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CHURCHILL NAPOVEDAL VEČJE NAPADE NA NEMČIJO

Ameriški letalci potopili devet japonskih parnikov

RUSI V PREDMESTJIH KRIVOJ ROGA

London, 22. febr.—Premier Winston Churchill je danes v svojem govoru v parlamentu napovedal povečanje bombnih napadov na Nemčijo na obseg, ki bo presegal vse dosedanje, zato pa je izrekel svarilo, da bo nemško poveljstvo odgovorilo na napadi letal brez pilotov, raketa ali obojnih na široki podlagi.

To je bil prvi Churchillov govor v parlamentu, odkar se je vrnil v London z zgodovinskih konferenc v Kairu in Teheranu. Dejal je, da so se Velika Britanija, Amerika in sovjetska Rusija na teh konferencah slovesno obvezale, da bodo udarile po Hunih iz zraka, s kopnega in morja z vso silo prihodnjega pomlad in poletje.

Zavezniški stan na Pacifiku. 22. febr.—Ameriški bombniki modela Liberator in Mitchell so potopili devet japonskih parnikov v napadu na japonsko zalagalno bazo pri Kaviengu, otok Nova Irska, poročala glavni stan generala Douglasa MacArthura. V prejšnjem napadu so bombe poškodovale trinajst japonskih parnikov.

Od začetka ameriške ofenzive na morju in v zraku so Američani potopili in poškodovali najmanj 60 japonskih ladij in parnikov. Kavieng leži 150 milj severozapadno od Rabaula, japonske mornarične in letalske baze na Novi Britaniji. Japonci so izgubili tudi 164 letal v spopadih z ameriški letalci.

Pearl Harbor, Havaji. 22. febr.—Ameriške čete so okupirale otok Eniwetok v Marsalski grupi, poročala admiral Chester W. Nimitz. Čete so se izkrcale na otoku po bombardiranju japonskih pozicij z morja in iz zraka. Ameriške izgube v operacijah proti japonski sili na Eniwetoku so znašale 150 ubitih in 350 ranjenih.

Admiral Nimitz je prej poročal, da so ameriški letalci metali bombe na japonske pozicije na otokih Kurilske grupe. Tarča bombardiranja sta bila otok Paramuširo in Šumušu.

London, 22. febr.—Okrog dva tisoč ameriških letal in bombnikov je metalo bombe na središča nemške letalske industrije in letalske baze. Ameriški in britski letalci so v zadnjih 36 urah vrgli čez 10,000 razstrelilnih in zažigalnih bomb na Nemčijo. Letalci so po povratku v Anglijo povedali, da so naleteli na neznatno opozicijo s strani nemških bojnih letal. Iz tega sklepa, da se je nemška letalska sila izčrpala.

Med mesti, ki so bila tarča bombardiranja iz zraka, so Bramburch, Lingen, Vechte, Quakenburg, Diepeholz, Ahlhorn in Stutthart. Zavezniške izgube v taputih so znašale pet bojnih letal in petnajst bombnikov.

Neapel, Italija. 22. febr.—Zavezniški so zamašili 4000 jardov dolgega oz. v svoji bojni črti na fronti na južni strani Rima, katero so Nemci naredili v naskokih zadnji teden. Ameriški in britski čete so reokupirale del ozemlja, s katerega so se morale usklajati pod pritiskom nemških sil.

Izvirniki iz topniških baterij so ubili več sto Nemcev. Eden izvirniški regiment je izgubil dva tisoč vojakov. Sodi se, da nemška sila koncentrirana na fronti, ki se razteza od Cassina do mošči na obrežju pod Rimom, šteje 18 divizij, okrog 250,000 mož.

Biddle obsodil španske fašiste

Moskva napadla diktatorja Franca

Washington, D. C., 22. febr.—Federalni justični department je, da ustavi širjenje španskega fašizma v državah zapadne hemisfere, dejal, da doktrine španskega diktatorja Franca in falangistov (fašistov) so v nasprotju z blaginjo ameriškega ljudstva in ameriške ustave.

Federalni justični tajnik Francis Biddle je naznanil postopanje za odvzete ameriškega državljanstva Isidoru Fernandezu v San Juanu, Portoriko, ker je član Francove falangistične stranke. Biddle je dejal, da bo slično postopanje odrejeno proti drugim članom te stranke, ki žive na ameriških otokih in posečinah.

Akcija justičnega departmeta bo nedvomno dobila odmev v latinskih republikah, kjer falangisti širijo Francove fašistične doktrine. To delajo pod geslom vsešpanizma, čigar cilj je združitev vseh latinskih republik na podlagi španske kulture, ekonomskih interesov in politične sile.

Biddle je dejal, da se španski fašizem ne razlikuje od nacizma v Nemčiji in fašizma v Italiji. Franco kot španski diktator narakuje tudi smernice falangističnih strank, katere načelnik je. Fernandez je bil rojen v Spaniji in v San Juan je prišel l. 1915. Član falangistične stranke je postal l. 1938, ameriško državljanstvo pa je dobil pred dve-ma letoma.

Moskva. 22. febr.—Govornik na tujakšnji radiopostaji je udrihal po vladi španskega diktatorja Franca in falangistih. Dejal je, da so ti le odmev Goebelsove propagande in Hitlerjevi plačanci.

Japonska poveljnika izvršita samomor?

Washington, D. C., 22. febr.—Možnost je, da bosta feldmaršal Sugijama in admiral Nagano, ki sta bila odstavljena kot šefa štaba japonske armade in mornarice, izvršila samomor na odredbo cesarja Hirohita. Premier Hideki Tojo ju je odstavil zaradi poraza japonske sile v bitki z Američani pri otoku Truku na centralnem Pacifiku.

Voditelji nacijev zapuščajo Berlin

Lizbona, Portugalska, 22. febr.—Poročila iz Francije pravijo, da vlaki odpeljejo voditelje nacijske stranke iz Berlina vsako popoldne v podeželske kraje, kjer so varni pred zavezniškimi bombnimi napadi. V teh prebijejo noč in zjutraj se vračajo na delo v nemško prestolnico.

Ruski general umrl v bolnišnici

London, 22. febr.—Radijsko poročilo iz Moskve pravi, da je general Konstantin Leselidze umrl v vojaški bolnišnici v Moskvi. Podlegel je influenci, bolezni, katero je dobil na fronti. Leselidze je bil poveljnik ruske armade, ki je okupirala mesti Žitomir in Berdičev.

London, 22. febr.—Ruske čete so udre v predmestja Krivoj roga, središča rudnikov železa ob krivini Dnjepra, na severni fronti pa so sovjetske kolone prekoračile reko Lovat in zasjede Holm, nemško vojaško bazo, 60 milj južno od Ilmenskega jezera.

Izgleda, da bo Krivoj rog kmalu padel. Rusi so okupirali vse strateške pozicije okrog mesta in potisnili Nemce v past. Moskva poroča, da so Nemci izgubili 190,000 vojakov v bitkah z Rusi na leningraski in ukrajinski fronti v zadnjih štirih tednih. Število vključuje ubite, ranjene in ujete vojake.

ZAVEZNIŠKA POLITIKA V ITALIJI KRITIZIRANA

Laborit zahteval pojasnila od Edena

SODELOVANJE S FRANCOŠKIM ODBOROM

London, 22. febr.—Zunanji minister Anthony Eden je slišal ostre kritike zavezniške politike v Italiji in očitke, da zavezniška vojaška vlada vzdržuje premierja Badoglija in kralja Viktorija Emanuela na krmilu proti volji italijanskih protifašističnih strank.

Glavni kritik je bil v teku debate o vojni in politični situaciji Aneurin Bevan, vodja levega krila delavske stranke. On je hotel vedeti, kaj se skriva v ozadju zavezniške strategije na italijanski fronti. "Pripovedujejo nam, da napadamo mehki trebuh osiča in da bo prišel čas, ko se bomo spravili na hrbtnico," je dejal Bevan. "Največja kriza, ki je pretila nemški sili, je bila zaključena z udarci zaveznikom. Hitler, če se bodo operacije vršile v bodočnosti kot so se doslej, bo lahko poslal vojaške divizije iz Italije v Rusijo."

Eden je odgovoril, da ne more zagovarjati sedanje strategije, ne da bi razkril bodoče strategije.

Bevan je dejal, da so bile vse britske vojne operacije z izjemo onih v severni Afriki proti osišču neučinkovite. Na nobeni fronti ni bilo v akciji proti sovražniku čez 30 divizij.

Zunanji minister je zavrnil Bevanovo in druge kritike z deklaracijo, da so bombni napadi na nemška mesta in industrijska središča ter nacijska oporišča v okupiranih državah integralni del zavezniške strategije. Glede rekonstrukcije Francije je dejal, da mora priti od znotraj, kar ni samo zaželjeno, temveč tudi potrebno.

Poslanec Harold Nicholson je priporočal poglobitev kooperacije med Veliko Britanijo in odborom za osvoboditev Francije, kateremu načeljuje general Charles de Gaulle. Dejal je, da ne more razumeti, zakaj britska vlada, ki je osvojila politiko podpiranja odbora, izvaja akcije v nasprotju s to politiko.

Svedski Rdeči križ za izmenjavo ujetnikov

Stockholm, Švedska, 22. febr.—Princ Carl, načelnik švedskega Rdečega križa, je dejal, da je ta apeliral na Veliko Britanijo, Ameriko in Nemčijo za izmenjavo vojnih ujetnikov v večjem obsegu. Slični apel je naslovil tem državam mednarodni Rdeči križ, čigar glavni stan je v Ženevi, Švica. Izmenjava naj bi se vršila v smislu ženevske konvencije.

Churchill obiskal bombardirane predele

London, 22. febr.—Premier Winston Churchill je obiskal londonske predele, ki so bili tarča nemškega bombardiranja iz zraka. "Izgleda, da so se stari časi vrnili," je dejal delavcem, ki so odstranjevali podrtine razvredanih poslopj in ga pozdravljali.

Mussolinijevo grmenje se spreminilo v šepetanje

London, 22. febr.—Benito Mussolini, ki je nekdanji grmel z balkona Beneške palače v Rimu, je izgubil glas in zda je šepetal. To je razkril dopisnik nemškega lista Voelkischer Beobachterja, ki je obiskal bivšega italijanskega diktatorja.

Domače vesti

Obiski in posdravi
Chicago.—Frank Martinjak starejši iz La Salle, Ill., oče uslužbenke Olge v gl. uradu, in njegov sin v službi strica Sama, poročnik Frank Martinjak mlajši iz Miamijs, Fla., sta 21. t. m. obiskala gl. urad SNPJ in uredništvo Prosvete.

Članica umrla v La Sallu
La Salle, Ill.—Dne 19. febr. je umrla Mary Banko, roj. Mauser, stara 31 let in rojena tukaj. Bila je članica društva Mohawks 573 SNPJ in pevovodkinja društva Soče. Zapuščala moža, sina, starše, dva brata v službi strica Sama in dve sestri.

Promocija v mornarici
Chicago.—Louis Cankar, sin gl. predsednika SNPJ in član Pionirjev 559 SNPJ, je bil pred kratkim promoviran za kapitana v zboru pomorske pehote (Marine Corps), v katerem služi strica Sama v Californiji. Čestitke!

Vesti iz Detroita
Detroit, Mich.—Pred dnevi je umrl Anton Zakrajšek, član društva 121 SNPJ. Bil je upepeljen. Njegova hči Pauline Kenward iz Miamijs, Fla., ki je prišla semkaj k pogrebu svojega očeta, je vzela očetov pepel s seboj v Florido. Najbrž je bil on prvi Slovenec v Detroitu, ki je bil upepeljen.—Lida Platt, članica društva 121 SNPJ in žena predsednika nadzornega odseka pri tem društvu, je srečno prestala dve operaciji hkratu. Članstvo ji želi hitrega okrevanja.—Pri Slovenskem narodnem domu iščejo oskrbnika.

Stalin proti dominaciji Evrope

Rusija ne bo raztegnila mej na zapad

London, 22. febr.—List Observer poroča, da je premier Stalin zagotovil vodilnega člana zunanjih diplomatskih zborov v Moskvi, da Rusija ne namerava raztegniti svojih mej na zapadno Evropo v povojni dobi. On je tudi osmešil sumničnja, da hoče Rusija dominirati povojno Evropo.

"Oni, ki mislijo, da se bom podal na pot osvajanja, podcenjujejo moj čut realnosti," je dejal "Ljudje, ki me primerjajo s Hitlerjem, dokazujejo le, da ne vedo ničesar o politiki."

Stalin je po poročilu omenjenega lista poudaril, da bodo njegove smernice narekovale le strategične potrebe Sovjetske unije. Te predvidevajo le teritorialne in politične preureditve v vzhodni Evropi.

Datumi odmerkov

Meso in maščoba.—Rjave znamke V in W (knjižica 3) so dobre do 26. februarja.—Znamke X so dobre do 26. februarja.—Znamke Y in Z so dobre do 20. marca.—Posebne znamke št. 3 (knjižica 4) so dobre za 5 pontov za svinjino, šunko, slanino in klobase do 26. februarja.

Konserve.—Zelene znamke K, L in M (knjižica 4) so dobre do 20. marca.

Sladkor.—Znamka 30 je dobra za pet funtov sladkorja do 31. marca.—Znamka 40 je dobra za pet funtov sladkorja za konzerviranje (vkuhanje) do 28. februarja.

Kurivno olje.—Kuponi "perid 3" so dobri do 13. marca.—Kuponi 4 in 5 so dobri do 30. septembra t. l.

MOSKVA RAZKRI-LA ZAROTO PROTOKRALJU PETRU

Kriza jugoslovanske ubežne vlade

PARTIZANI PORAZILI NEMŠKO KOLONO

London, 22. febr.—Mnenje prevladuje, da je jugoslovanski kralj Peter jetnik v svojem glavnem stanu v Kairu, Egipt, po razkritju zarote proti njegovemu življenju, katero omenja sovjetsko poročilo. Radio Moskva je oddal poročilo časnike agenture Tass iz Kaira, da so bili štirje člani Petrove osebne straže aretirani na obtožbo, da so ga nameravali umoriti.

Tass trdi, da je prizadete stražnike omrežil neki fašistom naklonjen jugoslovanski častnik, ker so se nameravali pridružiti maršalu Titu, poveljniku jugoslovanske osvobodilne armade, ki ima oporo pri sovjetih.

Najresnejša kriza pretresa jugoslovansko ubežno vlado, katere predsednik je Božidar Purić. Izgleda, da bo general Dušan Simović, ki je vodil revolto proti osišču naklonjeni jugoslovanski vladi l. 1941, prišel na površje kot vodilna osebnost.

Gotovi jugoslovanski krogi v Londonu menijo, da bo Simović skušal doseči zblizanje med Titom in generalom Mihajlovičem, poveljnikom četnikov, ki ga podpira jugoslovanska ubežna vlada.

London, 22. febr.—Jugoslovanski partizani so porazili nemško kolono 600 vojakov v bitki pri Novem mestu na Dolenskem, poročala glavni stan maršala Tita. Nemci so se morali umakniti in pustili so več mrtvih vojakov na bojišču, nekatere pa so odnesli s seboj.

Ljute bitke med partizani in Nemci so v teku v vzhodni Bosni. Nemci, hrvaški ustaši in Mihajlovičevi četniki so utrpeli velike izgube v bitki s partizani pri Rogatici, 30 milj zapadno od Sarajeva, pravi poročilo.

Pritisk na Španijo se poveča

Britski uradni krogi napovedali akcijo

London, 22. febr.—Diplomatični in ekonomski pritisk na Španijo se bo povečal iz Londona v nekaj dneh. Ta ima prisiliti diktatorja Franca v opustitve tedene v prilog osišču in razglasitev "absolutne" nevtralnosti.

Britski uradni krogi niso zadovoljni z rezultati ameriškega embarga na izvoz olja iz karibijskih luk v Španijo in odločili so se za akcijo. Trije koraki so predmet diskuzije v zvezi s povečanjem pritiska na Španijo. Ti so:

Podaljšanje embarga na izvoz olja v Španijo, dokler Franco ne zadosti britsko-ameriškim pogojem. Razglašeni embargo velja le za ta mesec in se bo podaljšal.

Raztegnitev embarga na kurivo in kemikalije.

Novi in ostri protesti španski vladi. Samuel Hoare, britski poslanik v Madridu, je že dobil navodila, naj ponovi proteste proti Francovemu režimu, ki je sklenil nov dogovor z naciji.

Vlada nastopi proti menjalcem bondov

Cela vrata bank, agentur prizadetih

Washington, D. C., 22. febr.—Zakladni department je pričel obširno preiskavo po vsej deželi glede nezakonitega menjavanja vojnih bondov pod pretezo "posojila" na te bonde. Veliko število bank in raznih posojilnih agentur je zapletenih v ta naj-novejši "reket," ki ga je porodila vojna.

Zakon ne dovoljuje vnovčevanja vojnih bondov privatnim bankam in drugim tvrdkam, toda nekatere banke in posojilne družbe so se ognile te določbe na ta način, da "posodijo" na bond in računajo \$1.25 od vsakega bonde, ki stane \$18.75. Pod pretezo tega "posojenja" je bilo že vnovčenih za tisoče in tisoče dolarjev vrednosti vojnih bondov v tovarniških distriktih industrijskih mest, kjer je nešteto slučajev, da pridejo delavci v stiske in poskušajo izmenjati bonde, ki so jih dobili po sistemu rednega odtrgavanja od plače.

Vlada bo, kakor poročajo, uvedla sodno postopanje proti prizadetim bankirjem in drugim menjalcem vojnih bondov, ki se okorišajo na račun delavcev.

Zakon določa, da vojnohranilne bonde vnovčijo le federalne rezervne banke. Noben bond ne more biti vnovčen v teku šestdesetih dni po nakupu.

Stavka zavrla produkcijo letal

Kompanije apelirale na Roosevelta za intervencijo

Los Angeles, Cal., 22. febr.—Direktorji kompanij v južni Californiji, ki izdelujejo pritikline za ameriška bojna letala, so apelirali na predsednika Roosevelta, naj stori korake za končanje stavke v električnih centralah in mestnih vodovodnih napravah, ki je nastala pred osmimi dnevi.

Konflikt je bil predložen Rooseveltu v rešitev potem, ko sta armada in mornarica naznanili, da je moralo 79 tovarn zapreti vrata zaradi stavke in viharjev, ki so poškodovali električne napeljave. Stavkarji so izjavili, da ne bodo popravili električnih sistemov, ki so bili poškodovani v viharjih.

Trinajst šol je moralo zapreti vrata. Uradniški komisije za vodovod in elektriko so izjavili, da je 50,000 hiš brez električne razsvetljave. V stavki je zavezovanih 2300 izmed 5700 delavcev.

Governer mehiške države umorjen

Mazatlan, Mehika, 22. febr.—Federalne čete so bile mobilizirane, da preprečijo oboženo vstajo kot posledico umora polkovnika Rodolfa T. Laizaja, guvernerja države Sinaloa, in dveh drugih. Eden je bil Walter Crotchet, Američan in vojaški učitelj. Dve drugi osebi sta bili ranjeni. Neki moški, čigar identiteta še ni ugotovljena, je oddal strele na guvernerja, ko se je nahajal v nekem nočnem klubu.

