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## Stalin izjavil, da Rusija nima atomske bombe

### Churchill in drugi vojni hujskači ogražajo mir

### PREMIER ODGOVORIL NA VPRAŠANJA

London, 29. okt.—Premier Stalin je dejal, da Sovjetska unija nima atomske bombe in da vsa ruska vojaška sila v okupiranih državah vzhodne Evrope šteje 60 divizij, ne 200, kot je izjavil bivši britski premier Winston Churchill in vodja konservativne stranke, v parlamentu, in da bo ta sila znižana na 40 divizij. Stalin je odgovoril na serijo vprašanj, katera mu je predložil Hugh Bailie, predsednik United Press Assn.

Stalin je rekel, da je Churchill glavna osebnost med vojnimi hujskači v Veliki Britaniji in Ameriki, ki ogražajo svetovni mir sedaj. Vsem hujskačem je treba zavzeti jezike. Na vprašanje, ali ima Rusija atomsko bombo, je Stalin odgovoril, da je še dal odgovor v svoji izjavi 24. septembra. V tej je naglašal, da mora atomska bomba priti pod mednarodno kontrolo. Glavna vprašanja in odgovori so bili objavljeni v Londonu in Moskvi. Ti so:

Ali se strinjate z izjavo ameriškega državnega tajnika Byrnesa, da napetost med Ameriko in Rusijo narašča?

Ne.

Ali mislite, da bodo sedanje pogodbah, ki bodo ustvarile prijateljske odnose med državami, ki so bile zaveznice v vojni proti fašizmu, in izločile vojno nevarnost?

Upam, da bodo.

Kajšno stališče zavzema Rusija glede izjave Jugoslavije, da ne bo podpisala mirovne pogodbe z Italijo?

Jugoslavija ima vzroke za nezadovoljstvo.

Kaj tvori po vašem mnenju največjo nevarnost miru sedaj?

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### Domače vesti

**V bolnišnici**  
Sygan, Pa. — George Usnik, predsednik društva 6 SNPJ, se je podal v bolnišnico, kjer se je moral podvreči operaciji—že drugič to leto. Članstvo mu želi skorajšnjega okrevanja.

**Iščajo sorodnike**  
Canton, O.—Peter Flander, po domače Smokav iz Zakojce na Primorskem, bi rad izvedel za svojega strica Franka Jerama. Zglasi se naj na naslov: Peter Chufar, 1037 Rowland ave., N. E., Canton 5, O.

**Milwaukee.** — Johana Šimenc, stara 70 let, doma iz Zagorja ob Savi, želi izvedeti za svojo sorodnico Marijo Cerar, ki živi nekje v New Yorku, kamor je pred leti prišla iz Rodice pri Domžalah, Slovenija. Prav tako želi izvedeti tudi za sorodnika Viktorja Šimenca, ki je živel v Milwaukeeju. Za več informacij naj pišeta na naslov: Frances Maci, 3079 N. 30th st., Milwaukee 10, Wis.

**Popravek**  
Milwaukee.—K domači vesti od zadnje srede, da je John Pungreč postal stari oče, bi se moralo glasiti, da je John Rajštar postal stari oče.

### Ameriška delegacija prezrla kritiko

**Sistem kontrole pravice vetiranja**  
New York, 29. okt.—Člani ameriške delegacije so ignorirali kritiko slovenskega bloka ameriških in britskih smernic, ki so bile predmet diskuzij. Cilj teh je bil ustanovitev sistema glede kontrole pravice vetiranja, katero ima velika petorica.

Politiko in smernice so kritizirali delegati Belorusije, Poljske in Čehoslovajke. Ti so se strinjali z govorom, katerega je imel Kuzma V. Kiselov, načelnik beloruske delegacije. Pričakuje se, da bo ruski zunanji minister Molotov posegel v diskuzijo danes.

Člani britske delegacije so se posvetovali glede stališča na prim. Španiji. Na sejo skupščine bo prišlo vprašanje glede akcije proti režimu španskega diktatorja Franca.

Kiselov je v svojem govoru ostro obsopal Veliko Britanijo in Ameriko, kakor tudi pomoč, katero daje Amerika kitajskim nacionalističnim silam generalisima Kaišeka v borbi proti komunistom. "Navzočnost ameriških čet na Kitajskem povzroča razburjenje," je dejal. "Te podpirajo kitajsko reakcijo. Ameriška pomoč reakciji ogražuje mir na Daljnem vzhodu."

Načelnik beloruske delegacije je obsopal tudi vzdrževanje britskih sil v Grčiji, Palestini, Indoneziji, Perziji, Iraku in Transjordaniji. Dejaj je, da je vzdrževanje čet tesno povezano z britsko vojaško politiko v teh deželah. Te igrajo vlogo zmagovalcev.

Britsko in ameriško politiko sta kritizirala tudi čehoslovaški zunanji minister Jan Masaryk in poljski zunanji minister Vinko Rzymowski. Slednji je izjavil, da britske in ameriške avtoritete dajejo potuho vojnemu hujskačem. Velika Britanija ne bi smela naglašati demokracije in človeških pravic, ker drži ljudi v svojih kolonijah v tlačenstvu.

## PROGRAM SOCIALIZACIJE NEMŠKIH INDUSTRIJ

### Britska vlada ne bo kapitulirala pred opozicijo

London, 29. okt.—Zunanji minister Ernest Bevin je pred odhodom v New York predložil spomenico članom delavske vlade o problemu Nemčije. V tej je naglasil med drugim, da Velika Britanija ne bo zavrgla programa glede socializacije glavnih nemških industrij v britski okupacijski coni, čeprav bi se pojavila opozicija s strani Amerike.

Ko je nemško vprašanje prišlo pred britski kabinet zadnji teden, je Bevin izrazil dvom v pravilnost ameriškega podpiranja stranke nemških krščanskih demokratov, ker ta ne bi mogla preprečiti ožvilenja nemškega nacionalizma. Zanašati se je treba le na stranko socialnih demokratov, da bo podpirala program socializacije industrij. Nemško ljudstvo bo vedelo, da stranka zasleduje iste cilje kot britska delavska vlada.

Vprašanje je, ali bo mogla britska delavska vlada izvajati program socializacije kljub ameriški opoziciji, ker je Bevin priznal, da je ameriški kapital potreben za stabilizacijo industrij.

Zunanji ministri Velike Britanije, Rusije, Amerike in Francije bodo začeli diskuzije o mirovni pogodbi za Nemčijo 29. novembra v New Yorku, ako bo prej dosežen sporazum o mirovni pogodbi za Italijo, Rumunijo, Bolgarijo, Ogrsko in Finsko, kar je dvomljivo. Mnenje prevladuje, da bo konferenca v New Yorku le uvod v nadaljnje diskuzije, ki se bodo vršile v Londonu ali Parizu.

Gotovo je, da bosta Rusija in Francija vodili opozicijo proti socializaciji nemških industrij v britski coni, toda iz drugačnih razlogov kot Amerika. Rusija in Francija zahtevata medzavezniško kontrolo nemških industrij, da ne bodo te omogočile zgradnje nove vojne mašine.

Komentar načrta socializacije v Londonu je, da Bevin ne bo jedel tako vroče juhe, kot jo hoče skuhati.

## Židje naj prihajajo v Palestino

### Trumanov apel na arabskega kralja

Washington, D. C., 29. okt.—Predsednik Truman je apeliral na kralja Saudi Arabije, naj opusti borbo proti dotoku židovskih beguncev iz Evrope v Palestino. Naglasil je, da bodo Amerika in druge neevropske države pomagale brezdomskim židom, če bo arabski svet storil svojo dolžnost.

V svojem apelu arabskemu kralju Ibnu Saudu je Truman zanikal obdolžitev, da ameriška vlada s podpiranjem židovskih teženj zavzema stališče v nasprotju z onim pokojnega predsednika Roosevelta. Poudaril je, da ameriška vlada ne bo podvezla nobene akcije glede Palestine brez posvetovanja z Arabci. Saud naj vpliva na arabski svet, da se bo lotil reševanja problema židovskih beguncev. Podp je naj ameriški predlog, da okrog 100,000 beguncev dobi takoj zavetje v Palestini.

Truman pravi v apelu, "da bo jazen, da se bodo židje poslužili sile proti Arabcem, ni upravičena. Lahko dam zagotovila, da je Amerika proti agresiji in terorizmu kot sredstvu za doseg političnih namenov. Ona je za izravnavo konflikta med židi in Arabci. Ako se bodo vse grupe, ki se zdaj kavsajo med seboj, lotile reševanja problemov v duhu sprave, bodo vse poteškoče premagane."

## TRUMANOVA ADMINISTRACIJA SE PODALA LEWISU

### Stavka rudarjev na polju mehkega premoga odurnjena

Washington, D. C., 29. okt.—Trumanova administracija je odvrnila pretečo splošno stavko rudarjev, članov unije UMWA, na polju mehkega premoga s kapitulacijo pred Johnom L. Lewisom, predsednikom unije. Stavka bi bila oklečana prihodnji petek, toda Truman je naznanil, da se bo na ta dan vršila konferenca med Lewisom in notranjim tajnikom Krumom.

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Besednik rudarske unije je rekel, da se Lewis ni sestel s časnikarji in da sploh ni podal nobene izjave glede rudarske stavke. Poslal je le telegram Krugu z zagotovilom, da bo sedanja pogodba med vlado in rudarsko unijo ostala v veljavi v teku pogajanj glede sklenitve nove pogodbe.

Okleč rudarske stavke na podlagi Lewisovega tolačenja sedanje pogodbe je možnost 20. novembra. Lewis, ki se bo v petek sestel z Normanom H. Collisonom, federalnim administratorjem premogovnikov, je dejal, da bo smatral sedanjo pogodbo za neveljavno, če ne bo v 20 dneh pogajanj dosežen sporazum glede sklenitve nove pogodbe. Staro pravilo je, da rudarji ne delajo brez pogodbe. Federalna vlada je prevzela premogovnike 22. maja in teden dni pozneje sklenila pogodbo z rudarsko unijo.

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### Skrčenje britske živiljske linije

Kairo, Egipt, 29. okt.—Diskuzije o skrčenju živiljske linije britskega imperija so v teku med člani britske delavske vlade in generalnega štaba v Londonu. Zadevno poročilo je prišlo iz krogov, ki imajo stike z britskimi vojaškimi avtoritetami na Srednjem vzhodu.

Živiljska linija, ki gre zdaj preko Sredozemlja do Perzijskega zaliva in potem do Indije, se bo premaknila daleč proti jugu. Šla bo preko centralne Afrike in Indijskega morja do Avstralije. Ideja je vsela v zraku, odkar je feldmaršal Alan Brooke, šef generalnega štaba, pregledal in poročal o vseh fazah obrambnega sistema britskega imperija.

Po objavi poročila je general Miles Dempsey, vrhovni poveljnik britskih sil na Srednjem vzhodu, odpoval v London. Zdej se doznavo, da so se člani kabineta in generalnega štaba odločili za gradnjo vojaških in delovnih baz v centralni Afriki.

Staro živiljsko linijo Velika Britanija drži čez 150 let, odkar se je trdno zasedrila v Indiji. Ta je bila osvojena z isto vero in zaupanjem kot britska doktrina ravnotežja moči na evropskem kontinentu.

Neodvisnat Indije je narekova skrčenje živiljske linije britskega imperija. Britski vojaški veskači so prišli do zaljučka, da bo Sueški prekop v bodoči vojni izpostavljen kot tarča atomskih bomb. Sovražna sila ga lahko uniči pred organiziranjem britske obrambe.

### Gradnja vojaških baz v centralni Afriki

Washington, D. C., 29. okt.—Federalna stanovanjska administracija je avtorizirala masno produkcijo hiš v bivših tovarnah Dodge Motor Co. v Chicagu, katere je prevzela Lustron Corp. Prevezetje je sankcionirala administracija vojnega premoženja.

### Ameriška polkovnika pred sodiščem

Bremen, Nemčija, 29. okt.—Dva ameriška vojaška častnika se bosta morala zagovarjati pred vojaškim sodiščem na obtožbo zlorabe oblasti, zanemarjanja dolžnosti in drugih prestopkov, pravi uradno naznanilo.

Prizadeta častnika sta polkovnik Bion C. Welker in polkovnik Joseph W. Shamel. Welker je bil pred vstopom v armado izdajatelj lista v Harrisburgu, Pa. Shamel je prej bival v Mount Carrolu, Ill. Oba sta bila uradnika ameriške vojaške administracije v Bremenu.

Obtožnica jima očita med drugim, da sta ovirala vojaško justico in sodelovala z operatorji črnih tržišč. Prodajala sta tudi živila in druge potrebščine iz zaloga Ameriškega rdečega križa. S svojimi dejanji sta osramotila čast ameriške armade.

Pričakuje se, da bodo nadaljnji ameriški častniki aretirani in postavljeni pred sodišče na obtožbo zlorabe oblasti, zanemarjanja dolžnosti in sodelovanja z operatorji črnih tržišč.

### Obtožena stavka zlorabe oblasti

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### Ameriška nota rumanski vladi

### Velika Britanija izrekla obdolžitve

Bukarešta, Rumunija, 29. okt.—Burton Y. Berry, politični reprezentant Amerike v Bukarešti, je izročil noto rumunskemu zunanjemu ministru z opozorilo, da se mora rumunska vlada držati dogovora, sklenjenega na konferenci velike trojice v Jalti na Krimu, glede splošnih volitev, ki se bodo vršile 19. novembra. Nota naglašala, da morajo biti volitve svobodne in demokratske.

Predsednik rumunske vlade Petru Groza je prej zavrnil zahtevo strank opozicije, da morajo biti opazovalci tujih držav navzoči v volilnih kočah, ko se bodo vršile splošne volitve.

London, 29. okt.—Velika Britanija je obdolžila rumunsko vlado, da skuša zmagati pri volitvah 19. novembra z različnimi metodami falsifikacij. Njen reprezentant v Bukarešti je dejal, da se mora vlada držati dogovorov, sklenjenih v Jalti in Potsdamu.

On je obdolžil vlado ustrahovan članov strokovnih unij in vladnih uslužbencev v volilni kampanji. Od njih zahteva, da morajo oddati glasove kandidata sedanjega režima.

### Clani komisije za atomsko energijo imenovani

Washington, D. C., 29. okt.—Predsednik Truman je imenoval člane komisije za atomsko energijo. V njeno področje bo spadalo med drugim raziskovanje in kontrola atomske energije. Za načelnika je bil imenovan David E. Lilienthal, člani pa so William W. Waymack, Sumner T. Pike, Robert F. Bacher in Lewis L. Strauss.

### MacArthur pojasnil vzrok poloma pogajanj

Washington, D. C., 29. okt.—General Douglas MacArthur, vrhovni poveljnik okupacijskih sil na Japonskem, je v poročilu vojnemu departamentu pojasnil vzrok poloma pogajanj z Rusi glede zedinjenja Koreje. Pogajanja so se razbila, ker sovjetske avtoritete ne priznavajo svobode govora.

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### Anglija bo plačevala višje cene za meso

Buenos Aires, Argentina, 29. okt.—Vlada je naznanila sklenitev dogovora z Veliko Britanijo, s katerim se je slednja obvezala, da bo plačevala višje cene za argentinsko meso. Zvišanje znaša dvanajst odstotkov na sto funtov mesa.

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### Perzijski poslanik oplazil Veliko Britanijo

Teheran, Perzija, 29. okt.—Muzfar Firouz, perzijski poslanik v Moskvi, je na zborovanju demokratske stranke udrihal po Veliki Britaniji in hvalil sovjetsko Rusijo. "Velika Britanija bi morala vedeti, da Perzija ni zdaj taka kot je bila pred 20 leti," je dejal. "Ako hoče biti naša prijateljica, mora upoštevati želje in voljo perzijskega ljudstva. Perzija bo vodila odločno opozicijo proti britskemu vmešavanju v njene notranje zadeve. Rusija se je izkazala kot prijateljica Perzije v vseh ozirih."

### Ickes izstopil kot član organizacije

New York, 29. okt.—Harold L. Ickes, bivši notranji tajnik, in trije drugi so izstopili kot člani Splošnega sveta ameriško-ruske prijateljstva. Ickes je omenil kot vzrok resignacije stališče, katero je zavzel bivši trgovski tajnik Henry A. Wallace glede kontrole atomske bombe. Drugi, ki so resignirali, so senator Saltonstall, sodnik Learned Hand in William L. Batt, bivši načelnik odbora za vojno produkcijo.

