

Workers Will Make America Victorious

This year's Independence Day, Saturday, July 4, will have a special meaning for millions of American workers, and soldiers as well as the nation as a whole.

The 1942 Fourth of July will be observed in the midst of a gigantic struggle between the forces of democracy and the forces of despotism. The entire American nation is today dedicated to the task of preserving our democracy, and to this end we are all determined: to defeat the Axis powers on all fronts.

Twice before have the American people faced a similar crisis. The first trial of our freedom loving people came to a happy conclusion on July 4, 1776, when the young American democracy passed the first acid test triumphantly and thus proved that it was a virile force capable of charting its own destiny.

Eighty years later, at the time of the Civil War, our young democracy faced its second historic trial, which the immortal Lincoln characterized with the words: "Now we are engaged in a great civil war, testing whether that nation, or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure."

Needless to say, American democracy again proved that it was able to withstand its second test and manifested to the world its vitality to live on and show the rest of the nations the way to liberty and democracy.

At this moment American democracy is again on trial for the third time in its 166 years of life and glorious achievements. And as it faces its greatest test, we are fortunate to have another great leader in our President—Franklin D. Roosevelt.

This time we are engaged in a global war in which every continent and nearly every nation is involved. In this greatest of all struggles in human history America is not alone—for there are 27 other nations on her side under the banner of the United Nations which today are testing whether democracy will endure over the dark forces of slavery.

On this historic occasion, American workers pledge themselves anew to their first and foremost duty—to defeat and destroy by overwhelming strength the Axis tyrants, the enemies of American democracy, of humanity and civilization.

American Labor is fully aware that this conflict transcends all other struggles and that every possibility of social progress depends upon the Victory of the free nations.

American soldiers of production who provide so much of the material, men, money and morale, vow that our country's war and victory effort shall be organized without any regard for any vested interests. The full resources of everybody, everywhere—all the stakes of men and women of every status—must be placed at the disposal of offensive warfare against the Nazi-Fascist dictators, to assure the victory of democracy over despotism.

On this Fourth of July the members of our Society as well as our Slovene people as a whole pledge anew their unqualified support to the war effort of the United States.

Thousands of our young members are in active duty, while other thousands of our members serve as soldiers of production in the country's war industries—all of them strongly determined in one aim: to defeat the enemy on all fronts.

Universal Comets

By Michael R. Kumer, 715

Dates to Remember

UNIVERSAL, PA.—July 3—Regular monthly lodge meeting of Comets Lodge 715, at Slovene Hall, Universal, beginning at 7 p. m.

July 4—Combined picnic and dance by Lodge Golden Eagles 643 and Lodge Ljubljana 49, at Avon Roller Rink, Girard, Ohio.

July 4-5—Picnic by Lodges 325 and 728 of Gowanda, N. Y., at Mentley's Grove, featuring Joe Koracin and his Slovene Aces.

July 12—First Eastern SNPJ Golf Tournament at South Park, near Pittsburgh, Pa.

Comet News

Comets July Meeting has been changed from the first Sunday to the first Friday, which is July 3, same time and place. The change was made by the Executive Committee due to the holiday weekend. Let's all come out this Friday to the meeting. Bring along the names of those prospective members.

The Athletic Committee reports that there is still time for our lodge golfers to get in their 3 rounds of golf at Butler's (East Park) Golf Course preliminary to forming teams for the Eastern SNPJ Golf Tournament at South Park. Remember, the Committee will decide the team on which each golfer shall play on the basis of the scores turned in for the three qualifying rounds. In the absence of the 3 scores, the Committee will place the golfers on the team they deem feasible. Let's prepare our golfers for a big time on July 12. There

is every reason to believe that we shall have at least 20 from our lodge participating in the tournament. That includes the boys only; we ought to have a few girls too.

Eastern Golf Tourney

All lodges in the Eastern Golf District are reminded that this Monday, July 6, is the deadline date for entries in the Eastern Golf Tournament. The tournament is scheduled for Sunday, July 12, at South Park, Allegheny County Golf Course, seven miles south of Pittsburgh. The Eastern District embraces such states as Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, West Virginia, Lower Michigan, etc., and from this territory we ought to expect a grand turnout. From the western Pennsylvania area we know that there will be a great participation of golfers, and we earnestly hope that our lodges in other cities and states will take advantage of this First Eastern Tournament and make it a big success. For if we hope to make golf a permanent feature in our Society it must be given the support of the membership and golfers in our various lodges.

Get in your entry blanks with the accompanying entry fee to Larry Cassol, chairman of the Local Committee, without any further delay. Remember that in addition to the free trips to the National Tournament in Cleveland over Labor Day, our committee here will provide other awards for both the pros and dubs. Everyone will have active participation in the Kicker's Handicap that will be promoted that day. There will be no additional charge for this feature of the Eastern Tournament.

The Eastern Tournament will decide the team and champion winners who shall represent this section at Cleveland competing with other members of the SNPJ.

Those that do not play golf are invited to join the gang at South Park. There's plenty of amusement at the Park for a full day's fun. Pack the baskets, bring the kiddies, and find a grove, from among the hundreds, near the golf course.

Victorian News

CHICAGO.—First of all I want to thank each and everyone for attending our moonlight picnic June 20. In spite of a rainy day—it was grand in the evening.

The regular monthly meeting of the Victorian Lodge 632 is Thursday, July 2, at Berger's Hall, 2653 S. Lawrence Ave. Please be present. Members who are in arrears with their dues are urged to pay up. The longer you delay this all-important obligation, the harder it is to pay.

MARY E. NOVAK, Sec'y.

Sharon Keystoneers

SHARON, PA.—The monthly meeting of the Keystoneers Lodge 755 will be Thurs., July 2, at 7:30 p. m. A \$4 award will be won by some lucky person. So please attend!

The 4th of July reminds everyone to attend the combined picnic at Avon Park in Girard, Ohio. Michael Verhovnik, Juvenile Director, will be the main speaker.

The 5th of July will find every good-time speaker at Valentincic's farm to attend the picnic given by our Ladies' Club. Please show these ladies that their work is appreciated and attend!

A special surprise for all after the ladies' picnic will be colored movies taken at the 12th regular convention in Pittsburgh and also some taken in Europe and our own juveniles of Sharon in singing and dancing action at an open-air dance floor in Sharon taken by Jacob Zupan. A little admission will be charged for these movies, which will be enjoyed more than your down-town movie picture shows. The pictures will be shown at Slovene Dom in the evening after the ladies' picnic is over.

FRANCES NOVAK, 755.

Spirit-o-Grams

By Whoosii

ST. LOUIS, MO.—Rain and more rain (23 June days), and at the rate "Old Man River" is rising, we probably may yet need Greenwood's Ark. The Mississippi looks threatening and the Missouri already has flooded 80,000 Acres in St. Charles county. Locally the river has covered the levee R. R. tracks and if it continues to rain, the Illinois side will be threatened.

The excursions on steamed Admiral are going as scheduled, and the Spirits are planning an all-day excursion on July 12 or July 19 (the exact date will appear in the next issue). If you and your friends need tickets, phone Hudson 2959 or send a card to Bro. John Jurgec, 4017 Castleman. Let's get together for a good old time. You can enjoy yourself by bringing your basket of good things to eat, and maybe a good pinocle game, dance or promenade about the decks (5). Reserve a date with the gang.

Our meeting will be held July 10, at the Concordia Hall and we hope the vacationists will be back in time. Don't forget to bring in your prospects. 588 Ducote brought in 2 last meeting and we hope 2 can be proposed for July. You will be rewarded for your efforts in war stamps and bonds.

This and That: At our last meeting the Spirits donated \$10 toward the Russian War Relief, and generous donations from the members are pouring in. If you haven't pitched in please do your part for a good cause by handing it over to the committee. Sis. Lorraine Koutz, who will be at the meeting.

Post cards from Sis. Ida Kacin and son Bobby, who are vacationing in Gillespie with the folks. John Jurgec's brother was home in Freeburg on a 3-day furlough. He's stationed in Hot Springs, Ark. Bro. Tony Petrovich's sister, Mrs. Evannetich, from Spalling, Nebraska, surprised him on his birthday. The two met for the first time in 20 years. We hope their reunion was a happy one. Sis. Inez Kokal's two sisters, Mary Jo and Ellen Mal, from Advance, Mo., are making their home with the Kokals. How about a couple of new members, Inez?

Spirits wish the Midwest golfers lots of luck, and hope the 7th Penna SNPJ Day was a success. Same goes for the other SNPJ days.

