoče, posebno pa še, ker so se pomnožile v sedanjih veliki krizi.

J. W. Pasich.

Išče svojega brata

Ljubljana, 15. jun. — Podpisani uljudno prosim SNPJ in Prosveto, da bi mi pomogli najti mojega brata v Ameriki. Moj brat se piše France Trobec. V Ameriko je odšel pred kakimi tridesetimi leti in od tistega časa se ni nič oglasil, tako da ne vem, če še živi ali ne. Izvedel sem, da je bil pred dvema letoma v Clevelandu. Če je pa še zdaj tam, mi ni znano.

Ker bi rad vedel, kako je z njim, prosim rojake v Ameriki, če kdo ve kaj o njem, naj mi sporoči. Stroške rad povrnem. Jernej Trobec, Ljubljana 7, Černetova ulica 19, Jugoslavija.

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Ko odhajam v stari kraj na parniku Vulkanija se tem potom še enkrat poslovim od svojih prijateljev v Wyomingu in Pennsylvania. Hvala Vam za iskano prijaznost. Zahvaliti se moram pa tudi g. Leo Zakrajšku za prijaznost in postrežbo. Priporočam ga vsem rojakom, ki potujejo v stari kraj. — Frank Jeram.

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17. julija (nedelja): Društvo "Slavija" št. 1, SNPJ, piknik na Keglovem vrtu, blizu Willow Springsa.
31. julija (nedelja): Društvo "Pioneer" št. 559, SNPJ, piknik na Sternarjevem vrtu v Willow Springsu.
1. oktobra (sobota): Društvo "Pioneer" št. 559, SNPJ, Plesna veselica.
23. oktobra (nedelja): Klub št. 1, JSZ, dramska predstava v dvorani ČSPS.
27. novembra (nedelja): Pevski zbor "Sava" koncert v dvorani ČSPS.
1. decembra: Klub št. 1, JSZ, Silvestrova zabava v Lawndale Masonic Templu, na So. Millard Ave. in W. 23rd St.
12. marca 1933: Angleški odesk klub št. 1, JSZ, dramska predstava v dvorani SNPJ.
30. aprila 1933 (nedelja): Pevski zbor "Sava" koncert.

Federacija SNPJ izdaja seznam priredb v svrhu, da s tem pripomore društvom v kolikor mogoče, da se ne prireja več priredb na isti dan. Društva in klubi, ki niso člani federacije, zamorejo potom teh seznamov oglašati priredbe proti odplačilu 60c od vsake priredbe. — Blas Novak, tajnik.

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 - 22. julija — na Parizu na Havre
 - 23. julija — na Berengariji na Cherbourg
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The Society shall insure to its members personal freedom of religious, philosophical, ethical and political creeds.

Declaration of Principles, SNPJ By-laws.

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ENGLISH SECTION

Those who would give up essential liberty to purchase a little temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety.

Ben. Franklin, Motto to Historical Review

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FOR MEMBERS OF SLOVENE NATIONAL BENEFIT SOCIETY AND AMERICAN SLOVENES

Child Workers

A few years ago when an amendment to the federal constitution was proposed to outlaw child labor, the United States Chamber of Commerce led the opposition to its adoption. Millions were spent to mislead the voters, and a majority of the metropolitan newspapers joined wholeheartedly in defeating the amendment. Organized Labor carried the brunt of that campaign to liberate thousands of little children from the shackles of industrialism.

Organized Labor made no apology for its championship of the rights of children. Labor has always fought against oppression, and it has always affirmed that education is the one sure antidote of all political and economic injustice. It has championed free schools from its inception, and it has insisted that the rights of all children be held inviolate.

Had the nation listened to the voice of Organized Labor when the anti-child labor amendment was before the various state legislatures, the 1931 report of the Federal Census Bureau would not reveal the fact that 700,000 children from 10 to 15 years of age, inclusive, were laboring in the sweatshops of America in 1930. It would not show that about 230,000 of these child slaves were 13 years of age or under. Nor would the federal records show that more than 1,330,000 children 7 to 15 years of age, inclusive, did not attend any school in 1930.

The shameful facts revealed in the census report concern conditions existing on December 25, 1930. One can imagine what the record for 1931 and 1932 will reveal. Hundreds of shops in the east are almost entirely manned by little ones. They never strike, and when one breaks under the yoke—there are thousands of other children available. Blanket insurance covers their lives, and the value of a child's life is less than \$300.

Industrialism is cruel at all times; it is more so in times like these, and to the eternal shame of American manhood we have permitted the enslavement of thousands of little tots to glorify the golden calf of capitalism.

And Hoover fed the babies of Belgium.
—Union Advocate.

Some Reactionary Election Laws

Whether the Socialists of Ohio will get an interpretation of the election law that will make it possible to file a ticket, for the November election we do not know. However, the situation is becoming such in quite a number of states that minor parties find it almost impossible to function. We understand that the Socialist party in Ohio may have to file nearly 300,000 names to get Thomas and Maurer elected on the ballot. This is larger than the vote polled by the party in the whole nation in 1928!

In Louisiana, South Carolina and a few other states legislation enacted by the two ruling parties has also made it almost impossible for minor parties to nominate. This can only be regarded as usurpation of the ballot by these two parties. If this trend continues voters will be eventually confined to a choice between Democrats and Republicans or be deprived of their franchise.

Should the interpretation of the law in Ohio not be favorable to the party we should consider this a national issue.—New Leader.

Poverty and Sickness go together

The Committee on Cost of Medical Care reports that poverty and sickness go together. Not only does sickness visit the very poor oftener than the well to do, but the poor suffer from a greater proportion of long-lasting influences.

At least three-quarters of the families forced to apply for help since the depression began have one and often two members requiring medical service. In studies made by social welfare agencies in St. Louis and Minneapolis, families with illness present numbered nearly 81 per cent of all applying for relief.

The committee will make a full report in November. One hopes it will help to put a quietus on the smug complacency of some highly placed officials, who have been telling us, in substance, that hunger makes for good health. It is a pity that the preachers of that doctrine cannot be required to show, by personal experience, just how it works.—Labor.

If Slogans Were Thruthful

"Hitch-Hike with Hoover"—"Ride the rods with Roosevelt"—"Bum with Baker"—"Glean Garbage with Garner"—"Rustle with Ritchie."
—The American Guardian.

Here and There With Comrades

Cleveland.—A few weeks ago a notice appeared in this paper stating that "Saint and Sinner" were misinformed about the official score-keeper of the Inter-lodge baseball games. We wish to make a correction in this matter. The official scorekeeper is Frank "Samson" Drobnie and not Joe Jare. Our apologies, "Samson."

Our secretary, Otto Tekauts, has often complained about members not visiting sick members when called upon. We hope in the future that all members receiving cards find time and visit the sick members. In a lot of cases we find members ignoring the cards and "patching" matters up with excuses. If you are unable to make the visit when called upon, kindly let Otto know ahead of time, so he can send some one else out. But we are quite sure this isn't necessary.

We noticed in last week's issue a new column by "Tattle Tale." It certainly was an interesting article and we hope "Tattle Tale" keeps looking up the Comrade members and give us some more inside done on all of them.

Just a few criticisms concerning the Comrades' last meeting. Where were all the boys? Another thing we don't see is why all sorts of people are allowed to come in after the meeting. The only thing we can see that they come for is the lunch and the entertainment. Meetings are held once a month, and if every member set this night aside, we could really have our meetings conducted in orderly fashion. The outsiders make noise outside while the meeting is going on inside, and that makes some of the members very restless. The meeting is no sooner started and the members start wishing for adjournment. One wants to dance, another eat, another one wants to bring a gang of "outsiders" in so they can show off, with a late dance step. By letting all these people in it seems the real Comrades members leave sooner than they would otherwise; thus the members aren't getting any benefit by paying their twenty-five cent assessment each month.

A couple of Comrade girls asked us if we thought the Comrades were planning to have an outing this year. Well! the way we heard things at our last meeting there are no definite plans made, and there may possibly be one in the latter part of August. John Smole, chairman of the entertainment committee, is very busy with the Moonlight Ride tickets at the present time, and he promises to get things started for the outing as soon as the Moonlight Ride affair is straightened out.

