

Je dobro, ako br. Čojich zmoraše za asmesnt, ne sme pa zato zavidati bolj nesrečnih sobratov! Pregovor pravi: danes meni, jutri tebi!

svoje beračije obešati na velik
zvon, ako ni primoran. Ako bi
društva in jednota delala po nje

govem receptu, bi danes ne ime
la toliko članstva. Saj tudi de-
presija ne bo večna in čas bo za-
celil rano. — Frank Stolar, član

Belo kuga tudi pri nas

(Nadaljevanje s 4. strani.)

kel, da ti ljudje sploh nimajo nobenega razumevanja za življenje in za visoke naloge, ki jim

na naj stavi družba, država, v kateri živijo in za katero živijo ali vsaj naj žive. Ni se nam treba bati bodočnosti, če bo manj po

tomstva med onimi, ki ga imajo danes največ, toda črna je bodočnost, če pozabijo na svojo

dolžnost napram kolektivu oni
ki bi v prvi vrsti ne smeli. Re-
li smo, da je znak etičnega ču-

brani oni, ki se zaveda, da n
more velike otrok vzgojiti, ke
za to ni sredstev. Toda premo

go je takšnih, ki bi mogli in ne
čejo. Proti tem velja boj, toda
v taknem boju bo evgenika

zmerom med prvoboritelji. O
nim pa, ki so visokovredni i
res ne morejo dostojno vzgojit
potemtrevja, je pa družba ki o

potomstva, je pa družina, ki o njih zahteva otrok, dolžna, da jim to omogoči!

ri evgenika, obstoji v tem, da b
manjvredni po številu potom
stva znatno prehiteli večvredn

in da bi jih oni številčno mo-
nejši pristili h kapitulaciji, bi
bi bila komaj vredna človeštva.

cigar, dlaka je zdrav razum, v
soka duševnost! Mialim, da b
g. N. evgeniko potem gled
skoti druga očala. Če misli r

koristiti družbi in državi. Evgenika mora smiselno izbrat, i to na zgolj znanstveni podlagi.

To je njena, družbi in državi koristna naloga. Da se vključi v takemu pojmovanju evgenike...

celo sovražstvu nekih krogov, Evgeniki sploh nočejo priznati kvalifikacije znanosti. In le to

H koncu naj še dostavim, da je ta članek nastal glavno

obrambo evgenike kot znanost
Ni mi toliko zato, da bi prepr
dal g. N., nego za to, da bi s

med mislece ljudstvo na širi
podtikanja in napačna tolmače-
nja evgenike. Evgenika in b
la kuga nista eno in isto!

HARMONIKE NA PRODAJ

Za prodati imam dve harm
niki, eno slovensko uglasena
druga nemška Lubasovega izde
ka. Cena nizka. Za podrobnosti

ceno pišite na naslov: Fran
Piáshkur, 716 So. 8th Street, M
waukee, Wis. (Adv

RADA BI IZVEDELA
kje se sedaj nahaja Valent

Zorman, preje stanujod No. 30
Virginia st., Milwaukee, WI
Prosim vae, ki bi vedeli za nj
kovo hišallžo naj sporočijo na

pravništvo Proveta, 2657
Lawndale ave., Chicago, Ill.
Lina Zorman, žena. (Adv

Dr. John J. Zavertnik
Office hours at 8754 W. 20th Street

Tel. Crawford 2312-1:30-3:30-3:30
 2:30 Daily—Except Wed. and Sun.
 At Hiavatz's Drug Store—Phone
 Crawford 2440
 1826 W. 22nd Street

4:30-4:45 P. M. Daily—except Wed.
and Sund.
Res. Telephone Crawford, 5440

Dr. Andrew Furian

ZOBOZDRAVNIK
Bohn St. 204
2959 Ogden Ave., Chicago, Ill.
Chd. 2. do 12. day. ad 1. do 5. to ad 5.

de 9 aroilor, 0% creștah ad 9. de 12. dep.
Tel. Crawford 2204—Rockwell 2210

Artistični slikar fotograf
VLAD. POLAK
2616 S. Lawndale Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Nokda, nokje, šoli vaio siha. Vamito va
siha va lutiš. Feršujemo siha. Pabli
nas: Tel. Lawdale 5499 ali pridite soto

The Society shall insure to its members personal freedom of religious, philosophical, ethical and political creeds.

