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Čez 800 Slovencev umrlo v letu 1936

Avtomobili ubili 46 rojakov in 34 je bilo ubitih pri delu; sedem je bilo umorjenih, 52 je na druge načine zapadlo nasilni smrti, dočim je 27 rojakov izvršilo samomor. Poročenih je bilo 150 parov. Druga zanimiva statistika ob koncu leta

Na podlagi poročil, objavljenih v Domačih vesteh v Prosveti od 1. januarja do 30. decembra, to je do danes, je v Združenih državah in Kanadi umrlo 832 Slovencev v letu 1936. To število je konservativno, prej manjše ko večje, kajti lahko smo kakšno poročilo o smrtnih slučajih v drugih listih prezrli.

Od teh 832 primerov smrti je 221 Slovencev umrlo nasilno, in sicer: avtomobili so ubili 46 rojakov; pri delu v tovarnah, rovih in drugje je bilo ubitih 34; vlak jih je povozil osem in umorjenih oziroma ustreljenih je bilo sedem; 27 rojakov je izvršilo samomor; ostalim smrtnim nesrečam (utonili, zmrznili, zgoreli, podlegli padcu itd.) je podleglo 52 Slovencev.

Med umrlimi je bilo okrog 350 članov SNPJ.

V Argentiniji, Južna Amerika, je v teku leta umrlo 11 Slovencev.

Pri avtnih nesrečah je bilo bolj ali manj pobitih 76 rojakov in pri delu je bilo ranjenih ali trajno poškodovanih 72. Drugače ranjenih (na lovu, pri tepežu, padcu itd.) je bilo 33.

Aretiranih in deloma kaznovanih rojakov za razne prestopke je bilo 49.

Gl. urad SNPJ in uredništvo Prosvete je obiskalo v teku leta čez 200 Slovencev in Hrvatov, ki so z malimi izjemami vsi člani SNPJ.

Poročilo se je 150 slovenskih parov po raznih naselbinah. Istočasno je 16 dvojic praznovalo srebrno poroko, dve tridesetletnico zakona in ena 35-letnico.

Pogorelo je docela ali deloma enajst rojakov.

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Zanimiva je polemična statistika med Prosveto in nasprotnimi slovenskimi listi. Glavna nasprotna lista, ki prideta v poštev, sta Amerikanski Slovenec in Ameriška Domovina. Prvi je v teku leta do danes objavil 96 napadov (polemični dopisi niso všteti) na SNPJ, Prosveto in njenega urednika, druga je pa v tem času objavila 24 napadov. Skupaj v obeh listih 120 napadov, na katere je Prosveta odgovorila (ne vštevši dopisov) 59-krat.

Prosveta je prvi slovenski list v Ameriki, kolikor je nam znano, ki je letos začel objavljati statistiko te vrste ob koncu leta.

Ameriški znanstveniki zborujejo

Napoved elektronične dobe

Atlantic City, 29. dec.—Letno zborovanje Ameriške zveze za pospeševanje znanosti se je začelo včeraj v tem mestu in trajalo bo šest dni. Navzočih je okrog 300 znanstvenikov vseh panog vede. Dr. Karl T. Compton, predsednik tehnološkega zavoda v Massachusettsu, je imel prvi dan najzanimivejše poročilo o elektronih, ki so doslej znani najmanjši delci materije ali snovi.

Dr. Compton je rekel, da človeštvo je zdaj na pragu elektronične dobe, ki obeta silno revolucijo na polju industrij, gospodarstva, zdravja in fizike sploh. Človeški um je celo izračunal, koliko je elektronov v vesoljstvu. To število se zapiše z enico in potem naj sledi 110 ničel! —

Liberalni odvetniki ustanove svoj gild

Odvetniška zbornica dobi močno brco

New York. — Reakcionarna odvetniška zbornica, "ena velika unija" legalističnih artistov in čarovnikov, najbrže ne gleda preveč optimistično na "srečno in veselo" novo leto. Za svoj pesimizem ima tudi vzrok, ker ne bo več mogla monopolizirati "legalnega mnenja" v deželi.

V prihodnjem letu bo namreč dobila razboritega konkurenta v National Lawyers Guildu, katerega snujejo liberalni odvetniki. Ustanovna seja se je vršila zadnje dni v New Yorku ob veliki udeležbi. Splošna konvencija se bo vršila v Washingtonu dne 20.-22. februarja. Organizatorji odvetniškega gilda pričakujejo, da se bo washingtonskega zborovanja udeležilo pet tisoč odvetnikov.

Vodja tega gibanja je znani liberalni odvetnik Frank P. Walsh. Okrog sebe je že zbral razne slovite odvetnike, na primer sodnika W. C. Hollyja iz Chicaga, odvetnika ADF Carltona Ogburna, posebnega pravdnega svetovalca vladne rekonstrukcijske finančne korporacije Jeroma N. Franka, Henry T. Hunta, Morrisa L. Ernsta in več drugih. Tajnik nove odvetniške unije je Mortimer Riemer z uradom na 285 Madison ave., New York City.

Porast dohodkov ameriških farmarjev

Washington, D. C. — Kljub suši, ki je naredila veliko škodo v nekaterih poljedelskih državah, znašajo dohodki ameriških farmarjev v tem letu $9,530,000,000 ali $1,020,000,000 več kakor preteklo leto. To kaže poročilo, ki ga je pravkar objavil federalni poljedelski department.

Ameriška letala dovoljena Špancem

Pripravlja se akcija proti prostovoljcem

Washington, D. C., 29. dec. — Državni department je včeraj dovolil pošiljatev ameriških letal in motorjev za letala španski vladi. Tvrdka, pri kateri je bil ta material naročen, je Vimalert Company v Jersey Cityju in blago se ceni na tri milijone dolarjev. Nevtralnostni zakon prepoveduje take pošiljatve, kadar so dve ali več držav v vojni, ne omenja pa civilne vojne v eni državi in zaradi te pomanjkljivosti v zakonu je državni department izjavil, da ne more preprečiti pošiljatve v Španijo.

Nekateri senatorji in kongresniki grozijo, da bodo take pošiljatve v Španijo ali katerokoli drugo državo kmalu ustavljene, kajti zakon bodo amendirali čim se snide kongres prihodnji teden. Nadalje napovedujejo drastične določbe proti nabiranju ameriških prostovoljcev za tuje vojne. Na primer senator Borah svetuje, da se prostovoljcem, ki so odšli v Španijo, bodisi na vladno ali fašistično stran, odvzame državljanstvo, dočim demokratski kongresnik McReynolds predlaga triletni zapor.

Sodišče dalo veliko moč Rooseveltu

Korporacije izgubile pravdo

Washington, D. C. — (FP) — Predsednik Združenih držav lahko izvaja diktatorsko oblast na polju zunanjih odnošajev, ne pa v notranjih zadevah. Tako je odločilo federalno vrhovno sodišče, ko je vzdržalo ustavnost embarga za izvoz ameriškega orožja in bojnega materiala, katerega je predsednik Roosevelt razglasil pred dvema letoma, ko sta bili Bolivija in Paragvaj zapleteni v vojni zaradi pokrajine Chaco.

Ta odlok pomeni, da imata predsednik in državni department neomejeno oblast pri reševanju zadev, nanašajoče se na odnošaje med Ameriko in drugimi državami. Provizije v ustavi, ki govorijo, da mora senat odobriti vsako pogodbo predno stopi v veljavo, nimajo nič skupnega z razglasitvijo embarga, ker embargo ni pogodba.

V imenu vrhovnega sodišča je ta odlok podal sodnik Sutherland. "Razglasitev embarga je bila ustavna, ker je jasno, da predsednik in državni department ne moreta čakati na akcijo kongresa, da jima podeli oblast, kadar situacija zahteva hitro rešitev mednarodnih zadev," pravi odlok. "Predsednik ima tudi večjo priliko, da se seznani s položajem, ki prevladuje v zunanjih državah, kakor kongres. To je zlasti resnično v vojnem času."

Zadevo ustavnosti embarga so tirale pred vrhovno sodišče Curtiss-Wright Export Corp., Curtiss Airplane & Motors Co. in Barr Shipping Corp. potem, ko so bile obtožene pošiljanja bojnih letal in drugega materiala v Bolivijo in Paragvaj, ki sta bili zapleteni v vojni, s tem pa so kršile Rooseveltovo prepoved o izvozu bojnega materiala.

Mehiška vlada izgnala fašistične agente

Mexico City, 29. dec.—Mehiška vlada je včeraj odredila, da morajo vsi zastopniki fašistične junte v Španiji zapustiti Mehiko v 24 urah. Prizadetih je veliko število Špancev.

Franco pričakuje turističnih dolarjev

Washington. — Kakšne načrte ima fašistični general Franco za rehabilitiranje po civilni vojni razbite Španije v slučaju, da zmaga? Nekemu angleškemu žurnalistu je odgovoril popolnoma resno, ko ga je vprašal, kje bo dobil denar: "Od turistov, ki bodo prišli gledat bojne poljane," je bil Francov odgovor, kakor poroča angleški tednik The Week.

AVTNA UNIJA OKLICALA STAVKO V CLEVELANDU

Fisherjeve tovarne ustavile obrat

7000 DELAVCEV PRIZADETIH

Cleveland, O., 29. dec. — Krajevna unija združenih avtnih delavcev je oklicala "sedečo" stavko v tovarni Fisher Body Co., ki je podružnica korporacije General Motors. Okrog sedem tisoč delavcev je zavojevanih v stavki in kompanija je morala ustaviti obrat.

"Uverjen sem, da bo v prihodnjih 48 urah ustavljen obrat v tovarnah General Motors korporacije," je dejal Louis F. Spisak, predsednik krajevne avtne unije, na masnem shodu stavkarjev. "Vztrajali bomo v tej borbi, dokler ne zmagamo. Naše unije so močne v vseh tovarnah in mednarodna unija nas bo podpirala."

"Sedeča" stavka je najprej izbruhnila v kovinarskem departmentu, nakar se je raztegnila na vse druge oddelke. Spisak je dejal, da organizirani delavci niso hoteli delati, ko so bili informirani, da je kompanija odgodila konferenco s člani unijskega pritožbenega odbora, ki so zahtevali izenačenje mezde po ugotovitvi, da nekateri delavci prejemajo $35 na teden, drugi, ki opravljajo slična dela, pa $50.

Stavkarji so opozorili delavce, ki so prišli popoldne pred tovarno, naj ostanejo zunaj, kar so tudi storili. Zavoje s jestvinami, ki so jih prinesli s seboj, so izročili stavkarjem.

Spisak ni hotel povedati, koliko članov ima unija v tovarnah Fisher Body Co., omenil je le, "da jih je dovolj, da lahko ustavijo obrat v vseh tovarnah." Dalje je rekel, da se je po telefonu razgovarjal s H. Martinom, predsednikom mednarodne unije in ta ga je zagotovil, da simpatizira s stavkarji.

Lincoln R. Scafe, upravitelj Fisherjevih tovarn, je priznal, da je stavka ustavila obrat, obenem pa je izrekel upanje, da bo spor kmalu poravnan. "Mi nismo niti sanjali, da bo odgoditev konference izzvala stavko," je rekel Scafe. "Slične konference so bile že večkrat odložene, pa ni bilo nobenih neprilik. V istem času sem imel drugo konferenco in ta je bila vzrok, da se nisem sestal z reprezentanti unije."

Parada mornarskih stavkarjev po newyorških ulicah.

Važna zdravniška konferenca

Diskuzija o zatiranju spolnih bolezni

Chicago, 29. dec. — Tu se je pričela konferenca zdravnikov, ginekologov in drugih veščakov, ki je obenem pričetek splošne vojne proti sifilisu in drugim spolnim boleznim. Sklical jo je dr. Thomas Parran, direktor federalnega biroja zdravstvene oskrbe.

Konferenca je prva svoje vrste v Ameriki in bo javno razpravljala o sifilisu in drugih spolnih boleznih. Veščaki bodo govorili tako, da jih bo lahko slišala vsa dežela.

Tristo delegatov, ki zastopajo 32 držav, je prišlo na konferenco. Da ne bodo vse države reprezentirane, je kriva pretirana sramežljivost. Med delegati, ki zastopajo državo Illinois, so dr. Frank Jirka, načelnik zdravstvenega departmenta, Herman N. Bundesen, predsednik čikaškega zdravstvenega odbora in Rachelle S. Yarros, članica Illinoiske lige socialne higijene.

Dr. Parran je dejal, da je glavni namen konference javna diskuzija problema spolnih bolezni. To bo omogočilo sestavo programa glede splošnega pobijanja spolnih bolezni. Nekatere zdravniške organizacije, posamezne grupe in časopisje so že obljubile sodelovanje pri zatiranju spolnih bolezni.

Po podatkih, ki so jih zbrale zdravniške avtoritete, trpi okrog šest milijonov ljudi na sifilisu v tej deželi. William F. Snow, direktor American Hygiene Assn., je dejal, da večino teh ljudi ne zdravijo zdravniki, temveč mazači. Število onih, ki imajo gonorejo in druge spolne bolezni, je nedvomno večje. Vsako leto pobere sifilis najmanj 26,000 oseb, toda število bi bilo večje, ako bi zdravniki v vseh slučajih navedli pravi vzrok smrti. Ako bi bili vsi detajli znani, tedaj bi morda ugotovili, da spolne bolezni povzročijo največ smrti v Ameriki. Jetika uniči veliko življenj, toda število žrtev sifilisa in drugih spolnih bolezni je dvakrat večje. Že to je po mnenju zdravniških avtoritet dokaz o potrebi splošne vojne proti spolnim boleznim, ki se mora pričeti takoj.

Deček ugrabljen; $28,000 odkupnine

Tacoma, Wash., 29. dec.—Pred dvema dnevoma je nekdo ugrabil 10-letnega Charlesa Mattsona, sina bogatega tukajšnjega zdravnika, in pustil noto, v kateri zahteva od očeta $28,000 odkupnine za fanta. Nota se glasi, da denar mora biti v starih in pomečkanih bankovcih do $10. Do danes še ni sledu za ugrabitelji in dečkom.

Domače vesti

Vesti iz Pueblo

Pueblo, Colo. — Tu je umrla Ana Erčul, roj. Terlep. Bila je članica društva 21 SNPJ in tu zapušča moža, sina, dve hčeri, starše, tri brate in dve sestri, v Californiji pa dva brata. Rojena je bila v Ameriki. — Poročila sta se Joe Smith iz Fredericka, Colo., in Margareta Strah, članica SNPJ. Obilo sreče!

Novice iz Salema, O.

Salem, Ohio. — Jennie Hrvatin, mlada članica SNPJ, se je morala na božični dan podvreči težki operaciji. Nahaja se v bolnišnici v Salem City. — Družina Anton Katar je dobila sinčka, kar pomeni, da dobi mladinski oddelek SNPJ novega člana. — Dne 2. januarja se poročita Louis Lakner in Ana Gabrič, članica SNPJ. Ženin je iz Madisona, Ill., kjer se novoporočenca naselita. Obilo sreče!

Nov grob v Penni

Cleveland. — Filip Furlan je prejel žalostno vest, da je v Johnstownu, Pa., umrl njegov bratranec Jernej Šemerl, ki je bil član SNPJ in JSKJ. Zapušča ženo in šest odraslih otrok, v Clevelandu pa sestrično Jožefino Franetič.