Otto Tekauts "Teacups" has often asked the members who cannot pay their dues on time to come and see him, and he would do everything within his own power to make arrangements to pay later. If the member honestly cannot afford to pay the dues, Otto also can take care of them so that they will not be dropped from the lodge. Most of the members who cannot pay, think it wise to keep away from meetings and it makes things hard for Otto. He can't tell if a member intends to keep paying dues or whether he intends to drop out. If Otto was a mind-reader it wouldn't be quite so bad; but he isn't and he certainly has a "tough time" trying to find out why members don't pay and when they expect to pay. The members who can pay at meeting should do so! In most cases when the members don't pay, we find the main cause to be forgetfulness, or as we would say in plain English, "laxness." We want more members to forget to be lazy and either pay their dues on time or make arrangements with Otto.

Odds and Ends
We're glad to have Anne Erste back with us.—Have you noticed Vida?

HOT-CHA DANCE—SAT., JULY 9

Willock, Pa.—The pleasant Hills soccer club will hold a benefit dance on Saturday eve, July 9, at the Slovene Hall, Broughton, Pa., featuring Cox's orchestra. There will be dancing from 8 p. m. until you go home. A good time in store for all.

Al. Petercel, Lodge 136.

SNPJ Federation Doings

Ambridge, Pa.—On July 17 at 2 p. m. (D. S. T.) the E. S. Federation of SNPJ lodges of Western Penn will hold its conference at the Croatian Hall in Ambridge, Pa. Lodges affiliated with the Federation are asked to send their delegates, having proper credentials, to the conference. It is hoped that continued cooperation will be had. Lodges having muskball teams are to let their delegates come prepared to take definite action in regards to this sport. Members of the Auditing Board are to be present

Bellinger's hair-cut!—Have you noticed Pauline Spik's favorite color is blue?—Where was Alice Bellinger on the day of our meeting?—Does everybody know Marie Zakrajsek is our cook?—Wonder where Frank Fifolt keeps himself since he's married?

Our Vacationists
Sis. Anne Dermotta is planning to spend her vacation this summer in Sygan, Pa. We hope you'll have a nice rest(?). Anne.—Sis. Pauline Spik has planned to attend the picnic in Chicago during her holidays. We'll have to hear all about it at the next meeting. Paul.—Sis. Vida Peterlin is spending her two-week vacation at the well known summer resort on Brady Lake. Her one aim is to get a nice coat of tan, and we hope it doesn't turn out to be blisters.

Saint and Sinner.

Progressive Patches

By Pals Inc.

Euclid, O.—This Sunday, July 10, the Progressives are holding their first outing at McMillan's farm off Richmond Rd. The committee has arranged plans to meet at the Ranch-house (Euclid Dairy) at 8 a. m. sharp.

A good time is in store for all. Games and prizes are the main events. That is what you think. We know different. Surprise!

All neighboring lodges are invited. Our side-kicks, the Beacons, have to be there, because we have a baseball game to be finished out.

The admission is free. The girls pack the lunch and the boys furnish the transportation.

All lodges are requested to reserve the following dates for the Progressives' affairs: August 9—Card party; August 13—Wiener roast; September 2—Moonlight Ride via steamer Goodtime; October 15—Fourth An-



FLASHES By Incognito

A continuous rain prevented us from holding the Chicago District Federation of SNPJ picnic last Sunday, but could not stop us from transporting our things to the lower hall of the SNPJ for a mighty fine social. Without any advance notice the hall was well filled with jolly folks who weren't a bit dampened by the day-long drizzle. Because of this rain the Federation picnic has been postponed until a later date.

Tickets bought for this picnic will be honored when the next one takes place and the schedule will also be undisturbed. We must give our hearty appreciations especially to the members of Lodge Delavac who attended in great number and who

helped in their way. This helped us unload the large quantity of material which would otherwise go to waste.

Next Sunday a great number of us will go to the Elm Tree Grove, at the end of the Irving Park Ave. carline, for the Cook County Socialist picnic which is slated that day. We urge and invite others to go with us. Tickets are only 30 cents. This will be another of those campaign picnics where you can, in addition to dancing, eating, etc., also hear good speakers.

For the second time in 2 1/2 years the bank in which the Pioneers have done their banking has closed. First it was the Millard State Bank and when we made a switch to a presumably strong bank that too went under. Personally, Incognito is against all banks. Why should the people make the big bankers richer by closing all the little ones and confiscating our money? Incognito is for the Postal Savings Bank, wherein not a dime was lost to anyone ever since it has been in existence. Let's give out a big demand for a Postal Savings Bank which will do all the banking business, including checking accounts.

We are prepared to initiate at least a half dozen members at the next Pioneer meeting so we will make arrangements with Dr. Zaveritnik for the examinations. All who have no-nieces should line them up for our next meeting night July 15.

The Young Americans have given out the old familiar call, "What to do with members who cannot pay dues?" So many delinquent, we take it for granted everywhere, that every secretary is pressed for information how to keep their members in good standing. The Chicago Pioneers are being taxed to the end of their wits to figure out how to keep their members inside out, if you listen to the democratic politicians, or republican for that matter, because they are discovering that horrid prosperity corner which was lost in 1929.

We are losing a lot of members every month because of this horrid depression. Is there no remedy? Must we die a slow starving death? It looks like that now. But we don't either. You can turn the tide in November by being sober minded and voting for workingclass candidates at the polls. You can organize into an Unemployed Council group. We unemployed can pool our energy and form an unemployed camp if you organize and are willing to work.

Crying will do us no good. How many of you unemployed men are ready to start an Unemployed Camp, as they did in Seattle? They have plenty of food and shelter in Seattle, because they have organized themselves into a disciplined workers unemployed cooperative.

Still the question of lodge affiliation is not answered. Some of the witty brains should start pondering on the subject and submit a remedy.

STRUGGLERS

By Lindy

Cleveland, O.—Instead of "Go West, young man," the Struggler boys have changed it somewhat by going South this 4th of July. Their first stop will be somewhere in Kentucky, where they will try, if possible, to go past the fortified strike area which as yet no Slovene has been able to enter.

Some Struggler has in his or her possession the Struggler President's sweater which bares the "Horseman's" emblem of 4 yrs. ago. Yours truly kindly asks the party he loaned it to, to return it, please.

I have been asked by a certain active unemployed young Struggler to ask our members here if any of our members are interested in the purchase of a Paramount style C banjo, which he will sell at a give-away price. Due to the fact that this member is in urgent need of funds, we ask any one interested to see Lindy Lokar.

Remember this Sunday, July 10, is club Verovsek's grand outing in Painesville, Ohio, on the same grounds the Strugglers had theirs a few weeks back. Buses are already chartered. Every Verovsek member will receive \$1 worth of refreshment tickets when he pays his \$50 for bus fare. Games, ball game, dancing will be at your choice. Buses will leave the Slovene Workingmen's Home promptly at 8 o'clock. Don't miss this event. Make reservations today.

Struggler members, please read. It is very important that your dues are paid before the 25th of every month from now on or you will face suspension. The Sec'y. informs me that he is having a hard time in collecting dues. Please remember that

if Bro. Kosa or yours truly call on you to pay your dues, don't think we are trying to insult you. On behalf of the Strugglers we must take our hats off to Bro. Kosa who had done more than his share in showing an outstanding record each month. We urge you, co-operate with him, for failure to do so may spell disaster for you.

What are you doing in order that your lodge may send a delegate to the next convention of the SNPJ in Chicago? Remember, election of delegates is only 6 months away. We must have English lodge representation to carry on. Are you with us? If so, present your views and opinions on these pages now, don't wait till it is too late. On to Chicago in 1933!

It takes initiative and moral courage to be faithful to duty and true to a trust of any kind of work, but it requires a good, strong character to be staunch and loyal under disquieting or disturbed conditions.

Several of the Struggler boys who are working out daily on the Slovene home bowling green, plan to bring new honors and glory into the Strugglers' camp. Are you interested in lawn bowling? If you are, we welcome you.

A vivid picture of interesting reading can be read in June 22 issue of Prosleta on page 8, column 4. Not one should fail to read this, for it presents facts and something probably only a few have ever seen. You will enjoy every word of it. It's an outstanding part of news seen on these pages.

Next week this column will be written by yours truly and Co. somewhere on the Kentucky soil.

HOW THE GODS WERE MADE

(A Study in Historical Materialism)

By John Keracher

He knows that it is through no fault of those men that they and their dependents are hungry. He also observes that the capitalists, the owners of the industries, have just the opposite experience. They and their families are rolling in wealth. He sees them spend for one luxury more than his whole year's earnings amount to. From such a material environment, from such economic experiences, the workers are learning that the present social order, as far as they are concerned, is out of gear.

