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POOSTRITVE EKONOMSKE BLOKADE PROTI NEMČIJI

Zadnje svarilo neutralnim državam

JUGOSLOVANSKI VEŠČAK V LONDONU

London, 2. apr. — Drastični koraki bodo podzveti v bližnji bodočnosti, da ne bo Nemčija mogla dobiti švedske železne rude preko norveškega teritorijalnega vodovja. Vladni krogi so namignili, da nameravata Velika Britanija in Francija zamašiti luknjo v pomorski blokadi, da ustavi uvoz rude v Nemčijo. Neutrálne države bodo posvarjene o strogem nadzorstvu izvoza in uvoza blaga.

Prva država, ki bo dobila svarilo, je Norveška. Ona trdi, da njeno teritorijalno vodovje je šest milje od obrežja, ne samo tri milje, ker je morje v bližini obrežja plitvo. Švedska železna ruda odhaja v Nemčijo iz Narvika, norveške luke.

Sugestija, naj Norveška prevoze rude v Nefčijo, je nalezela na odpor. Ona trdi, da Velika Britanija uvaža veliko več železne rude nego Nemčija.

Anglesko-francosko svarilo bo naglasalo, da se zavezniki ne strinjajo s tolačenjem nevtalnosti Norveške in drugih držav, ker je v prilogi Nemčiji. Pred raztegnitvijo blokade na obrežja teh držav, bodo te imele priliko, da se odločijo za ali proti kooperaciji z Anglijo in Francijo.

Angleski parlament se bo danes ponovno sestel v svojem zasedanju. Premier Chamberlain bo v svojem govoru orisal potek vojne in načrte, ki jih nameravata Velika Britanija in Francija uveljaviti v zvezi s poostritvijo ekonomske in pomorske blokade proti Nemčiji.

Zaključek glede poostritve blokade je bil sprejet na seji članov skupnega anglesko-francoskega vojnega sveta zadnji teden. Na tej seji se je vršila razprava tudi o ustanovitvi izvoza švedske železne rude v Nemčijo. Angleski poslanki v balkanskih državah, ki so bili pozvani v London, bodo danes konferirali z zunanjim ministrom Halifaxom.

Dr. Ivo Belin, jugoslovanski ekonomski veščak, in Frederick Leith-Ross, glavni svetovalec angleskega ekonomskega ministra, sta se večeraj pričela pogajati glede sklenitve trgovinske pogodbe med državama.

Letalske bitke nad zapadno fronto

Angleži invadirali nemško ozračje

Pariz, 2. apr. — Spopadi med nemškimi, francoskimi in angleskimi letalci nad zapadno fronto, ki so se pričeli v nedeljo, se nadaljujejo. Skupno zavezniško poveljstvo pravi, da rezultat bitk še ni znan. To je večeraj priznalo, da so Nemci ušli iz dve letali.

London, 2. apr. — Letalski ministar je sinoči naznanil, da so angleski bombniki invadirali nemško ozračje. Vsi so se srešno vrnili v domača oporišča. Angleski parnik Walsingham se je večeraj potopil po koliziji z drugim parnikom. Vsi člani posadke so se rešili.

Seja članov francoskega kabineta

Kampanja proti komunistom obnovljena

Pariz, 2. apr. — Premier-Paul Reynaud je sinoči sklical sejo članov svojega kabineta, na kateri so med drugim razpravljali glede poostritve blokade proti Nemčiji. Prejšnjo se je njegovemu uradu sestali Andre Francois-Poncet, Charles Corbin in Paul Bargeton, francoski poslanki v Italiji, Angliji in Belgiji, danes pa bo premier konferiral s poslanki, ki so bili pozvani domov iz Turčije, Rumunije, Jugoslavije in Holandije. Na razpravi bodo načrti o povečanju trgovine med temi državami in Francijo in omejitvi izvoza blaga iz teh držav v Nemčijo.

Poučeni krogi pravijo, da bo Francija odločno nastopila proti nevtalnim državam v Skandinaviji in na Balkanu, da zamašiti luknjo v blokadi Nemčije. Francoski tisk naglašala, da mora vlada poostriti blokado proti Nemčiji in storiti korake, da potegne nevtalne države v svoj krog.

Uradni komunikacije, objavljen po seji članov Reynaudovega kabineta, omenja obnovitev kampanje proti francoskim komunistom, ki nočejo pretrgati zveze s komunistično internacionalo v Moskvi.

Velike poplave v Pennsylvaniji

Stirinajst ljudi izgubilo življenje

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., 2. apr. — Prebivalci iz štirih mest ob reki Susquehanni se bodo morali izseliti zaradi povodnji. Nižine ob tej reki v daljavi 100 milj so poplavljenе. Najbolj prizadeta mesta so Wilkes-Barre, Kingston, Plymouth in Sunbury.

Najmanj 14 oseb je izgubilo življenje, okrog 15.000 ljudi pa je brez strehe. Storjeni so bili že koraki glede evakuacije 125.000 ljudi. V Wilkes-Barru, ki ima 86.000 prebivalcev, so bile vse aktivnosti suspendirane. Prav tako v Sunburyju, ki ima 15.000 prebivalcev. Soje so zaprle vrata.

Rdeči križ in druge pomožne organe so odprle postaje, da pomagajo ljudem, ki so morali zapustiti svoje domove. Administracija WPA je dovolila vsoto \$100.000 kot prvo pomoč prebivalcem v prizadetih krajih. General Edward Martin, poveljnik državne milice, je že opozoril miličnike, naj bodo pripravljeno na poziv v akcijo.

Bomba pretrgala električni tok

Knoxville, Tenn., 2. apr. — Tri prenosne električne žice, ki dovajajo električni tok rudnikom Tennessee Copper Company v Copperhillu, so bile pretrgane z eksplozijo dinamične bombe. Okrog 1300 rudarjev je moralo počivati, dokler ni bila zveza vzpostavljena. Stavka, katero je oklicala unija CIO proti tej kompaniji, traja že od meseca julija tega leta. Izbruhnila je, ko je družba odbila zahtevo glede zaprte delavnice.

Petina Nemcev živi v tujemstvu

Berlin, 2. apr. — Zveza v tujni življenjski Nemcev trdi, da vsaki peti Nemec živi zunaj Nemčije, zaeno pa je izjavila, da bi moral vsak nemški državljani skrbeti, da oni, ki žive v tujini, ostanejo zvesti Nemčiji. Zveza ostane, da skupno število Nemcev znaša 100.000.000. Izmed teh jih živi v Ameriki 8.000.000, 3.000.000 v Švici in 1.700.000 v Franciji.

RUSIJA POPUŠČA V OFENZIVI PROTI ZAVEZNIKOM

Komisar Molotov odločil obisk Berlina

OGRSKA VLADA ALARMIRANA

Pariz, 2. apr. — Sovjetski premier in zunanji komisar Molotov je odgodil obisk Berlina, kjer se je imel sestati z Joachimom von Ribbentropom, nemškim zunanjim ministrom. Na podlagi prej objavljenih poročil je Molotov nameraval obiskati Berlin z namenom, da razpravlja z nemškimi voditelji o raztegnitvi osi Rim-Berlin na Moskvo, o zblizanju med Rusijo in Italijo in situaciji na Balkanu.

Po informacijah, ki prihajajo iz zanesljivih virov, se je Molotov že pripravil na odhod v Berlin, ko je bil obveščen po Payartu, odpravniku francoskih poslaniških poslov v Moskvi, o pritožbah Reynaudove vlade proti sovjetskemu poslaniku Suriču v Parizu. Reynaudova vlada je zahtevala odpoklic ruskega poslanika in zapretila s prelomom diplomatskih odnosov. Člani sveta sovjetskega komisarijata so se potem sestali na svoji seji in zaključili, da ne bi bilo v interesu Rusije, če bi podvzeli korake, ki bi lahko izzvali vojno med Sovjetsko unijo in zavezniki. Iz tega razloga je Molotov odločil obisk Berlina.

Molotov je v svojem govoru pred člani vrhovnega sovjetskega sveta (parlament) naglasil, da hoče Rusija ostati nevtalna, zaeno pa je dal razumeti, da se ne bo pridružila osi Rim-Berlin. To sicer ne pomeni, da je zblizanje med sovjetsko Rusijo in Italijo izključeno, temveč le, da se Stalinova vlada v tem momentu ne navdušuje za zvezo z Italijo.

V Pariz dospela poročila naglašajo, da je grof Paul Teleki, ogrski premier, ko se je mudil v Rimu, informiral Mussolinija o nacijskih intrigah na Ogrskem. Na diktatorja je apeliral, naj podpre Ogrske in blagorajničarke društva 394 SNPJ v Oakmontu, Pa., se je pomnožila za hčerko. Upati je, da je tudi mladinski oddelek SNPJ napredoval za eno članico. Čestitke!

Zborovanje japonskih diplomatov v Južni Ameriki

Tokio, 2. apr. — Japonski poslanki in konzuli v državah latinske Amerike se bodo sestali na konferenci v Buenos Airesu, Argentina, v maju. Predstavniki japonskega zunanjega urada je izjavil, da bodo razpravljali o vprašanju tesnejših odnosov med Japonsko in ameriškimi državami. Konferenca se bodo udeležili japonski poslanki in konzuli v Argentini, Braziliji, Čileju, Peruju, Boliviji in Venezueli.

Japonski napad na bolnišnico

Peking, Kitajska, 2. apr. — Zakašnelo poročilo iz province Kwangtung, južna Kitajska, se glasi, da so japonski letalci napadli bolnišnico ameriške misijinske postaje v Sulumu in jo deloma razdejali. Bombe so porušile tudi poslopje poleg bolnišnice, toda ubiti ni bil nihče.

Ruski železničar obsojen na smrt

Moskva, 2. apr. — I. Gadaj-mov, bivši predsednik unije strojevodij, je bil obsojen na smrt na obtožbo, da je on zakrivil železniško nesrečo, v kateri je izgubilo življenje enajst oseb. Obtožnica mu je očitala, da je kršil prometne regulacije.

Domače vesti

Obiski
Chicago, — Anton Vlah, član SNPJ iz Bessemerja, Pa., ki je s svojo ženo vred na povratku iz Californije, je te dni obiskal gl. urad SNPJ in uradništvo Prosvete. Pošilja pozdrave prijateljem v Los Angelesu, San Pedru, Eureka, Arcati, San Franciscu in Oaklandu, Calif., ter pravi, da bo v nekaj dneh doma.

Združitelna konferenca
Cleveland, — Dne 26. in 27. marca se je vršila v Clevelandu konferenca zastopnikov SSPZ in JSKJ zaradi združitve teh dveh organizacij. SSPZ so zastopali John Kvartik, Rudolph Lisch, Viljem Rus, Mirko G. Kuhel, Anton Zajc in Mihael Vrhovnik, JSKJ so pa zastopali gl. tajnik Anton Zbanič, prvi nadzornik Janko N. Rogelj in drugi nadzornik Fr. E. Vrančar. Konferenca se je vršila v starem posloju SND.

Čikaška vest
Chicago, — Minka Aleš, tajnica društva Naše 102 SNPJ, je bila te dni ponovno izvoljena za predsednico lokalne unije 52 Cap and Millinery Workers, ki šteje čez tisoč članic. Minka se udeležuje v slamskiški uniji že čez 20 let in pridobila si je zaupanje tudi pri delavkah drugih narodnosti.

HBZ tudi zatežena pri Diesu!
Pittsburgh, — V uradnem zapisniku zadnje seje gl. odbora Hrvatske bratke zajednice je povedano, da je bila zajednica zatežena pri Diesovem kongresnem oledaku, da je komunistična. Odbornik Boš je rekel, da obtožba morda basira na tem, ker je del članov zajednoce precej glasen s svojo komunistično agitacijo.

Nov grob v Michiganu
Iron Mountain, Mich. — Tu je podlegel operaciji na možganih Steve Puhalo, član društva 438 SNPJ. V Ameriko je prišel mlad iz Like in tu zapuška ženo, sina, dve hčeri in brata.

Vesti iz Pennsylvanije
Bridgeville, Pa. — Dne 25. marca je tu umrl John Tonanko, star 63 let in rojen v Rusiji, član društva 285 SNPJ. Član naše jednote je bil 20 let. Tu zapuška nekaka. — Družina tajnika in blagorajničarke društva 394 SNPJ v Oakmontu, Pa., se je pomnožila za hčerko. Upati je, da je tudi mladinski oddelek SNPJ napredoval za eno članico. Čestitke!

Članica v bolnišnici
Kemmerer, Wyo. — Mary Kocce, članica društva 267 SNPJ, se nahaja v bolnišnici v Kemmereru od 25. marca. Želja je, da hitro okreva. Člani naj jo obiščejo.

Clevelandske vesti
Cleveland, — Dne 31. marca je umrl Mike Kirblš, star 46 let in rojen v Cirkoveh pri Ptujju na Stajerskem. Tu je bival 27 let in zapuška ženo in sina. — Dne 1. aprila je pa umrl Ignac Crček, star 67 let.

Nov grob v Pueblu
Pueblo, Colo. — Tu je umrl Rudolf Karlinger, star 60 let in doma iz Vianje gore, član društva 21 SNPJ. Pred 38 leti je bil vnet agitator za Glas Svobode.

Vesele vesti s farme
Sheldon, Wis. — Pred tednom sta bila poročena Frank Dernovšek in Esther Smith. Zenin je član SNPJ že od otroških let in upati je, da pripelje tudi ženo v svojo družino. Obilo sreče! — Družina Carl Weege je dobila sinčka prvorojenca. Ker sta oboje člana SNPJ, bo gotovo tudi sinček prišel v našo sredo. Čestitke!

Sportna vest iz Michiganu
Painesdale, Mich. — Tony Budović je bil izvoljen po ljubiteljskih sporta in s pomočjo listov Daily Mining Gazette in Calumet News-Journal za prvaka igre "hockey" v Copper Country v gornjem Michiganu. Mati mladega prvaka je članica društva 22 SNPJ. Čestitke!

JAPONSKA BIRADA SKLENILA MIR S KITAJSKO

Ameriška opozicija proti novemu režimu

ARETACIJA ODPADNIKOV ODREJENA

Nanking, Kitajska, 2. apr. — Informirani krogi izražajo mnenje, da novi "kitajski" režim, ustanovljen v Nankingu, je le prehodna stopnja v japonski kampanji, katere je cilj je sklenitev miru s generalom Kaišekom in njegovo vlado v Čungkingu. Načelnik novega režima, ki je pod japonsko kontrolo, je Wang Cingvej, bivši kitajski premier, ki se je spril s Kaišekom in se potem pridružil Japoncem.

Celo med japonskimi generali se je pojavila grupa, ki se je začela navduševati za sklenitev sporazuma s Kaišekom. Do tega lahko pride, če bo Kaišek pristal na japonske minimalne mirovne pogoje, ki predvidevajo med drugim soudeležbo pri formiranju protikomunistične zveze, priznanje japonske kontrole Mandžurije in "izredni položaj" Japonske v severni Kitajski.

Priznanje "izrednega položaja" bistveno pomeni odepitev provinc Hopej, Sansi in Santung od ostalih kitajskih pokrajin. Prišlo naj bi pod popolno kontrolo japonske armade, ki je invadirala kitajsko ozemlje s namenom, da se polasti bogatih železnih rudnikov in premogovnikov v severni Kitajski.

Ako bodo Japonci pridobili Kaišeka za odstop teh provinc, kar pa je dvomljivo, bi potegnili svoje čete iz pokrajina na južni strani Rumene reke. Za ceno sklenitve sporazuma so mu pripravljene dati druge koncepcije.

Tokio, 2. apr. — Zunanji ministar Hačiro Arita in drugi japonski voditelji se ne čudijo opoziciji s strani ameriške vlade proti novemu kitajskemu režimu v Nankingu. Izjavili so, da so opozicijo pričakovali.

Arita je dejal, da je bil novi režim ustanovljen kot posledica gibanja, ki ima postaviti nov red na Kitajskem. Tak red je potreben v interesu zaštite. Arita je podal to izjavo, ko je prišla vest iz Washingtona, da Amerika ne bo priznala novega režima. Ona še vedno priznava Kaišekovo vlado v Čungkingu.

Cungking, Kitajska, 2. apr. — Vlada generala Kaišeka je odredila aretacijo 72 renegatov, ki so se pridružili novemu režimu v Nankingu, ki je pod japonsko kontrolo. Kaišek je v svojem govoru na zadnji seji ljudskega političnega sveta apeliral na Ameriko, Veliko Britanijo in Rusijo za kooperacijo v borbi proti Japoncem. Dejaj je, da je naraščajoča šibkost Japonske bila demonstrirana v formiranju novega režima v Nankingu. Ta režim je le orodje japonskih imperialistov.

Transportna unija odgodila ohlic stavke

New York, 2. apr. — Unija transportnih delavcev, včlanjena v Kongresu industrijskih organizacij, je sinoči naznanila, da ne bo oklicala stavke proti Interborough Rapid Transit in Brooklyn Manhattan Transit Subway, dokler ne pride v New York John L. Lewis, predsednik CIO. Odločitev stavke je bila naznanjena potem, ko je župan La Guardia instruiral policijskega komisarja Lewisa J. Valentina, naj mobilizira policijo; da bo takoj stopila v akcijo, če bo stavka izzvala nemire.

Kritika ameriških diplomatov

Zadeva nacijskih obdolžitev pred kongresom

Washington, D. C., 2. apr. — V obeh kongresnih zbornicah so se pojavile zahteve, da kongres temeljito preučita izjave ameriških poslankov, katere je nemška vlada objavila zadnji petek v beli knjigi. Izjave vključujejo poljski dokumenti in rekordi, katere so Nemci baje zasegli v uradu poljskega zunanjega ministra po padcu Varšave.

Nemci citirajo izjave Williama C. Bullitta, ameriškega poslanika v Franciji, in Josepha P. Kennedyja, ameriškega poslanika v Londonu. Oba sta baje zagotovila poljske diplomate, da se bo Amerika postavila na stran Poljske, Velike Britanije in Francije v slučaju izbruha vojne v Evropi in jih finančno podpirala.

Senator Robert R. Reynolds, demokrat iz Severne Karoline in član senatnega oledaka za zunanje zadeve, je zahteval, da člani njegovega oledaka preiščejo razgovore in aktivnosti Bullitta in Kennedyja. Bullitt, ki se nahaja v Washingtonu, naj nastopi kot prič pred oledkom. Reynolds je dejal, da bo danes predložil zadevno resolucijo senatu.

V nižji zbornici je kongresnik Hamilton Fish, republikanec iz New Yorka in član zborničnega oledaka za zunanje zadeve, že predložil resolucijo z zahtevo, naj zbornica imenuje posebni preiskovalni oledok. Fish je dejal, da ne verjame, da so dokumenti, katere je objavila Hitlerjeva vlada, ponarejeni. Ako bo preiskava ugotovila, da sta Bullitt in Kennedy resnici podala izjave, ju mora kongres obtožiti.

Arabci stopajo v angleško armado

Obramba arabskih pokrajin proti agresiji

Jeruzalem, Palestina, 2. apr. — Arabci so revidirali svoje stališče napram Veliki Britaniji in Franciji, ki sta se zapletli v vojno z Nemčijo, in začeli stopati v angleško armado. Veliko število Arabcev iz Palestine, Transjordanije in drugih arabskih pokrajin se je že pridružio tej armadi.

Pred Stalinovo invazijo Finske so Arabci naglašali, da ne zaupajo Angliji in Franciji, ker niso bili gotovi, kakšne cilje zasledujeta v sedanjih vojni. Potem, ko je Rusija, prijateljica in zaveznica Nemčije, poslala svojo armado na Finsko, so Arabci spoznali, da je bolje zanje, ako se postavijo na stran zapadnih vellesih. Zavzeli so stališče, da bodo lahko branili svoje pravice in svobodo svojih dežel proti zunanji agresiji s pomočjo Anglije in Francije.

V prvih tednih vojne se je le neznatno število Arabcev pridružilo angleškim in francoskim četam na Bliznjem vzhodu. Po Stalinovemu napadu na Finsko so se pričeli Arabci prizgajati kot prostovoljci za službo v zavezniški armadi.

Pričetek ljudskega štetja

Washington, D. C., 2. apr. — Danes se je pričelo ljudsko štetje po vsej deželi. Vlada je najela okrog 125.000 popisovalcev, ki bodo šli od hiše do hiše in stavili ljudem veliko število vprašanj, na katere bodo morali odgovoriti. Vse informacije, ki jih bodo popisovalci dobili, ostanejo tajne.

FRANCIJA SKUŠA POVEČATI ŠTEVILO ROJSTEV

Državna pomoč materam in družinam

UPOSLITEV ŽENSK V INDUSTRIJAH

Pariz, 2. apr. — Francija je podvzela korake, da ojači svojo domačo fronto, z objavo zaščitnega programa. Ta ima povečati število rojstev in uposlitev žensk v industrijah na milijon. V industrijah je zdaj uposlenih pol milijona žensk.

Najbolj zanimiva točka programa je nov družinski pravilnik, ki je bil ovojen v mirnem času. Ta vključuje seznam pravic in privilegijev mater in otrok in je najbolj dalekosežna zakonodaja, kar jih je bilo še sprejetih v Franciji. Predvsem ima ustaviti padanje števila prebivalcev in povečati število rojstev.

Avtoritete se zavedajo nevarnosti, ki preti Franciji v zvezi s padanjem rojstev. Pred 50 leti je bilo v Franciji milijon rojstev letno, potem pa je začelo število padati. Zdaj znaša le 600.000 letno.

Odalej naprej bo vsak poročen par dobil 2000 do 3000 frankov (\$40 do \$50) za prvega rojenega otroka. Mesečne podpore bodo nakazane materam in varuhom otrok. Podpora bo zavisela od njih finančnega stanja in števila otrok.

Cpravno je bil družinski pravilnik sestavljen v mirnem času, se je vlada odločila, da ga uveljavi zdaj, ko je Francija v vojni z Nemčijo. Izvajanje predvideva stroške \$180.000.000. Del te vsote bo vlada dobila s naložitvijo davkov na samsce in zakonce, ki nimajo otrok. Pravilnik vsebuje tudi provizije glede zatiranja alkoholizma, abortcij in nelegalnih operacij, ki so odgovorne za padanje števila rojstev.

Vlada je odredila splošen pregled v zvezi s kampanjo izdajanja živilskih nakaznic. Prebivalci bodo dobili nakaznice, ko bo vlada začela deliti živila v odmerkih. Tak sistem je bil že uveljavljen v Angliji po izbruhu vojne, v Nemčiji pa še prej.

Američani še vedno za poraz Hitlerja

84% za zmago zaveznikov, 1% za Nemčijo

Princeton, N. J., 2. apr. — Po sedmih mesecih vojne v Evropi je Ameriški zavod za javno mnenje (Gallup Poll) zastavil povprečnim reprezentativnim volilcem v Združenih državah sledeče vprašanje: Kje so danes vaše simpatije glede evropske vojne? Odgovor je bil: 84 odstotkov volilcev želi zmago Angliji in Franciji, en sam odstotek želi zmago Hitlerju, 15 odstotkov je pa nevtalnih, to se pravi, da jim je vseeno, kako izpade vojna.

Ob izbruhu vojne je bilo istih 84 odstotkov Američanov za Anglijo in Francijo, dva odstotka sta bila za nacijsko Nemčijo in 14% je bilo nevtalnih, toda v teku sedmih mesecev vojne je en odstotek za Hitlerja odpadel in se pridružil nevtalnim. Od 84 odstotkov, ki simpatizirajo s Anglijo in Francijo, je 55% enako simpatičnih kot so bili ob izbruhu vojne, 28% je bolj simpatičnih in 17% je manj simpatičnih. Istočasno se je 77% volilcev izreklo proti vojaški intervenciji Amerike v vojni, dočim se je 23% izjavilo za intervencijo.

Društvene prireditve

Veselica društva Hearts of America

Kansas City, Kans.—Društvo Hearts of America SNPJ priredi veliko plesno veselico v nedeljo zvečer, 14. aprila, v Hrvatsko-slovenskem domu na 5. cesti in Elizabeth. Vabljeni ste vsi Slovenci in Hrvatje v tej naselbini, posebno pa člani društva Bodočnost. Vsi dobrodošli.

Dne 19. marca je tukaj dobilo 67 inozemcev državljanstvo pravice. V šoli za državljanstvo sta bili odlikovani kot najboljši učenki Slovenki Mary Anžiček in Agnes Lipovec.

Ričard Spaček, 690.

Veselica gospodinjkega odseka društva 106

Imperial, Pa.—Vendar je prišla pomlad po dolgi zimi, ki se tako nerada umakne, in zopet se vse veseli življenja. Tako smo se tudi članice gospodinjkega odseka društva 106 SNPJ namenile, da se malo razveselimo s prijatelji na veselici, katero priredimo v soboto zvečer, 6. aprila. Godba bo izvrstna, Bergantove sestre iz Lisbona, O. Kdor jih je že slišal, jih pride še rad poslušati.

Uljudno vabimo vse rojake na to našo prvo spomladansko veselico. Vstopnina bo 25c in za vse enaka. Za dobro potrebo bo skrbel odbor. Na veselo svidenje vabi —

Odbor.

Veselica društva 80

Chicago.—Dokozana je zima in s prihajanjem pomladi smo postali vsi bolj veseli in živahni. Pri nas na severni strani mesta bo društvo Slovenski dom 86 priredilo domačo zabavo v soboto zvečer, 6. aprila, v dvorani Aldine, 911 Armitage ave. Naše društvo v aktivnosti ne zaostaja za drugimi. Imamo le eno četrtino članstva v primeri z velikimi društvi in je torej potrebno gromote podpore, kar tudi zasluži, da bo imelo priliko udeleževati se.

Uljudno vabimo vse člane in članice in prijatelje od sosednjih društev na to zabavo. Ne pozabite priti v dobrih čevljih, ker plesalo se bo kakor pač navadno na domačih zabavah. Članstvo našega društva je uslužno in vam bo postreglo v splošno zadovoljstvo. Vstopnina samo 25c in izvrstna godba — Omerza in Gradišek. Na svidenje 6. aprila.

Odbor.

Plesna zabava v Los Angelesu

Los Angeles, Cal.—Društvo Golden State 743 SNPJ je na zadnji seji sklenilo, da priredi zabavo s programom v nedeljo, 14. aprila, v Hrvatski dvorani na 714 Alpine st. Program se prične ob 2. popoldne, ob 7. zvečer pa ples. Na programu bo petje, sviranje harmonike in tamburice in predvajane bodo slike, katere je naše društvo snelo 17. dec. 1939. Na teh slikah so samo Hrvatje in Slovenci. Takih slik še nismo videli v Los Angelesu. Torej če se hočete videti, pridite vsi bratje in sestre in drugi prijatelji. Posebno pa prosim naše člane, da pridejo na zabavo, ker se vrši v korist društva, za kritje letnih stroškov, ker drugače bi morali naložiti posebni assessment. Člani, ki ne pridejo na zabavo, bodo plačali 50c doklade. Obenem pozivamo vsa društva SNPJ in druge gnanje v Los Angelesu in okolici, ob priliki pa vam bomo vrnila. Na razpolago bo vsakovrstna pižnaka in prigrizek ter druge stvari. Vstopnina k programu in plesu je 35c, mladina pod 12. letom je prosta. Torej na svidenje na naši veliki zabavi!

Frank M. Grachan, tajnik.

Obletnice in priredbe v Springfieldu

Springfield, Ill.—Tudi v Springfieldu bomo po dolgi in hudi zimi postali bolj živahni. Pri društvu 47 SNPJ smo že večkrat razpravljali, da bi priredili kakšno zabavo. Na febru-

arski seji smo sprejeli predlog, da društvo priredi zabavo v soboto zvečer, 6. aprila, v korist blagajne v Slovenskem domu. Ker je bil predlog sprejet brez ugovora, upamo, da se bo udeležil vsak član in članica in tudi pripeljal prijatelje s seboj. Vabljeni so tudi bratska društva in posamezni rojaki. Da bo veselica uspešna, je odvisno od nas vseh.

Teden pozneje, 13. aprila, pa bo angleško poslušajoče društvo 567 SNPJ obhajalo 14-letnico v Slovenskem domu. Upamo, da bomo tudi na tej priredbi napolnili dvorano.

Ne pozabite tudi na majako proslavo kluba 47 JSZ, ki se vrši prvo nedeljo, to je 5. maja, v Slovenskem domu. Obenem bomo proslavljali tudi Proletarstvo 35-letnico. Program, ki bo objavljen pozneje, se prične ob 3. popoldne.