Ruski poslanik pri Rooseveltu

Washington, D. C., 22. febr.—Ruski poslanik Andrej A. Gromjko je konferiral s predsednikom Rooseveltom v Beli hiši. Razgovor je sprožil govorice, da je Roosevelt v direktnih stikih s premierjem Stalinom v zadevah konflikta med poljsko ubežno vlado v Londonu in sovjetsko Rusijo. Gromjko ni hotel razkriti detajlov razgovora z Rooseveltom.

TURŠKI TISK ODGOVARJA ANGLEŠKIM KRITIKOM

Odpor proti potiskanju dežele v vojno

VLADA POJASNILA SVOJE STALIŠČE

Istanbul, Turčija, 22. febr.—Obotavljanje Turčije glede vstopa v vojno proti Nemčiji na strani zaveznikov in zavračanje očitkov, da še vedno čepi na plotu in se ne more odločiti, je izraz javnega mnenja kakor tudi turške vlade. Vsi turški listi odgovarjajo na kritike, ki jih pri-nášajo angleški časopisi.

Uredniki vodilnih turških listov trdijo, da Velika Britanija zahteva več od Turčije kot ji je pripravljena dati. Ti tudi naglašajo, da hočeta Velika Britanija in Amerika potisniti Turčijo v vojno, dasi ni pripravljena.

Očitno je, da turški listi ne bi pisali tako, ako ne bi imeli opore pri vladi. Že več tednov se opaža nezadovoljstvo v Turčiji napram zavezniški politiki. Nekateri voditelji so obdoližili Angleže in tudi Američane, da hočejo pognati Turčijo v vojno.

Dopisnik lista London Times v Ankari, ki ima tesne stike z britskim poslaništvom, je spisal članek, vsebujoč trditve, da so odnošaji med Turčijo in Veliko Britanijo dosegli zastoj, ker je Turčija zahtevala dostavljanje orožja v večjem obsegu. Članek so ponatisnili skoro vsi turški časopisi, zaeno pa so naglasili, da je Turčija izpolnila vse obveznosti pogodbe, katero je sklenila z Veliko Britanijo.

Turška vlada je zavzela stališče, da bolj služi interesom dežele, če se ne zaplete v vojno in da je to stališče v prilog zaveznikom. Ponovila je tudi deklaracijo, da bo prišla za orožje le, če bo napadena.

Reorganiziranje finske vlade

Ameriški Finci apelirajo na Roosevelta

Stockholm, 22. febr.—Pričakuje se, da bo finska vlada reorganizirana, ko se J. K. Paasikivi, bivši finski premier, vrne v Helsinki. Tam se bo mudil le nekaj dni, nakar bo spet odpotoval v Stockholm. V Helsinku se bo posvetoval s predsednikom vlade Ristom Rytijem, Edwinom Linkomiesem in drugimi člani vlade.

Doznava se, da se Paasikivije-vi napori glede umika Finske iz vojne in sklenitve miru s sovjetsko Rusijo niso izjalovili. Če bo finska vlada reorganizirana, se bodo pogajanja nadaljevala.

Po vrnitvi v Helsinki bo Paasikivi predložil finski vladi minimalne ruske zahteve in pogoje glede sklenitve miru. Če jih vlada ne bo sprejela, tedaj se Finska ne bo izognila posledicam, ki pridejo.

Fitchburg, Mass., 22. febr.—Delegatje na konvenciji Finsko-ameriške lige za demokracijo so poslali predsedniku Rooseveltu telegram z apelom, naj posreduje v prilog Finski, ki se mora boriti proti mogočnemu sovražniku, v interesu trajnega miru.

Konvencija je poslala apel tudi državnemu tajniku Hullu in kongresu. Na tej je bila sprejeta resolucija, ki pravi med drugim, da so finski Američani z varnostjo in poštenjem pridobili spoštovanje vseh drugih Američanov, da so dali svoje sile in hčere ameriški oborožni sili, svojo kri Rdečemu križu in svoj denar za nakup vojnohranilnih bondov.

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Chicago, Ill. — Poročano je že bilo, da se je v Chicagu ustanovil Združeni odbor jugoslovanskih Amerikancev in da se bodo vršile redne seje zadnje nedelje v mesecu.

Obenem želim poročati, da ta odbor sklicuje velik javen shod vseh Jugoslovancev na nedeljo, 19. marca ob 2 uri popoldne v dvorani American-Bohemian na 1440 West 18th Street.

John Gottlieb, pomožni tajnik

Prispevki za Sans

Russellton, Pa. — Pri naši podružnici 38 Sansa je v teku kampanja za zbiranje prostovoljnih prispevkov za Sans, ki vodi politično delo za osvoboditev naših bratov in sester v starem kraju, kakor tudi za združenje vse Slovenije pod vlado, kakršno si ljudstvo samo izbere in ne, kakršno mu bodo diktirali stari režimovci.

John Kaus je nabral meseca decembra \$11. Po dolarju so prispevali sledeči: Anton Kaus, Louis Flajs, Andy Hrobat, Jo-

Zanimivi članki v revijah

Ameriške revije prinašajo čedalje več gradiva o političnem razvoju slovenskega in jugoslovanskega vprašanja. Večina teh se bavi z notranjo politiko in informacijami o jugoslovanskem osvobodilnem gibanju, ki ga SANS podpira, zlasti po Združenem odboru južnoslovanskih Amerikancev.

Združeni odbor je tudi razposlal na naše podružnice brošuro člankov izpod peresa poročevalca C. L. Sulzbergerja, ki so izšli v New York TIMESu in dva važna govora SANSovega častnega predsednika Louisa Adamiča.

Revija Yank, ki jo izdaja ameriška armada za svoje vojake, vsebuje v britanski izdaji od 30. januarja štiri strani dolg članek o jugoslovanskih partizanih in njihovih voditeljih. Ilustrirana je z mnogimi slikami in članek jedrnatno razpravlja o tem neprimernem, čudovitem odporu, ki ga vodijo demokratični elementi Jugoslavije od Slovenije do grških meja.

Tajnike naših postojank prosimo, da prejeti material razdelijo med svoje člane in druge zainteresirane rojake in Amerikance čim ga prejmejo. Ni treba čakati se. Niti niso iztisi namenjeni, da bi se valjali po tiskovni mizi in predalih. Razdelijo se naj, kolikor je mogoče. In če prejeto število ne zadošča, je zahtevi in potrebi, nas obvestite.

Mirko G. Kuhel.

Frank Jelnikar, Frank Rome, John Bizjak, Frank Gorshin, Jakob Pompe, Anton Vidie st., Louis Stok, Joseph Miklich, Anton Hwostow, Nick Sempor; po 50c John Volkov in John Orešek. Na seji so darovali sledeči: Leo Divjak \$2, po dolarju pa Joe Tomšič, John Gorsha, Lawrence Kokel.

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Apeliram na vse člane podružnice, da se polnoštevilno udeležite seje, ki se vrši vsako četrto nedeljo v mesecu v Slovenskem domu v Acmetoniji.

Frank Gruđen, blagajnik.

Vabilo na Sansovo sejo

Harwick, Pa. — Kot je v tej okolici znano že vsakemu zavednemu Slovanu, je podružnica 38 Sansa v Acmetoniji pridno na delu z zbiranjem prispevkov za pomoč trpinom v Sloveniji. Na zadnji seji izvoljeni odbor apelira na vse rojake, da pristopijo k podružnici in pomagajo do rešitve trepih bratov in sester v starem kraju.

Zal, da 23. jan. niso bili vsi na Sansovem shodu v Pittsburghu, da bi slišali govornike kot so Etbir Kristan, Janko Rogelj in Anna Krasna. Njih govori so segli vsakemu v srce. Torej ko pridejo do vas nabirajte prispevkov za Sans, ne izgovarjajte se, marveč sežite v žep in prispevajte liberalno po svoji moči.

Včasih se na primer sliši izgovor: "Ja, ali pa tudi veste, da bodo dobili ta denar v starem kraju? Ne bodimo tako majhni, kadar gre za tako veliko stvar. Nihče naj ne bo v skrbeh, da bo šel denar v privatne žepke, marveč se bo porabil za to, za kar je namenjen. Za to imamo garancijo v poštenosti voditeljev, ki so na čelu Sansa in pomožni akcije. Bodimo demokratični. Čast vsem, ki se zanimajo za to stvar.

Odborniki naše podružnice za to leto so: Predsednik Tony Klemenčič, podpredsednik John Artach, tajnika Mary F. Prasnikar, blagajnik Frank Gruđen, zapisnikar Jakob Pompe.

Mary F. Prasnikar.

Seja podružnice 2 Sansa

Chicago. — Prihodnjo soboto zvečer, 28. febr. bo zopet seja naše podružnice 2 Sansa. Člani in članice, pridite gotovo vsi, prav tako ste vabljeni ostali, ki še niste člani, ker na seji izveste veliko zanimivega. Na primer na zadnji seji je bil tajnik Sansa Mirko Kuhel, ki je povedal veliko o delu te ustanove in o ZOJSA, kakor tudi o bojih partizanov v Jugoslaviji. Tisti, ki ste bili navzoči, veste, kako pazno smo sledili njegovim besedam.

Na tem mestu izrekam br. Kuhlju v imenu članstva iskreno zahvalo, ker je kljub svoji zaposlenosti žrtvoval več ur časa in prišel na našo sejo. V soboto zvečer bo pa med nami br. Vincent Cankar, ki nam bo gotovo zopet povedal kaj važnega in zanimivega. Torej člani, pridite gotovo na prihodnjo sejo. Vedite, da se z malimi mesečnimi prispevki veliko pomaga našemu trpečemu narodu, če nas je več skupaj.

Na zadnji seji smo izvolili sledeči odbor za to leto: Predsednik Louis Volk, tajnik John Turk, blagajnik Ludvik Katz, zapisnikar Frank Teropišč, nadzorniki Joseph Vreček, Philip Sober in Jennie Volk. Udeležba je bila dobra, toda upamo, da bo v soboto še boljša. Naš novi predsednik nam je povedal, da bo odprl vsako sejo ob določnem času, to je ob osmih. Torej odločite se vsi in v soboto gotovo pridite na sejo ob določeni uri. Po seji bo kot navadno malo prijetne domače zabave. Ludvik Zupančič je obljubil, da bo prinesel s seboj svojo harmoniko.

John Turk, tajnik.

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Društvene priredbe

Vabilo na 35-letnico društva Lunder-Adamiča

Cleveland, Ohio. — Čas beži, da človek sam ne ve kako in kdaj. Zdi se mi kot da je par let od časa, ko me je prijatelj poklical na sestanek neko nedeljo dopoldne v mesecu decembru leta 1908. Prišel se je pogovor, kako ustanoviti novo dramsko društvo, s praznimi rokami in brez cvenka v žepu. Vodja je bil Jakob Hočevar, kateri je spisal igro "Krvava noč v Ljubljani". Po daljšem razmotranju smo sklenili, da gremo na delo. In res—rečeno, storjeno.

Šli smo najprvo okrog svojih ožjih prijateljev, da smo jih nagovorili za idejo. V mesecu januarju je bil prvi sestanek, na katerem je bil izvoljen začasni odbor; obenem je bilo izbrano tudi ime dramskega društva v počast padlih žrtev v beli Ljubljani—Lunder in Adamič.

Preteklo je 35 let, odkar je Nemeč pokazal svojo mržnjo do Slovencev. Poslal je vojaštvo na ulice s puškami in bajoneti ter streljal na bežeče ljudstvo. Dva strela sta zadela nedolžne žrtve, Rudolfa Lundra in Ivana Adamiča. Pasa imenovana igra se je uprizorila meseca marca dvakrat zaporedoma leta 1909. Istega leta v mesecu juniju se je s 13 člani pričelo podporno društvo, katero se je priključilo k Slovenski svobodomiselnici zvezi.

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V blag spomin druge obletnice smrti predragega nezopabnega soproga Josepha Klančnika kateri je preminul 23. februarja 1942. Ljubljani soprogo, oče in stari oče, dve leti je že minulo, od kar si zapustil nas za vedno. A naša srca še vedno žalujejo za Teboj. Blag spomin na Te ostane v naših srcih do konca življenja našega.— Zalujoča soproga Mary Klančnik in ostali. Detroit, Mich.

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MARIJA DEŽMAN Pokojna je bila rojena 24. februarja 1873 v vasi Groblje, fara St. Jernej na Dolenskem, odkoder je prišla v to deželo pred 42 leti. Bivala je vs čas v La Salle, Illinois. Pogreb se je vršil po katoliškem obredu dne 23. januarja 1944 na St. Vincent pokopališču. Blaga mama so spadal k društvu Sv. Barbare št. 3. A.B.Z. Zahvalim se stricu Antonu Jordanu in teti Ani za krasni venec in za obiske v času bolezni. Hvala vsem prijateljem in sosedom za pomoč v času žalosti. Nadalje se zahvalim sledečim za darovane sv. mase: tetam mrs. Theresa Jordan in mrs. Agnes Jordan, mr. & mrs. August Jordan, mr. & mrs. Louis Jordan, Chicago, mr. & mrs. Stanley Kaspinski, Chicago, mr. & mrs. Paul Cohard, mr. & mrs. Michael Kolcanski, mr. & mrs. Charles Smith, Peru, Ill. Društvo Sv. Barbare št. 3, mrs. Louise Jercac, družini Kobač, Antonu Piletic st., mr. & mrs. Frank Selim, Ann Piletic, mr. & mrs. Geo Verderbar, mr. & mrs. J. Bulella, mr. & mrs. Elwood Boumpo, mrs. Theresa Moharich, družini Gus Treagar, družini Bartolo in Vic Novak, mr. & mrs. Ignatz Benks, De Pue, Ill. družini Krogulski in Borostowski, mrs. Jennie Bruder, mrs. Mary Stukel, mr. & mrs. Anton Strukel, mr. & mrs. V. F. Urbanouski, mr. & mrs. Joseph Furlan, mr. & mrs. Frank Kolovski, mr. & mrs. Harold Prentice, mr. & mrs. Jos. Anglavar in mr. & mrs. Lad Tomaszewski. Hvala našemu pogrebniku mr. Charles Shinkus za tako lepo urejen pogreb, in vsem, ki ste prišli rajno mamo kroglet ter vsem, ki ste nam pisмено izrazili sožalje. Tebi draga mama in sestra se želimo počivati v miru in lahki naj Ti bo ameriška zemlja.—Zalujoči ostali: Marija Krogulski, hči: Anton Jordan, Muskegon, Mich., brat: Paula Jean in Kenneth Krogulski vnuk in vnukinja.

Federacije S. N. P. J.

Zapisnik federacije na antracitu Forest City, Pa. — Zadnja seja okrožne federacije SNPJ se je vršila na Miners Millsu in predsednik jo odpre ob dveh popoldne. Navzoča so društva 124, 204 in 432, odtotno pa društvo 513. Tajnik slednjega društva poroča pisмено, da še ostajo pri federaciji in da so plačali članarino. Tajnik poda šestmesečne račune. V blagajni je 30. jan. \$92.07. Nadzorni odbor poroča, da so računani v redu.

Poročila zastopnikov. Vsi poročajo, da društva še ostanejo v federaciji. Br. Baloh poroča, da se njih društvo 204 priključi Sansu in priporoča, da bi enako storila tudi druga društva in če mogoče, ustanovila postojanko Sansa. Br. Frank Vratarih priporoča, da bi se tudi v teh krajih oprijeli Sansa in če mogoče, priredili shod na poletje in za-interesirali vse Slovence, Hrvatse in Srbe. Za govornika bi povabili pisateljica Louisa Adamiča.

Nato se prične precej obširna razprava in zaključni se, da se vrši tak shod v Wilkes Barreju in če mogoče tudi v Forest Cityju, če bo tam zanimanje za tak shod. Oba shoda bo organizirala naša federacija.

Nato predsednik poroča, da smo pri federaciji izgubili dva mlada člana, ki sta padla v vojni. Društvo 124 je izgubilo Josepha Jereba, ki je pogrešan nekje na Pacifiku. Društvo 513 pa je izgubilo Feliksa Ogrina (?), ki je bil ubit pri vojaki v letalski nesreči. Zastopniki vstanejo v znak sožalja.

V odbor za 1944 so izvoljeni: Frank Vratarih, predsednik, Ralph Koncnik, podpredsednik, John Kogoj, tajnik-blagajnik, Louis Sasso, zapisnikar; nadzorniki so John Mornič, Frank Ogrin, Teodor Colina, organizatorji pa Vincent Strazar, Martin Zaplatnik in John Kogoj.

Prihodnja seja se vrši 25. junija v Forest Cityju ob dveh popoldne v dvorani društva 124. Zaključek seje ob 4. popoldne. Louis Sasso, zapisnikar.

Zapisnik clevelandске federacije Cleveland. — Sledeče je zapisnik letne seje clevelandске federacije društev SNPJ, ki se je vršila 22. jan. Predsednik Matt Petrovich jo odpre ob 8:10 zvečer. Prečitan in sprejet je zapisnik novembrske seje, ker v decembru ni bilo seje.

Predsednik prečita pismo iz glavnega urada SNPJ, v katerem nas obveščajo, da bodo poslali \$90 vsake tri mesece za kritje stroškov mladinskega pevskega zbora SNPJ in prosijo, da jim pošljemo račune vsakega četrt leta.

Društvo 257 poroča, da bodo volili zastopnike za federacijo od časa do časa. Društvo 590 ne more poslati zastopnikov. Društvo 544 je izvolilo sestro Karu-etic za zastopnike. Društvo 53 priporoča, da bi se federacijske seje vršile v nedeljo popoldne, toda je sklenjeno, da še v bodoče obzorju v soboto zvečer. Prečitani so računi in odobreni nadzornem odboru.

Zastopniki izletniške farme SNPJ poročajo, da so izvolili direktorij, v katerem so večino mlajši zastopniki, 16 po številu. Poročajo o gospodarskem območju in upajo, da bo ta ustale v tem letu še bolj napredovala kot je lani.

Atletski odbor poroča, da zadnja veselica ni bila posebno uspešna.

Za mladinski pevski zbor poroča br. Stokel, da zelo dobro napreduje in da šteje 70 pevcev. Vsi člani je daroval \$10 v ta namen. Frank Karish, 79-letni član iz Minnesote pa nam je poslal v pomoč zboru, kateremu želimo uspeh. Zbor se sedaj ukvarja s pesmi in meseca maja bo imel obeta podati svoj koncert. Ima tudi nekaj solistov. Poročajo je zelo dober in prijeten; otrokom daje naloge in jih sproščevala. Zbor ima v prihodnjem letu dva uro. Br. Zaman poroča, da brata Stokelna, ker se je trudil za organiziranje tega zbora. Za izbero imena zbora se vršil contest v Mladinskem klubu. Sklenjeno je, da ima od-

bor moč, da izplača do \$25 v nagradah. Odbor za zbor se bo po- višal od pet na osem članov.

Poročila zastopnikov: Društvo 5 proslavi 40-letnico 5. maja. Društvo 28 proslavi 35-letnico 4. marca. Društvo 126 ima veselico 19. febr. Zastopniki ostalih društev poročajo o navadnih aktivnostih — o nakupovanju bon-dov, podpiranju Sansa in JPO-SS.