Proletarian Revolutionists

When the peasant of the past was confronted with his social problems, when he felt the weight of the master's whip or the pangs of hunger, he was consoled by the thought that his good time was ahead, that his happiness would begin the day after his funeral. But the modern worker, having no confidence about happiness beyond the grave, turns his attention to a solution of his problems here on earth. He sees around him in idle, parasitic class, sometimes the third or fourth generation of wealthy capitalist families, the members of which he knows have never participated in production of any sort. He also sees the propertyless class, his own kind, doing all the useful, productive work. He realizes, more and more, that it is the proletarians, the wage-workers, who operate the productive forces; that everywhere, from top to bottom, it is his class that is carrying on industrial production.

Organization and Emancipation

A generation ago it was still possible for considerable numbers of workers to escape from the job and get into business for themselves. But those days are gone forever and the workers are slowly but surely awakening to this fact. Industries are so vast today that they require enormous capital at the very outset. The day of the small shop, the individual business, is over. The last small business field, store-keeping, the retail trade, is rapidly being absorbed by the department store and the advancement of the chain-store system.

It is out of this material environment that the thought is being borne home to the advanced section of the working class, that there is no escape from wage-slavery for themselves or their descendants. They are beginning to realize that there is no individual solution for their problem, that as individuals they are helpless, and that there is nothing for them but wage-slavery for life, piling up millions for a useless class, whose sole remaining social function is the collection of profits, interest and rents.

When the worker realizes that his problem can not be solved by individual action he turns to collective action, to organization. He sees that the wheels of social progress can not be turned back, and that the great industries can not be broken up into small, individually owned shops. Collective ownership of the means of production is the only solution he can find; the mills, mines and factories must be owned by the community, by society.

Collective production, the turning out of vast quantities of standardized commodities by vast armies of producers, is the material and economic foundation for Communist thought.

Collective ownership by society as a whole is the only possible way out of modern slavery. The gateway to individual escape is now closed and barred. Only by collective action on the part of the working class can the world and the fullness thereof be transferred from the hands of the parasites to those of the producers, and the poverty of the workers abolished forever.

Every intelligent worker knows that if there is poverty it does not spring from scarcity, but from the reverse, over-supply. There is nothing wrong with the productive process, it is wonderful. It is the misappropriation of the products that is wrong. Only the workers with a clear understanding of their economic and material surroundings, can solve this age-old problem. And it is only now under social production, that the means of solving the problem are at hand. The first step is the conquest of political power and the establishment of a proletarian government. The second step is the socialization of all industry.

In the struggle for this goal many obstacles confront the working class, not the least of which is their own mental state. "The tradition of all past generations weighs like an Alp upon the brain of the living," says Marx. This is unfortunately true of the working class. The workers are still carrying many traditions. They are still carrying religious ideas that belong with the past, beliefs that arose out of economic and material conditions that have long since passed away. This is largely due, of course, to the master-class training they receive, their so-called education.

But the material environment and the changing economic conditions, which brought about new religious forms for former classes, will bring no new religious form for the modern workers.

The promise of happiness after death as a compensation for present poverty and suffering is met by the modern proletariat, not with a new religion, but with a mighty political movement, world-wide in its scope, with an objective, not in the hereafter but in the here-and-now.

This unreligious movement, with its economic and material foundations, and its political and economic objective, is the only hope for the world's workers. Its first commandment is, "Workers of the world unite. You have nothing to lose but your chains, and a world to win!"

(THE END.)

Rooseveltian Evasion

Roosevelt is unquestionably as weak as some of his own party critics, say he is, but they're no stronger. They criticize Republicans for lack of a constructive program, and they have none. The informal Socialist committee of Comrades Waldman, Solomon and Lee, pointed out to Governor Roosevelt that the state had reduced its appropriations for unemployment relief which has been three million dollars a month for six months to one million two hundred thousand dollars a month for the next six months—this though the employment index of the State Department of Labor has dropped ten points since the first of November. The Governor agreed with the Socialist proposal that thirty million dollars could be raised at once if a special session of the Legislature would raise the income tax rate 50 per cent. But the Governor agreed to take no action whatever. Characteristic, isn't it?

—Norman Thomas.

Lest We Forget

Verona, Pa.—Philosophy: "A habit of reading idly debilitates and corrupts the mind for all wholesome reading; the habit of reading wisely is one of the most difficult habits to acquire, needing strong resolution and infinite pain."—Fred Harrison.

There has been an abundance of proof in our Society and elsewhere to sustain the quoted assertion; if the contents of a periodical were rearranged to conform to the demands at times, it would shortly degenerate into an undesirable; it is that infinite something beyond reach which agitates our wants, lives the interest and tantalizes the appeal.

Authors of rejected manuscripts clamoring for space, unfounded attacks upon the contents and many other irritable impulses constantly present themselves as irrefutable proof; fortunately, all these have been readily cared for and a satisfactory disposal made in every case thus far.

Our Glossary: The E. S. L's. have developed to such an extent that complete recognition is deserving by now. The English section has advanced space with the youth's rise as a cotending force, therefore the E. S. delegates to the coming convention must stress to have the addition of several pages to the Prosveda on of their prime objectives and the elder Slovenes should righteously carry the resolution.

Compliments to: The W. Pa. Fed. Ath. Board on the readjustment in the passive membership ruling; keep modern, boys, and affix methods with conditions; D. J. Lotrich for contributing matter of interest and vital importance.

West. Pa. Fed.: The Fed. Dance on June 25 added vim, vigor and vitality to the ambitions of the sponsors; greater achievements will hereafter be noted. The affair may have been lacking in a few minor details, but "to err is human," so the committee is very appreciative to the patrons for the hearty acceptance of their efforts. The dance was completed successfully from every conceivable angle and so we say that everyone present needs no individual commendation inasmuch as the affair was a reflection of credit and all participants were equally worthy of notation.

Of course, this chap would have to crash the gate, get on the committee, smoke big cigars (giveaways) and attempt flirtation with the many Slovene beauties there, but then, we're like that and you probably enjoy the inside facts, so what's to be done when a guy becomes "dizzy" and tries running the elevator up to the sixth floor of a 4 story building.

Veronians: Their very own, the Royal Knights orchestra, has planned a dance in the National Home on July 9 and every local member and booster should strive to attend; the returns are in the interest of their progress. The Veronian dance on Sat. eve, July 16, happens to be the 3rd one since our transfer and so it should be a charm to all who attend. Come one and all; enjoy the fruitful returns of a friendly Veronian association. A picnic on the 1st or 2nd Sun. in August is desired and those that miss the dance will have

a second opportunity to meet the crowd. Feel them, attend both! A flea picnic sounds practical, but who'd part with a quarter to view a 25c Flea Exposition anyway and then only be permitted to do the elevator dance.

Personalities: Federation: We regret to announce that the registration and introduction of all was impossible, due to the crowd immensity. No joshing, there were 4 on the reception committee alone; one was in the yoke of matrimony and so his fears for the other half's misunderstanding, one was performing his duty, another was busy phoning possible business and the 4th was stirring up business among the strays; the crowd finally reached such proportions that these couldn't return.

Information via mail: The Barlar family of Slovene Fed. fame were on hand as were the Veronians, Silver Stars, Ramblers, Keystonians, Comets, Reveliers, J. Zaverink Jr's., Clairtonians, Cavaliers, Jolly Juniors, Musketeers, Pioneers, Excelsiors, Morning Stars, Balts crowd from Strabane and many unattached visitors; we hope the remaining writers supply the additional names of lodges which aren't included above, but who were faithfully represented by their respective members.

Bill Hill, the orchestra leader's namesake from Oakmont, contributed quite a bit towards the success of the dance; keep the spirit up, Bill, the Veronians are expecting to oblige an additional member soon. Sorry that many names cannot be mentioned, but we met so many pleasing personalities and are weighed down with so much other news, that you wouldn't be doing right by our Nell if such were insisted on.

An SNPJ puzzle: Trying to stall Preseren, Prejza, B. Steh, F. Vozel and many, many others from attending a good time. The Western Penna Fed. respects the assistance delivered by the Slovene Speaking Fed. and will endeavor to return same.

A big disappointment: the crowd certainly missed the Cleve., Chicago and other SNPJ contingents who were lacking in presence.

Optional remarks: Daisy Bryan, Aberdeen, Wash. As a rule, this column seldom mentions the fair sex, but your evident interest in the SNPJ creates the urge within, to compliment your favorable view of the Society; this does not go into effect until you've contributed concerning your own vicinity, thereby revealing yourself a material booster.

A ditty for every nationality: Some people enter the stationery business for financial realization, but the Slovenes Kosela, Aynik, Lokar, Kumer, Strimlan, Preseren, Pradel and other reporters keep the wheels of industry turning by consuming lead, paper and stamps.