Ne pozabite priti prihodnje soboto zvečer v Slovenski dom. April je bolj muhast mesec, pa bo vseeno okey. Jaz sem pristopil v SNPJ dne 6. aprila leta 1907 v West Newtonu, Pa., kjer smo ustanovili društvo, ga priključili enotni in dobili številko 64. Od takrat sem ves čas član enote in tudi ves čas zdrav. Dne 6. aprila bo 24 let, odkar sva pred mirovnim sodnikom z ženo objubila, da bova korakala skupno po tem plukstem svetu in tako ga člačiva še sedaj. Jednoti sva pripomogla za dva člana, tako da smo skupaj štiri pri društvu. Društvenih in naprednih priredb smo se tudi vedno udeleževali in upam, da se bomo videli tudi 6. aprila, ko bom obhajal kar dve obletnici.

Joseph Ovea, blagajnik.

Veselica društva 503

Hysota, Pa.—Opozorjam člane našega društva 503, da priredimo skupno veselico z društvom 209 JSKJ dne 20. aprila v Poljski dvorani v Jeromu. Vabljeni so vsa bližnja društva na to veselico, ob priliki pa jim bomo uslugovrnili. Pravilno je, da se te veselice vsi udeležimo in naj ne bo potem izgovorov, češ jaz sem bil v Pittsburghu, jaz v Detroitu itd. Več naša bo, večja bo zabava. Začetek ob 8. zvečer. Igral bo Frankov trio, katerega slišate ob sobotah ob 11:30 z radijske postaje v Greensburgu. Vstopnina 25c. Ne pozabite te veselice na 20. aprila.

Frank Kresевич, tajnik.

Veselica društva 68

Racine, Wis.—Društvo Slovenec 68 SNPJ priredi plesno veselico v petek zvečer, 12. aprila, v Zadrinski dvorani na 1526 12th st. Vabimo vse člane in članice, kakor tudi vse prijatelje dobre zabave iz sosednjih nasebin da se bomo zopet enkrat dobro zabavali med seboj. Odbor bo poskrbel, da ne bo ničesar manjkalo.

Frank Jelenc, tajnik.

Domača zabava društva 153

Youngstown, O.—Društvo Slovenski narod 153 SNPJ priredi domačo zabavo v nedeljo, 7. aprila, po seji. Pričetek ob 4:30 in traja pozno v noč. Člani našega društva se navadno prav malo udeležijo društvenih priredb; sedaj imate priliko, ker vstopnina je prosta za vse. Upam, da bo ta priredba uspešna in da se je članstvo udeleži 100%; pripeljite svoje prijatelje, stare in mlade, ker godba bo igrala vsakovrstne komade — slovenske, hr-

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Joe Zlogar.

Plesna veselica društva 266

Muskegon Heights, Mich.—Naznanjam članom društva 266 SNPJ, ki se niso udeležili zadnje seje, da naše društvo priredi plesno veselico 6. aprila v Ukrajinski dvorani, 9th st. — ravno tam ko lani. Vabim torej vse člane, da se polnoštevilno udeležite; prav tako vabim tudi društvo iz Grand Havena, kakor tudi tamkajšnji farmerski klub in seveda tudi vse druge Slovence in Hrvatje od tukaj in iz okolice. Za prigrizek bodo domače mesene klobase in tudi jedmenovca bo dosti za vse. Mužikant bosta A. Pavlin in F. Dolar ml., tako da bomo lahko vsem ustregli. Začetek ob 8:30 zvečer, vstopnina 35c za par in 10c za samo žensko. S člani, ki se ne udeležujejo, se bo postopalo po društvenem sklepu. Na svidenje 6. aprila zvečer.

Anton Pavlin, tajnik.

Društvene vesti

Brownsville, Pa.—Naše društvo 398 SNPJ je na letni seji sklenilo, kašdar umre kak član, da vsak član plača 50c za pogrebne stroške. Ker smo izgubili br. J. Belika, ki je umrl 15. marca, valed tega je za april razpisani v smislu tega sklepa izredni assesment 50c, katerega plačajo vsi člani — članice so proste. Kdor ga ne plača, v smislu zaključka ne smem vzeti niti rednega assesment.

Jakob Jakšekovič, tajnik.

Buffalo, N. Y.

Društvi 405 in 710 SNPJ sporočata vsem Hrvatom, Srbom in Slovincem, da bomo imeli velik piknik dne 21. julija, ko bomo slavili 20-letnico društva 405 in 10-letnico angleško poslušajočega društva 710. Prosimo vse organizacije, da bi omenjeni dan ne prirejali svojih piknikov ali proslav. Želimo, da bi se te velike naše proslave 21. julija udeležili vsi Hrvatji, Srbi in Slovenci, ob priliki pa se tudi naše društvo odzove vam.

Mary Kuslich, tajnica.

So, Chicago, Ill.

Prihodnja seja društva 8 SNPJ bo v petek, 12. aprila, v Calumet Park Field Housu, pričetek točno ob 7:30 zvečer. Več članov me vpraša, zakaj smo se izselili iz Hrvatskega doma v Calumet park. Nekateri tudi mislijo, češ, dokler je jednota imela dom, ste bili v njem, ko ga je pa prodala, ste se pa izselili. Vzrok je ta, bratje, da imamo dvorano, v kateri zdaj zborujemo, zastoj in nam članstvu ni treba nalagati izrednega assesment za kritje letnih stroškov. Valed tega smo prišli na letni seji do zaključka, da se izselimo.

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Joseph Kosich, tajnik.

Bishop, Pa.

Tu je umrl br. Anton Vrček, blagajnik našega društva 208 SNPJ. Zjutraj dne 27. marca je bil v rovu v Musu tako hudo pobit, da je pokobam podlegel kmalu potem, ko so ga pripeljali v bolnišnico St. Francis v Pittsburghu. Naše društvo ga bo pogrešalo, ker je bil dober član in dober blagajnik, prav tako tudi SNPJ, ker je izgubil dobrega člana. Družini umrlega izrekamo naše globoko sožalje!

Anton Maslo, tajnik.

Frontenac, Kans.

Člani društva 27 SNPJ ste vabljeni na prihodnjo sejo 7. aprila, na kateri bodo podani trimesečni računi. Zavedajmo se, da imamo tudi dolžnosti, kot jih pravila določajo. Pomnite, da tudi tisti plačate za najemnino dvorane, ki ne prihajate na seje. Kot je vam že nekoliko znano, naše društvo praznuje 35-letnico in je potrebno, da ste pri razpravi navzoči. Več ljudi več ve.

Fr. Krajsel, tajnik.

Federacije SNPJ

Chicago, Ill.—Napredek vsake organizacije je odvisen od aktivnosti članov, zato rastejo in prosperirajo te iste organizacije, katerih članstvo je aktivno. To članstvo izraža vsako priliko, katere se mu nudi, ter jo usmeri v propagandistične svrhe svoje organizacije. Zastopniki federacije SNPJ za čikaško okrožje se tega v polni meri zavedajo ter vršijo federacijske naloge, od katerih ima največ koristi SNPJ in njeno članstvo.

Federacija praznuje letos svojo 10-letnico. V ta namen bo priredila veliko proslavo v nedeljo popoldne dne 28. aprila v dvorani SNPJ. Da bo priredba pomenljiva, ni nobenega dvoma, saj na nji nastopi operna pevka Zinka Milanova, kar je dokaz, da bo to velika priredba, na katero bo članstvo SNPJ v Chicagu in okolici lahko ponosno. S to priredbo se nam bo mogoče predstaviti drugim narodom v Chicagu, da smo kulturni narod. Če prav smo mala skupina v velikem

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Na zastopnike federacije SNPJ za čikaško okrožje apeliram, da se vsi udeležijo prihodnje seje, katere se vrši v četrtek, 4. aprila v dvorani SNPJ. Seja je zadnja pred proslavo, raditega bo potrebno, da na nji razdelimo delo in določimo vse za uspešno priredbo.

Frank Alesh, tajnik.

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Jacob Marinich, 131.

Kučiče in Grdina

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J. F. Kunčič, 53.

Koncert "Kanarčkov"

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Kanarčki so že večkrat pokazali svoje pevske in dramske moči, a še najbolj v spevoigrji "Mavrica", katero so morali tudi ponoviti. Vabljeni ste, kot prijatelji slovenske pesmi in mladine, da zopet obiščete Kanarčke v nedeljo, 7. aprila ob 4. uri popoldne, v Slovenski delavski dvorani na Prince Avenue.

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Na programu so med drugimi tudi dobro poznane pesmice, kot na primer "Kaj pa dekle tukaj delaš", "Dekle, kdo bo teme troštv", "Po Savci, po Dravci, po beli Donavi" in mnogo drugih ki vam bodo gotovo ugajale. Spranski solo bo pela Albina Kodek, predsednica zbora, "Gor s planince"; v duetih pa nastopijo Annie Novak in Dorothy Mirtel, ki zapojeja "Pticek in maček"; Jane Novak in Slavi Znebel zapojeja "Tri tičice"; sestri Agatha in Mildred Silbitzer podasta duet "Pomlad"; Victoria Hocevar in Victoria Zabukovec zapojeja "Vzdihljaji slep-

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Naznanilo in zahvala

Tužnega srca naznanjava, da je 1. marca 1940 preminul najin ljubljeni oče **FRANK MEDVEŠEK** Rojen je bil v vasi Kal, občina St. Janž na Dolenjskem v Jugoslaviji. Bil je član dveh društev in dolgoletni predsednik društva št. 379 SNPJ in št. 143 JSKJ. Tem potom se prav lepo zahvaliva obema društvoma za dano pomoč, za kranje vence in cvetlice. Srčna hvala tudi vsem prijateljem in znancem za darovane cvetlice in za obilno udeležbo pri pogrebu. Najlepša hvala vsem skupaj in za vse, kar ste nama dobrega storili in nas tolažili v uri žalosti. Dragi in ljubi naši, vam pa želimo, počivajte v miru in lahka naj vam bude ameriška zemlja.—Žalujoci ostali: Frank Medvešek, sin in Anna Medvešek, hči, Slickville, Pa.

Naznanilo in zahvala

Tužnega srca naznanjamo sorodnikom, znancem in prijateljem izlošno vest, da je preminul dne 19. marca 1940 po deset mesečni boleznimi moj ljubljeni soprog in oče **JOHN TRATAR** Rojen je bil v vasi Mladetiče dolje pri Mokronogu na Dolenjskem. Ob smrti je bil star 61 let, tri mesece in 15 dni. Takaj je bil 27 let. Bil je član društva št. 27 SNPJ 24 let in večkrat v društvenem odboru. Srčna hvala vsem za obiske za časa boleznimi in ravnotako lepa hvala za podarjene kranje vence in cvetlice, ter za obilno spremitvo k mirnemu počitku na mirovdu v Pittsburgh Highland Park. Pogreb se je vršil po civilnem obredu. Lepa hvala br. Antonu Šularju za glasilni posredovani govor pri odprtju groba. Hvala tudi Slov. Pogrebništvu Zavodu za vsostransko točno postrobo, katerega je bil pokojni član ustanovitelj. Prednje oprediljenje, ker nisem navedel imen posameznikov, torej izrekamo na tem mestu vsem skupaj najlepša. Vam hvala. Tudi, dragi soprog in oče, selimo, počivaj v miru in lahka naj Ti bude ameriška zemlja.—Žalujoci ostali: Frances Tratar, soproga v Frontenac, Kans.; John, Joseph, Gilbert, sinovi in Frances Jr., hči, vsi v Chicagu, Ill. V stari domovini sestra omedlena Zere in več drugih sorodnikov v Ameriki.

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Federacije SNPJ

Seja minnesotske federacije
 Ely, Minn. — Zastopniki društev SNPJ v naši državi opozarjajo, da se gotovo udeležijo seje naše federacije, ki se vrši 28. aprila v Evelethu v dvorani društev SNPJ, pričetek ob 10. do polnoči.

Apeliram tudi na tista društva, ki so bila zadnje čase pasivna, da se odločijo in postanejo zopet aktivna v federaciji, da skupno nadaljujemo delo v korist članstva in jednote.

Ako se niste izvolili zastopnikov, je sedaj zadnji čas za prihodnjo sejo, ki bo zelo važna za nas vse.

Andrew Pirtz, tajnik.

Poročilo s seje clevelandške federacije
 Cleveland, O. — Brat predsednik otvoril sejo federacije dne 24. marca ob 9:10 zjutraj. Zapisnik zadnje seje sprejet kot člena.

Poročila odborov:
 Predsednik Petrovich poroča, da se je vršil sestanek super-vizorjev ml. krožkov. Sklenjeno je, da se bo vršil v nedeljo, 4. avgusta, skupen izlet vseh naših clevelandskih ml. krožkov. V februarju je krožek št. 2 povabil tudi druge krožke na njih sejo. Udeležba je bila lepa in po seji so imeli svoj program in za-havo, kar je jako dobro vplivalo na nje. Seja odbora za jednotin dan v Ohio se bo vršila v ponedeljek 1. aprila.

Br. tajnik Terbizan dodatno poroča, da je poslal pisma na zunanja društva v vprašanjem, če imajo kaj priporočil k skupnemu jednotnemu dnevu v Ohio in če imajo v svoji sredi talente, ki bi se jih vključilo v program.

Brata Petrovich-in Zorko poročata o skupni seji zastopnikov izletniških prostorov društev S. N. P. J. Na seji se je izvolil nov direktorji, 21 po številu. Sklenjeno je bilo, da se ustanovi klub na izletniških prostorih ter da odbor takoj vloži prošnjo za licenco za točenje pijače. Direktorji je že imel svojo sejo, na kateri je izvolil odbore. Izvrševalni odbor je že na delu za licenco in gospodarski za izboljšanje prostorov. Potrebna pa je kopracija posameznih članov.

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Vsa poročila vzeta na znanje. Na tej seji so zastopana sledeča društva: št. 5, 53, 126, 129, 137, 142, 147, 158, 257, 312, 450, 477, 544, 566 in 590.

Večina zastopnikov poroča, da na svojih sejah razmotrivajo, kako pridobiti več novih članov. Št. 147 želi, da bi federacija plačala dodatno vsoto za zdravniško preiskavo, kar je več kot en dolar, katerega plača jednota. Ker pa več zastopnikov izrazi, da njihovi društveni zdravniki ne računajo več kot en dolar, se prepušča zadevo posameznim društvom.

racijske seje. Brata M. Medvešek in Petrovich razjasnita namen resolucije. Govori več zastopnikov. Večina tistih, ki govorijo proti resoluciji, ne govorijo proti zato, da se strinjajo s slovenskimi dnevi, pravijo pa, da ima širši pomen. O zadevi se ne sklene nič drugega kot to, da federacija izvoli svojega poročevalca, ki bo poročal v glasilo važne sklepe in bo za poročilo odgovoren federaciji. Za poročevalca je izvoljen br. L. Zorko. Zaključek seje opoldne.

Louis Zorko, zapisnikar in poročevalac.

Seja bridgeportske federacije
 Bellaire, O. — Naznanjam vsem društvom SNPJ v tej okolici, da se vrši prihodnja seja naše okrožne federacije dne 28. aprila ob 2. popoldne v društveni dvorani na Boydsvillu.

Kakor je bila važna še vsaka seja federacije, tako bo važna za članstvo tudi naša prihodnja seja, ker na tej seji bo treba izvoliti odbor, ki bo deloval v tem okrožju, da organizira članstvo naše jednote za posej ohijskega dneva SNPJ, ki se vrši v Clevelandu, na izletniški farmi tamkajšnjih društev, dne 28. julija.

Bratje in sestre, dolžnost nas veže kot lojalnih sinov in hčera naše matere jednote, da agitiramo pri svojih društvih, pa naj spadajo v federacijo ali ne, v korist tega velepomembnega dneva. Zavedajmo se, da bo to najpomembnejši dan v zgodovini ohijskega članstva naše jednote. Torej v imenu federacije apeliram na vsa okoliška društva, tudi na ona, ki ne spadajo v federacijo, da gotovo pošljejo svoje zastopnike na prihodnjo federacijsko sejo, da ukremeno vse potrebno v korist ohijskega dneva SNPJ.

Drugo važno vprašanje pred nami je, na kakšen način bi se moglo pod okriljem federacije pomagati brezposelnim članom, katerih je vsak dan več v tem okrožju, ki so brez sredstev za dostojno življenje. Bratje in sestre, pogledimo okrog sebe in bomo prišli do spoznanja, da bomo federacija tudi v bodoče potrebovali še v večji meri kakor smo jo do zdaj. Torej nič več kakor pravi nam, da se ji pridružimo še ostala društva naše jednote in pomagajo po svojih močeh za skupne koristi.

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ZINKA MILANOVA

Jacob Zupan

Profesor Ignac Hladnik je nekako zanosno pripovedoval, kako je glasba bila že od davna eden najboljših načinov izražanja naših čustev. Od prazgodovinskih časov pa do danes je zgodovina glasbe dejansko zgodovina človeških občutkov, izraženih v melodiji in ritmu.

Spominjam se, kako živo je opisoval glasbo starih civiliziranih narodov, zlasti Egiptovčanov in Grkov. Ko sem pred nekaj leti v egiptovski dvorani v Louvru, ki je seveda sedaj prazen, na mnogo tisoč let starih tablah videl pevce in pevke ter njih spremljevalce, opremljene s različnimi instrumenti, sem se spomnil profesorja Hladnika in njegovih predavanj.

Kot pri Egiptovcih, tako je bila glasba visoko čislana pri Grkih. Celo beseda, ki znači pri raznih narodih glasbo — music v angleščini, musique pri Francozih, Musik pri Nemcih, musica pri Italijanih — je grškega izvora, in sicer prihaja od Mus, katerih je bilo devet. Naj omenimo samo tri Zevsove hčere: Erato — lir — to je bila muza lirčne poezije; Erato — s dvema flavtama — muza lirčne pesmi; Calliope — s trobeno — pa muza epične poezije.

V današnjih časih je glasba znatno bolj posplošena in razširjena. Precejšnjo zaslugo ima pri tem posebno zadnje čase radio, ki dnevno nudi lepe koncerte. Baš ko to pišem, poslušam opero Metropolitan, ki gostuje v Bostonu v "Walkuere". In celo v sedanjih vojni, ki se še ni razvila v splošno klanje, oddajajo zvočniki — razen političnih govorov — koncerte in opere preko mrtvega ozemlja med frontinima linijama. Samo da bi do konca peli ti zvočniki namesto topov!

Slovenci smo številčno majhen narod, vendar smo sorazmerno mnogo bolj glasbeni kot mnogi večji. Rojaki v stari domovini imajo glasbeno akademijo, narodno opero, celo vrsto zborov. In tudi precej umetnikov-pevcev. Tudi mi imamo tu v vsaki večji naselbini vsaj en pevski zbor. In kadar koli se nam ponudi prilika, povabimo poklicnega pevca ali pevko na gostovanje in v velikem številu posetimo te prireditve.

V nedeljo, 28. aprila, pa bomo Slovenci, Hrvati in Srbi iz Chicaga in bližnje in dalnje okolice imeli izredno srečo, da slišimo odlično umetnico — pevko Zinko Milanovo.

Nekateri ste jo že slišali na radio ter ste torej tudi slišali izredno laskavo besede komentatorja Miltona J. Crossa, kakor tudi ogromen aplavz, ki ga je vsakokrat žela. Vi, ki ste jo slišali, veste, zakaj velja ta mlada umetnica za eno najslavnejših dramatičnih sopranistik naše dobe.

Zinka Milanova je bila rojena v Zagrebu. Njena prva učiteljica je bila priznana sopranistka Milka Ternina. Kanneje je bila Milanova tudi pod pokroviteljstvom profesorja Jacquesa Stueckgolda.

Debutirala je leta 1930, ko Leonora v "Il Trovatore", v narodni operi v beli Ljubljani. V naslednjih letih se je priljubila ljubiteljem lepega petja v Italiji, Ohioslovaški, Nemčiji in na Balkanu. Toda ta leta — četudi vedno kronana s novimi uspehi — so bila težka leta, polna trdega dela in študiranja. Arturo Toscanini je pomladil

biljano. Saj je bil njen debut baš v Ljubljani in svoje prve uspehe je dosegla baš v mali, toda vzorni ljubljanski operi.

Ta njen debut je bil pred desetimi leti! Tako bomo takorekoč istočasno proslavljali dvojno desetletnico: Desetletnico obstoja federacije društev Slovenske narodne podporne jednote v Chicagu in okolici ter obnem desetletnico debuta Zinke Milanove.

Od časa do časa

komentira in poroča
 Milan Medvešek

Clevelandska slovenska naselbina je pri mnogih zunanjih rojakih zapisana v črne bukve. Nekateri se pri vsaki priliki spotaknejo ob nas, kakor da bi tu živeli sami bedaki, koristolovci, reakcionarji in podobna zalega. Seveda, tako gledanje na našo naselbino je nepravilno in nepošteno! Je tudi žalitev splošnega clevelandškega članstva SNPJ, ki se prav tako trudi za napredek naše jednote in plačuje iste asementne kakor jih plačujejo člani v Chicagu, Glardu ali kje drugje.

Vsako, ki ima kaj razuma, bi moral vedeti, da smo clevelandski Slovenci slabi in dobri, nemni in pametni, pobožni in nepobožni, približno taki kakor naši rojaki po drugih naselbinah. Mislim, da bi bil že čas, da bi si oni, ki tako radi s prsti kažejo na nas, izbili iz glave, da v Clevelandu posedujemo monopol na vse, kar je slabega in nazadnjaškega.

O Slovincih v splošnem pa se lahko z mirno vestjo reče, da nismo slabi ljudje, velikokrat ako preveč pošteni in radi tega smo šestkrat izkoriščani. Kako dobro tuji poznajo našo poštenost, se razvidi iz tega: Večina trgovin v Clevelandu, ki dajajo na upanje, najprvo pozivne, kakšne narodnosti je kupec in če je ta kupec Slovenec, so mu pripravljene dati takoj na upanje. Ako vprašate, zakaj tako zaupanje v Slovence, vam povedo, da nimajo niti najmanjše težave izterjati dolgove pri Slovincih.

Seveda, neumestno bi bilo trditi, da so Slovenci boljši od drugih narodnosti, toda fakt je, da priseljenici, ki so se v Ameriko priselili naravnost s kmetov, so manj pokvarjeni od tistih, katere je okužila mestna atmosfera.

Dobrodošlica Rudolfu Opari
 V soboto zvečer so Slovenci počastili Rudolfa Oparo, ki se je boril v Španiji na lojalistični strani, bil v boju ranjen, ujet in nato obojen na smrt, končno pa pomilošen.

Val tisti, ki so javno naredili kakšne nepremišljene opazke o tem mladeniču ali pa o odboru (Vatro Grill, predsednik, Vincent Coff, tajnik in Matt Petrovich, blagajnik), ki se je trudil za njegovo osvoboditev, dajejo s tako taktiko in nepremišljenim pisanjem samo orožje v roke našim nasprotnikom. Na primer naš Tone Jankovih, v vsakem oziru dober delavec za naše stvari, jednote in socialistični pokret, je v Prosveti nepremišljeno izrazil bojazen, kam bo šel tisti denar, ki se je nabiral za Oparovo osvoboditev ter tako ušel odbor, ki je veliko delal in ki je v vsakem oziru pošten. Saj je bil v tem odboru naš Math Petrovich v kapaciteti blagajnika, torej je bila izrečena nezaupnica tudi njemu. Rezultat tistega Jankovichevega dopisa je bil, da se je občinstvo na tej prireditvi z govorniki vred silno zgražalo nad njim in umijavo radi tega trpi tudi naša jednota in naš socialistični pokret, dve pošteni organizaciji, za kateri Tone dela že mnogo, mnogo let.

V preteklosti sem že apeliral na naše dopisnike in sedaj ponovno: bodimo previdni, premislimo svoje besede, predno jih zapišemo, kajti drugače dosegemo ravno nasprotno rezultate, kakor si jih želimo. Kadar gre za dobro stvar, kakor je šlo v tem slučaju, rajši delajmo za njo, pa če tudi so zraven ljudje z drugačnim prepričanjem, kajti drugače se vsi skupaj osmešimo pred javnostjo.

Dee važni prireditvi
 V nedeljo 7. aprila bomo imeli v naši naselbini zopet važno prireditev, in sicer koncert sod-

Par besed o združenju

Mati Petrovich, član glavnega odbora SNPJ

V uradni številki Prosvete z dne 27. marca sem čital uredniški članek pod naslovom "Niso za združenje". V tem članku je poročilo, da sta dve društvi SS-PZ, t. j. društvi št. 119, Neffa, O., in št. 162, Bon Air, Pa., napravili sklep, da apelirajo na delegate, da glasujejo proti združenju slovenskih podpornih organizacij. V tem uredniškem članku so posebno zanimive sledeče besede:

"V teh dneh, ko je vprašanje združenja nekaterih naših jednot in zvez spet močno v ospredju; je dobro notirati vse pojave v zvezi s tem vprašanjem, ki prihajajo iz članstva prizadetih organizacij."

Jaz popolnoma soglašam s temi uredniškimi besedami. Še več! Moje mnenje je, da moramo ne samo notirati razne pojave v zvezi s tem vprašanjem, ampak da je naša dolžnost napraviti vse potrebne korake, da se prepričamo o sentimentu večine članstva vseh naših prizadetih organizacij. Na podlagi sklepov par malih društev bi bilo jako nepremišljeno delati nadaljnje korake glede združenja.

Stvar je vendar tako lahka in enostavna. Vse naše podporne organizacije trdijo, da so demokratične. Pri vseh odlocah vedno in povsod učina članstva. Vse izdajajo svoja uradna glasila, ki jih prejema vsi člani. Moja sugestija je, naj uradna glasila priobčijo poskusno glasovnico (straw ballot) s približno sledočim besedilom:

"Ali ste za združenje z drugimi slovenskimi podpornimi organizacijami (tukaj se lahko navedejo imena prizadetih organizacij) na podlagi enake solventnosti in pod pogoj, ki bi, kolikor je mogoče v teh razmerah, garantirali vsem članom njihove sedanje pravice?"

Društvene vesti
 Chicago. — Prihodnja seja društva Francisco Ferrer 131 SNPJ se vrši 11. aprila in želim, da se članstvo udeleži v obilnem številu. Na dnevnem redu bo poleg drugih važnih stvari tudi poročilo nadzornega odbora za zadnje tri mesece društvenega poslovanja.

Med važne stvari na društvenih sejah spada sedaj točka "Predlaganje novih prosvet". Ker je glavni odbor podaljšal ugodnosti novim članom s prosto pristopnino in povrnitvijo stroškov zdravniške preiskave do enega dolarja, je priporočljivo, da izrabimo to ugodnost in pridobimo čim več novih članov.

Torej bratje in sestre, udeležite se prihodnje seje in ne pozabite na nova prošnje. Po seji bo nekaj okrepčila. Pijačo bo daroval V. Zupančič, prigrizek pa podpisana. Na svidenje na seji!

Ursula K. Gradisek, tajnica.
 Milwaukee. — Člani in članice društva Sloge 16 SNPJ so vabljeni na sejo dne 9. aprila v navadnih prostorih. Po seji bo prosta zabava za vse — malo vina in malo prigrizka.

Dne 15. marea je umrla za vodenico članica Lena Bastel v starosti 54 let. Tujak zapušča sestro Pavlino Vogrich, v Chicagu brata Johna Vogricha in v La Sallu brata Matta Vogricha. Za pogreb je skrbel sestra Pavlina kakor ji je prej naročila, to je, da se truplo upepli, kar se je izvršilo. Društvo izreka sorodnikom globoko sožalje!

Sestra Elizabeta Magister se nahaja v bolnišnici St. Anthony, kluba št. 27 oziroma njegovega pevskega zbora Zarje. Poleg koncerta bo podana tudi sijajna Molkova komedija: "Nevarni Amor". Program se prične ob treh popoldne v Narodnem domu na St. Clair Ave. Pridite!

V vrhu kontrole bi se te glasovnice oddajale tajnikom lokalnih društev, ki bi jih nato oddali na glavni urad svojih organizacij. Ako je večina ene organizacije proti združitvi, naj se takoj opusti vsako nadaljnje govorjenje. Ako pa je zadostna večina, recimo dvotretjinska večina, za združitve, naj se z delom nadaljuje. Najame na se advokat, ki je večkrat v teh zadevah (Merger of Corporations), sestavi naj se pogodba, ki je nato predložena združitveni konvenciji v končno odobritev. Taka vprašanja, kakor je n. pr. ime združene organizacije ali pa sedež iste, se popolnoma lahko pušči v demokratično rešitev združevalni konvenciji.