Iz Clevelanda

Cleveland. — V bolnišnici je umrl pionir Jos. Kranjc, star 76 let in rojen v Cerknici. V Ameriki je bil 40 let in po poklicu krojač. Zapušča dva sinova in dve hčeri. — Dalje je umrla Josephine Grm, stara 60 let. Zapušča tri sinove in hčer.

POROČEVALCEM DOMAČIH VESTI

Ob koncu leta ponovno prosimo poročevalce, ki nam pošiljajo vesti iz svojih naselbin za to kolono, naj bodo natančni. Kadar poročate, da je kdo umrl, lepo vas prosimo, omenite, koliko je bil star in od kod je bil doma v starem kraju ali v Ameriki. Najmanj stokrat smo to že prosili. Ali je tako težko vprašati, koliko je bil pokojnik star in kje je bil rojen? In to je važno za one, ki čitajo vest.—Uredništvo.

Epidemija influence se spet širi

Zdravstvena oblast svari občinstvo

CHICAGO, 29. dec.—Dr. Herman N. Bundesen, predsednik zdravstvenega odbora za Chicago, je te dni naslovil na občinstvo svarilo pred epidemijo influence in pljučnice, ki se širi po mestu in kakršne že ni bilo od leta 1918. Na stotine slučajev te bolezni je prijavljenih dnevno. Vzrok je toplo, megleno in mokro vreme.

Influenca je nalezljiva bolezen in se najlažje dobi v množicah in gnečah. Držite se proč od množice in gneče! Ne pijte vode ali drugih pijač iz istega kozarca, iz katerega pijejo drugi!

Prvo znamenje influence je vročica in glavobol. Čim to občutite, ostanite doma in pokličite zdravnika. V tem slučaju se čuvajte pljučnice. Bodite na gorkem, jejte le lahke jedi in pijte dosti vode ter oranžnih sokov.

Blokada Španije spet na dnevnem redu

Hitlerjeve torpedovke in sovjetske podmornice na potu v španske vode. Anglija pridobila Mussolinija, da je ustavil letala in moštvo za Španijo? S čim ga je podkupila? Vse kaže, da se Hitler umakne. Španska vlada vrne uplenjeno ladjo, toda ne tovora

London, 29. dec.—Politika evropskih velesil glede Španije se po bliskovo menja vsak dan. Danes poročajo, da imata Anglija in Francija nov načrt za blokado vseh španskih pristanišč z namenom, da se Španija zapre vsakemu uvozu bojnega materiala in prostovoljcev. Pri tej blokadi naj sodelujejo Anglija, Francija, Rusija, Portugalska, Italija in Nemčija. Če se bodo fašistične države obotavljale, tedaj začneta z blokado Anglija in Francija sami.

Druga diplomatična vest se glasi, da je Anglija končno le pridobila Mussolinija na svojo stran. Mussolini je baje že ustavil pošiljanje letal in drugega blaga ter moštva v Španijo in začel je izpraznjevati Baleriške otoke. Kaj je Anglija obljubila Mussoliniju za to koncesijo, če je resnična, je še tajnost.

Na drugi strani poročajo, da je Hitler v velikih škripcih. Ne bi se rad umaknil iz Španije, ali primoran bo to storiti, če bo osamljen, če ga je Mussolini res pustil na cedilu. Hitler je baje sklenil, da večje armade ne bo pošiljal v Španijo, je pa še vedno za to, da odhajajo manjši oddelki, okrog 2000 mož, kot "prostovoljci". Dalje je poslal neko število torpedovk v španske vode.

Medtem je pa prišla vest iz Varšave Daily Mirrorju, da je Sovjetska unija poslala 25 podmornic v španske vode. Podmornice so že na potu.

Španska vlada v Valenciji je na pritisk Francije pristala, da vrne nemški parnik Palos, ki se nahaja v Bilbau, toda ne bojnega tovora na tem parniku. Hitlerjev "ultimatum" se glasi, da morajo Španci vrniti ladjo s tovorom vred v 48 urah.

Madrid, 29. dec. — Madridski brambovci so včeraj izvojevali nove zmage zapadno, severnozapadno in severnovzhodno od Madrida in okupirali so dve postojanki na jugozapadu in severovzhodu. Fašisti so spet metali bombe na mesto in naredili precej škode v dveh ulicah. Fašistični letalci so bombardirali tudi Satander na severnem obrežju Španije in ubili 60 civilistov, večinoma žensk in otrok.

Zakon za sterilizacijo kozarcev v pivnicah

Boston, Mass., 29. dec. — V zbornici države Massachusettsa se pripravlja zakon, ki je prvi te vrste v Ameriki, za obvezno steriliziranje kozarcev, vrčkov in drugega posodja v točilnicah pijač. Zakon določa, da mora biti sleherni kozarec, ko se odrabi in predno se znova natoči drugemu pivcu, steriliziran s tem, da se vtakne za pet minut v vrelo vodo, ki ima najmanj 150 stopinj temperature. Dalje je določeno tudi steriliziranje s kemikalijami, da se prepreči razširjanje bolezni.

Tretja letalska nesreča; 12 mrtvih

Los Angeles, Calif., 29. dec.—Včeraj so našli pogrešano potniško letalo United Airline v hribih 35 milj severovzhodno od Los Angelesa razbito in 12 oseb v njem, osem moških in štiri ženske, mrtvih. To je že tretja letalska nesreča na zapadu Amerike v zadnjih dveh tednih, pri katerih je skupaj 21 oseb izgubilo življenje.

Uradne vesti društev SNPJ

St. Marys, Pa. — Društvo št. 581 SNPJ je sklenilo na seji dne 20. dec., da priredi plesno veselico dne 9. jan. 1937 v dvorani Grange. Pričetek ob 7.30 zvečer. Igral bo Martin Serro in njegov radio orkester, ki se ga sliši s postaje WHJB v Greensburgu. In ker smo tako srečni, da smo ga dobili, zato se vabite vsi člani in članice, da se veselice v velikem številu udeležite. Tako se bomo skupaj malo razveselili v tem zimskem času in pozabili na vsakdanje skrbi. Torej, kdor se želi razvedriti prav po domače, naj ne pozabi priti. Vabijo se vsa sosedna društva in prijatelji iz naselbin James City, Willox, Ridgeway, Warren, Emporium, Smithport, Crosley, Olean in od drugod. Sploh ste vabljeni vsi Slovenci in Hrvati iz bližnje in daljnje okolice. Postrežba bo prvovrstna v vseh ozirih, zakar bo skrbel odbor. Na svidenje 9. jan. na veselici!

Na letni seji našega društva je bil izvoljen sledeči odbor za leto 1937: Jack Mozina, predsednik (on je dobro znan tudi pri drugih društvih), John Roje, podpredsednik, Gabriel Uljan, tajnik, Alois Bon, blagajnik, Matt Turk, predsednik nadzornega odbora. Društveni zdravnik je dr. J. E. Lunder. Seje se vršijo vsako tretjo nedeljo v mesecu ob 2. popoldne.

Na bolniški listi je Ludvik Bon, ki se nahaja v bolnišnici, kjer je srečno prestal operacijo, Michael Bukovac in Mary Bon pa se nahaja v domači oskrbi. Tajnikova mati mrs. Mary Uljan se je poškodovala na glavi, ko se je spodrsnila na ledu. Članstvo želi vsem hitro okrevanje! — Mlada članica Mary Burdick je absolvirala lepotični tečaj in s sestro Ann vodi lepotičji salon.— Članom in članicam ter naročnikom Prosvete želim srečno novo leto!

Gabriel Uljan, tajnik.

Brooklyn, N. Y. — Uradno se pozivate vsi člani društva Bratska Zveza št. 140 SNPJ, da se gotovo udeležite prve seje v letu 1937, katera se bo vršila dne 9. januarja. Na dnevnem redu te seje bo več važnih zadev, katere je treba rešiti. Urediti bo treba vse potrebno za prihodnjo veselico, ki se bo vršila na pustno soboto, dne 6. februarja, v Slovenskem domu. Dalje bo ta seja tudi važna radi delegata za enajsto konvencijo naše jednote. Pred nami bo tudi več drugih važnih stvari.

Obenem naznanjam vsem onim članom, kateri se niso udeležili letne seje dne 12. decembra 1936, da je bil izvoljen za leto 1937 sledeči društveni odbor: Frank Voje, predsednik, F. Gostich, podpredsednik, A. Omerzu, tajnik M. Pesel, J. Lisac, zapisnikar. Nadzorniki B. Derganc, A. Staudohar, M. Delach.

Vsi člani tega društva ste naprošeni, da se bolj pobrigate za napredek svojega društva, da ne bo takega mrtvila kakor je bilo že zadnjih deset let, ali kakor je gl. predsednik zapisal "mrtvo meso", kar seveda velja za vsa društva oziroma člane, ki so neaktivni.

Veselo novo leto vsem skupaj!

Anton Staudohar, tajnik.

Murray, Utah. — Opozarjam člane društva Edinost št. 12, da se bodo vršile naše seje v bodoče v Fraternal Halli, 4940 So. State st., Murray, in sicer na 2. (drugo) nedeljo v mesecu ob 7. uri zvečer. Dvorana je prostorna in bomo lahko tudi zaplesali po seji, toda potrebno je, da se vsi vsak mesec seje udeležimo!

Mike Zugel, tajnik.

Cleveland, O. — Na letni seji društva "Vodnikov venec" št. 147 SNPJ je bilo zaključeno, da se vršijo mesečne seje v letu 1937 kot do sedaj, vsako prvo nedeljo v mesecu ob 9.30 dopoldne v sobi št. 2, novo poslopje SND. Prihodnja seja se torej vrši v nedeljo dopoldne 3. januarja. Podani bodo trimesečni društveni računi in druga poročila.

Ker smo blizu konvencije SNPJ, bomo razpravljali o izboljšanju naših pravil. Kdor ima kako dobro sugestijo k spremembi pravil, je zdaj čas, da jo prinese na sejo.

— Člani in članice, pričnite novo leto pravilno s tem, da pridete na društveno sejo in postanete aktiven član tega društva! Saj je to naša skupna lastnina. Pridite!

Leo Poljsak, tajnik.

Collinwood, Ohio. — Društvo "Vipavski raj" št. 312 SNPJ je izvolilo za leto 1937 sledeče uradnike: Andrej Božič, predsednik, John Strancar, podpredsednik, John Strancar st., tajnik, Krist Marc, blagajnik, Joe Kartel, zapisnikar, predsednik nadz. odbora Alouis Čebron. Zdravniki: dr. Anton Skur, dr. Sieber, dr. Dejak. Seje se vršijo vsak 3. petek v mesecu v Slovenskem domu na Holmes ave.

John Strancar, tajnik.

New Philadelphia, O. — Društvo št. 484 poziva vsa sosedna društva SNPJ, ako nimajo zadostnega števila članov za konvenčnega delegata, da se priglasijo našemu društvu. Podpisani tajnik bo odgovoril na vsa pisma.

Tony Debevec, R.F.D. No. 1, New Philadelphia, Ohio.

E. Palestine, Ohio. — Naznanjam vsem članom društva Slava št. 55, da se bodo seje našega društva vršile pri bratu Jacobu Trobcu na naslovu 543 E. Main st., E. Palestine, da ne bo kakega izgovora, da ni vedel ta ali oni, kje se seje vrše. Želim, da se vsi udeležite prihodnje seje. Srečno in veselo novo leto! Želim, da bi se vsi udeležili vsake seje v letu 1937, da bo boljši uspeh.

Anton Brelih, tajnik.

Canton, Ohio. — Na letni seji društva 315 so bili izvoljeni sledeči odborniki za leto 1937: Preds. Blaz Odar, podpreds. Alfonz Kompara, tajnica Theresa Bochus (509—11th st. N. W.), blag. Mary Frankovich, zapis. Josephina Odar. Zdravnik dr. E. Poalazzi. Nadzorniki: George D. Kostoff, Mike Zugcic in Pete Chufar. Zastopnika federacije SNPJ—Blaž Odar in Alfonz Kompara. Društvene seje vsako tretjo nedeljo v mesecu ob eni popoldne v Bondijevi dvorani, Belden ave. N. E.

Mary Horwath, tajnica.

Willard, Wis. — Društvo 198 je vzelo v pretres borbo, ki jo bijejo španski boritelji za demokracijo celega sveta. Kajti njih borba je tudi naša borba. Ako se španskim delavcem ne posreči ustaviti fašistične poplave, bodo fašisti vsega sveta toliko bolj pospešili podjarmljenje delavcev in farmarjev v ostalih deželah.

Ker smo prepričani, da je fašizem v Evropi zelo jak, smo se odločili, da tudi mi posežemo v obrambo herojstva španskih delavcev. V ta namen je društvo prispevalo $10 iz svoje blagajne in prostovoljni prispevki so prinesli nad $25. S tem pa naša pomoč še ni zaključena, kajti društvo je izvolilo odbor, da bo še nabiral prostovoljne prispevke, društvo št. 198 pa priredi domačo zabavo v ta namen na Silvestrov večer.

Naše društvo uljudno vabi vse prijatelje svobode in demokracije, da se te zabave v največjem številu udeležite. Vabi se tudi bratsko društvo št. 735, da se njih člani številno te zabave udeleže, kajti še nobena prireditev se ni obdržavala v boljši namen kot se bo baš ta!

Na svidenje! Srečno novo leto vsem ljubiteljem demokracije!

Mike Krultz, tajnik.

Sygan, Pa. — Gospodinjski odsek društva št. 6 SNPJ priredi maškeradno veselico na 6. feb. Oddale se bodo nagrade — najlepši in najgrši maski. Imeli bomo dober prigrizek in pijačo ter dobro godbo za stare in mlade. Vabimo vse gospodinjske odseke, vse rojake in rojakinje od blizu in daleč, da se udeležite. Več o tej prireditvi pozneje.

Obenem sporočam vsem članicam našega odseka, katere se niste udeležile letne seje, da smo sklenile na zadnji seji, da bomo dne 24. januarja priredile prosto večerjo za vse članice našega gospodinjskega odseka. Servirala se bo kokošja pečenka in več drugih dobrot. Da bo bolj zabavno, smo sklenile, da naj vsaka pripelje s seboj svojega možička oziroma prijatelja. Brez moške družbe seveda ne moremo biti. Morda nam pa bo Jože tudi zaigral na harmoniko. Nadalje vabimo na večerjo ves odbor društva št. 6 SNPJ. Odbor nam je šel vedno na roko pri naših prireditvah. Naš gospodinjski odsek se vam vsem članom društva SNPJ in članom angleško poslujočega društva Jolly Juniors najiskreneje zahvaljuje za vso pomoč in naklonjenosti. Veselo novo leto!

Julija Kramžar, tajnica.

Lloydell, Pa.—Članstvu društva št. 60 naznanjam, da je bilo sklenjeno na decembrski seji, da se vrše seje od sedaj naprej ob 1. uri popoldne vsako drugo nedeljo v mesecu, ne več ob dveh kakor je bilo dosedaj. Odbor za leto 1937 je stari: Preds. A. Drobnič, podpreds. J. Meden, taj. J. Meden, blag. J. Grbec, zapisnikar J. Arhar, nadz. bolniškega odbora Tomaž Trček. Članstvo je prošeno, da se bolj številno udeležuje društvenih sej.