K federaciji so v tem letu pri-ključena sledeča društva: št. 5, 26, 28, 53, 126, 129, 135, 137, 139, 142, 147, 158, 185, 257, 264, 318, 442, 450, 477, 566, 604, 614, 742.

Sestra Jerich poroča za mladinski krožek št. 38, da dobro napreduje in naj se jih vključi kot člane federacije.

Volitve in drugo: Seje se vrše vsako četrto soboto v mesecu ob osmih zvečer v SND na St. Clair-ju. Plače odbornikov so kot letu 1943. Izvoljen je sledeči odbor: Predsednik Matt Petrovich, podpredsednik Andy Bozich in Rudy Lisch, tajnica Josephine Tratnik, blagajničarka Julia Žerovnik, zapisnikar Carl Samanich; nadzorniki: miss Agnes Jerich, John Zaman in Frank Pod-boršek; zastopniki za farmo SN-PJ: Matt Petrovich in Milan Medvešek, za atletično ligo H. Zorman, Joe Fiftol in Rudy Lisch, za Sans (St. Clair) Matt Lučić in Milan Medvešek, za mladinski pevski zbor Krist Stokel, C. Zarnik, Milan Medvešek, J. Zaman, R. Lisch, sestra Tratnik, Joe Fiftol, Marge Jerich, Agnes Jerich, Marie-Stefanie in Louis Kafeler.

Sprejet je predlog, da se opu-sti priredba mladinskega oddelka v februarju in da se priredi koncert prvo nedeljo v maju, če je mogoče. Zaključek seje ob 10:20.

Carl J. Samanich, zapisnikar.

Društvene vesti

Chicago.—Društvo Slavija 1 SNPJ je na svoji janaurski seji izvolilo spodaj podpisane kot tajnika za 1944. Ker vsi člani ne morejo obiskovati rednih mesečnih sej, ki se vrše vsak drugi petek v mesecu v jednotlivih dvorani, sem se odločil, da bom po-biral assesment doma vsako zad-njo soboto v mesecu od 6. do 9. ure zvečer. To naj upošteva vsa-kdo, ki ne pride na sejo. Gotovo pa je najbolje, da pride na redno mesečno sejo vsakdo, komur le čas dopušča in se seznanj z novim tajnikom in sodeluje pri društvu.

Jehn Trojar, tajnik, 1833 W. 22nd Place, Chicago 8, Ill.

Granite City, Ill.—Članstvu društva 230 SNPJ naznanjam, da smo spremenili dvorani za obdržavanje naših sej. Do zdaj so se naše seje vršile v dvorani Martina Brnčiča na 1400 Mad-ison ave., od zdaj naprej se bodo vršile pa na 14. cesti in Madison ave v dvorani Ilje Boškoffa. Prosim vas, da upošteвате to spremembo.

Milka Posavec, tajnica.

Franklin, Kans. — Naznanjam članom in članicam društva 187 SNPJ, da je bilo na zadnji seji sklenjeno, da meseca februarja, marca in aprila plača vsak član in članica, zavarovana v vseh skladih, po 40c v društveno bla-gajno — ne po 20c, kot je bilo običajno. Oni, ki so brez bolni-ške podpore, pa plačajo po 20c namesto po 10c. Prosim vse članstvo, da upošteva ta zaklju-ček.

Dalje opozarjam vse, da bi se bolj zanimali za društvene seje. Izgovor, da nimam časa, da sem pozabil — ne drži.

Julia Nollmal, tajnica.

SLOVENSKA NARODNA PODPORNJA JEDNOTA

izdaja svoje publikacije in se posebno list Prosveta za koristi, ter po-robno agitacijo svojih društev in članstva in za propagando svojih idej. Nikakor pa ne za propagando drugih podpornih organizacij. Vsa-k organizacija ima običajno svoje glasilo. Torej agitatorni dopisi in naznanila drugih podpornih organi-zacij in njih društev naj se ne pošil-jajo listu Prosveta.



Filmaka igralka Eve Whitney.

Rdeči križ deluje s četami v inozemstvu

Predstavniki Rdečega križa, ki delujejo skupaj z našimi možmi na bojni fronti, zadaj za bojnimi vrstami, so redko razvidni iz ozadja, s katerim se bavijo. Njihova dolžnost je paziti, da letalec, mehanik, pešec in drugi nima nobenih najnujnih osebnih ali družinskih skrbi, ki bi jih zadrževali pri njihovem delu.

Predstavniki Rdečega križa so vedno pripravljeno takoj pomagati, ako je družina nekega vojaka v potrebi ali ako je treba takoj pomagati v kakšni nezgodi. Povsod, kjer koli se ustavijo ameriške čete, imajo na razpolo-gu udobnosti Rdečega križa.

Harold L. Stanton, predstavn-ik Rdečega križa na nekem ameriškem letališču v Angliji, pravi takole:

„Naše delovanje v inozemstvu je še bolj raznovrstno kot doma. Ako pridejo družinske skrbi na površje, tedaj je treba poslati te-legrafična poizvedovanja. V skoro vseh slučajih smo olajšali te-žave tako družinam kot vojakom.“

Da se naši ljudje ne bi dolgo-časili v svojem prostem času, je Rdeči križ ustanovil zabavišča na letališčih in klube v prostih conah. Nudijo vse vrste zabav in okrepčevalnih požirkov; v velikih mestnih klubih dobijo tudi stanovanja, hrano in odlično zabavo.

Vse delovanje Rdečega križa se vzdržuje iz prispevkov in daril. Vojni fond Rdečega križa, v katerega je treba zbrati \$200,000,000, se bo zbiral v marcu. Velikodušna podpora vseh nas je nujno potrebna za izpolnitev tega cilja! Prispevajmo vsi!

V marcu bo Rdeči križ zbiral vsoto \$200,000,000 za svoj vojni fond za leto 1944. Ta denar mora-mo zbrati, ako hočemo, da Rde-či križ nadaljuje s svojim delo-vanjem. Prispevajmo vsi!

Leta 1942 je Rdeči križ zbral za armado in mornarico 1.250,000 daril krvi. Danes je pa plaz-ma tako potrebna, da bo treba leta 1944 zbrati 5,000,000 krvnih daril. Za vzdrževanje takih sre-dišč je potreben denar. Dajte svoj del!

Pod pokroviteljstvom ameri-škega Rdečega križa in Medna-rodnega odbora Rdečega križa so pošiljate hrane, oblačila in drugih potrebščin ameriškim vojnim ujetnikom in vojnim ujetnikom drugih Združenih na-rodov v teku od 1. januarja 1942 do 31. decembra 1943 znašale \$48,562,874. Rdeči križ je na va-ši strani, celo ako ste vojni ujet-nik. Da bi še dalje Rdeči križ stal ob vaši strani, prispevajte vsi v vojni fond za leto 1944.

Skozi ameriški Rdeči križ je bilo od začetka vojne razdeljene pomoči vojnim žrtvam v 30 de-želah v vrednosti \$80,000,000. Potrebščine so bile poslane na Norveško, v Belgijo, Francijo, na Kitajsko, v Rusijo, na Poljsko, Madjarsko, v Rumunijo, Španijo, Jugoslavijo, Finsko in

druge baltiške dežele, v Holan-dijo, severno Afriko, Egipt, Pa-lestino, Širijo in Lebanon, Grči-jo in druge države. Podprite ta tok pomoči! Prispevajte za fond Rdečega križa!

Ker je na milijone ljudi pri-spevalo svojo kri skozi ameriški Rdeči križ, so bila rešena življe-nja mnogih vojakov in pomor-ščakov. Središča, kjer se ta kri zbira, so opremljena z najmo-dernejšimi aparati, ki pa so vzdr-ževani iz fonda Rdečega križa. Zato darujte temu fondu za leto 1944 in pomagajte reševati živ-ljenja vojakov in pomorščakov!

Na milijone paketov s hrano, katere je Rdeči križ poslal ameriškim vojnim ujetnikom in vojn-im ujetnikom Združenih nardo-ov ter civilnim internirancem v Evropi in na Daljnem vzhodu, je bilo prostovoljno napravlje-nih. Toda vzdrževanje tega delo-vanja je odvisno od tega, kako boste odgovorili na apel Rdeče-ga križa za prispevke v vojni fond! Dajmo vsi!

Kadar so družine vojakov v potrebi, jim pomagajo izurjeni delavci Rdečega križa. Drugi predstavniki delujejo s četami v taboriščih in v inozemstvu. Do-brobit vojakov in njihovih družin je ena najvažnejših skrbi Rdečega križa. Toda to delova-nje se more nadaljevati samo, če dobimo vašo pomoč! Poma-gajte vojnemu fondu za 1944.

Rdeči križ je ob njegovi strani. Može in očetje, bratje in sinovi ter hčere v armadi se v slučaju potrebe obrnejo na Rdeči križ. Pomagajte, obdržite Rdeči križ ob njegovi strani z vašim pri-spevkom vojnemu fondu Rdeče-ga križa za leto 1944!

Več kot 35,000,000 možem, že-nam in otrokom v 30 deželah inozemstva je bilo pomagano v teku vojne s potrebnimi, ki sta jih poslala Rdeči križ v Ameriki in Mednarodni odbor Rdečega kri-ža. Pomagajte vzdrževati to delo-vanje! Prispevajte v vojni fond Rdečega križa za leto 1944!

Sodnik za ločitve v zakonskem življenju

Višji sodnik v Chicagu Joseph Sabath je v zadnjih sedmih letih izrekel nič manj kakor 25,000 lo-čitvev zakonov. To dejstvo mu mu gotovo daje pravico, da pove svoje mnenje o zakonskem živ-ljenju. Mož nasvetuje vsem za-koncem, ki hočejo biti srečni, to-le:

Prenašajte in potrpite! Delajte skupaj, igrajte skupaj, uspevajte skupaj! Ogibajte se razburljivih prepri-rov!

Ne skrivajte majhnih misel-nih razlik, dokler se ne nakopi-čijo!

Pogovorite se mirno in odkri-to, dokler se ne sporazumete! Dobra volja, naklonjenost in medsebojno razumevanje so predpogoji za srečno zakonsko življenje.

Delite med seboj odgovorno-sti in zabave v enaki meri! Pojdite zvečer spat s čisto vestjo in ne nosite v sebi v nov dan nič nerazčiščenega!

Žena naj pomisli, da se doma ne da graditi na samem pesku, zato naj dela zanj in mu da, tr-den temelj. Svojemu možu mora pokazati, da ga ljubi, da ne misli na druge moške.

Mož naj si napravi iz žene res-nično tovarišico, naj se pogovar-ja z njo o svojih načrtih, naj ji pokaže, da jo resnično ljubi, da ji zaupa. Da naj ji dovolj denar-ja za gospodinjstvo. Ne dela naj nobenih nepremišljenih dejanj, ki bi pri zeni vzbudila sum o slabših stvareh.

Angleški pisatelj Somerset Maugham pa ne deli nobenih nasvetov za srečno zakonsko življenje, temveč izraža samo svoje mnenje o običajnem zakonu:

„Zakon ni nikaka ljubavna afera, otrok moj! Zakon je po-sledica neumne ljubavne epizo-de iz preteklega leta. Zakon po-meni dom in račune in kuhinjsko opremo in družinski prepir. Z lunino poezijo te zvabijo k ol-tarju, potem ti pa obesimo na vrst plačevanje visoke najemni-ne in računov za gospodinjstvo.“

AGITIRAJTE ZA PROSVETO!

Vojaki Združenih držav ranjeni v bitkah

Washington (OWI).—Vojni tajništvo je nedavno publiciralo imena ameriških vojakov, ranje-nih v bitkah na raznih bojiščih. Sledeči seznam se opira na pre-jašnja poročila. V primeru razli-ke med to listo in med informa-cijo, ki je bila poslana najbliž-jim sorodnikom, je veljaven ved-no vojakov čin, naveden v zad-njem telegramu ali v pismu:

Jugosapadni Tihl ocean:
Sgt. Nikolaj C. Laboda, Ma-laga, N. J.

Sredozemlje:
Cpl. Edward J. Pacenka, Mas-peth, N. Y.
Pfc. Joseph J. Lakota, Clevel-land, Ohio.

St. Sgt. Charles H. Kazura, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Pvt. Nik H. Vojtovich, Stan-ley, Wis.

Sgt. Nikolaj M. Božič, Chica-go, Ill.
Pvt. Leonard E. Malak, Chica-go, Ill.

St. Sgt. Frank R. Petrovic, Cleveland, Ohio.
Pvt. John Rosandich, Gran-ton, Wis.

Pvt. John S. Yurasich, Wheel-ing, W. Va.
Pfc. Peter J. Jurevecz, Wey-mouth, Mass.

Sgt. Chris Gokovich, Bisbee, Ariz.
St. Sgt. Steve M. Stankovich, Walnut, Pa.

Pfc. William Markovich, Pitts-burgh, Pa.
Tech. 4th Gd Peter N. Gaspa-rich, Flint, Mich.

Pvt. Frank Lelakatch, River Rouge, Mich.
Cpl. Peter Krentsa, Yonkers, N. Y.

Cpl. Joseph J. Jusek, Clevel-land, Ohio.
Cpl. George M. Koharcik, Windbar, Pa.

St. Sgt. Vincent J. Ykamavich, Scranton, Pa.
Pvt. Joseph Ciganovich, Chi-cago, Ill.

Pvt. Joseph Repar, Pawtucket, R. I.
Cpl. Carl J. Rozich, Joliet, Ill.

Pvt. Edward P. Ustaski, Joliet, Illinois.
Pfc. Henry Nedapod, Neward, N. Y.

Pvt. Frank Panjic, York, Ala.
Tech. 3rd Gd Anton Ozanich, Sacramento, Calif.



Rusi govore Rumuncem

Washington, 14. febr. (ONA).—Sovjetski list 'Vojna in delav-ski razred' je napadel rumunske-ga ministrskega predsednika Iona Antonescuja in njegovo vlad-o ter obenem opisal narašča-jočo nemško aktivnost, katere cilj je, da obdrži Rumunsko na-dalje v vojni.

Moskovski radio, katerega od-dajo so zabeležili monitorji fed-eralne komisije za informacijo, je izjavil, da omenjeni ruski list obsoja "izredno kruto zatiranje" vseh protinemških manifestacij. Obenem pa pravi ta ruski list, da se "upornost in opozicija širi med rumunskim prebivalstvom navzile tem krutim ukrepom."

Članek sovjetskega časopisa pravi dalje, da je v vseh slojih rumunskega prebivalstva nastalo ogromno ogorčenje, ker je deže-la popolnoma izmožgana in izčr-pana, ker je lakota in pomanj-kanje in ker je bilo izgubljenih na stotine ruskih vojakov —in vse to le v prid nemški po-zrešnosti in nemškim interesom, ki so povsem nasprotni in narav-nost sovražni rumunskim intere-som.

"V tovarnah v Bukarešti in na petrolejskih poljih v Ploestu na-stajajo stanke. Kmetje po va-seh se upirajo. Po mestih se ne-prestano ponavljajo izgredi že-na."

Casopis poroča nato, da prire-ja Antonescu propagandne se-stanke širom vse dežele, da bi opravičil svojo politiko. "V svo-jem paničnem strahu pred bliža-jočo se uro obračuna se Antone-scu in Cokar zvijsata v kréh, laže-ta narodu, obljubljata zmage ne-kje v bodočnosti, obenem pa iš-četa zagovornikov v nasprotnem taboru. Še vedno se nadejajo, da jim bo uspelo obnoviti amnesti-jo. Tako tirajo Rumunijo v pog-in in pomagajo Hitlerju, ki že-ne njihovo deželo v katastrofo."

Tech. 4th Gd Francis G. Klan-ka, Newburgh, N. Y.
Pfc. Vincent Loncar, New York, N. Y.

Mihajlovičev načrt za Jugoslavijo

Washington (OWI).—Mihajlo-vičev radio, ki je znan pod ime-nom "Iz šum in planin Jugosla-vije", je nedavno prinesel vest o kongresu, ki so ga imeli od 26.-28. januarja Mihajlovičevi pri-staši nekje v jugoslovanskih go-rah. Kongres je izjavil, da je načrt ljudstva za bodočo Jugo-slavijo sledeči:

"Vzpostavljene in povečanje Jugoslavije z vsemi ozemlji, kjer žive Srbi, Hrvati in Sloven-ci. Minimalne zahteve so meje, ki jih je zahtevala jugoslovans-ka delegacija po prvi svetovni vojni.

Jugoslavija bo federalna drža-va s postavno, parlamentarno in dedno monarhijo, z dinastijo Ka-radžodževićev in s Petrom II. kot vladarjem.

Ta kongres smatra, da je trd-na bodočnost Jugoslavije možna samo z ustanovitvijo demokra-tično organizirane srbske fede-ralne države. Isto velja za Slo-vence in Hrvatse.

Vsaki federalni enoti bo dana širokopotezna avtonomija, ki bo dala ljudstvu možnost in jam-stvo za razvoj ekonomskih, kul-turnih, socialnih in drugih inte-resov.

Meje, ki so bile potegnene med Srbi in Hrvati, ne da bi bili pritegnjeni na posvet legalni srbski zastopniki, ne bodo pri-znane. Ravno tako ne bodo pri-znane vse ostale odredbe, izda-ne pred ali med vojno pod tira-nstvom okupacijskih čet.

Kongres želi, da se med reor-ganizacijo države podvzame uvedba radikalnih ekonomskih, socialnih in kulturnih reform, ki so v duhu našega časa in potre-be Srbam, Slovincem in Hrvat-om.

Osnovni principi demokracije bodo odločili ne samo v politič-nem, temveč tudi v ekonom-skem, socialnem in kulturnem življenju narodov.

Vsi Jugoslavoani bodo uživali take politične pravice in svobo-do, da bodo mogli imeti odločil-no besedo v državnih zadevah kot samoupravna celota. Vsak Jugoslovian bo imel možnost za popolni kulturni razvoj in sred-stva, da si zavaruje zase delo in dobrobit svoji družini in so-cialno zaščito za vse."

To poročilo so zabeležili mon-itorji Združenih držav in so ga sporočili OWI.

All ste naročeni na dnevnik "Prosveta"? Podpirajte svoj list!

Red Cross Field Men Deliver Supplies, Provide Recreation Despite Enemy Fire



Field director Don Morse (above) makes his daily round in a borrowed jeep at his Pacific jungle outpost. Right above: Frank Baron and John H. Webb, who followed the 37th Army division into Bougainville, chat with Pvt. Walter Zaesky. Right: Edward Koslowski serves doughnuts amid ruins somewhere in Italy.

SILHOUETTED against a Paci-fic sky at night, American fighting men relieved from action for a much-needed rest watched an American movie, hidden from enemy eyes by heavy tropical jungles. In the background a Navy chaplain listened as his companion, an American Red Cross field director, spoke of his work.

"... Yes, Padre," he said, "sometimes I feel I am doing the work of a Chaplain, too."

This from Field Director Don Morse of Webster, N. Y., crystal-lizes, perhaps, the feelings of Red Cross representatives who serve American armed forces on today's far-flung fronts. His companion, Lt. F. F. Gehring, USNR, known in the southwest Pacific as the "Guadalcanal Chaplain," recently described the work of Morse and his Red Cross assistant, Raymond McAllister of Council Grove, Kan., in a letter to American Red Cross National Headquarters.