Organizacije, pri katerih je vprašanje združenja danes na dnevnem redu, so SNPJ, SSPZ in JSKJ. Ako so združevalni odbori teh organizacij iskreni, bodo takoj odredili splošno glasovanje, kakršno jaz predlagam v mojem načrtu. O članski pravicah in članskem denarju se tukaj odloča in zato je neobhodno potrebno, da ima članstvo tudi glavno besedo. Z drugimi besedami: "Združitve mora priti od spodaj na priključ članstva."

Glede članstva SNPJ nimam nobenih dvomov. Zgodovina dokazuje, da smo bili vedno iskreni zagovorniki združenja. Sledeče številke kažejo, kaj je bil sentiment našega članstva v preteklosti o tem vprašanju:

Glasovanje: Za združ. Proti
 Prvo 4,549 1,116
 Drugo (1. 1915).... 6,339 1,588
 Tretje (1. 1919).... 11,007 610

Jaz ne verjamem, da bo združitve kdaj prišla, ne da bi članstvo najprej izrazilo svoje mnenje s splošnim glasovanjem. Tukaj je moj načrt. Kdor ima boljše, naj ga predloži.

Kjer se je podvrgla operaciji. Članice, obiščite jo ob priliki. Kakor izgleda, krize ali brezposelnosti še ne bo konec, posebno ne za take, ki so še daleč časa v Ameriki, ker tem ni mogoče dobiti delo. Nihakor pa ne pustite društva. V slučaju, če ne morete plačati asementa, se poslužite posojila za asement in se v ta namen obrnite na društvenega tajnika, da vam napravi prošnjo. Jednota posodi za asement za smrtninski sklad in za en dolar bolniške podpore; ako ste zavarovani za dva dolarja, morate sami doplačati drugi dolar, kakor tudi društvene priprave. Ne odlašajte s tem in ne pustite se suspendirati ali črtati. Društvo ne more založiti za nobenega in tudi tajnik nima pravice, da bi zakladal za člane. Prosim, vzemite to na znanje.

Na kolegiju imamo sledeče priredbe: Naše sosednje društvo Bratoljub 234 SNPJ priredi domačo zabavo 6. aprila v dvorani Tivoli. Pevski zbor Naprej priredi kartno zabavo 7. aprila v dvorani M. Sostaricha. Društvo Badgers 585 SNPJ priredi 13. aprila "Showers Queen" v dvorani SST. SNPJ All Star Chorus priredi svoj koncert in ples dne 28. aprila v dvorani SST. Člani, udeležite se teh priredb polnoštevilno in podpirajmo naša društva čim bolj močno.

Frank Perko, tajnik.
 Indianapolis, Ind. — Vsi kegljalski društva 34 in 575 SNPJ ste vabljeni na prihodnjo sejo v petek ob 8. zvečer, 5. aprila, v slovenskem narodnem domu. Vabljeni sta tudi ostali člani obeh društev, če kegljate ali ne, ker ima kegljalski odbor pripravljene nekaj za vse.

Članom društva 34 se še posebej poroča, da društvo plača v sedanjih kampanji en dolar nagrade za vsakega člana, ki ga pridobite v odrasli oddelek in 50c za mladinski oddelek. Pogoj so kot jih je odredila februarška seja. Vsi člani ste prošeni, da se aktivno udeležite kampanje. Na svidenje na seji kegljašev v petek zvečer.

John Veran, tajnik.
 Ali ste že naročili Prosveto ali Mladinski list svojemu prijatelju ali sorodniku v domovino? To je edini dar trajne vrednosti, ki ga za mal denar lahko pošljete svojcem v domovino.

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Glasovi iz naselbin

Ali bi ne mogli biti nekoliko bolj obzirni?

Cleveland, O. — V obilnatni Prosveti dne 20. marca je s podpisom br. F. Barbiča zopet izšel dopis, kateri bi nikakor ne delal čast nobenemu demokratičnemu vnanjemu dopisnikarju, še manj pa to dela tistemu, ki je član in obenem še celo gl. odbornik S. N. P. J.

V tem dopisu (kot je to že več ali manj njegova navada) je zopet vzel na piko tri tukaj živeče gl. odbornike SNPJ, kateri so kot taki na skupni seji gl. odbora glasovali za neko resolucijo, o kateri pa so radi opozicije proti njej, katera je prišla pred tukajšnjo federacijo, "ostali na fencu" ali nevtrajni.

Jaz bi se nikakor ne podajal v polemiko z dopisnikom, ako bi se on pri vseh svojih javnih dejanjih in nehanjih ne opiral na nekakšno demokracijo in ako bi se s tem dopisom ne skušalo očrtniti prizadetih gl. odbornikov in tudi naše društvo 142.

Kaj hudega so storili ti gl. odborniki, naše društvo in kako si jaz tolmačim demokracijo v gotovih okoliščinah?

Izmed vseh sedaj znanih pravosodnih sistemov je takozvano "porotno razsodišče" gotovo še najbolj demokratično in za splošne pojme tudi najbolj nepristransko v svojih razsodbah. Vendar pa: ali ta razsodišča dovoljujejo, da je pri "glasovanju", katero odloča: kriv ali nekriv soudeležen tudi obtoženec? Gotovo ne, vsaj meni do sedaj še ni znan tak slučaj. In kaj so storili omenjeni, v tem prizade- ti, gl. odborniki, kateri so bili v tem slučaju takorekoč obtožen- ci? V splošni razpravi je vsa- kdo izmed njih povedal svoje mnenje oz. vzrok, zakaj je gla- soval za resolucijo, pri glasovan- ju pri federaciji pa so ostali "na fencu", t. j. nevtrajni.

Ali niso bili oni vzpričo tega, ker so bili takorekoč obtoženci veliko bolj logični, kot pa je bil dopisnik, kateri jih je hotel s svojim dopisom očrtniti?

V vseh mojih večletnih stikih, pa bilo na raznih sejah, prireditvah, ali drugačnih delov- njih za pospeševanje napredka te organizacije, moram priznati in dati ne samo zaupnico, pač pa tudi "kredit" tem gl. odbor- nikom — veliko bolj kot pa bi ta pristojal dopisnikarju. Sprej- mite prizadeti tudi to breco z ra- zumevanjem na znanje, saj "Bog že ve, cigava je pura."

Dopisnik nikakor tudi ne mo- re pozabiti našega društva (142), da bi se sem ter tja ne obregnil ob njega, da si lepo na- preduje brez zunanjega vmeša- vanja in mu tudi drugače ne de- la nobenih sitnosti, katerih pov- od bi izviral iz poslovanja zad- njegov časa.

Ne trdim, da brat Mrolja, kot bivši tajnik (kateri pa sedaj ni več naš član, pač pa št. 590), nima precejšnjih zaslug, da je društvo to kar je, oziroma je bi- lo, ko ga je on zapustil. Toda on ni storil nič nadpovprečnega, ampak le svojo dolžnost, za kar pa je bil plačan. In ako bo društvo hotelo zalagati za člane v tako veliki meri kot je svoječasa (nad \$700), bom mogoče tudi jaz dobival kredit in tako postal sla- ven—na račun celote. Ampak, da je on prejel ali pa prejema kakšne "brece", to pa naj dopis- nik kar lepo v svojo tarbo spravi. S tem, če prizadeti ni bil po- novno izvoljen, to še nikakor ni "brca", brece pa prejema sedaj društvo, oziroma članstvo, ker ga ni ponovno izvolilo, odnosno glasovalo za tistega, kateri bi bil slučajno mogoče bolj po godu nekemu, kateri slučajno še član našega društva ni. Ali ni temu res tako? Vprašanje, ki je s tem nastalo, pa je sedaj: Ali ima članstvo "dolžnost", da vedno voli nekoga, ali pa ima po prin- cipih dopisnika tudi to "pravico", da glasuje za tistega, kate- rega hoče? Oj, demokracija, ka- ko grdo te mrcvarijo celo neka- teri izmed tistih, ki se postavlja- jo za tvoje "varuhe"!

To bo približno zadosti o tem. To je mogoče precej ostra kri- tika, toda še celo bala (ball)

Priprave za kegljaški turnir

Waukegan, Ill. — Čas zelo hitro beži. Le še nekaj tednov je, ko se bo v naši naselbini vršil sedmi letni kegljaški turnir društva SNPJ. Vsa tri tukajšnja društva jednote se skrbno pri- pravljajo za to priredbo, ker na- ša želja je, da bi vsem udeležencem prav dobro postregli.

Da nam bo lažje urediti vse potrebno, prosimo društva in člane, ki še niso poslali priglasil, naj to store čim prej. Čas, da se priglasite za kegljanje, je do 15. aprila. Obenem sporočite, kdaj želite kegljati, kakor tudi to, da li želite stanovati v hotelu ali v privatnih stanovanjih.

V petek zvečer, 3. maja, bodo kegljala domača društva, v so- boto pa bo prostor za zunanje, kakor se bo kdo priglasil. V so- boto zvečer bo ples v obeh dvo- ranah, v nedeljo po končanem kegljanju pa na banket. Zmagoval- ci bodo sveda dobili nagrade.

Uspeh te priredbe je torej od- visen od vseh članov, zato upa- mo, da se bodo odzvala tudi še druga društva in poslala svoje skupine na ta turnir. Skoraj pri vseh društvih imamo člane in članice, ki se zanimajo za kegl- ljanje. In tisti člani, ki se zani- majo za sport, se navadno zani- majo tudi za druge društvene aktivnosti. In naši tamladi so prav veseli, če se priglasijo sta- rejša društva, saj želja vseh je za skupno delovanje. O vsem bomo še poročali.

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Zarja poda koncert z igro

Cleveland, O. — Kaj je bolj prijetnega na svetu kot naslaja- ti se ob zvokih lepe pesmi, še posebno, če je ta pesem ubrana in raznobarna. Saj tudi izbran šop rož je lepši v raznih barvah.

Soč. Zarja poda v nedeljo, 7. aprila, na odru Slov. narodnega doma na St. Clair ave. izbran in pester šop slovenskih pesmi. Prav zanimiv in slikovit šop bo to. Sestoji od ljubkih podoke- nic, veselih napitnic do težjih klasičnih zborovih skladb, poda- nih po skupnem zboru in posamezno v solospievih, duetih, kvartetu in ženskem ter moškem zboru. Nekatere od teh so nam že poznane, hvaležno blago iz prejšnjih dni, večina je pa no- vink, prvič podane na tem odru.

"Zimska pesem" je ena teh no- vodošic, odeta z močnimi krili, ali vredna najmanj cekin, "De- kle, kaj je s tabo?" je druga, ki nam ne gre več iz spomina. "Ro- že je trgala" se tudi želi pred- staviti, novo moderno blago, srebrna izpoved zaljubljenega de- kleta, ki sporoča dragemu, da ima zvesto sree in balo gotovo. In potem "Naš dau", "Popot- nik", "Dani se", "Sirota" in še druge pridejo na lahni krilih.

V drugem delu bo podana ja- ko posrečena Ivana Molka igra "Neutralni Amor", priobčena v Družinskem koledarju l. 1917. Spisana je bila za časa zadnje svetovne vojne, ko so regljale strojnice in je svet ponorel do blaznosti; obdeluje vojne posledice tukaj med nami v Ameriki. V igri je polno napetosti in res- nih prizorov, pa tudi ljubimka- nja in burke ne manjka — ta- kih prizorov, da se moramo he- hetati prav do kraja. Saj bo eno glavnih vlog imel v rokah naš komik Anton Epich, ki bo štur- mal tako, kot, so šturjali pri 17. pešpolku v štari Avstriji. Drugi v vlogah nastopijo še: Milan Medvesek, Josephine Turk, An- ton Perušek, Louis Zorko, John Kriebel in Ivan Čeh.

Program se prične proizvajati, kot običajno, ob 3. uri popo- dne, nakar sledi plesna veselica do pozne ure. Vstopnice v pred- prodaji so samo 30c in se dobe v Makovevi sladličarni v SND in v Durnovi trgovini na Wa-

terloo Rd. ter pri pevcih in Zar- jinih sodelavcih. To bo Zarjin prvi koncert, odkar je avditorij SND akustično izboljšal. Stene dvorane v ozadju in na stropu so prevlečene s posebno izolaci- jo, katera preprečuje odmev v dvorani in pospejuje hitrejši tok glasu. Pridite, bomo videli kolo- ko je res dvorana izboljšana!

Zarja je sedaj po številu bolj- še zastopana kot je bila kdaj prej. Ojačena je največ po odras- li mladini, iz domovine in tu- kaj rojeni, katera se udejejuje in kooperira s starejšimi močni bolj energično kot se more to opaziti kje drugje. V nedeljo bo mladina zopet potrdila, da se za- nima tudi za resnejše stvari, na- ša dolžnost je pa, da ji damo vzpodbudo.

Leo Poljšak.

O kampanji, krožkih in drugo

Walsenburg, Colo. — Kot raz- vidim iz poročila v Prosveti o zadnji kampanji, so se zapadne države še dovolj odzvale. To kaže, da je še veliko zanimanja za SNPJ. Zadnja kampanja je bila posvečena 35-letnici naše jednote.

Kaj pa v tem letu? Ali se za- vedate, da SNPJ obhaja važno obletnico, to je 15-letnico angle- ško poslujočih društev, ki jih je do danes že precejšnje število? Da pa ta obletnica ne bo ostala pozabljena, je naša dolžnost, da tudi sedaj izrabimo priliko in pridobimo jednoti novih članov.

S tem v zvezi priredite shode, proslave in piknike in tako pro- slavite to pomembno obletnico za jednoto: Kjerkoli se vam nu- di prilika, agitirajte za nove čla- ne, saj je naša dolžnost, da ne- kaj storimo za našo organizaci- jo. Torej, bratje, na delo v tem letu in pridobimo naše potemtvo za našo organizacijo, kajti ne bo dolgo, ko bo naša mladina pre- vzela odgovornost in naše delo. Ustanovite mladinske krožke, kjer jih še nimate in videli bo- ste, da bo vam vaše delo prineslo obilen sad.

Na januarji seji je naš mla- dinski krožek št. 1 sklenil, da poseti krožek v Aguilariju, Colo. To se je tudi zgodilo v marcu. Na tej seji so razprav- ljali o različnih stvareh, tikajo- čih se napredka jednote in po- sebno še krožkov. Debatirali so o zadnjem nastopu na prireditvi federacije v Ludlowu. Zastavili so si vprašanje, ali je bil ta na- stop krožkov agitacijskega po- mena in ako je prinesel mora- len uspeh društvom in jednoti. Z zanimanjem sem sledil raz- pravam in podal nekaj sugestij. Z veseljem so sprejeli poročilo, da bodo imeli priliko za nastop na prihodnji federacijski pri- redbi, ki se vrši četrto nedeljo v maju v Pueblu, največji za- padni slovenski naselbini. Kot kaže, se pridno urijo za ta dan in gotov sem, da bo obilo pose- tnikov ta dan v Slovenskem na- rodnem domu v Pueblu. (Upam, da imajo tamkajšnja društva SNPJ že vse aranžirano.) Več o tem bo poročano pozneje.

Pravijo, ako se kaj posodi, se mora tudi vrniti. Tako je agu- larski krožek sklenil, da nas obi- šče v Walsenburgu na krožkovi seji dne 21. aprila. V ta namen je tukajšnji krožek sklenil, da priredi majhno "party" ali zabavo za člane mladinskega oddel- ka. Kaj bodo imeli, je najbolje, da pridet sami in se osebno prepričate. Videli boste, da je ta ustanova nekaj koristnega za jednoto. Ako iz te mladine zraste nekaj dobrih agitatorjev in boriteljev za jednoto, naše delo ne bo zaman. Da pa nas bo malo več in da bo čim boljša zabava, vabimo tudi krožek iz Delague, ako jim je mogoče udeležiti se naše seje, ob priliki pa jih tudi mi obiščemo.

Torej na delo, bratje in sestre, in pridobite vaak vsaj enega no- vega člana v SNPJ. Mladinskim krožkom želim uspeha.

Ker še pišem, naj omenim, da je bila odkrita velika ponevba v okraju Huerfano. Ko je pred nekaj meseci državni nad- zornik pregledoval knjige, je po par dneh pregledovanja izbruh- nil požar v varnostni shrambi okrajnega blagajnika, kar je dr- žavnim nadzornikom dalo povod, da so pričeli sumiti, da nekaj ni v redu. Zapečatili so vse knji- ge in varnostne shrambe in pri- čeli z natančnim pregledovan- jem. Po končanem delu je dis- triktni pravdnik zahteval vele- poroto, ki je na delu že par te- dnov. Odkrili so korupcijo, da ji ni para. V korupcijo je poleg po-

litikov zapletenih tudi nekaj uglednih trgovcev. V veleporo- ti je tudi George Stiglich, tajnik našega društva 299 SNPJ.

Edward Tomšic, 299.

Savin nedeljski koncert

Chicago. — Mešani zbor Sava, odsek kluba 1. JSZ, je v nedeljo na svojem običajnem pomladan- skem koncertu v dvorani SNPJ podal 17 lepih skladb v zboru, oktetu, kvartetu in solospetu. Zbor je odpel tri izrazite delav- ske: Delavski spev, Naš prapor in Slava delu, tri popularne: Valček, Pred mojo kajžo in Ven- ček narodnih, ter dve deloma klasični, Mamica moja in Cveto- čih deklic. Oktet in kvartet sta vaak podala tri. Solist Carl Church je pel dve angleški sklad- bi in dodal eno slovensko.

Novost na koncertu so bile dolge obleke pevk v svetlih (pa- stelnih) barvah, ki so nudile le- po sliko celotne grupe. Novi so- listi so bili Louis Valentič, Alice Artach in Carl Church, vsi trije dobre moči. Carl se je s svojim močnim basom dobro postavil. Občinstvu sta tudi ugajala okteti in kvarteti, zbor pa se je najbolj- še postavil z Venčkom in Mamico mojo. Zborov predsednik Frank Udovc je pozdravil navzoče in se jim zahvalil za poset. Savo vodi Jakob Muha in na piano jo spremlja njegova žena Mary.

Sava ima dobre, večje moči, njena pesem zaori v prijetnem sozvočju, se dvigne v harmonič- ne višine in polagoma pada v blagodejni pianissimo. Nedeljski koncert, jedva 75 minut dolg, se nam je zdel prekratke napram našim običajno predolgim pro- gramom. Neka srednja mera bi vsejako bila bolj priporočljiva. Naj dodam, da sta za ples igrali dve godbi, Gradiškov orkester in Pueljev trio.

L. Beniger.

Milwaukee aktivnosti

Milwaukee. — V nedeljo, 7. aprila, bo Naprejeva kartna za- bava pri Šoštaricu na So. 5. in W. Bruce. Ako sodim po prodaji vstopnic, bo udeležba taka, kakr- šno si Naprej želi. Nagrade, ki so jih darovali Napreju njego- vi prijatelji, so take, da se bo res splašalo zanje potruditi se. Kvartopirci in kibici, v nedeljo je vaš dan!

V nedeljo, 28. aprila, bo pa dan naše mladine! SNPJ Juve- nile All Stars Chorus bo imel takrat koncert v S. S. Turn dvo- rani. Mladež bo pela samo slo- venske pesmi, tako v zboru ka- kor v samospievih, dvošpevih in kvartetih. Nekaj zanimivega bo ta priredba in prepričan sem, da se bo nasebina klicu naše mla- dine častno odzvala. Otroci bo- do uprizorili tudi čedno sloven- sko šaloigro, ki se imenuje "Luknja v prtu". Pri tem kon- certu bo sodeloval tudi Naprej in če sem prav informiran, bo mladini priskočila na pomoč tu- di Planinska roža. Mladina se za ta dan z vso vneto priprav- lja — treba je le, da nje starši in drugo članstvo jednote zavi- ha rokave ter nekoliko pomaga pri prodaji vstopnic in ustme- ni agitaciji. Tajniki in tajnice jednotlivih društev v Milwau- keeuju in West Allisu so pa pro- šeni, da tudi v Prosveti nekoliko posgiritirajo, ker čim več bo "šturma", tem lepši bo uspeh. Ako ji mladina vendar naša in saki ji pomagamo do uspeha, sto- rimo s tem le svojo dolžnost.

Pevski festival v Chicagu dne 19. maja obeta biti najboljši, kar smo jih imeli do sedaj. Pri nas se ljudje za to priredbo pre- cej zanimajo in precej 'voznih listkov je že prodanih, toda še ne zadosti. Vojna v Chicagu in nazaj bo stala samo dva co- paka, kar je zelo poceni. Treba je pa, da se vsakdo, ki misli iti na festival, nemudoma javi Zaj- cu, Ermencu, ali pa Dobniku ker ko bo namreč napolnjen — drugi namreč, prvi je že — bo "grevenga" zaman.

France Puncer.

Seja društvenega doma SNPJ

Eveleth, Minn. — Vsi člani in članice vseh društev SNPJ v Evelethu se pozivajo, da se ude- leže zelo važne izredne seje Do- ma SNPJ dne 7. aprila, pričetek ob poltreh popoldne v društve- ni dvorani. To bo takoj po seji društva Napredek. Pokazimo, da smo zmoini voditi skupno in de- lovati za začrtane ideje.

J. A. Ambrosič, tajnik doma.

"Prosveto"? Podpirajte svoj list!

Naslova ni treba

Naš prijatelj Tone Terbovec piše po ovinkih sarkastično o "grehnem kozlu" (sebi), ki pa ne- če biti žrtvovan za "grehe, ki so in ki jih ni". Te vrste žajfa ne bo pomagala, Tone. Zaveda se resna, kar dokazuje uradni zapisnik. Ali pri vas pišete zapisnike zaradi satire in prišljenja šale?

Če bi bili "nezmotljivi farizeji" (hvala!) go- vorili o kakšnih "grehih" in biblijskih "grehih", bi bilo norčevanje na mestu. Tega pa ni bilo. Bilo je le resno konstatiranje dejstva, da je Tone (poleg drugih) ustrelil grdega ko- zla in to dejstvo je bilo z drugimi besedami resno ugotovljeno v uradnem zapisniku. Tone ne sme več streljati takšnih kozlov! Tako je bilo sklenjeno. In to je vse. Tega ne izbiraj- iz zapisnika nobena patentirana Tunetova žaj- fa! —

Slika katoliške cerkve

Kritičen newyorški magazin The Forum ima v aprilski številki članek nekega N. V. Fetter- lyja, o katerem je rečeno, da je član katoliške župnije na srednjem zapadu. Članek je žgoca kritika katoliške cerkve.

Pisec pravi, da se je že naveličal nedemo- kratičnega, avtokratičnega sistema svoje cerkve, ki je silno občutljiva napram vsaki samo- kritiki od znotraj in kritiki od zunaj. Jedro njegove kritike je, da cerkev (to je duhovščina) postopa z maso svojih vernikov kakor z otroci, ki še nimajo razuma. Verniki nimajo druge besede kot posvetovalno pri upravi svojih žup- nij in če kaj kritizirajo, so strogo disciplinirani. Naloga vernikov je le, da pridno plačujejo, pridno molijo, pridno ubogajo in pridno — molče. Kakor otroci!

Verniki pa niso s tem zadovoljni. Verniki imajo oči in ušesa za silen kontrast med svo- jo cerkvijo in ostalo demokratično Ameriko. Katoliška cerkev vztraja za vsako ceno, da ob- drži svoje avtokratične, avtoritativne postave in prepise, ki so v nekaterih ozirih še iz sta- rega veka in ki so veliko nasprotje ameriški ustavi in ameriškim demokratičnim instituci- jam. Verniki vse to vidijo, toda pomagati si ne morejo; oni, katerim ta avtokracija cerkve pre- seda že do skrajnosti, postanejo brezbržni in polagoma odpadejo. Katoliška cerkev v Ameri- ki izgubi mnogo več starih članov kot pa pri- dobi novih sleherno leto.

Tu sledi nekaj poslovenjenih izčrpek iz Fetterlyjevega članka v jedru:

Cerkev je tako trmasta, da raje riskira kle- rikalizem (kulturni boj), kakor da bi dovolila svojim vernikom svobodo izražanja, dasi je očitno, da je stvarna kritika potrebna napred- ku vsake organizacije... Cerkev obstoji iz ljudi, ki imajo iste slabosti kakor ostali ljudje in stremijo po vplivu, moči in oblasti... Star- rinski, absolutistični ustroj cerkve vztraja pri življenju očitno z namenom, da zavaruje oblast in bogastvo cerkve, dejstvo pa je, da cerkev v onih deželah, v katerih si ustvari največjo oblast in imetje, najprej izgubi oboje... Če se avtokratične metode cerkve niso obnesle drugod, se gotovo ne bodo v Združenih drža- vah, kjer so močne demokratične tradicije... Če bi duhovščina slišala godrnjanje med laiki te dežele, bi morda zaslutila nevarnost, ki ji preti...

Katoliki so naučeni od svojih otroških let, da brezpopojno sprejmejo za sveto resnico vse verske nauke duhovnikov. Katolik kot vernik nikoli ne zraste — kot vernik mora ostati otrok vse svoje življenje, slepo mora ubogati in ver- jeti vse, kar mu pove duhovnik... Cerkev no- če, da bi vernik razumel, kar veruje; ona ho- če, da vernik nekritično ponavlja za njo besede, ki mu jih narekuje... Mnogo odraslih ka- tolikov dvomi o naukih in doktrinah, ki jih do- be kot otroci in ko spoznajo, da se te doktrine ne dajo ugotoviti z znanstvenimi metodami, posledica je, da ti katoliki zavrejo vero, ko zaman iščejo pojasnila pri svojih duhovnikih. Na ta način je cerkev že izgubila nešteto svojih vernikov...

V cerkvah katolik malokdaj sliši fundamen- (Dalje na 5. strani)

Pred dvajsetimi leti

(Iz Prosvete, 3. aprila 1920)

Domače vesti. Tri društva SSPZ (14, 48 in 59) so objavila v Prosveti oster protest proti gl. odboru svoje organizacije, ker je umaknil združitveno pogodbo s SNPJ.

Zadeve SNPJ. Prispevki članov in društev SNPJ za osirotele otroke v stari domovini znašajo doslej \$5052.

Delavske vesti. Med ameriškiimi železničar- ji so se pojavile lokalne stavke.

Iz inozemstva. Vsa Turčija, razen Carigrada, je že pod kontrolo Mustafe Kemala paše, ki vodi turško nacionalistično revolucijo. Spartakovi v Nemčiji se spet podajajo Eber- tovi vlad.

Sovjetska Rusija. Sovjetske čete prodirajo za ubežnim Denikinom na Krim.

(Dalje iz prve kolone.)

Bratake podporne organizacije, katere po- slujejo pravilno, se razlikujejo od teh pijavt- kakor dan od noči. Bratake organizacije se špekulirajo, kjer koli imajo pametno vodstvo. Njihova glavna naloga je, da podpirajo svoje člane. To se vrši zaradi tega, kar so bratake podporne organizacije pod kontrolo svojih čla- nov.

Milijarda za brezposelne

Federalna uprava zavarovanja proti brezpo- selnosti poroča, da je bilo od 1. januarja 1938, odkar je to zavarovanje v moči, do 1. marca t. l. izplačanih \$910,398,918 ali do malega milijar- da dolarjev v podporah brezposelnim delavcem.

To je torej — poleg starostne podpore — najlepši rekord novega dela, najlepši rekord socialne zaščite Združenih držav. Amerika prej ni poznala te socialne zaščite in prezirljivo jo je smatrala za "tujezemsko prisilodarijo", ki bi bila sramota za njo — je ameriški socialisti so že pred 40 leti resno zahtevali socialno zava- rovanje.

Zdaj prejema podporo povprečno 983,000 brezposelnih delavcev na teden; to število je veljalo za zadnji mesec, v januarju je pa bilo povprečno 877,000 prejemnikov. Vätih je vseh 48 držav, Kolumbijski distrikt, Alaska in Havajsko otočje. Država New York plačuje doslej največ brezposelnostne podpore. Ta pod- pora je skupno federalna in državna zadeva na eni strani in zadeva delodajalcev na drugi strani; zavarovani delavci ne prispevajo ničesar v brezposelnostni sklad.