J. Meden, tajnik.

Los Angeles, Calif. — Članstvu št. 615 SNPJ naznanjam društveni sklep, da bo vsak član kaznovan po pravilih, ako se ne udeleži seje enkrat vsake tri mesece.

Obenem naznanjam, da se je naše društvo združilo z društvoma 462 in 743 v svrho izvolitve delegata. Pridite vsi na sejo dne 17. januarja, kajti to bo vrlo važna seja za vsakega člana, ne samo za tiste, ki hodijo redno na seje.

Frank Hrastar, tajnik.

Ironton, Mich. — Naše društvo št. 197 je sklenilo, da se pošlje čestitka ses. Mary Jug za njene dobre članke v Prosveti in Mladinskem listu, da bo v bodoče bolje pisala.

Marion Korach, tajnik.

Bessemer, Pa. — Sporočam članstvu društva št. 167, da je bil na redni seji 13. decembra izvoljen ves stari odbor in društvo je odglasovalo, da pristopi v federacijo. Društvene seje se bodo sedaj vršile vsaki prvi pondeljek po 15. v mesecu v Hrvatskem domu ob polosmih zvečer. Prihodnja seja bo 18. januarja ob polosmih. Prosim, da se vsi udeležite!

Joseph Glavan, tajnik.

Rices Landing, Pa. — Društvo Slavček št. 501 SNPJ je na svoji letni seji izvolilo sledeči odbor za leto 1937: Preds. Marion Ercegovich, podpreds. Anton Zorich, tajnik Matthew Barich (Box 116, Crucible, Pa.), blag. Mathilda Zorich, zapis. Mike Marusich, preds. nadzornega odbora Robert Pakish, preds. boln. odbora Joseph Frank. Zdravnik dr. Primes. Seje vsako 3. nedeljo v mesecu.

Matthew Barich, tajnik.

Midway, Pa. — Društvo Glas Naroda št. 89 SNPJ priredi veselico na Silvestrov večer. Prične se ob 8. zvečer ter traja do 2. ure zjutraj. Vstopnina za moške 25c in za ženske 15c. To je samo toliko, da se tekoči stroški krijejo. Člani in članice, pridimo na starega leta večer skupaj, da si podamo še enkrat v tem letu roke in da se v veseli družbi še malo pozabavamo, o polnoči pa drug drugemu skupno voščimo bolj srečno novo leto kakor je bilo pretečeno, da nam bi bilo mogoče v vseh ozirih boljše napredovati kakor v pretečenem letu! Vabimo vse mlade in stare iz bližnje in daljne okolice, da se v velikem številu odzovete našemu vabilu ter se udeležite veselice že ob 8. zvečer v dvorani društva Glas Naroda, Midway, Pa.

Naznanjam, da naše društvo priredi še eno veselico dne 30. februarja 1937 ob 8. uri zvečer. Prosim okoliška društva, da ta datum rezervirate za nas ter se naše veselice blagovolite v velikem številu udeležiti! O priliki smo vam pripravljeni poset vrniti.

John Lust st., tajnik.

Milwaukee, Wis. — Društvo Sloga št. 16 SNPJ vabi vse svoje člane na sejo dne 5. jan. v navadnih prostorih. Odbor za leto 1937: Preds. J. Zajec, podpreds. L. Alpner, tajnik F. Perko, blag. F. Bregant, zapis. J. Rozich. Nadzorniki: J. Jenko, F. Primozich, A. Tratnik. Boln. odbor: M. Smole, A. Vidmar in J. Ule.

Člani, udeležujte se bolj pogosto društvenih sej! Dosedaj je bila slaba udeležba na sejah. Začnite takoj s prvim mesecem 1937! Opazilo se je pri članih, ki se ne udeležujejo sej, da v slučaju bolezni nimajo tistega pojma do društva kakor bi ga morali imeti, pravila jim niso znana. Drugič niso aktivni napram društvu in jednoti. Marsikaj bi se lahko naredilo, ako bi se udeleževali društvenih sej, tako pa postane pri članih nekakšno mrtvilo do svojega društva. Tako je tudi s plačilom asesmenta. Ako bi se udeleževali sej, bi lahko plačevali ases. na društveni seji, tako pa šele pred koncem meseca.

Člani, z novim letom začnite plačevati ases. vsaj do 25. v mesecu, da more tajnik odposlati ases. pravočasno na gl. urad. In zapomnite si, da v letu 1937 ne bom pobiral društvenega ases. v soboto in nedeljo iz razloga, ker tajnik mora imeti tudi malo prostosti. Ker vi ne delate v soboto in nedeljo, mislite, da tajnik mora delati. Sploh pa nekateri ne priznajo, da je kakšno delo pri društvu.

Fr. Perko, tajnik.

Joliet, Ill. — Na letni seji društva 189 smo izvolili odbor za leto 1937: Predsednik Frank Hočevar, podpredsednik Steve Stukelj, tajnik Philip Bebar (215 Cora st.), zapisnikar Joseph Matkovich, blagajnik Joseph Gregorash. Predsednik nadzornega odbora Frank Terlep. Zdravnik dr. Joseph Zalar ml.

Na prihodnji seji 3. jan. se bomo malo razveselili. Po seji bomo imeli domačo zabavo s prigrizkom, domače suhe klobase itd. Prosim, da se udeležite seje!

Philip Bebar, tajnik.

St. Marys, Pa. — Dolžnost me veže, da se zahvalim br. F. A. Vidru, tajniku SNPJ, za brezplačno storjeno mi uslugo. Kakor hitro sem se obrnil nanj za pomoč v moji zadevi, je bila stvar v kratkem času v moje zadovoljstvo rešena. Iz tega je razvidno, da so nam naši glavni uradniki vedno pripravljeni pomagati tudi izven uradnih zadev, ako se nanje obrnemo.

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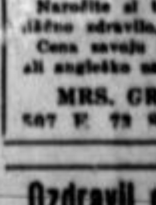

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JOHN KOPLENEK

Umrl je nagle smrti za srčno napako v premogorovu dne 7. dec. 1936. Ob smrti je bil star 49 let, rojen je bil v Novem mestu na Dolenjskem. Bil je član društva št. 36 SNPJ in predsednik društva. Tukaj zapušča žalujočo soprogo, Alvin in Dorothy sin in hči, ter Edward pastorek in Charley Tušek, sin prvega soproga. Hvala članom društva št. 36 in št. 149 SNPJ za udeležbo pri pogrebu, ter Willock Social Assn. Daughters. Mrs. John Belich, mr. in mrs. Chip King, in Jerry, Frances ter Anne. Hvala lepa vsem skupaj in za vse, karkoli ste nam dobrega storili v uri žalosti in vsem, ki ste ga spremili k zadnjemu počitku, lepa hvala. Tebi, dragi soprog in oče, pa želimo, počivaj v miru in lahka naj Ti bode ameriška zemlja. Prvi soprog, Thomas Tušek, je umrl leta 1918 za influenco.

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Priporočila federacije centralnega Illinoisa

Virden, Ill. — Federacija za centralni Illinois priporoča naslednje točke za spremembo pravil SNPJ na prihodnji konvenciji:

1. V mladinski oddelek se naj zniža mesečni prispevek za 5c. Umrljivost tega razreda je nizka, preostanek čedalje večji, če pa hočemo priznati resnico, tega kupičenja ni treba. In to bo povod za pridobivanje mladine pod okrilje SNPJ in s tem se bomo lahko ponašali, da naša jednota da isto smrtnino za najnižji mesečni prispevek.

2. Operacije naj se izplačujejo $75 enakopravno, ne oziraje se koliko let je kdo član. Čemu ta diskriminacija? Trditi, da mladi še niso toliko plačali, je napačno. Če niso oni plačali, smo plačali starejši člani, saj so oni vendar naši potomci.

3. Mladinska društva naj bi spremenila ime. Danes jih kličemo "English speaking lodges of SNPJ." Čemu bi se ne imenovala s praktičnega stališča "Junior Generation Lodges"? Saj vendar sleherni rojak ali tujec ve, da je naša mladina tukaj šolana, da angleško govori, ne da bi to stalno ponavljali.

4. Bolniška podpora naj odpade 3 dni namesto 5 dni. Zadnja konvencija je ostrigla precej globoko bolniško podporo, kar danes vidimo, pregloboko. Tako da po današnjih mesečnih prispevkih v bolniški sklad se lahko izboljša plačevanje podpor v bolezni vsaki teden dni, v težkih slučajih, kot so operacije, pljučnica, legar in revmatizem, pa mesec dni. Tako, da se bi glasilo, da jednota plača cele bolniške podpore za zgoraj imenovane bolezni, namesto 60 dni, 90 dni.

Člen 49. Odškodnina, točka d): Za izgubo obeh rok ali obeh nog, za popolno oslepelost ali za zlomljeni hrbet ali kakšno drugo poškodbo, ko je član priznan absolutno nezmožnim za delo v ostalem življenju, se naj plača $1000, namesto $600.

5. V slučaju zopetnih načrtov gradnje ali nabave potrebščin, če so potrebne ali ne, se mora dati na splošno glasovanje članstvu SNPJ. Če ima članstvo pravico plačati, čemu bi ne imelo pravice odločevati do take vsote, ki gre le v stran, kjer so izdatki v resnici potrebni. To se tiče le vsote nad pet tisoč dolarjev.

6. Člen L, odstavek 3. omenja, da se odpravnina izplačuje iz odškodninskega sklada. To je velika napaka. Član, ko dobi take vrste odpravnino, je za jednoto mrtev. Čemu se bi torej za mrtvim plačala odpravnina iz odškodninskega sklada namesto smrtninskega?

Člen L 11, smrtnina, odstavek 11, se glasi: Za samskim članom, ki je izvršil samomor, se plača le pogrebne stroške do vsote 100 dol., ako je bil član jednote nad leto dni. Ta odstavek ni iskren in kot tak naj se črta iz pravil SNPJ.

7. Federacije SNPJ v današnji obliki imajo malo pomena ali nič. Torej treba jim bo dati novega življenja. Obširnejši delokrog. Vsaka federacija naj bi imela poleg sedanjih še sledeče naloge: 1.) Vsako tako okrožje naj bo posredovalna sredna inštanca med raznimi oddelki glavnega odbora v zadevah finančnih težkoč oziroma na propadlih posojilih članom na domove, v težkočah nesoglasja med društvom in jednoto, raznih delitvah podpor, kakor tudi to, kako preprečiti tožbe proti jednoti. Upamo, da se bi dalo doseči z mirnim potom, treba je le resnega ter vestnega dela. Se razume, da je treba požrtvovanja pri takih aferah, ali treba bo resnih zaključkov, da se to prepreči za vsako ceno. 2.) Vsaka federacija naj ima organizatorja za pridobivanje članov, za organiziranje mlajše generacije v svoja društva in tudi naj bi bil za posredovalca v težkočah in nesporazumih med okrožjem in glavnim uradom. Obenem naj bo zastopnik jednotinih publikacij. Imel naj bi pravico sprejemati primerne oglase. In kot takega naj bi izvolila federacija s primerno začasno ali stalno plačo, ki naj bi jo prejemal iz upravnega sklada SNPJ. Prav gotovo pride čas prej ali slej, ko bo članstvo prišlo do prepričanja, da ogromna delegacija po današnji obliki ni koristna za SNPJ, in med tem bo zopet federacija po okrožjih poklicana vršiti delo v tem, da si bodo volili delegate skupno po okrožjih, na 200 ali 300 članov enega delegata. Če bo delegacija prihodnje konvencije SNPJ imela pred seboj probleme, kritične čase mezdnega delavca, si v bodoče mogoče osvoji nekaj sličnega za volitev delegata za drugo konvencijo, za kar smo prepričani, da bo umestno za članstvo in SNPJ.

Resolucije, sprejete pri naši federaciji za centralni Illinois, so bile priobčene v Prosveti št. 104 in 149. Glede spremembe certifikatov in posojila za amendment in za sprejetje pasivnih in tudi črtanih članov in tudi za združenje slovenskih podpornih organizacij želi naša federacija, da članstvo SNPJ resno pretrese in razpravlja na sejah vse te važne probleme, kar bo v korist vsem članom SNPJ.

Federacijski odbor za spremembo pravil in dodatkov, sprejetih na seji federacije dne 11. okt. v St. Louisu: Mo.

John Homez, Louis Mahkovec, John Vidmar, John Rogel, John Spiler.—Louis Mahkovtz, predsednik, **Frank Ilersich,** tajnik, **John Rugel,** blagajnik.

Pojasnilo radi zakasnitve. — S priobčitvijo poročila o sklepih federacije društev za centralni Illinois, ki jih je sprejela na svoji zadnji seji, se je precej zakasnilo, to pa iz vzroka, ker so bile navedene tudi nekatere reči, ki nimajo resnične podlage in radi katerih je bilo potrebno uvesti preiskavo, o čemer je bilo tajništvo federacije tudi pravočasno obveščeno. Ker pa se je ta stvar skoro že preveč zavlekla, preiskava pa še zdaj ni končana, smo se odločili, da priobčimo v današnji številki Prosvete vse, razen tistega dela poročila, ki ne odgovarja dejstvom in katero bi napravilo v javnosti škodljiv učinek, če bi bilo priobčeno kot poslano in brez potrebnega komentarja. Prizadeti naj nam zato ne zamerijo, kajti pri nobeni organizaciji se vedoma ne priobčajo reči, s katerimi bi sama sebi škodovala in se tudi pri nas ne smejo, pa naj jih spiše ali pošlje v priobčitev kdorkoli hoče.

Vincent Cainkar, gl. preds.

Glasovi iz naselbin

Nekaj iz preteklosti

Detroit, Mich. — Delavstvo se je po zadnjih predsedniških volitvah v Detroitu pričelo precej živahno gibbati in si išče svojih pravic, katere so bile v Detroitu gažene od industrijskih magnatov bolj ko kje drugje. Zdi se mi, da se precej zanašajo na Roosevelta, da jim bo stal na strani.

Roosevelt je res v svoji kampanji obljubil, da bo storil to in ono v prid delavcev in farmarjev. Ampak republikanci in demokrati vedno obljubujejo in ko pridejo v sedlo, pa vse pozabijo. Ne rečem, da ni Roosevelt bolj demokratičen kot Hoover, Wilson, Coolidge in več drugih, ter da bi rad gnile razmere izboljšal. Ampak imejmo pred očmi, da deželo vladajo kapitalisti in industrijski magnatje, in predsedniki kapitalističnih strank morajo plesati po muziki magnatov in kapitalistov. Kajti v kongresu in senatu tudi sedijo reprezentantje magnatov, ne delavcev! Dokler se ne bo delavstvo zdramilo in poslalo v postavodajo svoje delavske kandidate, toliko časa se bo moralo delavstvo boriti za košček kruha, in jih dobivati s količkom po glavi.

Tudi v svoji organizaciji (uniji) mora delavstvo gledati, koga izvoli svojim voditeljem. Predsednik ADF in drugi uradniki pri isti so starokopitneži, in še zmiraj se drže taktike, da mora imeti pri tej organizaciji vsaka stroka svojo unijo. Namreč kondukterji svojo, inženirji svojo, zavirači svojo itd. Kaj je gnalo Johna Lewisa, da je pričel organizirati industrijsko unijo, ve le on sam. Delo organiziranja industrijske unije je hvalevredno in priporočljivo. Ampak kdo naj zaupa Lewisu? Kaj je naredil z illinoiskimi rudarji, kaj je naredil z kansaškim distriktom, kateri je bil stoodstotno organiziran in vzor vsem drugim distriktom UMWA?