PROSVETA

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

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 10.

PAGE SIX

FOR MEMBERS OF SLOVENE NATIONAL BENEFIT SOCIETY AND AMERICAN SLOVENES

PROSVETA

When change of address is ordered, both the new and old address must be given. Address all communications intended for publication to:

PROSVETA—ENGLISH SECTION

2027 So. Lawrence Ave., Chicago, Ill.
(LOUIS KOSKELA, Editor English Section.)

Editorial Notes

Our people have a great institution in the Slovene National Benefit Society. And it commands respect among our people because it operates on equal basis. Our Society is first of all a welfare agency, a benefit organization composed of workers, by the workers and for the workers and their families. The SNBJ is founded on a free-thought basis, and insures to its members a complete personal freedom. Its publications, as provided by the by-laws, must be edited in a spirit of the principles of progressive labor organized politically and in trade unions, and also in a spirit of the specified principles declared by the Slovene National Benefit Society.

The by-laws of the Slovene National Benefit Society were adopted in the Slovene language, and then translated into Croatian and English language. The official language of the SNBJ conventions so far has been the Slovene language, and all the proceedings and the original by-laws as well as all the subsequent amendments and changes therein, in case of conflicting meanings, the Slovene text is always considered valid, and there is no gainsay to this validity. That there were, and are, contradictions as to the exactness of the three texts of the by-laws, becomes evident upon the perusal and careful comparison. But that, perhaps, is of no great importance, since every member knows that the original text is efficacious when it comes to a point of test and legality.

Right now we are in the half way over the six month Campaign which—according to the reports on hand—is very promising. Our youth in almost every Yugoslav community is very active in the drive, and they have some very encouraging results despite the hard times now prevailing throughout the country. Our young people in Cleveland adopted a few sound campaign inducements which will assist their campaign greatly; in Pennsylvania where hundreds of our people live our youthful field workers are very optimistic and promise to carry the campaign work "over the top." In the rest of the SNBJ districts and outlying sections the campaign enterprise shows remarkable results. We must all do our share to promote the productiveness of this campaign, individually and collectively.

Bankruptcy of Capitalism

Thoughtful persons are treated to a ridiculous spectacle in these contradictory times. Farmers are told to raise less in order that prices may be held up while millions go hungry in the nation; textile workers are idle while many go ragged; an army of building tradesmen are unemployed while hordes blight the landscape and many live in lathouse tenements.

Every facility is at hand to produce every form of wealth in abundance, yet the productive process is paralyzed because those in control do not know how to maintain continuous operation.

President Hoover, the great advocate of "private initiative," has sat inactive for a year urging his favorite group to get busy and keep the people provided for, in order to justify the Hoover philosophy; but they have by their failure demonstrated the incongruity of private control of the machinery of production with human welfare. Profit-seeking forces will permit the race to perish if it means they cannot get their pound of flesh out of the productive process.

At last the government must act, and now, after everything is prostrate, public action has been found necessary. If Hoover had not been blinded by a false and obsolete concept of present-day economics he would have moved in the matter a year ago, but he trusted to private industry to right the machinery of production. He overlooked the fact that the profit motive narrowed the vision of the great industrial leaders and prevented them from recognizing that the mass of the people had to have purchasing power to create an effective demand and that the workers had been despoiled by monopoly and were destitute.