Rah, rah, rah! The Veronians whipped the Kumers, Prevics, Caesars, Radovichs, etc., who played on the Comets' team in the last mushball encounter.

Prejza recently portrayed us as something or other; if we ever discover what "ignominious" means in English, an atrocity will be committed, for we carry a knife.

Wm. N. Radojeich.

Sargy Towcimak made a safe return from the Funeral Directors' convention held at Conneaut Lake on June 28-29-30, but with a beautiful sunburnt body as the result of too much lake frolicking.

Louis Kosela.

TO OUR PATRONS

Pittsburgh, Pa.—In behalf of the members and the many friends of the E. S. Federation of SNPJ Lodges we take this opportunity to express our sincere appreciation to our patrons for their support in helping to make the Federation Dance a success. Without their support our dance would have been impossible. It is only fitting that in return we should, to the best of our ability, give them our patronage.

F. J. Kress, President.

Reviews

Detroit, Mich.—(Cont'd. from last week.) Article XI—Rights and Duties of Supreme Board Officers. Section 2—(k)—The District Representatives. The following should be inserted: "Must write in official organ of progress in their districts, induce new members and organize new lodges."

Article XII—Official Organ and Other Publications.—Section 2—Which gives the name of the monthly magazine published for juveniles—"Mladinski List"; this name should be changed to some English name which would mean "Youth." The name could be picked by the readers of the "Mladinski List."

Section 2—which reads as: "The official issue of the organ shall consist of at least eight pages, of which five shall be Slovene and the other three English pages." It should read: "The official issue of the organ shall consist of at least ten pages, of which six shall be Slovene and four shall be English pages, which should be separate from the Slovene section. The English section is too small now and as the English Speaking lodges are growing at such a rapid pace, more space must be given them."

Section 2—"No society publication shall print any political advertisements or help wanted ads." "Help wanted advertisements" should be omitted, and in its place put "no religious advertisements." By publishing help wanted ads it would increase the income for the publication. Many times a member may need some help and could advertise it through our official organ instead of the capitalistic paper, etc.

Article XIV—Bonds, Salaries, Per Diem.—Section 5—Salaries of Supreme Officers. Our society is not in the habit of cutting salaries of its officers or employees, but due to the present conditions we must, like all other organizations, do that one thing which we are forced to, by the depression which seems to have no end. Salaries for Supreme Board officers for the term 1933-1937 should be decreased accordingly.

Article XV—Subordinate Branches. Section 7—"Three dollar a day sick benefit" should be omitted. (Applicants between the ages of 45 and 50 may be insured for \$250 death benefit only. The \$1.50 a day sick benefit should be omitted.)

Article XVI—Membership, Qualification, Duties and Rights. Section 1—This section should be changed to the following: "Persons born in the United States of America, its territories, Canada and Mexico may be admitted for membership."

Section 2—The following should be changed to: "A member of good standing proposing applicant, knowing applicant for one year or more may, with another member who will second the proposal, get in touch with the secretary and have applicant examined by the lodge physician for the next regular meeting." Many cases have been brought up before local lodges when applicants were proposed one month before they were accepted. There were cases where applicants waiting so long, got discouraged or joined some other organization.

Section 4—"The medical examination shall be witnessed by an Investigating Committee." This should be changed to, instead of investigating committee, a member of good standing shall be witness, appointed by secretary of the local branch.

Article XVII—Disqualified Applicants.—Section 1 (2)—The following should be omitted: "Who is a member of the police force or a court bailiff." Many Slovenes are today on the police force and I don't think the risk is as great as an automobile rider; more people get killed by automobile accidents than on the police force or court bailiffs.

Article XX—Trials.—Section 4—Charges and Complaints. Charges in all cases must be in writing and filed in person with branch president at the meeting when the point "Trials" in the order of business is reached or it may be sent by mail to the president. The following should be inserted: "Two copies of charges must be filed with president, one for records, the other one for the defendant."

Section 12—Branch Trials. "Should the defendant fail to obtain his two members to serve on said committee." The following should be added: "In case the branch president is on trial the vice president appoints them." (To be continued.)

Andrew Gram, Lodge 564.

Secure New Subscribers for the "Prosveda"!

Keystonian Shavings

By Jack

Hermiston, Pa.—Was it a dream? What? Why, that Western Penn. Federation dance at Pittsburgh. That Kosela fellow had a dream about a year ago on that order. Well, Louis, at last it became a reality, and how! Every lodge in Western Penn. was represented except the Clairidge Roamers and Torch of Liberty. Meandering about the spacious hall one found Big Shot Tony still peering the women, Quack Preseren and his new girl watching the lovely June moon, J. Likar's hand in good shape, that welcome committee on the job, Strings still the fellow with the biggest smile, Wm. Radojeich mooching stogies, and the dance committee in general doing their utmost towards a most enjoyable evening in many a blue moon. And then after the dance our detour to the Miklauec home for that Wiener dinner. Thanks for the hospitality, Caroline.

Our regular monthly meeting takes place this Thurs. nite. I wonder if the girls got any entertainment planned. Come on, girls, show some of that good old Keystonian spirit. Frank Kosela, our former prexy, has returned from Detroit.

Those neighboring Silver Stars are having a big picnic at the end of the month; Keystonians should attend in a body. How about it, are we?

Progressive Patches

Nottingham, Ohio.—July 12 is the date for our meeting and also the party that the girls are giving to the boys. Boy, what a party that's going to be! So we want this meeting a 100% strong.

A word about our outing to be held July 10 at Moelinkar's farm. We all meet at the Ranch house at 8 a. m. sharp. From there to the farm, where there will be racing, dancing and contests both for girls and boys. The main feature will be a baseball game, the girls vs. the boys of Progressive Lodge. We will also show you just how habish some boys can be, for baby must have his—?

At last the committee has waken up after their long winter nap. What hit us is what I'd like to know. Why, we hit an idea at our last meeting that during the remainder of the year we will always have some interesting event take place, so more members will enjoy the meetings. Of course we always will have dancing and card playing besides our main feature. Look at our year calendar somewhere in the Prosveda and see what is coming off and when and how. On our July meeting we are having the party for the boys, so we cannot have anything else.

Bro. Fende (Pal Inc.) mentioned that when Sugar will be revealed that most of the Progressives will die of shock as to just who Sugar is. So we are asking the Pals from the bottom of our hearts not to bring her to light until January, 1933, as we have so many days planned ahead in which to enjoy ourselves, like our outing July 10, our lake ride Sept. 2 etc. So our cry to Pals Inc. is: "Keep Sugar in the dark until January, 1933, for we want to live to attend all our doings in 1932."

"Two Blue Bells."

Badgerland Buzz

Milwaukee, Wis.—Welcome home, Mr. Trstnik! We hope you enjoyed your trip abroad and wish to thank you for your contribution to the Kaffee Klatchers' souvenir book.

Lost you forget—reserve Aug. 21 for the Badgers' picnic at Kosmuth's park. There will be various forms of amusements for the old folks as well as the young people, so bring the family.

"Come into my parlor," said the spider to the fly and so we congratulate Mr. and Mrs. John Mesnick and hope all their troubles may be little ones.

Of course it's not necessary, but let me remind you our meeting takes place Fri., July 8, at Delieck's Hall. Let's have some competition—are you listening, boys? The girls are willing to wager there will be more girls than boys at the meeting. Come on, girls, back me up in my challenge. C. U. all Fri. nite!

One of our Badgerettes, Eleanor Suban, opened a new floral shop in the Paradise Bldg. Eleanor has flowers for all occasions, so let's patronize her shop when the occasion arises.

Many thanks to you, Molly for the grand time we had at your outing at Army Lake. Ye old gang wishes you had more than one birthday a year.

In the midst of our great gayety let's pause for a moment and bow our heads in memory of our friend, John Delieck, who passed away June 18. Altho he is gone, his kindness and cheerfulness will always be remembered by his many friends.

Hobbies.

Progressive Mail Box

By Ginger

Euclid, O.—Boy, oh boy! are the Progressives rarin' to go; we'll say we are. Our first blowout will be an outing to be held Sunday, July 10, at Moelinkar's farm. We want the Beasens, Strugglers and Comrades to come and enjoy themselves with us, as there will be fun for everyone, young and those not so young. Talk about surprises in store for you, that day will be filled with them. Come

prepared to have the time of your life. All going are to meet at St. Mary's "Ranch" between 8 and 8:30 a. m. Notice to the girls going: Pack nice, big lunches, because everyone will want to eat after the fun is over.