"I wish to pay tribute to the splendid work and cooperation of your Red Cross representatives in this part of the southwest Pacific combat area," he wrote, "who have carried on their activities de-spite enemy bombings and other hazards.

"They have converted a dense jungle area into a suitable recrea-tion spot for all the service men of the island. A large outdoor movie theatre with a tropical set-

ting, a native hut sheltering the men from intense heat of the sun and giving library facilities and game rooms that could house a hundred or more; music, soft drinks . . . and yes, doughnuts, these are some of the wonders performed by Morse and McAllister."

But Red Cross field men don't think of their work as "wonders performed." Their job is to be on hand wherever and whenever needed to do what they can to bring relaxation, comfort, and a boost in morale to our armed forces.

Less than an hour after the initial Marine landing on Cape Gloucester, Red Cross field direc-tors Philip Layton and Clarence Anderson reached the shores of that forward post still under fire, loaded with comfort and recrea-tional supplies to serve that fight-ing unit.

When Gordon Jackson, assigned to an American Ranger Unit in Italy, moved up to the front with "his boys," he found his supply problem almost as imposing as that of keeping alive. When an outfit is in action, nearly every hour presents an emergency. A fellow's cigarettes get wet. He loses his razor and toothbrush.

Jackson trekked through mud, rain, and enemy shells to bring up dry cigarettes, matches, candy, toilet articles, and reading ma-terial. He handled emergency

messages and loans.

"It wasn't heroism or love of danger or a wish to work miracles that kept him going. It was his job to look after American sol-diers.

"It should bring some comfort to the folks back home," the Guadalcanal Chaplain put it, "that their American Red Cross has sent capable representatives to look after our American boys.

"While mothers, wives and sweethearts are giving their spare time at Red Cross Centers making bandages for our boys over here, perhaps it will help them a lot in knowing that besides aiding the nurses and doctors in binding the wounds of the boys who fall on the battlefields, their cooperation with the American Red Cross makes it possible for these men to bring comfort and cheer to brave sons so many thousands of miles from home."

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V spomin žrtvam eksplozije Red Lodge, Mont. — Dne 27. febr. bo leto dni, odkar se je pripetila velika eksplozija v tujaknjem premagorovu Montaca Coal & Iron Co. in zahtevala 74 žrtve.

trič se je tudi javila zdravo, da si ni še popolnoma okrevala. Na naši zadnji seji smo slišali poročila gl. odbornikov, ki sta pravkar prišla s seje gl. odbora.

Razne novice od društva V boj Cleveland. — Sledeci fantje, člani društva V boj 53 SNPJ, so šli v službo Strica Sama od moga zadnjega poročila: Albert Božič, Jakob Frank, Frank Gorjanc, Stanley Škerlj Louis Starman, Billy Zure.

Dolžnost nas vseh torej je, da gremo vsi v to kampanjo za pridobivanje novih članov, če hočemo doseči uspeh. Torej člani in glavni odborniki, ali ste pripravljeni sodelovati? So nekateri med nami, ki skušajo res storiti nekaj z dobro voljo.

Veliko teh fantov je bilo v mladinskem krožku, dokler smo ga mogli vzdržati pri našem društvu. Sedaj so raztreseni po raznih taboriščih naše velike Unije. Nekateri so že tudi preko oceanov. Prvi padli član, ki je bil pred leti zelo aktiven pri mladinskem krožku št. 3, je Joseph Strukel ml.

Končno prosim br. Jakoba Nagliča, člana našega društva, ki pa je že več let odsoten iz Clevelanda in ne vemo, kje se nahaja, naj se nemudoma zglašiš pri spodaj podpisaneemu. Prav tako prosim ostale člane, če mogoče kdo ve za njegov naslov, naj mi ga nemudoma pošlje.

Pokojni Joseph Strukel je bil živahne narave in zabaven fant. Vse te mladence in dekleta vidim pred seboj, ko so se učili plesa. On je rad prenašal zabor s ploščami: ker so navadno po vsaki krožkovi seji imel svojo zabavo in ples. Vsem, ki smo ga poznali, bo ostal v spominu. Staršem naše sožalje!

La Salle, Ill. — Dne 19. februarja je tukaj po dolgi boleznij umrla dobro znana rojakinja Mary Banko (rojena Mauser) v najljepši starosti 31 let. Rojena je bila 5. maja 1912 in poročila se je 22. septembra 1937 z Antonom Bankom. Poleg njega zapuščala pet let starega sinčka, dve sestri (ena je poročena Kramer) in dva brata v obročeni sili.

Stanley Jankovich, ki je bil tudi član krožka, mi večkrat piše iz Anglije. Ann Brečić, hčerka družine A. Brečić, ki pohaja kolegij, se sedaj nahaja na počitnicah. Tudi ona je bila aktivna pri našem krožku in danes je lepa gospodična. Želimo ji veliko uspeha pri njenem učenju. Thomas Terbane, član našega društva in že več mesecev pri vojakih, je zbolel in se nahaja v bolnišnici v taborišču. Theodore Možina, sin Jima Možine, se je nahajal dober teden na vojaškem dopustu pri svoji mladi ženi. Nahaja se v Monici, Cal.

Naše pevsko društvo Soča ni bilo več let aktivno, ker nismo imeli pevovodje. Potem se je na iniciativo pokojne Mary in njene sestre Ann Kramer Soča reorganizirala. Dne 15. januarja 1935 smo imeli prvo sejo, na kateri je pristopilo 31 članov in članice — pevec in pevka. Prvi koncert po reorganiziranju smo imeli 21. aprila istega leta, seveda pod pevskim vodstvom sedaj pokojne Mary. Ona je vodila naš zbor na pevskih pestivalih v Waukeganu in v Chicago, festivala v Milwaukeeju se pa ni mogla udeležiti, pač pa jo je nadomestovala mrs. Frances Lepish. Zadnji program ali koncert smo imeli leta 1941.



Zavezniki vojaki na italijanski fronti.

Pri nas smo imeli peyski festival 24. aprila leta 1938 in ob tej priliki je pokojna Mary Banko uglasila pesem "Pozdravljeni, ni" ki je bila nalašč spisana za to privedbo po piscu teh vrstic in se glasi: "Pozdravljeni vi, naši pevci, ki tak daleč prihli ste, da naše pesni zadonijo kot še prej nikoli ne — Prešeren, Naprej, Sava, Slovan in Waukegan, Soča vas pozdravlja, ker ste prišli v La Salle, da se pozdravljate pomladanski pevski festival. — Pozdravljeni vi, naši gostje, ki posejete ste nas, da skupno praznujemo ta nepozabni dan. — Pozdravljeno nam vse občinstvo, ki danes raja z nam, da se ne pozabiti ta pomembi dan."

Prostori br. Mika Sostaricha na 539 So. 6th st. Pričetek ob dveh popoldne. Prebitek te priredbe je namenjen za kritje stroškov volilne kampanje. Vstopnina v dvorano je prosta, za igralce pa bo 40c. Obeta se dobra zabava. Joe Vidmar.

Torej pozdravljena nam naša Mary! Tudi ti ne boš pozabljena med nami! Fred Malgal.

Pojasnilo uredništva: Glavni odbor je na svoji zadnji seji soglasno zaključil, da Prosveta ne priporoča nobenega kandidata pri letošnjih volitvah. To velja za uredniške članke in dopise. Lahko se pa poroča kot novica, da ta in ta kandidata za to in to mesto in to brez vsake agitacije. To je sklep glavnega odbora.

Padel v vojni Cleveland. — Joseph Strukel (14500 Sylvia ave.), član našega društva Naprej 5 SNPJ, je do bil od tajnika mornarice žalostno vest, da je bil 25. jan. t. l. nekje na morju ubit njegov stariji sin Joseph William Strukel, član našega društva. On je prva žrtev te vojne izmed naših članov-vojakov. Naše sožalje prizadeti družini! Želimo, da bi ne bilo nadaljnjih žrtve.

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Novice društva 606 Reading, Pa. — Tukaj je nedavno umrl John Stublar, član društva 606 SNPJ, star 57 let in rojen v Cervikščih pri Podzemlju v Beli Krajini. Tukaj zapuščala žalujočo ženo, dva sinova, oba pri vojakih in se nista mogla udeležiti pogreba, kakor tudi več sorodnikov.

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Ob njegovem grobu, katerega so člani in prijatelji obusli s cvetjem, mu je v zadnji poždrav spregovoril Anton Pantar, predsednik društva 124 SNPJ, čijega član je bil pokojnik nad 30 let. Bratu Pantarju v imenu članstva hvala za njegove poslovilne besede.

Na vojaškem dopustu se je nahajal Henry Papich, sin našega večletnega predsednika Antona Papicha. Ko se je vrnil k vojakom, je moral iti v vojaško bolnišnico, kjer se še nahaja. Želim mu skorajnjega okrevanja.

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Naše gibanje in kartna zabava Milwaukee. — Radi velike zaposlenosti v industrijah za vojne potrebe, kjer delamo večinoma vsi tukajšnji rojaki, so se ustavile vse naše aktivnosti na društvenem polju. Priredbe z igrami in plesi so le še stvar preteklosti. Tudi seje društev so tako slabe obiskane, da se je bati, da vse skupaj preneha.

Prvič sem ga videl na seji, ko sem pristopil v društvo 124 SNPJ leta 1914. Stisnila sva si roke v bratski in prijateljski pozdrav in od takrat sva bila vedno dobra prijatelja. Bil je skoraj ves čas društveni odbornik, zadnje leto v gospodarskem odboru. Na sejah se ni nikdar udeleževal nepotrebnih debat, ali kadar je videl, da gre v drobrabit delavstva in delavskih ustanov, tedaj se je pa počasi dvignil s svojega sedeža in pričel govoriti počasi in spoštljivo. Vsi smo ga radi poslušali. Njegov govor sem zadnjič slišal na društveni seji lanskega oktobra, ko je podudarjal potrebo po ustanovitvi mladinskega krožka.

Telega zastopa je večinoma kriva vojna, ker nam je pobrala najbolj nadarjeno mladino — tiste moči, na katere smo mi stari polagali že dolgo naše društvene aktivnosti. Mnogo smo pa tudi krivi sami radi naše prehitre onemoglosti in brezbrčnosti. Da si društva zasigurojo dohodke, ki so potrebni za njih vzdrževanje in nadaljnji obstoj, so pričela nakladati izredni asement za svoje blagajne, kar pa slabo vpliva na moralno članstvo. In to se opaža tudi pri organizacijah drugih narodnosti. Toda ako hočemo ohraniti to, kar imamo, se moramo pač privaditi, da posežemo v žep in nadomestimo dohodke, ki so nam jih prej donale priredbe.

Pokojni Tony je bil tudi navdušen sportnik, kot so tudi vsi njegovi sinovi. Bil je strasten lovec in tudi ribolovec. Svojo lovsko kabino je imel v gozdu v okraju Pike kakih 30 milj od tukaj, kjer je na tisoče srn. Le malo je bilo lovskih sezon, da bi Tony ne bil pripeljal domov rogača — pred par leti je pripeljal kar štiri hkrati; trije sinovi so dobili vsak enega, on pa svojega. Tudi zvite lisice mu niso prekrizale računov.

Ker nam je omenjenega leta Strie Sam pričel pobirati naše mlade peyske moči v obročeno silo, smo prišli do zaključka, da je najbolje, da prenehamo z našim zborom, dokler se razmere ne spremenijo.

Nikoli ni pozabil delavskega časopisja in tiska, na primer Ameriškega družinskega kalendarja, Majskega glasa, Prosvetne matice itd. Bil je zelo navdušen in ponosen na društveno pokopališče, na katerem sedaj počiva.

Večjo aktivnost pa opažamo na političnem polju, in to posebno sedaj, ko se pri nas bližajo županske volitve. Vse politične stranke so prijavile svoje kandidate za županski stolec z obljubami, da žele izboljšati mestno upravo, in to brez vsakega programa. Kot običajno so tudi sedaj zavile svoje kandidate v zagrinjalo "nestrankarstva", kar dovolj jasno kaže, da ti kandidati niso vredni delavskih glasov.

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Za župana kandidira kot delavski kandidat tudi Frank Zaidler (socialist), brat prejšnjega milwaukeeškega župana, ki je bil ubit v vojni. Edino on ima program — delavski program. In ker so delavski kandidati odvisni za finančno in moralno podporo od delavcev samih, vsled tega priredi slovenski socialistični klub kartno zabavo, ki se pri v nedeljo, 5. marca v

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Civilna fronta—najvarnejša

Pred kratkim smo v Prosveti primerjali število smrtnih nesreč in telesnih nezgod v ameriških industrijah in rudnikih s številom ubitih in ranjenih ameriških vojakov in pomorščakov na bojiščih, odkar je Amerika v tej vojni. Razlika je bila naravnost kolosalna. Dočim je bilo do takrat okrog 140.000 mož ubitih, ranjenih in pogrešanih na bojni fronti, je bilo v istem času v ameriških tovarnah, rudnikih, na železnih itd. ubitih, trajno pohabljenih in lahko pobitih čez štiri milijone delavcev in delavk.

To razliko potrjuje v malem obsegu tudi naša statistika o stanju članstva SNPJ v letu 1943. Naša jednota je do konca leta 1943 izgubila 29 članov v vojni; 27 članov je mrtvih, dva sta pa pogrešana, torej se še ne ve ali sta še živa ali mrtva. Na drugi strani je pa bilo doma v civilnem življenju samo v enem letu, to je lani, ubitih 50 članov. Največ je bilo ubitih seveda pri delu v tovarnah, rovih itd.

Na vseh koncih je torej dokazano, da je civilna ali domača fronta še vedno veliko nevarnejša življenju in zdravju Američana, kakor je bojna fronta. Neverjetno se to zdi, ampak danes je to fakt.

To razmerje je seveda relativno. Ne vemo, koliko ameriškega moštva je aktualno udeležena v vojskovanju do tega dne, vemo pa, da je danes v ameriških industrijah uposlenih 55 do 60 milijonov ljudi obojega spola. Odstotek bojevnikov na fronti je zelo nizek napram onemu na domači fronti; to je tudi velikanska razlika. In pomislimo, s kakšno naglico se danes proizvajajo bojna oprema! Medtem pa se situacija vojne stalno izpreminja. Ameriške žrtve se množijo. Prihodnje leto v tem času bodo vseokrog drugače številke.

Sreča je, da do danes še ni bilo nobene večje epidemije. Navadno se pojavi med vsako vojno. Zadnja vojna je bila zaključena na med špansko influenco, katera je samo v Ameriki pokosila milijone ljudi. Upajmo, da med sedanjo vojno ne bo podobne nesreče.

Industrijska civilizacija, ki je v Ameriki najbolj razvita, je prinesla nove bolezni, kakršnih v agrarni ali poljedelski civilizaciji niso poznali. Med temi je srčna hiba na prvem mestu. Američani so najbolj podvrženi tej bolezni—in članstvo SNPJ tudi umira v največjem številu za to boleznijo. Umrljivost članov naše jednote je bila v letu 1943 najvišja, kar SNPJ obstoji in srčna hiba je na prvem mestu.

Zdravniki pravijo, da srčna hiba prihaja od stalnega zastrupljanja srčnega organizma s kemikalijami, ki jih ljudje vdihavajo iz okuženega ozračja. Zrak v industrijskih mestih in daleč naokoli je neprestano nasičen na primer z ogljikovim dioksidom, ki puhti iz bencinskih (gasolinških) motorjev. Avtomobil, ki je v splošni rabi v mestih in na deželi, je veliko pomagal k razširjanju in utrjevanju srčne hibe. Močan organizem srca nekako prenese to nadlogo, toda slabejši sečasoma podleže.

Efektivnega zdravila zoper to kugo do danes še ni. Edino efektivno zdravilo bi bilo, da se človek izloči iz ameriške civilizacije in odide kam v samoto v primitivno življenje, tega pa ne bo storil nihče—razen če je primoran. Neglede na to, kako visoka je cena, ki jo človeštvo plačuje za tehnološki napredek—nazaj ne pojde. Odpornost ni v begu pred industrijsko civilizacijo, temveč v izboljšanju, še večjem napredku te civilizacije. Na pomoč mora priti znanost.

Premog, olje in bencin so le prehodna kurivna in pogonska sredstva v industrijski civilizaciji—časna, čeprav trajajo desetletja, dokler ne pride v rabo kaj novega in boljšega. Znanost je neprestano na delu, da odkrije nekaj novega. Atomska sila, katera še ni odklenjena in obuzdana, bo prav gotovo in morda še v tem stoletju nadomestila sedanja sredstva za kurjavo, razsvetljavo in pogon. Atomska sila je le druga oblika koncentrirane električne sile. Ko bodo torej stroji v tovarni, vlaki v tirih, ladje na vodi, letala v zraku in vozila na cestah tekla s pogonom atomične sile, oddajane iz nekih središč—bo ozračje prosto dima in saj, smradu in strupenih plinov, ki že desetletja mučijo in ubijajo ljudi s srčno hibo. Takrat bo srčna hiba izginila in ne prej.

Medtem pa morajo priti tudi ekonomske in socialne izboljšave. Okužen zrak ni edini vzrok današnjih industrijskih bolezni na civilni fronti. Dolgo granje delavca v industrijah pod nezdravimi pogoji in morča skrbi za materialni obstanek tudi pomagata, ker ubijata živce in na solono kvartu zdravje človeka. Človek potrebuje tudi drugačne, industrijski civilizaciji primerne hrane. Bas glede hrane je danes med maso ameriških delavcev silna ignoranca. Znanost je v tem oziru še silno zanikrna v glavnem zato, ker je ekonomsko življenje v temelju tako urejeno, da služi interesom privatnega dobička, ne pa zdravju in gnotnemu blagostanju vse družbe. V tem leži glavna krivda za vsaj znanstveno zanemarjenost za industrijske bolezni in ogromne človeške žrtve v civilnem življenju.

Prevelika razdalja med tehnološkim in socialnim napredkom (zadnji je še sto let odzad) je največja nesreča v današnji civilizaciji.

Je izgubil brata

Elmoro, Colo. — Naznanjam žalostno vest, da je 30. jan. umrl moj brat Joseph Šuštar za požodobami, katere je dobil v kamnolomu v Elmhurstu, Ill. Rojen je bil 22. maja 1907 v Lirci na Primorskem in ob smrti je bil član društva 14 SNPJ. Pokopan je bil 2. febr. v Waukeganu, Ill.

Najlepša hvala članom društva 14 za udeležbo pri pogrebu in za krasni venec, ki so ga položili na krsto mojemu pokojnemu bratu v zadnji pozdrav. Hvala tudi vsem ostalim za vence in za udeležbo pri pogrebu. Hvala tudi vsem, ki ste pomagali moji hčerki, ki se je udeležila pogreba — jaz se nisem mogla radi boleznij.

Pokojni brat zapušča v Ameriki poleg mene, žalujoče sestre, dva bratrance in dve sestrični, v starem kraju pa sestro. Dne 6. jan. nas je prišel obiskat, 13. jan. se je poslovil od nas v nadi, da se še vidimo. Dne 17. jan. je šel na delo v kamnolom v Elmhurstu, kjer je delal zadnja štiri leta in se pri delu težko ponesrečil. Dan pred smrtjo mi je še pisal, toda sem pisno prejela, ko je bil že pokopan. V ameriški armadi je bil od 2. sept. 1942 do 18. febr. 1943, toda je bil odpuščen radi starosti. Miren ti počitek, dragi brat!