Organized labor has for ten years struggled for a reduction in working period and for wage increases which would absorb the displaced worker and give a balanced purchasing power to the great bulk of the people. Hoover and his industrial supporters have not accorded with this viewpoint and have brought on the present congestion. Perhaps this experience will show President Hoover that the selfish profit-seeking motive is not a safe principle to meet modern social requirements.—(Union Advocate).

Rocky Mountaineers

Rock Springs, Wyo.—I herald my sincere greetings to all the members of this fast progressive Rocky Mountaineers. May your minds be broadened and inspired by this association. Be true to the standards and traditions of our lodge. The coming year holds a fresh, clean page for each of us. Let us make the most of it. My vision is the promise our lodge will some day be. Let us all cherish our visions and ideals, for out of them will grow our greatest achievements.

Our work in the past year has proved that the members of the Rocky Mountaineers Lodge have a vision; an attribute which is one of the essentials in our lodge advancement. The motive of this article is evidence of this vision; it portrays standards and ideals which if pursued with courage and determination will enable our lodge to reach its highest goal.

Rocky Mountaineers! There is not a person whom these two words fail to impress just as the officers have impressed the rest of the members of the lodge this past year.

It can be truthfully said that the officers were the peppiest bunch of members in the lodge. This was especially brought out by the lively spirit with which the president helped to make our Halloween Hop a success.

One of our aims, and, in fact, our greatest aim is to make the Rocky Mountaineers a bigger and better lodge. We hope to continue our work next year as successfully as we have done so far, and leave with the members some higher ideals to work up to.

By a Vision,

Pennsylvania News

A MESSAGE FROM WESTERN PENNA.

Canonsburg, Pa.—The year is drawing to a close; one more month and the curtains will fall and 1930 will have gone with fleeting time, into the past. The Pioneers of Washington county have enjoyed a very successful year and have their hard and persistent workers to rely upon for another year, which could prove more fruitful with only a little effort from every member.

December is here bringing with it our annual meeting when officers are chosen. At this meeting we make our most important decisions; our lodge, in order to prosper, must be guided by hard workers. I ask each and every member to sacrifice a little time and attend all meetings, bring your ideas to our meetings, make the work of your leaders more pleasant; lighten their burden by doing your share. When choosing your officers forget your petty jealousies, choose capable members to fill the offices, members who can work as one unit in harmony. In the past I have had the honor as being the president of the lodge and I have done all in my power to fulfill that which Lodge 589 had expected of me, and I am overjoyed to say that with the cooperation received we had succeeded financially and socially.

Through these columns I sincerely thank every member for the cooperation they have given me, and I urge you to continue in the ensuing year to work with your officers whom you alone choose. By following that course you may look back and find a year full of success.

The Joint Board of Organizers chosen by Western Penna Federation of SNBJ lodges, met Sunday, Nov. 23, in Canonsburg. A definite plan to organize the unorganized has been adopted and we ask the members to co-operate with us to the fullest extent to this end. Bro. John Koklich and yours truly will forward communications to all Slovene speaking lodges, which are in Western Penna, and our object is to organize the Youth into a more effective body. Bro. Jacob Dolenc of Liberty has taken a great interest in our work and I am certain we will attain our goal. Organize the Unorganized—our motto.

One year ago, October 21, I attended the organizational meeting of Lodge Jose Zvernik at Liberty and there a group of our Youth organized into what today is a prosperous lodge. They held their First Anniversary on Thanksgiving day which was a success. On behalf of Lodge 589 I extend our congratulations to this worthy group of young Slovenes who have removed obstacles and progressed in their first year. We wish you abundance of success.

Bro. Louis Kosela, Treasurer of the Ambridge "Reveliers," surely has proved to be the best and most persistent columnist of all our Pennsylvania lodges. Bro. Kosela has just begun several months ago in our fraternal field and done a great deal in the best interests of the SNBJ. Heaps of success; ahead with your good praiseworthy work.