Ko smo se borili proti kansaškemu industrijskemu sodišču, katerega je skoval governer Allen na željo premogovnih magnatov, nas je John Lewis udaril od zadaj, mesto da nam bi priskočil na pomoč. Rudarji z našim vzor-voditeljem Howatom smo vseeno vztrajali in končno dosegli, da je bil tisti zakon razveljavljen. Ampak bile so žrtve, katerih bi ne bilo, ako bi gl. preds. Lewis ne držal z governerjem in premogovnimi magnati. Ker magnatje niso mogli dobiti skebov, jim je governer poslal vseučiliščne in druge študente za kopanje premoga. In res jih je prišlo par sto. Poraždelili so jih po odprtih jamah, premoga pa niso nakopali niti toliko, da bi ga imelo mesto Pittsburg za svojo porabo. Governer je poslal v majnarsko okrožje agitatorje, da bi nas spravili na delo. Prišel je governer sam nas nagovarjat, naj se vrnemo v premogorove. Našega vzor-vodjo Howata so večkrat zaprli, ampak vse ni nič pomagalo. Nato nas je Lewis vse (ves distrikt) suspendiral, nam odvzel čarter ter poslal Van Bittnerja in par drugih svojih "stulpižnov", kateri so organizirali novi distrikt in naredili pogodbo s premogovnimi magnati, da isti lahko vzamejo nazaj na delo samo tiste štrajkarje, katere oni (magnatje) hočejo.

Več rudarjev ni dobilo dela v jamah, v katerih so poprej delali, in med temi sem bil tudi jaz. Kdo ve, koliko tisočakov je dobil Lewis od premogarskih magnatov? Znano mi je, da so enkrat magnatje premogorovov v Kansas Cityju ponujali A. Howatu, našemu distriktnemu predsedniku, štirideset tisoč dolarjev, novi avtomobil, brezplačno vožnjo po železnici, kadar jo bo potreboval, ter stroške hotelov, a ko opusti predsedništvo distriktne unije ter gre delati za nje. On jim je pa odgovoril: "I don't want the money that you squeeze out of the sweat of miners". Takšnih voditeljev je treba pri A. D. F., U. M. W. of A. in drugih delavskih organizacijah. Proč z vodji starokopitnežev in reakcionarjev a la Woll in drugimi.

Yes, v organizaciji je moč, ako je članstvo složno ter da si izvoli izmed svoje srede takšne voditelje kot je Alex Howat, katerim je pri srcu delavec-trpin in se ne puste prodati za judeževe groše. Složnosti je treba tudi pri podpornih, kulturnih in drugih takih organizacijah, ako hočemo, da iste napredujejo.

Kakor znano, smo si tukajšnji Slovenci kupili poslopje na eastside v Detroitu, katero nam služi za shajališče. V njem imajo društva svoje seje, pevski zbori svoje vaje brezplačno, kakor tudi brezplačna predavanja v delavskem smislu. V njem se človek počuti kot doma v svojem stanovanju. In ako bomo delali za dom složno vsi skupaj, nam je napredek zagotovljen. Na starega leta zvečer priredi dom domačo zabavo z malim, lepim programom. Videli boste živo sliko, ko bo staro leto kislo odšlo ter se umaknilo novemu. Par naših malčkov bo deklamiralo in pelo. Nastopil bo tudi pevski zbor Svoboda. Gosp. odbor preskrbi kratsen predmet, in kdor bo srečen, da dobi, bo zelo vesel. Preskrbljeno bo, da se bomo lahko zabavali vso noč. Ker je vstop prost, pričakujemo, da se vsi udeležite!

L. Junko st., 121.

O delovanju Cankarjeve ustanove

Cleveland, O. — Čas je, da se zopet malo pomenimo o Cankarjevi ustanovi in njenem delovanju. Na prvi direktorski seji se je konstituiral odbor, ki bo vodil ustanovo do prihodnjega občnega zbora. Ali bomo uspešno izvršili svojo nalogo, to je, da zgradimo začrtanemu leposlovnemu mesečniku močan fundament? Trdno sem prepričan, da bomo!

Ne vem, kako se je zgodilo, ali zgodilo se je, da se je napreden element, delavski element spravil med seboj, seveda, kar se tiče sodelovanja pri graditvi napredne delavske revije, ter se organiziral v nekak koalicijski blok . Da, odbor Cankarjeve ustanove je naravnost idealen, poln navdušenja za skupno delovanje na prosvetnem polju.

Že na obeh prireditvah Cankarjeve ustanove se je opazilo, da je pripravljena stati za Cankarjevo ustanovo splošna napredna struja. Kamorkoli sem se ozrl, sem videl obraze, osebe, ki so si bile v preteklosti često v laseh radi "taktike", ali kaj podobnega, toda končno so vsi v naprednih delavskih vrstah in sedaj so pripravljeni pokazati reakciji, da smo složni vsaj od časa do časa, vsaj tedaj, kadar gre za tako važno kulturno akcijo, kakor je ustanovljenje leposlovne delavske revije.

V preteklosti je naš narod veliko gradil, veliko žrtvoval, saj je moral graditi, zidati vsako stvar od kraja, toda to pionirsko delo je bilo več ali manj v zvezi z materialno stranjo življenja, kar je seveda popolnoma razumljivo. Človek mora najprej poskrbeti za svoj obstoj, človek si mora zasigurati vsaj malo varnosti v primeru, da zboli itd. Narod je zgradil močne podporne organizacije, ki so obenem tudi kulturne organizacije, toda kljub temu izdamo še vse premalo za izobrazbo, vse premalo cenimo znanje, posvečamo vse premalo pažnje duševnemu življenju. Ali bomo vedno tako nedovzetni za izobrazbo? Ne, ne bomo, vsaj tako kažejo vsa znamenja, posebno če pogledamo, kako velikodušno so pozdravila naša napredna društva akcijo Cankarjeve ustanove. Kakor ste lahko videli iz časopisja, so skoro vsa napredna društva v Clevelandu včlanjena v Cankarjevi ustanovi, toda to še ni dovolj. Tudi posamezniki se morajo odzvati našemu apelu! Če so klerikalci postavili že tri spomenike, potem bi bila za nas sramota, če ne bi mogli financirati nekaj od česar bomo imeli več koristi kakor od spomenikov!

Kdaj bo pričela izhajati revija? Nekateri, ki so se naročili na njo, postajajo že nestrpni. Prvotno smo obljubili, da bo izšla prva številka že z novim letom, toda človek se pri takih stvareh često uračuna, s tem pa ni rečeno, da nismo uspešni z našo akcijo. Do danes smo že skupaj zbrali **dva tisoč dolarjev**, kar je za ta kratek čas zelo lepa vsota! Lahko se bi pričela izdajati revija že s tem denarjem, toda na občnem zboru smo trdno sklenili, da ne smemo biti lahkomišljeni, ampak da moramo na vsak način zbrati pet tisoč dolarjev, predno začnemo. Ta sklep je na mestu, ta sklep je bil absolutno potreben, če hočemo imeti res revijo, ki jo bodo naši ljudje z veseljem čitali in iz nje res zajemali duševno hrano. Bolje je, da nimamo ničesar, kakor pa slabo revijo!

Torej, revija ne bo še izšla, toda upati je, da ne bo vzelo preveč dolgo časa, kajti kampanja za naročniki se je šele dobro pričela.

Nekateri, bolje rečeno, veliko jih je, ki pravijo, da se bodo naročili na "Cankarjev glasnik", kakor hitro bo izšel. Lepo je, da se bodo naročili, še lepše pa bi bilo, da se bi takoj naročili, kajti posamezniku je nazadnje vseeno, če plača tri dolarje danes ali pa čez tri mesece, medtem ko je za Cankarjevo ustanovo zelo važno, da se naprej plača denar in s tem pripomore, da čim prej dosežemo svoj cilj.

Na delu za revijo so se dosedaj najbolj izkazali Collinwoodčani in Euclidčani. Čast komur čast! To velja posebno za "Sveto hišo kralja Davida", ki je v kratkem času pridobila nad sto dolarjev za Cankarjevo ustanovo. Posnemajmo jih! Kaj pa naši St. Clairčani? Če bo "St. Clair" tako počasen, se lahko zgodi, da bodo rekli Collinwoodčani in Euclidčani, da centrala Cankarjeve ustanove pripada njim, ne St. Clairčanom . . .

In naselbine izven clevelandskega okrožja in države Ohio? Revija ne bo lokalnega, clevelandskega pomena, ampak univerzalnega, enako pomembna za vse ameriške Slovence. Dosedaj še nismo dobili veliko naročnin in ustanovnih članov od drugje, vendar pa smo prepričani, da se bodo odzvale tudi druge naselbine.

Predno končam, rečem še tole: Zastopniki za "Cankarjev glasnik", potrudite se, pojdite na delo, ne odlašajte, kujte železo, dokler je vroče!

Še nekaj: Klerikalni "križarji" z vsakim dnevom bolj rogovilijo in napadajo našo akcijo. Njihova nesramnost nima meje. Prišli smo že tako daleč, kakor hitro odpremo usta in zavijemo na svojo pot, se nad nas zaderejo, kakor da smo kakšne lutke,, ter nam z inkvizitorsko maniro obljubljajo batine. Pokažimo jim, da nam je tega že preveč in se konsolidirajmo v močno grupo pod okriljem Cankarjeve ustanove!

Milan Medveshek, tajnik C. U.

Pravila in bolniška podpora

Gary, Ind. — Volitve delegatov so takorekoč že pred durmi in konvencija se bo vršila v maju, razprava o pravilih pa mrtva, zato se mi zdi, da je članstvo na splošno zadovoljno s sedanjimi pravili.

Na društvenih sejah je dosti kritike proti jednoti, ker pravijo, da dajemo najmanjšo podporo napram drugim jugoslovanskim organizacijam. Omeniti pa moram, da imamo nižje prispevke kakor druge organizacije. Ker se je vršila prošla konvencija v največji krizi in brezposelnosti v zgodovini Združenih držav, zato ni zameriti delegatom, ker so bili skromni z bolniško podporo in dolgoletnimi člani, ki so prispevali zadnjih 30 let. Če dobro pregledamo sedanja pravila, je resnica, kakor se je izrazil dobrostoječi član glede pridobivanja novih članov. Njegovo mnenje odobravam, ker sem vedno agitiral za SNPJ in ji pridobil mnogo članov, a danes nimam kaj pokazati, posebno pa ne mladini, da se jo pridobi v društvo.

Opozarjam odbor za provizorična pravila, da so problemi resni, kajti članstvo živi v raznih industrijskih naselbinah, kjer danes na splošno ni potrebno podporno društvo, ker nas grupni inšuranc prekaša s tako nizkimi mesečnimi prispevki, da jih mi ne bi mogli dati. Za mladino gojijo sport in izdajajo magazine. Ker je Gary ena največjih naselbin jeklarskega trusta in so v obratu vsi plavži na takozvanem "open hearth" ter ljudstvo na splošno dela, je v očigled podanim dejstvom nemogoče pridobiti nove člane v društvo. Kot gori omenjeno, nas prekašajo. $2000 za $1.20 nam ni mogoče dati, ali za $2 bolniške podpore mesečno $1.

To so problemi, na katere opozarjam odbor za provizorična pravila in delegate. Vlada oziroma kongres, ki se snide v teh dneh (4. jan.), ima razne načrte glede onemoglosti, starosti in brezposelnosti. Gotovo bo prišlo do tega, da se bodo sprejeli zakoni in potem bodo društva nepotrebna posebno za mladino. O bolniški podpori bom povedal svoje mnenje prihodnjič.

Andy Unetich, 271.

Glavna seja SND

Pittsburgh, Pa. — Glavna seja SND se bo vršila v nedeljo 3. januarja ob 2. popoldne, na katero se vabijo vsi člani in članice. Rešiti moramo več važnih zadev in izvoliti odbor za prihodnje leto. Dolžnost vsakega zavednega člana je, da se udeleži, kajti naš Dom je delavsko podjetje, v katerem se širijo delavske ideje. Kdor se tega zaveda, se bo gotovo udeležil letne seje. Dom je naše edino središče in zavetišče, v katerem lahko zborujejo naše delavske organizacije. V njem se vršijo razne prireditve, seje, shodi in druge prireditve, kar edino prinaša dohodke.

Zahvaliti se moramo zboru Prešeren in gospodinjskemu klubu za sodelovanje. Ta dva odseka sta nam bila vedno na razpolago pri vseh prireditvah in za dober ugled SNPJ in naselbine. Le potom složnega dela lahko napredujemo. Zato pa pridite vsi na letno sejo SND in delujte za napredek. Izvolite uradnike, v katere boste imeli zaupanje! Edino na ta način moremo pričakovati boljših uspehov.

Paul Klun, predsednik.

Veselica "Naprednih Slovenk"

Cleveland, O. — Leto 1936 je šlo v pozabljenost. Z veseljem lahko poročam, da je bilo to leto za društvo št. 137 SNPJ prav uspešno. V nobenem oziru nismo nazadovale. Napredovale smo v članstvu in opomogle smo si z društveno blagajno. Nihče pri društvu pa ni bolj vesel takih uspehov kot jih je tajnica. V velikih slučajih se uradniki bolj brigajo za dobrobit društva nego za svoj lastni.

Več let ni bilo pri društvenem odboru nobene spremembe. Letos nam je pa dala slovo naša blagajničarka, ustanoviteljica, ki se je odpovedala službi radi rahlega zdravja. Drugo spremembo je pa storila računska nadzornica ses. Anna Ažman. Obe sta se hoteli odpovedati že lani, a smo ju še za enkrat preprosile. Slednja je dala za vzrok prezaposlenost doma. Obema se je bralo na obrazu, da nas nista zlahka zapustili, kajti bilo jima je društvo pri srcu, toda tehtni vzroki zmagajo tudi najboljšo voljo.

Zato smo mogle nadomestiti blagajničarko v osebi Mary Golobove, ki obeta biti jako zanesljiva in aktivna odbornica. Sestro Ažman bo pa nadomestovala živahna in zmožna Anna Čebulj. Upajmo, da bodo starejše članice vseeno zahajale na seje in dajale dober vzgled mlajšim. Ni lepšega, kot če se odbor in članstvo dobro razumejo, da vlada med vsemi lepa harmonija. To se opaža pri našem društvu že precej let. Veliko članic imamo, ki so zmožne marsičesa in bi bile v mnogih slučajih koristne, pa edina napaka, da se ne spustijo v aktivnost, je, ker so boječe. Izkušnje učijo človeka in ga izpopolnjujejo, zato se ni treba nobeni bati, če je začetnica.

Priporočljivo bi bilo, da bi z novim letom napravile resolucijo, ki bi vsebovala to-le besedilo: Od danes naprej se hočem udeleževati vseh društvenih sej, veselic in zabav. Če to razvedri moje sočlanice, bo gotovo tudi mene. To naj drži!

Jenny Drobnič, ki je prekorakala zadnji teden svojo 50-letnico, nam je povedala tako: "Nisem več tako pri trdnem zdravju, ampak povem vam, da za noben denar ne zamudim nobene društvene aktivnosti. Saj to je edini kraj, kjer se razvedrim po svoji mili volji. Poznam vse članice, one pa poznajo mene, pa je toliko domače in neprisiljene zabave, da je veselje. Vesne, od sedaj naprej šteje pri meni vsaka minuta." Če bi se polovica članic tako počutila, pa bi že nekaj zaleglo.