### Zmaga bolgarske domovinske fronte

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Berlin, 29. okt.—Trinajst ameriških vojakov je bilo aretiranih, ker so napadli in pretepli več nemških civilistov brez vzroka. Med civilisti je bil neki katoliški duhovnik.

### Resna vladna kriza v Grčiji

Atene, Grčija, 29. okt.—Poskusi za ustanovitev koalicijske vlade so se izjalovili in kriza se je poostila. George Papandreu, vodja republikancev, je dejal, da kooperacija z vlado, katere predsednik je Konstantin Tsaldaris, ni mogoča.

### Obtožena stavka zlorabe oblasti

Washington, D. C., 29. okt.—Gerhard Eisler, o katerem je Louis Budenz dejal, da je poglavar ameriške komunistične stranke, bo zaslišan pred kongresnim odsekom, ki preiskuje neameriške aktivnosti. 23. novembra. Eisler je bil rojen v Avstriji. Budenz, ki je pred enim letom izstopil iz komunistične stranke in se vrnil v katoliško cerkev, je zdaj profesor ekonomije na univerzi Fordham.

### Perzijski poslanik oplazil Veliko Britanijo

Teheran, Perzija, 29. okt.—Muzfar Firouz, perzijski poslanik v Moskvi, je na zborovanju demokratske stranke udrihal po Veliki Britaniji in hvalil sovjetsko Rusijo. "Velika Britanija bi morala vedeti, da Perzija ni zdaj taka kot je bila pred 20 leti," je dejal. "Ako hoče biti naša prijateljica, mora upoštevati želje in voljo perzijskega ljudstva. Perzija bo vodila odločno opozicijo proti britskemu vmešavanju v njene notranje zadeve. Rusija se je izkazala kot prijateljica Perzije v vseh ozirih."

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Benid, Ill.—Članstvo društva
356 SNPJ je prošlo, da se udeleži v velikem številu prihodnje seje, ki se bo vršila 3. novembra.

Bridgeville, Pa.—Naznanjam članom in članicam društva 172 SNPJ, da je bilo odglasovano na zadnji redni seji, da se združimo ali pristopimo k društvu 295 SNPJ.

White Valley, Pa.—Obveščam članice društva 320 SNPJ, posebno one, ki se niso udeležile seje, da je bilo sklenjeno na redni seji 6. oktobra, da mora vsaka članica prispevati \$1 v društveno blagajno v mesecu novembru, in sicer za društvene stroške.

Glavni iz naselbin
Predavanja o stari domovini
West Allis, Wis.—Sporočam, da bo priredila podružnica SANS-a predavanje dne 17. nov. v dvorani S.S. Turn, 725 W. National.

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## Stara pesem se ponavlja

Zdaj smo v sezoni indijanskega poletja, volilne kampanje in političnega bunta. Slednjega je sicer vedno več kot dovolj, toda v volilnih kampanjah pa toliko, da se iz njega gnoj dela tudi v zraku, sploh kolikor visoko v vsemirje seže propaganda in blufarija starih kapitalističnih strank. In v dobi radia seže ta propaganda že precej daleč.

Prosveta se po navodilu konvencije in glavnega odbora zadnja leta ne spušta v strankarsko politiko in volilne kampanje. Tega ne dela iz kakšne politične brezbriznosti, marveč vsled tega, ker načelno ne more podpirati kapitalizma in njegovih strank, ki ga držita pokonci in branita in zagovarjata.

Načelno Prosveta še vedno stoji na svojem originalnem stališču, da delavstvo potrebuje svoje lastne stranke prav tako kot potrebuje svoje ekonomske organizacije (unije), ali pa svoje gospodarske organizacije (zadruge) v obrambo, zaščito in promoviranje svojih lastnih interesov kot tudi interesov vse dežele kot celote. To potrebo je naglasila tudi zadnja konvencija SNPJ. Prejšnja leta, dokler je izgledalo, da se socialistična stranka morda razvije v efektivno delavski politični instrument in postane močan faktor v deželi, je Prosveta podpirala to stranko, toda odkar so se ti izgledi razblinili in je stranka vsled notranjih razkolov postala samo senca, je po odredbi konvencije in glavnega odbora postala "nevtralna", kar se tiče volilnih kampanj.

Ni pa Prosveta nevtralna, kar se tiče socialističnega programa in načel, katere še vedno zagovarja in izpoveduje, kajti ta načela in ta program, ki stremi po temeljiti družabni reformi in odpravi profitarkega sistema, je danes še prav tako veljaven in veliko bolj potreben kot kdaj prej. Danes je vse ameriško ljudstvo še veliko bolj v kleščah monopolističnega kapitalizma kot je bilo v preteklosti. Tega procesa, po katerem se bolj in bolj koncentrija bogastvo dežele v rokah relativno majhne skupine silno bogatih ljudi, tudi ne bo nihče preprečil razen s podžaljenjem ali socializiranjem v obliki kreiranja javnih korporacij, in naj obratujejo industrije v interesu in za dobrobit skupnosti—vseh ljudi.

To so v kratkem načela, katere izpoveduje Prosveta od vsega začetka svojega obstoja. Zato se tudi ne more postaviti v službo kapitalističnih strank, ki so na vsej črti nasprotna temu načelom, temu programu. Obe stranki sta v službi "free enterprizerjev", katerih načelo je svobodno izkoriščanje delovnega ljudstva kot producentov in konzumentov. Kdor se ogreva za eno ali drugo kapitalistično stranko, fakično podpira tudi ves izkoriščevalski sistem, kateri poleg drugega bruha iz sebe rakitstvo, gospodarske krize in vojne.

Delavec, ki glasuje za to ali drugo kapitalistično stranko, pljuje v lastno skledo in skeba na volilni dan, kajti obe stranki sta proti njegovim interesom. To se mogoče sliši marsikomu zoperno, dogmatično in "narrow-minded", toda je resnično kot je solnce na nebu. Ako ne verjamete, pa pogledajte v kongres ali kamorkoli in videli boste, kolikor zakonov je bilo zadnja leta sprejetih v korist delovnega ljudstva. Vsa politična moč organiziranega delavstva in liberalnih elementov je bila koncentrirana v odbujanju reakcije, ki je skušala, da okrne ali uniči še tisto, kar si je delavstvo pridobilo pod "new dealom".

Dokler ameriško delavstvo ne spozna prej omenjene resnice, se obrne od kapitalističnih strank in si ustanovi svojo lastno politično organizacijo, ki mu bo dala v roke novo moč, novo sredstvo za protektiranje in promoviranje svojih interesov, in to v širokem smislu, ki se izraža v geslu "eden za vse, vsi za enega", toliko časa bo v postavočajnih zbornicah in v vladi tudi brez moči, bo prisiljeno le odbijati napade s strani reakcije ali pa se bo kvečjemu moralo zadovoljiti z drobtinami.

Najbrže bo marsikdo rekel, da je ta politika Prosvete nerealiistična, povsem negativna, kajti o delavski stranki ni na eni strani nobenega duha, na drugi strani pa je silno važno za delavstvo kot tudi za deželo, da so izvoljeni—"delavski prijatelji". Seveda na listi starih kapitalističnih strank.

Kot v vsaki volilni kampanji se seveda tudi danes razlega glas po deželi, da je treba izvoliti "delavce" in "ljudske prijatelje", sploh "liberalni kongres". Ta glas se danes v resnici še močneje razlega po deželi kot se je pred leti, ko se je organizirano delavstvo manj zanimajo za politiko in ko je bilo številčno relativno majhen faktor. Za širjenje tega glasu skrbe razni politični odbori, unijaki in liberalni, ki si prizadevajo, da bi reformirali demokratsko stranko in poslali "prijatelje" v kongres. Teh "prijateljev" je danes res zelo veliko, kajti nihče neče biti "sovražnik". Z malo izjemo je pred volitvami vsak kandidat "delavski" in "ljudski prijatelj"—od Tafta do Bilbota.

Ni namen teh vrstic, da bi hoteli na koga vplivati, naj ne glasuje za delavske prijatelje ali "prijatelje". Med kandidati starih strank se sem in tam res najde kakšna bela vrana, ki so mu pri srcu delavski in ljudski interesi in je naprednjak po mišljenju. Tudi v zadnjem kongresu je bilo nekaj takih moč, toda pri vsaki resni preizkušnji je bilo njih število zelo majhno—izmed okrog 430 kongresnikov jih je na primer le 13 glasovalo proti Trumanovemu osnutku za konskripcijo stavkarjev pod vojaško komando. Vsi drugi "prijatelji" so splahnili.

Namen teh vrstic je naglašanje potrebe, naj ne gre nihče na voliče z zavezanimi očmi in glasuje tako kot želi njegov "precinct captain" ali kak drug "ward heeler" ali boss v tovarni ali uniji. Na žalost so tudi mnogi, sploh večina unijskih bosov prav tako udinjani kapitalizmu in povezani s korumpiranimi političnimi mašinami kot so "ward heelerji". Namen teh vrstic je tudi poudarjenje potrebe, da si delavstvo zgradi svojo lastno politično organizacijo kot si je zgradilo svoje unije. Ako bi organizirano delavstvo potrošilo toliko denarja za organiziranje svoje lastne

VABILO NA  
PREŠERNOV KŃNCERT

Chicago, Ill.—Večini čitateljev tega lista je že znano, da priredi pevski zbor France Prešeren svoj veliki jesenski koncert prihodnjo nedeljo, 3. nov. v dvorani na Lawndale in 27. ulici, pričetek ob 3. uri pop.

Znano vam je tudi, da Prešeren vedno priredi dober program. Vendar pa hočem malo površno opisati, kaj boste videli in slišali prihodnjo nedeljo, ko posetite zborov koncert.

Prešeren bo v dveh nastopih zapel šest pesmi. Vse so zbrane skladbe, a omenim naj le "Venček partizanskih pesmi." To je nova skladba, ki jo je uglasil za moški zbor zborov pevovodja Fr. Kubina. Besedilo in enoglasno melodijo smo dobili iz stare domovine. Te pesmi so zložili in prepevali partizani po gozdovih, zdaj pa bo prvič, da bo ubrano v štirih glasovih zapeta na odru.

Na Prešernovih koncertih so tekem let gostovali mnogi zbori raznih narodnosti a to pot bo prvič gostoval slovenski pevski zbor "Zora", dobro znan ne samo v Ameriki, pač pa tudi v stari domovini. Poleg tega bodo razni drugi talenti, kot Rosemary Merhaut in Dorothy Glavan, ki bosta zaigrali na harmoniko in kitaro nekaj lepih komadov; Marion Cervenka bo pela ob spremljevanju klavirja po Ruth Medic; obe sta dobro znani iz aktivnosti pri mladinskem krožku. Plesali bosta mladi deklici Agnes Wilson in Marilyn Mueller, pod imenom "Syncopated Rhythm". Nastopila sta že uspešno med vojno po bližnjih taboriščih in raznih drugih dobrodelnih programih, sta baje zelo privlačni. Angie Rokavec in Alice Bersa bosta zapeli nekaj pesmi ob spremljevanju Tonyja Omerze, Franka Gradiska ml. in Stanleyja Mozine ml. To je že dobro znani "team", ki je še vselej nastopil z velikim uspehom. Predstavljena bo tudi živa slika iz partikih bojev; v nji nastopijo Charlie Renar, John Cayhen in Angie Rokavec—mogoče bo v nji še več oseb, kar meni ni sedaj znano. Skušali bodo pokazati trpko borbo v osvobodilni vojni stare domovine. Nastopi tudi grupa Ukrajincev, ki bodo v narodni noši proizvajali razne koziaške plesne in petje ob svoji godbi; ta grupa je z velikim uspehom nastopala po raznih mestih širom Amerike. Na koncu bo pa še kratka igra v angleškem jeziku (nekaj za smeh) pod imenom "One for the money". V nji nastopijo Marion Cervenka, Ed Udovich, Johnnie Rokavec, Bill Kovačič in Richard Zasadil.

Upam, da nisem kake točke izpustil. To je program: nad dve uri prave živahne zabave, na katero vas vabimo vabi zbor Prešeren. Ko boste vse to videli in slišali, potem se boste pa lahko po svoji volji zabavali ter plesali v spodnjih prostorih ob poskočnicah Franka Debeveca in njegovih fantov; a v zgornji dvorani pa ob ubranih zvokih Eddie Fenclovega orkestra. Ako boste lačni ali žejni, vam bodo Prešernovke in Prešernovci prav radi postregli.

Torej ali imate čitatelj kakšen izgovor, da se ne bi udeležil take priredbe? Namen zborja je, da kolikor mogoče zadovolji posetnike duševno in telesno, ter v tem duhu v imenu Prešerna kliče: Vsi v dvorano SNPJ prihodnjo nedeljo. Na svidenje!

Anton Udovich.

30-LETNICA DRUŠTVA 262  
Sharon, Pa.—Društvo Slovenec 262 SNPJ bo praznovalo svoje 30-letnico v soboto, 9. novembra v Slovenskem domu. Vabimo torej vse članstvo našega društva in vse Slovence v tej okolici, da se udeležijo naše jubilejne priredbe.

Program bo zanimiv in se bo pričel z banketom ob 6. uri zvečer. Kot vedno, tako bodo naše

stranke kot ga zadnja leta potrošili v kampanjah za izvolitev dvoimnih "prijateljev", bi si lahko v nekaj letih zgradilo organizacijo, ki bi jemala sponec voditeljem strank.

Domača zabava  
DRUŠTVA 39 SNPJ

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Joseph Garm.

30-LETNICA DRUŠTVA 262  
SNPJ IN VESELICA  
POSTOJANKE 30 SANS-a

West Middlesex, Pa.—V sredini izdaja Prosveta dne 23. oktobra je bil priobčen kratek opis v zvezi s proslavo društva Slovenec 262 SNPJ, toda navedeno ni bil datum proslave, zato bom napisal nekaj vrstic o tej priredbi, ki se bo vršila 9. novembra s programom in banketom.

Ker je 30-letnica društva važen dogodek vsake organizacije, bo tudi naše društvo praznovalo to obletnico čim bolje. Program se bo pričel ob sedmih zvečer. Pestrosti ne bo manjkalo, kajti podano bo mnogo zanimivih točk: petje, govori, predstavitev ustanoviteljev društva, zaeno pa bomo pogostili tudi naše veterane, ki so se povrnili z bojišč.

Torej kdor si želi nekaj ur duševnega užitka in domače zabave, naj gotovo posei 30-letnico našega društva v soboto večer, 9. novembra, v Slovenskem domu v Sharonu. Po programu bo sledil ples, za katerega bo igral orkester veterana Umka iz Girarda, O. Vabljeni ste od blizu in daleč.

Dne 17. novembra pa bo priredila veselico s plesom naša postojanka št. 30 SANS-a. Ves čisti dobiček je namenjen za otroško bolnišnico v Sloveniji. Tudi te priredbe ne smemo prezreti, kajti dolžnost nas vseh je "odpreti srce in otirati bratu solzo." To mora biti naše geslo.

V začetku tega leta smo pričeli zbirati prispevke za otroško bolnišnico v Sloveniji. Nekateri so se dobro in radodarno odzvali, nekateri pa ne. Imena onih, ki so darovali \$5 ali več, bodo zapisana v posebni knjigi, katere bo odposlana v staro domovino. Torej če še niste darovali \$5, darujte takoj, dokler je še čas. Darovali boste lahko na veselico 17. novembra, kjer bo odbor sprejemal darila in vam lahko tudi povedal koliko ste že darovali za bolnico. Vedite, da bodo imena poslana v glavni urad SANS-a, kjer jih bodo uredili v lepi knjigi in jo poslali v Slovenijo!

Na svidenje na obeh priredbah!

Anton Valentinčič, blagajnik  
262 SNPJ in 30 SANS-a.VABILO NA  
VINSKO TRGATEV

Imperial, Pa.—Društvo Lucky Star 716 SNPJ bo priredilo vinsko trgatve v soboto, 2. novembra. To bo prva vinska trgatve našega društva, zato vabimo vabimo vse naše članice in člane, kakor tudi članstvo društva 106 SNPJ in društva 29. Naj nas obiščejo tudi drugi prijatelji in prijateljice.

Zabave bo za vse dovolj, kakor tudi pijače in jedaje. Za ples bo igral Midofarjev orkester. Torej na veselo svidenje 2. novembra zvečer v dvorani društva 106 SNPJ!

Matilda Jamnik.

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John Hujan, pred. nadz. odseka.