Yes, sir, Hank Rupert, those were the days when Trailors, Baumbach, Lokar Lincolntes and host of others made trips to St. Louis. I bet the Trailors have told you many interesting tales, that you'd wish they could be revived.

Bro. J. Spiller and Joe Pogorelec really had a loop-the-loop plane ride at the airport. Spiller didn't mind the stunts 'cause it can't be worse than auto racing.

Detroit W. S. SNPJ Lodges Cancel Picnic

DETROIT, MICH.—The picnic scheduled for July 4 at Harwarth's Farm by combined West Side lodges has been cancelled; due to the fact that most factories will work that day, poor attendance was anticipated. Besides, war production is more important than picnics. The entertainment will be transferred to the Slovene Workers Home at 437 S. Livernois, where dancing and ballina can be enjoyed. Full chicken and pork dinners will be served and other refreshments provided. All those free that day and outside visitors are invited.

COMMITTEE.

—ON PAY DAY, BUY BONDS—

Little Fort Lodge News

WAUKEGAN, ILL.—Not much more time left to send in your entries for the Midwest Balina and Golf Tournament, to be held Sunday, July 12. Letters and entry blanks have been sent to secretaries of various Midwest lodges urging them to send in as many entries as possible. If your lodge failed to receive the entry blanks send in an entry anyway. Members desiring to enter either of the tournaments, contact the secretary of your local lodge immediately. Send in the entries as soon as they're filled out to Christine Striper, 914 Adams St., Waukegan, for ballina, and to Elsie Gantar, 1201 Wadsworth Ave., No. Chicago, for golf. The deadline for golf entries is July 3 and for ballina, July 8.

The Golf Tournament will be held at the Suburban Country Club and the Balina tournament at the Slovene National Home, corner of Tenth and McAlister. Both tournaments are open to men and women. So come on, you fairer sex, let's get in as many entries as possible and show the men that we're interested, too.

Ballina fees for teams from lodges who are members of the Midwest Athletic League is \$2 and for those lodges who are not members, the fee is \$2.75. This fee will be used for both prize and entry expenses.

Once again, send in your entries immediately. Come to Waukegan on Sunday, July 12, to have your share of a good time. Even if you don't golf or play ballina, come anyway. We'll show visitors a good time, too.

This 'n' That

Our own Stanley Gregorin left Tuesday, June 30, for the Army. It saddens us to lose him but it's for a good cause, so we'll make the best of it. We'll miss his accordion playing at all the doings but Uncle Sam needs him more than we do. We wish him the best of luck in his new life.

MILLIE SIMCIC, 568.

Strugglers' News

CLEVELAND.—The Strugglers who are "left behind" (at home) are still keeping in mind the boys serving in Uncle Sam's Army. All the Strugglers in the armed forces have been mailed a \$3 check each. The reason for mailing them money was that they may spend it for whatever they want to suit themselves the best. We are hoping that this will help to cheer them up and still keep their minds on some of the folks back home.

Also, don't forget the boys like to get some home-town mail. Let's do our part and send the boys a card or letter. Anyone that wants an address of any of the boys can get the names and addresses by getting in touch with Frank J. Koss, 18104 Neff road, Phone Ke 0318.

Here are the names of the boys that have been mailed \$3 each: John Zlatopet, Edward Seitz, Fred Ceznik, Fred Ryavec, Louis Marolt, John Zaitz Jr., John Kastelic, John S. Lekan, Albert Strumble, Jack Merrick, Adolph Homce.

Sick members: Louis Simonic, 5115 Miller, Maple Heights; Bertha Rahotina, 923 Nathanid. We wish them a speedy recovery. And congratulations to Ann Hovevar on the arrival of another girl.

New Treasurer: Our Treasurer Louis Yappel has resigned because he has moved to Bedford, O. In his place, Sis. Florence Zaman has been elected.

Basket Picnic: We had quite a discussion at our June meeting in regard to having a basket picnic. Finally, the whole matter was dropped due to war work and gas rationing which may go into effect soon.

Latest Inductees: Edward Dolask has joined the Army last week. Two more Strugglers to follow, Frank Ipavec and Fred Homce.

FRANK J. KOSS, Sec'y.

Important Notice

CANTON, O.—Due to unavoidable circumstances, we are very sorry that we must cancel the picnic which was to have been held by Lodge McKinley, SNPJ 733, on July 4. We are sorry that we cannot get together on the Fourth at Canton, but we will arrange a get-together in the very near future and hope we can then all get together.

MOLLY DODICH, Pres.

It is a cruel travesty on democracy to tax the workers in factory and on the farm today laboring for an unfair, for a starvation wage. It is a burning task of democracy to tax, instead, the undistributed profits, of which there are nearly sixty billion dollars. They serve no useful social purpose and the corporations do not need them today.

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Buy Bonds today, to assure a balanced budget tomorrow.

Integrity Broadcast

CHICAGO.—Last Monday, June 29, the Integrity Lodge 631 had laid to rest at Ridgewood Cemetery, Mrs. Theresa Lepey, of Arma, Kans., member of SNPJ lodge 434, who passed away on Thursday, June 25, at Arma. She was the mother of Sister Julia Sitter, member of SNPJ lodge 631. Members of our lodge acted as pallbearers. In behalf of the Integrity members we offer the bereaved family our condolences in their hours of sorrow. The SNPJ ritual was read by the Secretary of Lodge 631.

At our June meeting we added four more members to our roster, one adult by transfer and 3 juveniles. We are over the 100 mark with juveniles and nearing the 150 mark with adults. We hope to add more in July. With some real cooperation we'll be able to go places.

Our regular June meeting was poorly attended. Bro. Julius Abram was the winner of the one-dollar attendance award.

The Secretary will not be at home from July 4 and including July 20. His wish is that all members pay their July dues on time.

M. R. FLEISCHACKER, Sec'y.

Gowanda Boosters

GOWANDA, N. Y.—Sunday, June 21, was proclaimed by President Roosevelt as National Slay Day. Gowanda being composed of many Slav speaking people had a meeting and dance at the newly remodeled Slovene Club. Although given a short notice a large crowd gathered and I believe everybody enjoyed themselves. Louis Kluck acted as toastmaster throughout the program. The speakers were Charles Sternisha Sr., Rudolph Klancer, two Polish speakers, Frances "Mish" Strauss, Ernie Miller and 2nd Lt. Stanley Victor. All the speeches were very interesting and well said. After the program there was dancing to the music of Joe Krall and Joe Sternisha. Wish to thank the helpers and everybody else who helped to put this over in a big way.

June is the month of graduation and again we have a list of the Slovenes who attained this honor: list includes Anne Voncina, Harry Krall, Harry Sever, Louis Leonard, Harold Kaluza, and James Selan. Congratulations to you all.

Gee, a couple of more days and then the big Booster and Dawn of Liberty picnic at Mentley's Grove on the 4th and 5th of July. Music for dancing will be by the Smiling Joe Koracin and his Slovene Aces from station WHJB, Greensburg, Pa. (Soph and Mary heard them at Library a couple of weeks ago and said they're swell, and when they say it, it must be swell.) There will be plenty of refreshments and games for grownups and the kiddies. There will never be a dull moment. Admission will be ten cents. I hope everybody is still helping out in the ticket campaign and let's also have the fullest cooperation of all the members on the picnic grounds. We extend a cordial invitation to all outsiders.

This and that: You women better get your rolling pins out and start practicing. We won't include you with it this year yet, Beanie. Jenie giving a demonstration of a ginger ale shampoo at the dance. Mil and Leah leaving us so early. Lojzek certainly having a swell article last week, same goes for you Louie Kluck. Helen winning the grand prize at the last Booster meeting. Danica surely can go to town on the yu-hu's. Lojzek and his sister Mil sure went to town on the recent drive. Glad to see the Krens and Batchens from Buffalo at our dance.

VIOLET WIDGAY, 325.

Yukon "Silver Stars" Hold Picnic July 5

YUKON, PA.—Once again SNPJ lodge 729 is back in the picture, this time announcing another big affair, a picnic and dance Sunday, July 5, at the Yukon Miners Grove. The ever-popular barbecue (roast pig) will be on the menu as well as other good refreshments of all kinds.

We have decided to turn the proceeds of this affair into war bonds. So a cordial invitation is extended to all neighboring lodges to help us make this affair a grand success. The greater attendance we have, the greater amount of U. S. war bonds we'll buy to help defeat our enemy.

Music will be furnished by the ever-popular Faulk Brothers, our home town boys who really can swing out on those polkas and modern tunes. So plan now to spend July 5 with us, and make a real holiday weekend by being present. (In case of rain the affair will be held at the Slovene Hall.)