Polona Marinac, 66.

Sama žalost

Girard, O.—Tukaj je umrl 11. dec. 1943 po enotedenski boleznij naš sorodnik Ignac Kacich, star 55 let in rojen v vasi Drnovo pri Krškem na Dolenjskem. V Ameriko je prišel meseca marca leta 1910 in živel v tej naselbini zadnjih 27 let. Tukaj zapuščala žena, pri mornarici pa sina.

Žena je zelo prizadeta, ker v kratkem času izgubila vso družino. Ob koncu septembra so ji vzeli edinega sina k vojakom, mesec pozneje ji je umrla mati, dva meseca za materjo pa je izgubila moža, tako da je zdaj čisto sama ostala. V imenu naše družine naše sožalje ženi in sinu, pokojni pa nam ostane v trajnem spominu.

Dela se tukaj s polno paro, kakor povsod. Večinoma delajo tudi žene in dekleta v vojnih industrijah za čim hitrejši poraz sovražnika in da bo čim prej konec te strašne vojne, ki je prinesla že toliko skrbi in žalosti v marsikatero družino. V naši naselbini so že trije slovenski fantje izgubili svoje življenje v tej vojni.

Ta mesec je za nas žalosten. Dne 26. febr. poteče leto dni, ko je naš sin Frank Racich dal življenje za svojo domovino. Dne 15. jan. 1943 smo prejeli telegram, da je bil sin ponešrečen na vojaških vajah. Kako se je nesreča zgodila, ne vemo, ker to je vojaška tajnost. V vojaški bolnišnici je ležal šest tednov, ne da bi se zavedel. Bila sem ves čas pri njem. Kako mi je bilo hudo pri sru, ve le mati, ki kaj takega poskusi.

Zdaj je naš dom prazen in žalosten, odkar ga ni doma. Kamorkoli se ozremo, ni drugega kot spomin na ljubljenega sina in brata. Ostane nam v nepozabnem spominu. Zapustil je starše, brata Pfc Johna Racicha pri vojakih, sestri Anno Gantar in Mimi Zitnik, nečaka Ronald in nečakinjo Jennet Gantar, strica Louisa Racicha, vsi v Girardu, teto Ano Cvetkovič v Detroitu in strica Johna Racicha nekje v Pennsylvaniji.

Louise Racich, 49.

SLOVENSKA NARODNA PODPORNJA JEDNOTA

Izdaja svoje publikacije in še posebno listi Prosveta za korist, ter potrebno agitacijo svojih društev in članstva in za propagando svojih idej. Nikakor pa ne za propagando drugih političnih organizacij. Vsaka organizacija ima običajno svoje glasilo. Torej agitatorični dopisi in naznanila drugih godpornih organizacij in njih društev naj se ne pošiljajo listu Prosveta.

Slovenska Narodna Podporna Jednota

2657-59 So. Lawndale Ave. Chicago 23, Illinois

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Predsednikova kolona

Več strpnosti, bratje!

Star slovenski pregovor, ki pa je še zmeraj prav tako resničen in pomenljiv. Potrpeljivost morda ni za vsak slučaj najboljša rešitev...

Krasen napredek

Da je potrpežljivost res zlata vredna lastnost, so dokaz tudi naši vrli agitatorji za nove člane. Ako bi teh ne bilo, bi tudi ne napredovali tako lepo kot smo.

Zdrava gospodarska podlaga

Poleg zdravih načel in napredka v članstvu je staveča tudi gospodarska stanje vsake bratske podporne organizacije zelo važna reč.

Naše vloge priča lojalnosti

Nadaljnja priča, da je jednota dobro upravljana in gospodarsko zanesljiva, so vloge našega imetja. Nad polovico članstva skoraj dve tretjini mladinske imovine je vložene v obveznice...

Zapisniki sej gl. izvršnega odseka SNPJ

Seja 6. januarja 1944. Predsednik odpre sejo ob eni uri popoldne. Nato predstavi br. A. Trojarja kot novoizvoljenega pomožnega gl. tajnika...

Seja 19. januarja 1944. Seja se odpre ob eni uri popoldne. Navzoči so bratje Vider, Trojar, Kuhn, Gradišek, Vrhovnik, Godina, Molek...

Nato predložijo pismo distriktnega podpredsednika Tomšiča, ki se nanaša na volitve društvenih odbornikov ter nekatere druge zadeve in razmere v zapadnem okrožju...

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Zaključek seje ob 4. pop. V. Cinkar, gl. predsednik, F. A. Vider, gl. tajnik.

PROČILO O NAKAZANI BOLNIŠKI PODPORI

Nakazana dne 17. februarja 1944. REPORT OF SICK BENEFIT PAYMENT Payment of February 17, 1944

Table listing names and amounts for sick benefit payments.

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KREDIT ZA ASEMENT ČLANOV MLADINSKEGA ODELEKA

PRESTOPLI V ODELEK ODRASLIH MESSCA FEBRUARJA

Table listing names and amounts for credit for members of the youth department.

koliko smo pripravljene pomagati naši jugoslovanski pomožni akciji in koliko SANSu. Iz raznih poročil se razvidi, da je precej družtev, ki veliko pomagajo tem akcijam. Ker naše društvo ves čas svojega obstoja ni bilo eno zadržnih pri kulturnih in pomožnih akcijah, apeliram na članstvo, da se udeležuje sej, da sklenemo koliko smo pripravljene...

L. Medvošek, tajnik.

Raton, New Mex.—Pred par meseci je bilo poročano od društva 297 SNPJ glede smrti Franke Pečaka, da je nenadoma umrl. Priobčeno je bilo v tedenski Prosveti, ali je bilo pomankljivo. Ne vem, ali sem jaz naredil pomoto ali pa nisem dobil pravih informacij. Mogoče bi mogel povedati kak njegov sosed, ki mu je poznana njegova naselbina, ako je zapustil kaj svojcev. Na društveni seji sem dobil navodilo, naj se še enkrat oglašim v Prosveti. Pokojni Franke Pečak je bil rojen v Vasi Terbine, fara Trebnje na Dolenskem.

Joe Radosevich, tajnik.

Benid, Ill. — Pozivam vse člane in članice društva 356 SNPJ, da se v polnem številu udeležite prihodnje seje 5. marca. Na dnevnem redu bodo razne važne zadeve in je potrebno, da ste navzoči v čim večjem številu, tako da bomo z zaključki vsi zadovoljni in da se ne bo nikomur godila krivica.

Matt Katalinich, tajnik.

Hutchison, Pa.—Dne 9. febr. je bil poklican v službo Strica Sama James Riddle, član društva 683 SNPJ. To je trinajsti član našega društva v vojaški službi.

Frank Juvan.

Dr. št. ime člana L. No. Name of members

Table listing names and amounts for various members and committees.

F. A. Vider, Supreme Sec'y.

Another Year of Marked Progress

Our Society has scored another year of marked progress in 1943, numerically and financially—the best progress it has had in many years.

Last year the SNPJ gained a total number of 2,293 new members in both departments, and the total increase in assets in 1943 was \$433,103.40, bringing the total assets of the Society, as of Dec. 31, 1943—to \$11,003,189.21.

Truly, then, the year of 1943 was a year of growth and progress for the Slovene National Benefit Society, and that in spite of wartime conditions. Thus the fortieth anniversary, which our organization celebrates this year, finds the Society an eleven-million dollar organization!

This increase in membership and assets is conclusive proof of our Society's stability, soundness and strength as well as of its steadily growing popularity among our people. Undoubtedly, the three-month juvenile campaign conducted in commemoration of the 30th anniversary of the founding of the Juvenile Department helped considerably in attaining this record.

The following comparative figures of our Society's growth during the first two years of war show its steady progress in membership:

At the end of 1942 the total membership of the SNPJ was 61,851—46,337 adults and 15,514 juveniles.
At the end of 1943 the total membership of the SNPJ was 64,144—47,294 adults and 16,850 juveniles.

Thus, in 1943, the SNPJ has surpassed its highest previous total membership which it had before the inroads of the great depression.

Cheerful as the above figures pertaining to our Society's growth and progress are, there is, however, the other side of the ledger which presents still another picture.

Official reports submitted at the annual meeting of the Supreme Board show that in 1943 a record of 498 members in both departments died, or 37 more than in 1942. And again heart disease was the chief cause of deaths among our membership, while cancer was in second place.

These reports further reveal that up to the end of 1943—29 soldier-members died in various theaters of war, while the industrial and the home fronts exacted 50 lives of our members! This proves our contention in an editorial of a few weeks ago that the industrial front is now more dangerous than war. This is primarily because of the speed-up system and chiefly because of the profit system.

Last year there were 106 fewer operation cases than in 1942, while disability claims increased due to numerous accidents among workers in war plants. For these, operations and disabilities, the Society paid the total sum of \$38,290.00.

Among important decisions passed by the Supreme Board at its annual meeting were the following highlights:

The SNPJ has thus far invested nearly TWO MILLION dollars in war bonds. During the 4th War Loan drive it invested \$300,000 in war bonds.

On April 5, a special four-page anniversary edition will be issued in commemoration of the Society's 40th anniversary.

A jubilee membership campaign will be launched for both departments, beginning April 1st and ending November 30, 1944, with attractive awards for contestants.

The Mladinski List will get a new name in English, this for the purpose of better agitation among non-Slovene youth, the name to be decided by the juveniles themselves in a six-month contest.

A discussion is now in progress as to whether Slovene reading matter is still necessary in the Mladinski List, and parents of juvenile members will voice their opinion on this question in the organ.

There is no doubt that a suitable name for the Mladinski List in English will be more appealing to youth everywhere; in fact, the change has long been overdue in view of our present-day needs. And as to Slovene reading matter, it would perhaps be best to follow the policy of gradual elimination of Slovene in preference of English.

Veronian News

VERONA, PA.—Better hurry and get in that income tax return so that you can be free from worry and have a rip-roaring good time at the Veronian March 11 dance.

This dance that will be held on a Saturday (the reason for emphasizing Saturday is because to date all of our affairs have been held on Sundays) will begin at 9 p. m. Every one knows how Marty Kukovich (Kuk) and his Musical Group can give out with their instruments, so there isn't any need to go into details as to how your feet will get jivey when the boys play "Mares Eat Oats" and those good old Slovene tunes. Those who are planning to attend from nearby SNPJ lodges, how about making your date an hour earlier so that you can become acquainted with the gang? Sure, the Universal Comets and Harmsville Ramblers will be there, so here is another reason why you can't miss out in having a good time for just 50c, tax included, on Saturday, March 11, at the Veronian club.

Announcement of an engagement—hold your breath you Veronians and our many boys who are in the service. At exactly 12 a. m. on Feb. 13 (a lucky day as can be judged by the date) Johnnie Lipsey, our former lodge sec'y, and Anne (Chubby) Gostky, proudly displaying a lovely diamond, told us folks how happy they were in announcing their engagement. Our congratulations go to you two on your engagement, and also to the wonderful job you did when officers of our Veronian club.

Before dipping into the envelope

that will take you back a few years when Vic Jakovac was the Veronian scribe, I want to tell you a few things about Sgt. Frank (Copper) Bergoich and Pvt. Joe (Bugs) Luzer who were home on furlough. Both boys had a wonderful time during their short stay, especially at our Feb. 13 social that saw the orchestra play from 9 p. m. till 2:30 a. m. Bugs must have been on the go the whole 24 hours for two days, while Copper, who couldn't stand the pace, was on the go for only 23 hours of every day while home.

Now for the highlights of a Vic Jakovac's article. See if you can remember when the following took place: "Joe Comatz, Prexy of the Ramblers, Max Kumer, leader of the Comets, and Vic Jakovac of the Veronians promise their full cooperation to make the bowling league composed of the three lodges a success." Also at this time there was an SNPJ campaign on for new members.

Veronian members in new roles are Larry Casool, our sec'y, who is very busy on certain nights at his home taking snapshots of all the neighboring youngsters. Yes, sir, Larry, with the help of his wife, Mary, is a full-fledged photographer.

Sue Dzur should be the Veronian pin-up girl. Why the honor? Because she has been keeping up the correspondence with our Veronian boys who are in the service. Matt Gorney, Steve Ruskewicz, and Eli Suchevecich are the perfect hosts, with the crowds they bring there's never a dull moment.

A quiz to conclude this article.

Lodge 490 Plan Victory Dance

SO. CHICAGO, ILL.—Once again SNPJ Lodge 490 and their members have the pleasure of inviting our neighbor SNPJ lodges 100, 8 and 610 to our Victory dance which will be held on Saturday, March 4, at the IOS hall, 101st street and Ewing avenue.

Refreshments will be prepared by our expert cooks. Sister Josephine Hvala and her delicious homemade sausage with the assistance of Sister Mary Brijavec, Katy Poropat, Katie Schweiger and Mary Kosich.

To quench one's thirst, Brother John Kosich, Mike Brijavec, Frank Schweiger, Joe Poropat and Jacob Brijavec will have plenty of liquids on hand at the barroom.

Music will be furnished by our well-known orchestra, the Pucel-Foyer quartet, and I'm sure there will be plenty of polkas and waltzes to satisfy all guests, young and old.

We are going to have a drawing for three prizes: 1st, a \$25 war bond; 2nd, \$5 in war stamps; 3rd, \$2.50 in war stamps. You can buy tickets at one cent per number from any member of Lodge 490. We hope you cooperate with the members and buy a few tickets. Do your bit now, you may be the lucky one!

One more reminder to attend our Victory dance Saturday, March 4. Come one, come all. A good time is in store for all.

MARY SLOBODNIK, Sec'y.

Utopians Merry Meeting-Social

CLEVELAND.—Our regular monthly meeting was held Saturday evening, Feb. 12, and I'm proud to report the attendance was favorably increased. The reason? Something new has been added. We are now holding a social after the meeting, this procedure will continue until further notice.

The regular business was disposed of in orderly and good fashion. Bro. Rudy Lisch returned from Chicago in time to attend and report that Bro. John Spilar has been voted in as Athletic Director of District No. 4. Congratulations, Bro. Spilar.

As you know, Sister Jennie Gerchman has been elected financial sec'y, and since it is her first time serving in this capacity, we can all make her work more pleasant by paying our dues promptly. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

Now a few highlights as per the social. To begin with, we had plenty of music furnished by three accordionists. Free sandwiches and refreshments at low cost were served. Sister Stella Zorman baked a swell birthday cake for Sis. A. Gruden and Bro. Vic Hribar. Everyone danced and sang. It was nice to see so many happy people. Members who unfortunately did not attend, really missed a grand time.

So don't miss the next regular meeting, we have several new members and a few transfers, so many nice people just dying to meet more nice people! Just one big, happy family, we Utopians!

GEORGE J. JELINEK, Pres.,
Utopians No. 604 SNPJ.

Doctor's Verdict

"I suppose it was necessary for you to visit me as often as you did, doctor?" queried the convalescent, studying the bill.

"My dear chap," replied the doctor, "you were in danger every time I visited you."

There are two times in a man's life when he should not speculate: When he can't afford it, and when he can.

—Mark Twain.

Penicillin for All in Six Months

According to reliable reports, production of penicillin, the wonder drug, is increasing so rapidly that American and Canadian firms manufacturing the drug will be able to meet all military and civilian needs within six months. Officials of the industry had assured the War Production Board that penicillin production has been stepped up in recent weeks considerably.

Penicillin is a drug extracted from a green mold culture. Demand for the drug has far exceeded supply since its healing properties first were disclosed last year. Penicillin is credited by medical men with having saved lives when all other drugs failed.

What Veronian member is selling stamps and bonds on Tuesday at our local five-and-ten cent store?
MICHAEL LIPESKY, 680.

COMRADES UPPED BOND QUOTA

The SNPJ Lodge Comrades 546 of Cleveland, Ohio, exceeded the bond quota when they bought \$14,000 in war bonds in the 4th War Loan drive. They achieved this record by sponsoring two bond dances.

Brother August Valentine and his wife, Anne, alone bought \$4,800 in war bonds and other individual members and friends, listed elsewhere in this issue, also helped in surpassing the original quota of \$10,000.

We wish to congratulate the Comrades on their patriotic work and trust that other lodges will follow their example.

Integrity

By Julius Abram, Pres. Lodge 631

CHICAGO.—There are two important events coming up in the month of April, first, the 40th anniversary of the SNPJ, and second, Integrity Lodge's 16th anniversary, and Integrity will have a hand in both.

The 40th anniversary will be held on Sunday, April 9, under the auspices of the Chicago District Federation of SNPJ of which Integrity Lodge is a member. Then almost two weeks later, April 22, our own lodge will celebrate its 16th anniversary. Both of these affairs will be held at the SNPJ Auditorium so everybody please reserve these dates and leave your worries and cares at home and spend an enjoyable time among old acquaintances and, of course, also at the "refreshment stand" which seems to be the most popular place at any affair. The Federation Committee has already formulated plans for this affair and I know our members will be called upon to help out in various posts, so please volunteer as we want to share in the responsibility in making the SNPJ anniversary a complete success.

The SNPJ may well feel proud of itself due to the fact it has steadily grown since its inception back in 1904 and we know it will keep on growing, just like Integrity, although we didn't start until almost a quarter of a century later. Some day we'll hit that 500 mark and when we do, we'll strike out for the 1000 goal.

Despite the present war, cancellations, deaths, etc., the organization can still boast of a net gain of 2293 members in 1943. Show me any other organization, fraternal or otherwise, which has produced like results.

So far as Integrity's affair is concerned, we are going to hold a banquet preceding our dance. Our guests will either be the wives or the mothers of our members in service. Further wish to state that out of the net proceeds of our affair, we intend to remember our boys in service with a gift. Could one want more incentive than the above to make his presence known on this occasion? Let's show our boys we have not forgotten them by attending in full number. I am sure they will appreciate it too.

Admission for the banquet will be \$1.50 per person. However, if you are unable to attend the banquet, the charge for the dance alone will be a mere 50c including tax, a small pittance considering the cause. Get your reservations in early as there will be a limited number accepted. We must know in advance the number of people who are going to attend, you understand, points, etc. Incidentally, the deadline for accepting reservations is April 10. Send them in with your money order to our Secretary, Michael Fleischacker, 1642 N. Fairfield Ave., Chicago 47, Illinois. Act now.

The guest speakers for the occasion will be Vincent Cainkar, our Supreme President, and Michael Vrhovnik, Juvenile Director and Chairman of the National Athletic Board.

In a previous paragraph I mentioned the progress our Society made in acquiring new members. Although this success can be greatly attributed to those members who secured these additions, let's not forget that Juvenile Director Michael Vrhovnik also is entitled to some credit.

Congratulations to Vincent Cainkar on his 25th anniversary as president of our organization. No doubt in those 25 years you have seen some lean ones, but you were still at the helm to see it emerge as a successful growing society.

Congratulations also to Frank "Lefty" Lotrich upon his election to the National Athletic Board.

To the Pioneers: You can expect a representation from our Lodge to bowl in your invitational tournament, and as usual, we will be heard from when the final scores are tallied, so watch out. We have our eyes on the trophy.

Members, just a reminder, don't forget to attend our monthly meeting, Friday, Feb. 23, at 2436 Diversey Avenue.