K 40-LETNICI  
DRUŠTVA V BOJ

Cleveland.—Bilo je leta 1906, ko so rojaki v Collinwoodu pričeli misliti, ali bi se dalo ustanoviti društvo, katerega bi lahko priklopi SNPJ, ki je bila takrat tretja in najmlajša jednota. Eden izved volilnih moč, ki je bil že član društva 17 v Lorainu, O., je bil dobro poznan Jože Kunčič, sedaj stanujoč na 15610 Waterloo road. On je bil že v stari domovini organiziran železničar. Železničarsko kot tudi druge organizacije v Avstriji so ustanovili socialni demokratije in tako je br. Kunčič že takrat razumel pomen organizacije in prid delavstva.

Ko se je Jože Kunčič preselil iz Loraina v Collinwood, je začel agitirati za ustanovitev društva, ki bi ga priklopi SNPJ. Takrat stvar ni šla tako gladko kot gre danes. Naše gospodinje, ki so vzdrževale tako zvane "boarding house", so verovale, da le oni je dober "boarder" in bo šel v nebesa, ki v nedeljo dopoldne malo pomoli v cerkvi. Nič niso bile hude, ale je tak "boarder" dopoldne krel, zapil svoj težko prislužen denar, pa zanemarjal ženo in otroke, katere je pustil v starem kraju, kjer so pričakovali, da jim bo pošiljal denar iz Amerike, da bodo lahko plačali dolgove na svoja majhna posestva. In tako so oni, ki so mislili pametnejše, slišali včasih grožnje, da se morajo "mufati", ako se ne bodo držali strokrajških običajev in ob nedeljak hodili k maši in se ravnali tako kot jim je bilo zapovedano.

Bile pa so tudi druge žene, ki so prišle semkaj za svojimi možmi in rekle, naj mož pristopi v društvo, ker če bi umrl, bi ostala reva—morda bi se morala vrniti tudi v stari kraj. Pozneje je pa tudi mož pričel misliti "Ja, kaj če bi ona umrla..." In tako so uvideli potrebo, da so društva potrebna za oba spola. Pozneje so nastala tudi ženska društva, ker se je smatralo, da so ženske enakopravne z moškimi. In če mi danes gledamo ta naš ženski spol, vidimo, da v mnogih ozirih prekaša nekdanja zapovedujočega moža in da jim enakopravnost pristojna.

Dokler je živel pokojni Dominik Blumel, nam je pogosto pripovedoval, da so na Martinovo nedeljo 1906 ustanovili društvo v boji, ki je dobilo št. 53 SNPJ. In ko mi danes pogledamo na čarter, da izvemmo kdo so bili ustanovitelji tega društva, ki danes šteje 634 članov v odraslem oddelku, jih najdemo deset: Ti ustanovitelji so: Ivan Prusnik, Ivan Dežman, Dominik Blumel, Ivan Knafelj, Jože Prusnik, Frank Knafelj, Alojz Starman, Jože Vovk, Ivan Pretnar, Ivan Porenta.

Glavni tajnik in glavni predsednik SNPJ sta bila takrat Frank Klobučar in John Stonič. Slednji je bil prodajalec zlatnine, je mnogo potoval po nase-

binah in obnem agitiral za  
SNPJ.

Med ustanovitelji našega društva žive še trije—Jože Kunčič, John Prusnik, sedaj član društva 142, in Louis Starman, sedaj član društva 158. Tudi slednja dva sta povabljena, da ju predstavimo na Martinovo nedeljo kot ustanovna člana društva 53.

Koledar nam kaže, da letos pade Martinova nedelja na 10. novembra. Na to nedeljo bomo člani društva v boji praznovali 40-letnico. Ob tej priliki se bomo spominjali tudi sv. Martina, ki ni krstil samo vina, marveč tudi društvo v boji, ki je bilo ustanovljeno ta dan, ker je bilo potrebno delavstvu. Člani so se do zdaj držali one zavednosti, ki spodbuja delavstvo v boji, ker taka je potreba.

Za to proslavo je društveni odbor izdelal primeren program raznih točk. Naj omenim nekatero. Brez govornikov ne more biti. Povabilu sta se odzvala glavni predsednik Vincent Cainkar, ki ne bo samo govoril, marveč tudi predvajal slike o zadnji konvenciji v Evelethu, Minn. Odzval se je tudi Rudy Lisch, član gospodarskega odseka, ki bo govoril v angleščini. Nastopi kvartet ali duet mladinskega pevskega zbora SND, dalje mladinski zbor clevelandske federacije SNPJ pod vodstvom pevovodje Franka Pluta. Louis Rolich bo zaigral na harmoniko, Justine Pretnar in Shareen Fidd nastopita kot plesalki. Povabljen je pevski zbor Jadran, ali posamezni pevci—kakor se odločijo. Brez Florence Unehich tudi ne sme biti; ona bo nastopila kot solistka.

Takoj po programu se prične ples v spodnji dvorani, kjer bodo igrali: Doris in Jerry Pajk na harmoniko in električno kitaro, Eleanor Pavli pa na klavir. Zvečer ob osmih se prične ples tudi v gornji dvorani, kjer bo igral orkester Franka Barbiča ml. in Johna Zalokarja. Ta orkester obstoji iz petih godbenikov in se lahko kosa s kateri koli godbo, ki igra na naših priredbah.

Kot član društvenega izvršnega odseka vabim članstvo, da posetite 40-letnico vašega društva. Napolimo dvorano Slovenskega delavskega doma, kajti to vaše društvo je največ pripomoglo, da stoji ta ponosna stavba na 15335 Waterloo rd. Tudi drugi rojaki, člani drugih društev ste vabljeni, da se odzovete temu našemu vabilu, ki je samo enkrat na leto. Ko smo že zgoraj zapisali, pade letos ta slavnost na 10. nov. Pričetek ob 4. popoldne, takoj po programu pa ples.

Frank Barbič.

RAZNO IZ MILWAUKEEJA  
Milwaukee, Wis.—Ker se nihče ne oglašuje iz naše nasebine, naj jaz nakratko povem, kako je na društvenem, gospodarskem in političnem polju.

Najprvo naj omenim, da je nas razočaralo poročilo naših delegatov o 13. redni konvenciji SNPJ. Razočarani smo bili zato, ker smo tako malo pridobili, a nadejali smo si večjih izboljšav. Bilo je precej kritike in vprašanj, zakaj se ni upoštevalo članskih želja in uvedlo v organizacijo razne reforme, ki bi bile po 40 letih obstoja organizacije času primerne in potrebne za večji napredek jednote.

Delegati so nam odgovorili, da so tam sestavili načrt in se jih ni dalo nikamor premakniti in tako je ostalo večina mo po starem. Celo našo federacijsko resolucijo in priporočilo so popolnoma ignorirali in nekam pokopali. Toliko o tem.

Na zadnji federacijski seji je spet prišla na površje tista stara želja, ki jo goji tukajšnji slovenski živelj že več desetletij, namreč kako zgraditi Slovenski dom za članstvo Slovenske narodne podporne jednote. Sedaj, ko se je pridružilo k naši organizaciji še društvo Lilija, je naše upanje poživelilo in naš cilj bi lažje dosegli.

Lilijevci so nam poznani še iz prejšnjih časov kot dobri agitatorji in zelo aktivni pri svojem

društvu, zato smo prepričani, da tudi v bodočnosti ne bodo manj vneti za dobro stvar. Za realiziranje našega cilja, izgraditve doma, je potrebna kooperacija vsega članstva SNPJ tukajšnji nasebini. Ako bo sleherni posegel v žep in prispeval po svojih močeh, pa bo pričetek vse drugo pa bo sledilo! O tem boste več slišali pri svojem društvu in na federacijski seji, rej udeležite se se svojih društev, kakor tudi federacije, te ne odrecite sodelovanja in, po moči, kajti z izgraditvijo zasnove našega doma bi stodotnostno pridobila naša nasebina, kakor tudi naša organizacija—članstvo SNPJ bi imelo svoje shajališče.

Volitve se bližajo in meščansko časopisje zliva svojo gnovnico na vse napredne kandidate. Na piki ima posebno kandidata za kongresnika v 4. distriktu, na Edwarda Bobrovca, ker njega podpira tudi PAC CIO. Volite za napredne kandidate, da bodo pobijali fašizem in se borili za pravo demokracijo!

Anton Ermenc.

ZABAVA ZA VETERANE  
IN DRUGO

La Salle, Ill.—Bilo je že poročano v Prosveti, da bomo 3. nov. imeli domačo zabavo v Slovenskem domu za one člane in članice tukajšnjih društev, ki se služili v oboroženi sili, kakor tudi za njih družine. To so člani društev št. 2, 98, 337 in 57 SNPJ, samostojnega društva Edinost in društva 124 ABZ.

Tisti, ki niso nikogar imeli vojni, toda bi se radi udeležili te zabave, naj se zgledajo kako je bilo že omenjeno, pri Johnu Furarju in plačajo vsoto \$2.

Začetek zabave ob 4. popoldne. Pridite fantje in možje, sploh vsi veterani zadnje vojne. Saj ste zaslužili eno dobro za bavo, ki vam jo prirejajo vaše društva.

Kot novico naj omenim, da med kandidati, o katerih bomo tukajšnji volilci 5. nov. izrekli svojo sodbo, tudi Tony Novlan, ki kandidira za okrajnega "Probate Clerka". On je sin Novlanove družine, ki je včlanjena pa SNPJ. V zadnji vojni, v kateri je služil približno štiri leta, je izgubil desno roko, kakor tudi brata Ludvika. On je služil pri bombnikih in je izgubil desno roko do ramena. Naj vsak vulec stori svojo dolžnost.

V New Yorku je zborovatelj Zdrženih narodov. Zastopatelj je 51 držav. Tudi od tega zborovanja ne pričakujem kaj koristnega za slovenski narod, ker je preveč reakcionarjev. Bora se bomo morali še naprej za pravice tlačnih in povosod dvigniti svoj glas proti krivicam. Heralški slovenski odnosno jugoslovanski narodi gotovo niso zaslužili takih nezasihih krivic od Amerike in Anglije. Mi smo ameriški državljani in bomo lajalni naši novi domovini, ki nas je potrebovala, kljub temu pa se tudi čutimo prizadete, ker se gode krivice naši rodni domovini.

Torej na svidenje v nedeljo popoldne v Slovenskem domu na zabavi. Matt Vogrich, 2. Pripomba uredništva: Agitacija za tega ali onega kandidata v Prosveti je proti sklepu konvencije in glavnega odbora.

ZABAVA DRUŠTVA 490 SNPJ  
So. Chicago, Ill.—Društvo 490 SNPJ bo priredilo zabavo v dvorani IOS, 10105 Ewing ave., začetek ob sedmih zvečer. Vabljeni so tukajšnja društva in prijatelji ob priliki vam bomo pa vrtili poset.

Vstopnina je samo 40c. Vstopnice si lahko nabavite pri tajnici ali pa članih društev, kakor tudi ali pa vrati na dan priredbe. Se posebej pa so vabljeni naši članice-veterani, kateri bodo vstopnino prosti, povrh pa bodo dobili darilo, in sicer zvezni bond za \$25.

Za prigrizek in pijačo bo skrbel odbor. Tudi vrteli se bomo, kajti imeli bomo dobre godce, kajti imeli bodo svidenje v soboto, 16. novembra!

Za odbor: John Košič, član.

# Minutes of Meeting of Supreme Board of Slovene National Benefit Society

Held August 9 and 10, 1946, at SNPJ Home, Eveleth, Minnesota

## Report of Supreme Treasurer

My report for the period of Jan. 1 to June 30, 1946 will be rather brief because of excessive work and because of the convention which opens in a few days.

The society has again marked progress financially in an average of \$34,000 more than during the previous six months. The insurance department shows a total surplus of \$329,115.92 and the total assets as of June 30 of this department were \$12,300,014.62.

The main income was from assessment in the amount of \$645,836.70, not including assessment for Prosveta, and the second source was the yield from investments which amounted to \$227,107.94. The payments of loans from the special benefit fund and other income brought the additional amount of \$2,086.42. These figures clearly show that more than one third of all income comes from investment return, from our investments. Although the society's assets are steadily growing, we do not see this development in the investment return; on the contrary, the latter decreased last year from 2.782% to 2.762% or for 20 hundreds of one per cent.

Status of assets in banks is as follows:

	Harris Trust & Savings Bank	Ill. Nat'l Bank & Tr. Co.	Bank of Montreal	Bank of Toronto
Balance	\$130,297.02	\$12,544.11	\$11,460.56	\$ 8,181.44
Jan. 31, 1946	\$ 45,705.29	\$18,671.52	\$ 4,562.34	\$ 3,720.74
Investments to	\$71,060.42	\$20,108.34	\$2,139.20	\$ 4,261.13
June 30	\$146,862.73	\$38,780.17	\$13,709.76	\$ 7,981.87
Disbursements	\$76,468.89	\$20,225.75	\$7,371.08	\$ 3,965.40
Balance	\$130,297.02	\$12,544.11	\$11,460.56	\$ 8,181.44

The main change in investments is in bonds and mortgage loans; status in other investments is practically unchanged. Mortgage loans have been reduced from their high peak of more than one million to \$363,000. The society's assets are invested as follows:

Real estate, including main office, \$55,721.83; federal securities, \$8,252,070.20; mortgages of all types, \$363,713.19; Canadian bonds, \$46,025; state, county and municipal bonds, \$2,633,083.90; utility and industrial bonds, \$383,763.13; stocks, \$9,750; savings and loan assn. \$309,000; certificate loans to members, \$82,549.04; assessment on hand, \$1,841.19; cash in banks, \$162,483.15; total \$12,300,014.62. Of this total \$11,525,014.97 belongs to adult department and \$779,873.65 to juvenile department. Assets of Prosveta, printery and the minors beneficiary fund are not included in this account.

The society also has certain matured unpaid bonds valued at \$67,790. Since the state of Illinois does not consider these bonds as legal, the society gets no credit for them in spite of their market value. It is likely that the finance committee will liquidate these bonds in the near future and the net balance will be divided among corresponding funds.

As far as real estate is concerned, one sale was made after June 30 and one is now in process. In this way the entire assets in real estate will be liquidated soon.

The administration of my office during this period proceeded normally, for which I wish to sincerely thank the executive officers, especially supreme president, secretary and business manager who have helped to transact business in the banks and thus enabled me to devote two days a week to SANS. I also wish to express my sincere thanks to the supreme board for the generous donation to the fund for the children's hospital in Slovenia and wish the board at this meeting much success.

Report accepted.  
MIRKO KUHEL.

## Report of the Secretary of Sick Benefit Dept.

### FINANCIAL STATEMENT

January 1 to June 30, 1946

	\$1 Class
Receipts:	
January	\$ 22,327.75
February	19,563.75
March	21,109.40
April	23,133.45
May	23,152.85
June	20,992.05
Total regular assessment	\$130,279.25
Special assessment	382.00
Interest	9,683.43
Sick benefit returned	64.50
Total	\$140,409.18
Disbursements:	
January	\$22,484.00
February	19,966.00
March	19,781.00
April	18,453.00
May	23,037.00
June	16,763.50
Total disbursements	\$120,484.50
Six months surplus	19,924.68
Balance December 31, 1945	503,792.33
Balance June 30, 1946	\$523,717.01

	\$2 Class
Receipts:	
January	\$ 12,615.06
February	11,330.20
March	11,793.20
April	12,550.80
May	12,613.80
June	11,473.80
Total regular assessment	\$72,376.86
Special assessment	426.00
Interest	2,073.47
Sick benefit returned	169.50
Total	\$75,045.83
Disbursements:	
January	\$ 16,121.50
February	13,385.50
March	14,598.00
April	11,070.00
May	14,551.00
June	9,262.00
Total disbursements	\$78,988.00

Balance December 31	\$107,662.09
Six months deficit	3,942.17
Balance June 30, 1946	\$103,679.92

	\$3 Class
Receipts:	
January	\$ 1,677.10
February	1,450.80
March	1,494.20
April	1,587.20
May	1,587.20
June	1,362.00
Total regular assessment	\$ 9,158.50
Special assessment	18.00
Interest	363.38
Total	\$ 9,539.88

	\$3 Class
Disbursements:	
January	\$ 2,159.50
February	2,049.50
March	1,517.50
April	1,583.75
May	2,353.50
June	1,847.50
Total disbursements	\$ 11,511.25
Balance December 31, 1945	\$ 18,955.84
Six months deficit	1,971.37
Balance June 30, 1946	\$ 16,984.47

Regular assessment in the first half of this year amounted to \$211,814.61, special assessment \$826, interest \$12,120.28, returned benefit \$234, total income \$224,994.89. Total sick benefit paid was \$210,983.75. Balance of all classes as of June 30, 1946 was \$644,381.40.