Zavarovanje proti brezposelnosti je pa še da- leč od popolnosti. Premalo delavcev je še de- ležnih tega zavarovanja; delavci na farmah in hišni delavci, hlapeci in dekle, so še izključeni. Vse to bo sčasoma popravljeno in izboljšano. Socialno zavarovanje v Ameriki ostane stalna ustanova. Nobena vlada, naj bo še tako reakci- onarna, se ne bo upala paralizirati te pravič- ne ustanove. Kajti socialno zavarovanje ni no- ben privilegij, nobena miloščina ali "charity", temveč je narurna pravica slehernega delavca; je znamenje socialne odgovornosti, ki jo ima družba do posameznika.

"Insurence" davijo farme

Zadnjič smo citirali iz poročila federalne pre- iskovalne komisije TNEC, ki preiskuje zava- rovalne družbe, da imajo te družbe "prvo vknjiž- bo na ameriški business." To pa še ni vse. V istem poročilu citamo, da je največja zavaroval- na družba v Ameriki, Metropolitan Life Insur- ance Company, "največji farmar v Združenih državah."

Kakšen farmar je ta družba? Takšen, ker kontrolira več kot 7000 farm, vrednih skupno \$79,800,000, s svojimi vknjižbami. Z drugimi besedami: ta kolosalna družba špekulira s farm- skimi "morgeci" in poseduje lastninske listine zadolženih farm, ki jih zkorišča, dasi jih ne obdeluje.

V luči tega je jasno, zakaj zavarovalne druž- be favorizirajo federalni relief za farmarje, do- čim industrijski kapitalisti ta relief sovražijo. Farmarji v glavnem rabijo reliefne čke za od- plačevanje obresti "insurencem". Za hrbtom farmarja stoji "insurence" in mu jemlje vladino podporo ter s tem vzdržuje svoje investicije aktivne! Brez tega reliefa bi farmske vknjižbe "insurencev" propadle druga za drugo. Na ta način vlada indirektno subvencira zavarovalne družbe.

Preiskava je dalje odkrila, da se premoženje "insurencev" že desetletja množi največ od do- nosa investicij, ne pa od premij starih in novih zavarovalnin. Na primer v desetletju 1928-1938 je premoženje 26 največjih zavarovalnih družb v Ameriki poraslo za 9.8%. Na dohod- kih zavarovalnin, obresti od investicij pa so pri- nesle 63 odstotkov porastka. To pomeni, da je business "insurencev" v glavnem denarno špe- kuliranje, ne pa zavarovanje ljudi. Družbe se ne brigajo za interese svojih zavarovancev, nji- hova glavna briga je, da čim bolj povečajo svoje dohodke in plačujejo čim višje dividende svojim delničarjem.

Dejstvo, da "insurencei" vlagajo svoje pre- moženje najraje v farmske vknjižbe, ki donaja- jo najvišje obresti, potrjuje gornjo trditve. Ba- harija "insurencev", da imajo socialne obliga- cije in njihova naloga je pred vsem človeko- ljubnega značaja, je velikanski — bluff. Njihov business je golo izkoriščanje milijonov v in- teresu privatnih delničarjev. Nekdanji zemlji- ški kralji v južnih državah, ki so izkoriščali zamorske sužnje, so bili pravi berači napram današnjim "insurenceim" carjem, ki imajo mi- lionje farmarjev po vsej Ameriki za svoje suž- nje...

(Dalje v zadnji koloni.)

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To leto bo spet precejšnje število naših društev doživelo svoje
zlatne obletnice. Zlasti bo lepo število društev praznovalo 25 in
30 let svojega obstanka. Kajti ravno tista leta, ko so se ustanovila
ta društva, je naša organizacija začela dobivati svoj zaslu-
žen ugled in od tedaj naprej beležimo pravi razmah jednote.

LEPA SLAVNOST DRUŠTVA ŠT. 230
Naše društvo Rajski glas št. 230, ki posluje v Granite Cityju,
Ill. je že eno od tistih, ki se je zaobljubilo, da bo svojo slavnost
in posebne olajšave, ki jih je za nove člane odobril glavni odbor, po-
kušalo dobro izkoristiti. Predzadnje nedeljo ali 24. marca t. l. je
namreč proslavljalo 25-letnico svojega obstanka in zavezali so se,
da morajo pridobiti najmanj toliko novih članov kolikor let je
društvo staro. In prepričani smo že vnaprej, da bodo svojo obljubo
izpolnili. Kdor tiste fante pozna, ve, da bodo storili naprež še
precej več.

Ker vemo, da je našim čitateljem bolj malo znano, kje je ta
Granite City, bo menda tudi na mestu, da to omenimo, da se na-
haja na prijazni, rodovitni ravnini ob levem obrežju velike reke
Mississippi, ki tam meji državi Illinois in Missouru ter je prav
blizu mesta St. Louisa, katero se razprostira po zapadnem obrežju
omenjene reke. Granite City, Madison in Venice so skupaj se
držeca mesteca in so vsako zase le bolj majhna reč, toda tam je
vse polno železnih, kemičnih in drugih tovarn, ki uposljujejo tudi
ženske in tam delajo naši člani, ki so zaposleni, seveda. Prebival-
stvo teh mestec tvorijo razi mlajše generacije skoro sami prisel-
jenici menda iz vseh krajev sveta in tu vam je prava internacio-
nala! Slovencem živj tam prav malo, pač pa je veliko drugih Jugos-
lovanov. Posebno značilno za nas je to, ko je v teh naselbinah
vsega skupaj menda samo šest ali sedem slovenskih družin, pa
imamo tam dvoje društev naše jednote s precejšnjim številom
članov. Moško društvo je Rajski glas št. 230, kakor že omenjeno,
ženško pa Gorska vila št. 309. Veliko večino članstva tvorijo
Hrvatini in Bolgari. SNPJ je radi svojih naprednih idej, znane libe-
ralnosti in velike demokracije pri njih visoko spoštovana in najbolj
prijubljena.

Da naše društvo uživa ugled in spoštovanje ne samo po tistih
naselbinah, temveč po celi okolici, nam najbolj priča potek zadnje
slavnosti. Društvo pri tem nikakor ni bilo osamljeno, pač pa se
mu je nudila blagohotna pomoč in prijateljsko sodelovanje od dru-
gih organizacij in oblasti in takorekoč od vseh strani. Zato je tudi
pripravilo dolg in pester program, v katerem so sodelovala sosedna
društva naše jednote, od katerih se je posebno postavilo društvo
iz hrvatskimi pevi in tamburaši, ki se udeležujejo tudi pri radio-
programih, češkim Sokoli in Sokolicami ter z drugimi.
Razume se, da poleg izvrstne godbe in lepega petja ter drugih
zanimivosti, ki smo jih videli in slišali na proslavi, ni manjkalo
tudi govorov. Take afera si brez govoranc sploh ne moremo niti
predstavljati. Pa tudi potrebno je, da se pove nekaj iz zgodovine
društva, ko se že proslavlja, in to je prav dobro opravil brat J.
Radošević, ki je imel tudi pozdravni govor ter je vodil program.
Pozdravit nas je prišel tudi mestni župan in še nekaj drugih velja-
kov. Župan, ki je svojčas sam delal v tovarni, dobro pozna ustroj
ter prave namene in dela naše organizacije. Zelo zanimivo poro-
čilo o vseh izplačilih in ogromnem pomožnem delu, ki ga je društvo
tvorilo v teku svojega obstanka, je namesto društvenga tajnika,
kateri je bil preveč zaposlen z drugimi rečmi, podal br. G. Begojec.
Brat J. Spiler od angleško poslujočega društva v St. Louisu
je v svojem govoru lepo predložil veliko razliko med našo jednoto
in insurencij ter druge prednosti in važnosti dobrega podpornega
društva. Glavni slavnostni govor pa je bil poverjen podpisnemu,
ki je obenem obdaril še živeče ustanovitelje društva s posebnimi
znaki srebrnega jubileja.

Kakor že omenjeno, je društvo dobilo dober odziv in koopera-
cijo od vseh strani in tako smo lepo in sijajno izvedli to slavnost
ob navzočnosti neprigledne množice ljudstva, katerega se je kar
veliko in za vse se ni moglo najti prostora. Za ves tako lep uspeh,
ki je seveda tudi uspeh za jednoto, pa gre zahvala in priznanje
največ prireditvenemu odboru in vsem onim, ki so tako pridno
delali in se žrtvovali. Čast vam!

V. CAINKAR, predsednik SNPJ.

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c. 45918.
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Anna Simonich, c. 22699.
226 Črtana zopet sprejeta: Rose Smi-
sky, c. 86814. Črtani: Rose Dami-
nisky, c. 78875, Ignac Domanski,
c. 16697.
232 Črtani: Jernej Kalister, c. 20571.
234 Črtani: John Mošir, c. 48351,
Margareth Mošir, c. 46692.
248 Umrli: Frank Verba, c. 15227.
254 Črtani: Vincent Prizbylo, c.
89914, Nicholas Prizbylo, c.
74006.
257 Črtani zopet sprejeti: Mike Korin-
sky, c. 27120.
258 Črtani: George Munjan, c. 93833,
Ilija Munjan, c. 37855.
270 Umrli: Karl Baskovca, c. 3633.
271 Črtani zopet sprejeti: Anna Ro-
tur, c. 83613, Bo Filipovich, c.
94911. Črtani: Minnie Pavich,
c. 83065, Jovo Bul, c. 88425.
276 Črtani zopet sprejeti: Joseph
Kwasny, c. 39983.
280 Črtani: Thomas Jereb, c. 96264.
289 Umrli: Louis Lovrencic, c. 45341.
295 Črtani zopet sprejeti: Anton Po-
cervina, c. 21013. Črtani: Joseph
H. Klement, c. 88092, Edward
M. Klement, c. 90194.
300 Črtani: Frances D. Gerber, c.
91712, Karl Giskovich, c. 88619.
304 Črtani: Charles F. Kremesec, c.
91553.
309 Črtani: Andrew Domescik, c.
23996, Fannie Domešič, c. 78033.
310 Črtana: Mary Mikolich, c. 80564.
311 Črtani: Frank Egart, c. 92766.
312 Črtani: Frank Roher, c. 90067.
317 Črtani: Nick Paich, c. 96996,
Mildred Paiek, c. 98741. Umrli:
Nick Perić, c. 48427.
319 Črtani zopet sprejeti: Matthew
Golčić, c. 38408.
344 Črtani: Annie Obstetar, c. 48449,
Joseph Dembar, c. 7212, Mary
Lange, c. 84851, Annie Schmidt,
c. 47260.
356 Črtana: Barbara Malnar, c.
87964.
380 Črtani zopet sprejeti: Frank Er-
zar, c. 89575, Joseph Erzar, c.
92968. Črtani: Agnes Pesenti-

Dr. št. Lodge No.
na, c. 55281, Frances Kovalczyk,
c. 40948, George Spengler, c.
72458, Mary Bauman, c. 40041,
Frances Erzar, c. 97006, Frances
Salig, c. 40065. Umrli: Frank
Močnik, c. 40058.
381 Črtani: William Moskwa, c. 97716.
398 Črtana: Julia Vrhovac, c. 95381.
400 Črtana zopet sprejeta: Mildred
Wekluk, c. 79422. Črtani: An-
na Lapovich, c. 90912, John La-
poviček, c. 95341.
407 Črtani: Joseph Gračan, c. 14206.
411 Črtani: Joseph Franko, c. 73631.
422 Črtani: Stanislav Cadez, c. 86756.
425 Črtani: Matthew Magdich, c.
97806.
438 Umrli: Steve Puhalo, c. 57463.
449 Črtani: Fanny Kurent, c. 36832,
Frank Zajc, c. 90118, Rudolph J.
Frlicka, c. 90724, John Horacak,
c. 93991, Joseph Horacak, c.
92041, Lillian J. Kobal, c. 85636,
Frances H. Furich, c. 36662.
472 Črtani: Joseph Petroff, c. 98503.
477 Črtani: Frank Volk, c. 50923.
483 Črtani zopet sprejeti: George
Momeilovich, c. 48583, Milka
Momeilovich, c. 62921.
489 Črtani zopet sprejeti: Mary Y.
Chambers, c. 85257, George L.
Bruketta, c. 85264.
503 Črtana: Josephine Ekri, c.
97897.
518 Črtani zopet sprejeti: Catherine
Jurinčić, c. 52188, Nick Jurinčić,
c. 52189.
522 Umrli: Mile Jelinich, c. 55420.
532 Črtani: Edward Taylor, c. 98509.
549 Črtana: Josephine M. Grammer,
c. 92628.
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Noble, c. 89323, George Schinek,
c. 93291, Florence D. Swolsak, c.
96896. Črtani: Ludovick Zore,
c. 67076, Louis Valencic, c. 59051;
Joseph Moulis, c. 96443, Ray A.
Olech, c. 8993.
564 Črtana zopet sprejeta: Agnes L.
Bernia, c. 81377. Črtani: Henry
A. Retzel, c. 93139, Ann Cerne,
c. 90029.
568 Črtani zopet sprejeti: Frank
Stalcar, c. 72866, Joseph Stalcar,
c. 80020, Bernice Stalcar, c.
96291.
584 Črtani: Mary Strukel, c. 96639,
Frank Royseck, c. 97562.
590 Črtani zopet sprejeti: Anthony
Kastelic, c. 97361.
593 Črtani: Mike Jančar, c. 59839.
594 Črtani: June Billiard, c. 92507.
600 Umrli: Teresija Miklavčić, c.
43081.
614 Črtani zopet sprejeti: James Ho-
cevar, c. 95758.
615 Črtana: Frances Hrastar, c.
93501.
618 Črtani: Matt Bujan, c. 70942.
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Ocepak, c. 88847. Črtani: Louis
A. Grebenak, c. 74456.
640 Črtani: Anna Marin, c. 80287,
Frank Marin, c. 57895.
643 Črtani: Joseph Biesjada, c. 96317.
645 Črtani: Albert Pirnak, c. 80115.
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94837.
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665 Črtani: Olga Turshan, c. 67783,
Ralph G. Fabian, c. 92517.
669 Črtani: Margaret Ramova, c.
84942, Pauline Ramous, c. 76175.
679 Črtani: Luka Ferhat, c. 95598.
688 Črtani: John Kuehvar, c. 79545.
686 Črtani: Hilda Zeitler, c. 89809,
Agnes Bohte, c. 87949.
688 Črtani: Anton Vozelj, c. 4073.
699 Črtani zopet sprejeti: Joseph
Blacnak, c. 87762. Črtani:
Stephen Kristufek, c. 95941.
709 Črtani: John Gitnik, c. 54021.
715 Črtani: James Jelinek, c. 96326,
Mary Bergel, c. 86938, Eli Ma-
rovich, c. 96777.
728 Črtani zopet sprejeti: Louis Za-
vislak, c. 91052, Marian Hoer-
belt, c. 92533. Črtani: Blanche
Victor, c. 91619, Louis Rotar, c.
92082.
753 Črtani zopet sprejeti: William
Supanich, c. 95225.
F. A. VIDER,
glav. tajnik-Sup. Sec'y.

NOVOPRISTOPLI CLANI
NEW MEMBERS
Lodge No. Name Cert. Dth. Sick Bn. Bn.
Admitted March 1, 1940

Table with columns: Lodge No., Name, Cert., Dth., Sick, Bn., Bn.
3 Mary Pashovich... 9977 5 300 \$1.00
5 Walter Cerkvenik... 9978 1,000 1.00
Helen M. Gahrovac... 9979 500 Dia.
Ethel I. Trent... 9980 500 Dia.
6 Guy Petrillo... 9981 250 1.00
10 Ann Remita... 9982 500 1.00
14 James Klach... 9983 500 1.00
14 Charles Kimmel... 9984 500 1.00
21 Elizabeth Kern... 9985 1,000 1.00
24 Stanley Ule... 9986 500 1.00
30 Martin Blatinac... 9989 500 1.00
46 Frances Babec... 9989 250 1.00
47 Mary J. Osojick... 9991 500 1.00
51 Josephine Kasek... 9993 1,000 1.00
58 Elsie J. Hayry... 9994 500 1.00
59 James E. Brennan... 9995 500 1.00
61 Margaret Baric... 9997 500 1.00
69 Joseph J. Boshick... 9998 250 1.00
82 William W. Shikalis... 9999 250 1.00
86 Steve Arab... 9999 500 1.00
89 Joseph Koutlich... 9999 500 1.00
101 Martin Grmek... 9999 1,000 1.00
106 Victor Erzen... 9999 500 1.00
109 Walter J. Setnik... 9999 500 1.00
109 Fred Venuti... 9999 500 Dia.
110 Frances Jenko... 9999 250 1.00
112 Leo Smetich... 9999 500 1.00
122 Marie Horvack... 9999 500 Dia.
129 Josephine Drobosich... 9999 500 1.00
Molly Futal... 9999 500 1.00
151 John Cayhan... 9999 250 1.00
Joseph Marich... 9999 250 1.00
158 Veronika Gaperich... 9999 1,000 1.00
161 Agnes E. Shous... 9999 500 1.00
161 Tony Krasovic... 9999 1,000 1.00
162 Frank Gernik... 9999 500 1.00
163 Helen Bobak... 9999 250 1.00
163 Frank Eldorik... 9999 500 1.00
166 Margaret Sheri... 9999 500 1.00
174 Roman Yarovac... 9999 500 1.00
182 David J. Marston... 9999 500 1.00
190 Joseph Shappert... 9999 500 1.00
190 Frank Kuman... 9999 500 1.00
200 Alice Dumas... 9999 500 1.00
202 John Juman... 9999 500 1.00
213 Edwin Melvick... 9999 500 1.00
224 John Lakner... 9999 500 1.00
225 John Dragan... 9999 500 1.00
225 Kathryn Dragan... 9999 500 1.00
230 Anton Burck... 9999 500 1.00
Tony Grestich... 9999 250 1.00
George Obucina... 9999 250 1.00

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S. N. P. J.
PRIREDITVE DRUŠTEV
ČIHAŠKE FEDERACIJE
S. N. P. J.
FEDERACIJA SNPJ ZA ČIHAŠKO
OKROŽJE proslavi svojo 10-letnico
v nedeljo 28. aprila 1940 z velikim
programom v SNPJ dvorani.
DRUŠTVO ŠT. 610 SNPJ priredi plesno
veselico 25. maja 1940 v Ameri-
can Legion dvorani, 10156 Ave. M,
So. Chicago, Ill.
DRUŠTVO ŠT. 559 SNPJ priredi kot
oblačno svoj "Moonlight Picnic" 8.
junija.
DRUŠTVO ŠT. 449 SNPJ priredi svoj
letni piknik v nedeljo dne 23. junija
na Kranjskem hričku v Willow
Springsu, Ill.
DRUŠTVO ŠT. 559 SNPJ priredi svoj
letni piknik za mladino 28. julija v
Shutes Grovu, na Desplaines in
Cermak.
FEDERACIJA SNPJ ZA ČIHAŠKO
OKROŽJE priredi kot oblačno "bo-
žičnico" v nedeljo 22. decembra 1940
v SNPJ dvorani.
Društva naj pravočasno naznanijo
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Frank Alesh, 2124 S. Pulaski Rd.
Tel.: Lawdale 0951.
CHICAGO, ILL.
PRIREDITVE FEDERACIJE
DRUŠTEV SNPJ
za Westmoreland, Pennsylvania
DRUŠTVO ŠT. 7 SNPJ v Claridge,
Pa., priredi plesno veselico v svojem
Narodnem domu. Igral bo Barbiček
orkester iz Cleveland, O.
DRUŠTVO ŠT. 63 SNPJ priredi pik-
nik dne 23. junija na farmi bratov
Shuster v Hilton, Pa.
WESTMORELAND FEDERACIJA S.
N. P. J. priredi svoj piknik drugo
nedeljo dne 14. julija na Keystone
Hillu pri Hermine No. 1.
DRUŠTVO ŠT. 87 IN 613 SNPJ prire-
de skupen piknik 21. julija na Key-
stone Parku pri Hermine, Pa.
OPOMBA: Društva naj prijavijo
svoje priredbe Anton Zorniku, tajniku
Federacije.
PRIREDITVE FEDERACIJE
DRUŠTEV S.N.P.J.
zapadne Pennsylvanije
DRUŠTVO ŠT. 122 SNPJ priredi pro-
slavo 30-letnice dne 13. aprila v na-
vadni prostorih v W. Aliquippa,
Pa. Vah! odbor.
JACOB AMBROZICH, tajnik
H. D. No. 1 McKee Rocks, Pa.
FEDERACIJA DRUŠTEV SNPJ
ZA JUŽNI WISCONSIN
Milwaukee, Wis.
Apeliraj na društva spadajoča k ti
federaciji, da mi pošljejo imena in na-
zlove novo izvoljenih zastopnikov Fe-
deracije.

RAZSODBE GL. PO-
ROTNEGA ODSEKA
Zadeva društva št. 290
Pri društvu št. 290, Homer
City, Pa., je nastala sporna za-
deva zaradi brata Franka Sto-
parja, člana tega društva, kate-
ri je prejel bolniško podporo
od 20. septembra 1938 do 1. mar-
ca 1939, do katere pa po mnenju
društva ni bil upravičen, ker je
opravil neko delo in prejel tudi
plačo. Društvo je na seji
meseca novembra 1939 brata
Stoparja izločilo in on je iz-
povedal, da je v času, ko je pre-
jemal bolniško podporo od jed-
note, tudi delal in prejel pla-
čo \$15 mesečno. Nato je društvo
zaključilo, da mora brat Stopar
povrniti jednoti vso bolniško
podporo, katero je prejel v gori
navedenem času, povrnitve pa
mora biti izvršena do 31. janua-
rja 1940.
Toda brat Stopar ni upošteval
društvenega zaključka, temveč
ga je prejel in vsled tega je
društvo zadevo predložilo gl. po-
rotnemu odseku, ki je zadevo
vzel na znanje in jo preiskal. Na
podlagi predloženih podatkov in
dokazov je gl. porotni odsek so-
glasno zaključil, da brat Stopar
ni bil upravičen do bolniške pod-
pore od 20. septembra 1938 in do
1. marca 1939, in stem je po-
rdil društvni zaključek. Nada-
lje je gl. porotni odsek soglasno
zaključil, da se bratu Stoparju na
vsa nadaljnja predložena bol-
niško nazkaznico bolniška podpo-
ra odtegne toliko časa, dokler se
ne povrne jednoti vsota \$81, ka-
tore je brat Stopar neupraviče-
no prejel.
John Goršek, predsednik;
Frank Barbič, Anton Sular,
Frank Vratarič, John Ter-
čelj, porotniki.

Slika katoliške cerkve
(Nadaljevanje s 4. strani.)
talni nauk krščanstva: Ljubi
svojega bližnjega kot samega
sebe — še manj pa vidi vzgled-
ov. S priščine ni nikdar apela
na bogate katolike, naj gmotno
pomagajo svojim bednim bra-
tom... Cerkev uči, da se katoli-
ška vera med vsemi najbolj od-
likuje po definitivnosti naukov,
malo pa je lajkov, ki bi vedeli,
kateri nauk je avtoritativen in
kateri ni. Vsak katolik mora ver-
jeti, da je papež nezmotljiv, ka-
dar kaj razglasa uradno; nikdar
pa ni vernikom pojasnjeno, kdaj
papež govori uradno in kdaj ne-
uradno. Na primer: duhovščina
dela vtis, da je kontrola porodov
smrten greh, torej uradno raz-
glasila nezmotna prepoved, če
pa pogleda — česar preprosto
katolik nikoli ne stori — v av-
toritativno Katoliško enciklopedi-
jo, boš tamka našel razlago pa-
peške nezmotljivosti, ki se glasi,
da je nezmotljivost omejena le
na Kristove nauke in doktrine,
ki so tesno v zvezi s temi nauki,
torej nima nič opraviti z moral-
nostjo porodne kontrole! To po-
meni, da cerkev nima pravice
komandirati svojim laikom, ka-
tore sredstva za omejitve dru-
žine lahko uporabljajo in kate-
rih ne smejo uporabiti!

Enako mišmašanje počenja
katoliška duhovščina glede odno-
sov cerkve do države. Na aplo-
jo uče, da mora država indirek-
tno biti podložna cerkvi. To pra-
vilo je postavil papež Leon XIII.,
ki je zapisal: "Vsaka forma vla-
de je zadovoljiva (za cerkev), ki
sodeluje z rimsko-katoliško cer-
kvi, ako pa ni sodelovanja, te-
daj ni nobena forma vlade za-
dovoljiva." Ameriška duhovšči-
na pa dela vtis, da te Leonove
besede niso dogma — in ameri-
ški katolik ne ve, ali bi to ver-
jel ali ne. Fakt je, da civilne
pravice, zajamčene v ameriški
ustavi, so v konfliktu s postu-
lati Leonove enciklike, toda ka-
toliška duhovščina v Ameriki

dela vtis, da so papeške encikli-
ke v protestantskih državah,
kakršna je Amerika, bolj teore-
tične. To je slaba obramba cer-
kve, kajti to pomeni, da katoliki
sprejmejo našo formo vlade le
začasno, dokler so v manjšini!
Ustava bi jim bila le začasno
zmašilo — in dolžnost katolikov
je, da se hitro množijo in dobe ve-
čino, da bodo potem prevzeli vla-
do in izpremenili ustavo v smi-
slu papeških prepisov!...

Katoliška duhovščina v Ame-
riki trdovratno deluje na to, da
ustili že danes, ko je manjšina,
svoje moralne nazore protestan-
towskim, judovskim in ateistič-
nim državljanom te republike;
to dela z vedno bolj predrznim
pritiskom cenzure (filmov in ra-
dio) in na zakonodajstvo...
Kako duhovščina izrubi politič-
ni vpliv vernikov za medna-
rodno katoliško propagando, je
pokazal njen pritisk na vlado in
kongres pred kratkim, ko je div-
jala civilna vojna v Španiji.
To je jedro članka v Forumu.
Članek je jasen dokaz, da kato-
liška cerkev počenja s svojimi
člani kakor z otroci. To dokazuje
med nami, ameriškim Slovenci,
znani Trunk, ki piše najprijetelj-
še otročarije — seveda s stali-
šča cerkve, da za otroke je vse
dobro. Večini se mu zaleti in po
otročje grozi celo svobodomisle-
cu z neko "sodbo" in "kaznijo"
— kar je skrajno otročje. Reval
je že tako navajen pisati za de-
co, da ne ve več, kdaj ima opravi-
ti z otroci in kdaj z odraslimi
ljudmi...

SLOVENSKA NARODNA
PODPORNA JEDNOTA
izdaja svoje publikacije in še posebno
list Prosveta za koristi, ter potrebno
agitacijo svojih društev in članstva in
za propagando svojih idej. Nikakor
pa ne za propagando drugih podpornih
organizacij. Vsaka organizacija ima
oblačno svoje glasilo. Torej agitator-
ični dopisi in naznanila drugih pod-
pornih organizacij in njih društev naj
ne pošiljajo listu Prosveta.

DRUŠTVO ŠT. 234 SNPJ priredi do-
mačo zabavo 6. aprila v dvorani
Tivol.
KROZEK "Junior All Stars Chorus"
priredi koncert slovenskih pesmi in
šalo-igro "Luknja v prtu" dne 28.
aprila v 8. Turn dvorani.
DRUŠTVO ŠT. 584 SNPJ priredi svo-
jo letno plesno veselico 13. aprila v
8. Turn dvorani.
Društveni tajniki naj se v zaveh
federacije obrnejo na tajnico: Ana
Puncer, 2107 So. 65th St., West Allis,
Wis.
PRIREDITVE FEDERACIJE
DRUŠTEV SNPJ ZA CLE-
VELAND IN OKOLICO:
DRUŠTVO ŠT. 257 SNPJ bo odbrža-
valo svoj piknik dne 7. julija na pro-
storih Doma Zap. Slov. na 6818
Denison Ave.
DRUŠTVO ŠT. 139 SNPJ—proslava
30-letnice društva 22. septembra,
popoldne program, ples in prosta
zabava zvečer v Delavski dvorani na
Prince ave.
OTVORITEV IZLETNIŠKIH PRO-
STOROV SNPJ se vrši 2. julija
1940.
SLEDEČA DRUŠTVA PRIREDE
SVOJE PINKNE NA IZLETNI-
ŠKIH PROSTORIH SNPJ:
DRUŠTVO ŠT. 126 SNPJ piknik dne
9. junija na izletniških prostorih.
DRUŠTVO ŠT. 312 SNPJ svoj piknik
dne 16. junija.
DRUŠTVO ŠT. 53 SNPJ piknik v ne-
deljo 23. junija.
DRUŠTVO ŠT. 5 SNPJ piknik dne
30. junija.
DRUŠTVO ŠT. 599 SNPJ piknik dne
4. julija v četrtki.
DRUŠTVO ŠT. 450 SNPJ piknik dne
21. julija v nedeljo.
V NEDELJO DNE 28. JULIA DAN-
ČLANSTVA SNPJ DRŽAVE OHIO,
katerega prirede skupne federacije
SNPJ.
Seje federacije SNPJ vsako četrto
nedeljo v mesecu v S. N. Domu na St.
Clair ave.
IZLET SKUPNIH MLADINSKIH
krožkov SNPJ v nedeljo 4. avgusta
pod avspicij Clev. Federacije društ.
SNPJ na izletniških prostorih SNPJ.
PIKNIK ATLETIČNE IGE DRUŠT.
SNPJ v nedeljo 18. avgusta na izlet-
niških prostorih SNPJ.
OPOMBA TAJNIKA: Društva, ki
pripravljajo svoje piknike in veselice, naj
pravočasno naznanijo tajniku federacije,
da se vrsti za objavo v listu
enkrat mesečno.—J. F. TERBIŽAN,
tajnik.
PRIREDITVE FEDERACIJE
DRUŠTEV S.N.P.J.
v Conemaugh Valley, Pa.
DRUŠTVO ŠT. 503 SNPJ priredi ples-
no veselico dne 29. aprila 1940 v
Jerome, Penna.
OPOMBA TAJNIKA: Ako katere
društva, ki prireja svoj piknik ali ve-
selico, ni v tem seznamu, znači, da ni
bilo prijavljeno tajniku federacije.
ANDREW VIDRICH,
706 Forest Ave. Johnstown, Pa.