All you Babe Ruths and Earl Averills better get into your batting practice, as a baseball game is scheduled between the boys and girls, so it will be worth your while to see this game. Yours truly will be official score keeper. The one that hits the first home run will be highly rewarded. Come on, you might be the one.

On Tues., July 12, is the nite of the big party for the boys. Everyone is invited to attend and have a good time. From various reports and rumors this sure promises to be some party. So why not plan to attend the meeting and stay for the party. Please be on hand to see our king and queen crowned royally—and how!

On Tues., Aug. 9, we are to hold an Initial Card Party after the meeting. Admission will be 25c. Door prize—table prizes will be awarded. Refreshments will be served, followed by dancing for everyone. We don't want you to get the impression that this is our championship tournament, it isn't. Everyone will be welcome for the price of 25 cents.

Sat., Aug. 13, Progressive Wiener roast to be held at White's Cottage. Details will follow in later editions of Prosveda, so keep tab on us every week.

Tues., Nov. 8, will mark the Progressives' convention. Bro. Charles Hoxon will be chairman. We urge everyone who can to attend, because we have something different and something amusing for you all. You all know the month of Dec. is the time to elect new officers, so why not come to our Convention and get some inside dope?

Do not forget about our Annual Barn dance in Oct. and our Mistletoe dance in Dec. Details next week.

"Chicago bound" is now our slogan, so let's all try our best and get in those new members, so that we will have delegates to represent the lodge Progressives. Let's not sit back and watch the rest of them go; why not work so that we can go with them?

Appeal for Immediate Help

Dear Brothers and Sisters:—

The lives of miners and their families in the Kanawha Valley coal fields of West Virginia are being threatened by that dreaded starvation disease—"bloody flux." In the three weeks that I have been here, working for the educational department of the West Virginia Mine Workers' Union, the lives of eight children and one woman have been taken by this disease.

The situation is most serious at Blakely, a coal camp where five of the deaths, including the woman's, occurred. As a result of passing the winter in tents sixteen other children have fallen ill. At Ward, another coal camp where 60 families, victimized and evicted out of their homes as a consequence of the part they played in last summer's strike, are living in tents, two children, one five years old and another only seventeen months old, died of "bloody flux." The father of the five year old girl is sick, and six other children have fallen victim to the sickness.

Yet, despite the gravity of the situation, very little help has been received from county relief authorities. Assistance from relief agencies has come only irregularly. Three weeks ago one thousand hungry miners marched on the capitol in Charleston to call the attention of the state to their plight. The governor informed the miners that all relief funds had been exhausted and that no additional unemployment relief could be provided them. As a result the starving miners have had to solicit food from the local merchants.

County health officers are unable adequately to minister to the sickness of the miners. In answer to a request from the West Virginia Mine Workers' Union that the sick miners and their families be taken care of and placed in a hospital, a local relief authority replied: "As to hospitalizing these patients, we do not have the money with which to pay the expense."

Instead of improving, conditions are getting even worse. Yesterday a Negro brought a letter into the offices of the West Virginia Mine Workers. It was a plea from 230 hungry and jobless miners in Beth. Parts of it read: "We find we are starving, even at our work, as we can't get any food, nor any money that we have sweated so hard to earn. We have no doctor. We have no hospital to take our sick to. No graveyard for our dead. We have gotten nothing to eat for ten days."

The miners, organized in the West Virginia Mine Workers' Union, are fighting desperately to save their lives and to keep their organization intact. I am writing this letter in the hope that you will want to help, in some way, so that this honest union continues its struggle for industrial freedom, a struggle which the workers in the SNPJ themselves are waging on another front.

Fraternally,

Anthony Pierce.

Member SNPJ Lodge No. 568, Waukegan, Ill. Address: Old Kanawha Valley Bank Bldg., Room 8, Charleston, W. Va.

The U. S. A. has millions for the spoiled, starvation for the toilers.

Lodge News Notes

RAMBLER REPOSINGS

Oakmont, Pa.—Here, there, everywhere! Or would it be more appropriate to say concentrated? so many different celebrities were met at the Federation dance—simply by patting on the duke and strutting around in sociable Slovene fashion.

The crowd was so large that the committee certainly was tasked with the problem of accommodation, but then, everything turned out in a satisfactory manner. The dance was well represented by the Federation's individual units and many outsiders; so many were introduced to us, that it would require a mental wizard to retain all of the names and those affected please pardon us for this breach of etiquette, until our associations become more related.

The majority of the articles in the Prosveda excel our by far, but we're not worrying, because "Big Oaks from little acorns grow" and so we congratulate our superiors.

Members: Attend your next meeting on July 10 at 2 p. m. (D. S. T.) in the home of Mrs. J. Hajdak, Har-marville, Pa.

Ann Radojeich.

VISITING IN PENNSY

Bridgeport, Ohio.—During the week-end we visited folks in Johnstown. During short stay we were entertained by the Langerhale family, which we enjoyed very much. We went through Latrobe, Pa., and stopped at Pradel's. I sure can say Pennsylvania folks are very nice people.

Now that Hoover's nominated, I suppose he has a great chance of being president again. Many people think that he won't, but the president is elected a different way from the way the mayor and different officers are elected, so Hoover has a great chance.

Bridgeport is looking forward to having a Young People's Socialist club. Come on, you Bridgeporters! Show your spirit, attend the next meeting, July 17.

Margaret Snay.

CORRECTION

Detroit.—In last week's article, "Detroit's Calendar," the name of the deceased was misspelled. It should have been Bernick. Sorry.

Herman Rugel.

YOUNG AMERICANS 564

Detroit.—Your next lodge meeting will be held Sun., July 10, at 10 a. m. Plan to be there! Important business!

Reports of the lodge business for the first half of 1932 will be given. The Young American July 17 Picnic will be discussed. I'll see you there. Come early. Let's have a

Silver Stars of Yukon

Yukon, Pa.—Back home from Midway, after spending a week there, I find the usual local spirit. On my way home I stopped in at the first affair of the Western Pa. Fed. in Pittsburgh, Sat., June 25. What a spectacle it was! The hall held approximately 400 people, well known people from practically every lodge in Western Pennsylvania. A party after the dance made the affair more enjoyable, some not leaving until the early hours of the next day. "Romero" and Bill made the trip about a few Keystonians forgetting about fast time, therefore coming late. At the home of Caroline Miklavic, Keystonian Jack made a new record in cleaning up "hot dogs." Somehow or other we missed the out of state visitors or weren't there any?

At the time of this writing the coal miners of Yukon went into the local mine for the first and final time this week. This day also marks the closing of this same mine. What can the people do? Their only day of the week taken from them. The majority of Yukon work in this mine, except for a few who work outside. I suppose we will have to live entirely on relief, if we get any. Many Silver Star members were struck by this blow and their record for attending other lodge affairs will be hindered to some extent. Nevertheless, we'll try to continue to progress as before.

Our "mushers" have to date won eleven games and lost as many. The team has been hindered somewhat by changing of balls. In some games the "12" is used while in others the "14". Nevertheless, a good account of themselves has been made. Tony Rannikar has an average of 400, while "Bill" and "Chuck" Sever follow him with 372 and 358, respectively. Tuesday the Searchlight heathens took our boys for a double header, the night cap took 10 innings to finish the game 2-1. Wed. our lads defeated the Mets team in two games, 15-1 and 9-6. "Bill" Sever and "Romero" Omets struck out 30 men.

When this article goes to press, the Westmoreland Co. Fed. Picnic and dance, the Library dance, Reveliers and Nas Dom picnic, Veronians and Moon Run picnic, will be past. The first three will be most likely attended by the "Silver Stars." All about these affairs next week. Let me put a word in about our Annual Picnic on July 31. A large program of events will be scheduled for that day and we advise you not to miss it.

packed hall at this most important meeting!

Herman Rugel.

PROGRESSIVES' CALENDAR FOR 1932

Euclid, O.—July 10, outing, Moelinkar's farm.—Sept. 13, not planned yet.—July 12, party for boys.—Oct. 11, not planned yet.—Aug. 9, Card party.—Oct. 15, Annual barn dance.—Aug. 13, Wiener roast.—Nov. 8, Convention.—Sept. 2, our Lake Ride.—Dec. 13, Elections.—Dec. 17, Mistletoe dance.

Two Blue Bells.

Friendly City News

Johnstown, Pa.—First of all, in behalf of the Friendly City Lodge we wish to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Joe Culkar on the arrival of Joe Jr.

Yes, we must admit that we can truthfully say that we are proud of Sis. Anna Krasna. Sis. Krasna has been our recording secretary for the past two years and has been active in publishing articles in the Prosveda, and has helped put Friendly City where it stands today.