Bro. Johnny Licker, Vice-Pres. of the Reveliers, was elected Vice-Pres. of the Joint Board of Organizers. Johnny hails from Midway, but works in Ambridge where he takes a great interest in his lodge. At the last Federation Conference he was chosen as an Organizer, and we are sure to succeed in our work. Plenty of youth with ambition to organize is what we need and HAVE.

Last but not least, Pioneers of Washington County are staging their Annual Xmas dance, Thurs. Dec. 25, at the SNBJ Hall in Canonsburg. In the past we have put our Xmas affairs over with great success, and we expect this one to be even greater. The renowned Golden Pheasant Orchestra, directed by Joe Mangino, will furnish the gay crowd with truly good music. This will be their initial appearance and we are certain they will meet your approval. A good time is in store for those that attend, and Lodge 589 invites you all to attend. Come to Canonsburg and spend a Merry Christmas with the Pioneers of Washington county, Dec. 25.

Fraternally,
John Kutch, Pres. Lodge 589.

Editor's Note

Polemics regarding the Pioneer trial case will not be published while the case is still pending. All corresponding complaints should be ironed out at the proper place and not in the organ.

Library, Pa. "Spoken"—Send us your signatures.

Campaign Talks

It has been shown from various reports that the present campaign for young members to the SNBJ will be a great success.

Despite the labor depression in this section of Kansas, the contest for young members is taken up enthusiastically by our youth. The most active in this field, of course, is the "Sunflower" at Arma. Here in Kansas, as in other vicinities, the senior members were a bit skeptical about the wisdom of this new movement, but the Youth has proved his ability and he has now no more ardent supporter and booster than a senior member.

The Kansas Federation of SNBJ at its last meeting offered a cash prize to the English-speaking lodge in Kansas that obtains the most new members in this campaign. This shows that the senior lodges realize the need of aiding our Young SNBJ movement to further the growth of our organization as a whole.

The Young SNBJ lodges in our fraternal order deserve credit for the enthusiastic efforts they have put forth to accomplish as much as they have in placing their individual lodge on the map, which in turn reflects back on our whole organization. Strong, wide-awake Young SNBJ lodges mean a bigger and better Slovene fraternal organization. It is no wonder then that senior members are ready to extend a helping hand, when they realize that indirectly they are profiting, too.

Young members understand more and more the ideals and aims of our SNBJ, and they are training themselves for that spirit of brotherhood which order needs so much among its membership. A good example of the work done by the Young SNBJ toward promoting good-will among all the members is the first and largest of our English-speaking groups, the Pioneers, which had lately celebrated its fifth anniversary. Many of our newer groups are coming to the top and in the spotlight, especially those in Pennsylvania.

For the Campaign Committee,

ANTON SHULAR.

"Here and There With Comrades"

Cleveland, Ohio:—Our next, and annual meeting will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 16, at the Slovene National Home on St. Clair ave. A 50c fine will be levied upon anyone failing to attend. Admittance to the meeting will be gained through the side door only. The most important business of the evening will be the election of officers for the coming year. The members should see to it that they elect officers who are active and worthy of the positions to which they elect them. It is my sincere desire that officers be elected who will emulate their predecessors and do all in their power to elevate the standing of our lodge in the community and in the SNBJ.

Many of us do not realize the responsibility which rests upon the shoulders of our secretary. At this time of the year we should all endeavor to lighten this burden of responsibility by paying our assessments on time, or before time. The secretary's report must be in the hands of the supreme secretary before Dec. 30. The cooperation of every Comrade in this respect will be greatly appreciated.

Last Thursday evening approximately fifty Comrades gathered at the St. Clair neighborhood center and enjoyed a pleasant evening of bridge, sixty-six and dancing. This was the first of our, we hope, extended series of monthly gatherings of the Comrades when we can all enjoy some good clean fun and more solidly cement our existing friendships.