Income has increased during this period by \$12,014.29. This increase comes mainly from the re-insurance for sick benefit by returning veterans and partly from new members secured during the last campaign. In addition, interest has also increased because of higher number of matured and called bonds. Interest covers considerable amount of benefits in spite of the fact that the present rate is extremely low. Of course, without reserve there is no income in interest. This is special income; conversely, the benefit funds have a more difficult standing.

At the same time benefit payments have also increased during the past six months in the amount of \$41,554.52. We haven't had such high payments in a similar period for many years. It is difficult to determine the main cause, but it is likely that the strikes were somewhat responsible for this situation. This judgment is based on past experiences. Each economic crisis or unemployment was followed by financial crisis in our benefit funds, and because unemployment will certainly sooner or later return, we must be careful that the convention will not make a decision which would jeopardize our sick benefit funds.

Our accounts show a neat reserve in sick benefit funds, most of which belongs to the \$1 class, but, on the basis of actuarial report even this doesn't meet certain requirements. As you know, some lodges, federations and members recommend that the convention should allow higher benefits, which is an old story before each convention. However, it is impossible under present conditions to further experiment with sick benefit in the old manner. I am convinced that if we were to revert to the old system, the convention would have to adopt a new system with smaller benefits at higher assessments.

You all know how much effort and time was necessary before we were able to establish the sick benefit system on a firm basis. There were many discussions and plans and much valuable time has been wasted at the conventions. Let us continue with the present system which has proved beneficial for the society and let us not attempt to go back to the old system which caused disputes in lodges and a lot of expense to the society. I am convinced that the membership does not want this, but that it is in favor of a dependable system and believes in a healthy and strong organization.

Report accepted.  
LAWRENCE GRADISEK.

## Report of the Juvenile Director

My report for the first six months of this year is going to be very brief, because I have already submitted a summary of the more important phases of my work in this period in my convention report and, for that reason, feel that too much repetition here is not necessary.

However, I would like to add that there has been more or less improvement in every department under my jurisdiction. For example, the ESL 20TH ANNIVERSARY membership campaign ended very successfully considering that it was the fourth campaign conducted in as many years. The members and lodges who participated in this drive enrolled 3052 members, of whom 1854 were juveniles, 705 were new adults, and 493 were transfers from the Juvenile Department of the Society, for an average gain of 509 per month. This, I believe, set a new record for a six month campaign. It was all the more remarkable for the fact that less than 60 per cent of the lodges engaged in the campaign, and that pretty much the same lodges and members, who had taken an active part in previous campaigns, were mainly responsible for its success. Largely as a result of the recent campaign, the Society shows a splendid net gain of 1263 members for the first half year period of 1946.

The number of active Juvenile Circles showed an increase of two over the preceding six months (one at Detroit, Mich., and the other at Sygan, Pa.), and so there are now 27 altogether. Their activities, too, appear to be on the upgrade in most of the communities where they are established and a continuation of this trend is expected to become stronger in the future.

The Athletic activities of the Society are growing rapidly in such popular sports as bowling, softball, golf and a number of other minor events. There will be no letdown in this department unless funds needed for expansion are not made available. The National Athletic Board went on record at its last meeting to increase the annual appropriation to \$10,000, and also to increase the number of representatives on the Board to seven. Both recommendations are good and in line with the general forward progress of the Society.

There is nothing else I wish to report at this time, excepting that I do want to thank all of you,

as well as the lodges and members, for the cooperation and assistance given me in my work during the past six months. I certainly appreciate it and hope that I will deserve the same kind of support right on up to the end of my term in office. Thank you again.

MICHAEL VRHOVNIK,

## Manager's Report for Printing and Publications Department

Following is my report for the first six months of 1946:

PROSVETA—The official organ is being printed in 33,600 copies, or approximately in same number as in previous six months. Daily Prosveta is being printed in 6,800 copies, or nearly 600 more than in the previous six months period.

During this period we secured about 700 new subscribers, most of whom were secured in the current campaign that opened May 1 and will close October 31. All evidence shows that if we continue this pace we will not only reach our quota but even surpass the goal. Subscriptions are being paid with unusual promptness, while there has been a decrease in advertisements; however, space in the paper is readily taken up by news from the old country and other material. As our accounts show we made financial progress also in this period which will help to cover the steadily increasing expenses.

THE VOICE OF YOUTH—Our juvenile monthly magazine is printed in 11,600 copies, an increase of several hundred over the previous six months period. It is obvious that the magazine is very popular among its readers and the members are satisfied with its contents.

PRINTERY—There were no important changes in this department during this period. The work is being carried on according to our best ability, although there is still a great shortage of printers and we are forced to resort to overtime, which means considerably higher expenses. There are times when some printers receive as much as one hundred and fifty dollars pay per week. Supplies and paper are hard to get and prices are constantly mounting; quite often we have to borrow newspaper paper because of delay in delivery of orders. Just now the price for newspaper paper has been increased about \$7 and it is likely that it will go still higher. For example, we order a carload of paper and we get only half of a carload. Similar difficulties are the order of the day in these times. We are trying to do everything possible to overcome the difficulty. In several instances we had to transfer printing orders to other printeries because we were unable to complete the work. There was some surplus in the printery, as is shown below. I wish to mention that on the occasion of the 30th anniversary of daily Prosveta we issued an eight-page jubilee number on July 10. In general, there is good cooperation between the representatives and secretaries and the main office and there are no complaints. There has been no change in the personnel, except that two of the employees have been ill for a long time and one of them is still ill, which means that I and the rest of the employees have to work harder and help in order that the work in my department is promptly executed. I shall be at your disposal for any further explanation.

### SLOVENE NATIONAL BENEFIT SOCIETY PRINTERY

Financial Statement for six months ended June 30, 1946

RECEIPTS:	
Publications Sales—Prosveta and The Voice of Youth	\$ 31,908.50
Sales to SNPJ	3,162.30
Sales to Customers	1,764.14
Sales to Prosveta	328.96
House Sales	41.93
Total receipts for completed work	\$ 37,205.91
Waste Paper Sales	35.50
Cash Discounts Earned	77.92
Interest on Securities	657.53
Interest on Mortgage Loan	71.67
TOTAL ALL RECEIPTS	\$ 38,048.53

DISBURSEMENTS:	
Paper Purchases	\$ 8,238.47
Ink Purchases	224.36
Miscellaneous Materials Purchases	2,355.72
Postage	839.81
Factory Pay Roll	19,378.68
Rent	1,800.00
Fire Insurance	88.02
Depreciation	261.32
Power	503.85
Liability Insurance	98.84
Stock Handling Expense	90.25
Departmental Machine Expense	763.90
Work in Process December 31, 1945	262.12
Total Factory Expense	\$ 34,905.34
Less Work in Process June 30, 1946	1,270.06
Manufacturing Cost of Sales	\$ 33,635.28

Shipping and Mailing Department Expense	146.65
Advertising Expense	348.33
Office Salaries	2,292.53
General and Office Expense	86.51
Postage	112.49
Social Security Tax	218.33
Unemployment Compensation Tax	174.66
Audit Fee	150.00
Total Expense	\$ 37,164.78
Profit in department for six months	883.75
TOTAL	\$ 38,048.53

DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS:	
Balance in Amalgamated Trust and Savings Bank	\$ 17,568.95
Accounts Receivable	4,501.89
Materials Inventory (Paper and Ink)	3,457.38
Work in Process Inventory	1,270.06
Investments	46,562.96
Real Estate Mortgage	1,978.14
Machinery and Equipment (at cost)	55,732.23
Unexpired Insurances	422.46
Mailing Department Inventory	114.55
Publications Postage	58.32
Postage Inventory	43.99
General Factory Inventory	6.12
Total	\$131,716.95
Less Reserve	52,869.94
TOTAL ALL ASSETS	\$ 78,847.01

LIABILITIES, NET WORTH AND RESERVES:	
Accrued Wages	\$ 89.92
Social Security Tax	218.06
Unemployment Compensation Tax	119.99
Accounts Payable	1,062.72
Withholding Tax	378.40
Employees' Vacation Reserve	201.13
Allowance for Depreciation	52,869.94
Original SNPJ Investment	50,000.00
Surplus	26,176.80
Total	\$131,716.95
Less Reserve	52,869.94
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH	\$ 78,847.01

### SLOVENE NATIONAL BENEFIT SOCIETY FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR PUBLICATIONS DEPARTMENT AND THE VOICE OF YOUTH

Six months ended June 30, 1946

RECEIPTS:	
Subscriptions—Daily	\$ 9,157.15
Subscriptions—Weekly	29,109.18
Advertising	5,764.58
Maintenance Fund for Magazine	5,260.11
Editors' and Office Service for Magazine	780.00
Interest on Securities	457.53
TOTAL ALL RECEIPTS	\$ 50,528.55

DISBURSEMENTS:	
Commissions and Discounts no Subscriptions and Advertising	\$ 1,703.20
Cost of printing Prosveta and The Voice of Youth	31,918.58
Editors' and Office Salaries	9,590.16
Stationery and Office Supplies	159.66
Depreciation on Furniture and Fixtures	47.84
General Expense	4.91
Audit Fee	100.00
Rent	300.00
Postage and Shipping Expense	238.41
Second Class Postage (Prosveta and The Voice of Youth)	2,274.23
Publishing Expense	932.79
Social Security Tax	97.06
Unemployment Compensation Tax	77.65
Exchange on Checks	.15
Subscriptions Campaign	11.25
Dead Accounts	23.00
Total	\$47,478.59
Profit in department for six months	3,049.96
TOTAL	\$50,528.55

### DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS:

Cash in Northern Trust Company Bank	\$22,358.18
Accounts Receivable—Weekly subscriptions due from SNPJ	4,531.50
Accounts Receivable—Advertisers	314.95
Deposit—Second Class Postage for Prosveta	1,181.72
Deposit—Second Class Postage for The Voice of Youth	111.31
Securities	35,333.13
Furniture and Fixtures (at cost)	6,328.24
TOTAL ALL ASSETS	\$70,159.03

LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND SURPLUS:	
Accounts Payable	\$ 4,343.40
Social Security Tax	94.59
Unemployment Compensation Tax	52.76
Reserve for Withholding Tax	111.20
Reserve for Depreciation on Furniture and Fixtures	6,198.16
Surplus	59,361.92
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH	\$70,159.03

Report accepted.  
PHILIP GODINA.

## Editor's Report

My report will be brief. As you know, during the first half of this year we issued four supplements of Prosveta, three in the form of enlarged daily to eight pages because of a large number of letters from the old country, and an eight page issue on the occasion of the 30th anniversary of Prosveta.

In this report I wish to limit myself to two things. First is the anniversary campaign of the daily with its goal of one thousand new subscribers. The campaign opened on May 1 and will close Oct. 31. There is every indication that

NEW INVESTMENTS Made between Jan. 1 and June 30, 1946				
Date	Par	Description	Cost	Vendor
1/15	\$610,000	U.S. Treasury 2 1/2% due 12/15/72-67, at 103 8/32	\$ 629,825.00	C. F. Childs & Co.
"	100,000	U.S. Treasury Series G, 2 1/2% due 1/1/58 at par	100,000.00	Harris Trust
"	30,000	U.S. Treasury 2 1/2% due 12/15/72-67, at 103 8/32	30,975.00	C. F. Childs & Co.
2/14	75,000	U.S. Treasury 2 1/2% due 6/15/72-67, at 104 17/32	78,398.44	C. F. Childs & Co.
"	25,000	U.S. Treasury, 2 1/2% due 6/15/72-67, at 104 16/32	26,125.00	C. F. Childs & Co.
"	15,000	U.S. Treasury, 2 1/2% due 6/15/72-67, at 104 17/32	15,679.69	C. F. Childs & Co.
3/18	100,000	U.S. Treasury, 2 1/2% due 12/15/72-67, at 104 29/32	104,906.25	C. F. Childs & Co.
"	40,000	U.S. Treasury, 2 1/2% due 12/15/72-67, at 104 29/32	41,962.50	C. F. Childs & Co.
"	25,000	Dayton Power & Light, 2 1/2% due 10/1/75, at 107 1/2	26,875.00	Halsey, Stuart & Co.
"	50,000	New York Power & Light Corp, 2 1/2% due 3/1/75, at 106%	53,312.50	Halsey, Stuart & Co.
5/20				

### New Insurance Provisions for Veterans

Now is the time for all lodge secretaries to advise veterans about the new provisions of National Service Life Insurance, for the bill which greatly liberalizes the provisions has been signed by the President and is now in effect.

There were more than five thousand members of our Society serving in our country's armed forces in World War II. To be informed and to advise the veterans correctly and honestly is fine public service and will establish the confidence of veterans in fraternal insurance.

It is important to know that the new law makes available additional types of policies, enlarges the classes of beneficiaries, provides for conversion and reinstatement, introduces lump sum benefit payments and adds total disability benefits.

According to the Veterans Administration, there are about six million National Service Life Insurance policies now in force, and these are eligible for the new benefits. In addition, 10 million veterans have permitted their insurance to lapse, and these may reinstate them or apply for the new insurance.

However, there is no immediate necessity for those veterans who have term policies to make a change to the new forms. Term policies issued to service men and women before January 1, 1946, may be continued without change for eight years from the date they were issued; those issued after December 31, 1945, are good for five years before conversion to permanent forms is necessary.

As most veterans know, the original types issued were whole life, 20-payment whole life and 30-payment whole life. These forms are continued and, in addition, there are three endowment policies: 20-year endowment, endowment at age 60, and endowment at age 65. The premiums (dues) are payable for the specified length of time, at the expiration of which the face of policy is payable to the veteran. Those who have previously converted their term insurance may change from the form selected to one of the new endowment policies.

It is well to know that formerly the beneficiaries were restricted to near relatives. The restrictions have been removed, and the insured may designate any person or persons, an organization or his estate as beneficiary.

Also, formerly the benefits were payable as monthly income or annuity payments for 120 months or as a refund life income. These settlements are still available, and under the new law the insured may have his insurance paid in a single lump to beneficiaries, or he may elect payments to be made in equal monthly installments ranging from 36 to 240 months.

An entirely new feature is total disability benefits. If the insured becomes totally disabled for six months he may begin to collect \$5 a month for each \$1,000 of insurance, and these payments are continued as long as the disability exists. The life insurance is not reduced by disability benefits. The total disability feature may be added to any form, including term insurance, but the insured must meet specified health requirements and pay an extra premium.

It is also important to know that those who were in the armed forces between Oct. 8, 1940, and Sept. 2, 1945, are entitled to apply for new National Service Life Insurance up to \$10,000. The old law limited the insurance to the amount he applied for while in service. The application for a new policy or increase may be filed any time, but it will be granted only upon proof that the veteran meets certain required health standards.

Those who were rejected solely for health reasons between October 8, 1940, and September 2, 1945, and the applicants killed or totally disabled in line of duty while in service, receive special consideration under the new law. The insurance applied for is validated, and the beneficiaries will receive benefit payments.

This brief explanation is a simple picture of the new provisions. It is well for lodge officers to keep this information in mind, so as to advise veteran soldier-members at meetings or when they seek advice on this matter. If more detailed information is desired, it may be obtained from the Veterans Administration, Washington, D. C.

As stated above, there are about six million National Service Life Insurance policies now in force, while 10 million veterans have permitted their insurance to lapse. The number of lapses is altogether too large, and it is likely that a number of our own veteran soldier-members have also permitted their insurance to lapse. At the same time, do not fail to pay your dues to your lodge in the SNPJ, which is always standing by to aid you in time of accident, sickness or death. Keep up your lodge dues and lighten the burden of your lodge secretary.

### Avella News

AVELLA, PA.—Your reporter of Lodge 292 is back on duty after several weeks absence due to an accident to the better half. Bro. Ribarich is home from the hospital now. Also on the sick list is Charles Brezinski. Bro. Frank Neme passed away Oct. 22. He was an SNPJ member for 28 years and will be missed by his many friends in Avella.

Our local mixed bowling league of seven five-men teams is in full swing. Tied for the lead are the Five R's and the Lucky Strikes with six wins and three losses. Battling for second place are the Upsetters and Pinsplitters. The Amateurs are next in line, with the B-29's and Suckers scrapping over the "booby" prize. John Barwid's 243 is high single game for the men and Frances Martincheck is pacing the ladies with a 224. Deb Debelak has men's high average at 153, while Sophia Ograjcncik is high with a 147 average. The contests are very exciting, often won by 1 pin, 9 pins, etc.