We are glad to have with us again Sis. Jennie Culkar, who has been vacationing in the "big city" for the last six months.

Sis. Ann Logan, a member of Lodge Crusaders of Lorain, Ohio, has been visiting relatives and friends in Johnstown. It's too bad she could not stay longer. Extend my regards to the members of your lodge that I have already met while on my stay.

While promenading over Bon Air baseball field Sunday, an accident occurred when J. F. Yacoby's foot caught in the 3rd baseman's sand bag and was painfully injured. I'm hoping that the six weeks or so that he's going to be housed will prove pleasant and that it leaves him with a sweet disposition.

Various lodges are wondering why it is that Friendly City is getting all the publicity? If you had been at our last round and square dance your curiosity would have been quenched. We had a most unusual crowd and all report of having a delightful time. The music was exceptionally good.

Are you all looking forward to Friendly City's big day which is going to take place in August? We are storing one big day aside for our THIRD ANNIVERSARY. We haven't made many plans as yet, but we do know that it's going to be held at Goods Corner. Read the papers for further announcements, and don't forget the monthly meeting July 14.

R. B. B.

A sister of one of our popular members, Fred Verhovsk, was recently wed to George Kaplatka of Cleveland, Ohio. Miss Frances Verhovsk, the bride, had been met by the Silver Stars during our last visit to Cleveland. Hearty congratulations are offered to the couple by the Silver Star friends.

Since the beginning of the machine economy in the U. S., the men directing their policies have thought more about the production than they have about consumption. They were fascinated to the ever-growing and alluring machines that produced, leaving them blind in the direction of the consumer. This depression has brought them suddenly to face the fact that they can no more leave the problem of consumption to look after itself. U. S. has been an expert in producing commodities, but an inept in producing customers. This is the key problem of our economic life. The solution solved by Russia by looking at their consumers has been the main cause of Russia's wonderful progress.

Odds and Ends.—Pres. Jare of the Comrades takes a great interest in his members by asking their opinions at their meetings. Mary Potetz and Ann Radojeich have been keeping their Ramblers in the Prosveda weekly.—The Gowanda Boosters think a lot of their baseball team; we're sorry we haven't one to challenge them.—The Reveliers clinched the first half mushball championship in their section. Congratulations!—Let's hear from Strings, missed you the past two weeks.

Today's thought.—The only pleasure that never wears out is that of doing good.

Herman Preseren.

Thomas on Radio Hook-up Wednesday, July 13

Norman Thomas will speak over the national network of the Columbia Broadcasting system, July 13, at 9:30 p. m., Eastern Standard Time. His subject will be, "The National Platform as a Socialist sees them." Branches and individual members should communicate at once with their local CBS station and urge them to take the Thomas address as it is broadcast from New York. Secondly, arrange radio parties for the night of the broadcast and invite as many non-Socialist neighbors as you can. After Thomas' address an organization talk would be in order, said Clarence Senior, the Socialist Party secretary.

The Reveliers' Column

Ambridge, Pa.—Where opinions clash, as often is the case where are many interested participants, there is grave need for the casting aside of foolish stubbornness, of unwarranted prejudices. Little can be accomplished when cooperation on the part of a few is denied. In a fraternal society that embraces a national membership there is danger that views held in one locality are not identical with the views upheld in others. Friction arises; and if allowed to develop into a major dissection, the society as a whole suffers. Every problem that arises is better and more decisively settled when considered through an unbiased mind. There are rights (even of the minority in some controversies) that members are entitled to without being in fear of losing them, or having their rights imposed upon.

As the convention of 1933 approaches many things will be brought out for discussion. Out of the many subjects that will be brought forward to the members' attention in the months preceding the convention some will be worthy of consideration—others time-wasters. Conflict will be had in differences of opinions; ambitions will bring out factionalism—such things are relative to convention gatherings. Conscientious, constructive work will iron out all difficulties, but that is the task of the society's leaders. All matters should be considered on their value to the society at large, with no imposition on the membership either in the form of increased undue assessments or unwarranted by-laws; particularly when such impositions may tend to make membership within the society unbearable.

With practically every E. S. lodge of Western Penn. present, plus the attendance of lodges from Westmoreland Co., the Federation dance held in Pittsburgh on June 25 was a success. Ambridge was represented by 33 members. Indications were to the effect that all the lodges enjoyed themselves and all future Federation

social attempts are bound to have the enthusiastic support of the E. S. lodges.

With the first half of the local city league schedule ending on July 15 the Reveliers stand favorably to cop leading honors to date. At present the Revs are tied for first place with 11 victories and 5 defeats to their credit. Recent wins were against the Willow Club 10-5 and Cabanas 6-5 (11 innings). On June 30 the Revelier Reserves won over the Monarchs 6-4 (11 innings).

On July 10 the Reveliers will travel to Universal, taking on the Comets in the final games of the SNPJ league schedule.

ALL THAT SORT OF THING.

Max Kumer, Fleas' Preventive, tried hard to round up his flittering crew at the Fed. dance in Pittsburgh, but with little success due to the general hub-bub and noise of the large crowd. The Fleas will have to have a real get-together and do something as an annual feature. . . . Chairman Kress conducted himself like a veteran in handling the Fed. shindig; and was a good host to a couple of Reves. . . . The tumult at the Pitt affair showed the crowd's attitude toward the dance—and that noise was of favorable portent. Previc, Caesar and the Comets showed plenty of action that night. Bill Radojeich in the center of the groups; Oranker and his Musketeer group wide awake; Sec'y. Kerzan rushing around with his tickets; that Strings person was much in

Are You Out of Work?

Life Grows Darker Every Day. But Those Who Caused Our Misery Do Nothing to Shoulder Their Responsibility.

By James Oneal

Life grows darker for our families each day. No jobs. The women and children are hungry. Many thousands of us are in the breadlines. Our families are breaking up. We are drifting where we know not where.

So desperate is our plight that men, women, and girls are advertising in the newspapers that they are willing to work without payment of wages! They want merely a room and three meals. Nothing more.

Employment exchanges are crowded to overflowing. They borrow to pay a registration fee, then wait. Day and night they wait, hoping against hope, but the jobs cannot be found.

One morning the jobless man or girl reports to find the exchange closed. Human ghoul has preyed on human misery. The fee is gone. Hope is gone. Even our misery is made another source of graft for mercenaries.

Thousands of families are making a desperate effort to keep themselves together and thousands are giving up this effort in despair. They are compelled to turn the children over to child-welfare agencies.

More than 20,000 children in New York have been turned over to institutions and boarding houses because the parents cannot house and feed their loved ones. The number of these bereft little ones is increasing.

How long must this continue before we, the great majority, use our intelligence to end it?

Why are the gates of industry closed against us? Why do plants decay and machinery rust? Why do we waste away in hunger and misery?

Why do politicians waste their time and do nothing to avert this universal distress? Why should they again ask us for our votes?

For nearly three years they have had their chance. They have done little for us. Now they want us to return them to public office. Why should we? Can any human being answer why we who are jobless and hungry should again give them our votes? No!

We want employment, not idleness. We want incomes, not starvation. We want bread, not breadlines. We want our children with us, not broken families. We want life, not slow death. We want to earn our living, not to accept hateful charity. We want security, not an uncertain chance-world.

So election day approaches and the professional office brokers solicit our

votes. Here they come, Republicans and Democrats alike. Here they come with a smirk. Here they come, fat and sleek, pleading with the jobless and the starving.

Back of them are many millions of dollars gathered to obtain our votes. The owners of the idle factories from which we are barred have contributed. The masters of those rusting machines have given to these campaign funds. The financial kings who are rulers of great industrial plants which we cannot enter are on the contribution lists.

Look closely at some of these politicians and observe the collars they wear. Here is a Senator who represents railroads. There is one who represents oil. Here is a Congressman who wears the collar of a steel corporation. Here comes a smug Mayor who is the poodle of public utility owners. There goes a public official with a tin box stuffed with grafting funds.

All creatures of this capitalistic jungle and we are their prey! They want to go back to their seats of power. They want us to return them. Without our consent they never can return.

Look at those smug creatures and now turn to our own people. Between that crowd and ours is a gulf. We are down in a social pit and they are on the edge looking in.

They come to us now. They want our help. We have gone to them for three years and have received no help. We wanted jobs and bread and they now want votes. We did not get the jobs and bread. Shall we give them the votes?

No, a thousand times no! These votes are an enormous POWER. They want that power and will spend millions to get it. We want it and should use it with tremendous force in behalf of ourselves, our broken families, the jobless and the hungry.