Our Society 36 Years Old

Saturday, April 6, marks an epochal date in the history of Slovene immigrants and their children in this country. It was on that date in 1904 that delegates of nine independent fraternal lodges gathered at a convention in Chicago to organize a new progressive society which was destined to become the greatest Slovene fraternal society in America—the Slovene National Benefit Society, the formation of which was formally announced on April 9, 1904.

It is perhaps known to most of our young members that the main factors which lead to the formation of our Society 36 years ago were found in the growing discontent among the progressive-minded Slovenes in America with the two then existing fraternal societies, both of which were religious in character. The conditions were ripe for a new order and the movement was rather spontaneous. There was a strong desire among our pioneers to free themselves of superstitious ideas and of rule by decree in a democratic country. That the new movement was founded on sound and healthy principles was amply demonstrated by the immediate success which followed, although not without hard work, vigorous idealism and struggle.

In spite of the many obstacles thrown into its path from its very inception, the SNPJ grew by leaps and bounds chiefly because of the strong convictions of its pioneers. From the original nine lodges and 276 members in 1904, it grew to 220 lodges and 12,218 members in 1914; to 50,189 members with 503 lodges in 1924, and to 62,877 members in 1929, at the time of its 25th anniversary. The depression years hit all fraternal societies severely, and ours was no exception. In the first six months of 1932 the membership decreased to 53,262 and by 1933 it had fallen to 48,292. The recovery years, however, brought us many new members and the membership once more passed the 52,000 mark! (The figures quoted, since 1914, pertain to both departments.)

During its 36 years of continuous service, the SNPJ paid out in various benefits the tremendous sum of nearly 19 million dollars!

It is interesting to know that the English speaking lodges, organized in 1925, are but one milestone in the history of our Society. But it is this event this year, the 15th anniversary of ESLs, that is directly before us now, and it is our duty to give it the full significance it deserves.

Farrell, Once Thriving Steel Center, Threatened to Become a "Ghost Town"

SHARON-FARRELL, PA. — The City of Farrell, once a thriving steel center of the Shenango Valley, with a population of about 20,000 and with four large steel plants, is in a manner of speaking threatened today, after ten years of severe depression, to become a "ghost town."

About 10 years ago the American Steel and Wire Co. mill was shut down and five years later the plant was dismantled. This plant usually employed 1500 men; today there is but a vast open space where once many men earned their daily bread. After six years of fairly good working conditions, the officials of the Carnegie Ill. Co. decided to shut down the Sheet Mill where about 2000 men were employed. We still had the Tin and Steel mill in operation, employing 2500 men, but about six weeks ago, with but a week's notice, the employees were notified that the plant would be shut down because of lack of orders. Today we have only the Steel Mill in operation for about two days a week, with only a few hundred men working, where in normal times about 1500 men were employed. Many are of the opinion that

in time the same will happen to this plant also.

The City of Farrell is rapidly decreasing in population. We still have about 14,000 people, and if we could get employment in other cities, then I doubt if Farrell would have very much of a population; then it really would become a "ghost town."

Many of you may ask, what caused this sudden change? The answer is that the new strip mills have taken the place of our old style sheet and tin plants. The strip mills can produce more finished products in one day than an old hand mill can produce in a week, and the strip mills use less men and turn out the products much cheaper. So—there you have it! Where once we waited every two weeks for payday and rejoiced at the fine fat pay envelopes, today we sadly await the weekly compensation checks, and after these will stop coming, then we really will have something to worry about.

We all know that things are pretty bad in all parts of the United States, but I would suggest when business picks up, that the Slovenes should work together just as the Jewish and Greek groups do. A Jew will always help a Jewish neighbor and a Greek will usually help one of his men as well. So why can't the Slovenes help their Slovene neighbors in time of need. The greater part of our SNPJ members here were once employed in these mills and unless something is done, and done soon, we may lose many of our members. So we are hoping for a turn to the better. And don't forget if you are a Slovene and are capable of helping your Slovene neighbor, do so.

Friendly Views: Wondering why Marco Shapcheck does not answer our letters.—Don't forget the Keystones May Frolic; music by Jake Persin; admission is only 25c; the date is May 18.—Our sympathies to the Frkal family of La Salle, Ill., in the death of their father, Mr. Frkal. H. RUPPERT, Lodge 755.

Midway SNPJ Lodge 89 Plan Dance April 27

MIDWAY, PA.—Our SNPJ Lodge No. 89 is holding a dance on Saturday evening, April 27, and we wish to invite everybody, far and near, to be with us that evening. It has been a long time since we have been together—remember? Yes, New Year's eve, so it's about time, don't you think? We are glad to be able to have Paul Dolinar and his orchestra with us on that evening, and you know what a grand time we had when he was last with us. You know what happens when Spring is in the air, we are all eager to get out, so now is your chance. April 27 is the date and Dolinar's orchestra is the music.

(Mrs.) JOSEPH JANESHEK, Lodge 89.

Little Fort Lodge

WAUKEGAN, ILL.—Sunday, April 7, is the date of the Little Fort's 14th anniversary, which will be held at the SNH and will start at 3 o'clock promptly. The committee has arranged a very interesting program, which is as follows:

- 1. A short introductory talk, by President George Shea.
2. Circle "Jolly Juveniles" present operetta "Lemonade Stand" under the direction of Sis. Christine Stritar.
3. Two girls on a marimba.
4. Three men on a piano.
5. Violin duet.
6. Mary Louise Werner—tap dance.
7. Valerie Furian—tap dance.
8. Dorothy Judnich—songs.
9. Speech—Frank Bolka.
After this there will be a fifteen minute intermission, in which the stage-hands will set the stage for the one act comedy, "Cabbages."

Last on the program, the play, "Cabbages." The cast: Mrs. Grossmier—Angela Susterac Mr. Grossmier—George Shea Tidy, daughter—Mildred Simsic The maid—Dorothy Krainc Mrs. Fischer—Edith Dobnickar The reporter—Swetco Mihevic The man from Chicago—Ernest Susterac.

Right after the program there will be dancing in the lower hall for which Eddie Bartell will play. Commencing at 8:30, in the main hall, Stanley Gregorin and his orchestra will play. The highlights of this dance will be a five-dollar award, given by the lodge, for the best rendition of a song, with the orchestra, as decided by a group of competent judges. This contest is open to everyone. So come on all you Crochys and Boswells, do your stuff. We'll be seeing you at the program and dance.

"WE," Lodge 568.

Integrity Broadcast

CHICAGO.—Our March monthly meeting had a fair attendance in spite of the slushy weather. One girl's and one men's teams were approved to be sent to the Nat'l SNPJ Pin tourney at Waukegan next month. More teams would have been sent but the lodge's financial problems will not permit us. Several good suggestions were brought up on which our President will report at the next meeting. Try and be present.

Our sick members who have been recently operated upon are Sis. Helen A. Kon and Sis. Frances Podlesnik. At this writing I have been notified that Bro. Ray McCarthy had an appendectomy, as the two other members, Sis. Justine Klima gave birth to a new baby on March 10. Congratulations.

Sis. Mejasch Heidenreich is about to move into her new home.

Bro. Joe Baumlich is nursing a sore back, blistered and calloused hands. That's what you get for being a landlord.

Bro. Julius Abram is practicing lullabies at home evenings.

We all know what to do on April 20, which is our Dance Nite, on Saturday eve at St. Marys Ballroom, 1800 N. Hermitage Ave. One of the main things we are to do before that date is that we will sell our tickets in advance. Bro. Marty Abram turned in cash for twenty tickets and took 15 more. Our new member, Sis. Helen A. Kon, also took 20 tickets, and Bro. Louis Kozuh got 15. We hope that our members give their honest efforts to put this dance over and make it a huge success. As this is our only salvation to keep the wolf from our door, from paying special assessment.

Keep up the good work, Bro. Kosela.

MICHAEL FLEISCHACKER, Secretary, 631.

Fraternalites Plan Anniversary Dance

NEWARK, N. J.—Fraternalites, SNPJ 756, will observe their First Anniversary with a dance at the Bohemian Hall, 19th ave. and 17th st., Saturday, April 13, featuring Don Gibson's orchestra. We expect to see many of our friends and members from nearby lodges of New Jersey, New York and Penna. Join with us and have a very enjoyable evening.

We welcome to our ever growing family M. Ribernik and Albert (Benzy) Gliha, transferred members from Forest City, Pa.

Our bowling team for the past two weeks, ending March 24, had the tables turned on them and have been defeated by Elizabeth lodge 540 team and also by G. M. Arc Welders, both games being very close. Better luck next time. A. KARSHINA, Lodge 756.

"Golden Staters" Give Spring Dance

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.—The "Golden Staters," SNPJ lodge 743, will hold their annual Spring Dance on Sunday, April 14, at the Crostian Hall, 714 Alpine Street, here. We have a very fine program arranged under the direction of President John Lesky.

The program begins promptly at 2 p. m. and consists of the Grachan's Tamburitzza Orchestra, vocals by various members, and most interesting of all will be the motion pictures of the various picnics we have had in the past and also of those taken in different parts of Los Angeles. SEE YOURSELF IN THE MOVIES! Dancing will begin at 8 p. m. Music to be furnished by the Lesky Orchestra. We assure you of a swell time. Come on, members, put in a good showing and don't forget to bring the wives, sweethearts and friends.

We welcome Sister Paloma Yakavac, wife of Bro. Tony Yakavac, as a new member of our lodge. Also, we have new transferred members; the Hiti family from Lodge 110 of Chisholm, Minn., Bro. Valanich from Lodge 48 of Barberton, Ohio, and Bro. Frank Petrich from local Lodge 462. Welcome, new members!

We noticed Sister Martha Lesky strutting around in her spring finery and wearing a fraternity pin given her by a certain U.S.C. fellow. How about letting us in on the secret? There has been quite a bit of excitement about five months ago when a certain brunette named Catherine of Loraine, Ohio, captivated the heart of President John Lesky, when they took the vows and became husband and wife here in the city of Los Angeles. Congratulations!

Better late than never: Our 1940 officers are: President, John Lesky; Vice-Pres., Tony Yakavac; Secretary, Frank Grachan, and Treasurer, Helen Grachan.

Has anyone seen Bro. Albert Lesky? He's been cruising around New York City these past few months playing the saxophone in Henry King's orchestra.

ANNA GRACHAN, Reporter, Lodge 743.

Beacon Highlights

By Anna Traven

CLEVELAND.—One finds it difficult to settle down and compose a column after months of relaxation, always certain that important subjects would receive due publicity from the official scribe.

After approximately 12 years of Beaconism, Bro. John Aynik has bid our ranks adieu, to join the Loyalite camp. To some, news of Johnnie's transfer was a surprise, to others disappointment. Without Johnnie, Beacons meetings, socials, etc., just won't be the same, nevertheless, we must carry on, though he'll be especially missed in our publicity department. To Johnny—best wishes as a Loyalite.

Beacons will present "Maytime" with Frankie Yankovic's symphonies and songbirds on Saturday, May 11, at the Slovene Hall on Prince Ave. Beacons urge all E. S. lodges to reserve this date and come to Beaconsburg.

On the sick list we find our young and handsome Bro. Joseph Vadjal, who is at home recuperating from an appendectomy. Beacons extend best wishes for a speedy recovery!

Beacons next regular meeting will be held Thursday, April 15, at the Slovene Hall. All members are urged to attend as the meeting is to be of vital importance and plans for the dance are to be completed.

The Junior singing chorus "Canaries" of this locality will give a concert Sunday, April 7, at the Slovene Hall on Prince Avenue at 4 p. m. The program includes several popular Slovene folks songs, duets and solos. They will also present two short plays, namely, "Sestrin Varuh" and "Zapored." The chorus and cast include several Beacon members.

Helen Hecovar was the lucky and final "Beacon Nite" at the last meeting. Mary Durieko has been missed at meetings throughout the past year. Wonder what's keeping her so occupied? Frank and Marion Sodnikar have taken over the "Merry-makers Cafe" at E. 40th and Superior. A good place to go, when you're looking for a good time. Congratulations and best wishes to our old friend Louis Kosela and his bride-to-be, Treasurer Mirko Bubic is recently particularly interested in the letter "J" of the alphabet. Pearl Cultrona and Helen Hecovar contemplating on what entertainment to offer after our next regular meeting. Johnnie Tauchar not attending the last meeting because his better-half was chairwoman of the entertainment for the evening. I urge all Beacons to attend Commodore dance, April 13 if at all possible. As the Rev column once read, "will again".

A MEMBER, Lodge 713.

Struggler Lodge

CLEVELAND.—The First E. Invitational tournament which was held here several weeks ago, proved not only to be a social success, but a financial one also. They came from all over, and here and there one could see the Wolverines and Young Americans from Detroit. Buckeyes from Barberton, Pioneers from Strabane and many others too numerous to mention. Saturday nite the tantalizing music of Frank Yankovic and his orchestra brought many a dance-lover to the scene of the ballroom, while the ones who did not care to dance congregated in groups renewing old acquaintances and singing Slovene songs down in the bar-room where refreshments were served.

After working in the booth practically all evening selling admission tickets, yours truly with her better-half took a stroll thru the dance hall and to our surprise we met Mr. and Mrs. Leo Golcar, from the Wolverines, who in turn greeted us warmly and extended an invitation for us to come down and visit them some time in the near future. Thanks for the invite; we certainly will be seeing you next time we're in Detroit. To every one who came to help us celebrate a great big "THANK YOU!"

Our Thirteenth Anniversary

In Saturday, April 13, the Strugglers are celebrating their Thirteenth Anniversary with a dance at the Slovene Workmen's Home on Waterloo Road. The committee has worked hard to make this affair an elaborate one and have gone into the expense of hiring two orchestras and have rented both halls. An eight piece band known as the Melody Pilots will play in the upper hall for all who wish to jitterbug and dance to the latest tunes of the day, while downstairs Louis Simoncic and his four-piece band will play Slovene waltzes and polkas for those who care to dance to the good old-fashioned Slovene way of dancing—just like our mothers and fathers did in days gone by. He promises to play all request numbers, so don't be afraid to request your favorite Slovene tune.

The highlight of the evening will be the drawing which will take place right after intermission and the door award will be a washing machine donated by the North-East Washer Service and Repair Co. in which Eddie Hoffert and Al Yaker are partners. Leave it up to Ed Hoffert to think of something to donate to the Struggler Lodge. Here is one member who is never afraid to work and always has the good of the Lodge at heart. His wife, Josephine, who is captain of the Struggler No. 2 bowling team, has just recovered from an attack of the flu which came just the day before the tournament. She was missed by all the members of her team. Now that she is well on the road to recovery, "Waukegan, Here We Come," is her motto and is looking forward to that day with great fervor and excitement.

A cordial invitation is extended to all lodges to attend our Thirteenth anniversary celebration which will take place on the Thirteenth of April. May we expect you? We'll be a seain' you! Ye! ALL of you!!! ANNE (STRAUSS) ZELE, 614.

Ramblers Map 2-Day Anniversary Event

OAKMONT, PA.—Our March meeting was well attended and the committee for the Ramblers' 10th anniversary celebration presented plans for the largest event the lodge have ever sponsored; it will be observed with a two-day affair on June 15-16. The committee, composed of Ann Kaus, Mary Halich, Wilbur Bergine, Nick Stimac, and Carl Komatz, have selected Joe Koracin and his Slovene Aces to furnish the music for this two-day affair. The Ramblers are asking all of the surrounding lodges to reserve the dates for our affair at which you all will be welcome.

Tony Kaus and Wilbur Bergine attended the March 16-17 tourney in Cleveland. A few of the Ramblers traveled to Library on March 24 and attended the Library singing club's fine concert and play. Saturday, April 6, the Ramblers are going to Moon Run to celebrate Musketeeers' 10th anniversary dance at Summit house.

Our regular monthly meeting will be held on April 18.

A MEMBER, Lodge 713.

Lodge 266 Hold Dance Saturday, April 6

MUSKOGON, MICH.—Members of lodge 266 who bowled in the ABC tourney at Detroit wish to thank Kern, Lefty, Leo, Lefty and Jay of the Wolverines and Al of the Young Americans for the good time they showed the boys at the Omira cafe. Musky bowlers had a little luck in beating the Wolverines in a match game by just a few pins.

The Muskogon SNPJ lodge 266 will hold a dance at the Ukrainian

New Era Lodge

Dance Saturday

CLEVELAND.—New Era Lodge, SNPJ 572, takes this last opportunity to remind all our friends and neighboring lodges of the dance on April 6, at the J. D. N. Hall. Music will be furnished by the popular local lad, Frankie Kozuh. Admission will be the popular price of 25 cents and refreshments of all kinds will be served.

We wish to make this dance as successful as our New Year's eve dance, therefore it is essential that every member give their utmost cooperation.

This dance is given in response to the question asked, "What's wrong with Lodge New Era?" It is my opinion that a lodge should have the support of the neighborhood. A lodge to function right should be increasing its membership all the time. This being the 15th Anniversary Year of the ESL's, let everybody wake up and see what can be done.

Also, a question I would like to ask is, "What are the young people in the Senior Lodge doing?"

Our next meeting is April 9, the Tuesday after our dance, all members are urged to attend.

STANLEY ZERNEL, Sec'y.

Musketeers' Musings

MOON RUN, PA.—Well SNPJs, this is the last time we can invite you to the Musketeers' Tenth Anniversary dance, Saturday, April 6, at Summit House. You'll be there, won't you? We're counting on you and you. Everything has been taken care of and we can assure you of a good time that you won't forget for a long, long time.

This being spring all of our hearts feel light and gay and you'll certainly be in the mood for gaiety while dancing to the melodious tunes of Ted Waldon's fine orchestra. This anniversary dance, as you already know, is being held in the spacious ballroom of the Summit House, located on U. S. routes 22-30, Steubenville pike, Moon Run. There's plenty of parking space directly across the Summit House.

The fun will commence at 8:30 p. m. Come early and stay late for you'll have a goody good time, we know, dancing, romancing and chatting with your friends from far and near. So until the 6th of April, So long.

BETTY, Lodge 706.

Lincolnite Lodge 567 Mourns Sudden Death of Mrs. Kerar

AUBURN, ILL.—The members of Lodge Lincolnite, SNPJ 567, wish to extend at this time their deepest sympathy to Brothers Tony, John, and Rudy Kerar and to the other members of the Kerar family who have recently had the great sorrow of losing their mother.

Mrs. Kerar died suddenly of a cerebral hemorrhage on March 27. She was stricken while climbing the steps to a balcony seat in the state armory building where she was to watch her son Rudy and daughter Frances take part with several other young Slovenes in a performance of the Blue Danube Waltz, in native costume as a part of the "Americans All—Immigrants All" program.

Every effort was made to save Mrs. Kerar, but she died shortly after reaching the hospital where she had been taken.

Word of the tragedy reached Rudy and Frances shortly before they were to perform, and they were with their mother at the time of her death.

May we say again how sorry we are for we know their loss is great.

MARY BRINOCAR, Lodge 567.

Lodge 153 to Sponsor Dance April 7

YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO.—Don't forget our dance on April 7 at Croatian Home, W. Federal st., featuring the music of Matt Mibelic and his Slovene Melodies who play popular tunes as well as polkas. We expect to see many of our friends at this affair. Admission is free to all. The dance will start afternoon at 4:30 o'clock. Refreshments of all kinds will be served at nominal prices. (Aside to girls: Leap year left us quite a few eligible bachelors.) A welcome is extended to all the other lodges and our friends.

JOE ZLOGAR, 153.

Spirit-o-Grams

ST. LOUIS, MO.—Don't forget, everybody—time is drawing near for our "Leap Year Frolic" to be held Saturday evening, April 6, at Concordia Hall, 13th and Arsenal. At the rate our tickets are selling we expect a huge crowd.

Sis. Ida Baumgarth alone has about disposed of her 25 tickets, hoping to capture the grand prize of \$4, the first place in the ticket selling contest. There will be 3 other prizes for runners-up, so hustle-up and be one of the winners. Prizes will be awarded for points earned by tickets you dispose of. 84 points or over win the grand prize.

I hope "Spirits" will be calling for more tickets by phoning Riverside 8678-W, or at this address: Mrs. Markoff, 3939 Randall St.

WORKERS for the dance, please take notice and be at the hall at 7:30 p. m. on April 6.

Everyone is anxious to know who the bride and groom will be for our "Mock Wedding." Perhaps it will be you. You do want to see it, don't you? Be present and find out it all the writer can say. Oh yes, there will be a marrying official, bridesmaid and ring-bearer and the trimmings. Gifts will be given to the "Wedding Party" and probably a photo taken, so we warn you not to miss this rare wedding.

Baskets of groceries will be given as attendance awards, and don't forget our feature—the Sunbeam mixer.

For the dance lovers we have again secured by popular demand Louis Reimler and his "New Yorkers," whom the patrons enjoyed at our anniversary dance.

They specialize in polkas as well as other popular dances. Let's go for a good Slovene roundup. Remember the wonderful evening at our last dance! Let that memory be an inducement to attend our next dance April 6.

In behalf of the "Spirits," Whoozit extends cordial invitations to Plonitski Raj, R. Sloga, Zvon and neighboring lodges, friends and boosters to be with us on that date.

On March 24, Lodge 230 in Granite City, Ill., celebrated its Silver Anniversary, with an elaborate program and dance. A good number of "Spirits" were represented headed by Bro. John Spiller as speaker. We were happy to have a chat with Supreme President V. Cankar, and glad to hear him say, "Spirits, you're doing fine." Thank you!

To Lodge 230 again we say, "Congratulations and good luck, hoping to be at your golden anniversary."

This and That: We wonder what the results were March 31 when the Spirit girls treveled to Granite City for a bowling match game vs. the Yellow Cab girls' team. Congratulations to Junior Kacin who appeared on "Old Judge" talent program on KMOX. We noticed some very familiar faces in Slovene Photo in last issue of Prosveeta. Glad to see Bro. Louis Kosela back in activity again; how about hopping down to old St. Louis?

Wonder if our Supreme Executive Committee forgot about the plans for ESL's anniversary. (According to Supreme board decision SEC was instructed to prepare and submit plans relative to the 15th anniversary of SE lodge to the semi-annual meeting.—Ed.) Spirits are planning a celebration combined with their 12th anniversary in autumn.

WHOOZIT, Lodge 669.

Jolly Allis Lodge

WEST ALLIS, WIS.—Well, spring seems to be in the air now after a couple of belated snow storms. One of the signs is the fact that the girls are looking for recruits for the ball team that they are organizing. Any of the young ladies interested let the Sec'y know or come to the next meeting. The entertainment committee for the next meeting will be the Goranjan brothers.

All bowlers who haven't as yet entered the National bowling tournament to be held in Waukegan are urged to get their entry fee in at the next meeting.

Vacationing in Penna is Sis. Jo Gole. Oh! for the life of a nurse. Congratulations to Mother and Daddy Millbauer for now Sis. Ann has another man to cook for as baby Joseph Raymond was announced into this world on Feb. 27. Sis. Ann was the former Ann Podlogar.

With the snow coming down a bundled figure made his way to the Yedin household. There were no reindeer in sight, so it couldn't be Santa. The bundled figure turned out to be Joe Kern of the Wolverines, and the Santa Claus impression comes from the fact that Sis. Ann Yerin is now wearing an engagement ring. Congratulations.

Members don't forget the meeting April 11, and also the entry fee. Until again—So long. TOMOTH, Lodge 66.

My Week

By Lois Beniger

Beginning this month, the sixteenth decennial census of the United States will be taken, when an army of 120,000 census takers will call on every household of the nation. Many questions relating to population and unemployment, besides a score of others, will be asked of everyone or in behalf of everyone. It will be a job that will cost the government \$45,000,000.

As I said here once before, the 1940 census will be the most sweeping ever undertaken in this country. It will measure, among other things, the social and economic effects of the broad developments of the past ten years and, naturally, will be far more complicated than the first U. S. census taken in 1790.

This year's census will bring to light the most reliable figures concerning unemployment. It will be the second specific unemployment census taken by the government, the first having been the Biggers survey in 1937, which showed that there were between eight and nine millions unemployed at that time. Statistics show that the number of people employed today in America is nearly as great as the number employed in the "boom" year of 1929.

Why, then, are there today several million more unemployed than in 1929? Between 1929 and today technical improvements have made great strides, the population has grown, millions of youths matured to an employable age, while private initiative and free enterprise have failed to absorb the surplus of man power. And so our unemployment problem remains to be the main problem of the land.

The 75 minute Sava's annual spring concert Sunday at the SNPJ hall entertained the audience delightfully and surprised everyone with its unusual brevity. The mixed chorus gave three expressive labor songs, three popular and two classical numbers; quartet three enjoyable pieces, octet three and three solo. It seems that the audience enjoyed most of all "Venček Narodnih" and "Mamica, Moja," both sung by the chorus. The long gowns in pastel colors worn by the women of the group helped to make a pretty picture.

The new featured soloists were Louis Valencie, Alice Artach and Carl Church. Carl also gave two solos, "The Desert Song" and "Asleep in the Deep," and added as an encore a Slovene song. I want to add that Sunday's abbreviated concert in a way made up for our other usually too lengthy programs which tend to exhaust our audiences. However, going from one extreme to another is not advisable.

COMMODORES

CLEVELAND.—Just a reminder of the coming dance being held by Lodge Commodores on April 13 at the West Side Slovene Home, 6818 Denison Ave. Music and entertainment will be by that popular Vadnal orchestra. We understand that they dress in their native costumes, sing and put on different forms of entertainment in addition to their wonderful dance music that is in demand out of town as well as in Cleveland.

Admission, the popular price of 25c, so come on all you Commodores, you should be able to sell plenty of tickets at that price.

We understand that the two new applicants proposed by Cam. Zarnick, B. Charles and C. Estonek, will be at the dance, so it will be a good chance to welcome them into our organization by showing them a good time.

Report from Leo Frate, the new member that was just initiated into the lodge, that he is certain that he will get rid of the twenty tickets to our dance that he took out and that he will possibly need more.

We have a treat in store for the men as soon as they enter the hall as those two lovely Poltz twins, Josephine and Antoinette, will be at the door to greet you and, incidentally, to take your tickets or to sell them to those who haven't bought them before.

BILL PAPES, Sec'y, Lodge 742.

Junior Prešeren to Give Concert April 14

PITTSBURGH, PA.—The annual concert sponsored by the Junior Prešeren will be given in Slovene on April 14 at 2:30 in the Slovene Auditorium on 57th Street. With this concert the Senior Prešeren will present the play "Kakršni gospod tak sluga." We extend a cordial invitation to friends from far and near.

OFF PRESIDENT'S BAT

J. F. Fifelt

CLEVELAND.—B.O.M.P. Another brother combination that was very active in the early stages of our lodge growth. Right there whenever a helping hand was needed. While not active in any executive capacity at present, makes it a point to attend our affairs bringing along his charming wife and always a group of friends. Has been employed by Enako since his youth. The name, Tony Stritof.