CAROLYN ZALAKAR, Sec'y.

Duty to our country must become a passion with us.

Our Members in U. S. Forces Fight for Human Rights

SEVENTH REPORT

- Lodge 4: Tom Zajec, Anton Gorse, Frank W. Shubat and John Zadel.
- Lodge 31: Frank Petric and Ladislav Franko.
- Lodge 47: Frank Lazar, Joseph Ovca Jr. and Leo Povse.
- Lodge 48: Anthony Valencic, Joseph Koprivnik, John Rezel, Joseph Zellis and Anthony Kalusa.
- Lodge 59: Frank Stefanich.
- Lodge 73: Frank Markovic Jr. and Frank Markun Jr.
- Lodge 88: Karol Maccek, Louis Grosnik, Frank Dolenc, Henry Mocnik, Edward Mocnik, Frank Avbel, Martin Klobcar, Thomas Kneas, Albert Kneas, Tony Kneas, Anton Butja, Karol Butja, Lawrence Battic, Frank Raspotnik, Joseph Troha and Mike Kolenc.
- Lodge 100: William Brolick, William Gram, Edward Hansen, Louis Knudsen, Edwin Putz, Joseph Puzell Jr. and Ernest Vrhovnik.
- Lodge 120: Matt Pless, Rudy Radosevich, Chas. Iskra, John Pless, Joe Pless, John Butkovich, John Kezele and Chas. Matkovich.
- Lodge 141: Frank Habjan.
- Lodge 142: Frank Unetic, James Patsche, Anthony Spiller, Joseph Skebe, Jacob Troha, Martin Krasovec, Frank Burja, Mike Vukcevic, Jacob Porenta, Frank Zaletelj, Victor Susiarsic, Anthony Mah and Fred Mah.
- Lodge 180: Anton Slapar Jr.
- Lodge 267: Albin Krusich.
- Lodge 295: Joseph H. Klementa, Michael Capo and Frank Henigman.
- Lodge 387: Frank Laurich, John Carr, Joseph Debelak and Albert Mikulich.
- Lodge 518: Louis Krstanik and Jacob Krsianik.
- Lodge 567: Martin J. Banich, Frank F. Banich and Edward Jansen.
- Lodge 570: Ofis Istenich and Gabriel Barriah.
- Lodge 589: Frank Sierle, Max Senkinc, Matt Skettel, Rudolph Tomsic, Jacob Tomsic, Frank Tomsic, William Yereb and Frank Zusek.
- Lodge 615: Victor Chadez.
- Lodge 626: Mike Drobnic, Anthony Ocepok, Henry Novak, Joseph Lukesic, Frank Platner Jr. and Anthony Znidaric.
- Lodge 631: Rudy Srybalaki, John Klancnik, Edward Florjancic and Bud Kovlek.
- Lodge 682: Jacob Dolence, Louis Kaslac, Charles Kossan, Arthur Peternel, Adolph Slapnik, Charles Waggar and William Terschel.
- Lodge 729: Tony Laurich.

This is the seventh report of our members in the services of U. S. Armed Forces. In this one we add 104 new names—total to date 1108.

Secretary! Don't fail to send in report of the members of your lodge.

F. A. VIDER, Supreme Secretary.

Golden Eagles

GIRARD, OHIO.—The Golden Eagles and Ljubljana Lodge 49 are ready to welcome one and all to their gigantic combined picnic and dance July 4 at the Avon Park Roller Rink. This is the same place where so many of us spent an enjoyable July 4 a year ago at the second annual Ohio SNPJ Day which was held here in Girard.

We can promise the best in music, with Joe Umcek and his night club orchestra playing from 3 to 8. Jake Persin's popular orchestra which plays over station WRRN in Warren, will play from 8 to 12. We will have a program which will be short but very entertaining. We will also have the "Dawn of Youth" Juvenile Chorus and possibly the Sharon Juvenile group. The guest speaker of the day will be Michael Vrhovnik, athletic and juvenile director. Since he is a new member of the Supreme board, this will be a good opportunity for everyone in this section to see and hear him. He has been doing a grand job and it will be an honor and pleasure to have him on our program. The ladies in charge of the kitchen assure those who come a great distance that a good lunch will be served and refreshments as usual will be plentiful.

The large Roller Rink can accommodate several hundred couples so everyone can enjoy dancing to the two swell orchestras. The grounds are large and there is plenty of shade, so come to Girard for a day of fun and frolic and let the worries slide off your shoulders. This beautiful picnic grounds is located on route 422, just west of the city limits, one mile west of the Slovene Home. It is next to the highway so you can't miss it. There is also plenty of parking space. With all this to offer we say come to Girard July 4 and enjoy yourselves in real Slovene style.

Side Glances: Bro. Ed Prevec will soon leave the ranks of bachelorhood. He is getting married July 18. Sis. Mary Maccek was elected to the Executive board and at the following meeting was elected Juvenile manager. Congratulations and best of luck in your new job. Sis. Mamie Racich and Pvt. Frank Zit-

nik will soon be Mr. and Mrs. as they plan to get married this month.

STANLEY HRIBAR, 643.

Girard Golden Eagles

Well, here it is, one last reminder to tell you if you want to have a good time on July 4, and really bang it around. Be sure to be at Avon Park at the combined picnic of lodge G. E., 643 and Ljubljana 49.

I don't have to tell you that the music is to be furnished by two of the most popular orchestras in and around these parts, for the afternoon will be Joe Umcek and his Nite Club entertainers, and for the evening we'll have that grand bunch of musicians that you hear every Sunday morning at 10 over station WRRM, Warren, Ohio. So if you want to spend the holiday as you would like it to be, make sure you are present at this affair.

This and That: Well, here's some good news that just reached me. Frank Rezek is again with us and I think he will resume his piloting the Juveniles. George Ritter is out of the hospital and is resting up for a few days; here's hoping you get back to work soon, George. Harold Pitt's stepson Bernard Watson, who is in California in the Army, has been rated a sergeant. Pres. Frank Verbic is off of work with a sore back. There are rumors that some of the Golden Eagles might spend a few hours with the Gowanda Boosters on July 5.

All Juveniles who wish to have a large picture of the Circle please get in touch with Kluck.

FRED KLUCK, 643.



This Week

By Louis Beniger

This weekend we will observe the anniversary of the birth of our nation, 166 years ago on July 4, 1776. However, this year's observance will of necessity assume a different meaning. In most war industries there will be no stoppage of work; millions of soldiers of production will remain at their posts even as millions of soldiers in our armed forces will watch the ramparts of our democracy on the far-flung fronts.

Although news from the Libyan front is all but encouraging, there is no reason for despair. Of course, it is very easy to criticize the Allied leadership by saying that it is incompetent. Usually the less the critic knows, the louder he criticizes. On the other hand, constructive criticism leveled at whatever head should be welcome at all times, provided it does not help the enemy. Honest criticism is the democratic way of improving things when called for.

One thing in the Libyan situation is clear—the Nazis are a mighty tough gang to beat wherever they appear and their opponents must be well prepared to meet their challenge. In this respect the valiant Russian armies have fully demonstrated their worth against the Nazi war machine. The Russian did this primarily because they were prepared and because they are determined to hold the enemy at bay at all cost.

Speaking of Russian resistance it is well to remember that the Russian fighters are tough themselves, as their splendid record shows all along the long front from the Arctic to Crimea. They are used to hard life and are able to overcome hardships much easier than those who are used to much easier life. But it isn't this alone that makes them such good fighters. They have the will and conviction and determination which enables them to carry on against great odds.

At this juncture it is timely to mention the much-talked about second front in Europe. That the demand for such a front is great everyone knows. It would relieve the Russians greatly and help them to deliver a decisive blow against their enemy. President Roosevelt and Premier Churchill are well aware of its importance, but they are also aware of the myriad difficulties of opening a second front before the armies are sufficiently prepared. The United Nations cannot afford to launch a second front before they are reasonably certain of a complete success.

Capt. Martincheck



Captain Frank A. Martincheck, United States Marines, member of SNPJ lodge 259, Meadowlands, Pa., is among thousands of Americans on duty in Northern Ireland. He began his military duty as a 2nd lieutenant in February, 1941. Prior to that he was a teacher of English and Science, wrestling coach and assistant football coach at Chartiers Township High School. He is a graduate of Washington and Jefferson College, Washington, Pa. His proud parents are Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Martincheck, members of SNPJ lodge 259, and he has four sisters.

In England 70,000 "enemy aliens" are making major contributions to the British war effort. To these Austrians, Germans and Italians a victory for the United Nations means the recovery of all they cherish. They are at the front, in the factory, in aircraft plants, on the high seas, in the Pioneer Corps and in the munitions works.