We are the great army of Labor. Let's move our forces against the powers that have brought us to ruin. We want industry run for our welfare. We want the government to be ours.

Republicans go in and Democrats go out; Democrats go in and Republicans go out. But we are always out. We are now down and out. Socialist ballots will put us in and put both ruling parties out. Why not vote for Norman Thomas and James H. Maurer, the Socialist candidates for President and Vice-President?

Why not vote for Labor, for all Socialist candidates, for the full Socialist program of industrial democracy and human liberation? The time is ripe for a political strike for freedom.

Capitalism is dying and Socialism is the hope of the world!

in a position to fix wages and living conditions, to dominate and to corrupt political life, to give the people opera as though it were a gift from him personally, whereas it was a gift by the people to themselves. He was in a position to select the form wherein the people's lives were to be lived and enjoyed. His wealth gave him power, and that power virtually enslaved millions.

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Socialism is the only reality. Insull proved the soundness of Socialism, and the insanity and unreasonableness of Capitalism.

Chicago Socialist Picnic Next Sunday

Chicago.—What do you say about the two political circuses we have just witnessed in Chicago? As circuses go they were great, weren't they? Of course they were, especially the democratic. Plenty of excitement for the hungry masses, that is, those who still have the energy to follow them, and plenty of assurance to the powers that be that all will be well for a few years to come.

At these circuses booze was the greatest question. As far as we Chicagoans are concerned there is no dirt of it, provided we have the mazzuma. For one thing most of us know how to make our own; for another Al Capone's firm is still as able and willing to serve its ware despite the fact its grand master is at Leavenworth.

Next Sunday afternoon, July 10, we shall hear a great deal about those circuses, their stage managers and the clown at the annual picnic of the Cook County Socialist party. It will be held in the Elm Tree Grove, 6542 Irving Park Blvd.—end of the street car line, northwest. The circuses and their promoters who are responsible for the present plight of the country and the tragic suffering of the millions will be analyzed and debunked by the Socialist and Farmer-Labor party speakers. Among them will be Leo Krzycki, a prominent labor leader and now the secretary of the Wisconsin Socialist party; also Wm. A. Cunneen, candidate for the state's attorney of the Farmer-Labor party, and Roy Burt who is the Socialist nominee for the governor in Illinois.

However, speaking will be only a part of the program, since there will be plenty of entertainment also. You are invited to attend the first campaign rally of the politically organized workers in Chicago. Take any car to Irving Park Blvd. and thence west to the end of the street car line. Admission thirty cents, children free. Pub. Com.

Socialist Plan Sound
Once upon a time there were many little electric companies in Northern Illinois with imperfect plants; Insull came and bought them out, caused to be created vast new central stations, and he operated them all as a single system. Highly efficient central plants generated current for them all. Only a year ago Insull caused to be created a 1,000 mile pipe line to fetch natural gas from Texas. He gathered together countless little business units and united them, thus gaining for himself and his associates vast profits.

If ever there was a striking and emphatic demonstration of the soundness of the Socialist plans for the reorganization of society it was in Insull's reorganization of vital services in and around Chicago.

What Insull did in one field and in one locality Socialists insist can be and should be done for industry as a whole. Insull worked for himself and his associates; Socialists have always maintained that Insull—or some other man like him—as manager or technician for the people should do the job for the common welfare, as he did it for himself and his associates for private profit.

A noted professor of economics once argued in a lecture against Socialism that the creation and successful operation of the giant utilities and industries completely disposed of the strongest argument against Socialism, for such operation proves definitely that industry can be carried on in large units far more efficiently than in little competitive units.

The Insull operations are the soundest proof that the Socialist ideal is not only possible but that it is the only possible way to conduct industry efficiently.

Enslaved the Masses
There is, however, a BUT. Insull operated, not for the common welfare but for private profit. And because the benefits of the combined and efficiently organized industries went into the pockets of a small number of men and women whose only claim upon them was that they owned pieces of paper, a class was created that not only had enormous wealth but that likewise and as a direct consequence gained enormous power over the lives of countless human beings.

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The Wrong Anarchists

By Adam Coolidge

Chicago, Ill. (And how!)—During the breathing spell between the two Reboerian conventions, twelve more banks busted in this burg.

Mayor Cermak was in Washington trying to touch Helpful Hoover for eighteen million dollars. If he falls down on the job and the red flag of the auctioneers is hoisted over every busted business concern and civic institution, Chicago will look redder than Moscow on whatever they call their Fourth of July over there.

Way back in the eighties, they hung a bunch of anarchists accused of trying to blow up Chicago. It seems now that they hung the wrong anarchists. They should have strung up the anarchists who blew up Chicago.

You see there are two breeds of anarchists: First, there are the philosophical anarchists who preach that all governments are criminal conspiracies of high-toned hi-jackers and low-down cut-throats for the purpose of robbing the betwixts and between. From this they reason that the best way of doing away with the high-toned hi-jackers and low-down cut-throats is by destroying their principal hang-out robber's roost—government. They also claim that if monkeys can live together without a government charging them half of the coconuts they pick to prevent them from swiping and cracking each other's coconuts, man, the crown of creation, could do likewise.

Then there are the anarchists of the deed, or rugged individualists, as Brother Hoover calls them. Their motto is: "Every fellow for himself and the devil take the hindmost," which of late has been amended by adding, "until the devil takes us all."

The creed of this breed is something like this—

1.—The American form of government is the best form of government ever conceived by the mind of mortal men.

2.—From which it follows that this government is both too crooked and stupid to be entrusted with business.

3.—Business is the art of buying something for a nickel and selling it for a dime.

4.—Consequently, anything that can be brought for a nickel and sold for a dime must be left to private enterprise.

5.—By the same token, anything that costs a dime and is sold for a nickel or is given away free is government business.

Operating on this credo, the rugged individualists who raped Chicago ever since they hung the philosophical anarchists have converted such public utilities as gas, electricity, and street car transportation into private business while graciously leaving to the city such all-outgo and no-income enterprises as fire and police protection, street paving, sewage disposal, health service, and the education of its youth, et cetera, et cetera.

Now it goes without saying that such a partnership under which party of the first part take the profit of the concern while party of the second part assumes the losses can only be foisted on a so-called sovereign people by gaining control of their government. And this in turn is achieved; first, by befuddling the public mind and secondly, by mobilizing the criminal element in defense of government.

Hence, government as we see, feel, and smell it today rests on four props, to-wit:

Campaign contributions of public utility corporations and other recipients of special privileges engaged in the lucrative undertaking of selling nickels for dimes;

The appalling ignorance of the voters pertaining to everything relating to political economy, which is nothing but public housekeeping.

The systematic doping of the public mind or opinion through school, press, pulpit, and rostrum.

The manipulation of elections by fraud, ballot-stuffing, coercion, browbeating, administered by the criminal elements who in return receive the protection of government so elected.

Only Two Things

If you are broke, only two things can happen to you. Either you get money, in which case you are no longer broke. Or, you don't get money, in which case you are no worse off than when you were broke.

If you are without work, only two things can happen to you. Either you find work in which case you have work, or you don't find work, in which case you are no worse off than before.

If you are a hungry Republican, only two things can happen. Either you win, in which case you will get nothing to eat. Or you lose, in which case you are more hungry than before.

If you are a hungry Democrat, only two things can happen to you. Either you win, in which case you'll be as hungry as ever. Or you lose, in which case you'll be no more hungry than if you had won.

If the mortgage is foreclosed on your farm, only two things can happen to you. Either you lose your farm, in which case you have nothing to lose. Or you don't lose your

farm, in which case you lose it next year.

If wheat goes down to two bits, only two things can happen to you. Either it goes up to thirty cents, in which case you can't pay your taxes. Or, it goes down to twenty cents, in which case they can't collect your taxes.

If you are still looking for the chicken in the pot Hoover promised you, only two things can happen to you. Either you get caught lifting the chicken, in which case you get beans from the jailor. Or, you don't get caught lifting the chicken, in which case you'll be pinched for stealing the pot, which is just as good.

—The American Guardian.

Storm Brews as Politicians Ignore Hunger

By Norman Thomas

Real News Hushed Up, While Indecent Quarrels Over Office Go On

The actual indecency of the political circus at Chicago and Washington is only apparent when we consider what is happening in the country at large. And this the papers are reluctant to help you find out. The news reels are worse. For instance, how many of you have heard about the Hunger March of the coal miners on Charleston, West Virginia? It was a tragic assembly of about a thousand human beings on the verge of starvation. Governor Conley was his usually futile and incompetent self. He said he could do nothing, but he ordered them to leave town. Instead, under the direction of the Union leaders, they camped for about a week near the river front.