If any more dances or drawings are held for the benefit of bowlers going to Waukegan the people of Cleveland will tear their hair. They are ready now to pay all expenses. Final plans as to number going, train and hotel reservations, entry blanks, etc., will be thrashed out at the Athletic Board meeting Friday, April 12. Present indications are that approximately one hundred will entrain.

Did you read Joe Drasler's article on the merger issue last week? No doubt a great many of the members agree with his stand. If any merger is to be effected with SSPZ now is the time. As I see it, this action will only come about by the members forcing the issue and not thru our top officials. There are altogether too many fraternal organizations battling amongst themselves, while outside insurance companies look on with joy. Here is a field where the saying "competition is healthy" does not hold true.

The Federation meeting on Easter Sunday was well attended. Rudy Lisch who is up on his Slovene promised me to report on their proceedings. I am still waiting for him to take advantage of "Comrades' Note Book" column which was willing to him.

One of the things I did get out of the meeting was the fact that considerable agitation is going around with reference to cutting down on doctor's fee for examination of new members. Some charge \$1, some \$2. Why not uniformity? Say \$1.

At the last Comrade meeting John Smole and Jean Knapp were appointed as a committee to work up details for a match game between the girls' teams and boys' teams on a handicap basis. We'll hear from them soon.

While on the subject of bowling it brings me back to the tournament. This was conducted on a no handicap basis, the Pioneer affair on handicap. The Waukegan tournament will be similar to other National events, no handicap. One wonders whether far better participation would be in evidence if our tournaments were conducted on a handicap basis. At present 75% of the teams competing go with the idea of fraternizing with friends, realizing they have no chance. The other 25% or even smaller number go with the idea of coping the prizes, having strong teams. This is something that should be discussed at the meeting in Waukegan.

Another point for discussion should be the splitting up of the National affair into sectional tournaments, enabling more lodges to participate. Distance at present prevents many from sending teams. Narrow this down and entries should increase.

Don Lotrich forwarded me a copy of the recent Pioneer monthly Bulletin. A great deal of credit is due to individuals involved in its preparation. Certainly a good way to advertise lodge activities and keeping the members fully posted.

To all indications Loyalties put their affair across in good shape. The writer dropped in to say hello and wish Frank Gregoric congratulations. Stan Zupan was at his usual spot in the bar room, the personnel of the girls' bowling team in the kitchen. Ed Seitz, smile and all, was there. Noticed Fran Spik, Roman Tomle doing their famous "Y" dance. Also Jean Knapp, Matt Heljon, Marge Spik and Marie Stefancik. Glad again to meet rambling Tony Kaus from Pennsy. In addition several other Comrades contributed their part in making the affair a success.

Summer time means SNPJ farm time. Lou Jarts and Roy Hoyt were elected on the board at the last meeting. They'll keep us advised on farm activities. Incidentally, quite a number of us should take advantage of their request to help in the preparation of the baseball diamond. Lou will let us know date selected for the first workout.

Are Comrades doing their share in promoting the juvenile circle? Marie Stefancik, our treasurer, would be the ideal person to head a committee of one in charge of this activity.

Svete Flower shoppe came in for a vote of thanks at the last meeting for the beautiful rose corsage given to members of the winning team.

Checked up the birthday card presented in 1928 with the one of 1940, found Jean Knapp, Tony Kushlan and Frank Konz were present at both affairs. How time flies and friends drift apart.

Foreign Born and the 1940 Census

Foreign born persons living in the United States will be asked only one question in the Census of Population, in April, which will not be asked of native Americans. This relates to citizenship, whether the foreign-born person being enumerated is a naturalized American citizen, has first papers of is an alien. Americans born on foreign soil also will be asked this question. The question on citizenship has been asked in every Census since 1890.

The Census Bureau is not interested in individuals as individuals. It gathers and adds up facts concerning millions of people, and prints them only in tabular form as statistical information. Under the law ordering censuses every ten years persons are required to answer the census-taker's questions truthfully. However, the census-taker himself and any other person working for the Census Bureau who reveal confidential facts concerning any person enumerated may be arrested and sent to jail or fined. No one is allowed to see a Census report except sworn Census employees. No government bureau can use Census reports to tax, investigate or regulate people.

The Census Bureau is not interested in how an immigrant entered the country. That is not part of its function. It merely counts the number of foreign born American citizens, those who have first papers and those who are aliens. The Census of 1930 shows that there were 7,919,588 foreign born American citizens, 1,266,419 foreign born with first papers and 4,518,341 aliens.

A question whose answer may puzzle people born in certain countries is the one asking for the birthplace. To make it easy for such persons, the Bureau has selected a date far enough in the past so that the boundaries of nations are clear in every one's mind. The date selected is January 1, 1937. However, if the person can not decide in what country he was born, it will be all right to give the state, region or province such as Bohemia, Pomorze, Tyrol, Alsace, Besarabia, Canton, Croatia, etc., or the city, Prague, Lvov, Danzig, Vienna, Hong-Kong, Tientsin, Bratislava, Lodz.

In addition to birthplace and citizenship inquiries cover age, sex, color, marital status, kind of work they do and in what business they work. Other questions will bring out facts on wages and salaries, unemployment, grades of school completed and where people lived five years ago.

One person in each twenty will be required to answer a list of 16 Supplementary Questions. Questions in this group ask for the birthplace of the father and the mother. In answering these two questions, the person should follow the same rule as in answering the birthplace question in the main schedule. List the country in which the birthplace was located on January 1, 1937, and if this proves difficult, then the state, region, province or big city, in which father and mother were born.

Another supplementary question that may offer difficulty is the one asking what "language was spoken in the home in earliest childhood." If two or more languages were spoken in the home, the language spoken most often should be reported.

This is the Sixteenth Decennial Census. The first census was taken in 1790. In addition to the Census of Population, collecting information on 132 million people, 32 million homes will be enumerated in the Census of Housing, three million businesses in the Census of Business, 200,000 factories in the Census of Manufacturers, 7,000,000 farms in the Census of Agriculture and 400,000 oil wells, and 14,000 coal and metal mines and stone quarries in the Census of Mines and Quarries.

Lodge 484 Will Hold Anniv. Dance May 12

NEW PHILADELPHIA, O.—On May 12, SNPJ lodge 484 will celebrate their 17th anniversary by sponsoring a social and dance at the Brightwood Country Club, 3 miles southeast of here on route 250. A special invitation is extended to members of the Northeastern Ohio Federation of SNPJ lodges, of which we are a member, and the members of the Ohio-Penn-W. Va. district.

Advance sale price of tickets is 35c and the price at the door will be 40c. Lodge secretaries may buy tickets in advance for their members by writing Tony Debevec, R.F.D. 1, New Philadelphia, O. The door award to be given away at the dance will be ten given away and four gift awards. Music will be furnished by our Lodge Orchestra which is a big hit in this district. Remember, make May 12 a date to attend this celebration. We are prepared to give you and your friends a good time, rain or shine.

TONY DEBEVEC, Secretary.

True dignity abides with him alone Who, in the silent hour of inward thought, Can still suspect, and still reverse himself. In lowliness of heart. —WORDSWORTH.

Juvenile Circles

Circle No. 11 Will Meet Sunday: Plan 2 Big Affairs

GIRARD, KANS.—All members of Circle 11 are asked to attend the regular monthly meeting at the Franklin SNPJ hall Sunday, April 7. All those interested in the Slovene school are urged to be present at one o'clock while the rest of the members will play softball. If the weather will be favorable we will go on a wiener roast following the meeting. Also, a fine musical program is being planned for this meeting, and I am sure you don't want to miss it.

On April 13, the Jolly Kansans Circle will sponsor a pie social and drama zabava at Yale. This promises to be a huge success. We cordially invite all nearby lodges to attend as there will be plenty of entertainment for everybody.

We are also planning to have a Mother's Day program at Yale in May. Invitations will be sent to all mothers to attend the affair which will be given in their honor. The March 31 anniversary affair at Mineral was postponed. Will see you at the meeting Sunday.

OLGA MARIE KNAPICH, Adviser, Circle 11.

"J.A.S.", Circle 4, to Give First Concert on April 28

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—The date of the Junior All Star Chorus' 1st spring concert, April 28, at SST hall, draws rapidly nearer and the members are working hard selling tickets and securing ads, and the chorus is rehearsing several excellent new songs for the occasion.

The afternoon program will include a number of interesting features: a juvenile quartet, tap dancers, singers, Napej and Planinska Roča. A Slovene playlet, "Luknja v prtu," directed by Mr. Frank Puncer, will be presented in the evening at 7 o'clock. The chorus, under the direction of Mr. Jurisk, our popular leader, will sing some stirring songs. Between afternoon and evening programs, some of our members will play their piano-accordions.

We cordially invite all the local lodges and friends to attend our first Spring Concert on April 28. Admission in advance will be 35 cents; 40 cents at the door, and the usual Slovene refreshments may be procured on the premises.

JOHN POKLAR JR., G. A. S. Reporter.

"Voice of Youth" Circle Plan Two Affairs in May

MIDWAY, PA.—The last meeting of the "Voice of Youth" circle on March 29 was very well attended, with a few new members being present. We discussed the Mother's Day program which is to be presented on May 12 at 2:30 at the Dom and parts of the play to be staged were given to members.

All the members eagerly accepted their parts and rehearsals will start soon. We cordially invite all the fathers and mothers to attend. The members promised to work hard and make this play a success.

A dance will be given by the Circle on May 18, featuring the music of Jacob Martincic and his boys. We would like to see a huge crowd attend this affair. Please set aside these two dates and spend an enjoyable afternoon and evening with us.

MARGARET PETACH, Sec'y, Circle 22.

Circle "Dawn of Youth" Plan Mother's Day Affair

GIRARD, O.—The "Dawn of Youth" Circle, No. 7, at first planning to have a Mother's Day program all their own, will most likely join the Salem and Sharon circles to hold a combined affair in Sharon, according to recent developments.

Henry Raciek, our member, with two other boys tied in second place in an amateur contest in our high school. They certainly played well. We want to congratulate our new advisers, Mrs. Mary Selak, Mr. Frank Rezek and Mr. Louis Raciek Sr., on their work with the circle.

Our regular Circle meeting was held Sunday, March 31, at Krvin's. I think the Town Hall Meeting radio program (Thursdays 9:30 to 10:30 p. m.) is one of the best radio programs. Our history class usually continues the discussion the next day.

LOUIS RACICK JR., Circle 7.

Slight Error

William Smith obtained a job as gardener in a large house. The mistress took a great interest in the garden, and one day, seeing Smith rather busy, went up to him and said: "And how's my sweet-william this morning?"

Smith, rather taken aback, said: "Well, if it's going to be like that, call me Bill!"

I have believed the best of every man, and find that to believe is enough. To make a bad man show him at his best.

Or even a good man swing his lanterns higher. —YEATS.

Universal Comets On Dates, Merger

Dates to Remember

UNIVERSAL, PA.—Tenth Anniversary Celebration of Lodge Musketiers, No. 706, Moon Run, Pa., on Saturday, April 6, at the Summit House; Eighth Anniversary Celebration of Lodge Cavaliers, at the Slovene Hall, Burgettstown, Pa., on Saturday, April 13; dance by Lucky Stars Lodge No. 716 at Imperial-SNPJ Hall, on Saturday, April 20; Comets' Tenth Anniversary Celebration in the Universal Slovene Hall, Saturday, August 17, and a picnic at Center Beach, Center, Pa., on Sunday, August 18. Support SNPJ social affairs.

That Merger Problem

The appeal for a merger of Slovene fraternal societies similar in character from individual members and federations of our Society was favorably considered at the recent Supreme Board meeting. The Supreme Board instructed our Executive Committee to make plans at once to meet with representatives of SSPZ for the purpose of negotiating a merger. The action is encouraging to merger enthusiasts, for apparently the main obstacle to a merger has been removed. There can be little question now that the Supreme Board has enlisted its support, that a merger will be effected, if there is a basis for such merger.

Their decision was good news particularly to the two Western Penna Federations who have, for a long time, been conscious of certain definite advantages in a merger. We did in no sense sponsor the idea as the final word, realizing fully that certain insurmountable problems may present themselves so as to make a merger serve to our disadvantage. We want to present here views in favor of a merger, and if there are disadvantages, as there conceivably might be, we should weigh them carefully before complete action is taken. It is our hope that our members will give the question their serious consideration.

In considering this problem, we might first give recognition to the efficient operation of our massive corporation within the scope of our capitalistic society. Here we observe a uniting, a merging of various units to produce a practical result: They establish huge combines, greatly strengthening their financial position to provide them with the wherewithal to promote business on a more extensive basis. They have learned that thus they can secure a maximum of business, and simultaneously reduce their overhead charges and maintain solvency. Perhaps it will be said that ours is a fraternal in contrast to a commercial organization. But the principle, the real and desired result is the same. For isn't it within our realm and purpose to do precisely what commercials are doing, only to continue our identity as a fraternal and retain our broad social perspective.

Brother Drasler recently defined a merger as follows: "to merge is to unite, to protect, to build, to strengthen!" Here in a few words describes the very need for a merger. It is our object "to unite eligible white persons of both sexes," etc. With due regard to this object, is there sufficient reason to exclude those of other Slovene fraternals from our midst, providing in so doing we do not sacrifice the ideals upon which SNPJ was organized and has prospered? Doesn't a merger open wide the door without any obligation on the part of anyone? Isn't it within our purpose, too, to protect our members in times of real distress, and their beneficiaries in case of death, and shouldn't we extend this noble idea to others without obligation, thus strengthening our organization? It is our desire to build, and continue building, as evidenced by our constant agitation and the promotion of our campaigns. A fraternal organization can't afford to remain stalemated. Will not a merger provide a more firm, a more solid foundation upon which to build, thus increasing our financial strength and solvency to the end that our members might enjoy a period of suspended assessments? And isn't it, also, within our scope to strengthen our organization to assure the continuation of our movement.

To unite the AFL and the CIO into a solid labor movement is the desire of those of us who belong to either one of the labor groups, or those who are in sympathy with their purposes and aims. Is it being inconsistent then to agitate for a unity of all Slovene fraternals similar in character for a solid Slovene fraternal movement?

This writer has been trained to avoid duplication of effort in order to obtain the highest efficiency. And efficiency is desirable if we wish to survive against the highly commercialized insurance corporations. Isn't it impractical for our members who might belong to another Slovene fraternal to duplicate their efforts in two lodges? It's our duty as members of two fraternals to devote time and effort to both. Is the highest efficiency attained when a member works for two or three lodges, or isn't it reasonable to suppose that one will be active in one or the other, and that if attention is given to both, the job will be only partially accomplished. Then there are the problems (Continued on page 2)

THE PIONEER FLASHES A Column

Donald J. Lotrich, 559

CHICAGO, ILL.—Among our people in these parts, the topic of discussion still is the coming appearance of Zinka Milanov on the 10th Anniversary program of the Chicago District Federation of SNPJ, April 28. Some are inclined to believe that the seating capacity at the SNPJ Hall will prove inadequate and urge us to secure another hall; others believe that the larger attendance will not warrant a larger expense for halls. The best way to prove that there is a genuine desire to change to another hall is to sell a lot of tickets in advance and if the report of ticket sales will indicate an attendance above the capacity of the SNPJ Hall, we will then be forced to secure another hall. Otherwise, things are progressing satisfactorily for this coming four star feature attraction.—Pioneer members are urged to secure tickets from the Secretary and help ring up a record number of sales. There isn't any question but that an abounding interest has been stimulated with the announcement of Mme. Milanov's coming. And while this interest prevails, let us continue our drive for a capacity crowd.

Next of importance is the matter of the deadline for entries in the SNPJ National Bowling Tournament. All entries must be mailed by Friday, April 12, so as to reach Sylvia Kira, Secretary of the Bowling Committee Tourney, by April 13. Five additional men's teams have been lined up for the Pioneers since the last report. They consist of the following: No. 2, A. Kramer, Hrast, E. Hudale, F. Lotrich, Pouhe; No. 3, Turpin, O. Spolar, A. Andros, Hochevar, Yenkolc; No. 4, J. Groser, Pechelik, Laben, L. Groser, J. Hudale; No. 5, Koznik, F. Zordanj, Grey, Darovic, Moulik; No. 6, Kremesec, A. Pirman, Reichel, F. Pirman, J. Zefran.

The men's division of the Pioneer Bowling League wound up its league season last Wednesday night. As if rearranged, the two leading teams fought it out for the top position. Hujan's Tavern had to win all three games to top first place, while Nachtmann's Dentists needed two victories to take the title. After an uphill struggle, the Dentists overpowered the Tavern squad, winning two games and the 1939-40 championship of the Pioneer League. August Kramer with a 215 game and Frank Zordanj with a 208 had high scores.—The women's division of the league has a couple more weeks to go before the schedule will be completed.

Representatives to the Chicago District Federation of SNPJ are reminded of the coming meeting April 4, at the SNPJ Hall. The developments warrant a full attendance.—Last Thursday night the SNPJ Circle Board met to review the work of the past three months and to inject more pep into the Circle for the coming months. Because of the lack of interest in the Circle, parents are urged and requested again to induce their children to attend the Circle meetings. Simon Trojar, Anne Sanneman and Marya Omahen reported on the needs of the Circle.—Sava's Concert last Sunday had a very ordinary attendance. Some attribute the mediocre attendance to the fine weather which prevailed outdoors. Others believe that Sava's supporters are too democratic because they believe in letting everybody neglect his own duties. The women's section of the chorus is very formidable and well balanced. The men's division needs bolstering up.

Milje Halifroski gave birth to a baby girl last Sunday.—From Hot Springs, Arkansas, comes word that Doctor and Mrs. Zvertaik with daughter Joan, are enjoying the hot springs and baths.—Another card from Jacala, Mexico, tells us that Joseph, Mary and Mitali Ovan are on their way back towards the States.—A number of Pioneers are planning on taking in the Little Fort lodge 14th Anniversary program, Sunday, April 7. Our boys have been going to Waukegan rather frequently of late for programs, parties, etc.

If you have an opportunity, tune in on any of three major broadcasting networks Saturday, April 6, at 9 a. m. to hear Maynard C. Krueger render his keynote address at the Socialist Party Convention in Washington, D. C. Sunday, April 7, the Socialist nominee for President and Vice President will address the radio audience at 4 p. m. The time listed is Central Standard Time. Under Eastern Standard Time tune in at the corresponding hour. We have hopes that the Socialist Party will be able to outline a program of action which will point the way for the coming decade.

Important Notice

MANOR, PA.—Notice to all SNPJ lodges of Westernland county: All lodges wishing to have a softball team this year, please send your delegate from your own lodge to Hermannie Hall on Sunday, April 7. The meeting will start at 7 o'clock sharp.

JOHN BOSIC JR., Lodge 749.

To be seventy years young is something far more cheerful and hopeful than to be forty years old.—OLIVER WENDELL HOLMES.

We Forget So Fast

By MARY JUGG

How many times had I said I would never enter a certain neighborhood movie house again? And I did remember—for over a year.

But then—a certain film that had been chalked down as a "must" over six months ago and that was making its exit from the city's screens was playing at this certain never-never theater, and the thought came: "the last chance."

And so it happened as it had always before: the particular movie was just finishing up, and then: there was a news reel (so far all right); then followed a something or other they called a cartoon; then came a special that was supposed to lure the movie folks in—some reels of boxing bouts, and then some slow action shots of the same bout; and then previews of coming attractions for an entire week; and then (here patience was at its bursting point) the 9th or 11th chapter of a shrieking, "spine-chilling" serial (here all the children sat on the edge of their seats, biting their fingers, shouting, and waving their arms, and probably went home experiencing nightmares that night); AND THEN, a full-length "romantic comedy" that was a part of the double feature; and finally, the picture I had originally hoped to see in not much more than an hour-and-a-half's time.

And then—I stumbled home—a beaten mass of something, unable to tell you hardly anything of what it was about, what the characters did or said, whether they were good or bad, and, all in all, not really giving much more than a whoop that the whole thing had been filmed in the first place.

But—if I shall ever see another movie again, I shall never, never go into that certain theater again. No, never! (Never, that is, until about a year and six months from now—when the same situation will arise; then even though I should reread this very column, I shall probably say, "Oh, I was just a crank when I wrote that. It'll be different now.")

We forget so fast . . .

The housewife (this includes everyone who does not live on the first floor) looks at the windows and sees the sun murky through the accumulated dust and grime of the winter. "I must wash them on the outside," she thinks.—But there is a restraining thought: they're terribly difficult to pull up and down. Every time in the past, I tugged and strained at them and I actually injured myself, she says.

But the sun continues to shine, and the windows suddenly become the butt of all the things wrong or destined to be wrong, and company is coming, and—and—

Then the housewife washes the first one. Hm! not so bad. But the second, or the third, or the fourth will not budge. So she tugs and she hammers and she strains. The washed one shows up the others so much worse.—

And then—she limps about the house for a whole week, hoping the pain will disappear before she must let the entire family know that a "simple" duty like window-washing got her down.—(The housewife who answers "No" to the question: "Do you work?")

We go to the polls every four years. We switch from one party to the other same one with as simple a gesture as marking X's. "Ah, but if this time, this party doesn't deliver the goods, then next time I'll join up with an entirely new one," we say.

But we forget so fast . . .

"I shall never, never sanction another war. Wars never did solve anything. I wouldn't allow my son to enlist if another war ever came. All wars are the same. This war is no different from all others."

So we say. But—we forget so fast . . .

Badgerland News

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—The members of Napej are very busy these days, for Sunday, April 7, is the date of our card party to be held in Sostarich's hall, 8. 5th and W. Bruce. For the past few weeks we have been rouding up prizes, and now you should see what a fine collection we have! It will be worth your while to drop around Sunday and as if you can win one of these valuable prizes. There is a prize for every table besides a beautiful door award.

Then, too, we are busy preparing for the Annual Spring Festival to be held in Chicago this year on May 19. Any Milwaukeeans interested can ride to and from Chicago by bus for only two dollars. But it is necessary to know how many people are going so that proper arrangements can be made. Make reservations with Mr. Dobnick, Mr. Zajc, or Mr. Ermenec. Another big event for Milwaukee is the concert of the SNPJ Juvenile All Star Chorus which will be held on April 28 in the South Side Turn Hall. The members will present a Slovenian comedy, "Luknja v prtu," which will please all who see it. There are also many surprises awaiting those of you who attend. Get your tickets early from any member of the SNPJ Juvenile All Stars Chorus.

LILLIAN PUNCER.

S.N.P.J. Sports

7th National SNPJ Bowling Tournament in Waukegan May 3, 4, 5

Waukegan, Ill.—You'd better be getting those entry blanks in the mail if you haven't already done so as the closing date for entries is only about two weeks off—April 12, to be exact.

We've just been informed that Cleveland expects to send out about 75 bowlers and a dozen or more rosters. That's what we call real SNPJ spirit and we greatly appreciate what George Curda and several others are doing to get as many bowlers as possible to come out to Waukegan. We'll do our best to schedule your teams as per your wishes and on top of that we'll show you a good time. From what we gather from the Prosveta and verbal reports, the total entry this year should and will, surpass the entries of the past years, and we in Waukegan will do our best to fulfill our part toward the promotion of bigger and better tournaments this year and the years to come. The committee has been hard at work so as to make this tournament a success, which is no easy job which most of you know, and if you will get busy and send in your entries, it will be a great help to us.

We have decided not to mail out tickets for the dance and banquet to the different lodges. Instead, they can be obtained either at the ticket or information booth at the Slovene Home or at the Bowling Allies from any member of the committee.

For the benefit of those who have never been in Waukegan, here are a few helpful hints as to where the Slovene Home, the Recreation Alleys and the hotels are situated.

To get to the Slovene Home which is on the corner of 10th & McAlister, you can take the North Shore Line out of Chicago and get off at the North Chicago Junction and then take the city car north to 10th Street. The Home is only two blocks west of the 10th Street station. If you take the Northwestern, get off at Waukegan and you will be within one block of the Waukegan Hotel and within three blocks of the Karcher Hotel and the Bowling Allies. If you will want to go to the Headquarters first to meet all your friends, just go west a few blocks to the car line, take the car going south to the 10th street and then you will be only two blocks from the Slovene National Home.

Whether you go first to the alleys, headquarters, or hotel, there will be someone there who will escort you to wherever you want to go and if there is any other information you desire right now, do not hesitate to write to the Bowling Secretary who will be more than glad to give it to you. The hotel rates will range from \$1 to \$1.50 maximum, per person, depending on the number of persons registering. Please write us and let us know how many we can expect so we can arrange for enough hotel and private home accommodations.

Our neighboring lodges, that is, Milwaukee, West Allis and Chicago will help us a great deal if they can come out Friday night to roll their singles and doubles along with our Waukegan bowlers. How's about it?

Bowling Bits
Four Waukegan ladies' teams were at the Recreation alleys getting in some practice last Sunday and in looking over their scores we can see where they are going to give the out-of-town teams some competition. Look out for that Lodge 119 team. They've got a lot of "stuff on the ball"—if you know what I mean.

We can use a lot more bowlers so if you haven't already signed up, please get in touch with the bowling committee right away.

We see where St. Louis and Indianapolis are sending teams for the first time. We're glad to hear about it and hope you come home with some of the prize money. SNPJ lodge Slo-ga team, sponsored by Twin City Tavern, was the first to send in entry.

"Fish"—you'd better practice up on balance. The idea is to stand up on two feet after delivering the ball. Your hands must not touch the floor. Our next committee meeting is Friday night. Be sure to attend.

1st E. Init'l Tourney Proves Big Success

CLEVELAND.—The Cleveland SNPJ Athletic League wishes to thank all the out of town lodges that participated in our tournament March 16 and 17. The turnout was very pleasing and we do hope that next year it will be still larger. As these tournaments go on many new things can be accomplished, and we can see that it has been cut down to perfection. The final standings, girls: 1st, Comrades, 2284; 2nd, Napredne, 2183; 3rd, Wolverines, 1913; 4th, Strugglers No. 1, 1855. Boys: 1st, Loyalties No. 1, 2899; 2nd, Wolverines No. 1, 2673; 3rd, Y. A. Reds, 2632; 4th, Loyalties No. 2, 2669; 5th, Strugglers No. 1, 2530; 6th, Loyalties No. 2, 2482; 7th, Comrades No. 1, 2478.

The above lodges listed are in the prize money and checks for the out of town lodges are in the mail. Our local lodges are taken care of by our Secretary. We listed 40 teams that participated, and for our first try we

believe this to be only a start of what this tournament will do hereafter. The dance that followed our tournament proved to be satisfactory and will help our bowlers towards paying part of their fare to Waukegan a month from now.

At our last meeting the girls reported that all of their six teams will participate in the National SNPJ Tournament, and the boys' league reports eight teams, making a total of 14 teams. Our members were cautioned that the deadline is set for April 13, so we have set up two dates for our meetings before the deadline, April 5 and April 12. These meetings will be held in the Slovene Auditorium, Addison and St. Clair, starting at 8:30 p. m. Letters and cards will be in the mail to cover all details and all the entries will be sent in direct from the Cleveland lodge. All lodges are to turn in their entries with all the money to cover each entry. Please understand no entry will be accepted unless there is the money to cover same. Waukegan lodges can rest assured that Cleveland will be well represented, and we do hope that Waukegan sets a record for the number of teams to be entered. It does seem that our members are getting more interested in this tournament than before, due to the wonderful time each member has. Most of us participate to create our better friendship with members we are unable to see as much as we would like to, and we do feel that the money involved does not affect our social contacts, by this I mean our meeting each other means more than anything else.

We want to thank Bro. "Lindy" Lokar for his help in connection with our tournament. He was able to have his organization donate trophies for the winners in each division, and we do appreciate his kindness in this respect.

Cleveland lodges please note that we were able to secure a very low rate on one of the railroads here, and if you know of any one that wishes to go, please notify Secretary John Aynik. A deposit will be necessary, so do your part and let's have a record crowd attend.

GEORGE CURDA, Chairman.

Verona SNPJ Champs to Banquet Saturday

VERONA, PA.—At last the great day has arrived—the Veronians' Victory Banquet to be held at the National Home, Arch St., Saturday, April 6, at 8 p. m. Joe Young's orchestra has been engaged for this gala affair. No matter what your latest dance steps, he will supply you with the proper music. The Veronettes are planning a meal. There will be plenty of cats and drinks for all who attend. Invitations were sent to the competing softball teams. May we see all the familiar faces. No admittance without an invitation.