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By buying War Bonds we give wings to our planes, wheels to our motorized troops, and the best weapons for all our soldiers and sailors.

Veronian News

VERONA, PA.—They're off! Sounds like a race at the tracks, but it isn't; it's the Victory campaign race. Yes, little by little, the Veronians are creeping up on the leaders. More new members were proposed at the last meeting attended by a nice crowd. It sure makes one feel good when he sees everyone taking an interest in their lodge affairs.

Did you notice how the women were all seated in the center of the meeting hall, flanked by the men on all sides. Yes, sir, the ladies can depend on us men to see that they are always well protected. Plenty of spirit, backed by plenty of action at the meeting, meant that our Club opening will soon be here. Lucky person for the bank-note award was Frankie Slosar, one of our newest members. Don't forget that we now have as our physician Dr. Schall with office at James St., across from the Gulf Station in Verona. Dr. Costa, our former doctor, was called into the services; before he left he thanked our lodge for our past business and also wished the Veronians the best of luck on our New Club.

Guess who: It's tricky, so get set. Somewhere in this quiz you will find the name of the person who belongs to our lodges. Frankie and Johnnie were sweethearts, now one of these or both have a car. With this puzzle, a jigsaw, is an Anne. Here's a clue: The sweethearts were sitting on a love seat stuffed with something that sounds like the person's last name. When you travel on W. R. R. Ave., I'll bet the last and complete name will be easy. Last week's answer, Jennie Effler who resides at 234.

Remembrance feature of our boys who are now in the service. Remember that good looking and polite Charles Latin, who had ways with all the girls and whom we always saw carrying the mail. Not around the baseball paths, but for the Rail Shop where he was once an employee and also a driver for John Gasperich from Oakmont.

Then there was that tall and handsome Rudie Stanik, the jitterbugging fool they used to call. Boy, if Rudie was still around I'll bet he would be winning contests right and left; a friend of everyone, that was Rudie. Then not to forget Joe Cestnik, that shy and modest fellow until the day he got his car, Joe! As they called him, was one person who always believed in cleanliness, a neat dresser with plenty of personality and liked by everyone.

Remember Frank "Toughie" Bostjanick, that rough and ready third baseman of the Veronian softball team, who always had a grin on him from ear to ear. Why "Toughie" used to be called the Pie Trainer of softball, the way he used to knock down those line drives, then toss the batter out.

Who used to be that sun-burned lad you saw walking up the tracks after completing his day's work? You guessed it—none other than John Sepeljak, that easy going kid who was everybody's pal. John worked at the golflinks. Because of the tan he had he was nicknamed the Brown Bomber.

Wonder how Rudie Tratar is getting along at the Harvard College in Cambridge. Here's one boy who used to like his sports. Why many a time dinner or supper was missed by him because of a game. It used to be funny, we would give a toot on the horn, Rudie would open the door, "What do you want?" he would ask. "Want to play golf, Rudie?" "Yep, I'll be out in a minute." All at once the door would open, sandwich in one hand, equipment in the other, away we would go.

Now let me refresh your memory to the slickest little second baseman in softball. Sure, Victor Wyckick. Remember how Vic used to drive that green Ford around when delivering orders for Lenardies, and how lucky this fellow used to be in a rummy game? George Podnar, now with the Air Corps, is the fellow that worked for our local Three Star Bottling works. His pride and joy was the Chrysler he left behind. Here was one fellow that was good on debates, a good fellow to have on your side.

The right fielder of the Veronians, "Say, if I keep this up we won't have a team," was Vincent Crider. Remember how every one called him Vinnie for short, and when he wasn't around over the weekends how everyone would know that he was in Strabane. Also on the list we have Connie Langford who played in the outer garden for the Veronians. Reliable Connie would always be first in front of Jackovics place, with his car ready to pack them in so that nobody would be left behind when playing away.

Here're a few others that were not Veronians when they left to join Uncle Sam but were good prospects. J. Kovac, C. Gorun, T. Wyckick, P. Semecar, F. Dollach, J. Mohar and L. Papp. Gee, it doesn't seem like they are away after looking at all these names.

Highlights of Sports: Mehalick and Vrbancic star as Veronians win another. Mehalick with a homer and triple accounting for half of the team's runs and Vrbancic making circus catches and also getting two hits, were outstanding as their team beat the second place Bellevue club, widening the gap. Veronians are now in first place in the Greater Pittsburgh league. Don't forget the SNPJ Golf Tournament that is being held at South Park on July 12 to determine who will represent western Penna at Cleveland on Labor day.

News Notes: Our Veronian lodge extends its heartiest congratulations to all Veronians having an anniversary this month. Margaret Zibreg who resides with her parents at 310 Penn St., has been ill for almost a month. Won't members passing by stop in and have a chat with her? From the Veronians, Marge, our wishes for a speedy recovery.

"Was I, an Irishman who has been living among Slovene people for quite some time, glad to receive my first Prosveta!" These words which surprised L. Cassol, J. Lesar, H. Majcan and myself, came from the lips of Leslie Stuart, another of our newest members who also was in our company as we sat and talked over a nice, cool glass of beer at the Majcan cafe.

Visiting at the Lesars was Helen's mother and sister who live at Brushton. Weekend visitors were the Klausens, Eddie and Jean, at Jean's mother's home. They also attended our Veronian meeting making suggestions that will be very beneficial to our lodge in the near future.

"Balinka." Did you ever watch two rivals play the game? J. Jagodnik's Verona team played J. Bostjanick's Plum Creekers. Although having such stars as Kumarko, Luzer, and Tony Bozich the team lost to the Plum Creek aggregation who came from behind to win by a close margin.

It looks like Veronian Club will soon be the scene of another farewell party, this time to William Cestnik and Eugene Mokosek. These two six-footers, William a graduate from the Verona High School and Eugene a new find as a Veronian softball catcher, will advance far and fast in the job best suited for them while in the service.

Miss Anne Cassol joined the 100% Veronian Club; when at the last meeting she proposed her husband and son as new applicants.

Congratulations to you, Mr. and Mrs. Mohar, on that bundle of joy that has been added to your household. It will always be remembered by you because it arrived at almost the same time that we purchased our Club.

Until next week, So long.

MICHAEL LIPESKY, 680.

Highlights of Sports: Mehalick

Juvenile Circles

Jolly Kansas Circle Picnic Saturday, July 4

MULBERRY, KANS.—Kansas is supposed to be a dry state, but for the last three weeks it's been very wet. We sure have had a lot of rain out here. The last couple of days it didn't rain at all.

We hope it stays dry long enough so our Juvenile Circle No. 11 can have the annual picnic Saturday, July 4, at Sterle's farm beginning in the afternoon. We invite everyone to come. In case it should rain the picnic will be held in the SNPJ Hall in Yale.

We assure you that you will have a good time. Music will be furnished for those who want to dance. Refreshments will also be served.

CARL ULEPICH, Circle 11.

Organize New Juvenile Circle in Johnstown, Pa.

JOHNSTOWN, PA.—A Juvenile Circle was organized in Johnstown on Monday evening, June 8, 1942. Bro. Tom Bricely, a member of Friendly City Lodge, was the organizer. The youngsters certainly appreciate all that he has done.

Bro. Joseph Culkar, Pres. of Friendly City Lodge, presided at this organization meeting which was attended by sixteen juveniles. In addition to Bro. Culkar and Bro. Bricely, Bro. Andrew Vidrich (Lodge 44), John Langerholc (Flood City Lodge), and the manager, Olivia Chuchek (Friendly City Lodge) outlined the objectives of the organization.

The officers of Circle 47 are: President, Dorothy Rubrecht; Vice-President, James Lees; Secretary, Dorothy Sudonick; Treasurer, Louise Ukmur.

Judging from the enthusiasm displayed by this group and their willingness to cooperate in every enterprise, it will, no doubt, be one of the finest Circles the SNPJ has under its jurisdiction. The members are eager to learn and so anxious to take part in all the activities that they're bound to meet with success. I only wish the adult public possessed some of this exuberant spirit.

Although our Circle has been organized recently (about three weeks ago) our membership has undertaken several projects and activities. Last week in spite of an overcast sky and drizzling rain, we went hiking. Those who are familiar with the mountains in this part of the country know why most individuals get excited about a hike. We blazed several trails through dense underbrush that left us dripping wet. Little Janet Strozar and Paul Lees were practically hidden from view. They looked like two "scapes" traversing the hills.