At a meeting on Oct. 19 the foundation was laid for the social, cultural and educational activities of our lodge. We elected three members to head the movement and to act as spark-plugs with the assistance of all local officers. President

is John Resnik, a very live spark-plug. I assure you. His sister-in-law, Anna Resnik, is our secretary. Anna is quite a versatile lady and you can expect to hear more about her later; as treasurer we have Frances Martincheck, also quite capable.

Plans were made for a card party to be held on Halloween night for members and their guests only. Prizes, refreshments, etc. were left up to the committee in charge, which consisted of Ethel Resnik, Elsie Dugas and Pauline Debelak. Plans were also made to participate in the E. S. federation bowling league and the annual New Year's Day duckpin tournament.

Our 11th annual Thanksgiving Day celebration will soon be here. As always, we will have bowling contests, and those plump chickens and turkeys we give as prizes should be very welcome this year.

The Penny Trio had a very happy reunion at the Morning Stars dance and also at the E. S. federation meeting. Library certainly played host in the grand manner. The meal we were served was delicious and the entertainment following was tops. It was so nice to meet our many friends again and we are looking forward to the bowling league and tournament.

HELEN RIBARICH, Sec'y.

### Golden Eagles

GIRARD, OHIO.—A new, vibrant spirit has appeared at the Eagle meetings! The attitude of "let George do it" has been discarded permanently, we hope. Although only twelve members appeared for the October meeting, this was a fifty per cent improvement, over the past four months!

Our Nov. 16 dance was completely discussed. Various committees are full of enthusiasm and optimism. They are positive that all distribution posts will be well staffed. Where once we had a dismal, down-trodden attitude, there is now hope and a tingle of fraternalism. It is now safe to assume that the Eagles will fly to their rightful place in the SNPJ sun.

Others, and there are others, should spend an hour or two at our meetings. We will meet again on Nov. 10 at two o'clock at the Slovene Hall. An advance sale of tickets is being made for our Nov. 16 dance. The Hribars, Jacobs, Matekovichs, Umeks, Cigolles, Leskovecs, Mackcs and Rezekcs have tickets. Tickets are available for those who want them. See Hribar.

#### On Shortages

What has the future in store for us? Why do we permit capitalist political parties to use us as guinea pigs for economic experiments? Why do we have a crying need for houses? Why is there a lack of meat? Why shortages of any type? Do we have a lack of manpower? Do we have a lack of machinery? Do we have a lack of resources? Answer these questions honestly. Give them some thought. Give them a lot of thought! Why? Why? Why?

At the present time, various restrictions compel us to vote for either one of two profit-motivated parties. Perhaps some future day will bring with it a unity of purpose—a true Labor Party, a cooperative movement. This is a prime requirement if we are to receive equal distribution of our production.

OFF THE RECORD—John Yakevich Jr. is one of the thousands at Ohio State University. He is a talented lad and should make good progress. The Ed Umeks has just returned from their honeymoon. Got as far as Gettysburg, Pa. Are you getting those dance tickets sold? FRANK REZEK, 643.

### Narodni Vitezi Hold Homecoming Saturday

CHICAGO.—The Narodni Vitezi Lodge, No. 39 SNPJ, is sponsoring a Homecoming Dance and Domača Zabava in honor of the Lodge's G. I.s and veterans, this Saturday, Nov. 2, at the lower SNPJ Hall, 27th and Lawndale.

Each member of the lodge, except servicemen, will be asked to remit an additional \$1 with his November dues. If he comes to the affair, he will be given \$1 in chips. There'll be no admission fee. Each of Narodni Vitezi's servicemen will be given \$3 in chips upon entering the hall. It will be to the advantage of all members to come and see what we have to offer. Let's all show up and help our servicemen have a grand time.

### Lucky Stars Give Harvest Dance

IMPERIAL, PA.—The Lucky Stars, SNPJ Lodge No. 716, cordially invite all lodges and friends to their Harvest Dance they are giving in the local Slovene Hall this Saturday, Nov. 2. The music for the occasion is Al Medafer's orchestra who play Slovene and popular tunes. You don't want to miss this affair as you are assured a good time with all the decorations that go with a harvest dance.

The Lucky Stars want to thank one and all who attended their 16th anniversary dance. It was one of their most successful birthdays in their history.

The federation conference at Liberty Oct. 20 was well attended, with delegates from ten different lodges present. There were many good discussions and plans made for the future. The Library lodge surely gave the delegates their hospitality they are noted for. It was also a pleasure to see the movies from the 13th convention and other various events that took place in the past. After the movies we all enjoyed ourselves dancing to the tunes of the Musical Stylists.

We want to remind you again of the Harvest Dance Saturday, Nov. 2. FRANK OPEKA, Pres.

### Spirit-o-Grains

By Whoozit

ST. LOUIS, MO.—Spirits' bowling team is doing very well. Last week they won two out of three. The bowlers are certainly putting their hearts and souls into this sport, so the members are urged to drop in at the Bevo Alleys and give them a little rooting. I know the bowlers appreciate visitors.

The rules committee met at Sis. Markoff's house and revised some of the old rules besides adding a few new rules. These rules will be presented at the next meeting to be held Friday, Nov. 8. Members are reminded to attend this meeting as all suggestions will be welcome.

A souvenir program has been received from the American Slay Congress' recent convention in New York. The program is quite interesting and the members can see it at the next meeting.

This & That.—We are glad to report that Sis. Pauline Gillespie is off the sick list. Hear that Masy Maurich is wearing a ring on the third finger of the left hand. Congratulations, Mary. Cupid is quite busy among Spirit members since another wedding is coming up Thanksgiving.

There will be plenty of solid and liquid refreshments. Good music will be available for dancing. The date is Nov. 2 and the time is 8 p.m. All SNPJ members and friends are cordially invited to attend. Everyone's welcome. JOHN POTOKAR, Sec'y.

### Lodge 540 News

ELIZABETH, N. J.—Our Lodge 540 has held meetings all thru the summer months and thanks go to all who attended. The last meeting was held Sept. 8 with a good attendance. At this meeting all the members purchased tickets to attend the American Slav Congress on Sept. 22. It was a very interesting affair for all who could go.

Also at this meeting we have decided to hold our usual Christmas party after the meeting on Sunday, Dec. 8. We certainly hope to see each and every member at this very important meeting and for everyone's pleasure we urge you to stay for our usual party. There will be refreshments to please everyone and surprises for the kiddies. We especially hope all our servicemen will attend and help us to make merry.

At the Sept. meeting our delegate, Bro. Mike Bizjak from Newark lodge 756, was present to give us all a report on the SNPJ convention which was held in Minnesota in Aug. He gave a very interesting report on the convention. He was asked different questions by many members and every one was answered to his or her satisfaction. We are glad he enjoyed the trip to and from the convention. Thanks go to our delegate for work well done.

On Sun., Aug. 25, some of the members got together and had an outing and wiener roast at Warranck Park, Linden, N. J. All who attended had a very pleasant Sunday afternoon and thanks go to all who came and helped to make it a success. The weather was perfect, clear and cool for such an outing. We hope next summer we can get together more often like this.

Congratulations and best wishes to Josephine and Joseph Domina on the birth of their third daughter recently. Also to Adele and Frank Skarl on the birth of their first child, a girl. We hope they will eventually become new members of our lodge.

Please try to pay your dues on time each and every month as the secretary appreciates prompt payment.

The next meeting will be held Sunday, Nov. 10, and every one is urged to attend so we can plan and discuss the Christmas party. It needs everyone's cooperation to be a great success. Please come and bring your ideas along at the next meeting, Sunday, Nov. 10, at 2 p.m. MARY PEZDIRC, Rec. Sec'y.

### Young Americans

DETROIT, MICH.—Attention, Young American members and friends. A "Feather Party" will be held at 17153 John R. on Nov. 16 at 7:30 p.m. There is going to be music and dancing afterwards. So let us all get in the swing for the pre-holiday fun.

The Juvenile Circle held their Halloween party at John R. last Friday night. It was their first party since their reorganization and quite a success. Juvenile members, come to the meetings and join in the fun. Don't forget the next monthly meeting Nov. 8 at 7:30 p.m. HELEN STIMAC, 564.

### Lodge 490 "Welcome Home" Dance Nov. 16

SO CHICAGO, ILL.—Once again, SNPJ Lodge 490 has the pleasure of extending invitations to all of its members, friends, the local Lodges 8, 610 and 100, and by all means, the South Side Inter-Lodge Bowlers, to attend its "Welcome Home Dance" which is to be held at the I.O.S. Hall, 10105 Ewing Ave., Saturday, Nov. 16, at 7 p.m.

The purpose of this dance is to extend a warm welcome to the members of our Lodge who have served our country, and to show them that we at home have not forgotten them. To extend our gratitude, we have a \$25 savings bond waiting for each ex-serviceman member in appreciation for the fine job that they have done for our country.

The committee is working hard to make this affair an enjoyable one. In addition to our fine music, there will be an ample supply of refreshments to guarantee a stimulating and healthful time for everyone.

During the past weeks, we had some sorrow in our Lodge, when one of our members, Sister Frances Colaric, wife of Brother Valentine Colaric, passed away. She will be greatly missed by all of her friends, as she was a very kind person, and always had time for others. In behalf of Lodge 490, we express our deepest condolences to the bereaved family, and also to Sister Mary Brljavec who lost her father, Charles Kries, in the past week.

On our sick list are John Kasher and Jacob Puc, for whom we all wish speedy recoveries.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. John Mikrut on the arrival of their son, Nicholas, who is already a member of our Lodge.

The girl that we've seen flashing a diamond the other night, is Theresa Hvala. Congratulations!

Don't forget, members, attend the regular monthly meeting at the Calumet Park Field House, on Nov. 5, at 7:30 p.m.

MARY SLOBODNIK, Sec'y.

### Lodge Venera Holds Domača Zabava Nov. 2

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—We again extend a hearty invitation to all lodge members and friends to come to Lodge Venera's Domača Zabava this Saturday evening, Nov. 2, at the old Turner Hall, 725 W. National ave., and enjoy an evening with us. There will be plenty of good food and plenty to drink, also pleasant willingness to serve you. So why not make it a date and come to our domača zabava?

I also wish to remind all members that monthly meetings of Lodge 192 are still held each second Tuesday of the month at the usual place. How about some of you members getting back into the habit of attending meetings again? Let's see more of you members at the next meeting Nov. 12.

Expecting to see you all at the Domača Zabava Nov. 2, and with kindest regards to all, and also to you, Joe Fritz, out there in Muiredale Sanatorium. I hope you are feeling much better and that you will soon be in our midst again. We miss you. MARY VASIL, Sec'y.

### President of Lodge No. 130 Given Surprise

EVELETH, MINN.—Sis. Ursula Ambrozich, president of the SNPJ Ladies' Lodge No. 130 and 5th district vice president of the Society, was pleasantly surprised by officers of the lodge Sunday night at the SNPJ Hall. A social time was enjoyed by all present and a delicious lunch was served. Sis. Ambrozich was presented with a bouquet of chrysanthemums and carnations. Hostesses were Sis. J. Chad, F. Krall, J. Krall, A. Roberts, A. Lenich, F. Frantar and F. Cerar.

### Lodge 600 Will Mark Anniversary Nov. 2

JOHNSTOWN, PA.—The Ladies' Lodge Naša Sloga, No. 600 SNPJ of Moxham, is celebrating its 20th anniversary in the form of a dance. It is to be held at the Moxham Slovenian Hall in Lorain Borough this Saturday, Nov. 2. Music will be furnished by Stanley Kobal and his Jolly Jesters from Girard, Ohio. Dancing will begin at 8:30 p.m. There will be plenty of refreshments. The Ladies' Lodge cordially invites all neighboring SNPJ members and friends to join them on that date. MARY SERNELL.

### NOTATIONS

By Frances L. Rak

CHICAGO, ILL.—Perfect Circle are busily rehearsing for their Halloween Party, which will be held one day late this year. The very special date is Friday evening, Nov. 1st, at 7 o'clock at the lower SNPJ Hall. The floor show will consist of a "ghost dance," recitations, and vocal and instrumental selections, which is bound to be good. Only the under twelve years of age children will participate. Several good games will be played. Refreshments in tune with the event will be "super," with juke box music for dancing. There will not be an admission charge, and we are told that parents and friends are welcome. You just mustn't miss it.

PRESEN CONCERT.—Presern Male Chorus is sponsoring its fall concert and dance this Sunday afternoon, Nov. 3, at the SNPJ Auditorium. "Zora," Croatian Singing Society will be guest chorus participants. The Ukraine Choral and Dance group will favor with something new; Marion Cervenka with her beautiful soprano will be the featured soloist, accompanied by Ruth Medie; vocal selections by a new Presern quartet; a Partisan skit; tap dance novelty; instrumental duet by Dorothy Galavan and Rosemary Merhaut; and lastly an English play written by Edward Udovich, titled "One for the Money."

After the program dancing will be held in the upstairs hall to Eddie Fencil orchestra, and in the downstairs hall you'll be able to dance to Debevec-Gradisek orchestra. As far as eats are concerned you won't have to go hungry, likewise for the drinks. The program will start at 3 p.m. and the admission is only fifty cents. From the above lineup you can see that it will be the best program that Presern has ever attempted, and you will not want to miss it. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

"MALE ANIMAL"—Perfect Circle has contracted the Goodman Theater group to present one of their comedies to our SNPJ patrons. The one that the children have selected is titled, "The Male Animal," a comedy. The date is Friday evening, Nov. 29, at Goodman Theater, starting promptly at 8:30. No seats will be reserved. Tickets are now on sale by Perfect Circle members. They are only eighty cents, including tax. A special contest is being had and the member that sells the most tickets will get a special prize. Get your tickets now, and help to boost the depleted Circle treasury. The past two affairs have yielded much profit, but it was all turned over to Yugoslav Relief and to Children's Hospital funds. We are asking our SNPJ friends and boosters to help put over this newest project. Do your duty and buy a ticket for "The Male Animal."

ALL-ROUND—Little Ronald Godina had his tonsils removed a couple weeks ago, and is fine now. Leo Komuchar was presented with a 20-year service pin at his place of employment, the International Harvester Co. . . . Louis and Mary Macek, of Nokomis, were in the city a week ago, visiting relatives and friends, and also participated at a little birthday celebration for their eighteen year old son, John L. . . . Talking about birthdays, Mary Andres celebrated last Saturday, while Leo Komuchar's family surprised him last Monday to a delightful birthday party . . . Last Sunday a group of teen-agers surprised Marion Cervenka on her eighteenth birthday at the home of the Sannemanns. . . . As a juvenile Marion was a Pioneer, now she has transferred to Lodge 1 where she intends to be an active SNPJer. . . . Am wondering if there wasn't some sort of a record set, when this writer missed a Pioneer meeting the first time in something like four years and perhaps more.

Grape Festival of Lodge 747 Nov. 30  
MILWAUKEE, WIS.—I wish to inform our members and friends that our Lodge Violet, No. 747 SNPJ, is sponsoring a Grape Festival and dance which will be held on Nov. 30 at Sparrow Park Gardens. This will be something new for the younger members, and I am sure that everyone young or old will enjoy it, even if they do get caught up in the grapes. Our specialty stealing the grapes. Our specialty will be several gifts which will be awarded. First on the list is a Mirawar Matic pressure cooker, second a row Matic pressure cooker, second a beautiful mirror framed picture, "Sunset," and many other useful items. So get your tickets in advance and join on the fun. HELEN AMBROZICHI.

### CIRCLE NO. 26 GIVES \$270 TO CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL



The sum of \$270.26 was realized from the program and dance "Home Sweet Home" given by Perfect Circle No. 26-SNPJ on September 28, 1946. This program was for the benefit of the Children's Hospital in Slovenia, and all of the \$270.26 will be donated to that fund. Thirty-five Circle members participated in this affair in many capacities: writing the play, advising, selling tickets, working in the kitchen, the wardrobe, selling chips, etc.

Pictured above is one of the special committees, the very youngest of the Circle's members, who were on the radio subscription committee, under the supervision of Mrs. Frances L. Rak. Reading from left to right: Judy Zasadil, Marlene Pokorny, Marilyn Raven, Frederick Raven, Ellen Andres, Lewis Raven, Myra Andres, Mrs. Rak, RobAnn Sannemann, Frank Sternisha, Joanne Rak, Evelyn Ures, Roberta Reed, Mildred Pokorny, Frederick Selak. These youngsters raised \$46.70 in just a few hours with their superb and thorough salesmanship.