At the recent meeting of the campaign team captains it was decided

that only those members who are the winning captains' team, and who have secured at least one new member, will have their names inscribed upon the cup which is to be presented to the team. This division makes it imperative that those who want to share the glory, besides the prizes which are being given for every new member, must try to persuade a friend, or relative to join our lodge. It isn't as hard as we think it is. Others do it; why can't we? Bring that new member to our annual meeting next Tuesday.

Our boys' bowling team in the International League is holding its own and shows promise of doing still better as the season progresses. "Joe" Fifolt has secured a regular position on the team and is doing splendid work. The other members on the team, Frank Fifolt, Bart Alich, John Smole and Rudolph Turk are bowling consistently.

The Comrades girls' basketball team opened the season against the Spartans in the Inter-Frat basketball league Wed. Dec. 3. They were defeated, but nevertheless, displayed their pluck and good sportsmanship throughout the game. Better luck next time, girls.

On behalf of the Comrades I wish to express my thanks to the Editor of this section, Louis Beniger, for allowing us to use this section as a medium through which we were enabled to inform the other locals of the SNBJ of our activities. We express the hope that we may continue to use this page in the future and extend our thanks in advance.

John J. Alich,

The Reveliers' Column

Ambridge, Pa.—The purpose of these articles written during the past few months under the above title were to bring out to the readers that the Reveliers are taking interest in the development and spread of SNBJ ideals and social affairs, and also further to promote friendly intercourse between the Reveliers and its sister chapters of the organization. Through these columns Ambridge wanted to show outsiders they too are awake and doing things. The unemployment depression has somewhat hampered our activities and our drive for new members, but our goal and ambition are to have at least one hundred Reveliers in Ambridge and to have our enjoyable social affairs more often and on a greater scale in the future.

The readers have been kind to the writer of these articles, and some have encouraged yours truly to continue contributing to the Prosveta. For my own part it is a pleasure to write for the SNBJ. The Reveliers could easily have chosen someone else to write of Ambridge affairs who has more ability at this work than I. They too have given me support and encouragement, which I appreciate. The credit for the write-ups goes first to the Reveliers who organized together a lodge, started the entire thing, and second, to the Prosveta and its editors who have been generous to each contribution of mine. Louis Kosela himself played only a small part; he was the messenger between the two.

The year 1930 is rapidly nearing its end. This past year witnessed the organizing of many new English speaking lodges throughout the land, but particularly here in Pennsylvania. Many new members have been added to our society. The English speaking lodges have proven a boon to the SNBJ. Slovenian youth is taking its place in the ranks of this society, and is making a success of its job. These new lodges have added a new life, a new blood, a new enthusiasm to the organization.

The activities of the different branches have been many and diversified. The more energetic lodges have acted as a stimulant to those less active. May 1931 bring with it many new lodges, new members and a greater success of social and athletic affairs, strengthening and increasing our finances and a firmer bond of friendship among the members. Hall to 1931!

Reveliers plan ahead for 1931. Much is to be done. Prepare for bigger events than you had in 1930. Work creatively together for your own good and the welfare of the SNBJ. Make 1931 a banner year!

To accomplish things you must do things. To be quiet in the background brings no results. Thought followed by action produces much. To attempt nothing is to lag behind.

Greetings to the Milwaukee Badgers.

In the SNBJ spirit,
Louis Kosela, Revelier.

Beer-Suds, "Inc."

BADGER NEWS AND VIEWS

By Check and Double-check

Milwaukee, Wis.—On Friday, December 12, we will hold our last meeting of the year. What strides of progress have we taken during the past year? Let's review the past year, and during the next year, profit by the mistakes we've made in the past, and go ahead full blast.

The meeting will start at 7:30 p. m. instead of the usual time as we have loads of business to transact during the meeting. Don't forget that it's election night, and see that we put the BEST people in the various offices so that the Badgers' goal—that of being the best English speaking lodge in SNBJ—will be attained.

The KKK (Koffee Klatchers' Klub) will furnish the entertainment and refreshments after the next meeting. From advance reports, this is going to be a treat, so let's not miss out on neither the serious nor the pleasant part of the meeting.