We visited a fox farm which proved to be quite interesting to the group since the majority of them had never seen a live fox. They also learned the identity of many of the trees and wild flowers—as well as poison ivy. Tommy Churchy just couldn't believe that it was really poison ivy. Strange as it may seem the ivy proved to him only that it was the real thing. We're thankful, nevertheless, that he wasn't seriously affected, just a mild case of it.

All in all we hiked approximately twenty miles, that is everyone except Paul. When he came within three or four blocks of his home, Jack Mishler had to "tow" him in on his back.

We're doing our bit to preserve our democracy, too. Practically everyone has signed a pledge to buy stamps regularly, and the war stamps are being purchased at the meetings every Monday.

On Thursday we completed a two-day rubber drive. Committees of two and three members were assigned certain streets for their house-to-house canvass. Approximately six hundred pounds of rubber was salvaged in that short period of time. All the rubber was deposited in front of the Slovene Hall, where the group was photographed by the Tribune (local evening paper) photographer. Getting all the rubber on the wagons they had provided and then hauling all this approximately a mile, proved to be a picnic in itself. If you can picture approximately 35 youngsters going down Moxham's main street jubilant over the success of their campaign, holding up huge stacks of tires, etc., and tying up traffic every time a wagon broke down, then you know why I'm proud of "my" Circle.

On Wednesday we're having a swimming party. Since most of the youngsters can't swim, we'll have a series of these affairs in order that I might have a chance to give them some instructions in the art of swimming. We can't do it all in one afternoon. It all requires practice. The program for the entire summer has been scheduled, and by the time fall rolls along I believe we'll

Official Proceedings

SNPJ EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Meeting of May 8

Meeting was called to order at 1 p. m. Present were all officers: Cankar, Vider, Rus, Kuhel, Gradisek, Vrhovnik, Godina, Molek. Minutes of the April 29 meeting were approved.

President reports he informed the supreme medical examiner of the executive committee decision to comply with section 10 of the by-laws and resign either from the supreme board of AFU or SNPJ. A lengthy discussion follows, during which it is decided that Bro. Arch's reply in this matter is not satisfactory and that the committee shall proceed in accordance with the by-laws; because the by-laws in this instance were violated the matter is handed over to the supervisory committee.

Letter from R. Travnik asking for Vrhovnik as speaker at Circle's Mother's day program in Detroit. Decided to inform him that speakers are sent only to important and well advertised affairs. L. Schweiger asks for ad in Circle 4 souvenir booklet; a \$20 full-page ad is approved. E. Gorshe's letter is read in which request is made for various items suitable for SNH museum in Cleveland, also for financial aid. A donation of \$100 is approved in accordance with convention decision.

West Allis lodge 104 asks for ad in its 25th anniversary booklet; \$25 is approved for society's ad and \$12.50 for printer's. Decided to sell old addressograph equipment for \$375, the highest price offered.

Secretary of sick benefit submits application for Frances Fricely of lodge 253 for compensation claim from sick benefit fund; payment approved. Director of juvenile department reports he showed SNPJ films at Arma, Kans., May 2, and attended the affair at Kansas City May 3, both affairs were well attended attaining financial as well as moral success.

Meeting adjourned at 3:15 p. m.

Meeting of May 13

Meeting was called to order at one afternoon. Present were all officers of the executive committee. Minutes of the May 6 meeting were approved.

Supreme secretary reports that on July 4 lodge 501, Rices Landing, Pa., will dedicate its new flag and asks for a speaker. Andrew Vidrich was delegated. Report of Donald J. Lotrich on the 20th anniversary of lodge 104, West Allis; the affair was a success. Letter filed.

Letter from federations of western Pennsylvania sponsoring the 7th annual Pennsylvania SNPJ Day; ask for (1) Milan Medvesek and Michael Vrhovnik as speakers; (2) that a sum of money be contributed. Request approved. Westmoreland county federation, sponsoring a picnic on July 26, asks for Andrew Vidrich and Michael Kumer as speakers. Approved. The Chicago district federation asks for addresses of members in its vicinity to solicit sale of lots in Woodlawn cemetery. Request granted.

Secretary reports that Julia Bogatay resigned her position as employee, recommends Stanley Tisoi be permanently employed. Approved. Discussion follows concerning situation in the office where more and more work has accumulated, and that all membership cards must be arranged alphabetically and with the present force it is impossible to complete this additional work. Many more mistakes were discovered made by the people from the International Business Machines corporation purchasing new cards than was anticipated. He recommended necessary adjustments by which the Juvenile Director may be able to devote some of his time for routine work of the Juvenile Department. He pointed out that according to the situation in the office at the present time, if not adjusted in order that our local

all feel that we've had a very enjoyable summer as a result of our Circle activities.

OLIVIA CHUCHEK, Manager.

Juvenile Circle 11 Planning Picnic July 4

GIRARD, KANS.—On Saturday, July 4, all members of the senior lodges and members of the Juvenile Circle No. 11 are urged to attend the picnic that the Jolly Kansans are planning to have at Sterle's farm.

has covered the levee R. R. tracks good time, enjoy themselves in a cool place under nice shady trees and participate in the merrymaking. The picnic will start at 1 p. m. Come early and stay long. Music will be furnished by John Ziebert, member of our Circle. No admission will be charged.

A cordial invitation is extended to all members and friends to attend as a real good time is in store for both young and old.

JENNIE LAMPE, Sec'y.

Meeting of May 20

Meeting was called to order at 1 p. m. All executive officers were present.

Lodge 192 of Milwaukee, Wis., announces its 30th anniversary celebration on Oct. 18 and asks for Sister Ambrozich as speaker; request approved.

Sister Eva Kenzie of lodge 627, Portland, Ore., demands compensation for loss of vision of right eye which loss is 85%. According to the by-laws, compliance with request is impossible; an additional examination is required by an eye specialist.

Cleveland federation asks whether or not the national SNPJ day should be held in view of present conditions. Suggested that this question should wait for further developments.

Chicago committee of Russian war relief asks aid. Sec'y Vider explains the conference he had with their representative. Decided that the Society starts a campaign for Russian relief. Along with the campaign for our own people across the sea, this campaign will last three months, beginning June 22, on the anniversary when Russia was attacked. Society will furnish necessary blanks and other campaign material to our lodges in order that they may help as much as possible.

Juvenile director reports that he received several letters asking when the new rates will be completed. Secretary explains that in view of present conditions when so many young men were called into service, the actuary was handicapped and unable to prepare the four new certificates as promptly as he wished. He will ask the actuary to speed up with the certificates and that if he wouldn't be able to furnish the certificates within two weeks, then he would be compelled to seek another actuary to complete the work. As far as the rates were concerned, part of them were already in the print shop and other material practically all completed.

The following operation and disability claims referred by the supreme medical examiner were approved for payment:

Lodge	Name	Amount
7	Alberta Communal	\$ 25.00
10	Anton Novak	25.00
53	Frank Linc	300.00
138	Frances Vodisek	20.00
165	Mary Krijan	20.00
168	Mike Gassar	25.00
299	Joseph Turkovich	20.00
363	Kate Besleh	20.00
431	Frank Bozicevich	10.00
476	Anna Stojkovich	40.00
559	Edward Hudale	40.00
561	Katarina Mahkovitz	15.00
573	Mary Harrison	10.00
713	Victoria Luzer	10.00
469	Ella Yerbich	10.00
58	Antonia Fajancie	20.00

Other applications for loan for assessment and donation were approved. (Details in Slovene minutes.)

Meeting adjourned at 4 p. m.

VINCENT CANKAR, Supreme President

F. A. VIDER, Supreme Secretary.

The first Liberty Ship unloaded at a Red Sea port, a few weeks ago, was built in a yard which was not yet in existence last year. Tankers have been turned out within a hundred days after keel was laid. A giant battleship was recently finished fourteen months ahead of schedule. Today we are building cargo ships more than twice as fast as we did twenty-five years ago.

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In a genuine democracy, we are willing partners; in a totalitarian country, we are either unwilling servants or conquered slaves.

SNPJ Wolverines

DETROIT, MICH.—Very few people attended the program meeting that was held at Pearl Cowling's, 914 W. Euclid, on Friday night. It is true that the evening was not stated in the last Wolverine article but the address was in the paper and it could have helped anyone that really wanted to attend, that is, by having them call the address; also the night, time and address was definitely announced at our last meeting.

Of course those of you who failed to attend did not hear but if you possibly cannot attend your own meetings, you should by your own power make it a task that you inquire of others who did attend so that you know just what is taking place. Our next program meeting for the Field Day shall be announced soon in this very paper. Any one that fails to do his or her part shall not have a recognized voice when it comes to criticizing the work of the real workers. Please bear in mind—there is no reason for slackers, either in work or play.