Perfect Circle members are to be commended upon their financial and relief activities, having donated \$321 for Yugoslav Relief in the Fall of 1945. When called upon, they are always willing to cooperate in any capacity whatever with SANC, SNPJ Lodges, etc., in their various relief projects. Here at home, they were regular bond purchasers during the war, and are regular contributors to the American Red Cross, and gave generous support to the "March of Dimes" cause last January. Truly a hard working bunch of youngsters, who give sincere appreciation to their parents and SNPJ affiliations for helping them to achieve this fine record. The Circle is under the supervision of Ann Sannemann, mgr. and Edward Udovich, ass't.

# Our Times

By Louis Beniger

EDUCATION is an essential factor for the future well-being of any nation. Right now our colleges are packed with students, which is a healthy sign, on the surface.

How do our national educational endeavors and expenditures compare, for instance, with those of Soviet Russia?

According to Ralph McDonald, an executive of the National Association, Russia in her economic poverty spends \$13,000,000,000 (thirteen billion dollars), or 20 per cent of her national income, on education.

America, with her tremendous wealth, spends under \$3,000,000,000 (three billion), or less than 2 per cent of her national income, on education.

"In the world-wide struggle between democracy and Communism," McDonald warns, "the final outcome will be determined by education, not by force."

IN RUSSIA, mass education is the rule and everyone has the opportunity to study whatever his inclinations may be, at government expense.

In America, the privileged few can attend universities and colleges where they live in comfortable fraternity and sorority houses. A great majority of them have to work their way through school the best way they can.

This, of course, is contrary to the myth that everyone in America can get an education. Yes, he can—but at what personal sacrifice, struggle and self-denial. It is true that many self-supported students are able to make the grade, but there are hundreds for each success who had to leave school because of ruined health in trying to make the grade on their own.

Indeed, America has a long way to go to make her educational system truly democratic—available to everyone that wants it.

A PIECE in the current issue of *Coronet*, called "Stop Cheating Your Child," points out that there is a shortage of 500,000 teachers in the United States.

More than 7,000 classrooms have been closed, and this at a time when the public demand for education is greater than ever. Since 1939 more than 500,000 teachers have left their jobs for better economic pastures. Last year only about one half as many students enrolled in teachers' colleges as in 1920.

The average salary of all teachers is only \$37 a week, and one in every ten teachers gets less than \$1,200 a year.

Our national budget for medical research is under five million, but last year 44 million was spent on penicillin alone; only half a million was spent for finding the cause of cancer, but 25 million went for hair preparations.

And yet we like to sneer at Russia, but she is playing the future as shrewdly as she is the present.

## Prešeren's Concert And Dance Sunday

CHICAGO.—Singers, dancers, instrumentalists. Comedy, novelty, drama.

All this, and more, will be found at "Prešeren's" annual Fall Concert and dance, this Sunday, Nov. 3rd.

In keeping with past traditions, another fine program has been prepared for your enjoyment. A variety of talent has been procured to present a well rounded, entertaining program.

As guest entertainers, we have obtained the services of the Ukrainian Cossack Dancers and Singers, the Croatian Mixed Chorus "Zora," Angeline Rokavec, Alice Bersa, Frank Gradisak, "Tony" Omerza, Rosemary Merhaut, Dorothy Galasinski, Stanley Mozinga, Marion Cerniska, Ruth Medic, Agnes Wilson, and Marilyn Mueller.

Added features, by "Prešeren" members, will include a Partisan song, and a one-act comedy entitled "One for the Money."

For dancing in the evening, the popular music of Eddie Fencil and his orchestra will be featured in the upper hall, while Slovene polkas and waltzes will ring out in the lower hall.

The chorus, under the direction of Prof. F. Kubina, will open the program at 3 p. m. at the SNPJ auditorium, 2657 S. Lawndale. The admission is only 50c.

We feel sure that all of you will be pleased and satisfied, at the enjoyable time in store for you.

"PREŠEREN."

## Waukegan Mixed Bowling League

Waukegan, Ill.—The Waukegan Mixed SNPJ bowling league is in its 10th year, having played the last season on Wednesdays.

Bowling is at the Waukegan bowling alleys every Wednesday afternoon at 3:30.

The standings: Team No. 1, 7-2; Team No. 2, 5-4; Team No. 3, 3-6; Team No. 4, 3-6. Total high three: F. Belec 559, M. Ogrin 536, S. Sotlar 514. High single game: F. Belec 232, M. Ogrin 197, C. Strickland 194.

VIC BELEC, Sec'y.

## Badgerland News

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—A good turnout of 40 members were in attendance at the Oct. meeting. Bro. Frank Schneider did a good job of conducting the meeting in the absence of Prexy Tony Verbick who was hospitalized, and our vice pres. being out of town. The various committee chairmen reported favorably in behalf of their activities. Transfer members were Edward and Arthur Patch from lodge 16, Mary Ermenic from lodge 192, and Eddie Richards from lodge 266 in Muskegon, Mich. Juveniles admitted to the adult department were Eddie Wene and Thomas Leskosek. Welcome to our fold, brothers and sisters, and may we be seeing you at our future meetings.

Two members are on the sick list. After undergoing an operation at St. Michael's hospital, Tony Verbick is now recuperating at his home, 1508 S. 53rd St. Antonette Glavan had the misfortune to crush two fingers on her left hand. Sorry we haven't your address on hand, but hope to have it for the next edition. Our hopes for a speedy recovery for you both.

A baby girl arrived at the home of the Rudy Rugels. Mrs. Rugel is the former Ann Grabner. Congratulations.

The address of the latest Badger to enter the service is, Pvt. Rudolph Poklar, R. A. 16228609, Btry A 3rd F. A. Bn. 1st Reg. Rtc., Forth Bragg, N. C.

**Dates to Remember**

Nov. 2—This will be your last reminder to attend the affair of the ladies lodge Verona. Yes, a good old-fashioned domosa zabava will be held at the Collins-Meyer Club-house, 725 W. National ave., rear hall. At the nominal cost of \$1.25 per person you are assured of the finest in food and refreshments. And dancing to the music of Frankie Bevesek and his orchestra. Nuff said.

Dec. 7—This important date is also drawing near. A 20th anniversary is celebrated only once so let us make this an affair to be remembered. This will also be held at the Collins-Meyer Post. So get into the swing of the ticket and ad selling or anything else that you are asked to do and we won't have to worry about it being a success.

**Bowling Taps**

In the Remic 875, the boys again bombarded the setups for some good totals. Johnny Bitenc hit the headlines for the first time as he cracked the 1-3 pocket for a neat total of 617 on games of 178-234-205. For a first year league man Johnny is doing very good. Keep up the good work, Johnny. Al Jeray had his short hook in the strike lane often enough to collect ad even 600 on games of 224-204-172. Lou Lonkner who has shown marked improvement in the last few weeks was next in line with 592. Other good scores were Ralph Simons 563, Matty Graf 558, Joe Glavan 547 and Matt Levav 546.

In the weekly blast of the Badger Mixed League which does its biffing on the Remic Lanes every Wednesday, Matt Levav was the top kick with 609 series on games of 209, 198-202. Matty Graf with 548 and Stan Sedmak's 531 were the next best efforts. Adolph Dolensek cracked his first good total of the year with a 524 set. Among the lassies Molly Obluck came up with her tops so far when she spilled a total of 494. Ann Paepcke with 444 was next in line. Lilly Bakke and 440 was third in line.

In the Hank Marino ladies, Clara Medved came thru with a nice 543 total. At present Clara is holding a 175 average for 18 games in this circuit. Jane Perko in the same loop is holding a 169 average. Nice going, girls.

Another Badger boy who is showing tremendous improvement in his bowling is Danny Bjelejac. Shooting in the Kuglitsch 900 loop, Leny cracked a fine 621 total. Shooting with the Silver City Rec. Danny has 3 SNPJ members on the team. Beside Danny we have Tony and Frank Verbick, all Badgers, and Johnny Terskan of the Jolly Allis clan. Chet Barnekow, the fifth member of the team is a well known car dealer in West Allis. Why don't you boys sell Chet on the idea of joining the Badgers and make it unanimous?

In the Friday Remic social Tony Obluck led the boys with his 567, Lou Lonkner was right behind with 566. Hary Uhle and his 568 rounded out the 500 class. The selected (490) was again very prominent this week so we will just ignore them. Is my face red?

Have been informed that a meeting of the 20th anniversary dance committee will be held at The SEC place, Sat., Nov. 2 at 3 p. m. All members who can be invited to sit in on this meeting. SALTY, 584.

## Increased Limit Of Weight For Air Mail To Forces Overseas

The limit of weight for all mail (letters and parcels) has been increased from 2 to 8 ounces when addressed to the armed forces stationed overseas whose address includes an army post office number or a fleet post office designation, and also to civilian personnel authorized to receive mail through such Army or Navy post office, according to the Post Office Department.

The limit of weight for air mail addressed to such personnel at A.P.O.'s in care of postmasters of Miami, Fla., New Orleans, La., and Seattle, Wash., is 70 pounds. The air mail rate is 5 cents per pound.

## Southside SNPJ Interlodge News

SO CHICAGO.—Frank Koscic's 604 score for three games helped the Delave Wolves down the Southside SNPJ league leading Trailblazers' Tigers two games out of three. The Trailblazers' Panthers continued their winning streak by taking two games from Delave's Mustangs. No. 490's Rangers settled into a tie for third place when they lost all three games to Delave's Bears. Mike Vrhovnik's spurt in the third game, with a 205 score, provided the "push" hat the Trailblazers' Ramblers needed to win one game from the Sentinels—the Sentinels took the first two, including an extra inning play-off for the season's first tie in the league.

Some of the men's good scores rolled last week were: F. Koscic's 604 (228), H. Koscic's 569 (232), M. Chandic's 565 (210), J. Sodez's 545 (214), Koscic's 545 (188), P. Channic's 544 (211), F. Lazzetti's 539 (191), John Koscic's 534 (207), E. Kuhel's 530 (202), E. Lazzetti's 529 (201), W. Grum's 528 (183), E. Vrhovnik's 523 (182), J. Gomilar's 510 (211), J. Pecher's 523 (186) and B. Bruce's 505 (180).

Mary Slobodnik's 506 again topped the ladies' high scores for the week. K. Matusek's 505 (180), T. Hvala's 500 (174), F. Sodez's 49 (177) and G. Burck's 493 (183) were other high games rolled by the women.

All That Sort of Thing. The bowlers are getting into the good habit of coming on time... Southside's SNPJ membership continues to come to the Rolaine Alleys each Saturday evening to witness the games... E. Kuhel's 641 and E. Lazzetti's 618 are high series totals for the men for the season... T. Hvala's 580 and G. Buck's 544 are high series' games for the women... Bowling shirts will be ordered, and the bowlers may expect to receive them within 3 or 4 weeks... The winner in our interlodge league will receive a trophy from the SNPJ.

The Southside Interlodge League is planning a large affair for Jan. 11. Jan. 11 was the only available date at the Croatian Hall. This affair promises to be the most ambitious ever undertaken by Southside's SNPJ enthusiasts in many years. Athletically interested members of lodges 8, 100, 490 and 610 are actively supporting the affair. Our lodges and our bowlers are urged in promoting this affair...

The first Tuesday of each month is the meeting date of Lodge 490. Nov. 5 is the regular meeting night for 490's members... Nov. 16 is the date also of 490's social and dance at the I. O. S. Hall... Lodge No. 610 had a poorly attended meeting last Monday... The Calumet Sentinels are being urged to do something about their lack of interest in fraternal affairs. If 610 members are not going to become more interested in their own lodge, then suggestions to disband as a lodge and merge with another may be the answer... The Sentinels' former secretary Agnes La Dede met with an accident recently. Members can visit her at her home, 9222 Houston... Adolph and Angeline Klancnik are the parents of a newly arrived son. The baby and its mother are at Chicago's Lying-In Hospital... So long, until again... L. K. 610.

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## Five Lodges to Hold Dance Saturday, Nov. 2

PRESTO, PA.—Another dance is in store for you who love to dance. This dance is to be held this Saturday, Nov. 2, by five lodges of Presto, namely, SNPJ, St. Barbara's Club, AFU, SWU and JSKJ, at St. Barbara's Club here.

Music will be furnished by one of the finest Slovenian orchestras in this part of Pennsylvania. I guess you gathered by this time that it is none other than the ever-popular Billy Pernisek and his Streamliners. This fine band is from Finleyville and can be heard every Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock over station WJPA, Washington, Pa.

I want to take this opportunity to ask all the ladies whom I have asked to work, to come early. I would appreciate it very much.

In closing I would like to remind everyone to please mark Nov. 2 and attend this fine affair. There will be plenty of refreshments for all.

CHRISTINA KLEMENCIC, 166.

## Explanation

MUSE, PA.—In *Prosveta* of Oct. 16, page 2, Mr. Anton Martancich had stated that his son, Andrew Martancich, was a member of Lodge 589 of Strabane. He was a member of Lodge 517 of Muse since Oct. 24, 1939, went to the army in June of 1941, has been given Christmas present of \$5 by Lodge 517 in 1941, and when he had lost his life Oct. 9, 1942, Mr. Anton Martancich was given \$10 for flowers from members of Lodge 517. Also, Lodge 517 has written to the main office regarding the death benefit, which was paid to Mr. Anton Martancich in the amount of \$250 and to his wife Jennie the amount of \$250. Mr. A. Martancich had taken his transfer from Lodge 517 in June of 1943. Therefore, Bro. Andrew Martancich belonged to Lodge 517 and not to Lodge 589.

Mrs. ANTONIA KUMER, Sec'y

## Juvenile Circles of the SNPJ

### Your Invitation to Circle 26's Halloween Party

CHICAGO.—Even though it will be the night after Halloween, Perfect Circle members are certain to have enough of "left-over" ghosts, goblins and what-nots for their very own special "spook party" Friday night, Nov. 1st, at the SNPJ Hall.

In fact, we are even featuring some super spirits who are going to entertain any and all of our SNPJ parents, friends and guests. Therefore, good people, consider yourself invited!

- The program is as follows:
- HALLOWEEN JAMBOREE**
1. Ghost Dance..... Super Ghosts
  2. Black and Gold..... Patty Punkin
  3. Tap, Tap, WhoOOO's There?..... Hal Ween
  4. Halloween..... 5 Graveyard Gerties
  5. Squeezing Spirit..... Suzy Spook
  6. Smiling Punkin..... Gus Goblin
  7. Kitten On The Keys..... PussyKat
  8. If I Were a Ghost..... Gray Ghost
  9. "Dijda" Dirge..... Super Spirits
  10. Judging Parade..... Awarding of Prizes
11. Playing of Games
- Refreshments—Dancing
- Witching Hour — Friday Night, Nov. 1st, at 7:30 at SNPJ Hall.
- ANN SANNEMANN, Mgr.  
Perfect Circle No. 26 SNPJ

### Halloween Party of Circle 24 Was Huge Success

WAUKEGAN, ILL.—The SNPJ "Jolly Juveniles," Circle No. 24, held their Halloween party Thursday, Oct. 24, at the Slovene National Home at 8 o'clock.

The room was decorated with black and orange streamers. The tables were covered with orange and black crepe paper, while the huge letters, SNPJ, were cut out of black paper. All these decorations gave the room a real Halloween atmosphere.

Games, including the "Priest's Hat" and different stunts performed by the members, were played. After playing several games, refreshments were served (cake, ice-cream, candy, pop and potato chips) and were very delicious.

When everyone finished eating, dancing began, music being furnished by a phonograph. Both American and Slovene records were played. After dancing for some time, we started for home. A good time was enjoyed by all.

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### SNPJ Ladies' League

CLEVELAND, O.—Second round started with the slam-bang Concoordinas, still in their stride, shelling the Struggler team in three games. Millie Marn, the champ of the League, led the attack with 521 series. F. Perusek was high for the Struggler five with 452.

The two Comrades' Teams mixed pleasure with bowling as they celebrated the birth of a baby girl. (A future Comrade bowler, I hope.) Proud parents are Eddie and Frances Torsic. The result of the bowling session was Comrades No. 2 took all three. Nellie Shine found the spot on that alley and really did her bit to win by rolling a series of 479. A. Vehar's 453 topped the losers.

Utopian No. 1 walloped the Loyalties in three games thereby moving into a second place tie with the Strugglers. Donna Grill, a newcomer in the league, was partly responsible for the victory with her 503 series. Catherine Paul had 435 for the Loyalties.

Spartan team lost two games by very small margin of 3 and 5 pins to the Utopian No. 2. F. Zupancic was high for the Spartans. Mary Perdan led the Utopians with 500 series.