The weather was rainy; the campers, men, women and children, had no adequate shelter and little food. Sickness broke out. At last some of the families were put back on county relief and evictions were stopped in the little town of Gallagher, but fine, upstanding men whose strength was admired a year ago, are starved into a dreadful apathy. They are skeptical of anything doing any good. Jean Benson tells of one of them who said: "Things have gone too far, marches won't help now unless they are armed marches."

When one member of the party reminded them that they had always been met with machine guns and tear gas and that they would be again, one man soberly replied: "Man, when you're hungry you don't see machine guns and gas bombs. They don't arrest hungry men, they just kill them."

In the Ward Tent Colony of evicted miners, children are dying of dysentery. The parents have not the most ordinary food, much less orange juice and milk to save their children.

From another camp one of the finest men travelled 60 miles for a few days work. He worked two days of 16 hour shifts and when the company had deducted the usual check-off for doctor, insurance, burial funds, funds, smitty, etc.—none of which he had used,—he had \$1.93 coming to him for the two days work, but the company paid him \$1.90, because they don't pay odd cents!

Union men are steadily discriminated against by the Red Cross which doesn't do much anyhow. The companies are trying to dispossess the tent colonies and especially they are trying to keep them from planting little gardens on the steep hill-sides and near the creek bottom.

This is the life that both the old party conventions have ignored. Yet he who has ears to hear can surely detect the first rumblings of the distant storm which lies like a ground swell beneath the sorrowful cries of fathers and mothers who cannot even keep their children alive.

Nothing of a substantial nature was ever created by starting building operations at the top of the structure. This applies equally to the blue prints of the architects and the plans of the economist. Aiding bankers and big industrial operators may protect those classes from the devastating influences of depression and temporarily ward off the inevitable and final collapse. But the sanest plan for effectual remedial action to restore normal business conditions is to bolster the foundation of the economic structure. Re-aligning the roof of the building will not strengthen its walls.

Assisting wage earners, the foundation of all business, to regain their financial footing is the first and most important matter in any plan looking to the upbuilding of staggering industry. Without this essential action the rest of the effort is futile.

When all workers are working, all workers will be buying; when all workers are purchasing, merchants will be selling; when all dealers are moving stocks, the banks and railroads will need no special assistance from anyone to keep their balances out of the red.

Aiding the small class of investors and ignoring the large class of wage earners and salaried persons is taking the wrong road to reach a successful solution of a great national problem.

Help the workers—the rest of the world will take care of itself.

—Typographical Journal.

The Hocus-Focus of High Finance

By Oscar Ameringer

Whenever a proposal is made to lessen the misery of the millions of unemployed by creating public work, it is invariably met with the question: And where is the money to come from?

Now the customary method of raising funds for public undertakings is by the selling of bonds. Uncle Sam, for instance, requires one hundred million dollars to strengthen the levees along the Mississippi. Not having the cash, Uncle prints one hundred millions of bonds payable in 20 years, bearing interest at the rate of 3% per annum.

The city of Akron, Ohio, requires a million dollars to re-pave its streets. So the City Council of Akron authorizes the printing and sale of one million dollars of bonds payable in 20 years, bearing interest at 5% per annum.

There is nothing behind the bonds of Uncle Sam save the power to tax his citizens out of house and home.

There is nothing behind the bonds of the city of Akron save the power to tax its citizens out of house and home—for bonds constitute an all-over-riding mortgage on whatever a citizen owns, thinks he owns, or someday hopes to own.

Three and even five per cent is a lower rate of interest than any private citizen will be able to secure at his bank. Moreover, 20 years is a long time to wait for one's money. Nevertheless, I, Calvin Kale, banker, buy \$100,000 of Uncle Sam's bonds.

Why?

Well, in the first place, Uncle Sam's bonds are first class security. In the second place, I, Calvin Kale, am not compelled to wait 20 years for the return of my money. I simply deposit the \$100,000 of Uncle Sam's bonds with Uncle Sam who thereupon presents me with \$100,000 in brand new currency.

Obviously, I, Calvin Kale, banker, will not permit \$100,000 in brand new bills to lie idle in my bank. So when the city of Akron offers one million of its bonds for sale, I buy \$100,000 of them with the money Uncle Sam printed for me.

As things stand now, Uncle Sam pays me 3% on the \$100,000 I loaned to him. Akron pays me 5% on the \$100,000 Uncle Sam presented me. One hundred thousand dollars has grown into \$200,000, and 3% into 8%.

By the time Uncle Sam's bonds fall due, he has paid me \$60,000 in interest. By the time Akron's bonds are due, it has paid me \$100,000 of interest, which makes \$160,000 of interest on an investment of \$100,000. I return the \$100,000 principal Akron returned to me to Uncle Sam, Uncle Sam cancels the \$100,000 he printed for me, and Uncle Sam repays me the \$100,000 I had loaned to him. I, Calvin Kale, started with \$100,000. Now I have \$260,000. In the meantime, the levees on the Mississippi are washed out. The streets of Akron are worn out, necessitating renewed bonding, and this wondrous shell game has continued until the federal government and its subdivisions, states, counties, municipalities, villages, hamlets, townships, and school districts, are nose deep in bonds. So nose deep, in fact, that now, when every dictate of humanity to say nothing about business sense, cries for billions of expenditures for public improvements, every political featherweight from president down to the trustees of Polcat township, howls "retrenchment," "balance the budget," is bouncing employees, cutting wages, and postponing necessary work in the sacred name of economy.

Needless to say, every additional dollar taken out of the wage fund makes the present calamity that much worse. The remedies offered by the economic morons presiding over the destiny of the nation is multiplication by division, addition by subtraction.

There are too many goods for sale and not enough money to buy, so let us boost by bouncing buyers.

Now there is no reason why this cruel imbecility should continue a month longer. There is plenty work to be done. There are plenty of workers hungry for work. And more than enough money can be gotten to set them at work.

Every American city is growing at the edges and rotting at the center.

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ter. They all have their blighted districts and slum areas. Well, let's clean house. Let the cities acquire these plague districts by purchase, condemnation, or right of eminent domain. Let them wipe out the old eyesores and ramshackles—these crime and disease breeders. Then lay out broad avenues fringed by shade trees, flowers, shrubbery, and grass. Dot them with breathing spaces, parks, play-grounds, and apartment dwellings.

The value created will be greater than the cost of creating it. The money so spent will come back in increased taxes, or if the cities have sense enough to retain ownership, in rental. We have to feed the idle millions now else they will explode some day, and there is no explosive quite so destructive as empty bellies. Well, why not give them a chance to feed themselves out of the product of their labor—useful labor—self-amortizing labor, if you please?

But—we hear—where is all that money to come from? Easy!

Compell Congress to pass an act providing that the national government issue a legal tender currency, payable for all debts, private and public, to any political sub-division, upon the deposit with the United States Treasury of a good and sufficient non-interest bearing bond by any such political sub-division, the government retaining one per cent for printing and accounting, the currency to be expended for public construction or improvements, said bonds to be paid off at the rate of 5% per annum. That's all.

And pray, what is there behind this bond? There is nothing behind them but the taxing power of the political sub-division that issues them. The same taxing power that makes Uncle Sam's bonds worth a hundred cents on the dollar. The same taxing power that makes Akron's bonds worth a hundred cents on the dollar. The only difference is that instead of paying me, Calvin Kale, banker, \$2.60 for every dollar advanced to Uncle Sam and the city of Akron, Ohio, these political subdivisions pay Uncle Sam dollar for dollar. To which should be added that a government that is either too stupid or crooked to render the service suggested herein in times like these, deserves the fate of the slum districts contemplated herein.

A.E.F. Chaplain to Organize Idle as "Blue Shirts"

Paris, June 30.—(By International News Service.)—Father James Cox of Pittsburgh, "Fighting Chaplain" of the American Expeditionary Force, revealed today he intends to organize a "blue-shirt" army of unemployed in the United States along the line of Adolf Hitler's famous "brown shirts" and Premier Benito Mussolini's "black shirt" Fascists.

He said he was en route to Berlin and Rome to interview the two famous Fascist leaders to obtain advice on carrying out his plans.

(Editor's Note:—Were it not for the fact that a number of our people in Pennsylvania showed marked tendency to follow the Rev. Cox's adventurous maneuverings we would not print the above news. But now we hope that they will be convinced of his true ambitions, namely, the desire to become a fascist leader and dictator. Certainly, intelligent workers cannot afford to allow such "friends of labor" gamble with their destinies.)

Capitalism needs slaves, cannon fodder and fool voters.