On Sunday, Aug. 9, Wolverine Field Day, Harvath Farum. Admission 20c. Chairmen of various committees for Field Day are as follows: Workers, Joe Kern; Supply of groceries, etc., Hank Bozich; Drinks, Lefty Kovach; Financial and advertising, Laddie Zindar; Beer permit and tax stamp, Dan Obed; Sports activity, Joe Cherne; Admission, Pearl Cowling.

Our field day program is starting early in the day. Activities and sports shall start as early as 10:30. Do plan to come early so it can really be called a day.

There shall be a softball game—between the men and women. Contrary to ethics—the men shall appear in ladies apparel and bat left-handed, while the ladies will wear slacks or you could say officially the "pants."

Later comes our annual tug-of-war between the married and the single men. We're reminding you to have old clothes on hand so that everyone may compete.

Music shall be furnished by Frank Yankovich from Cleveland. We know you will spend a pleasant day on the dance floor.

We are having our sports activities one at a time so that everyone may be a spectator. Please remember the earlier you come, the better.

We would like to see some of our out-of-town friends and neighboring lodges attend. We can assure them of a good time. Refreshments aplenty.

Important: July 10 lodge meeting on the West Side at 7:30 sharp. Final plans for the Field Day to take place. Be sure you are there. Will the possessors of the mailing lists please present same to the lodge at this meeting. Any suggestion may be made at this meeting.

Last but not least we want to announce that the July 4 picnic of 4 West Side lodge has been cancelled as far as being at Horvath's Farm, but there is a program on hand for the 4th and the West Side hall, 437 S. Livernois. Plan to drive there instead.

H. RUPERT, 677.

Lodges 728-325 Hold 2-Day Picnic July 4-5

GOWANDA, N. Y.—The two-day picnic of the Boosters and Dawn of Liberty lodges will be held on July 4 and 5 at Mentley's Grove which is a very popular spot around Gowanda especially for the young people. The dance floor can accommodate plenty of dancers, there will be plenty of refreshments, and the admission is only a dime.

As most of you know, the music part will be furnished by Smiling Joe Koracin and his Slovene Aces from station WHJB in Greensburg, Pa. Many people have informed us that this orchestra is about the best anybody can get. So come all you guys and gals to the best picnic on the 4th and 5th. NOTE: A \$25 war bond is also going to be given away at the picnic.

We are cordially inviting all you people from out-of-town to attend. We would like to see some of our old friends from Sharon, Johnstown, Detroit, Cleveland, Kane, St. Marys and Youngstown. All you people from the nearby places are also invited to come.

Highlights: Freddy, glad to hear you're still at your post. Violet, what do you mean that I was downhearted; maybe it was the lites. Stan P., you better show up at Gowanda on the 4th as everybody wants to see you again. Our last meeting was attended better than others, but would still like to see more of you there.

LOUIS SELAN JR., 728.

American Labor is making good on the President's pledge to put 60,000 war planes in the air this year. In doing so, the aircraft workers are completing an airplane every eight minutes, every hour—day and night, seven days a week. And don't forget: thousands of precision-building parts from hundreds of factories go into each plane!

LOYALITES LODGE No. 590, SNPJ **ANNUAL FIELD DAY, Saturday, JULY 4th, 1942 at the SNPJ FARM**

START 2 P. M. GOOD TIME FOR EVERYBODY MUSIC BY PECON'S ORCHESTRA

SNPJ Sports

Midwest SNPJ Golf Tournament July 12

WAUKEGAN, ILL.—The first Midwest Golf Tournament will be held Sunday, July 12, at the Suburban Country Club, located about 7 miles north of Waukegan on Green Bay road, the first highway east of Skokie Highway. Entry fee for this tournament is \$1.25, which will include green fees, prizes, and refreshments. All entries must be in by July 3. All entries must be signed by the Financial Secretary of your lodge and must bear the lodge seal. Each golfer's SNPJ certificate number must appear on the entry blank. As the golf committee of this lodge did not have sufficient time to obtain entry blanks, a letter with the necessary information will be accepted or even a post card will do. Send all entries to Elsie F. Gantor, 1201 Wadsworth St., North Chicago. This event is open to both men and women and will consist of 18 holes, which can be played either in the morning or afternoon, but players or teams must designate to our committee when they are competing for prizes.

The individual winner of this tournament will receive a free trip to Cleveland where the National SNPJ Golf Tournament will be held, as well as a trophy donated by the Little Fort Lodge. The winning 4-man team will also be awarded a free trip to Cleveland as well as a trophy donated by the Midwest Athletic League. The individual winner and the winning 4-man team will be based on actual score, and the 4-man team must be designated before starting the round and must be from the same lodge. There will be many other prizes which will consist of war stamps and merchandise, but all these prizes will be based on handicap score with the Peoria System of handicap to be used. This tournament is open to both men and women. It is the desire of this committee to encourage women golfers to compete in this tournament as they have just as much chance for prizes as the men because the Peoria System of handicap gives every golfer a chance. This committee is working hard to try to obtain free trips to Cleveland for at least the winner and runner-up of this tournament in the women's division. If there is enough interest and enough entries by the women there will be a national SNPJ women's tournament to be held in Cleveland the same day as the men's tournament. So come on out all you fair damsels and show the men something about golf.

To all Midwest golfers this committee wishes to state that the entire future of golf as an established sport in the SNPJ depends on the turnout for this event. This sport has been sadly neglected in the SNPJ and this is your chance to put golf on the SNPJ sports calendar for good, so it's on to Waukegan, golfers, Sunday, July 12, and remember the deadline for entries, it's Friday, July 3, no entries will be accepted after that date. In order to make this tournament fair to

everyone and especially to the out-of-town golfers, the golf committee asks that all players appear a few minutes earlier so that foursomes can be arranged. We will endeavor to place a Little Fort man with the out-of-town golfers so that he can help them around the course, and can give them advice as to the shortcuts in playing certain holes.

Little Fort Golf Tourney
Bob Pierce, the University of Marquette star, proved his skill by winning the 3rd Annual Little Fort Golf Tournament, with a one over par 73. Bobby won the beautiful trophy donated by J. J. Nemanich, and dethroned Pewee Dolence, who has held this trophy and title for the past 2 years. More than 40 golfers participated in this tournament where 17 prizes were awarded. Refreshments were served after golf and everyone attending really enjoyed a fine ending to a perfect day. Every year this tournament has attracted more players and is establishing itself as the outstanding sport in the Little Fort sports calendar. A blind bogey was also held with Ed Pierce winning a fine windbreaker jacket.

The scores of the winners in this tournament are as follows: 1st low gross SNPJ, Bob Pierce—73; 1st low gross, guests: Julian Weaver—75; 2nd low gross Ed. Yarc—77; 3rd low gross, Luby Zupancic—78; 1st low net, men: Frank Gantor—72; 2nd low net, Fred Bartel—73; 3rd low net, Alex Drinka—73; 4th low net, Louis Zupancic—73; 5th low net, Pewee Dolence—73; 6th low net, John Renarb—73; 7th low net, Jake Strazer—73; 8th low net, A. J. Saxton—73; 9th low net, Leo Van Laeke—73; 1st low women: Carol Tito—81; 2nd low net women: Edith Dobnikar—88.

GOLF COMMITTEE.

War and Peace

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.—We all know that there were many causes that led to the present war, just as there were many causes that led to all other wars before. Of course, there are social, economic and other fundamental causes that lead into every conflict. But what doctor wants to listen to the fundamental causes of your sickness when your life is in danger? No, he is not interested in them in a crisis, unless your case comes up in a hospital or a court of justice.

We have many social and economic ills all around us, but only about 15% of us seem to think of any fundamental causes, the rest (85%) think only in terms of effects—in terms of a "vicious circle."

Yes, it's no use talking now of "fundamentals" which might have prevented the current war. Nevertheless, it is necessary that we know them in order that we may prevent them in the future. For instance, there is that free enterprise and its companion, free competition. Then we have human nature, emotion, nationalism, etc. Whatever it is, the fixation of blame will not alter or end the war, although all these factors are directly responsible for the present conflict. However, we must learn from these experiences so that we will be able to avoid the same mistakes in the future and thus prevent their recurrence.

It is not easy here even to guess and still harder to state all causes and reasons for war, and at the same time to prepare for a peacetime life that will follow; a peace that would remedy the chief wrongs that was bring upon unthinking and planless mankind. Nevertheless, it is our duty now to try and think hard to find a way for such a workable peace program. We—all of us—must work towards that goal: a peace program in which we believe.