Društvo vam daje priliko uresniči gornjo resolucijo že drugi dan novega leta, v soboto, ko bomo priredile 'Bank Night Dance'. Ta večer bodo oddane tri nagrade, po pet dolarjev vsaka. Pripravljena bo kokošja večerja samo po 50c. Poleg tega bomo postregle še z drugimi dobrotami. Ta januarska veselica je bila vedno naš največji uspeh v letu. Svetujem članicam, da se v resnici vse udeležijo prireditve, ker obvezane bodo, po sklepu društva, plačati 30c v društveno blagajno, če se udeležijo ali ne. Zakaj ne bi izkoristile lepo priliko?

V velikem avditoriju Slov. nar. doma bo igrala Jankovičeva godba, a večerja se bo servirala v prizidku. Prav prijazno ste vabljeni tudi vsi prijatelji "Naprednih Slovenk", da prebijete večer 2. januarja med nami. Obenem želim vsem skupaj prav veselo in zadovoljno novo leto!

Antoinette Simcic, tajnica.

Veselica v pomoč španskim delavcem

Piney Fork, O. — Dne 20. decembra t. l. so se zbrali zavedni jugoslovanski delavci v prostorih gostilne "pri Španjolu". Nad vratmi ima napis "Roosevelt Manuel Building." Zbrali so se z namenom, kako bi pomagali španski ljudski vladi, ki se bori za svoje življenje proti krvoločnemu fašizmu. Povabili so tudi mene in vabilu sem se drage volje odzval.

Na tem sestanku je bilo sklenjeno, da priredimo v pomoč španskim delavcem dne 9. januarja zvečer plesno veselico v prostorih omenjene gostilne. Vstopnina za moške 35c, za ženske 25c. Omenjeni gostilničar se je namreč rodil na Španskem. Poleg gostilne ima trgovino z mešanim blagom. On bo doniral prostore, posodo in drugo popolnoma brezplačno. Nadalje bo on preskrbel dobro godbo, pijačo, jestvine itd. Zvečer, po veselici se bo preštel ves dohodek in 25% od vsega skupička bo dal v sklad za borilce španske demokracije. Torej ves dobiček od te prireditve bo šel v pomoč španskim brambovcem.

Ker se je v vzhodnem Ohiu premogarska produkcija nekoliko izboljšala in s njo splošne razmere, zato vabi naš pripravljalni odbor vse prebivalstvo te okolice, da se udeleži. Nabavite si vstopnice pri zastopnikih, kajti tu gre za pomoč dobri stvari, da se nabavijo živila in zdravniške potrebščine za španske borilce. Pomnimo, da njihova zmaga je tudi naša zmaga! Njihov poraz je tudi naš poraz! Zmaga fašizma pomeni, da bo špansko ljudstvo potisnjeno daleč nazaj v barbarizem, ko bo fašistični bič padal po delavskih in kmetskih hrbtiščih.

Zavedno delavstvo vsega sveta ima oči odprte in s strahom gleda, kako krvoločni katoliški general Franco neusmiljeno mori nedolžne španske otroke, žene in neoboroženo prebivalstvo. Ruši in požiga španske vasi, trge in mesta. In ta katoliški general se je sam izrazil, ko pride v Madrid, da bo najprej šel v cerkev zahvalit se Bogu. Zahvalil se bo Bogu zato, ker je papež v Rimu blagoslavil njegovo krvavo delo, tisti papež, ki je namestnik Krista, pa blagoslavlja Francovo barbarsko delo! Ali je Kristu tako učil? Odgovorite na to slovenski kutarji v Lemontu, ki pomagate, da se Petrova skala ruši! Toda čim prej se zruši, toliko prej bo ljudstvo spregledalo — in vas je strah!

Nace Zlemberger.

Seja in veselica

Verona, Pa. — Narodni dom priredi zabavo v soboto 2. januarja v svojih prostorih na 312 Arch st. v korist domove blagajne. Vstopnina 25c za moške in ženske. Za ples bo igral Serrov orkester.

Vsi člani Narodnega doma se vabijo na letno sejo, ki se bo vršila dne 3. jan. Podana bodo poročila o poslovanju leta 1936. Pridite, da slišite! Poleg tega je treba rešiti važne zadeve v korist doma. Na svidenje na letni seji!

P. Belin, tajnik.

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Naprej in navzgor!

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Na pragu novega leta smo in ljudje so poplavljeni z voščili sreče v novem letu. Ljudje si izmenjavajo to voščilo, to lepo željo, že tisočletja tako enostavno in tako avtomatično kakor vsakdanje "dobro jutro" ali "lahko noč." Stara navada, stara misel, stare besede. Kaj naj to pomeni — kaj naj pride, da bodo ljudje srečni po 1. januarju, vsi ljudje, milijoni posameznikov, ki imajo vsak svoj in menda drugačen pojem o človeški sreči! — ne ve nihče, nihče ne pomisli in nihče ne odgovarja.

To je pač tako! — In kaj je sreča? Beseda! Takih nejasnih in poetičnih besed je dosti. Če se poglobimo v to besedo, vidimo v njej neskončno zapletenost, neskončno kontradikcijo. Nič ni tako relativnega, tako odvisnega od razmer posameznika, kakor je pojmovanje sreče. Moja sreča je lahko tvoja nesreča — in tvoja nesreča je lahko moja sreča! Pa si razloži to!

Najbližja sreči je zadovoljnost, a tudi za to nimamo objektivnega merila. Vsak je po svoje zadovoljen; vsakdo je zadovoljen le moment, kajti iz vsake zadovoljnosti se poraja nezadovoljnost. Človek, ki ni idiot, je kaj kmalu nezadovoljen s svojo zadovoljnostjo — nesrečen je, ko misli, da je srečen. Kako pa veš, da si zadovoljen, če ne poznaš nezadovoljnosti? Kako izveš za srečo, če ne vidiš nesreče pri drugih?

To in slično besedičenje se lahko reducira na zaključek: predstava zadovoljnosti in sreče zavisi od miselnega ali idejnega statusa (Američani pravijo temu "state of mind") posameznika in organizacije, h kateri posameznik pripada. Miselni status je le odsev obstoječih materialnih razmer, življenjskih razmer. Ker pa nimajo vsi ljudje enakih materialnih razmer, ker so v človeški družbi že od nekdaj ekonomska in socialna nasprotja, nujno sledi, da je med ljudmi toliko miselnih predstav, pojmovanj o zadovoljnosti in sreči kolikor je na svetu ekonomskih in socialnih plasti, razredov in kontradikcij. Edino idiot ali bebec, ki nima sposobnosti za razmišljanje, lahko uživa tisto idealno zadovoljnost, ki jo opevajo idealisti!

Mi, zavedni, svobodomiselni delavci, vemo, kaj hočemo, zato pa nismo zadovoljni, niti srečni, dokler ne dobimo tega, kar hočemo. To je kajpada relativno rečeno, kajti absolutne sreče ni nikjer, niti je ne more biti, dokler se človek razvija, dokler si nabira novega znanja in dokler si neprestano izboljšuje svoje življenje. Kadar dobimo to, kar zdaj hočemo, bomo pa hoteli nekaj boljšega — korak za korakom naprej in navzgor!

Lahko smo do neke meje že danes zadovoljni in srečni, da vemo, kaj hočemo, in ta naša zadovoljnost in sreča je toliko večja čim bolj prodirajo naše ideje socialne pravičnosti in svobodne misli med naše delavsko ljudstvo.

Naš program, naše smernice, sloneče na gornjih idejah, ki so tudi kulturne smernice SNPJ, niso nič novega, vendar je potrebno, da jih ob kratkem ponovimo:

Izobrazba! Mi hočemo, da bodo naši delavci izobraženi v smislu socialne pravičnosti in svobodne misli. To je fundamentalna potreba za vsak smotreni napredek. Brez izobrazbe ni nič. Delavci, ki hočejo odpraviti ekonomsko izkoriščanje in postati ekonomsko svobodni, morajo biti prej izšolani za to delo. Nova, kolektivistična družba mora biti boljša ko kapitalistična in zato bo zahtevala več znanja od delavcev. Delavec, ki hoče izpremeniti ekonomski sistem, mora prej izpremeniti svoje mišljenje.

Poln želodec je potreben za eksistenco, toda samo za eksistenco. Za napredek človeške eksistence je potrebna polna glava! Na svetu so bili in so še ljudje, ki so tudi s praznim želodcem veliko storili za napredek delovnega človeštva, dočim niso ljudje s prazno glavo, čeprav so imeli natrpan želodec, nikdar še prispevali ničesar dobrega. Od ljudi s prazno glavo dobiš le gnoj. Zaradi tega je za nas polna glava veliko bolj važna kakor pa poln želodec.

Naša napredna izobrazba pomeni korakanje naprej in navzgor. To je edina pot, ki vodi do tiste svobode, sigurnosti in zadovoljnosti, ki je mogoča. Vse drugo je prevara, uspavanje in smrt.

Naše novoletno voščilo vsem našim somišljenikom torej je: Naprej in navzgor! Ne stojmo na mestu! Kažimo našim bratom pot, katera zares vodi do tiste človeške sreče, ki je zares mogoča v življenju človeka!

Glasovi iz naselbin

Naš rezervni sklad

Cleveland, O. — Pred članstvom podpornih organizacij se od časa do časa, posebno pa pred konvencijami, pojavi živahna diskuzija o raznih vprašanjih, katera zahtevajo rešitve. Pravilna ali napačna rešitev teh vprašanj je v precejšnji meri odvisna od članstva samega, kajti članstvo samo potom svojih zastopnikov daje smernice svoji organizaciji. Le informirano in inteligentno članstvo je v stanju poiskati pravilno rešitev svojim problemom.

Ti problemi so različni. Bolniška podpora, operacije, smrtnine, zavetišče, dnevnik Prosveta in investicije so nekatera teh vprašanj, katera sem pa tja postanejo predmet naših debat. Te debate so včasi mirne, resne in stvarne, a pogosto se tudi zgodi, da postanejo brezplodne, ako ne naravnost smešne. Tudi se včasih zgodi, da se v debatah pozabi namen in cilj, in se debate spremenijo v kvaren osebni boj. Osebnih bojev se moramo vedno in povsod izogibati.

Izmed vseh več ali manj važnih problemov, kateri so med nami, je problem investiranja našega rezervnega sklada najvažnejši. Leto za letom se stekajo dolarji našega članstva v ta sklad v pričakovanju, da v slučaju smrti zavarovanca dobijo njihovi dediči — vdove in sirote — prvo finančno pomoč. Ta rezervni sklad je prav za prav glavna vez, katera drži članstvo skupaj, in varnost tega sklada je edina garancija, da bodo vse naše obligacije plačane.

Toda udeležiti se te debate o investicijah in financah, je precej težak posel za povprečnega člana. Vsak član nam lahko pove, zakaj je za ali proti temu, da se za prvih 5 dni ne plača bolniška podpora. Vsak član nam lahko pove svoje mnenje o potrebi zavetišča. Vsak član nam lahko poda svoje argumente zakaj naj Prosveta izhaja 6 dni na teden namesto 5, kakor se to vrši sedaj. Toda kakor hitro preidemo na polje financ in investicij, naletimo na nekakšno tujo terminologijo. Besede kakor na primer: first mortgage bond, water revenue bond, public utility bond, municipals, yield, maturity, refunding in tucate drugih takih besed, imajo vsaka svoj poseben in važen pomen, toda marsikomu izmed nas so te besede španska vas. Sicer večina naših rojakov čita tudi ameriške časopise, toda "financial page" zanjo nima posebne privlačnosti. Iz vsega tega sledi, da je povprečnemu članu jako težko podati svoje mnenje o teh stvareh. Toda nekaj jih je vseeno, in od teh je v precejšnji meri odvisno, da bodo naše investicije dobičkonosne in da bo naša jednota zmožna uspešno konkurirati drugim podpornim organizacijah in zavarovalnim družbam.

Zgoraj sem rabil izraz "konkurirati" namenoma. Časi, ko so ljudje pristopali v našo jednoto zavoljo principov in takih podobnih stvari, so že daleč za nami. Let's not fool ourselves. Ljudje danes vprašujejo: koliko bom plačeval in kaj bom prejemal. Ako hočemo uspešno konkurirati, tedaj je potrebno, da naši asesmenti niso višji od naših konkurentov.

To je važno vprašanje. Vzemimo naše premoženje. Njegova vrednost je 7 milijonov. To premoženje je naloženo v raznih investicijah, katere nam prinašajo različne obresti. Ako nam to naše premoženje prinaša 4% obresti, potem so naši dohodki iz tega vira $280,000 na leto. Ako pa nam to naše premoženje prinaša samo 3% obresti, potem so naši dohodki iz tega vira samo $210,000 na leto. Tukaj je razlika v dohodkih za $70,000 vsako leto, torej približno $2.00 ali pa 18 centov na vsakega člana vsak mesec. Izplačevanje naše smrtnine in plačevanje naših asesmentov temelji na 4% obresti od naših investicij vsako leto. Ako padejo naši dohodki iz tega vira na 3%, potem to pomeni višji asesment za naše člane v bližnji bodočnosti.

Te vrstice sem napisal kot uvod k razpravi o naših investicijah. Zdelo se mi je potrebno namreč, da imamo pred seboj jasno sliko našega položaja. Debata o problemih, kateri pridejo na našo prihodnjo konvencijo, je bila pred kratkim odprta. Prvi članek o teh vprašanjih je spisal brat Jurca iz Detroita in je bil priobčen v Prosveti pred nekaj tedni. V svojem dopisu nas je namreč opozoril na neko novo korporacijo detroitskih Slovencev, v katero nas je skušal zainteresirati. Investicije v delnicah in bondih novih korporacij so seveda nelegalne za podporne organizacije. Dobro bi bilo, da se člani, kateri bodo pisali o teh stvareh, najprej poučijo, kaj smemo in kaj ne smemo. Drugače je škoda tinte in papirja. Svoje mnenje o tej stvari bom podal v Prosveti od časa do časa. Čutim, da me kot predsednika gospodarskega odbora veže dolžnost, da to storim.

Matt Petrovich.

Vesti iz La Salla

La Salle, Ill. — Prošlo poletje sem poročal, da se tukajšne delavske razmere počasi izboljšujejo. Posebno sem opisal delavske razmere v cementarni, kjer sem uposlen. Poročal sem, da ta družba po dolgih letih depresije zopet obratuje s polno paro. Toda baroni te družbe so se kmalu premislili in pričeli odstavljati delavce in tako zopet skrčili obrat na dvetretjinsko produkcijo, in tovariš oziroma sodelavec mi je očital, da sem se s pohvalo prenaglil.

Kot običajno, tako smo tudi letos dobili zimske počitnice. Dne 12. decembra je cementarno zopet objel zimski spanec in vse delavstvo jo je moralo zapustiti za nedoločen čas. Družba se zelo dobro zaveda, da jim je tovarna (oziroma delavstvo) v tekočem letu zopet podarila lepe dobičke. Zato ji je tudi privoščila pošten zimski odmor.