We have Kay Zvernik in our midst again, but not the way we'd like to see her to be. Kay has been a patient at St. Joseph's Hospital for the past few days, and I know that she'd love to see everybody. She's in room 204, so let's pay her a cheerful visit, and wish her a speedy convalescence, so her husband won't be called "Lonesome Luke."

So far, the tickets for our Theatre Party have been going good, but the money for the tickets must be in by THURSDAY evening. Johnny Obluck kindly requests everybody to turn in the money for the tickets so that he can make the final check-up before Friday. If everyone did his and her part, we've made our \$125.00. We be unto the one that "laid down on the job" as far as the sale of tickets was concerned. Gussie Ermenc did splendidly by selling more than 50 tickets. Who sold more than that? Speak up, and we'll be over to pat you on the back!

The Badgers are getting up in the world! We now have a Reception Committee consisting of our George Henning, Mary Brence and Bubbles Donner. These three young folks take the new members in hand and introduce them to the rest of the gang, and make them feel right at home.

Reserve Dec. 27 and Jan. 10 for a good time!

We have some sick members that need a word or two of cheer. Go and visit them, and give them all the latest Badger gossip so that they can keep right up with all the doings.

Stalwarts' Sayings

By Daddy

Kenosha, Wis.—Although a little more than the usual amount of time will be required for our December meeting, due to the election of officers, we will still have ample time to take care of all applicants for membership. So, bring in that promised member. We need them.

We thank you all, from the bottom of our hearts, Badgers, Little Forts, Sports Club, Integrity, Singlars and Mohawks for attending our dance. Your presence made it our success. We'll be more than glad to return the compliment. Let us know when you stage any of your affairs.

President Snider with Tex Bolka and Sister Novak as bodyguards, took the beautiful Silver Loving Cup home to Milwaukee with him where it will be placed in the Badgers' Club rooms. The Badgers "cooped" this cup by having over 100 of their gang present at our dance.

To Bro. John Spelch of the Mohawks goes the honor of winning the twenty-five-pound turkey. But it's lucky the turkey was not a parrot or it could talk. How about it, Mohawks? It sure could say plenty. Brother Vincent Pink entertained the Mohawks at Waukegan, Sunday, November 23.

Sisters Mary Boycht and Doris Vennick, Integrity, with the gallant Bros. Joe Kramer and F. Spitzmiller of La Salle were winners of the Prize Waits and Fox Trot contest.

The Integrity Royal Six is the gang that can dip it out peppy and alluring music. Everybody at the dance were thrilled at the way these boys put over their novelty arrangements of modern music.

Don't forget, election of officers takes place at our December meeting, Friday, Dec. 12. Be there and don't forget that promised member.

An Answer and Explanation

The letter of Bro. Fleischhacker in the November 19 issue of Prosveta is the incentive for me to write this. That letter showed clearly that though we may be living in the 20th century, some of us still roam spiritually in the Middle Ages. For here is a member of the SNBJ—a fraternal benefit society with socialistic ideas—who comes to the conclusion that socialists differ not at all from democrats and republicans.

It is an old argument that if a socialist would become a capitalist, he would not give to the poor. I have yet to meet the capitalist who calls himself a socialist. As I see it, capitalists are bitterly opposed to the Socialist Party. There may be people who call themselves "socialists," but that does not mean that they are socialists. I could call myself a millionaire, yet my friends know in what circumstances I find myself.

Many people do not know that if you vote for a socialist candidate, you vote not for the man, but for the ideals for which this man stands. A socialist candidate stands for a New Order of Society. He stands for justice. All the candidates of the Socialist Party who have been sent to Congress or to State Legislatures have something to show for their tenure of office. Here in Pennsylvania we sent at one time James Maurer to the State Legislature. He at once became the center of agitation for the Workmen's Compensation Law. It was he who started it.