P. ROSS, Sec'y.

### Farmers Terminals Handle 'Mercy Wheat'

ST. PAUL, MINN. (CNS)—When the Farmers Union Grain Terminal Association was asked to estimate the amount of wheat its members could supply to UNRRA, the first figure proposed was ten million. Later the estimate was raised by GTA to fifteen million. Actually the northwestern farmers of the Grain Terminal Association hauled in 15,646,000 bushels of "mercy wheat," 20 per cent of the wheat gathered in the entire United States in this drive. The elevator crews worked night and day, unloading box-cars into ships and doing a job in weeks that might have taken months.

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## World Petroleum Co-Op Approved

ZURICH, Switzerland (CNS)—The International Cooperative Trading Agency, which is affiliated with the International Co-op Alliance, at its recent annual meeting held here, approved formation of an international cooperative petroleum association which it is expected, will serve as a world-wide yardstick for petroleum prices and may create a pattern for middle-of-the-road economic policy for the nations of the world.

The new organization will be called the International Cooperative Petroleum Association and will have an authorized capital of \$15,000,000, of which \$900,000 has already been pledged. Twenty-two organizations have already indicated their willingness to participate; among them are cooperatives in the United States, Sweden, Scotland, France, China, Cuba, the Netherlands, Norway, South Africa, Australia, Iceland, Argentina, Egypt, Finland, Greece, Italy, Palestine, Philippines, Puerto Rico, Siam and Tunisia.

The International Cooperative Trading Agency approved recommendations of a subcommittee composed of chairman Albin Johansson of Sweden, A. J. Clouet of France, J. T. Davis of England, Neil S. Beaton of Scotland and Howard A. Cowden of the United States. The recommendations, which have been under discussion for over a year, outline the structure and program of operation of the agency: a temporary board of directors was elected and the petroleum co-op will start operations as soon as ten central organizations sign the articles and subscribe capital of \$500,000.

Thus the cooperative movement has mobilized its resources for what may well be its greatest battle with world-wide monopoly. Howard A. Cowden said, following the action, "Any nation striving to reach maximum development agriculturally and industrially must have adequate petroleum supplies at reasonable prices to the consumer. It can help the nations of the world achieve such developments without resort to stateism or dependence on profit-monopoly. A non-profit service organization such as the world oil cooperative can be a mighty factor in the interests of consumers everywhere."

Since the close of World War II, U. S. cooperatives have shipped petroleum to cooperatives in Australia, Belgium, China, France, Holland, Norway, South Africa and Sweden.

## On Elections

UNIVERSAL, PA.—At the last meeting of the English speaking lodges of the Western Penna. Federation of the SNPJ, held in Library, Pa., on Sun., Oct. 26, a discussion arose concerning the coming elections on Nov. 5. Out of this discussion a general consensus of agreement was formed as follows:

- (1) That as a responsible organization representing several thousand citizens, we could ill afford to ignore these elections, but that it was our duty to take a position regarding them.
  - (2) That the economic well-being of our members as individuals, and of our Society as a whole depended largely on the results of this election; not only as to the immediate makeup of the state and national lawmaking bodies, but pointing to the kind of President we may expect to be elected in 1948.
  - (3) That in view of this situation we make an earnest appeal to all our members and friends to go to the polls on election day, and exercise their rights and duties as citizens—and vote!
  - (4) That they place their X's behind names whose owners have records of having voted RIGHT on all Labor and Liberal Legislation. In other words that they have adhered to the philosophy that "What's good for the working man, is good for the country."
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## Vets Say "No" to Bonus

CHICAGO.—Why are vets fighting the state bonus at the polls? Who are the vets who say "No" to the state's cash offer? Through their newspapers the people of Illinois are entitled to a full answer to these questions.

We vets don't care a hoot about the political angles of this bonus business. But we are shouting from the housetops that putting the state in hock for \$500,000,000.00 won't produce any worthwhile results either for the veterans or the people of Illinois.

We vets don't fancy a cash bonus at a time when inflation will eat up most of it. We don't care for a bonus which we pay ourselves through increased and irreparable taxes on real and personal property and on things that we buy.

Those of us who need cash for furnishing a home or for other legitimate personal reasons would prefer to borrow the money honorably and pay it back honorably. That's a lot better than a handout or an "Indian gift" bonus that really isn't a bonus at all.

So you can see what we're driving at, here's the state bonus plan in a nutshell:

- The State Gives**
1. If we lived in Illinois when we were inducted and served at least 60 days, the state would give us \$10.00 for each month of domestic service and \$15.00 for each month of foreign service between September, 1940 and September, 1945.
  2. The state would give \$900.00 to the widows or close relatives of our Illinois buddies who lost their lives in service.
  3. Since there are 900,000 Illinois vets and our bonus would average \$400.00 each, together with death benefits, the whole state bonus would cost \$360,000,000.00 right off the bat.
  4. But the state won't pay any part of this out of current funds. Every cent of the \$360,000,000.00 would be borrowed on 25 year, 2% interest bonds. So the total bonus expense with interest and administrative costs will be about \$500,000,000.00, the largest single expenditure in the history of any state government. To pay this off will require \$20,000,000.00 a year for a 25-year period.

**The State Takes It Back**

5. How would the state pay back the money it borrowed and the interest on the bonds? By imposing three NEW and IRREPEALABLE taxes. (Get that word—IRREPEALABLE—the taxes cannot be repealed as long as a single bond is unpaid):

- A. An irrepealable additional tax on gambling at horse races. (Leading constitutional lawyers say that making such a tax irrepealable, in effect, legalizes horse race gambling for 25 years or more and voids the whole Bonus Act.)
- B. An irrepealable additional tax of 1c per pack on cigarettes on top of the 2c tax per pack we've been paying since 1941. (Over the 25-year period the irrepealable 1c tax on a pack of cigarettes will cost vets who smoke a pack a day about \$100.00. If his wife also smokes, their bonus tax on cigarettes only would be about \$200.00.)
- C. An irrepealable direct annual tax on real and personal property.

That "C" is the real hooker. Since 1932 no state property tax has been levied. Sales tax revenues have been used to run the state. Experts say that the combined gambling and cigarette taxes, in normal times, will yield from \$7,000,000.00 to \$10,000,000.00 annually. Since \$20,000,000.00 annually would be required to pay off the bonus bonds, this would mean that the bonus debt would be paid mainly by state taxes on homes, farms and apartment buildings. (Yes, even those of us who live in apartments pay real estate taxes. Landlords keep books, too.)

The State Treasurer reports that the state now owes about \$100,000,000.00 on its outstanding bonds, some of which were approved as far back as 1918. We just can't see how any such cash benefits we might get from the bonus would outweigh the disadvantage of adding a half billion dollars to this state debt and paying the whole thing off by taxing ourselves.

**Vets Beat Maine Bonus**

In the state of Maine, veterans took the lead in defeating a state bonus proposal to be financed by consumers' taxes by more than a 2 to 1 vote. Illinois vets are as proud of their good citizenship as those in Maine.

We don't see any sense in irrepealably pledging state revenues to pay cash to ourselves at a time when we need other forms of state aid much more than cash.

**A Real Vets' Program**

We need housing which a cash bonus won't get us. Many of us and our families need medical care which a cash bonus won't guarantee. Those of us who were disabled need job security for which a cash bonus is no substitute. We'd like to see the widows of our buddies get a better break than a \$900.00 gift which is supposed to wipe the slate clean. We'd like to see that war orphans are guaranteed education and subsistence while at school (like the G. I. Bill of Rights does for vets who want an education).

We'd prefer to have the state back

## Cleveland Athletic League News

CLEVELAND, O.—Due to the splendid cooperation of the Loyalties, the Athletic League dance on December 21 has clear sailing. That worthy lodge went to some lengths to change their dance date to a later date (sometime in March), in order to give the athletic dance a better chance to succeed. This is the kind of cooperation the league appreciates and will long remember. The Loyalties, by the way, would like to borrow our "slip-shod" methods and apply them to their own lodge. Evidently our treasury balance has impressed many members very favorably.

Coming back to the August meeting, that was postponed at the express wishes of the Slovene Workmen's Home and its directors, who on that day were celebrating the "unveiling of the memorial to the fallen heroes of Collinwood." The Athletic League, as well as all other lodges that were scheduled to hold meetings or any other socials on that day, were asked to refrain from any activity that would in any way interfere with this memorial service. Our meeting therefore, was carried over into September and the regular September meeting was held on the fourth Sunday instead of the usual third. This, we hope, will clarify any misunderstanding on that point.

The progress of the Athletic League is further marked by the donation of \$276.00 to men and \$126.00 to women bowlers for their uniforms, which amounts to \$3.00 per individual. This donation has been steadily increasing since 1944, along with the increase in our treasury. So you see, bowlers, our success means your success!

Most of the details for the December dance, called the Bowlers' Dance, have been worked out. Peto Srinich and his orchestra will furnish the music; secretary Stefania will be in charge of the culinary art and the refreshment tickets, while Stan Zupun volunteered to take charge of the bar. Lodges will be contacted for various help and we hope to see all the bowlers attending. Each bowler will be asked to take care of two admission tickets. Secretary Marie Stefania is also asking to be remembered with your liquid rations which can be delivered to her business address in the Slovene Home at any time.

Our new Ohio district athletic representative, whoever he may be, will have quite a job on his hands. Recommendations of all kinds have been suggested by various members of the league, which may improve the athletic program.

Whitely Matthews, our president, together with John Spilar have been delegated to obtain the Annual Trophies and place them on display at the alleys. Our well-wishes go to that genial gentleman of the alleys, Adolph Perdan, who has been ill for the past few weeks, and our deepest sympathies go to Mr. Tauscher who recently lost his beloved wife.

Better late than never!! The Athletic League is serving notice that refreshments of all kinds will be served after the next meeting which will pay tribute to the workers of our last bowling tournament. Mrs. Eizenik may be prevailed upon to lend her aid on this occasion since the felt so well-satisfied with our other affair. Don't forget now, that everyone is in for some fun after the next meeting!!!

MOLLIE KOREN, Rec. Sec'y.

## Farmers Union Co-ops Strike Oil in Montana

ST. PAUL, MINN. (CNS)—Three wells are producing oil and another is down to pay sand on the Cat Creek, Montana, tract which Farmers Union Central Exchange bought in December for \$39,000. Drilling was begun on May 1. The Montana Oil & Mining Journal has predicted that the four wells will retire the entire investment cost in one year.

## To the Bitter End

An old New Hampshire storekeeper was breathing his last, and a sorrowful family surrounded his bed of pain.

"Is Ma here?" he asked wearily.

"Yes, Zeke," she replied.

"And my oldest son?"

"Yes."

"And the girls?"

"Yes, Zeke."

The failing patriarch struggled to a sitting position. "What's the big idea?" he shouted. "Who's tending the store?"

a small loan system for vets where those of us who really need cash could borrow same, at low interest, payable over a ten year period. All in all, we'd rather have a state program which meets the readjustment problems of the war veteran with action and not with a handout.

We don't pretend to know all the answers, but we're sure that state action along the lines we've suggested will do war veterans and the people of Illinois a lot more permanent good than any \$400.00 phony bonus which will just be burned up the inflation chimney.

Let's cancel out the phony bonus by voting NO and let the state officers start afresh in January, 1947 on a really constructive veteran's program.—VLC of Ill.

# Minutes of Meeting of Supreme Board of Slovene Nat'l Benefit Society

(Continued from page 5)

## BONDS DISPOSED OF

Date	Par	Description	Cost	Consideration or profit	Disposition
1/15/46	\$100,000	U.S. Treasury 2 1/2's due 9/15/72-67	\$103,375.00	\$108,968.75	P\$5,593.75 ( C. F.
"	75,000	Same	75,000.00	81,726.56	P 6,726.56 ( Childs
"	50,000	Same	50,046.88	54,484.38	P 4,437.50 ( &
"	100,000	Same	100,281.25	108,968.75	P 8,687.50 ( Co.
"	55,000	Same	55,223.44	59,932.81	P 4,709.37 ( Chicago
"	55,000	Same	55,378.13	59,932.81	P 4,554.69 ( Illinois
"	100,000	Same	101,171.88	108,968.75	P 7,796.87 (
"	75,000	Same	75,890.63	81,726.56	P 5,835.93 (
"	15,000	Same	15,014.06	16,345.31	P 1,331.25 (
"	10,000	Same	10,068.75	10,896.88	P 828.13 (
"	5,000	Same	5,059.38	5,448.44	P 389.06 (
3/15/46	40,000	U.S. Treasury 3 1/2's due 3/15/56-46	42,662.50	40,000.00	L 2,662.50 Called
"	45,000	Same	48,900.00	45,000.00	L 3,900.00 "
"	25,000	Same	26,078.13	25,000.00	L 1,078.13 "
"	8,000	Same	8,345.00	8,000.00	L 345.00 "
1/15/46	25,000	Dominion of Canada 3's due 1/15/67	25,087.50	26,000.00	P 912.50 "
1/1/1946	1,500	Winnett, Montana	1,500.00	1,500.00	Matured
2/1/46	5,000	Perth Amboy, N. J.	5,000.00	5,000.00	"
"	10,000	Randolph County, N. C.	10,268.28	10,000.00	L 268.28 "
3/1/46	17,000	Chicago Park District	17,000.00	17,000.00	Called
"	5,000	West Allis, Wis.	5,000.00	5,000.00	Matured
3/1&6/1	10,000	Louisiana & Arkansas Ry	9,175.00	10,300.00	P 1,125.00 Called
4/1	9,000	Southeastern Gas & Water Co	8,550.00	9,000.00	P 450.00 "
6/1	2,000	Putnam County, Fla.	2,000.00	2,000.00	Matured
1/25	28,000	Associated Gas & Electric 4's & 5's of 1968/76	None	(1)777 shares	Exchanged

(1) Received through liquidation of AGECo shares of value of \$3,885.00. This is part of unlisted General Public Utilities Corp. having par assets.

Totals \$870,500 \$855,775.81 \$901,200.00 P45,424.20

## MORTGAGE LOANS PAID IN FULL

Date	Loan No.	Name	City	Total paid in 1946
2/12/46	FHA 14-A	Alexander Rosso	Chicago, Ill.	\$ 3,644.00
3/4	"	William Helphenstein	Cleveland, Ohio	2,032.85
6/10	"	Adam Buklad	Cleveland, Ohio	1,547.29
1/7	"	John J. Gabrenja	Cleveland, Ohio	1,863.26
1/21	"	Mary Elconin	Cleveland, Ohio	4,531.80
4/10	"	Micholas Derov	Cleveland, Ohio	253.87
6/10	"	Eric Wicklund	Chicago, Ill.	3,470.76
4/4	"	William Bombard	Chicago, Ill.	3,629.29
1/7	"	John E. Trachsel	Chicago, Ill.	3,348.12
5/15	"	Walter Nass	Chicago, Ill.	47.99
1/7	"	Erick Christians	Chicago, Ill.	26.38
2/27	"	John Chvica	Chicago, Ill.	4,475.39
3/13	# 68-A	Mary Kuhel	Chicago, Ill.	225.00
2/8	# 126-A	Leopold Bizjak	No. Chicago, Ill.	75.00
4/3	# 133-A	Andrew Cukale	Chicago, Ill.	1,100.00
3/1	# 170-A	Cooper Woodhouse	Cleveland, Ohio	2,750.00
1/30	# 175-A	Anton Dolgan	Cleveland, Ohio	197.01
5/6	# 194-A	Isidor Roth	Chicago, Ill.	3,200.00
1/25	# 181-A	Andrew Zadnik	Chicago, Ill.	626.76
5/10	# 195-A	4511-15 Woodlawn Corp.	Chicago, Ill.	5,200.00
Total				\$42,244.78

## Report of Judicial Committee

During the past six months the judicial committee received four complaints. In one case we approved the sick benefit and in the other, involving lodge members in a dispute, in which those charged with violations were found not guilty, we reprimanded both parties because it was evident that the dispute was caused by both sides, which is not to the credit of the lodge. We appealed to both sides but our words were not heeded.

Two cases were presented last week and we shall take them up as soon as all information is received.

In general, there were no serious complaints during this period.

In former years there were numerous complaints immediately before the conventions concerning irregularities with elections of delegates, but there were no such complaints following the recent elections of delegates to the 13th regular convention. Cases of this nature belong to the credentials committee and the convention.

This is our joint report.  
Anton Shuler, Chairman; Frank Vratarich, Frank Barbic, Andrew Vidrich, Josephine Mecnik.

## Report of Supervisory Committee

We began the audit of the society's accounts on August 6. Present on the first day were all committee members; the following day, Aug. 7, the chairman was absent because of other duties; the audit continued Aug. 8 at Eveleth, Minnesota.

The books were examined as usual by certified public accountants who also checked the bonds; present was also the committee's chairman.