New York All Americans

BROOKLYN, N. Y.—For another year the Valentine dance of Lodge 580 will remain as a pleasant memory. The New York All Americans have another successful affair to their credit and I am sure all who attended encountered a pleasant and enjoyable evening.

Miss Ann Kepic received the heart-shaped box of candy for receiving the largest number of valentines. Mr. Frank Arnez, the proprietor of Astor Hall, received the first prize of five dollars which he returned to the treasury of the lodge. (Thank you, Mr. Arnez, hope you win again the next time.) The lucky winners of the second and third prizes, respectively, were Frank V. Padar and Charlie McCreevey. I wonder if sitting at the "Shangrila" table brought about that luck? A special "Thank you" goes to our ever-faithful mailman, Brother Peter Fugina, who once again did a swell job delivering the valentines. (Pete, I still think you must have lost some of the letters accidentally on purpose, and I think Sisters Barbara Arshen and Helen Vatovec will agree with me on that.) Another expression of "Thanks" goes to the decorators of the hall. A swell job well done, in fact, better and better every year.

It was nice to see Pvt. Julius Vatovec paying us a visit in Army uniform. He is stationed in Maine at present and is looking as handsome as ever. At the Pennsylvania table we saw Pvt. Edward Debevec, member of the Comrade Lodge in Cleveland, also our President, Cecilia Murin and her sister Sophia who, incidentally, has become a New York All American by transfer this month. At the "Forest Estates" we had the Fugina, Lenski and Kirk families and friends. At the "Montana" table were the Kepic family, and at "Zuzenberg" we found Mr. and Mrs. Feliks Kramarsich Sr. "Slovan" table, members of singing society Slovan. At "Shangrila" it was nice to meet Rudy Mikar who comes from Union City, Pa., and is at present employed at the Brooklyn Navy Yard. I don't recall the title of the table where the Kochevans were but I could almost bet it was "Forest City." Brother Anthony Svet and Sisters Anna Svet and Mary Tursich and their friends were having a good time at "Cerknica." Mr. Frank Vojte, President of Lodge 140 "Bratska Zvezda" was at "Domzale" with his family and friends.

We were expecting Cpl. Leo Vidler from New Brunswick, N. J., as he promised he would attend if possible. Maybe the next time. Sorry to hear sisters Katherine Pfaeffle and Agnes Mikoyle were ill. Were it not for the slippery roads resulting from the heavy snow fall the day before the dance we would be on hand to greet the Schneiders and Wolferts from Union City, N. J., and the Bazyks from North Bergen, N. J.

John E. hamps, GM 3/C, who was previously stationed at the Armed Guard office in Brooklyn is temporarily attending school at Newport, Rhode Island. He will represent the state of Wisconsin on the new 50-ton battle-ship of the same name. Coast Guard Tony Udovich, another Slovene fellow who comes from Sheboygan and was stationed at Freeport, is now at East Mouches, L. I., 50 miles out of the city. Sister Katherine Caruso is now at Louisiana where her husband-fidler is now stationed. Sister Angela Morris hears from her husband regularly from Egypt where he has been stationed for quite some time.

The monthly meeting of Lodge 580 held on Sunday afternoon, Feb. 20, proved most interesting and was well attended. Many future plans were discussed and the date set for the annual "Outdoor Picnic" is June 25. Brother Anthony Svet proposed for membership Jerry Corel. The secretary urged the members to "Start now" and nominate new applicants for both the juvenile and adult departments. The membership campaign celebrating the 40th anniversary of the organization of the SNPJ will officially open on April 1st, 1944.

Brother Walter Derganc stopped in for the SANC meeting to donate one dollar. Branch 46 is climbing gradually to a higher rate and all those members who are not enrolled are urged to do so now. More information can be had upon request. A SANC rally will be staged here in Brooklyn sometime in the near future. More information will be given at a later date.

The rally to solicit subscriptions for the American Red Cross will take place on Sunday afternoon, March 5, at the Slovene American Auditorium, 253 Irving Avenue, Brooklyn. A program is being planned for the entertainment of the audience and your cooperation is urged in making this another community drive to the credit of the Slovenes of New York City. If you cannot attend, you are urged to forward your donation for the Red Cross for 1944 to your lodge secretary who will be the official collecting agent during this drive. Do it today, for tomorrow you may be inclined to forget.

JENNIE PADAR, 580.

Mladinski List—Our Juvenile Magazine

Michael Vrhovnik, Juvenile Director

The monthly juvenile magazine of the SNPJ has been issued under the name "Mladinski List" since it was first published in the month of July, 1922. Undoubtedly, it has been one of the best mediums of instruction and publicity for members of the Juvenile Department of the SNPJ through its more than twenty years of useful life.

It can be described as an attractive publication of thirty-two pages of miscellaneous contributions consisting of many interesting written compositions, drawings, sketches and photographic reproductions prepared and submitted by juvenile and adult members residing in scattered sections of the country.

In the Mladinski List are published stories, poems and other informative articles authored by persons not members of the Society. It is conservatively estimated, however, that approximately seventy per cent of the material each month is contributed by juvenile members of the SNPJ with or without some assistance from their parents or other members of the respective families.

The records reveal that over 9,000 families now receive a copy of the Mladinski List each month. It is sent free of charge to every family in which one or more children are members of the Juvenile Department of the SNPJ. The total juvenile membership at the close of 1943 was 16,850, which means that an average of one out of every two members is on the mailing list at the present time.

In spite of the large percentage of members receiving the Mladinski List, it is quite possible that many families, who have children insured in the juvenile branch, are not yet getting it. Especially might this be true of members recently admitted in lodges whose secretaries are new, or not particularly careful, or in no great hurry to send in the names and addresses. These families may not realize it, but they are depriving their children, and possibly themselves, of an enjoyable monthly treat at no extra cost.

If you are not receiving the Mladinski List at your home, and you have one or more children enrolled in the SNPJ Juvenile Department, contact your local lodge secretary at once. Instruct him to send the names and addresses of your children to the main office of the Society along with a request that they be included in the mailing list.

Once the Mladinski List begins its monthly visits to your home, encourage your children to read it carefully and faithfully. Not only that, but urge them to occasionally write to it. If you find that they need your help, give them a lift a time or two. Reading the magazine and writing to it will help them no matter what field of work they will later choose, for reading is known to fill one with knowledge while writing makes one exact.

If you are interested in completing an almost unbeatable combination, in addition to that, have your children join a Juvenile Circle, where they can learn to speak before a group of other boys and girls and thus be ready for anything when and where necessary.

Last year 436 juvenile members of the SNPJ contributed one or more compositions to the Mladinski List, 105 of whom received special recognition and prizes. While this record may be considered satisfactory, we expect even better results in 1944.

However, to achieve our goal, we must have more cooperation from our juvenile members—and their parents, too. This means Johnny, Mary, Frankie, Helen, Tony, Frances and all the rest of the boys and girls who have neglected the pages of the Mladinski List. It is intended mainly for their education and enjoyment, so send in your letters, stories, poems, drawings, pictures, etc., for publication. And you fathers and mothers, encourage your children to take advantage of this opportunity. If they need help to get started, give them a hand.

As inducement for the old and new contributors, attractive prizes will be awarded quarterly and at the end of the year. Last year \$500.00 in United States War Stamps and Bonds were distributed among the winners; this year up to the same amount has been appropriated for this purpose. Here's a chance for that boy or girl of yours to win.

At the annual meeting of the Supreme Board held earlier this month, it was recommended by the District Vice-Presidents and the Juvenile Director that the name "Mladinski List" be changed to one that will have more appeal on the average American boy and girl of Slovene or any other extraction. This recommendation was approved and provision made to conduct a name contest prior to the semi-annual meeting of the Supreme Board in August. Announcement of the details of the contest will be published later. Watch for it.

They Said Last Week

Vice President Henry A. Wallace:

"It is so easy in government to put the dollar and the plant before the man. This is a fascistic idea. Yet unless labor makes itself heard among Congressional and government committees which will have so much to do with problems of reconversion of industry and post-war activity, we shall see a tendency for property rights to be placed ahead of human rights. . . . It seems to me that just as government had to come in with a strong hand to get plants built and to get things clicking, so when it comes to reconversion and placing of men, it will be necessary for government to come in again with a strong hand."

Lt. Gen. Brehon B. Somervell:

"It has been said that the successes of the British Army can be traced to the cricket fields of Eton, and I say that the sandlots and big league parks of America have contributed their share to our military success. Nearly 70 percent of all major league players at the time of Pearl Harbor are wearing the uniform today and giving a splendid account of themselves. Besides, a million and a half kids from the junior sandlots teams sponsored jointly by the major leagues and the American Legion are in the armed services. They are good soldiers. They learned team-work early and it takes team-work to win a battle or a war. It also takes realism. We never dare forget that a battle or a campaign can be upset by a ninth-inning rally."

—Common Council.

Visitor: "Don't you cut yourself pretty often with this straight-edge razor?"
Mountaineer: "Now, I been shaving high on to five year now and I ain't cut myself neither time."

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Members Who Are Now in the Service of Our Country

Our Front

By Louis Beniger

In Italy our boys continue the fight uphill. It appears to be another Salerno both on the Anzio front below Rome and at Cassino. It also appears that the side that controls the air will win the battle.

Reports have it that the Allies had to pulverize the Benedictine Abbey on Mt. Cassino, because the Nazis insisted on using it as a fortress. It is also reported that many lives of our boys were lost because we refrained to bomb "sacred" monuments and buildings. On the other hand, the Nazis hoped that bombardment of the monastery would cause disagreeable repercussions among the faithful everywhere.

This presents a pertinent question: Would any mother be willing to sacrifice the life of her son in order that some "sacred" edifice be saved? Would any Catholic or Protestant or Jewish mother be willing to do this? I hear a prompt and resolute No!

In every sane person's opinion: There is no "sacred" monument so "sacred" that can be spared at the cost of our soldiers' lives! This includes all such monuments in Italy which is dotted with them, as is also our own Slovenia to a lesser degree.

It looks mighty good! That is, it looks good on the Russian front and it also looks good on the Pacific front.

The Russians continue their victorious march westward and Berlin is being "plastered" repeatedly. Nevertheless, the Nazi troops particularly in Italy last week gave sufficient proof that their military morale remains strong. But it is an altogether different story in the Pacific where the Japs are receiving their due. At any rate, it won't be long now before the second front opens up in Europe which is likely to squeeze Hitler's war machine from all directions.

In Yugoslavia, the Partisans are ever more active in Slovenia as well as in Croatia, Bosnia and Dalmatia. Marshal Tito's men and women are determined to crush the invader, and the Allies are giving them some support in various supplies and ammunition.

The liberation movement in Jugoslavia headed by Dr. Ribar and Marshal Tito is gaining deserved support morally and materially. Prominent figures are joining the movement everywhere.

Early this week General Dusan Simovic, who guided the government in the Yugoslav revolt against the Axis in the fateful days of March 1941, announced his support of Marshal Tito and stated that Allied help would come to the Balkans this year. Simovic asserted that "to work against the national liberation movement is to work against our Allies and give assistance to the enemy."—Meanwhile, Tito has again accused the forces of General Mihailovich of attacking his troops.

Speaking of Tito, it is interesting to note that recently there have been more articles published in the American press about him than any other man. In addition to the articles mentioned here two weeks ago, Howard Fast, noted American writer, has just published a 41-page book, "The Incredible Tito, Man of the Hour," which can be bought at any bookstore.

Pres. V. Cankar's Son Now a Marine Captain

Word has been received that Bro. Louis F. Cankar, son of President Vincent Cankar and member of SNPJ lodge 559, was recently promoted to the rank of Captain in the Marines, now serving in the South Pacific.

Capt. Cankar entered the Marines in November 1940 and was stationed first at San Diego, Calif., and then at Parris Island, S. C., where he was promoted from Private to Sergeant in rapid succession. Early in 1942 he went overseas and took active part in the battle of the Solomons where he was promoted to 2nd and then to 1st Lieutenant. More recently, Capt. Cankar saw action on the Gilberts in the battle of Tarawa. In private life Louis is an attorney.

Our sincere congratulations to Capt. Cankar on his promotion and best wishes for continued success.

Midland Co-op 27% Earnings Up 145%

MINNEAPOLIS (CLNS)—Midland Cooperative Wholesale rolled up gains of 27 per cent in sales volume and 145 per cent in net earnings in 1943 over the previous year. It was announced last week by J. Smaby, general manager, that total sales of \$8,842,030, compared with \$6,949,509, and earnings boomed to \$367,301, as against \$149,503 in 1942. Both figures on earnings are before income taxes.

The tremendous increase in net income is accounted for in large part by the successful operations of the refinery at Cushing, Okla., which Midland and its 265 affiliated cooperatives took over in April, and of other production units such as the co-op owned Universal Milking Machine Corporation, Waukesha, Wisconsin.

The best way to cheer yourself is to try to cheer somebody else up. —MARK TWAIN.

FLASHES

By DONALD J. LOTRICH

CHICAGO.—A nice meeting was held by the Pioneers last Friday night. We initiated one new member and accepted another by transfer to keep up still moving forward and to keep us in shape for the coming membership drive. Reports were made on the bowling league and the invitational handicap tournament. We also heard about the 40th anniversary of the SNPJ celebration which is scheduled for Sunday, April 9, the new membership drive and about the Supreme Board meeting. We gave support to the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born in behalf of Harry Bridges, the West Coast labor leader, contributed to the Workers' Defense Committee and selected John Rak to represent the Pioneers at the annual meeting of the Yugoslav Savings and Loan Association. John Vertnik won the adult cash award for the night and Louis Kramer Jr. the juvenile award. Erna Vertnik handled bingo games assisted by Mary Vertnik and refreshments were contributed by Frances Rak, Mary Reven, Mary Vertnik, Erna Vertnik and Anne Groser.

Entry blanks for the Pioneer invitational handicap bowling tournament have been placed in the mail and should be received by our neighboring lodges. We request that they scout up their material and enter teams by March 20 so that the committee can arrange the necessary schedule and other details. Pioneer members who do not bowl with the Pioneer League but who desire to be placed on one of the teams should get in touch with John Alic, Anne Groser or the Pioneer secretary. It will be nice to have some of the boys from camp back home in the line-up. It is possible to have a fine large tournament, one that will compare with any of the previous Pioneer tournaments. And, while we are at it we might just as well make sure that you know about the bowler's dance on Saturday, March 25, scheduled for the SNPJ. Ray Rodman's "Gay Dons" are booked to play.

Our sick list consists of the following members: Mary Haecker, Nellie Kokaly, Mary Mali, Fred Platinuk and Steve Vidmayer, the latter having been in an accident. —A letter from Emil Hrasit tells us that if at all possible he will be in for the Pioneer handicap bowling tournament in Chicago, March 26. Though he lives in Washington, D. C., Emil has made every Pioneer tournament thus far.—The Chicago Daily Times listed pictures of five basketball stars now in Army uniform and one of these boys was Stanley Zadel, a Pioneer. They are supposed to have one of the best teams in the country among colleges and professionals. Years back Stanley played with the Pioneer team.—Jennie Marolt was recently injured. She stumbled down some stairs and the injuries were serious but she is doing all right now.—Frank Lotrich made a week-end visit to Detroit recently and among other things brought back a challenge from the Young American bowlers. A match is now being arranged.—A nice letter was received from Fausta Sarley acknowledging the children's gifts. Anne Demchar likewise acknowledged the gifts.—New arrivals were reported in the family of William Divjak and in the family of Mary Haecker. The babies are doing all right. Mary Haecker however is still seriously ill.—Sophie Sowa has accompanied her mother to Florida for a rest.—John Rodman, a veteran of SNPJ activities and a member of the Board of the Yugoslav Savings and Loan Association, likewise, has left for Florida because of his health.

The annual meeting of Yugoslav Savings and Loan Association will take place Sat., Feb. 26, at the Slovene Labor Center, 2301 S. Lawrence Avenue. The volume of business handled in 1943 exceeded that of any previous year, despite war conditions. The annual report is now in preparation and the full details will be ready for the meeting Saturday. Three directors are to be elected.—A letter from Millie Kehle tells us that she is again down in Greenville, S. C., where her husband is stationed.—William Laben postcards from New Orleans, La. He thinks frequently of Chicago and the gang.—A note from George Platinuk tells us that he has been on a nice South Pacific island for over eight months. The island is clean and very few mosquitos are prevalent but also little signs of civilization. There are no women on the island at all.—In his last letter Ernie Dresher writes from Sicily that he received a letter from Enno Pechnik from Sardinia. Enno was laid up with jaundice and malaria and we hope he is up and around now. Ernie got up and around in Army Airplanes quite a bit.

The latest dope on the girl bowlers as prepared by Anne Groser shows that Dr. C. Chrastka's squad is in the first place with a two game lead over the Victorians. Koler Florists get third only give games out and Sykora Furs are pretty much in the cellar. Last weeks high games included Anne Groser's 184, Anna Zimmer's 180 and Wilma Gratchner's 170. The five leading bowlers are: Aphrodite Westphal 144, Anna Loker 143, Anne Groser 142, Josephine Smolik 141 and Sophie Svoboda 138. This would make a good team in any tournament. The squads are due to bowl soon in the local evening American entry.—We note that the War Bond dance of the Comrades have proven very successful, and are glad of the results.

Official Proceedings

SNPJ EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Meeting of Jan. 6

Meeting was called to order at 1 p. m. in presence of all officers. The president thereupon introduced the new assistant supreme secretary, Anton Trojar, who assumed his duties Jan. 1.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

President Cankar read a letter from district vice-president Tomsic which concerned lodge elections and conditions in his district. The president further reported that Frank Bizjak was hired as janitor and Bro. Trojar assisted him with the work; he therefore recommended that one half week's pay be given Trojar for his work, which was approved.

Secretary Vider submitted a letter and bill from the Illinois Fraternal Congress and payment for annual dues is approved. He also submitted a letter from the chairman of the judicial committee which recommended payment of \$25 special benefit for P. Ban of lodge 107, which was also approved.

The secretary further reported that Frank Sodnik, employee in the secretary's office, who held an important position operating the IBM machine, was inducted into the Navy. In view of the circumstances the new assistant secretary was asked to fill this vacancy temporarily which he willingly accepted.

The committee thereupon approved the order for pocket calendars.

The following operation benefits were approved for, payment upon recommendation of the supreme medical director: \$25 each to John Oreskovich (3), Lazzeri Emil (100), Mary Drenchko (254), Mike Zavanik (586), Joseph Melle (680), and \$50 to Helena Briski (75); special benefit of \$10 each to Joseph Bahorin (101) and Felix Shular (206).

Juvenile Director Vrhovnik submitted a request from lodge 564 for \$12.50 to buy shirts for the bowlers; this lodge previously returned a contribution of \$42. Request was granted.

The committee decided that the annual meeting of the supreme board shall commence on Feb. 10.

Meeting adjourned at 4 p. m.

F. A. Vider, Sup. Secretary.
V. Cankar, Sup. President.

Meeting of Jan. 19

Meeting was called to order at 1 p. m. Present were all officers except the president who is ill. Bro. Godina was selected to preside.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

Sec'y Vider submitted a letter from People's Lobby in which they ask for annual contribution; the usual amount of \$25 was approved.