V nedeljo 13. decembra se je vršila glavna seja društva Sokol št. 98 SNPJ. Seja je bila zelo dobro obiskana in rešenih je bilo več važnih zadev v prid društva in SNPJ sploh. Med drugim smo imeli tudi na razpravi položaj delavskega boritelja Mooneyja, ki se nahaja že čez 20 let v kalifornijskih zaporih. Članstvo se je dobro zavedalo, da obramba za osvoboditev delavskega boritelja Mooneyja stane poleg truda tudi mnogo denarja, nakar je bilo soglasno sprejeto, da se v ta namen pobirajo med navzočim članstvom prostovoljni prispevki. Ko je nabiralec opravil svoje delo, je predsednik naznanil, da nabrana vsota znaša $7.10. Spomnili smo se tudi španskih delavcev, ki mnogo trpijo v boju za delavsko demokracijo. Ker sem že sam okusil vojne grozote, si dokaj lahko predstavljam trpljenje španskega delavstva. Bilo je soglasno sprejeto, da se daruje vsota $10.00 iz društvene blagajne v prid španskemu delavstvu.

Sledile so volitve društvenega odbora. Rezultat je sledeči: Predsednik je Frank Kotar, ki predseduje temu društvu že 19 let in bil je ponovno izvoljen, kar znači, da čez leto dni bo imel za sabo 20 let tega poslovanja, kar je zelo lepa doba. Predsednik Frank Kotar se zelo zanima za društvene zadeve in je zelo točen v svojem poslovanju, zakar mu gre vsa čast in priznanje. Tudi v druge društvene odbore so ponovno izvoljeni večletni in vestni uradniki, ki zaslužijo istotako čast in priznanje. Ti so: Podpredsednik Vinc. Klanšek, tajnik Frank Drnach, zapisnikar Lep Zevnik in blagajnica Ana Dular. V nadzorni odbor je ponovno izvoljen John Furar in novoizvoljena Mary Frkol in Joseph Jurjovec.

V nedeljo 20. decembra se je vršila glavna seja delničarjev SND. Predsednik družbe Louis Gregorič je otvoril sejo ob poldveh popoldne ob navzočnosti 9 direktorjev in približnj 170 delničarjev. To znači lepo udeležbo. Predsednik je pojasnil, da kot običajno tako se mora tudi na tej seji izvoliti predsednik. Vincent Obit je bil soglasno izvoljen za predsednika te seje, ki zasede predsedniško mesto in po kratkem nagovoru pozove vse navzoče delničarje, da ustanejo v znak sožalja delničarjem, ki so preminili.

Iz poročila družbinega predsednika Louis Gregoriča je razvidno, da je družba v tekočem letu finančno zelo dobro napredovala. Tudi poročila tajnika, blagajnika in drugih odbornikov, so navzoči delničarji navdušeno sprejeli. Dolžnost nas veže, da se zahvalimo gospodinjskemu in gospodarskemu klubu za sodelovanje. Ta dva kluba sta zelo aktivna v prid SND.

Iz poročil skupnega odbora je razvidno, da je družba v tekočem letu napredovala za $2,000. Kljub raznovrstnim popravilom na poslopju, so direktorji prištedili vsoto $1,500 ter plačali na dolg. Gospodinjski klub je prispeval vsoto $300 in gospodarski klub vsoto $200 ter s tem pripomogla, da se v tekočem letu plačalo $2,000 na dolg, kar je lepa vsota. Apelira se na vse delničarje in delničarke ter na vse druge rojake in rojakinje sploh, da pridno pristopate k tema dvema kluboma in tako pripomorete do boljšega napeha Slovenskemu narodnemu domu. Seje teh klubov so zelo zanimive in po sejah je dosti zabave. Ne bo vam žal, če redno obiskujete prvo in drugo.

Tajnik družbe Frank Struna je pojasnil, da kot običajno se morajo tudi na tej seji izvoliti trije novi direktorji. Volilni rezultat je sledeči: Louis Gregorčič in Joseph Novak ponovno izvoljena in Frank Brudar st. novoizvoljeni direktor.

Slišal sem, da so me nekateri kritizirali, ker se nisem kot direktor redno udeleževal direktorskih sej. S kritiko se do gotove mere strinjam. Vsak uradnik, bodisi te ali one organizacije, je obvezan natančno izpolnjevati naložene dolžnosti. Če jih zanemarja, se razume, da je to škodljivo organizaciji in proti vsakemu odborniku te vrste se mora postopati op pravilih. Bil sem in sem še v par društvenih odborih. Toda kot odbornik nisem še nikjer zanemarjal svojih dolžnosti, vsaj mislim, da ne. Da se nisem redno udeleževal direktorskih sej, ni bila moja zanemarjenost, pač pa je bilo krivo naključje, ker sem moral iti na delo istočasno ko se je vršila direktorska seja. Poskusil bom urediti vse potrebno, da bom v bodoče točnejše obiskoval direktorske seje. Če mi pa ne bo mogoče, bom po svojem najboljšem prepričanju zadevo uredil v korist družbi Slovenski narodni dom.

John Furar, 98.

Ob zatonu leta

Cleveland, O. — Leto 1936 odhaja v zgodovino, tako tudi marsikatero delo, uradovanje in poslovanje. To je moj zadnji dopis v letu 1936. Večkrat sem se oglasil iz metropole, toda moji dopisi so bili v pretežni večini informativni, ker so se nanašali na aktivnosti naših društev, federacije in raznih prireditev. V koliko smo bili uspešni v minulem letu, je težko reči, ker bi vzelo preveč prostora. Toda reči moram, da vse prizadevanje ni bilo zaman. Lahko smo ponosni nad uspehi, katere smo dosegli. Resnici na ljubo pa moram konstatirati, da bi bili uspehi lahko še večji, ako se bi članstvo v splošnem tako zanimalo kot se zanima le mala peščica članstva.

Vsi imamo enake pravice kot člani SNPJ. Tako bi se tudi morali zavedati, da imamo vsi enake dolžnosti. Ampak, kadar pride do izvrševanja dolžnosti, takrat imamo vse polno izgovorov, ki nam jasno pokažejo, da nismo pripravljeni storiti ničesar za povzdigo svoje organizacije in v korist skupnega članstva. Prevečkrat se zgodi, da tisti, kateri so najmanj doprinesli v korist celokupnega članstva, najbolj kritizirajo upravo društva in SNPJ ter posameznike, kateri se žrtvujejo, hodijo na seje, agitirajo, pripravljajo za prireditve in podobno. Potem pa, kot že rečeno, sledi kritika ne iz prepričanja, da bo koristila, temveč iz mržnje, ozkosrčnosti, nepoznavanja bratskega čuta, le zato, da se nekomu vrže nekaj polen pod noge.

Tako je naše bratsko življenje in temu se imamo v veliki meri zahvaliti samo postavljenim voditeljem narodu, katerih namen je, uničiti vsako trohico samozavesti in samospoznavanja. Smatrajo nas, da smo še vedno dojenčki, kateri se ravno poskušajo postaviti na noge ter hoditi. Nikakor jim njihova otopela pamet ne dopusti, da bi nas pustili iz spomina. Seveda je v resnici žalostno imeti ogromno število vknjiženih, toda malo se jih oglasi. Toda potolažite se, bo prišel čas, ko se vam ne bo nihče oglasil, kajti spoznali bodo, da pot, po kateri jih vodite, vodi v temo, ne pa k zarji, ter vam povedali v brk, da obljube, s katerimi danes gostite lačne, obdržite zase in se sami gostite s praznimi obljubami. Narod hoče imeti nekaj, kar lahko prime, kar lahko dene pod zob in nasiti želodec, ne pa prazne obljube!

Leto 1936 je končano. Vse, kar moremo storiti, je, da pomislimo nazaj, in ako nismo storili svoje dolžnosti, da napravimo sklep ob novem letu, da v letu 1937 bomo popravili, kar smo zamudili v prejšnjih letih.

Leto 1937 bo za naše članstvo velikega pomena. Kot že veste, se bo vršila konvencija SNPJ. Kot vsaka, tako bo tudi ta gotovo sprejela več važnih sklepov v korist organizacije in članstva. Kot vselej, tako je treba tudi sedaj, da se pripravimo in vsi oni, ki niso zadovoljni z dosedanjimi pravili, poslovanjem ali karkoli že, gredo na seje ter podajo svoja poročila, ali da jih obelodanite v glasilu, da bo članstvo vedelo. Ni treba čakati do zadnjega tedna ali pa misliti, da bo kdo drugi za vas to napravil. Društva obdržujejo seje za vse članstvo, ne samo za odbor ali par posameznikov. Prostor za razmotrivanje nedostatkov društva ali organizacije, je na seji, ne v javnih lokalih ali privatnih domovih. Posezite po prašnih pravilih, katera ste prejeli že skoro pred 4 leti in prečitajte ne samo točke o pravicah članstva, temveč tudi o dolžnostih. Zaznamujte si, kar vam ni pogodu, pojdite na sejo svojega društva, predložite na seji v razpravo ter pojasnite svoje stališče. Prepričan sem, da se vas bo upoštevalo, ako bo za to zadosten razlog.

Še dobre 4 mesece je do konvencije. Čas je jako kratek. Bratje, pričnimo z razpravami o pravilih takoj po novem letu! Tako bomo imeli vsaj delno priliko, da se seznanimo z različnimi mnenji. Za mojo osebo sem že danes imel v mislih podati par priporočil, ker pa se je moj dopis preveč raztegnil in se bojim, da bo urednik rabil škarje, bom to storil prihodnjič. Za sedaj pa mi dovolite, ker je to moj zadnji letošnji dopis, da se oprostim, ako sem komu storil kaj krivice v pretečem letu. Ako se je to zgodilo, se ni zgodilo iz osebne mržnje, temveč le pomotoma ali pa iz prepričanja za popolnejše razumevanje med nami.

Ker se bližamo novemu letu in je običaj, da si voščimo dobro po tradicionalnem načinu, naj služijo te vrstice tudi meni, da izrazim svoje voščilo: Vsem prijateljem, znancem in članstvu SNPJ zadovoljnejše in zdravejše novo leto!

J. F. Terbizan, organizator.

Kam pa, prijatelj, na starega leta večer?

Chicago, Ill. — Pri nas je to majhno vprašanje, namreč ono, ki je v naslovu. Mi kajpada pojdemo, kakor vsako leto, na Silvestrovo zabavo kluba št. 1 JSZ. Vršila se bo v četrtek večer 31. decembra v dvorani SNPJ. Brali smo, da nam bo na vrhu sviral "za stare in mlade" John Kochevar in njegovi muzikalični fanti, v spodnji dvorani pa bosta po fantovsko in godčevsko vlekla meh naša stara znanca, četudi mlada po letih, Tony Omerza in Frank Gradišek.

Vsako leto so se tega dne zbrali naši rojaki in njih prijatelji na klubovi Silvestrovi zabavi in uverjeni smo, da se snidemo z njimi spet na tej prireditvi. Bo "luštno", ker muzika bo izborna v spodnji in gornji dvorani, hrana po domače pripravljena, pijača prvovrstne kakovosti. Torej se bomo zares dobro imeli.

Ampak ne pozabite — če še nimate vstopnic — da si prihranite 20 krajcarjev pri vsaki, ako si jih nabavite v predprodaji. Pri blagajni bodo brezpogojno po 60c, kakor je tiskano na njih. Če je še nimate, vam jo radevolje prodajo člani in članice kluba, ali pa jih naročite kolikor hočete po predprodajni ceni pri tajniku kluba John Raku v uradu Proletarca, telefon Rockwell 2864.

Ob polnoči se bomo na tej zabavi nadvse ceremonijalno poslovili od starega leta, ga brcnili z vso močjo, kamor spada in pozdravili mladega dečka Novo leto 1937! Nato bomo vsaj nekaj ur še bolj pozabili, kar je bilo v letu 1936 slabega, se zabavali kolikor se bo največ dalo, nato pa se proti jutru v mladem novem letu podali k počitku — hmmm, nato pa, ko vstanemo, kajpada, v vsakdanje skrbi, vrag jih pocitraj!—**P. O.**

Osem preprostih preizkušenj

Ali morete držati na glavi žogo vsaj 10 sekund? Ali se morete vsaj 15 sekund obdržati z zaprtimi očmi na eni nogi?

In kaj veste splošno o svojih telesnih in duševnih posebnostih? Morda le niste tako zdravi, kakor mislite!

Napravite tehle osem preizkušenj in spoznali boste same sebe in svoje nedostatke bolj, kakor če bi vas zdravnik preiskal.

I

Prva preizkušnja je za ravnotežje. Stojte z zaprtimi očmi na eni nogi. Kolen ne smete stiskati drugo k drugemu in si s tem vajo olajševati. Z rokami lovite ravnotežje.

Nato ponovite isto vajo, stoječ na drugi nogi.

Seveda boste izgubili ravnotežje in stopili še z drugo nogo na tla, toda če ste vzdržali vsaj 15 sekund, lahko rečete, da je vaše "notranje uho", to so organi, ki vodijo v možgane zaznavanje mišic, v imenitnem stanju.

II

Druga preizkušnja se tiče vašega notranjega čuta za nadzorstvo in spomin. Narišite na tla s kredo precej dolgo, ravno črto in pojdite dvakrat po tej črti. Zdaj zaprite oči in stopajte v tretje natanko po beli črti. Če se vam to posreči, ste lahko zadovoljni.

III

Tretja preizkušnja vam bo pokazala stanje vaših pljuč. Izdihnite zrak in ga nato globoko vdihnite. Ta vdih obdržite kakor dolgo le morete in si pri tem zatisnite nos. Če vam to ne dela težav, bo pljuča zdrava.

IV

Četrta preizkušnja vam bo odgovorila na tole vprašanje: Ali znate docela spočiti svoj organizem? Če znate to umetnost, boste dobro živeli, ne da bi se vam bilo treba bati živčnih bolezni. Evo vam preizkušnje:

Nekdo naj vas prime za nadlaket in naj jo nekaj časa obdrži, vi si pa skušajte docela sprostiti svoje mišice; potem pa mora vaš pomagač roko nenadno spustiti, ne da bi vi vedeli, kdaj bo to storil. Roka mora pasti kakor mrtva. Če ostane napeta, je to dokaz, da vaši živci niso prav v redu.

V

Peta preizkušnja je hudo preprosta. Vzemite obešalnik in ga postavite na ravnilo, in sicer 1 cm od konca. Primite ravnilo na drugem koncu in ga skušajte obdržati z iztegnjeno roko tako, da bo obešalnik na njem ostal v ravnotežju.

Ponovite nato vajo tudi z drugo roko.

VI

Tudi šesta preizkušnja je za živce. Iztegnite roke in razmeknite prste, nato jih sprostite in poglejte, ali se vam roke tresejo. Če se tresejo malo, je stvar v redu, toda če se tresejo zelo močno, je to dokaz, da so vaši živci potrebni zdravljenja.

VII

Sedma preizkušnja naj pokaže vašo zmožnost za istočasno opravljanje različnih del. Dotaknite se nosu enkrat z desnim kazalcem, drugič z levim. Obenem se pa dotikajte s peto desne noge levegan kolena in s peto leve noge desnega kolena.

Sprva poskusite delati to vajo počasi, potem hitreje. Zaprite oči in skušajte delati vajo čedalje hitreje.