All members are urged to attend the Veronians' regular meeting on Saturday, April 21, at the Nat'l Home. Matters of importance will be discussed. What seems to be the matter with the Veronian members? Our meetings have been so poorly attended. Why can't we show more interest in our lodge affairs?

With only a few more bowling weeks to go, the Dukes are leading by one game. Leading the girls is Frances Tratar, who has been out in front for a great many weeks. Sam Ladi, a recent member, tops the boys with high score. The season closes with a bowling banquet. Sharon invaded Verona on March 16 for a bowling match. Our boys lost by 79 pins. The Veronians are planning a trip to Sharon on April 13 for a return match. Our boys have enjoyed bowling with the Smoky City boys of Pittsburgh (Lodge 118) and they were found to be very sociable.

Catherine (Zolet) Toth of Detroit is spending a few weeks with her family. The Veronians are glad to have her in their midst again. Joe Rafay home from California displays a western sultan. Who was the Veronette that swept the floor of the Nat'l Park Skating Rink? What certain Veronian boy is called the alley-bugger (bowling)? A majority of Veronians traveled to Pittsburgh on Easter Monday to attend a dance held by Lodge 118. They report having a wonderful time. Red Vrbancic will sign a life contract sometime in June.

JOSEPHINE BURSIG,
JUSTINE KRULC, 680.

Notice, Cleveland Athletic League Members:

CLEVELAND.—There will be a special meeting Friday, April 5, at the St. Clair Slovene Auditorium starting at 8:30 p. m., all members of the Bowling League are requested to attend, also see that all tickets from our last two dances are in. We must settle up in order to let each member know what he will receive towards the trip to Waukegan.

So far as we can check each member will receive approximately \$4 from the Athletic League and the balance will be paid by the member going. The railroad fare from Cleveland to Waukegan and return will be \$10 per person. This being a special rate published by the Nickel Plate railroad and the Chicago North Shore

Electric Line. Members having friends that want to attend are cordially invited to join at the special rate stated above. Let our secretary Bro. John Aynik know, also see that a deposit is placed with him to insure space we want to get.

Special equipment will be furnished for our group. The train leaves here at midnight May 3 arriving at Waukegan about 9:30 a. m. Saturday morning. Let's all attend, also be sure to attend the meeting. Any nearby lodge can also go along with us, Barberton and others can make their arrangements with the writer. Let's help put Waukegan over in a big way.

GEORGE CURDA, Chairman.

Triglav Club to Give Dance on April 27

JOHNSTOWN, PA.—The Triglav Athletic Club, SNPJ Lodge 82, has proved itself a great success. After two years of local district honors in the SNPJ league competition, the club also closed as fine and successful a basketball season, climbing from the lowest rung to an outstanding club here and in surrounding towns.

The basketball team was organized at the desire of the members who proved themselves willing, supporting and enthusiastic workers who think of sports as one of their main interests. The club purchased new equipment and uniforms to outfit the team, and they proved themselves worthy of both.

To celebrate the success of our club, we are holding a dance on Saturday, April 27, at the Moxham Slovene Hall here, featuring Kopler's Slovene Broadcasting orchestra which will feature the songs of Jules Snyder and Pauline Sasek. A cordial invitation is extended to the people of the surrounding towns to attend.

E. F. BELTZ, Lodge 82.

Sidewalks of Cleveland

CLEVELAND.—The SNPJ Bowling Tournament dance at the Slovene Workmen's Home on Waterloo road on March 16 was a huge success. The crowd that helped fill the hall to its full capacity and a number of people that ran into three large numbers hailed from Barberton, Girard, Detroit, Pennsylvania, Gowanda, and our own Cleveland.

Detroit, my former residence, was ably represented by a large group of the Wolverines and the Young Americans who are very active in their lodge affairs—namely, the Travnik brothers Ray and Bob, Lefty Kovach, Tony Steffler, John Loenikar, Josephine Klarich, Andy Klarich, Tony Obratovich, Frank Kern, Miss Cedilnik and others too numerous to mention. (By the way, Tony Steffler, how did you like the piece that our maestro dedicated to you?)

From our own vicinity was seen Angela Kern, Jadran Club's star singer. From out Euclid way, three of the popular clubs, Progressives, Adria Singing Club, and the Sixler's had the majority of their members present having a wonderful evening of fun. The Yuretic sisters were as popular as ever. Three of the Sterlik brothers were as usual jitters-bugging the evening away.

The SNPJ Lodge Progressives, of which I am a member, are going to celebrate their 12th anniversary on May 18 at the Reher Hall in Euclid. Frankie Yankovich is going to be our maestro for the night, so will we see all you dance lovers that night?

MICKY CESEN, Lodge 641.

Zarja Spring Concert Sunday, April 7

CLEVELAND, O.—The annual Spring Concert of the Soc. Zarja Singing Society will be held Sunday, April 7, at the Slovene Auditorium on St. Clair Ave., starting at 3 o'clock. As usual the concert is intended to win the approval of the Slovene people. Several well-known songs will be rendered, and in order to have something new and different, an American piece titled "Winter Song" will be presented.

From experience our followers know that when Socialist Zarja presents its concert, it always aims to please the people. And after the well-planned program which will be rich in rendition of various vocal numbers, you will have the opportunity to swing out to the ever-popular music of Eddie Zay and his Eight Notes.

The admission price to this spring affair is only 35c in advance and 40c at the door; for dancing after the program, 30c. Publicity Committee: ZDENKA MAHNIC.

Let your heart beat to the rhythm of melodious singing when Spring heralds in another concert of Socialist Singing Society Zarja, Sunday, April 7. Headlined, will be duets with Tony Perushek, who gained popularity in Zarja's last concert; Josephine Turk, a regular favorite; Sophie Turkman and Josephine Turk; Frank Eiersich and Sophie Turkman, and Alice Vidmar and Katherine Jurman. Also included in the program will be a men's quartet and the trio which sang its way to voluminous applause, last year, singing "Johann"; Jennie Henderschott, Elsie and Josephine Turk; and a drama in Slovene, "Nev. (alni Amor)."

The crowning features will be songs presented by the men's, women's and mixed choruses, and the play. After the program, dance to the scintillating rhythms of Eddie Zay's orchestra. (Admission quoted above.) Be sure to attend Zarja's Spring Concert. ANDREW ELSERSICH.

Universal Comets

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of maintaining more than one set of officers, attending socials of more than one lodge to sustain more than one treasury. To be sure, one lodge is a practical and desirable undertaking; more than one is a headache so long as we must work for a living.

Then, again, we have in operation a duplication of headquarters to maintain, duplication of official organs, conventions, officers, and employees, all of which spell expenses—money. Are we being practical? Are we adequately financed as individual workers to continue paying more than one cost.

Our friend Draiser laments the fact that the Supreme Board has the matter of affecting a merger in their hands. He would that the rank and file members produced the desired merger. Sentiment from members must be strong to get the ball rolling. But the actual negotiating should be done by the Supreme Board. They are men of wide experience, they have the facilities with which to negotiate, and through the Executive Committee they have paid employees to give time and effort to this movement. Our experience with a merger committee in our federation did not produce the desired result, simply because of lack of convenience—money and time. Truly, we did a commendable job in our section, but we were limited in carrying out our plans for an organized sentiment. If we recall correctly, Bro. Molek went on record in Prosveta long since with a practical barrier to a merger. He deserves praise for his courage for being so outspoken. He is right in his expressions on mergers, but we can't permit that motive to stifle what we believe is a remarkable undertaking.

But let's stop lamenting. This writer believes that there will be a definite merger effected within a short time. Sentiment is strong for it from organizations similar in character—and there are three of them—and each of them have opened wider their doors to this venture. Two of them are meeting at the present moment. Out of these round table conferences of officials with experience should result a stronger Slovene fraternal society, personal desires and ambitions notwithstanding.

We have written what we believe are good reasons for a merger of Slovene fraternal societies similar in character, without regard to technical or detailed data. We're conscious that this data must be available before an intelligent decision can be rendered in favor of a merger. That information may prove disadvantageous to a merger. What of our future as individual members in regard to rates and benefits? If we do conserve effort and expense, will we be required to pay higher or lower monthly assessments? These questions must be thoroughly answered before we make that significant decision. We believe there are advantages that will bring rewards; we do not know that they will in the final analysis; neither do we believe the Supreme Boards of the various Slovene orders know. But the services of an expert are available to furnish the technical data of figures so that we will know pretty well what our future payments will be.

Let's hail the efforts being made toward the materialization of what we believe is a good thing.

News and Views

Keep your eyes peeled in Prosveta for announcements concerning Pa. SNPJ Day scheduled for sometime in June under the sponsorship of the two Western Penna. federations. And the E. S. Federation's annual Boat Ride sometime in July.

It was interesting to read that the Strabane lodges have their committees in motion for SNPJ Day in September. They'll work, and they'll make this affair a success. Make plans to be there.

The Manor Cadets held a successful dance on Easter Sunday. A good time was had by all. We met Frank Shuster, a real guy, and secretary (recording) of the Westmoreland County Federation, Jack Derlink told us that we're in for a treat on Sunday, April 7, on the Croatian-Slovene Radio program, between 9:30 and 10 a. m. So be listening in over Station WW-SW. Martin Kuvovich is heard over that program frequently with his accordion.

SNPJ sports take the headlines once again. This time the Veronians mushroom banquet on Sat., April 6. We hope it's a complete success. And then Waukegan, and we're arranging to go—more fun.

MICHAEL R. KUMER, 715.

Resolution

FOREST CITY, PA.—Because of the fact that the Board of Public Assistance of Pennsylvania issued a ruling recently stating that a person who applies for or is on relief, cannot carry Fraternal Life Insurance in excess of \$500, the Friendship Lodge, 656 SNPJ, adopted the following resolution against the said ruling.

WHEREAS, The Board of Public Assistance of Pennsylvania ruled that Fraternal Life Insurance in excess of \$500 be dropped before relief can be obtained, and the said ruling was not intended to alleviate conditions; and

WHEREAS, No member of a Fraternal Organization is a burden upon the Commonwealth if he carries a policy having a premium of more than the stipulated amount set by the

Board of Public Assistance, as the said policy holder cannot draw against his policy or surrender it for cash to aid himself financially, other than to borrow to pay his monthly dues according to the amount that he has in reserve on his policy for this purpose, and not otherwise; and

WHEREAS, A member is compelled to lower his premium and later becomes employed, his age will have increased and may have reached a mark where his premium cannot be advanced to its former standing as he is compelled to keep his lower premium, thereby losing most of what his age does not permit; therefore, he had paid in on the old premium before it was reduced to \$500, and in some instances may not be able to increase his insurance because of an age limit ruling, or the member may not be able to afford the higher rate of the premium because of his advanced age, or due to impaired health may not be able to pass a physical examination required to advance the amount of insurance; and

WHEREAS, A member of a fraternal society is carrying in most cases, sufficient insurance for burial, there is no remuneration expected from the Board of Public Assistance, and any surplus has to be used or could be paid back before the beneficiaries (dependents) expect aid; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That we vigorously protest the ruling of the Board of Public Assistance of Pennsylvania, sincerely hoping that the said Board will consider this resolution and it will not enforce the said ruling until a thorough study of these problems has been made.

JOSEPH TAGLER, President,
FRANK TOMAZIC, Secretary,
EDWARD KAMIN, Treasurer.

Golden Eagles

Looking Ahead

GIRARD, O.—In New Jersey, our dictator state, a contemplated legislation—the garbage can variety—would brand a man a pauper if he were registered under state relief for three years. It's a juicy piece of work for the politicians, too, because their state constitution prohibits paupers from voting or holding office.

What a brilliant set of officials the people of New Jersey voted into office! Citizens, through no fault of their own, call upon their state for aid and in turn receive a slap in the face. Those who tried to retain their respectability, their honesty and perhaps a sense of humor in order to offset the hardships of life, would be classed as something of a leper, somebody set apart from the rest of the world. But then human misery is not considered when state control is being fought for.

What about a sign around the neck of each New Jersey? saying, "I am a pauper." Think of all the work the painters would get from such a project! Then, too, advertising is such an excellent form of salesman that this really grand idea would invade other states. Maybe, if given time, we could work this up to a gigantic industry!

Are you one of those persons who were hired because of the last fall rush? If you are and call Ohio your home state and were employed by one of its hard-boiled industrial concerns, you have now time abundant on your hands, not even collecting compensation which was assigned to carry you over the so many slow spells. Many of our acquaintances are bemoaning the fact that they were employed seventeen, eighteen and even nineteen weeks and when the important twentieth week peeped around the corner they were given their "vacation" papers, thus becoming ineligible for weekly state compensation.

Are industrial executives responsible for such action capable of fulfilling a trust? Are these the men who allegedly seek harmonious relations with the working class? Rather than making the procedure of receiving the

state compensation easier, the task is becoming more difficult, more complicated. What was intended originally to benefit the workman is now another source of friction and all because the companies refuse to cooperate with a decision which was forced upon them as a social measure.

FRANK REZEK, 643.

Official Proceedings

SNPJ EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Meeting of February 14, 1940

The meeting was called to order at 10 a. m. by the president. The following officers responded to roll call: Vincent Calkar, F. A. Vider, Lawrence Gradisek, Philip Godina and Ivan Molek. Absent was John Vogrich because of illness.

The minutes of the January 31 meeting were approved. A letter was read from Attorney Sheen reporting on the status of Alaka's case, which was placed on file. A letter from the secretary of Lodge 572, explaining the condition of their lodge. It was decided that a moral and financial assistance be given from the head office.

The editor submitted the matter of the Federal Register, and after discussion it was decided to discontinue with subscription for this news service. He also brought up the matter in regards to the Federated Press and recommended that we retain the condensed monthly summary instead of the daily news service. Recommendation accepted.

The assistant secretary submitted the matter of sick benefit of Frank Enchimer, Lodge 8, who is mentally ill. It was decided that he be recommended for special benefit.

The following applications for special help were approved: Frank Kaularich of Lodge 81, \$25; John Strahota of Lodge 131, \$15; Joseph Celik of Lodge 200, \$35; Joe Ruzich of Lodge 549, \$25.

Other loans and special benefit applications were approved. (For details see Slovene minutes.) Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a. m.

Meeting of February 28, 1940

The meeting was called to order by the president at 1 p. m. In attendance were all officers except John Vogrich who was absent because of illness. The minutes of the February 14 meeting were approved.

A letter was read from Frank Zajec, our representative for real estate in Milwaukee, regarding the property on 915 W. National Avenue. The letter was placed on file.

A letter from the Jugoslav Workmen's National Home, Cleveland, Ohio, which asks for an ad for the occasion of their 20th anniversary celebration. A full-page ad was approved.

A letter was read from J. A. Ambrozich, secretary of the Slovene Home in Eveleth, Minnesota, asking for renewal of ad for two years in their auditorium. Renewal approved.

A letter from secretary of Lodge 230 advising cooperation of neighboring lodges at their 25th anniversary celebration, and requesting again that Bro. Calkar be delegated as their guest speaker. Request granted.

Letter from Lodge 568 requests that Bro. Bolka be speaker at their 14th anniversary celebration April 7, 1940. Approved.

Board also approved additional payment of \$36 as payment in full for commissarial claim of John Okrosek of Lodge 169.

The bill of deceased John Grohar of lodge 388 for various items was approved.

The following special operation cases were approved for payment: Agnes Stermetz, lodge 79, \$10; Jennie Skerl, lodge 88, \$25; Valentin Sever, lodge 129, \$25; Mary Godach, lodge 408, \$50; John Ottino, lodge 469, \$25; Joseph Pastakovich, lodge 505, \$25; August Kaushek, lodge 712, \$25.

The following cases for special benefit were approved: Mary Vukas, lodge 241, \$25; John Pogacnik, lodge 277, \$15; Tony Brgho, lodge 299, \$10;

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Louis Metelko, lodge 365, \$15; Anna Marsik, lodge 550, \$10; Feliks Maric, lodge 641, \$25; Ludwig Avac, lodge 355, \$10.

Other loans and special benefit applications were approved. (Particulars in Slovene minutes.)

The meeting adjourned at 4 p. m. Vincent Calkar, Supreme President, F. A. Vider, Supreme Secretary.

Your Health

INFECTIOUS DISEASE AT HOME

During the late winter and early spring, contagious diseases are very common, especially influenza, pneumonia, scarlet fever, chicken pox, measles, bronchitis, diphtheria, sore head colds, sore throats and glandular diseases.

A considerable change has taken place in the care and handling of a patient with communicable disease in order to prevent the spread of infection. The old method of fumigation, for example, the burning of sulphur candles and other substances and the drenching of living quarters with formaldehyde upon the expiration of illness, has been practically abandoned.

It was ineffective on the one hand and took place after the period of greatest danger on the other. Fumigation is now principally used for the eradication of rats, mice, and insects and is valuable for that purpose.

Quarantine for all contagious diseases has been greatly modified. Formerly it was very common to quarantine rigidly entire cities upon the outbreak of such diseases as yellow fever and smallpox. Even more recently it was the general practice to quarantine entire households when a case of almost any communicable disease occurred. Now a patient is isolated and those taking care of the patient are given proper instructions regarding quarantine measures and procedures. Even in case of such diseases as diphtheria, smallpox and scarlet fever, members of the household may leave the quarantined premises and live in freedom elsewhere during the illness if the laboratory tests and other procedures show that they are not likely to spread the infection.

Disinfection at the bedside of the patient throughout the course of illness is very important, especially at the beginning of the symptoms, which prevents the spread of disease from the patient to someone else.

The collection of all discharges from the patient's eyes, ears, nose, throat, skin and glands in bits of cotton, paper or cloth should be burned promptly, or disinfected with 5% carbolic acid, or 3% lysol solution. The collection of all bladder and bowel discharges must be mixed thoroughly in 5% carbolic acid solution, or an equivalent disinfectant, allow to stand for 30 minutes and then dispose in sewer, or toilet bowl. All dishes and eating utensils from the sick room should be allowed to stand in a 5% solution of carbolic acid for one hour and then washed and boiled. All towels, bed-clothing, garments, etc., should be soaked in 5% solution of carbolic acid, or be boiled for 15 minutes. The patient should be bathed with 5% carbolic acid solution daily, and all articles handled by the patient should be sterilized in the same manner.

Attendants and others who may come in contact with the patient should wash the hands carefully with soap and water upon leaving the sick room. All flies and other insects as well as domestic animals should be kept out of the sick room.

These principal points in bedside disinfection, if carefully followed, prevent the escape of germs from the patient to other people.

JOHN J. ZAVERTNIK, M. D.

THE ONLY DIFFERENCE

About the only difference between a billy goat who rams his head against a stone wall and the fellow who constantly does the wrong thing is that the billy goat finally comes to his senses.

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Bolka moves that Executive committee shall make a study of the hospital care plan and report at the next convention. Motion carried on second ballot. Zarnik requests that letter from a member of Lodge 135 be brought before the meeting.

Vider explains that the matter was considered and settled by the Executive committee. Calkar, Petrovich, Barbich, Medvesek, Zarnik and Zaitz take part in discussion. Vider and Calkar explain the entire case, the reason for the trouble, and suggestions made to settle the misunderstanding.

Petrovich states that it would be in the interest of the lodge and Society if the Supreme board would decide that another lodge meeting be held to which all members shall be invited, the majority to decide where lodge shall hold its meetings. His motion carried.

Lawrence Gradisek feels compelled to denounce the gossip of some members of Lodge 204 that his brother-in-law received \$27.00 from the Supreme office in payment of services for investigation at Lodge 599 which he himself made on request of Executive committee. He states that he is informed that Bro. Vratarich is responsible for this talk, and explains that the report in this case appeared in the published Executive committee minutes and immediately following the report it was stated that Bro. Jereb of Lodge 584, Milwaukee, Wis., received \$27.00 special benefit. The gossip is therefore absolutely unfounded and it is dishonorable for anyone to spread such talk; his brother-in-law did not receive one cent and cooperated only as a relative, and not officially.

Vratarich explains that he never made such remarks, but it was mentioned to him by Bro. Bizjak, for the reason that Sis. Bizjak's payment for her

work as a recorder at that particular investigation was delayed until recently.

Gradisek's statement accepted. Zupan reports that the Chicago Federation will celebrate its 10th anniversary on April 28, and if present plans are carried out the expense will be greater than the federation can cover with its resources; therefore, it asks the Supreme board to lend its moral and financial support for this program.

Discussion follows during which Terelj points out that other federations will follow the lead if this request is granted. Motion carried that Executive committee may give amount up to \$100 for this purpose.

Calkar presents letter of Rudolph Lisch, JBF secretary, in matter of conference to decide if this organization is to be continued or disbanded and the assets liquidated.

Zaitz moves to accept invitation to conference for which Executive committee shall appoint representative. Motion carried. Godina moves that minutes of last two sessions shall be approved by Supreme officers in Chicago and immediate vicinity. Motion carried.

SPECIAL MEETING FEB. 13, 1940

Meeting called at 8 p. m. Present: V. Calkar, F. A. Vider, L. Gradisek, Philip Godina, Ivan Molek, John Olip, D. J. Lotrich and J. Zupan. F. Zaitz excused because of other duties. J. Vogrich because of illness.

Minutes of Feb. 10 session read and accepted with corrections. Meeting adjourned at 9 p. m.

VINCENT CALKAR, Supreme President
F. A. VIDER, Supreme Secretary
Peter Bernik, Recording Secretary.

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

Held February 8, 9, 10, 1940, at Headquarters 2659 S. Lawndale Ave., Chicago, Illinois

Supreme President Vincent Cainkar calls assembly to order at 9 a. m. and expresses the hope for a constructive meeting in view of the important business on the calendar.

SUPREME PRESIDENT'S REPORT

We have assembled here for our annual meeting principally to review our work since the last meeting and to check the results, as well as to plan for the future.

One of the most important of our activities was last year's 35th anniversary celebration of our Society which we tried to observe as appropriately as possible.

In connection with our anniversary we also had a quite lively membership campaign. It opened in April and closed at the end of the year, which made it a nine-month campaign.

We are preparing this year also for the SNPJ Day manifestations. The principal one will be on Labor Day at Canonsburg, Pa.

ing us very highly in the future. The circles take part in various lodge and federation programs and help to make these more interesting and better attended.

Of course, we still have difficulty with securing people to guide these circles. Everyone is not capable for this task, and very often those who are capable do not have the will for it.

VINCENT CAINKAR.

Report accepted.

REPORT OF VICE-PRESIDENT

Supreme board members who are outside of Chicago usually report to these meetings on the progress and activities of members and lodges in the states and districts in which they live.

In general I must emphasize that I noted everywhere a real desire for the progress and increased membership of the SNPJ, which has an excellent reputation everywhere.

Undoubtedly we must give credit also to our district federations, which serve to bring the members of the various lodges closer together, and promote knowledge and harmony.

I attended several lodge anniversary celebrations as well as campaign programs. The Conemaugh Valley federation's affair was undoubtedly the most successful particularly from a moral standpoint, as members of various lodges as well as speakers from our youth ranks participated.

Many members have expressed a desire for and recommended that the Society issue Identification Cards which lodge secretaries would fill out for members who would use them when traveling or visiting lodges or members.

ANDREW VIDRICH.

Report accepted.

REPORT OF SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT

I hereby submit my report and recommendations to the annual meeting of the Supreme Board of the SNPJ.

The campaign which the society has sponsored, celebrating the 35th Anniversary of our organization, I believe was a success. The members of the Society who took an active part in the campaign to secure new members should be congratulated for their work and hard effort to build our organization.

the organization as a whole. We cannot afford to be weakened at this time. Let us, as one of the most progressive organizations be a guiding light to other organizations who look towards us for leadership.

The policy of our official organ will have to change. I agree that articles which might involve the Society in libelous proceedings should not be published. But, articles which are of a general nature should not be denied the members for publication.

There are other things which I have to bring up in regard to the official organ that I can bring out in the discussion on this question.

Report accepted.

REPORT OF SUPREME SECRETARY

The second membership campaign was not as successful as the first one, which was to be expected. To be really successful, campaigns should be periodic and well conducted and planned for in advance.

Our assessment rates are lower than at other organizations for similar insurance, and our organization pays thousands of dollars annually to its members in special benefits, but all this does not mean much as long as the people cannot judge which organization is best for them.

In the first half of last year we increased our membership in both departments, but in the second half we gained only in the adult department.

ADULT DEPARTMENT

Table with 2 columns: Description, Amount. Rows include Membership as of June 30, 1939, New admitted members, Transferred from juvenile dept., Total, Deceased, Cancelled.

JUVENILE DEPARTMENT

Table with 2 columns: Description, Amount. Rows include Membership as of June 30, 1939, New admitted, Total, Transferred to adult department, Deceased, Cancelled.

Table with 2 columns: Description, Amount. Rows include Membership as of Dec. 31, 1939, Membership as of June 30, 1939, Total increase, Decrease, Total membership as of Dec. 31, 1939.

We had six deaths more last year than in 1938, but on the basis of the adult department gain this will not affect much change. Last year the average age at death was slightly over 53 years, which means that care should be exercised in accepting new applicants.

REPORT ON DEATHS

Table with 4 columns: Causes, No. of cases, Percent, Amount of Insurance. Rows include Heart diseases, Cancer, Pneumonia, influenza, Tuberculosis, Suicide, Hemorrhage, Various accidents, Nephritis, Apoplexy, Peritonitis, Automobile accidents, Septicemia, Gastric ulcers, Mine accidents, Silicosis, Diabetes, Paralysis, Insanity, Homicide, Asthma, Gall-bladder inflammation, Dropsy, Empyema, Alcohol, Appendectomy, Jaundice, Bright's disease, Embolism, Hodgkins disease, Yellow fever.

Operations show a marked increase last year, particularly for appendicitis and rupture, there being 82 more. Undoubtedly many lives were prolonged and even saved by these operations, and in some cases undoubtedly the help given by the Society was a deciding factor.

REPORT ON OPERATIONS AND DISABILITIES

Table with 4 columns: Operations, No. of cases, Percent, Benefits Paid. Rows include Appendectomy, Hernia, Laparotomy, Hysterectomy, Hemorrhoidectomy, Bladder, Thyroidectomy, Varicose veins, Fractured bones, Cancer, Cataract, Various glands, Hydrocele, Coarsen, Mastoidectomy, Thorocoplasty, Gastric ulcers, Osteomyelitis, Nephrectomy, Empyema, Laminectomy, Threshpining, Removal of breast, Ectopic pregnancy, Gall stones, Lipoma.

Table with 4 columns: Disabilities, No. of cases, Percent, Benefits Paid. Rows include Loss of eye and sight, Loss of fingers, Loss of arm, Loss of leg, Spinal fracture, Compromissorial claim.

From the financial report which has as usual been prepared for each Supreme board member, you have been able to note that we have had an increase of \$212,783.46 in the insurance department for the last six months, and a total increase of \$357,232.10 for the year, in spite of the fact that one month's mortuary assessment was suspended for the entire membership.

On recommendation of the actuary, we have started to tabulate certain statistics on the basis of which it may be possible to stabilize the \$2 sick benefit fund, which remains a problem which the next convention will have to solve since the reserve in that fund shows slow but steady decrease.

In some states where our members have been forced to apply for relief, the ruling is that applicant must decrease his insurance to amount of \$500, which means that such member cannot be insured for a higher amount. In some instances on complaint of the member we have taken up the matter directly from the Supreme office.

You were able to see from the campaign report that some of the members worked hard and were very successful for which they have earned our deepest appreciation. It is to be hoped that they will continue this work.

Cooperation between the lodges and my office has been satisfactory. There have been no special complaints, and it would seem that there is always

more harmony among us, which is desirable and necessary in a fraternal society. To all who were active in the campaign, to lodge officers and also supreme office employees, I express here my appreciation and gratitude.

This concludes my report, and I will be glad to offer any information which may be requested.

FINANCIAL REPORT

for the period of July 1 to Dec. 31, 1939

Table with 2 columns: Receipts, Disbursements. Rows include Balance as of July 1, 1939, Unpaid death claims July 1, 1939, Assessment, Net income from investments, Paid death claims, Compromissorial claims, Transfer to expense fund, Unpaid death claims Dec. 31, 1939, Balance as of Dec. 31, 1939.

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Table with financial data including Postage and express, Telephone and telegrams, Mladinski List, Supplement to Prosveta, etc.

Table with financial data including DISBURSEMENTS: July, August, September, October, November, December, Total.

Table with financial data including STATUS OF FUNDS: July 1, 1939, Dec. 31, 1939, Mortuary fund, Disability fund, etc.

Table with financial data including RECEIPTS: July, August, September, October, November, December, Total.