Operation claim of Louis Ahlin, lodge 129, was referred to the committee by the supreme medical director; payment of \$35 was approved.

Special benefit was granted to Tony Skerl of lodge 594 in the amount of \$20.

Juvenile Director Vrhovnik submitted a request from lodge 677 for \$42.50 to enable them to purchase shirts for the bowling teams representing their lodge; request was granted.

Applications for special benefit and assessment loans were approved (details in Slovene minutes).

Meeting adjourned at 3 p. m.

Ph. Godina, Chairman
F. A. Vider, Secretary.

Co-ops Boost Volume To \$122,253,143

Business Jumps from \$48 Million To \$122 Million in Five Years

CHICAGO (CLNS)—Cooperative regional associations or wholesales associated with National Cooperatives, Inc., business federation of consumer and purchasing cooperatives in the U. S. and Canada, reported co-op business for 1943 was larger than at any time in history. Business of the wholesales increased \$19,546,890 during the year for an increase of 18.8% over the \$103,488,956 volume of 1942. The 1943 figure, based on pre-audit reports from the co-ops in a survey just completed totaled \$122,253,143.

During the year National Cooperatives completed its first ten years. During the past five years the member regional co-ops have increased their business 214 times. In 1939 volume stood at \$48,708,823. In 1940 it increased to \$55,821,107. The 1941 sales jumped to \$82,624,650. In 1942 it passed the hundred million dollar mark totaling \$103,488,956.

Juvenile Circles of the SNPJ

Juvenile Circle No. 28 Monthly Meeting Report

ROUNDUP, MONT.—The regular February meeting of the Junior Harmonizers, Juvenile Circle 28, was held as per schedule. Bobby Bilant took the place of president and John Goodenbour was appointed vice-president.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

Our Circle now has \$24.84 in its treasury. Manager Lea Oet was ill during the month. The boys didn't go skating because of weather conditions; the skating party has been postponed until a later date.

It is interesting to know that no less than seventeen of our Circle members play the piano. Albena Finco and Charles Marris will play at our next meeting.

John Goodenbour was appointed chairman of a committee to collect magazines and comic books for the soldiers. Each member must bring one.

The girls are planning a hike in the near future, also a picnic, weather permitting. The Circle discussed buying a bond.

JOAN FINCO, Sec'y.

Pioneers, Juvenile Circle No. 1, Win SNPJ Award

WALSBURG, COLO.—The Pioneers, Juvenile Circle No. 1, as is already known to all readers of the Mladinski List, were winners of the achievement contest that was sponsored last year by the juvenile magazine.

In consideration of this fact, the SNPJ has presented a \$50 war bond to the Circle, while three \$25 war bonds were awarded to other Circles in the contest, namely, Circle 47 of Johnstown, Circle 26 of Chicago, and Circle 11 of Kansas. In addition to war stamp prizes for individual contributors, 53 Victory pins were awarded to juveniles, who during the year contributed to three or more issues of the Mladinski List.

Winners in Circle No. 1 of Walsenburg and prizes are as follows: William Tomsic, \$10 in war stamps; Verna Duzenak, \$7.50; Elizabeth Duzenak, \$4. Donna Lozinski, \$1; Millie Zorman, \$1, and Albert Duzenak, \$1.

This is the second year our Circle has gained recognition from the SNPJ, since last year the Circle received a Victory cup for achievement.

Circle No. 1 meets each third Sunday of the month.

Mrs. ED. TOMSIC, Mgr.

Perfect Circle No. 26 Announce Coming Events

CHICAGO.—This is just a reminder to Perfect Circle members that we are having our regular meeting Saturday, Feb. 26, at 10:30 a. m. in the lower SNPJ hall. All members are requested to please turn in their drawing books and money at this meeting. If you cannot attend this meeting, please mail books to me at my home, 2641 S. Millard Ave. The drawing for the comforter will be held at our first March meeting, and we are inviting several of the mothers to act as official judges.

The tickets for our theater party are now ready for distribution. We were able to get a block of 40 seats in one section, and many Circle members have paid for their reserved tickets and left them in my care. It is our plan to meet at the hall on March 25 and go in a group. Those who wish may follow this procedure, otherwise they may have their tickets any time they care to pick them up. Because of the change of date, we have a few tickets left, and they may be had by getting in touch with me.

We will discuss further our Circle pins, the forthcoming tour and other new business. It is therefore important that members be present at this meeting.

ANN SANNEMANN, Mgr.

Paper Refuses New Co-op Store Ad

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y.—Some newspaper owners who have previously criticized consumer cooperatives on the ground that they didn't advertise now are apparently afraid the co-ops will get together to exchange a few stories with the boys over a bottle of whiskey at the hall, Merry Christmas.

Frank Skabar, M. M. 2/c U.S.N.R., "Received the package you have sent me and I do want to send my appreciations thanking Lodge Spartans. It sure had the best candy and nuts in it last I have eaten in some while. Also want to thank the membership for the nice card that came with the package. Hope all the members had a very happy Christmas and New Year."

Cpl. Anthony Bolka, somewhere in England, writes: "I have just received the Christmas package sent to me by the Spartans and I wish you would convey my thanks to them for their remembrance. It certainly makes a fellow feel swell to receive gifts from home, especially sweets which are difficult to obtain over here. Tell them that I wish them a happy and successful New Year and I hope that we can all meet again in the very near future."

1st Lt. Marion Candon, Ashford

Spartan News; Dance Feb. 26

CLEVELAND, O.—It has been quite some time since Lodge Spartans, SNPJ 576, was in the limelight, but due to various logical reasons we have not contributed to Prosveta as often as our activities deserved publicity. In comparison to a few years ago, our activities have been limited, we do not participate in as many events as in former days but, nevertheless, the fraternal spirit is very strong and we should be right in the "groove" after victory reigns.

To date we have 53 Spartan members in the armed forces with whom we keep in close contact. At Christmas each and every one of these members was remembered with a gift from the lodge, the 13 boys overseas at the time received a package containing 1 1/2 lb. fruit cake, 1 lb. cashew nuts and 1 lb. candy, those boys and girls in the states were sent a five dollar check. We found deep satisfaction and gratitude in sending these relatively small gifts to our members who are fighting for us, and according to their letters they were greatly appreciated.

Millan Myatt F 3/c from Great Lakes, Ill., writes: "I certainly am a happy recipient of the five dollars the Spartans sent me—and believe me, certainly appreciate it—so please tell the lodge that I thank them with all my heart. I certainly would like to enjoy one of those old-time Spartan dances that we all had so much fun at attending—but the government says I have to stay here for a while and study."

From Lt. A. L. Garbas, 7th Convalescent Hospital, Camp Ellis, Ill.: "Your gift came totally as a surprise, it is appreciated and expressing myself as I know all the Spartan members in the armed forces feel about your considerate gesture, I would say that it is exceedingly stimulating to know that one is not forgotten during all the confusion and scramble to win this war."

Pvt. Antonia Zagar, WAC Section, 1580th Service Unit, Camp Campbell, Ky., writes: "These few lines are written to let you know how much your Christmas check was appreciated. It is nice to know the members back home still remember you even if you are gone for a long time. I think the members back home should be given a lot of credit for keeping the lodge going. It is a very difficult job with so many of the active members in the service. But keep up the good work and when we come back we will get back in the harness and lighten your burden. When this mess is over we will enjoy our Spartan activities so much more."

Cpl. John Koman, somewhere in the So. Pacific, writes: "Letting you know I received your package and want to thank the Spartans for thinking of me on Xmas. Hoping you all had a very nice Xmas and New Year. Glad to hear you are well and doing your part toward this war which, I hope, will end soon. I am feeling all right and doing well, so far, in these jungles, hoping to get out of them soon, as it has been a long time since I have seen any civilization. Over here it is really hot and it makes it awfully tough to fight in, but we're doing our best to clean out these rotten Japs."

M/Sgt. Roy Aliberg from Charleston, S. C., says: "Thank the Spartan members for the \$5 checks both Ray and I received. It certainly is swell to be remembered by you folks and I am happy that I can say that I belong to the Spartan Lodge."

Pvt. Frank Matetich, somewhere in the So. Pacific, writes: "I have received the swell package you sent from the Spartans. Thanks, all of you for the cake, nuts and candy, for it sure was good. I also want to thank all of you for remembering me. It sure is a long time since I saw any one from the Spartans. I would like nothing better than to be back in Cleveland again. It's kind of tough out here."

Cpl. Joe Lenarsic from Italy writes this in his letter: "Just a few lines to let you know that the Spartan Christmas package arrived, and on Christmas day, to my surprise. My thanks to all of you. I'm getting along all right on this side of the world but there is no place like home. Some day when this is all over with, we'll get together to exchange a few stories with the boys over a bottle of whiskey at the hall, Merry Christmas."

General Hospital, West Virginia: "Writing to you to tell you how much I appreciated the five dollars you sent me. Your gift came as a complete surprise and was very much appreciated. Thank you so much. Your spirit is wonderful and all of us in the armed services are deeply grateful to all of you who remember us. It gave me great satisfaction to be one of you when I say that you were right with us in spirit."

Lt. Stan Zagar from Camp Swift, Texas, expressed his appreciation and thanks for the gift at the Spartans' January meeting which he attended since he was home on furlough at that time.

I have many other letters from those in the armed forces acknowledging the gifts they received that I cannot include in this article. All these letters with snapshots will be included in the "Spartans in Service" scrapbook.

Ensign Walter Cerkvenik, who is in the Navy Air Corps and has been transferred to Seattle, Wash., is now waiting for a new assignment.—Lt. Stan Zagar and Pvt. Antonia Zagar, home on furloughs together last month, are doing very well in the Army. Stan with the Chemical Warfare group and Antonia in the Motor Transport Unit.—Pfc. Rose Rozance spent the Christmas holidays in Cleveland with her sister and friends and halls from Charleston, S. C.—Home on furlough, the first in 13 months, visiting his old friends and sending a hello to the Spartans was Pvt. Tony Gabrenya.—Stan Zore left Thursday for the Army.—Sgt. Lodi Debevec writes from somewhere in England that he is doing well and is in the best of health.—Cpl. Frank Lekan sends his best regards to all from Ogden, Utah.—1st Lt. Marion Candon, Army nurse, writes that she works every day with one day a month off.

Spartans held their annual meeting January 17 and elected the following members for the ensuing year: Pres., Matt Debevec; Vice-Pres., Louise Rettger; Sec'y, Ann Opeka; Treas., Joyce Gorshe; Rec. Sec'y, Sophie Opeka; Auditors, Frances Jereb, Joyce Gorshe, and Stanley Benčina. Your cooperation with the officers will be greatly appreciated.

Anniversary Dance Feb. 26

Spartans' 17th anniversary will be observed with a dance Saturday, Feb. 26, at the Slovene National Home on St. Clair Ave. with Peter Brnič's orchestra furnishing the music. The proceeds of this dance, as in the past, will be invested in War Bonds and the interests of our boys and girls in the armed forces.

It is of great importance that each Spartan member attends this dance, not only from the standpoint that we need your cooperation to make this dance a success, but socially as well; let's have a real get-together and this is the opportunity you don't want to miss. Invite all your friends!

Remember Sat., Feb. 26, at 8 p. m. Everyone is invited! Don't miss it!

ANN OPEKA, Sec'y.

Cooperatives Are One of "Four Democracies"

Urges Negro People to Use Cooperatives as Way to Achieve Better Living

CHICAGO (CLNS)—A. Philip Randolph, international president of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, declared here at a cooperative rally that the cooperative movement is the way to achieve economic democracy, which he outlined as one of "the four democracies" which all races and peoples should enjoy. The four democracies, he said, are:

"Ethnic Democracy—giving equality to all races.

"Political Democracy—giving freedom from tyrants of government.

"Industrial Democracy—giving freedom from industrial dictatorship. (The unions, he declared, represent industrial democracy.)

"Economic Democracy—giving freedom from economic want."

The Negro people, Mr. Randolph declared, suffer most acutely from the lack of these four democracies.

"The cooperative idea is the best mechanism yet devised to bring about economic democracy," Mr. Randolph said. "The main problem today and during the past several years is the equitable distribution of our economic wealth according to mass productive ability. It doesn't seem sensible that 3 per cent of the people in the United States should control 90 per cent of its wealth through their control over production."

Declaring that the cooperative mechanism automatically works to bring about more just distribution of economic goods, the union leader urged "all people and particularly the Negro people, to use this tool of cooperation which is at hand to help us make this world a better place to live for us and our children."

The meeting, which was attended by 250 people, was sponsored by the Brotherhood Consumer Cooperative Buying Club, which has developed among the membership of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters.

Spirit-o-Grams

By Whoelait

ST. LOUIS, MO.—April, known as the month of many "historical events" (such as April 6, 1909, North Pole reached by Peary, April 8, 1917, U. S. declared war against Germany, April 5, 1912, Titanic Sunk, April 21, 1898, Spanish-American war, etc.) is also our own SNPJ's historical month as it was April 9, 1904, that our great Society was founded by an assembly, composed of 12 delegates who met in the old National Hall Bldg. at 16th St. and Centre (now Racine) Chicago.

At the time of the first convention in 1904 the combined membership of the 9 branches of the organization consisted of 276 members, and the members elected to the first Supreme Board were Pres. John Stonie, Vice Pres. Mike Struckl, Sec'y Frank Medica, Recorder Frank Petric, Treasurer Frank Klohuber.

The convention adopted by-laws, selected the name, and the important factor was the adoption of a declaration of freethought principles, free from any form of Church control, all religious doctrines, and all Austrian traditions. Adhering to these principles for 40 years, progressing stronger year by year. In this 40th anniversary year we find ourselves in the dark clouds of war, which will make our celebration less colorful and jubilant, but we have much with which we can console ourselves, for the Slovene National Benefit Society has given more in protection than other societies would dare attempt in such times of uncertainty; this alone is one reason why we should courageously observe the 40th anniversary of our SNPJ.

In behalf of our lodge "Spirit of St. Louis," I extend heartfelt congratulations to our Supreme President Vincent Cankar on his 25th anniversary as president of our SNPJ. Bro. Cankar, a former resident of St. Louis and organizer of our parent lodge Planinski Raj 107, was elected at the 7th regular convention which assembled in Springfield, Ill., in September 1918 when our SNPJ numbered approximately 23,000 members in both departments, this being a quarter of a century ago. Surely it was the good work rendered by our president through all these years that has received continuous recognition as the head of one of the greatest Slovene fraternals in America. Bro. Cankar, may your good service and SNPJ ideology continue for many more pleasant years.

On the Home Front: Within the next few weeks about 12,500 St. Louis ordinance employees are to be dismissed. Recently approximately 12,000 lost their jobs. Mayor Kaufmann has been asked to call an emergency meeting of the Board of Aldermen to act on this unemployment situation and to rally the community for its solution. On Capitol Hill they're urging to pass the "Service Act" on account of labor shortage. What a jig-saw puzzle, eh? It's a 64 question, readers!

The first Sunday of each month the local branch 23 of the Sane meets at the Slovene Hall, S. 7th St. February's meeting was well attended and enthusiastic, and plans were drawn to increase the treasury. We ask you to attend the March 5 meeting.

Sis. Mary (Petrovich) Kelly is living in New Orleans now to be with her husband, who is stationed at a naval base there. Sis. Julia Krall is rejoicing over the arrival of her first granddaughter, Judy. The parents are Mr. and Mrs. Frank Loncaric. Congrats and we do expect a new juvenile member, Sis. Krall. Sis. Mary Ann Garber makes an active WASP member. She can certainly handle that plane. Congrats to Sis. Dorothy Petrovich who was married Saturday to Cpl. J. Pataky of Washington, Mo. Pvt. Tony Mance Jr. of lodge 230, Granite City, is home on leave for 10 days, being stationed in Oklahoma.

Front Lines: Bro. Anthony Lombarda has been transferred to California and we hope to hear from him. Sis. Anne Kokal has two brothers in service, Christy Domitrovich (Staff Sgt.), stationed in England, and Pete at Ft. Ruckett, Texas. Her third brother, Nick, is ready for induction. Received a card from Louis Furian, son of the local Furians (107). He is somewhere near South America. New addresses of Bro. W. Youngman: a/o Walter R. Youngman, 37611866, Group O. Sq. 236, Class 44-1, A. A. F. P. F. S., P.-S. A. A. C.-C., San Antonio, Texas. T/5 John W. Rhodus, A. S. N., 37617490, 2028, E. A. F. P.-A. P. O. 638, c/o Postmaster, New York, N. Y. We wonder where the Zvanot boys are stationed. Pfc. Joe Pogorelec (A. Spiller's brother) who has been at Ft. Lewis 30 months expects to leave there soon. He says the best thing anyone can send a soldier is salami (if you can spare the points), catsup and pickles to go with it. Bro. Johnny Rhodus writes from England that he certainly will appreciate St. Louis when he gets back home. Francis Sethlar sent his mother a lovely hanky from Ireland. Green too! Have you any news from your boys in service? Let's hear it.

You think it is a want of judgment that he changes his opinion. Do you think it a proof that your scales are bad because they vibrate with every additional weight that is added to either side?—Edgeworth.

Comrades' War Bond Quota Exceeded; Gus Valentine's Purchase of \$4,900 Helped to Smash Goal; Up to \$14,000

CLEVELAND.—The 4th War Loan drive as far as the Comrade Lodge is concerned has been a smashing success. Their original goal of \$2,000.00 in the sale of War Bonds was exceeded beyond all expectations.

Gus Valentine and his wife Anne helped the cause tremendously by digging deep and purchasing \$4,900.00 worth of bonds! Gus, his wife and children are members of the lodge. He is an ardent New Dealer, doing his share in helping the war effort by working at Lincoln Electric. Father of two youngsters, Gus and Alice. The cold stark words "Thank you, Gus and Anne" cannot express our appreciation. Gus also has a brother in the service who was recently wounded in action and is the sweeper of the Purple Heart decoration.

The 4th War Loan drive is over. This, however, does not mean any relaxation on the part of everyone in the purchase of bonds. Let's keep "backing the attack" by contributing to the purchase of bonds to the extreme limit of our ability.

The writer has attempted to do his bit by participating in this drive, which though time consuming, is minute when compared to what our boys are sacrificing. The enthusiasm of the Slovenes, members of the SNPJ and friends, when approached on the purchase of bonds, was of a nature that would warm the hearts of the boys in the service with the knowledge that the people at home are attempting to do their share.

War Bond Headquarters, the Cleveland Press, Norm Siegel, the Cleveland Plain Dealer, Mayor Frank J. Lausche, all have recognized and applauded the efforts of the Comrade Lodge in this most worthy drive. We only hope that the Comrades have set an example for other lodges to follow in the future.

We wish to express our appreciation to the Editor of the English Section of Prosveta and the editor of the Enako who have been so generous of space in their publications.

We believe it most fitting to list below individuals who made it possible for the lodge's splendid showing. Congratulations and thanks from the lodge, the writer and I know from the boys in the service: \$4,900.00—Gus and Anne Valentine.

\$700.00—Lodge Comrades, SNPJ No. 566.

\$650.00—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sebenik.

\$500.00 each—Josephine Rich, Mr. and Mrs. F. Azman, Bertha Erste, Mr. and Mrs. L. Erste, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Zalakar.