There are many diplomats of all sorts that would be only too glad if after the war everything would be turned over to them once more. It is likely that sitting at the peace table there will be men who have little in common with our daily life, but they will persist and very likely will be heard.

What can the progressive-minded people do to counteract their mischievous actions? Talk peace fundamentals that would work for all the people; strive to eliminate the causes for future wars; see to it that democracy and justice will prevail throughout the world; demand social and economic justice for all, and work for a plan which will enable humanity to live in peace by eliminating all exploitation and injustice. Towards this end all the people, professionals as well as non-professionals, educators and writers, the common people and the producers alike, should earnestly participate and make suggestions for a socially just peace, thus avoiding the "vicious circle." Our American democracy asks us to do this.

Here are a few points of fundamentals as seen by this writer:

1. International control and management of trade and exchange of goods with reorganization of trusts and cartels.

2. International organization of police force to police continents as long as such agency is necessary.

3. Social security with socialized medicine for all who work mentally or physically. The retirement pension rate and age to be determined by a techno-industrial census; maintenance of this agency to be founded either through socialization of fundamental means of production and distribution of goods or by appropriate taxation.

4. Maintenance and guarantee of free press and peaceful assembly, free conscience and free expression of belief or nonbelief.

5. Organization and maintenance of all necessary federations of nationalities and races in Europe, Asia, Africa and South America with assistance to rule where it is necessary but a self-rule where people are able to do so.

6. Acquisition by the head office of federative peoples' government of all patents and inventions, releasing same for advancement of production and exchange of goods, properly remunerating the inventors for their patents or by expropriation if they fail to cooperate to this end.

7. Organization of new school systems everywhere: English language to be recognized as basic language in industrial, trade and exchange relations everywhere, but national and group or home language to be learned and used in schools, shows, social gatherings and places for advancement of their particular culture. All schools to be managed democratically and such spirit fostered everywhere.

8. A democratic judiciary system with provisions to elect and recall officials.

9. International recognition of Jewish state in Palestine.

FRANK PETRICH, 743.

Book That Matters

Japan's Dream of World Empire: The Tanaka Memorial, edited with an introduction by Carl Crow. Harper & Brothers, New York. \$1.25.

Here we are presented with what is supposed to be a Japanese counterpart of Hitler's "Mein Kampf"—the Nipponese plan for conquest of the Orient and domination of the world. Official Japan has denied the authenticity of this alleged report of a conference of high Tokyo officials in Manchuria fifteen years ago. Mr. Crow assures us that the document accurately discloses the aims and policies of Baron Tanaka and his militarist clique. To us it appears of secondary import whether the report is accurate in a verbatim sense. Even what might appear to some as its most fantastic notions are not really so fantastic when one recalls some of the post Pearl-Harbor outbursts of the leaders of Nippon's Big Business and the Big Sword.

It's high time that we learned that with bloodthirsty totalitarian would-be world conquerors their most fantastic is what they strive to realize. The memorandum is especially helpful in revealing the readiness and ability of the feudal-military clique to harness science and industry for waging total warfare. Recent events have served to underscore many of the forecasts attributed to Tanaka, such as for instance, that "for the sake of self-preservation and of giving warning to China and to the rest of the world we must fight America sometime."

Slav Spirit and Our Sacrifice

DETROIT, MICH.—At Detroit's Belle Isle Park, the Michigan chapter of the American Slav Congress staged a rally on Sunday, June 21.

In the morning, the skies were overcast, as though the tragedy of war were casting an evil darkness over the serenity of the isle. The opening ceremonies seemed to dispel the gloom. The sun reappeared, and once more the earth was bathed in a grateful glow of warmth and cheerfulness. However, the sunshine gradually exerted itself with too great a vitality and various noses received a coating of sunburn.

What impressed me deeply was the sincerity and earnestness which the speakers displayed. They have tackled the tremendous responsibility with an ardor admirable to see—the responsibility of uniting the Slavs and all America in a common effort.

The war has intensified the problems of our brother Slavs in Europe to the point of a ghastly struggle for the very blood which courses their veins. They are bearing the brunt of the brutalities suffered at the hands of the Axis villains. Savagery, as practiced by the Gestapo agents, has never before been so horrible. The rifle squads never rest. Bodies are being cruelly manhandled. Girls and women are being forcibly led into a terrible life of prostitution. The Slavs have been singled out, to suffer the greatest of the atrocities practiced upon the subjugated peoples.

To ceaselessly dwell upon these thoughts might lead to a philosophy of despair, but the vital issue must not escape us. Rather, we should steel ourselves to the drastic action necessitated by the barbaric ambitions of the modern-day tyrants.

An integral segment of democracy is a humanitarian outlook toward others—toward those upon whom misfortune has heavily fallen. Japan has been in China for years, yet she has failed to dominate the spirit of the people, because they have retained strong faith in democracy as have the peoples of Europe. The incentive to crush oppression is exceedingly more powerful than the mad aspirations of any invader. People fighting for the way of life which they know, will resist more fiercely than those fighting for the acquisition of more lands.

A year ago, on the 22nd of June, Hitler boasted that his armies would celebrate the Christmas following, in Moscow. Then he corrected himself and said that the Spring thaws would find him in the Russian capital. It is summer again, and he is far from his goal. It required the unbroken fighting spirit of Russia to check the invading armies. The Russian army is the army of the Slavs, of humanity, of democracy itself. It has suffered millions of casualties in its bitter struggle, but it will continue to repulse the enemy if it receives the full support of the United States.

Most of us are not close enough to this conflict to realize that it is a bloody and vicious war. It is like a malignant growth which will stubbornly resist unless we offer a tremendous effort to destroy it. The enemy war machine is huge, and has the advantage of a head-start. We cannot afford to relax our vigilance because of a few favorable reports. Do not be betrayed by a false feeling of security, because it is entirely

plausible to reason that German propagandists should want us to believe that Germany and other Axis countries are torn with internal dissension and dissatisfaction. It would then be much simpler for our armies to be overpowered on every front.

Daily, our young men are marching off to the sinister beat of the drums of war. Common decency alone urges that we lend all of the material support possible to those leaving us for military duty. It is a gruesome, but inevitable thought that some of them will return maimed or sorely wounded. Can even the most cynical of men deny that it is an inseparable responsibility for every civilian to sacrifice and give? Can even the most mercenary of minds object to the direct obligation which has been laid upon our shoulders by the functioning of our democratic way of life?

Staggering under the devastating waste of war, our country is in need of a transfusion of war bonds and stamps. Complacency now, would mean the road to tragedy.

ADOLPH KOSS, 564.

Work Clothes

WPB will soon grant a high priority rating to certain fabrics used in the manufacture of work clothing. At the same time, work clothes will be made to work specifications which will limit the number of pockets and buttons and eliminate such unessential features as belts and fancy backs.

Work clothes, according to WPB's definition, will consist of waistband overalls or dungarees, bib overalls, overall jumpers or coats, one-piece work suits, work pants and breeches, work shirts, aprons, blanket-lined overalls or coats, cossack jackets and oil slickers.

The following fabrics will be made available for work clothes by specified weight or thread count: denims, chambrays, coverts, whipcords, poplins, suedes, shirting flannel, blanket linings, moleskins, corduroy, drills, twills, and sheetings. It is all to the good that WPB is allocating materials and establishing quality standards, what with our factory population growing by leaps and bounds. The better the quality, the less materials will have to be used for work clothing, and the less drain on limited production facilities.

Something also needs to be done about retail prices. They have risen outrageously and the general price freeze legalized speculative increases. Cotton work trousers, for instance, went up almost 30% in the past year; cotton overalls 36%, cotton work shirts 41%.

Consumers Union is conducting tests of work clothes now. The results of the first test—on shirts—will be published in an early issue of Consumer's Union Reports. Other tests on other work clothes will follow.

Sugar Vital to War Effort

First of all, there is a shortage of shipping space and we are unable to bring into our country sugar from other lands. Then, much of the sugar we have must go into the expanding needs for shooting. Every time our Forces fire a 16-inch gun, the distilled product of one-fifth of an acre of sugar cane is used up. In an hour's firing, a thousand field pieces burn up as much sugar as could be refined from a field two-thirds of a mile square. When we save nine pounds of sugar, we save enough alcohol to make—taken together with ordinary gun cotton and nitric acid—ten pounds of smokeless powder.

2-Year-Old Arrival



Peeking from beneath a bandage covering his head is little John Johanson, 2, shown on his arrival in New York City aboard the Gripsholm. The youngsters was injured during the voyage across the Atlantic on the Swedish liner which sailed under an exchange arrangement with the Axis. The ship was stopped twice at sea, but no one was taken off.