Table with financial data including STATUS OF ASSETS: Land and building, Real Estate, Loans, etc.

Table with financial data including DISBURSEMENTS: July, August, September, October, November, December, Total.

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Report accepted. JOHN VOGRICH.

MANAGER'S REPORT FOR PRINTING AND PUBLICATIONS DEPARTMENT. Since there were no notable changes, my report for the printing and publications department is, as usual, of a rather brief.

PROSVETA-The official organ of Wednesday issue of Prosveta is now printed in 25,500 copies. The other ten thousand copies of those members who are entitled to the weekly are included in subscriptions of daily.

MLADINSKI LIST-The juvenile publication is printed in 7,700 copies. Additional improvements during the last six months have been made due to numerous illustrations.

PRINTERY-No particular changes have taken place in the printing department. Jobs for printing receive prompt attention and so far as I know, there have been no complaints.

Financial Statement for Publications Department (Prosveta and Mladinski List) Six months ended December 31, 1939.

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REPORT OF VICE-PRESIDENT FIRST DISTRICT. Strabane, Penna., February 5, 1940. Slovene National Benefit Society, Vincent Cainkar, President, Chicago, Illinois.

REPORT OF VICE-PRESIDENT SECOND DISTRICT. Since the last meeting of the Supreme Board, I have done all in my power to participate in our Thirty-Fifth Anniversary Campaign.

REPORT OF THE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF. The work in the editorial office during the last six months progressed smoothly, with little variation from the first half of 1939.

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REVIEW OF INVESTMENTS JULY 1ST TO DECEMBER 31ST, 1939

Table with columns: Description, Par Value, Interest, Price, Paid, Due, Yield. Includes U.S. Government Securities, Municipal Bonds, Public Utilities, and Other Investments.

RECAPITULATION

Summary table showing Recapitulation of various investment categories and their total values.

BONDS SOLD, CALLED AND MATURED

Table listing bonds sold, called, and matured, including County, State, and City bonds with their respective values and dates.

REAL ESTATE MORTGAGES PAID

Table listing real estate mortgages paid, including details on settlement, balance paid, and interest received.

PROPERTY SALES IN THE LAST SIX MONTHS

GOVERNMENT BONDS. There was a drop in prices of Government Bonds during August and September...

F.H.A. MORTGAGES. The figures show that \$76,852.70 has been invested in the guaranteed F.H.A. Mortgages...

BONDS SOLD. Only \$20,355.00 par value of bonds were sold during the last six months...

BONDS CALLED. Three issues of Bonds were called for payment, on which we received full par value of \$47,000.00...

GENERAL BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATION. The Finance Committee has invested \$130,000.00 in the shares of these banks...

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Advertising... Years ago we included under advertising only amounts spent for advertising in newspapers, in program books and halls. Later we included films, campaign buttons and literature, gifts such as pencils, etc. A comparative statement follows:

Table comparing advertising expenses for 1939 and 1938. Columns: 1939, 1938. Rows: Advertising, in Prosveta, in other publications, in program books, in halls, Films, etc., Radio, Donations, Emblems, circulars, etc., Total.

ATHLETICS... The amount of \$2,144.43 was spent for athletics in the last half of 1939, and \$2,021.94 in the first half, making the total slightly higher than allowed by the Convention...

MISCELLANEOUS... The SNPJ donated \$42.00 during the last half, and \$348.75 during the first of 1939 to various organizations such as the ACLU, FLHS and others...

BUILDING FUND... Rentals of our building are \$4,100.40 for the last half, and \$4,476.60 for the first half of 1939, a total of \$8,676.00...

RENTALS FOR HALLS... Table showing rental costs for halls from July to December 1939. Columns: Total, Comm., Net.

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Society it is proper that fees be paid from its treasury, thus lightening the burden of the lodges and encouraging them to work for us.

Gradisek agrees that the campaign should be continued as it actually only offered new members special privileges for the short period of seven months. Zupan moves that campaign be continued for six months.

Zaitz states that campaigns really do not have the expected results for the reason that the question of principles has been entirely neglected. Organizations in whose campaigns its principles are stressed uppermost have successful campaigns. Some organizations place their campaigns in the charge of an individual who is responsible, and reports show success. All these things should be considered by our organization.

Olip states that campaigns are ineffective if too frequent; however, in view of conditions it is desirable to respect the wishes of our active lodges and federations. He makes contrary motion that medical examination fees up to \$1 for adult members and admittance fees shall be paid until this decision is revoked.

Tomsic explains that localities differ greatly and require different measures.

Barbic explains that Lodge 53 decided to pay admittance and examination fees of new members, but will use the money for other agitation if the decision goes into effect; the federation also posted special prizes for those securing new members.

Malgai explains that the La Salle and vicinity lodges decided to use the entire SNPJ Day proceeds for campaign for new members.

Vidrich states that the Conemaugh Valley Federation is in favor of free admittance and medical examination. He seconds Olip's motion.

Bolka states that it is our duty to agitate for new members for our workers' organization which should be made as strong as possible.

Cainkar explains that our campaign was a success and that without it we would not have gained so many new members. We must consider conditions and the serious competition of other organizations campaigning in the same field.

Vider moves debate be closed. Motion carried.

Medvesek states that campaign was success and that 1938 reports showed loss of membership by all organizations except SNPJ and SDZ. Zaitz insists that our principles should be first consideration in all our campaigns. Klansek states that another difficulty is that there are few good agitators for new members. Zarnick calls attention to the large sums spent by other organizations for campaign purposes.

Olip's contrary motion unanimously carried with provision that it be effective Jan. 1, 1940.

Vider moves that 25c shall be paid to proposing member for each new juvenile member accepted by the Society. Motion carried unanimously.

Merger

Supreme secretary reads letter of Western Pa. SNPJ Federation requesting that the SNPJ Supreme Board take steps to effect a merger of Slovene societies, and also, that a representative be sent to the conference in Washington for the defense of foreign born. He explains that the SNPJ has always been in favor of merger as shown by the statement accepted by the February 1939 meeting as well as at previous meetings, and also the resolution of the last convention. He presents letter from Wm. Rus, Supreme secretary of SSPZ which was read at the Executive committee meeting:

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 26, 1940.

Slovene National Benefit Society
Mr. F. A. Vider, Sec'y
2657 S. Lawrence Ave.
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Mr. Vider:

Pursuant to our correspondence on this subject (merger), I must advise that our Supreme board at its last meeting voted to contact your Supreme board and begin negotiations which would bring your organization and ours, and possible some other, together.

If your board or meeting agrees that this is a favorable time to start such action, our board is prepared to meet with yours at time and place decided upon.

We know that the intentions cannot be carried out in the near future, as much systematic work and discussion will be required. But we can make a beginning and try to agree on the main points which would form the basis for a merger contract.

As Supreme board meetings of organizations concerned will be held shortly, it is recommended that the matter be brought up and if favorable, that committees be elected or empowered to negotiate.

SSPZ Supreme board meeting will begin Thursday, February 15, at Chicago. I would appreciate a reply by this date.

Fraternally yours,
WILLIAM RUS,
Supreme Secretary SSPZ.

February 1, 1940.

Slovene Progressive Benefit Society
Mr. Wm. Rus, Sec'y
247 W. 103rd St.
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

Your letter received and presented at Executive committee meeting on January 31. We are prepared to negotiate with your committee on merger immediately after close of our Supreme board meeting which will undoubtedly be February 10.

We are unusually busy at this time with preparations for the annual meeting and state reports, and we trust you will take this into consideration.

To your suggestion that this is a favorable time for merger it is the opinion of our Executive committee that as far as we are concerned, the time for merger is always favorable with the exception stated above. The resolution adopted by the XI. regular convention of our Society authorizes our Executive committee to carry on necessary negotiations and prepare contract for presentation to the Supreme board.

Therefore, we are prepared to start action immediately after date given above. Please let us know when and where you desire meeting to take place.

Fraternally yours,
F. A. VIDER,
Supreme Secretary SNPJ.

Discussion follows and all present take part. Tercelj states that this question has been brought before many federation meetings by non-members of our Society who desire that a merger take place to the benefit of all. Petrovich believes that merger of kindred organizations would be advantageous, but it would have to be based on equality of rights of members and officials as well as equal solvency.

Godina moves that SSPZ letter and our reply shall be published in minutes of this meeting.

Molek states that certain of our lodges and federations have taken too much authority in this matter by forming merger committees. The resolution of the SNPJ convention states plainly who in the SNPJ shall carry out the work of mergers.

Medvesek states that merger is a good thing and favored by the membership. The question of jobs will undoubtedly come up, but should not present too much difficulty as the new conditions would probably absorb those who are experienced and capable.

Bolka believes that even as capitalist undertakings are consolidating to protect their interests, so should we workers be on guard for our rights. The merger of these two similar organizations is a necessity.

Gradisek explains that merger is desirable but certain important problems will have to be solved, namely, the insurance for sick and other benefits of those who are members of both societies.

Vrataric explains that as he is able to see it the members of SSPZ favor merger, but cannot say to what extent its Supreme officers do.

Sular states that the merger idea received a setback because of the SDPZ merger in which members who happened to be insured in both organizations were considerably affected. It has been difficult to convince them of the reason for this, and they believe that were it not for merger they would still have the same insurance, which is very doubtful.

Olip explains that he served two terms on Merger committee and has had considerable experience. The SNPJ was always in favor and should continue to be. It is important, however, that we keep "our house clean, and the door always open"; to exercise caution and avoid any action which our enemies might be able to use to show that we do not favor merger.

Tercelj believes that the Supreme secretary's reply to SSPZ was in order and that this meeting should confirm it.

Vogrich states that in addition to insurance question, the matter of position of officials will also be important. This is natural and need not be denied. Good will and sincerity must prevail, and no one should be suspected of being against this or that. Negotiations should be friendly and open. This meeting should direct the Executive committee in matter of concessions.

Zaitz believes that this work should be carried out with understanding and in a friendly spirit. The problem of jobs can also be solved, and the Convention will make the final decision.

Vider states that our work proves that we have always been for consolidation. The most important questions will be members' insurance and positions of officials.

Zupan moves that Supreme board again declare in favor of merger and on basis of resolution adopted by XI. Convention, the Executive committee shall if conditions of merger between SSPZ and our Society are acceptable from a business as well as fundamental standpoint make a merger contract and present it to the Supreme board. Motion seconded.

Petrovich recommends the following points to the Executive committee:

- 1) Merger shall be on basis of equal solvency of organizations concerned.
- 2) Existing provisions of insurance, that is, death benefit, sick and other benefits of members of concerned organizations shall be considered wherever possible.
- 3) All officials who have positions in Supreme offices of organizations shall be guaranteed employment until the next convention when they may be candidates for reelection to the same offices they now hold.

Godina's motion carried. Zupan's motion with Petrovich recommendations carried unanimously.

P. M. session adjourned.

SESSION Feb. 9, 9 A. M.

Minutes of first session approved as read, minutes of second session accepted with corrections.

Anti-Labor Legislation

Supreme secretary presents request of Western Pa. SNPJ Federation that the SNPJ send a representative to the conference at Washington, D. C., for the defense of foreign born. Discussion follows. Supreme secretary explains that the Supreme office did not receive an invitation to send a representative to this conference, and has no information about who called the conference or anything about the organization.

Bolka states that there are submitted to the present Congress an unusual number of bills against immigrants and against the progressive labor movement generally. It is our duty to be watchful and cooperate with organizations which are fighting against such legislation.

Molek explains that there are always many such organizations which work for a time, but how sincerely is a question. The Society has for many years supported the American Civil Liberties Union, Peoples Lobby and Foreign Language Information Service which are all on guard for peoples' rights and liberties and are recognized as sound institutions. The Prosveta receives various informative material from them which is published. We published also the bills in the present Congress designed against immigrants and the labor movement, and have, we feel, done our duty.

Vider states that we must be careful in such matters so as not to do more harm than good and also to know what organization we are cooperating with.

Zaitz explains that organizations ostensibly for the protection of rights and liberties very frequently turn out to have been organized on the initiative of some individual for his own benefit.

Petrovich believes that it would be desirable to call the attention of lodges and members to proposed anti-labor legislation so that protests could be mailed to senators and representatives.

Cainkar explains that indiscriminate sending of various protests and resolutions often destroys the desired effect. Also, very often there is no one at the lodge capable of composing the protest; it would be unwise for the resolutions to be issued from the Supreme office.

Godina moves that since the Supreme office did not receive an invitation, and as the matter is not sufficiently clear, the request to send a representative cannot be considered. Motion carried unanimously.

Medical Certificates of Sick Members

Supreme secretary presents communication of Lodge 5 which requests that sick members confined in institutions would not be required to submit medical certificates filled out by the institution, but could have certificates filled by lodge and signed by lodge officers for payment of sick benefit.

Vider explains that this would be against provisions of the by-laws and if permitted could also conflict with state laws. Malgai, Gradisek, Medvesek, Cainkar and Barbic take part in discussion.

Zupan moves that communication be accepted, but that because of by-laws the request cannot be granted. Motion seconded and carried unanimously.

Request of Zvonko Novak

Supreme secretary presents appeal of Zvonko Novak for financial backing in publication of his Slovene-English Dictionary. Discussion follows in which it is brought out that although such a book

is a good idea, in view of circumstances and conditions its success is extremely doubtful.

Zaitz moves that the sum asked in letter of Novak be loaned on condition that he is able to raise the necessary amount to publish the book, said sum to be given to a responsible committee to which the Executive committee shall appoint our representative. The sum so loaned shall be used for this purpose only if the committee is convinced that there is sufficient capital to print and bind the book in its entirety; also, if responsible persons shall find that the dictionary is really expertly executed. As security or repayment of loan Zvonko Novak shall give us sufficient copies of the book to cover amount of loan; price to be agreed by him and Executive committee.

Zupan explains that our by-laws provide that we support cultural institutions, and Zaitz's motion is entirely in order. He seconds the motion.

Sular believes that while idea is good, we cannot support it financially as the membership would criticize our giving \$2500 for this purpose.

Molek explains that Novak asks for gift not loan. Malgai is against any such gift, but is in favor of Zaitz's motion.

Barbic feels that we must consider the sentiment of the membership which, he feels, would very largely be opposed.

Vider states that publication of such a book while a good idea is somewhat late, and although the SNPJ is always prepared to help we must in this case consider the circumstances.

Lotrich moves that this meeting consider that while the publication of this book is excellent and necessary, the Society cannot undertake the financial risk, but is willing to purchase 300 copies at cost of printing and binding. Sular seconds motion. Zaitz's motion receives 13 votes, Lotrich's motion 4 votes.

A. M. session adjourned.

SESSION Feb. 9, 1 P. M.

Appeals

Zupan reports for Special committee on appeals; Appeal of L. Gradisek, Supreme assistant secretary, in case of sick benefit of Jacob Makovich, Lodge 394. On examination of records, particularly medical reports, committee moves that decision of Judicial committee be set aside, and all rejected sick benefit be paid. Further information is offered by Gradisek, Judicial committee, Petrovich, Lotrich and Cainkar. 12 votes are cast in favor of committee's motion, none contrary.

Appeal of John Adams, Lodge 47, in case of rejected sick benefit. On basis of original medical certificate signed by lodge and dentist, and additional reports of physician (M. D.) committee moves that Judicial committee decision be set aside and sick benefit for period from June 9 to June 16 be paid. Motion carried unanimously.

Appeal of Frank Laurich, Lodge 287: All records in the case checked, but no new evidence presented. Committee moves to confirm decision of Judicial committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Appeal of John Jakovich, Lodge 689: As no new evidence has been presented, committee moves to confirm decision of Judicial committee. After short debate, Godina's motion that according to by-laws Bro. Jakovich cannot appeal to Supreme board, but as additional evidence was given to support his appeal, the case shall be returned to the Judicial committee, carried unanimously.

Stanley Krants, Lodge 564: Appeal in case of sick benefit rejected because member was not insured for sick benefit for required period at time of accident, and was not entitled to benefit according to by-laws. His mother states that this is an error on part of former lodge secretary. Examination of records shows that an error might have occurred and committee's recommendation is to pay \$17 from the special benefit fund to cover the disputed amount. Motion carried.

Discussion on Prosveta

Supreme secretary reads letter of Anton Jankovich of lodge 147 and Prosveta representative for Cleveland and vicinity, which recommends that the editor's office of Prosveta should change somewhat the stand taken on the present conflict between Finland and Russia as readers and subscribers complain that it is too one-sided.

Petrovich moves that letter be accepted and recommendation considered.

Discussion follows in which majority takes part. All express opinion on editorial policy and the paper in general. The head editor explains and defends the policy. It is emphasized that our paper's representatives have most opportunity to determine the readers' opinions and that it is desirable to respect their recommendations. We must try to keep good will and create a friendly attitude among members and subscribers as much as possible, and to be concerned primarily with the welfare of the Society.

Petrovich motion carried unanimously.

P. M. session adjourned.

SESSION Feb. 10, 9 A. M.

Minutes of Feb. 9 A. M. session approved as read; minutes of Feb. 9 P. M. session accepted with corrections.

Zaitz moves to proceed to discussion of Prosveta policy in next presidential election. Motion carried. Molek explains that last convention adopted resolution which clearly defines the policy of Prosveta in political campaigns at elections. Conditions are now entirely different than at time of last convention; there is no strong labor political movement, and in fact, labor was probably never so divided politically as at present. No workers' political party is strong enough to have its candidates in the presidential elections. If the Supreme board sees a need to change the provisions of the resolution adopted at the last convention on policy of Prosveta in elections, the only way this can be done is by direct referendum.

Olip states that the last convention defined the issue very clearly, and that the paper should be published in this spirit.

Godina and Petrovich agree with Olip. Zaitz states that it is hard for Prosveta because labor is so divided politically, and the editor's office will find its work extremely difficult because of this.

Barbic explains that various demands come from the younger generation which has begun to participate in politics. Many of our members have various ambitions and Prosveta is looked to for help in election campaigns of one or another party.

Godina moves that the editor's office shall be guided by the resolution of the last convention on policy of Prosveta and publication of articles and other material at time of presidential election campaign. Motion seconded and carried unanimously.

Olip recommends that the numerous expressions of thanks for one thing and another should be deleted from members' articles before publication as they tend to make a poor impression on the readers. Barbic, Zaitz, Godina, Vidrich and Cainkar also talk on this subject.

Supreme medical examiner attends meeting and presents report.

REPORT OF MEDICAL EXAMINER

On account of our Jubilee membership campaign the applications for membership in our Society

have been larger than usual, and in the examination of these new applications, I have given them my closest attention. During such a campaign as this, many applications for membership are made by persons, many of whom prove to be doubtful risks upon examination and for this reason are rejected. Among the most common causes why certain persons' applications cannot be accepted are overweight, heart lesions, kidney lesions, deformities, high blood pressure, and so forth.

It also has been our practice to do all we can to satisfy the members who have applied for sick compensation and compensation for operations. During the past six months, we had two operations for removal of kidney stones only, where the kidney itself was not removed. The technique for this operation is the same as for nephrectomy (removal of kidney stones). For this latter technique I recommended to the executive board, the payment of \$75.00 which is the same as for nephrectomy, and the amount allowed according to the present by-laws.

At a medical conference which I attended recently, the State chief medical inspector lectured on occupational diseases and their prevention. Since the vast majority of our members are employed in various occupations, I thought it would be interesting to relate the reasons for attempting to lessen disability due to occupational diseases. It was pointed to us how these various diseases become a hazard. For instance, miners suffering from numerous occupational diseases such as silicosis or pneumoconiosis due to the inhalation of dust, are more prone to upper respiratory diseases such as colds, influenza, pneumonia and lung diseases. Also, during the winter months, the respiratory diseases are more increased amongst garage workers because they work within closed doors and, consequently, inhale monoxide gas which is poison, thus lowering their resistance and making them more subject to respiratory infections.

I could cite various other instances of occupations which present a problem to the persons health engaged in them, but the point I wish to bring out is that the State is taking an active interest in determining what diseases certain persons are more apt to acquire due to their particular employment and thus take the necessary measures to decrease if not eliminate, the conditions which subject the employees to these diseases.

One can readily see that if the State is successful in what they propose to do that the sick benefits which must be paid by the Society will be greatly reduced. Eventually the State will require a complete physical examination to ascertain if a man is physically fit for his particular type of work.

If I can be of any service to the Supreme Board I will be glad to have them call upon me.

JOHN J. ZAVERTNIK, M. D.

Report accepted. Dr. Zavertnik answers various questions asked by Supreme officers on diseases and operations.

Discussion on "Jugoslav Day"

Bro. Godina states that a certain committee for the so-called Slovene Day in Pennsylvania is at work, and as this has no connection with our Society, it is necessary that the Supreme board make a definite decision in this matter. He explains that the Executive committee made a statement on this last year which was effective not only for Prosveta but also for all lodges, federations and individual members. The same action should be taken this year in order that space in Prosveta will not be exploited for advertising this affair.

Molek, Medvesek, Zaitz, Vogrich, Petrovich, Barbic, Vider, Cainkar and Tercelj take part in the discussion. Molek presents this resolution:

RESOLUTION

The Supreme Board of the SNPJ confirmed the stand taken by the Executive Committee of the SNPJ as published in Prosveta of May 31, 1939, and states again that individual lodges and individual federations of SNPJ lodges have no right in the name of any lodge or in the name of the Slovene National Benefit Society, to cooperate in actions or affairs for the purpose of exploiting the name of the SNPJ for political or any other purposes which are in conflict with the democratic and freethought principles of the SNPJ; likewise, individual members of the SNPJ have no right to appear at such affairs as representatives of the Society. Our organ Prosveta shall not advertise such actions and affairs either in lodge communications or otherwise.

Unanimously adopted at the meeting of the Supreme Board of the SNPJ in Chicago, Illinois, on February 10, 1940.

Tercelj states that this resolution is absolutely necessary so that the membership in Western Pa. will know the stand of the Supreme board. He is convinced that the lodges and federations will consider this.

Motion carried unanimously to accept resolution and publish it in the next official issue of Prosveta.

Juvenile Circles

Bro. Cainkar states that his report to the meeting included our juvenile circles, some of which are very successful while others have difficulties with securing capable directors. We shall have to consider also the fact that circle directors will have to be compensated, because in these times no one will sacrifice his time without payment. Till now we have not paid anyone for this work.

Sular states that he made a motion at the 1939 February meeting which was accepted to compensate circle directors. He moves again that the Executive committee may reward or compensate circle directors for their work in 1939 according to funds available for this purpose and according to the activity and accomplishment of each circle during the year.

Zaitz states that circles will have to try to be self-supporting as the Supreme office cannot give full financial support. This is a most important question and will have to be solved if we want to progress. The circles should be conducted as at present and circle directors shall give a complete report at the end of each year; on the basis of these reports a paper shall be prepared for the August Supreme board meeting.

Cainkar explains that he sent special questionnaires to circle directors with the request that they be filled out and returned but he received only a few.

Medvesek states that any great results should not be expected from Juvenile circles as they are a comparatively new undertaking; the future will show whether or not they have been a success. The first question is of finances and how to pay the directors who should not be expected to give their money in addition to their time.

Petrovich states that the circles serve as a school for our future leaders, and if each circle helps to prepare at least two members who will become capable to lead we can consider that they have been successful. Everything depends on the circle directors, who should be paid; for this the Executive committee may use at least \$1000 annually.

Also speaking on this subject are Tercelj, Tomsic who reports on circle activities in his district, and Malgai who suggests that a sum could be allotted for this purpose from the special benefit fund.

Vider explains that no other payments made from the fund except for special benefits otherwise, we would have difficulty with the insurance department. However, the sum of \$1000 should be transferred from the publications fund deferred to the next Supreme board meeting.

Sular's motion carried unanimously. Zaitz moves to accept Cainkar's report on juvenile circles; a detailed report on juvenile circles should be given at the next Supreme board meeting, on the basis of which further decisions be made. Motion carried.

A. M. Session adjourned.

SESSION Feb. 10, 1 P. M.

Bro. Bolka presents:

ATHLETIC BOARD REPORT

Since the last supreme board meeting, the Day was our major affair. This celebration held in La Salle, Illinois last September attracted SNPJ members from the Mid-West as well as Ohio, Pennsylvania and other states. This affair, as others, was a moral success for the Society. At this celebration, the "Veronica" of Verona, Pennsylvania were crowned the champions of the SNPJ in soft ball.

At the membership meeting held in La Salle connection with the celebration, many suggestions were brought forth which were beneficial to the Society, and should improve our future SNPJ Day. Strabane, Pennsylvania, was the city selected to be host at the next SNPJ Day celebration. The activity shown by the lodges in Strabane in the past, plus the support that they can expect the other lodges in Pennsylvania, there can be no doubt that the 1940 SNPJ Day will surpass all others in every respect.

The members of the Athletic Board from the Erie District, namely brothers Louis Kumer and Rak, reported considerable activity in athletic districts. The 7th SNPJ Duck Pin Tournament which was held at Carrick, Pennsylvania New Year's Day of this year, was a great success. The tournament was larger than last year's, it means that a greater activity was shown by lodges participating. The Society benefited publicity in local papers and the general good amongst the membership created by this affair.

The Juvenile Circles are becoming more and more active and many of them are also using athletic to promote their activities. The Athletic Board will have to take them into consideration. At time we have not any concrete recommendations, but will consider ways and means to promote more activity among the Juvenile Circles athletic lines, which will also promote their growth.

The campaign which has just ended, showed the English speaking lodges are near the membership gains. I believe that athletic in these lodges somewhat in making their gains.

Respectfully submitted,
FRANK BOLKA,
Chrm. Nat'l Athletic Board

Report accepted. Bolka reports that the question was brought to the Athletic board meeting of whether the and place of bowling tournament shall be decided by the contestants or by the Athletic board. A short discussion, motion carried that time and place should be set by Athletic board.

On question of athletics among juvenile members particularly juvenile circles, Bolka, Cainkar, Vider, Zupan, Medvesek, Barbic, Zaitz, Godina, Vratarich speak.

Zupan moves that the Athletic board shall prepare a plan for promoting athletics in juvenile circles and this plan should be incorporated in paper on juvenile circles. Motion carried.

Canonsburg SNPJ Day

Bro. Tercelj reports that in matter of the onsbung SNPJ Day on Labor Day the motion seems to be that the entire affair is to be conducted by the English speaking lodge 589; this was understood made at the conference held in Erie. As far as he is informed and is understood, however, it would be impossible a single lodge to carry out all the work, and would be a danger that the organization would suffer. Cainkar, Malgai, Zaitz, Klansek, Olip and Tercelj take part in discussion. All are of the opinion that this affair should be conducted by both Canonsburg lodges with the cooperation of both Western Pa. Federations. Zaitz moves that SNPJ arrangements shall be in charge of Lodges 128, 589 who shall invite both SNPJ Federations to operate so that the work and responsibility be of all and not only one lodge. Motion carried.

Olip moves that John Tercelj and John P. shall represent the Supreme board on the SNPJ committee. Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS

Bro. Zaitz states that it is 15 years since the English speaking lodges began to organize; it would be desirable to observe this anniversary.

Petrovich moves that Executive committee present a report or plan for this to the next supreme board meeting.

Vidrich, Lotrich, Vider and Zaitz speak on motion. Lotrich recommends that the Supreme board supports the celebration of the anniversary appropriate a reasonable sum to cover expenses calls on all English speaking lodges to cooperate.

Petrovich motion carried. Vider recommends that district vice-presidents should keep in close touch with English speaking lodges and should be acquainted with their needs and activities. Any difficulties should be striven out as promptly as possible.

Zarnick states that he visited as possible in view of his six-months employment; his report related how he presented one lodge from being disbanded, and he is ready to carry out any duty which is assigned.

Klansek explains that he intended to visit lodges in Iowa but when he saw the conditions of which people there live, he was convinced that results can be expected from that section.

Tomsic explains that he visited lodges, again for new members, organized juvenile circles, and was constantly at work regardless of expense. He feels that he fully carried out his duties.

Bolka recommends that correspondence of district vice-presidents should be mailed directly from Main office.

Lotrich requests interpretation of by-laws in instance of applicant who is 50 years and 6 months old. He states that in calculating age the period of 1 to 5 months is not regarded as additional year. Vider explains that by-laws are on this, and it has been so practiced since the founding. Malgai states that by-laws state "up to 50 years of age" and anyone who has passed his fiftieth year cannot become member.

Barbic presents letter of Joe Gornik of La Salle recommending that the SNPJ take action to establish an undertaking business in Cleveland. Motion carried to accept letter and refer it to Executive committee.

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