\$350.00—Louis Shuber and Mary. \$300.00 each—Mrs. A. Sterle, Mr. and Mrs. Skok, Lodge Napredne Slovenke, SNPJ 137.

\$200.00 each—Mr. and Mrs. John Zaverl, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ross, Louis Shuber and Mary, Tommy Zakrajsek, Ann Orenick.

\$125.00—Louis Shuber and Mary. \$100.00 each—Mr. and Mrs. J. Mecerol, John Simcic, Pauline Spik, Frances Spik, Dr. and Mrs. Beljan, Mr. and Mrs. A. Zakrajsek, Lodge No. 2 SDZ (Mrs. Petric), Mr. and Mrs. Bill Azman, Caroline Storm, Mr. and Mrs. A. Spik.

\$75.00 each—Bill Brown, John Saye.

\$50.00 each—B. Hochhauser, Mr. & Mrs. L. Belinger, Mr. & Mrs. M. Oblak, Mr. & Mrs. J. Stumbel, Mr. & Mrs. Prime, Antonette Skok, Frances Presern, Frank Pohar, Marilyn Zalakar, Mary Grmsek, Jimmy Slapnik Jr., Mr. & Mrs. Subel, Frances Mahne, Agnes Flanders, Mr. & Mrs. Zakrajsek, Ed and Helen Grum, Joe and Dani Fiftol.

\$25.00 each—Bill Sitter, Donald Fiftol, Joan Fiftol, Margaret Rich, Elizabeth Rich, Frank Rich Jr., Joseph Rich, Jacob Rich, Joan Simoncic, John Simoncic Jr., Mr. & Mrs. J. Fulton, Lodi Mandel, Frank Sodikar, John Suanik, Mary Krizmanec, Anne Erste, Ann Petkovek, Mrs. Azman Mrs. A. Erste, John Tavcar, Maria A. Zakrajsek, John Stritof, Celia Longer, Dorothy Subel, Carole Smole, Albina Vehar, Frances Spik.

Mayor Frank J. Lausche Extends Congratulations

To the members of the Comrade Lodge

It is with pleasure that I extend to you congratulations upon the War Bond drive that you are holding on Saturday, Feb. 12. It pleased me very much to learn that the members of the Comrades Lodge are engaged in a concentrated effort to do their full share in making the 4th War Loan drive a success. There is no question but that this great objective will be achieved if we all do our best.

Your quota has been set at \$10,000.00. It is my understanding that as of Feb. 5, through the enthusiastic efforts of the members of your lodge and friends, you had already sold \$6,200 worth of bonds. Congratulations to you!

I deeply regret that it will be impossible for me to be with you at your War Bond dance on Saturday.

Wishing you great success in your splendid campaign, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

Signed: Frank J. Lausche, Mayor City of Cleveland.

2nd War Bond Dance a Success

Our Feb. 12 dance is over. Old Man Winter tried his best to discourage a large attendance. Our hats off to those that braved the elements.

The old faithfuls of the lodge now deserve a rest, for a while. We can only again appreciate their efforts by saying "Thank you" to the following: Frances Presern, Agnes Flanders, Helen Bonac, Mary Grmsek, Kay Spik, who worked at the door; Pauline Ross, Antoinette Skok, Pauline Spik, refreshment tickets; Albina Vehar, Rose Smole, Mary A. Zak, in the kitchen; Lefty, Mr. Potnik, Eddie Grum, Johnny Smole, helped in the pinch by Julius Pirnat Sr., behind the bar; Dani Fiftol in the cage; John Tavcar, secretary of the Home and Mr. Penca, custodian, Charlie the policeman and Pete Srnick and his boys.

The workers, bond purchasers, service men and girls wore carnation buttonholes prepared by Jimmy Slapnik Jr. located at 6620 St. Clair Ave. Bond purchasers were serenaded by Pete Srnick's music. On the program we had Miss Theresa Rio singing "Beseme Mucho." Carole Rose Smole, Comrades' juvenile member, was greeted with an ovation after rendering a series of selections on her accordion. She sang and played "Marezy Dets" dedicating the number to Albina Vehar and Pauline Spik in honor of their recent birthdays. The crowd was thrilled when Mary Jane Parker, 1st class Petty Officer (Spars), stepped on the stage and rendered various selections on the accordion.

We missed many people but did happen to spot: Sis. Jerie from the Concordians (right) along with Marie Stefanic; Joyce Gorsche of the Spartans; Charles Korman, his charming wife and group of friends which included Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Blatnik from Chicago spending their honeymoon. Johnny La Vriha, reporter from the Cleveland Plain Dealer, was present accompanied by a Spar, Barberton was represented by four charming lassies. Enjoying themselves were: Tony Kerze and his wife, Helen Grum, Mollie Koren and Joe, who was leaving the next day for camp, furlough being over; Louis and Mary Shuber came again to buy more bonds; Dot Subel and friend Justine.

As Kate Smith would say, "Thanks everybody."

J. F. FIFOLT, Sec'y.

Army Paper Blasts Drive Against Labor

Washington.—Despite phoned-up stories to the contrary, the men in the armed forces are not itching to return home so they can "square" things with workers who are union men, as most of the daily press would like its readers to believe.

"Soldiers are Workingmen, Too," is the title of the lead editorial in the Jan. 15 issue of the Midpacifian, "Army Newspaper in Hawaii," which we quote in full below:

"Note must be taken of the way certain periodicals reaching soldiers have begun a campaign against labor. This is not new. As in the present case, such drives are based on half-truths, omissions and a paternalistic 'this hurts me more than it does you' attitude.

"Soldiers, generally, are concerned about this unfair carping. Most of them are working men. It is estimated that nearly a million are trade union members.

Bulwark Against Fascism "It is well to remember that the trade union movement is one of the first bulwarks against Fascism. This is proven by the fact that the unions were among the first to feel the iron heel of the Fascists in Germany, Italy and Japan.

"Organized labor, with a few minor exceptions... has put itself self unflinchingly behind the war effort. This is proven by U. S. Department of Labor figures on the few manhours lost on account of strikes. Labor has won the Battle of Production in 1943.

"Any time a labor dispute is reported, the published version, with few exceptions, is colored in favor of the employer. Yet there are always two sides to any dispute. In these days the working people need a few dollars more to cover the ever rising costs of living.

"Judging from the financial reports in the Wall Street Journal, industry is well able to comply with such demands. The biggest profit in its history is being piled up, despite propaganda to the contrary. The reports include both steel and railroads, now figuring in current disputes.

"The soldier, who is a working man in a shirt, asks that both sides be given an even break before going off to the front with misleadingly late producing articles."—CIO News.

Adversity has the effect of eliciting talents, which in prosperous circumstances would have lain dormant.—Horace.

Your Dollar

By CONSUMERS UNION

Canned Meats

"Nutritious TREET is ALL delicious meat," say the ads. But analysis by Consumers Union discloses that the "all meat" product contains added water, 28% fat, and 6% of other ingredients such as sugar, salt and chemicals.

Other luncheon meats have even more interesting ingredients. The label for Wilson's Potted Meat Food Product, for example, lists the following:

Beef tripe, oxlips, beef cheek trimmings, beef broth, pork snouts, pork underlips, water, beef hearts, beef cheek meat, dried beef trimmings, salt and other flavorings.

There's nothing wrong with these ingredients—but if you have a grinder you can make your own better meat loaf of variety meats such as heart and liver, for less money and fewer ration points.

Look for a "U.S. Inspected" stamp when you buy canned meats. Any canned meat without this label is more than likely to have been processed without sanitary supervision. And treat the meat, once you have opened it, exactly like other meats—that is, as a highly perishable food.

Consumers Union tested 29 brands of luncheon meats, deviled ham and pork and other meat products for water, fat and dry meat content and for off flavors. Among the luncheon meats giving most value are: Armour's Star Chopped Pressed Ham, Tang, Brunch and Snack. Some of the more highly advertised products, such as Treet, Mor and Span, contained more fat than is permitted by Federal specifications for government purchases of pork luncheon meats.

Hand Creams

Protective hand creams are helpful in many kinds of factory work, reports Consumers Union. Many workers are using materials and chemicals which are hard on the hands; others are exposed to dust, spattering machine grease and bits of flying debris which can cause sensitive skin to become inflamed.

This condition, known as "factory dermatitis" can often be minimized by use of a protective cream, which acts as an invisible covering, preventing dust, grime and grease from becoming embedded in the skin.

There are two main types: hand creams for general use, and "barrier" creams made up especially for types of work involving particular irritating substances. The creams for general use are usually emulsions similar to vanishing cream but with added inert powders such as talc, zinc stearate, etc.

Protective creams should leave the fingers free to move, should be practically invisible and easy both to apply and remove. CU tested 14 brands of the general type and found all fulfilled these conditions. It also tested for acidity and alkalinity, since authorities seem to agree that creams left in contact with the skin for long periods of time should be as nearly neutral as possible. CU found the following creams were nearly neutral: Creamy Glove; Neo-Film; Breck pH7.

Men's White Broadcloth Shirts

Men's shirts have gone up in price and down in quality, according to the current issue of CONSUMER REPORTS. In tests of 34 brands of men's white broadcloth shirts, Consumers Union found that fit and construction are much worse this year, many shirts being skimmed in yoke, chest, armholes and length.

Seconds were sold as first quality in a number of cases, and fabric quality was poorer than in past years.

In making direct comparisons of twelve brands tested both now and in 1941, CU found a 20% rise in price, together with a 20% drop in quality—the equivalent of a total price increase of 45%.

CU rated the 34 brands of men's shirt stiffenings as follows: AMC, \$2.50; Wings, \$2; Van Heusen Country, \$2.25.

CU's findings on men's shirts were used by the labor members of the President's Cost of Living Committee in their survey of the rise in living costs. The price increases and quality deterioration CU found were cited as part of the evidence that clothing prices have gone up 72% since 1941.

YOUR DOLLAR is a regular monthly feature. The facts and opinions given are based on Consumer Union Reports, the monthly magazine of Consumers Union, 11 Union Square West, New York City, a non-profit organization, whose main object is to safeguard buyers by testing and reporting on consumer goods. Note especially the information on labor conditions under which products are made.

Questionable Compliment

A colonel was speaking at a dinner given in his honor before embarking for Africa.

"I thank you," he concluded, "for your kind wishes regarding my welfare, and I want you to know that when I am far away, surrounded by ugly, grinning savages, I shall always think of you."

Nothing is more disgraceful than for a man who is nothing to hold himself honored on account of his forefathers.—Plato.

The Upper Crust



"Ah, Cynthia, dancing with you makes me forget danger—even the danger of soldiers voting in '44."

Debunking the Vitamin Pill Craze

All Good Diet Gives All Needed Vitamins; An Oversupply Is Useless, Sometimes Dangerous

By Dr. Olaf Mickelsen (In the Midland Cooperator)

What Are Vitamins? Vitamins are substances needed by the body in small amounts for normal health. They are organic in nature, in that they can be burned when put in a flame, whereas the minerals needed in the body will not burn. There are at present some 16 well-established vitamins. Of these there is so far a definite proof that human beings require at least seven. Vitamins are used by the body in converting the food we eat into the energy which permits us to keep going.

The present pressure from all forms of advertising would lead one to believe that the surest way to health, vigor and a life of buoyant happiness is the way of vitamin pills.

Every radio station, popular magazine and newspaper pours out an incessant flood of so-called "scientific proof" that your diet is dangerously deficient in vitamins. They then list the large number of symptoms resulting from a deficiency of vitamins, such as tiredness, sore muscles, sluggishness, indisposition, backache, and so on.

If you were to believe these pronouncements—and evidently many consumers do—all you now need is a vitamin preparation. These taken faithfully over a period of a month or more, should, according to the claims, restore your failing health.

Good Diet Needed The evidence, however, points to this: in order to make sure that the body receives all of the substances necessary to normal health the normal adult individual needs to maintain only a good diet, that includes meats, eggs, vegetables, fruits, cereals, milk and milk products.

Such a diet is what the average person in the northwest already eats. By maintaining it we are not only assured of an adequate supply and the variety of food that the body needs but we are also guaranteed a sufficient amount of vitamins.

The only way we can be sure of an adequate supply of all vitamins is to get them from natural foods, prepared so as to retain the greatest possible vitamin potency. Even such an excellent source of vitamins as yeast does not contain all the known vitamins and this is true of every vitamin capsule now on the market.

Super-Vitamins Early in the war came rumors that German soldiers were being given pills which helped them continue fighting for 24 to 48 hours without rest. Later it was widely reported that these pills were "super-vitamin capsules." This was followed by a rush of suggestions that the use of large doses of vitamins would confer similar powers of work upon anyone who used them.

Doctors Ancel Keys and Austin F. Henschel of the University of Minnesota's laboratory of physiological hygiene—largest of its type in the country—gave one half of a group of soldiers from Fort Snelling large doses of vitamin pills while the other half received similar pills containing nothing but sugar.

Both groups received the same food. There was no difference in the amount of work each group then performed although it consisted of long cross-country marches and se-

vere hard work for short durations under test conditions in the laboratory. As the amount of work performed was the same for both groups, here was proof that the addition of extra vitamins to a good diet has absolutely no beneficial influences.

Extra Doses Wasted Much of work in the laboratory has shown that the ingestion of more vitamins than the body needs results in a prompt excretion of the excess. The body requires a regular supply in small adequate amounts of most vitamins. But when a large dose is taken it is wasted.

By relying upon foods for our supply of vitamins we are not so likely to encounter this difficulty. And there is another good reason why an individual should refrain from the indiscriminate use of vitamin pills: large amounts of certain vitamins may be toxic. An increasing amount of evidence indicates that vitamins A, D and thiamine may be harmful in large doses. One cannot tell yet whether the use of fairly large amounts of the other vitamins taken over a long period of time are also toxic.

Vitamin Experiments The presence of all vitamins was first established by experimental work on the rat, guinea pig, chick, dog and monkey. In vitamin studies on animals, purified food substances such as casein (the protein from milk), sugar, some fat such as butter (washed to remove water-soluble vitamins) or lard or vegetable shortening, are used as basal rations. To this are added minerals and the vitamins, all prepared in pure form. Young animals, newly weaned, are put on this ration and their growth rate compared with that of other animals receiving a mixture of natural foods.

Usually, the animals on the purified ration grow much more slowly than those on the natural foods. A second-stage in such an experiment is to add to the purified diets such foods as liver, yeast or kidney. That food combination which can be used in the smallest amount to produce an increase in growth of the animals is then studied in the effort to isolate the new growth factor.

Eventually, by these means, a new substance is added to the known list of vitamins. Now, when the purified ration the animals should grow as well as the others on the natural foods. If they do not, the search for the missing factors starts all over again.

Food Variety Needed We need, besides vitamins, such things as carbohydrates, fats, proteins, and various minerals. In all cases, with the possible exception of carbohydrates, one should secure a reasonable variety of foods in order to insure an adequate supply of all the various factors needed by the body.

For instance, proteins are composed of the amino acids, one of the body-building substances. The distribution of amino acids in proteins varies considerably. To make certain that the body receives all the amino acids it requires, one has to include a variety of protein-containing foods in the diet, such as meats, eggs, milk, vegetables and whole cereals. If certain of these necessary amino acids is missing from the diet, the growth of the experimental animals is just as effectively decreased as if a vitamin deficiency were present.

SNPJ Sports

NATIONAL ATHLETIC BOARD

Michael Vrhovnik, Athletic Director, 2657 S. Lawndale Ave., Chicago 13, Illinois; Dist. No. 1—Frank Jacoby, R. 2, Box 234, Johnstown, Pa.; Dist. No. 2—Lawrence Casol, 535 Penn St., Verona, Pa.; Dist. No. 3—John J. Spillar, 15823 Trafalgar Ave., Cleveland, Ohio; Dist. No. 4—Frank I. Lotrich, 1937 S. Trumbull Ave., Chicago 23, Illinois; Dist. No. 5—Anton Verhick, 1602 S. 52nd St., West Allis, Wisconsin.

New Athletic Board Elected

As the result of the election at the recent meeting of the Supreme Board, three new names appear on the National SNPJ Athletic Board. These are: Frank Jacoby, John J. Spillar and Frank J. Lotrich.

Frank Jacoby, a member of Friendly City Lodge (684), Johnstown, Pa., long active in the sports activities of the SNPJ in the 1st District (Eastern Pennsylvania and New York), took over the place vacated by Thomas Briceley who is now in the military service of the United States. The contest in District No. 3 (Ohio and Michigan) was between the same two candidates who were nominated for this position a year ago, but the result this time favored John J. Spillar, Cleveland, Ohio, over his opponent, Joseph Golia of Detroit, Michigan. A three-cornered race developed in the 4th District (Indiana, Illinois and Missouri) where Frank J. Lotrich, a member of the Pioneers (559), Chicago, Ill., won over Julius Abram and Louis Baffetti on the third ballot.

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operates with a 70% handicap, the Screwballs received a 45-pin spot. They won the first game from SND 964-925. William Schuster from the American Bowling Congress kept score. In the second game, SND rolled 942 while the Screwballs dropped to 888. SND took the final game 934-863; and total pins by a score of 2801 to the Screwballs' 2715.

The star of the day was Elwood Blake, who came through with 216 and 258 in a 656 series for SND. This gives Blake both the single-high and the series-high in the individual high-score columns of the league. Also for SND, Joe Junko had a 563 series including a 214 game. While Andy Werholtz didn't get a 200-game, he bowled consistently for a 557 total. Golia rolled a 216 game in a 547 series. Baker had 478.

For the Screwballs, Bob Travnik was high-man with a 567 series, including a game of 204. Smoltz was next with 557; Ruzich had 529; John Dolence rolled 489; and the Young American President, George Stimac, had 418.

Although they lost three points, the Screwballs are still in first, with SND only one point behind. It will be a good race in the home stretch, for the third-place team, Onyx Toppers are only a point behind SND. After bowling, everybody went to the Dom. John Janc, Frank Gober, Tom Barich, and the Omira Cafe each donated a half-barrel of beer for the bowling party. Karun and Spindal brought their instruments and played for dancing. Victor Alper of the Milwaukee Badgers and Lefty Lotrich from Chicago, were on hand to participate in the day's activities. It's nice to know that the war hasn't entirely disrupted our inter-city interests and visits. George Stimac had his movie camera and made good use of it. He also entertained us with movies—some of which he had taken on Halloween.

Congratulations to Lt. and Mrs. Joe Zrimec who recently became the proud parents of a prospective new member. (He's a boy.)

For an evening of bingo and dancing come to the Young Americans' next party, to be held Saturday, March 4, at 17153 John R. ADOLPH KOSS, 564.

The Way of Genius

The celebrated Greek artist, Zeuxis, painted a picture of a boy carrying a basket of grapes, and so lifelike were the grapes that the birds flew down and pecked them.

The friends of the painter exclaimed over this wonderful manifestation of his genius, but Zeuxis was bitterly disappointed in his work.

"The boy must be very poorly painted," he confessed, sadly, "else his presence would have frightened the birds away from the grapes."

Held at Bay

Mother (on train)—If you're not a good boy, I'll slap you.

Junior—You do, and I'll tell the conductor how old I really am.

Certain Victory

Writing to a school friend now in Canada, a 12-year-old English boy concluded his letter as follows:

"Most people think we shall win the war, because Germany is a fatherland and England is a motherland. When mother and father fight, mother always wins."

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