Most people, and as it is, most workers read the capitalist press. The capitalist press has always told lies about socialists and socialistic achievements. Just now, few people know that the socialists have elected two of their men to the State Legislature of this state. Why did the press conceal this fact? It is because these two socialists already have prepared bills for Unemployment Insurance, Old-Age Pensions, strict Child-Labor Laws, and other measures in the interest of the people. The capitalist press has remained silent because their owners—all the capitalist papers are owned by rich people—are against these measures which would help the worker. For if the worker would get more, they would get less. A dollar is a dollar, and if you take 60c, I can only take 40c. The country has a certain amount of wealth, and if the workers get more, the capitalists will have less, and they will not stand for this. They want as much as they can get. In the past few weeks I have seen much of Pennsylvania. I have seen people digging in garbage cans for food in Pittsburgh; I have seen miners working for \$2.50 a day—and only three days a week—in Clearfield, and other Central Pennsylvania towns.

Why is it that these miners do not get more? It is because the owners want more for themselves. Only this way, by taking it out of the miners, and steel workers, could the Mellon family in Pittsburgh afford to spend over a million dollars for one wedding. And the Mellons are good republicans.

I would like to ask here what the difference between republicans and democrats is? Will someone please tell me why Samuel Insull in Chicago contributes to both republican and democratic campaigns? Why he wants to be sure that whoever gets in it is "his man." And Sam Insull controls all the power companies in the Midwest. Just look around a little, and you will see how the big "fellows" belong to either republican or democratic party. They do not join the socialist party. Why?

It has often been said that things have always been like this, and therefore must always be like this. If your backyard has always been filthy, does this mean that you shall never clean it? If republican and democratic politicians have always been corrupt, does this mean that there is no use in trying to change it? Here in Luzerne County, the Commissioners have been indicted, sentenced to jail for misdemeanor, misappropriation of funds, etc., yet they are still the County Commissioners. "Good citizens." In Reading, where socialists control the city, the city has bought the water company and is selling water to the consumers for 1/3 of what people pay in this section. Here it belongs to a private company, and the company tries to get all it can. Socialist advocate that all the waterworks, all public utilities should be owned by the state or the municipality.

It is not true that man is by his very nature bad. It is only the struggle for existence which causes him to do bad things. Give each human being a chance to a decent life, and things will be different. But as it is now, a few indulge in luxuries, and the great mass of people live in poverty. There is no reason why this should remain so.

The capitalist system has outlived its usefulness. It has developed a high degree of production standards, but it has failed miserably where distribution is concerned.

PEOPLE STARVE BECAUSE THERE IS TOO MUCH.

People freeze—and the mines are idle. People beg for food—and the farmer cannot sell his wheat.

Truly, if this is not insanity, what is it? Millions are idle, cannot find work; the exact figure cannot be given, because "our" government has not thought it important, yet we know exactly how many cattle are being slaughtered in the stockyards of Chicago. Millions are idle, willing to work, yet the factories are idle. Idle because it would not be profitable for the owners to run them. The people have no say. The people whose lives depend on these factories—HAVE NO SAY.

Any living person who does not do his share towards alleviating such conditions is useless to mankind; and not only to mankind, but to himself.

Socialists offer a definite program to alleviate these glaring insanities. Socialism calls for the people to run themselves what is necessary for their well-being. It calls for government ownership of all the means of production. No longer shall a few be the only ones to have a say as to how people shall live, no, all the people will have a say.

You cannot do it, cries the skeptical. If the public can manage the U. S. Army for warlike purposes, it can manage its collective self in peaceful pursuits.

If it can manage the navy, it can manage the ocean passenger and freight business.

If it can operate the postoffice, it can operate telegraph, telephone, express and railroad lines.

If it can make warships, it can make automobiles and selfinders.

If it can make rifles, it can make knives and forks.

If it can make army saddles, it can make boots and shoes.

If it can run an army and navy hospital, it can run a drug store.

(Continued on page 8.)