VIII

Če hočete videti, kaj počne vaš "motor", vaše srce, preizkusite svoj srčni utrip. Nato poskočite petdesetkrat na eni nogi in spet preizkusite utrip in po dveh minutah mirovanja še enkrat.

Normalno naj bo pred skakanjem 80 utripov za minuto, po skakanju 124 utripov in po dveh minutah počitka 84 utripov na minuto.

Vzemite si čas za teh osem preizkušenj, ne bo vam žal: saj boste izvedeli, kje vaš 'stroj' pojema, in boste lahko bolj pazili nase, še preden je prepozno.

—"Sunday Chronicle", London.

Problemi priseljenca

Inozemci in socialna zaščita

Vprašanje: Delam v tovarni, pa nisem še ameriški državljan. Ali sem jaz upravičen do starostne pokojnine pod Security Act?

Odgovor: Da. V tem pogledu ni nikake razlike med državljani in inozemci. Ko dobite predpisano tiskovino, izpolnite jo in povrnete jo poštnemu uradu.—*FLIS.*

Pred dvajsetimi leti

(Iz Prosvete z dne 30. decembra 1916.)

Domače vesti. F. Hočevar poroča iz Milwaukeeja, da se rojaki trumoma sele s farm v mesta, kjer so boljše delovne razmere in dosti zaslužka.

Iz gl. urada SNPJ. Društva v večini odklanjajo iniciativo društva št. 206 glede reforme bolniškega sklada.

Delavske vesti. Socialistični kongresnik Meyer priporoča, naj federalna vlada prevzame kontrolo nad živežem, kajti draginja narašča.

Svetovna vojna. Nemčija je poslala svoje mirovne pogoje Wilsonu. Medtem se nadaljujejo vroči boji v zadnjem kotu Rumunije in Nemci so tamkaj ujeli čez 10,000 Rumuncev in Rusov.

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Srečno novo leto!

Božični prazniki so minili in pred nami je novo leto, ki bo nastopilo še predno bodo vsi naši člani in čitatelji po daljnem zapadu in gornjem delu Kanade dobili v roke to številko Prosvete. Z zaključkom leta bomo zaključili tudi naše društvene aktivnosti in poslovanje za to leto, z novim letom pa nastopijo nove potrebe in nove dolžnosti.

To leto smo prejeli številne pozdrave in voščila od naših članov in prijateljev iz raznih krajev širom Amerike, v katerih nam žele vesele praznike in srečno novo leto ter mnogo dobrega pri našem delu in vodstvu jednote. In za prijetno dolžnost si štejemo, da se s tem prisrčno zahvalimo vsem. Skoraj nemogoče nam je posebej odgovarjati in se pismeno zahvaliti vsem, zato prosimo, da nam prizadeti oproste. Prosveta naj vas obišče in sporoči našo prisrčno zahvalo ter izroči naše tople pozdrave in iskreno voščilo za srečno novo leto! Zaeno želimo veselo novo leto vsem ostalim članom in članicam. Prisrčno vam želimo sreče in blagostanja ter vsega najboljšega, kar ta svet more dati, in da bi to ostalo trajno!

Stara navada, da si ljudje voščijo veselo in srečno novo leto in vesel božič ter mir ljudem na zemlji se ponavlja vse od časa, kar si je kristjanstvo zapisalo rojstni dan ubogega nazareškega tesarja za svoj praznik. Toda ti pozdravi in lepa voščila imajo vreden pomen le, ako se tudi po njih dobrem namenu ravnamo in v tem pravcu delamo. Na svetu je res dovolj vsega za srečo in blagostanje vseh ljudi. Dovolj je rodovitne zemlje, dovolj rudnin in kovin in drugih reči, pa tudi dovolj pridnih rok za obdelovanje sveta in pridelovanje kruha ter pretvarjanje drugih naravnih zakladov v življenske potrebščine. Vendar pa je pravega veselja, prave sreče in blagostanja in zaželjenega miru prav malo, zlasti med delavskim ljudstvom. In ni ga zato, ker se teh lepih reči, ki jih izražamo ob božičnih in novoletnih praznikih dovolj resno ne smatra in jih poskuša tudi praktično izvajati. Namesto ljubezni in bratstva, ki naj simbolizira božič, imamo še zmeraj preveč sovraštva, zatiranja in izkoriščanja in zato ne more biti sreče in blagostanja za delavsko ljudstvo. Naravna bogastva, tvornice in prometna sredstva, ki so ljudstvu potrebna in ki tvorijo podlago za srečo in blagostanje, so večjidel še zmeraj v rokah male peščice špekulantov in ljudskih izkoriščevalcev, medtem ko je velika večina ljudstva oropana vseh teh dobrin in takorekoč brezpravna. In tisti, ki se smatrajo za namestnike onega, ki je baje prišel učit ljubezen in bratstvo ter oznanjeval mir in v imenu katerega praznujemo božič, še zmeraj ravnodušno gledajo na to gorostasno krivico in se bolj brigajo za blagostanje izkoriščevalcev kot pa izkoriščanih. In namesto da bi pospeševali ljubezen in bratstvo ter delali mir med ljudstvi, sejejo sovraštvo med delavci in se bratijo z izkoriščevalci in največjimi krvoloki in zatiralci delavcev in revnih ljudstev.

Da—mir, sreča in splošno ljudsko blagostanje bo prišlo, toda ne samo z lepimi željami, temveč z izobrazbo delavskega ljudstva in vztrajnim bojem za posest zemeljskega bogastva in svojih pravic sploh. Za to pa se mora delavstvo združevati v svojih lastnih organizacijah. SNPJ je ena takih organizacij in slovenski delavci v Ameriki imajo v njej najlepšo priložnost, da gojijo ljubezen in izkazujejo pravo bratstvo, zaeno pa najboljše sredstvo za širjenje izobrazbe in odpravo nevednosti, ki omogoča izkoriščanje.

Zato pa članstvo SNPJ tudi upravičeno obhaja božične praznike in s čisto vestjo ter z radostnim srcem zre v novo leto. Kajti s skrbjo za številne bolnike in pomoči potrebne smo najlepše izkazovali smisel prave ljubezni; z izvrševanjem dobrih del ter oznanjevanjem načel in idealov naše organizacije ter pridobivanjem novih članov najlepše izkazovali pravo bratstvo; in s širjenjem prave delavske zavesti, demokracije in napredka največ storili, da čim prej pride spoznanje in z njim svoboda in enakopravnost ter sreča in blagostanje za vse ljudi.

In tako — bratje in sestre — nadaljujmo v nastopnem letu. Podvojimo svoje sile in aktivnosti za našo jednoto! Naj bo tudi v tem letu naša organizacija vzgled neomajane ljubezni in pravega bratstva, demokracije in napredka! Vsi se potrudimo, da jo obdržimo na višku spoštovanja in ugleda in pridobimo ji novih članov kolikor največ mogoče! V tem imenu naš najiskrenejši pozdrav in srečno novo leto!

VINCENT CAINKAR, gl. predsednik.

Nadaljujmo z delom na polju naših društev

Zaključili smo leto 1936, v katerem je napredno in zavedno delavstvo, ki se stalno bori za boljše življenske razmere, kot običajno zopet doživelo več slabega kot dobrega. Toda kljub temu, da je današnja civilizacija še vedno vsa polna grozodejstev in žalostnih tragedij in v mnogih ozirih še vedno skrajno divjaška, se razmere polagoma izboljšujejo in delavstvo trdno koraka naprej z duhom časa. Izboljšave, o katerih največ čitamo v velikem časopisju, so faktično le malenkostne, kajti milijoni so še vedno brez vsakega zaslužka in povprečen delavec ob nastopu novega leta nima drugega kot en križ več na hrbtu. Ampak delavec, ki je vajen trdega življenja, nekako vse prenese; nikdar se ne upogne in nikdar ne izgubi poguma in volje do dela, ki vodi v boljšo človeško družbo.

Naravna sila ne pozna zastoja in nadaljuje svojo pot brez vsakega najmanjšega presledka, in naša dolžnost je, bratje in sestre, da tudi mi vsi nadaljujemo z delom pri naših društvih v tem smislu, to je, brez prestanka po začrtani poti do večjega in uspešnejšega razvoja naše delavske podporne organizacije. S tem, da se je svetovna zgodovina postarala za eno leto, naša življenska doba pa skrajšala, se moramo potolažiti z dejstvom, da smo tudi za eno leto bogatejši z delom na našem društvenem polju. Pomislimo, koliko je vredno delo, ki se vrši pri naših podpornih društvih in koliko je vredno delo, ki ga vrši naša jednota v splošnem.

Zgodovina naše jednote beleži neprecenljive vrednosti samo s podpiranjem svojih članov z bolniško podporo, odškodnino in odpravnino ter vdovam in drugim sorodnikom umrlih članov s posmrtnino. Poleg vsega tega vrši jednota mnogo dobrega dela za svoje člane in delavstvo vobče tudi v gospodarskem in kulturnem oziru. Mnogo so vredne številne proslave in razne druge prireditve, ki se vršijo pri naših društvih. Od teh proslav imamo poleg duševnega užitka in splošnega razvedrila tudi te koristi, da se skupaj shajamo in medsebojno spoznavamo ter pridobivamo nove člane in prijatelje. Pogovorimo se o razmerah, v katerih živimo in izmenjavamo razne nasvete in priporočila.

Razume se, da iz nič ni nič, in če hočemo ohraniti naša društva na zdravi in dobri podlagi, se moramo zanje žrtvovati s tem, da pridobivamo nove člane, prihajamo na seje in izvršujemo druga dobra dela, ki so neobhodno potrebna za napredek društev in jednote. Priporočljivo je torej, da se takoj ob novem letu zavežemo, da bomo skozi vse leto skrbno in vestno izvrševali svoje bratske dolžnosti, katere nam nalagajo društveni sklepi in jednotina pravila. Ako se bomo vsi držali teh naukov, se ne bo treba nikomur pritoževati, da se mu godi krivica, ker ni dobil podpore ali da jednota ni dobra in tako dalje. Priznati moramo, da so povsod potežkoče in da nikjer ni vse popolno. Naravno smo vsi podvrženi neprilikam in napakam: brez teh menda ne moremo živeti. Torej kadar član smatra, da se mu godi krivica, ako ni prejel podpore ali v kateremkoli drugem oziru, je najboljša pot, da se posluži pravic, ki mu prinesejo zadoščenje na miren in pameten ter bratski način, to je, brez vsakega prerekanja in razburjenja. Prerekanje in robato nastopanje ni bratsko in ne spada na naše seje.

Dolžnosti in pravice članstva so v tesni zvezi z bolniško podporo, vsled tega se mi vidi potrebno, da ponovno povdarim, da glavni predpogoj pravilnega postopanja in pravilnega poslovanja v vseh društvenih in jednotinih zadevah je poznanje in upoštevanje pravil. Star pregovor, kdor ne izpolnjuje svojih dolžnosti kot predpisujejo pravila, naj ne pričakuje ugodnosti, katere nudi jednota, še vedno drži.

Upam, da bo članstvo vzelo v poštev moje nasvete z dobrim namenom in iste izvajalo v čim večjem obsegu. Želim vsemu članstvu in delavstvu sploh boljše razmere in večjo zadovoljnost v novem letu!

L. GRADIŠEK, pomožni tajnik SNPJ.

Razsodbe gl. porotnega odseka

Zadeva društva št. 313

Br. George Mrla, član društva št. 313, West Frankfort, Ill., se je pritožil na gl. porotni odsek zaradi odklonjene odškodnine za levo roko po vrhovnem zdravniku.

Glavni porotni odsek je vzel pritožbo v razpravo ter natančno pregledal vse predložene listine in ugotovil in soglasno zaključil, da brat Mrla v smislu 1. točke (a) XXXXIX. člena pravil ni upravičen do odškodnine za levo roko. Glavni porotni odsek torej na podlagi teh ga razveljavlja sklep društvenega porote in potrjuje odlok vrhovnega zdravnika.

John Goršek, predsednik; **Anton Šular, John Terčelj, Frank Podboj, Frank Barbich**, porotniki.