Price Control

PRICE CONTROL AND THE WAR EFFORT

This is all-out war. Price control is a major strategy of the home front in this all-out war. It is a part of our over-all economic policy which makes possible the stabilization of profits, taxes, and wages in war-time. Essentially, over-all price controls are designed to keep down the cost of living—to guard the security of every American family—to insure against collapse of the "home front."

These are the immediate functions for Maximum Price Control. Yet in fulfilling these functions, price control becomes major war strategy. The dislocations, economic unrest, and insecurity produced by uncontrolled and rapidly-climbing prices cannot aid in winning the war. They hamper the war effort by creating confusion, distrust and bankruptcy in our social structure.

Higher taxes, sales of war bonds and other economic measures designed to cut down and limit the present flow of money searching for a decreasing amount of consumer goods are all part of the government's effort to gear our economy to total war.

Failure to control prices soon enough and widely enough added more than a third to the cost of the last war. In addition, the experience of other nations during the past few years has given us a guide to the perils and pitfalls of poorly conceived and partially enforced controls.

From the standpoint of today's war, we need Maximum Price Control now because it:

- Holds down the cost of living and prevents inflation;
- Keeps down the cost of war;
- Prevents post-war collapse;
- Gears the American dollar to the all-out effort now being made on our military and production fronts.

What Can the Individual Do?

Understand price control in its role as an integral part of America's all-out war effort.

Study how inflation added needless billions to the cost of the last war because price controls were not imposed soon enough and widely enough.

Acquaint himself with the upward swing in prices since September, 1939, with particular emphasis on the upsurge since Pearl Harbor.

What Can My Group Do?

Discussion of Price Control in relation to the over-all economic problem of stabilizing our economy during war-time.

In cooperation with other groups, bring home this story to the community at large through press, radio, forums, etc.

UNDERSTANDING THE ORDER

Maximum Price Control constitutes the most drastic economic action ever taken in this country. It directly affects more individuals than any other governmental action before or since the war. As such, it is a challenge to the ability of everyone of us to understand its broad meaning and its specific detail as they affect us.

The General Maximum Price Regulation says that no retailer can charge more for goods than the highest price he charged you during the base period: the month of March,

1942. Stores may charge less. Because the Regulation puts a ceiling on individual store prices, some stores will charge more for the same thing than others. Also, included in the Regulation will be ceilings for all services connected with commodities—such as laundry and dry-cleaning.

Not everything is controlled under the order. Unprocessed farm produce is excluded. Other things such as (fresh fruits and vegetables, etc.) fresh fish, antiques, financial securities, living animals are excepted also. These are odd commodities, subject to peculiar economic conditions or impossible to price.

Maximum Price Control is a protection against the high cost of living. Rationing is an insurance that everyone will get his share. The two go together as civilian rules of the war. Price control is the people's charter of security.

Maximum Price Control and rationing must succeed because Americans are willing to sacrifice and patriotically play the game.

What Can the Individual Do?

Many parts of the General Maximum Price Regulation will be difficult to understand. It is your job as a patriotic soldier on the home front to understand everything in the Regulation that affects you directly. Go through your marketing list. How many items are under the Regulation? How about those that are out? You can still shop for lower prices because the price ceiling affects the prices in each store. Cooperate with the Regulation as it affects you by understanding how it operates.

What Can My Group Do?

Your organization is important. You can devote meetings to the study of the General Maximum Price Regulation. Through educational forums and round-table discussions you can work out ways in which your community can cooperate with the Regulation. Your organization can help other people in the community understand the Regulation, the reasons why it was made, how they can cooperate with it, the necessity to our victory program for its success.

This Is a Selectee

He complains about the food but usually doubles back for seconds. He never waits for the supply sergeant to issue him a shooting medal, but buys it out of his own pocket. He would rather be under fire than pull K. P. His dish off the post is spaghetti and meat balls. He is certain his girl is loyal and true and her love everlasting. But he'll bet you your girl is stuck on a defense worker. He would rather drill with a rifle than without one.

Blondes are his symbols of luxury. He would rather kill a Jap than a German because he wants to avenge personally Pearl Harbor. He likes to Lindy Hop. Betty Grable is his idea of Miss America. He'd keep a dog on the post if regulations permitted. He's going to get married as soon as the duration (and six months) is over. He thinks this is the greatest country in the world exactly as it is. He loves this country deeply and with a quiet passion but patriotic orators embarrass him. He'd like to be a parachute trooper.

Benny Goodman makes his kind of music. The classics leave him cold. Mystery stories are his favorite literature. He turns to the sports page first. No matter where he comes from, he roots for the Dodgers. He's a fair checker player. Making his bunk is a drudgery he never gets accustomed to, no matter how long he does it. He thinks everyone else is a chow hound. He resents being called a gold brick but calls everyone else a gold brick. He drinks Carstairs and 7-Up on pay day. Beer the rest of the month.

He may knock his noncoms to guys in the barracks but boosts them to outsiders. He thinks his outfit suffers the most privation in the army. He beefs because he never has enough passes. He thinks he's the snappiest soldier in the outfit, no matter what the field marshal says. He'd rather wear his winter issue because it's classier. He shaves and showers at night to get that few minutes shut-eye in the A. M.

He thinks the firemen deliberately let the fires go down in the night just because he once had an argument with one of them. He's certain that the mess hall only runs out of steak and serves hot dogs when he's next in line. He carries his girl's picture in his wallet, has one tacked to his foot locker, but he'll never turn down a date. He's certain America is going to win this war. He's a very nice guy. Maybe he's the Selectee who sleeps next to you.

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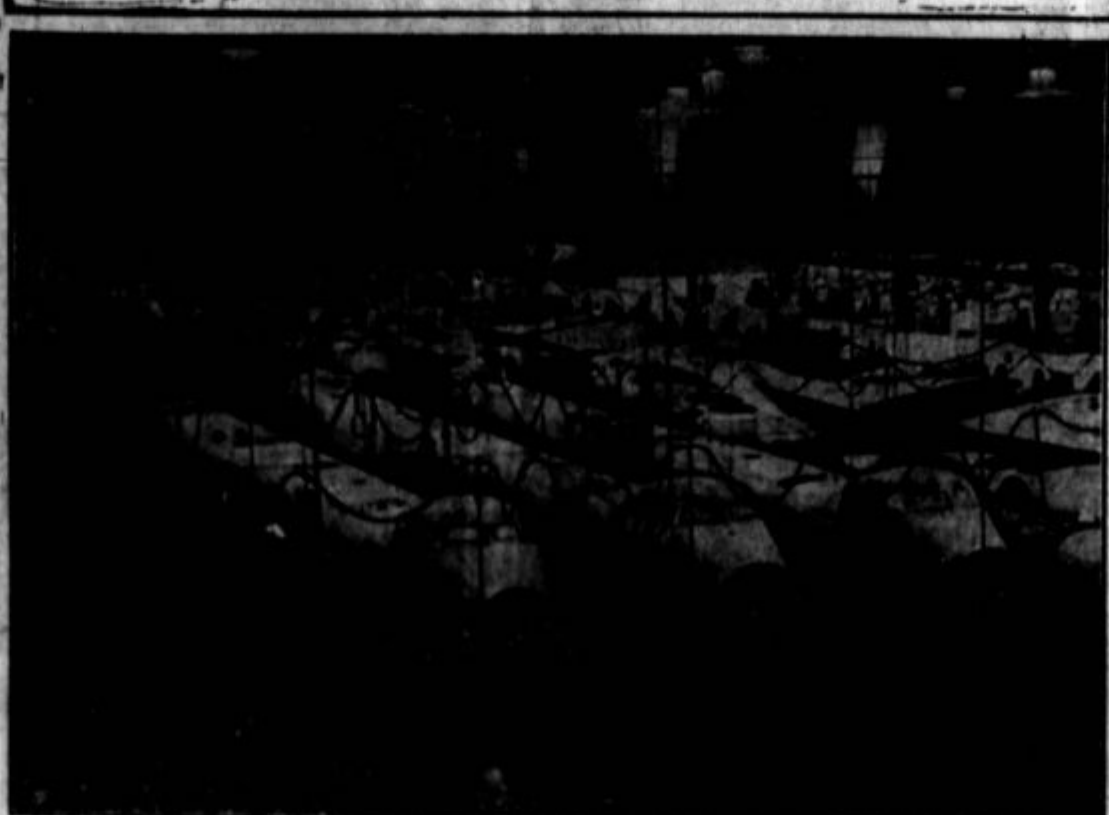
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