As already reported, the auditors of the Illinois state insurance department are now examining the society's accounts and books at the main office; they began their audit quite some time ago and are still at it.

Present at the meeting on Aug. 6 was also Philip B. Heller, head of his firm of certified public accountants, to submit the report on his work, he gave us various information and stated that all our books and accounts were found in perfect order.

Total assets of the society as of June 30, 1946 were \$12,503,622.61, or \$328,926.26 more than on Dec. 31, 1945. Almost 67% of our total assets is invested in federal bonds, 18.62% in municipal bonds, 2.76% in state bonds, 2.84% in public utility bonds, 2.47% in savings and loan associations and the rest is in cash, in first mortgage loans, real estate and various other items.

Of our total assets the greatest amount belongs to the mortuary fund, or \$10,149,878.08, which increased during the first half of this year by \$270,226.08.

The juvenile fund amounts to \$779,873.65, sick benefit fund \$644,381.40 (an increase of \$14,011.14 in the first half of this year), disability fund \$220,987.98, special benefit fund \$183,646.39, administration fund \$111,105.86, building fund \$53,317.97, convention fund \$52,869.16, printery and Prosveta \$135,538.72.

The accountants have submitted separate reports for each department, that is, for the insurance (adult and juvenile), printery, publications and for the minors beneficiaries fund.

We usually gave itemized information for each department separately with comparisons and comments, however, since our audit took place immediately before the convention our report has been limited to bare essentials.

In accordance with the board's decision we have also examined rejected correspondence which numbered 32. We came to the conclusion that the editor was right in rejecting them.

We have also discussed the by-laws and decided to recommend to the by-laws committee to

designate our committee supervisory instead of auditing, and that the number of its members should remain unchanged.

This concludes our report to this meeting.

Frank Zeitz, Chairman; Andrew Grum, John Olip, Fred Malgai, Joseph Fifolt.  
Report accepted.

Discussion on building. Cainkar, Vider, Lotrich, Garden, Vidrich, Petrovich, Lisch, Olip, Zeitz and Malgai take part in discussion but no definite plan is presented.

Travnik moves that the building committee should draft and present a resolution at the next session for discussion and approval and to be later presented to the convention; seconded and unanimously carried.

Lotrich states that the executive committee should have considered deserving members to serve on various convention committees. Cainkar, Gradisek, Fifolt, Trojar, Travnik, Lisch, Kuhel, Vider, Kumer, Petrovich, Vratarich, Barbic and Mecnik speak on the subject. It was recommended that it would be best if the executive committee would appoint a number of delegates to various committees and submit their names to the board for approval, which could be accomplished in ten days. However, the time was short due to the fact that the convention is being held in August instead of September.

Garden moves that the board recommends to the by-laws committee to include provision that elections for delegates should close at least two months before the convention and that the supreme board be empowered to appoint convention committees; seconded and carried.

Vider states that the state examiners have been at the main office since June and it seems that they will remain a few more weeks. A lively debate follows in which Petrovich, Olip, Cainkar, Zeitz, Lotrich, Malgai and Barbic participate. Vratarich moves that the supervisory committee study the matter and obtain information from other fraternal societies in an effort to decrease the high expenses involved with the examination; seconded and carried.

Session adjourned at 12 noon.

## SECOND SESSION, AUG. 9 P. M.

President Cainkar calls meeting to order at 1:30. Discussion on recommendations of board members continues.

Culkar reports that the district vice presidents agreed at their meeting to recommend that the juvenile department should have its own officer and the athletic department its own. Grum, Petrovich, Lisch, Kumer, Olip, Vrhnovnik, Travnik, Gradisek, Garden, Vider, Zeitz, Spiller, Trojar, Lotrich, Barbic and Cainkar speak on the subject. General opinion is that although athletics is necessary, more attention should be given to educational work among youth. Grum thinks that lodges with sufficient funds in their treasuries should not ask for financial aid from the athletic fund. Lisch moves the recommendation be returned to its origin to define duties of the two department heads and other details. Travnik states that the district vice presidents withdrew their recommendation.

Culkar reports that the district vice presidents recommend to increase the number of district vice presidents from six to eight. Lisch, Garden, Spiller, Grum, Olip, Fifolt, Trojar, Godina and Ambrozich state their opinion. It is brought out that several lodges recommended to decrease the number of supreme officers and it is doubtful if the convention would increase the number of these officers. All agree that district vice presidents are necessary and to the benefit of the society. Godina moves that the recommendation be placed on table; seconded and carried; vice presidents abstained from voting.

District vice presidents will submit their individual reports at next session.

A brief discussion on recommendation of district vice presidents to increase the salaries of board members beginning Jan. 1, 1946, follows. Cainkar explains that a resolution meant high cost of living will be presented, and salaries should be increased accordingly. Vratarich and Olip speak on the subject. Lisch moves to place recommendation on table; seconded and carried.

Kuhel calls attention to the report of first vice president who attended the conference of the United American Organization Against Communism as an observer, as decided at the February meeting. This organization has fascist tendencies and in its literature mentions our society as "organization member." He moves that we publicly declare that we do not agree with the purpose of this organization and demand that our society's name must not be abused and should be removed from their literature. Kumer reads his report which was previously submitted to the executive committee.

Zeitz states that it is clear from Kumer's report that he recognized the scheme behind this organization, and amends the motion to read that the board declares that Kumer's action was correct. Kuhel motion as amended by Zeitz is seconded and carried.

Garden recommends that the English section of Prosveta be increased to four pages. Cainkar, Lisch, Shular, Godina, Vider, Zeitz, Vidrich, Barbic and Olip speak on the subject. Garden moves that the board recommends to the convention to empower the supreme board to increase the English section to four pages as soon as practical; seconded and carried.

Sis. Ambrozich invites board members to a dinner at Park hotel the following evening at 6 o'clock, given by lodges 69, 130 and 650. Bro. Cainkar in behalf of those present accepts the invitation and expresses sincere thanks.  
Session adjourned at 9:30 p. m.

## THIRD SESSION, AUG. 10 A. M.

President Cainkar calls meeting to order at 9 o'clock. Present are all officers except Maglich and Zaverinik, who are excused. Minutes of first session are approved as read; minutes of second session are approved with a minor correction.

Reports of district vice presidents follow:

## Report of 1st District Vice President

This is my report of the past six months. During this time, increased activities in lodge affairs and sports are very prominent. The Juvenile Circles are increasing in membership, and there are definite signs that new Circles will be organized. Several branches in my district have requested that the office of Juvenile Director and Athletic Director be separated in order that full time can be given to both groups.

Having just made a report to the delegates of the Convention, I would be repeating myself if I continued.

JOS. L. CULKAR.

## Report of 2nd District Vice President

My report for the period ending June 30, 1946 is very brief. During this period sports composed of bowling and softball were on the upgrade from my previous report. The annual Pennsylvania SNPJ Day was observed on June 30th. There is no question that this day was one of the most successful in many years.

In the 20th Anniversary Membership Campaign the Pennsylvania lodges in my district did a grand job. A campaign well planned with a constructive basis and proper awards for the contestants is always successful.

I regret to say that due to my work I am unable to attend the Supreme Board Sessions of August 9th, and 10th.

I sincerely trust the sessions will be constructive and a credit to the board and in turn make a better SNPJ.

JAMES M. MAGLICH.

## Report of 3rd District Vice President

I am herewith submitting my semi-annual report of my activities as 3rd District Vice President.

Since my discharge in January I have tried with all my power to do the things you have expected of me. To some degree I think I have done just that but in other respects I may have fallen below expectation. I have however resumed my duties as Manager of Circle Spirits of Detroit. I think definite progress has been shown thus far and more can be expected in the future in this regard. Then too I have not ceased my efforts in gaining new members with the completion of the Membership Campaign. I do not intend to stop even now and I do hope that I may be of some assistance to other parts of my district. Thus far, through no fault of my own, nor of my District have we not done what was expected of us but I believe even better results will be noticed hereafter.

I attended the National Bowling Tournament in Cleveland and I sincerely believe its results were gratifying inasmuch as we even bettered the records of our rival fraternal competitors with larger memberships.

I attended also and was active also in the promotion of the Eastern Division of the Bowling Tournament. This also was a success, I believe. I have only a short time more to serve to complete my service as District Vice President and at this time it is my sincere desire to thank each and every one of you for your splendid cooperation. I am positive that all six District Vice Presidents are much more informed as to its policies of the Supreme Board and also to further responsibility of this body. I am sure that regardless of who carries on in the future, we the retiring V. P's will do all in our power to help our successors to carry out their responsibilities in the future.

Thanks again for your cooperation and hoping all of us remain fraternal brother eternally.

RAY TRAVNIK.

## Report of 4th District Vice President

In visiting the various lodges in the past six months I have noted improvement in the attendance of the meetings, with many of the lodges discussing plans for the forth coming events. The main obstacle confronting the majority of the lodges is the question of "refreshments," which are very difficult to obtain although from all indications the SNPJ activities in my locality should live up very shortly.

In my report at the previous Supreme Board

meeting was that on English speaking lodge in Madison, Illinois was in the process of being organized. At this time I am able to report that the E. S. L. has been organized, known as Lodge No. 763.

The progress of this new lodge has been somewhat hindered due to the six month steel strike in that locality. However, this new lodge should make rapid progress as soon as the labor difficulties are settled in that vicinity.

I fulfilled the request received from lodge No. 336, Bend, Illinois, asking my presence in behalf of the SNPJ at the relief rally to raise funds for the Yugoslav Hospital Fund, being sponsored by the Yugoslav Relief & Defense Committee with whom they and other SNPJ lodges are affiliated.

The affair was very successful morally and financially, since the sum of over \$1,000.00 was collected.

Occasionally I received requests for information regarding lodge problems, to which I promptly replied to the best of my ability, assisting the SNPJ and its members wherever possible.

In conclusion may I state that I have enjoyed my work as a member of the Supreme Board, also the fine fraternal understanding that prevailed among the Board members.

I trust that the convention will come to a successful conclusion with the future Supreme Board being harmonious in understanding, with one objective in mind—Forward SNPJ.

JOHN SPILLER.

## Report of 5th District Vice President

I am submitting my semi-annual report.

During this period I did all possible for our organization. Immediately after I came from our last supreme board meeting I went out and secured some 110 members which I entered as new members during our last membership campaign. My aim was not to work for an honor but merely because our 13th regular convention will be held in our city and I wanted to make the impression upon the delegates that there is a field for agitation for new members.

One of our local SNPJ lodges, No. 650, Young Americans, had intentions of dissolving and merging with the Slovene speaking lodge. Upon hearing this news I attended their meeting and heard their reasons for wishing to take such steps. Their complaint was that there was not enough active members in their lodge to carry on the duties of officers. I spoke and urged them to carry on and not to be discouraged as they had 86 members. They finally decided not to take the steps to dissolve their lodge and went out and secured new members and within two weeks brought their membership to the required number to elect their delegate to this coming convention. This, I am sure, will bring some inspiration and cause them to forget all the grievances which they had.

I did my utmost to work with all committees in making plans for our convention. I made arrangements for a radio broadcast from the convention banquet. After getting the full information as to the cost of this half-hour broadcast, I called the supreme office in Chicago giving this information and price for which they demanded a thousand-dollar deposit. The following day I received a telegram from the SNPJ office not to go on with the plans.

We have a large committee who worked conscientiously and made all preparations necessary. I feel that the delegates and supreme board members will approve with satisfaction the preparations made for them. The Boardman Auditorium at the Eveleth Sr. high school has been secured for our convention meetings. The meals will be served by our SNPJ ladies at the City Auditorium. A picnic has been arranged for Sunday, August 11, the day on which the delegates will arrive; on August 13 a juvenile presentation and movies will arrive; on August 13 a juvenile presentation and movies will be shown by Michael Verhovnik, our juvenile director, at the Boardman Auditorium and on August 15 there will be a banquet with speakers.

On Saturday, August 17, there will be a parade. All the lodges of the Range and Duluth have been invited and they have informed us that they will attend. We intended to arrange some other entertainment but for some unforeseen reason the entertainers couldn't come and it was too late to new plans.

I hope that the supreme board members and delegates will have a pleasant stay and will enjoy themselves during the convention in our city.

URSULA AMBROZICH.

## Report of Sixth District Vice President

There were no important changes in the West since the last board meeting as far as the SNPJ is concerned. My district is widely scattered and covers several states. But as I have noticed from reports and correspondence, with lodge secretaries, many lodges and federations have revived their prewar activities. Federation meetings, affairs and picnics are the gatherings where new life for the progress of our society is planted. Reports show that favorable gains were made in membership.

It is my opinion that the future board should take advantage of every opportunity to interest the members to sponsor affairs, and when deemed necessary, to send its representatives to such undertakings. We all know that SNPJ affairs—dances, picnics and similar events of our lodges and federations — are attractions that lead to progress.

Juvenile circles are the future of our society, that's why it is necessary to take advantage of every opportunity to promote Circle activities. However, I am sorry to admit that it is very difficult to obtain leaders or managers.

Of late the membership is satisfied with the official organ and there are no complaints about its reading matter. The same is true of our juvenile magazine, the Voice of Youth, which is of great promotional value among our youth; approval of the magazine is voiced everywhere.

Each district has its problems, its own interests and activities. That's why it is advisable that the district vice president submit their own personal reports also in the future.

EDWARD TOMSIC.

Report accepted.

Tomsic further suggests that it would be advisable if we would seek contact with a western fraternal organization for the purpose of merger. A lively discussion follows. Unanimously decided that the board declares its willingness to merge with any Slovene benefit society that is willing

to accept our principles. Tomsic is delegated to so inform the organization concerned. Ten minutes intermission.

Following a brief discussion concerning the broadcasting from the convention banquet and brozich, decided that broadcast shall be only from the local radio station.

Culkar submits the following recommendation of district vice president:

Juvenile circles, sport activities and membership campaigns are of great importance for the progress of the society. All these functions are now conducted and supervised by one officer, which is too much for one individual. For this reason we recommend that the board instructs the executive committee to give the juvenile director, whenever deemed necessary, help at full or part time. And when there is an opportunity, a suitable space shall be found so that he would be better able to carry on his work. (Signed by all district vice presidents present.) After a brief discussion Olip's motion that the recommendation be approved is seconded and carried.

Discussion on agreement with society Lily. Vider submits agreement for merger with independent benefit society Lily of Milwaukee, Wis. Godina moves the agreement be approved by roll call; seconded and carried. Roll call shows that all officers present voted for the approval of the agreement as submitted. In his connection the following resolution is unanimously carried:

Resolution pertaining to agreement with society Lily:

Whereas, lodge Lily of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, which is a fraternal benefit organization, incorporated in the State of Wisconsin, wishes to merge with the SNPJ;

Whereas, the contract has been submitted to this convention, which states that members of lodge Lily be insured by the SNPJ; and

Whereas, the 13th convention of the SNPJ after careful and thorough study of the proposed merger contract came to the conclusion that the reinsurance, if it is carried out as provided in the agreement, will be for the best interest of both organizations; therefore, be it

Resolved, that the 13th convention of the SNPJ approves the agreement presented at this convention as well as negotiations with lodge Lily and all relative work in this connection transacted by the supreme and executive board; and be it

Further resolved, that the executive committee is empowered and authorized to carry out the agreement and to effect the reinsurance, as provided in this agreement, as soon as possible.

Bro. Vider submits matter of lodge 304 against the decision of judiciary committee. Cainkar moves that a committee of three be elected to study the case; seconded and carried. Culkar, Olip, Lisch, Tomsic, Garden, Lotrich, Petrovich and Malgai are named. Culkar, Tomsic and Malgai accept and are declared elected.

Problem of building. Bro. Cainkar submits the following resolution on headquarters which, if approved, shall be submitted to the convention with recommendation for approval:

The 13th regular convention has taken into consideration the question of SNPJ headquarters, fully aware that such a large organization must have adequate quarters in order to function properly, on the basis of submitted evidence it came to the conclusion that the present quarters are inadequate to meet the requirements of the society, especially concerning vault space to house important papers; various documents are piling up daily and it is expected that the organization will continue to grow in the future. For these reasons the 13th regular convention deems it necessary to purchase larger headquarters, which would be to the benefit of the organization.

On the basis of these facts the 13th regular convention empowers the supreme board to build or purchase such headquarters, which, according to its judgment, will be large and modern enough to meet all present and future requirements of the society, and the supreme board is given permission to use the required sum of money for this purpose from the adult and juvenile mortuary fund.

The supreme board shall have the right, according to its discretion, to remodel or enlarge present building, or to buy new land for this purpose and erect a new building.