RAČUN MED GL. URADOM IN DRUŠTVI

meseca novembra 1936

FINANCIAL STATEMENT
For Month of November 1936

Št. dr. Lodge No.	VPLAČILA — Receipts: Članski oddelek Adult	VPLAČILA — Receipts: Mlad. oddel. Juvenile	IZPLAČILA — Disbursements: Članski oddelek Adult	IZPLAČILA — Disbursements: Mlad. oddel. Juv.
1	$ 454.49	$ 7.49	$ 349.50	$ ......
2	392.93	14.62	201.50	......
3	222.21	18.33	50.00	......
4	123.60	1.81	52.00	......
5	1,888.51	27.97	2,026.50	......
6	234.91	8.76	36.00	......
7	226.87	7.39	166.00	......
8	412.01	50.12	109.56	......
9	231.15	4.04	85.00	......
10	420.04	19.62	1,724.34	......
11	38.06	......	28.50	......
12	254.90	6.07	39.56	......
13	278.30	12.00	15.50	......
14	632.65	25.10	48.00	......
15	19.71	.04	......	......
16	934.38	21.95	191.50	......
17	408.42	4.73	45.00	......
19	64.54	1.83	28.00	......
20	345.11	3.38	112.00	......
21	639.61	13.46	201.88	......
22	192.00	3.14	151.00	......
23	69.94	3.16	......	......
24	151.76	5.78	90.50	......
25	46.11	1.60	......	......
27	156.47	2.54	106.00	......
29	139.08	6.86	......	......
30	86.82	3.30	108.00	......
31	347.09	7.49	5.00	......
32	21.49	.80	......	......
33	280.81	13.57	84.00	......
34	377.90	18.74	121.00	......
36	189.00	7.86	29.00	......
37	76.02	1.65	102.00	......
38	114.87	1.12	......	......
39	370.06	10.18	1,099.00	......
40	139.21	2.20	581.75	......
41	134.00	1.94	19.50	......
43	106.78	3.18	70.00	......
44	146.11	8.61	70.00	......
45	176.12	7.87	128.00	......
46	46.62	1.89	......	......
47	337.66	6.92	83.00	......
48	273.59	7.58	30.00	......
49	281.98	12.69	64.00	......
50	102.79	4.77	701.00	......
51	106.76	5.96	34.00	......
52	469.30	15.60	389.00	......
53	1,097.49	25.20	480.50	......
54	120.97	3.18	593.85	......
55	81.82	2.56	......	......
56	267.90	6.06	114.00	......
57	121.28	4.22	......	......
58	32.87	1.40	......	......
59	147.39	6.37	77.50	......
60	202.91	5.90	24.50	......
61	127.83	1.58	38.50	......
62	138.80	6.02	363.50	......
63	158.96	14.31	......	......
64	256.66	11.16	218.25	......
65	214.21	4.36	688.50	......
66	146.85	3.90	......	......
67	15.94	......	250.00	......
68	81.24	1.92	60.00	......
69	543.30	11.61	198.00	......
70	48.12	.78	......	......
71	21.76	......	......	......
72	51.62	.22	......	......
73	158.99	2.40	509.00	......
74	88.67	1.20	......	......
75	241.80	1.62	224.00	......
76	26.22	.60	......	......
77	61.05	1.00	......	......
78	114.94	5.10	42.00	......
79	204.64	2.64	37.00	......
80	60.22	2.98	......	......
81	170.16	3.19	......	......
82	409.22	19.51	1,086.85	......
83	152.00	2.60	68.00	......
84	48.03	1.38	......	......
85	189.25	6.34	28.50	......
86	296.70	7.64	186.00	......
87	262.81	14.06	161.00	......
88	337.00	14.19	1,000.00	......
89	209.78	3.12	......	......
90	138.41	3.85	67.00	......
91	149.84	6.26	65.50	......
92	170.00	3.18	36.50	......
93	64.48	.80	......	......
94	96.91	2.77	500.00	......
95	271.11	3.62	82.00	......
96	229.64	4.71	......	......
97	141.13	4.40	18.00	......
98	398.61	12.87	30.00	......
101	61.56	4.82	......	......
102	139.65	6.74	15.00	......
103	294.83	13.75	199.50	......
104	67.21	1.60	......	......
105	365.69	15.06	......	......
106	238.00	12.09	16.00	......
107	199.70	1.16	43.50	......
108	158.64	1.50	31.00	......
109	447.33	18.56	1,541.00	......
110	156.00	5.96	45.00	......
111	127.28	2.65	464.00	......
112	67.40	2.30	9.00	......
114	176.37	5.60	......	......
115	291.06	24.47	14.00	......
116	76.92	1.56	9.00	......
117	253.93	10.96	100.00	......
118	703.00	29.57	994.00	......
119	224.57	10.66	......	......
120	291.95	11.14	28.00	......
121	590.06	11.80	43.25	......
122	264.24	15.70	111.00	......
123	48.90	2.66	......	......
124	341.26	21.79	51.00	......
125	167.92	3.18	300.00	......
126	723.11	19.51	1,113.00	......
127	6.00	......	......	......
128	23.10	......	25.50	......
129	217.50	5.86	79.00	......
130	319.75	12.49	74.36	......
131	314.22	5.88	104.50	......
132	254.67	9.34	46.00	......
134	157.65	6.94	451.00	......
135	135.43	3.34	27.00	......
136	10.29	......	......	......
137	598.76	7.40	276.50	......
138	746.13	45.91	163.00	......
139	141.40	6.40	......	......
140	94.29	1.20	17.50	......
141	161.98	5.34	80.00	......
142	1,238.45	54.31	716.00	......
143	121.67	6.02	28.00	......
144	64.39	3.04	......	......
145	148.62	8.78	......	......
146	41.63	2.21	......	......
147	427.40	14.45	14.00	......
148	32.16	.60	72.00	......
149	79.70	4.00	56.00	......
150	13.86	......	......	......
151	85.64	1.52	43.50	......
153	132.81	3.94	24.00	......
154	140.91	6.12	......	......
155	71.72	3.55	......	......
156	24.94	.20	......	......
158	316.99	12.06	20.00	......
159	11.08	......	......	......
161	108.65	4.61	......	......
162	59.12	2.76	32.00	......
163	38.58	2.25	......	......
165	77.93	3.80	59.00	......
166	158.13	6.10	15.00	......
167	79.74	2.20	......	......
168	204.19	9.10	62.50	......
169	44.46	2.16	......	......
170	49.38	6.99	......	......
171	92.72	2.74	44.00	......
172	106.88	2.40	14.00	......
173	222.89	4.02	28.00	......
174	169.85	10.86	140.00	......
175	115.25	5.34	14.00	......
176	136.44	6.23	......	......
177	48.62	2.81	14.00	......
180	24.98	1.00	......	......
181	13.61	.20	......	......
182	231.26	3.25	59.00	......
183	90.00	3.04	......	......
184	26.12	.80	45.00	......
186	86.39	1.60	......	......
187	62.38	1.58	29.00	......
188	99.95	3.62	......	......
189	111.92	6.70	163.00	......
190	233.17	11.08	165.50	......
191	33.00	4.28	......	......
192	186.49	4.91	104.50	......
193	68.92	3.06	......	......
194	72.71	3.16	48.00	......
197	106.00	4.74	20.00	......
198	245.66	6.75	70.00	......
199	25.37	.96	612.00	......
200	160.97	9.58	15.50	......
201	126.60	15.15	66.50	......
202	69.83	.98	14.00	......
203	90.21	2.00	26.00	......
204	271.86	14.16	36.50	......
205	227.41	6.64	25.50	......
206	68.14	2.80	93.00	......
207	410.88	6.01	253.50	......
208	41.75	.60	......	......
209	110.20	2.56	68.00	......
210	197.54	6.40	50.00	......
211	32.86	1.27	......	......
212	42.63	1.40	......	......
213	120.95	2.77	12.00	......
214	84.25	2.40	15.50	......
215	161.94	6.04	......	......
216	312.48	6.79	85.00	......
217	47.23	2.07	12.00	......
218	397.09	10.77	126.00	......
220	44.79	1.77	232.00	......
221	75.63	2.57	15.00	......
222	21.10	1.89	......	......
223	164.59	6.06	35.00	......
224	56.49	3.50	64.00	......
225	140.99	3.15	......	......
226	60.24	2.62	16.00	......
227	33.00	.80	45.00	......
229	107.35	.58	15.00	......
230	169.67	4.60	36.00	......
231	70.84	6.70	......	......
232	148.98	3.23	31.00	......
233	30.63	1.40	......	......
234	211.20	4.50	122.50	......
235	106.67	2.00	24.00	......
236	146.80	4.59	......	......
237	46.93	1.80	......	......
238	109.11	2.40	176.00	......
239	131.18	3.58	......	......
240	117.71	6.82	24.00	......
241	166.12	6.75	30.00	......
242	68.87	2.54	......	......
243	85.28	1.18	......	......
244	66.09	3.80	......	......
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PAGE SIX — For Members of Slovene National Benefit Society and American Slovenes — WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30.

Editorial Comments

That Altruistic Spree

You will readily agree with us that it is not our fault that the once-a-year altruistic spree of giving and receiving, which we presume you have been enjoying during the yuletide season, can't go on throughout the entire year. At least it can't go on under the present order of things. That must be blamed upon those good people who refuse to help lay the foundation for genuine brotherhood and refuse to help build a society of common interest.

We know that the sentimental season's ideals do not square with earthly realities, but we know also that the politically and industrially organized workers have the program which would forever end poverty, industrial strife and other evils, and make it possible for people to be always generous, not only once a year, because the new system of cooperative commonwealth would make them altruistic all the year round.

True altruism—which is the opposite of egoism and selfishness—will be possible only in a cooperative society.

Foolish Revelry

Now we are ready for another "big time" spree or revelry which comes right on the heels of the former—the New Year.

The Old Year is dying—in fact: it's dead! —and the New Year is again welcomed with customary din and shallow make-believe and numerous acts of foolish revelry.

Let that be as it may; we have no quarrel with this age-old custom. But we do hope that some day along with the New Year will also be able to celebrate another great anniversary —the New Year of Social and Economic Justice!

We Are Grateful

In approaching the close of the old year and the beginning of the new year, we take this opportunity to greet the members of our Society and to thank our many writers and lodge reporters for their cooperation and loyalty. We want them to know that each week we expectantly look forward to the many letters and articles from various lodges and individuals, and always miss those whose correspondents fail to furnish items of news.

The interest manifested by the many letters and articles in the Prosveta is still proof of vitality and strength in fraternalism and speaks well for the leaders of our many lodges. We truly and sincerely appreciate the cooperation of our writers. In our very close association through the medium of communication of ten years in this capacity with the membership of our organization, we have learned to appreciate the value of friendship, and enjoy nothing better than the weekly delivery of a batch of letters from our members, provided, of course, the letters arrive on time.

The Year 1937

The year just closed finished the thirty-second year of the Slovene National Benefit Society's achievements and opened the new era of greater hope and greater possibilities for us all. We are a united membership of great courage, of unfaltering determination, and of increasing faith in the righteousness of the cause of workers' fraternal insurance. The new opportunities of 1937 should be a stimulating encouragement and a beckoning challenge for advancement and accomplishment.

Let the year 1937 open more channels for usefulness and active service in local lodges and among our members in general, as together we shall be able to add volumes of new forces and numerical strength to our units. Let the year 1937 point the way for greater expansion particularly in our Juvenile Department, for we cannot afford to forget the fact that the growth of our Juvenile Department is a source of strength for the SNPJ. Let us exercise real fraternity among our members and real constructive work in community life. Let the new year give new zeal and stronger determination to our active members to go forth as living heralds as they proclaim to our potential and prospective members the building message of our Society and the permanent and lasting advantages of membership in it.

Let there be such impetus and courage to our advance that the benefits and enlightenment of our Society to the membership will multiply as the years come and go. And in conclusion we call all active lodge workers and members to rally to the strength and purpose of this marching force in this new year of appeal and opportunity.

SNPJ Bowling Tournament, Jan. 1

UNIVERSAL, PA.—A matter of a few hours will mark the passing of the year 1936 and the arrival of the year 1937. It will also mark the day of the Fourth Annual Bowling Tournament, sponsored by the English Speaking Federation of SNPJ Lodges of Western Pennsylvania, the first major SNPJ event in 1937.

At this moment we can report very definitely that this Bowling Tournament promises to be the outstanding one of the Federation. In addition to the response from Federation lodges, we have received numerous requests for application blanks to the Bowling Tournament, and tickets for the dance and luncheon and dance from many lodges and members outside of our Federation. These requests follow the Federation's decision to leave the Tournament open to all SNPJ lodges. The requests are appreciated because we are anxious to have as many SNPJ lodges and members represented in this Bowling Tournament as possible.

So far the requests for admittance into the Bowling Tournament by lodges and members outside of the Federation have been received from Pennsylvania lodges. Our hope was that lodges and members residing in states outside of Pennsylvania would accept our invitation and be with us on that day. The week-end beginning January 1st should be a convenient time for distant SNPJ members to travel to Western Pennsylvania and participate in this major SNPJ event.

The bowling will take place at the Club alleys, Fourth and Maplewood avenues, Ambridge, Pennsylvania, beginning promptly at 12:00 o'clock (noon). Federation lodges are entitled to representation in the five person "team" events for both men and women without entrance fee. Other five person teams will be assessed fifty cents per person. Single and doubles events will be open to all entrants for a fifty cents per person entrance fee. Only members from the same lodge may constitute a team. It is important that bowlers be present at the alleys PROMPTLY at twelve o'clock, inasmuch as the number of entrants is so large that a late start will mean the Tournament will not end until late in the evening. We hope to have many of the events completed by five o'clock, at which time the luncheon will be served.

Prizes for distribution are as follows: Men's Division—five person team, $15; doubles, $10; singles, $7. Women's Division—five person team, $10; doubles, $6; singles, $4. In addition, $15 will be distributed as follows: All events score (men) $5; (women) $5. High score in a single game (men) $3; (women) $2.

Beginning at five o'clock p. m., a hot luncheon will be served at the City Restaurant, Ambridge, two minutes walk from the Club alleys. Although the restaurant cannot provide accommodations to serve at one time all those who take advantage of the liberal offer for the luncheon and dance, they can conveniently serve more than sixty-five at one time. No inconvenience will be met with this arrangement, since many of the bowlers will not complete their games until after many other members have been served. It will be necessary, however, for those members who are through bowling by 5 p. m. to go directly to the City Restaurant for their luncheon.

Following the luncheon, the dance will take place at the Croatian hall, a distance of two blocks from the bowling alleys. Admission to the dance only is 35c. Phil Lewis and his orchestra, a prominent Pittsburgh band, will provide the music. The distribution of prizes to the winners in the Bowling Tournament will be made at the dance. Be there for yours.

Complete plans have been made to accommodate hundreds of SNPJ members and their friends. We believe that better facilities could not be obtained anywhere in Western Pennsylvania. In addition to the conveniences and location of the alleys, dance hall, and restaurant, the Slovene Home of Ambridge invites SNPJ members who will not bowl to amuse, or abuse, themselves there in the afternoon. Let's see you in Ambridge on New Year's Day, January 1st, and say "Happy New Year." And this we say to those SNPJ members who will not find it possible to be with us.

FOURTH ANNUAL BOWLING TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE.
MICHAEL KUMER, Secretary.

Young American News

DETROIT, MICH.—The yearly meeting of the Young Americans was held on December 13, which brought one of the largest gatherings since the depression struck this country. "Looks like the depression is over."

The election of officers and committees are as follows: Raymond Travnik, president; Bred Baloh, vice-president; Thomas Hostnik, treasurer; Robert Travnik, secretary; Albina Mezgec, recording secretary; Olga Koss, sergeant-at-arms. The Auditing Committee is led by chairman Joseph Mihelich, with William Travnik and Valeria Jacklich as assistants. The Sick Committee consists of Stanley Baloh (West Side), Charles Berry (Central), and Leon Hostnik (East Side).

The Entertainment Committee is led by Raymond Travnik as chairman, while Charles Berry, Fred Baloh, Helen Zrimec, Alma Krissman, Robert Travnik, Ann Cerne, Marie Cedilnik, Mae Knez, Velma Locniskar, Josephine Spendal, Vincent Bence, and William Travnik compose the committee to carry on the entertainments for the Young Americans.

The Sports Committee is led by the ever faithful Charles Berry as chairman, with Robert Travnik, Joseph Golia, Ann Cerne, and Ella Hostnik, committee.

SND delegates are Vincent Bence and Robert Travnik; SNPJ Federation delegates are Raymond Travnik and Joseph Golia.

One of the main attractions being held every Sunday, by the Young Americans, is the bowling games played at the Palmer Park Bowling alleys. The games start at 2 o'clock; everyone is invited to watch either the Young American girls or the Young American boys in action.

Below are the standings of the Young American Boys' teams.

No.	Team	Won	Lost
5	Policy	19	14
7	Insurance	18	15
6	Ballots	17	16
8	Votes	12	21

The following boys make up the Young Americans' First team to date:

Rudolph Grum..169.28	Anton Hometz..169.01
Leon Hostnik..167.27	Joseph Golia...165.03
T. Techiltsch..164.14	Vinc. Hostnik..164.15

These fellows are having a hard time staying on the first team, because it so happens that two other fellows have higher averages, but have a few games to make up before being placed on the first team. So, no matter what happened on Sunday, December 27, a few changes are likely to be made, unless something happens. Keep it up, boys, because the Wolverines are ready to take care of themselves when the Bowling Match between the two lodges takes place. What do you say, you managers of the Young Americans and the Wolverines, let's get together.

The Young American Bowlers are anxious to take a trip, so, if everything comes out as expected, we'll be seeing the Gowanda Boosters of New York and Loyalites of Cleveland.

The Young Americans expected to make the trip to Pennsylvania for the New Year Bowling Tournament, but seeing in the Prosveta, it is only for Duck Pin Bowlers, so that leaves the Young Americans out, because we only bowl Ten Pins. Sorry, Pennsy.

Seems to the writer that nothing much comes from Friendly City Lodge of Johnstown, Pa., or from Aynik and his Cleveland gang of All Stars, or from the Trio from Barberton, and, of course, Lefty Lotrich and his gang from Chicago. What do you say, Brothers and Sisters? Here's hoping that the year 1937 brings a greater year of getting together than the year 1936 did.

Here's hoping that every lodge in the SNPJ has a larger membership, and more of the old getting together and a prosperous New Year.

ROBERT TRAVNIK, Lodge 564.

New Year's Dance

MEADOWLANDS, PA.—Again, New Year's Eve is rolling around and the way to greet the New Year is by attending Trail Blazers' dance on New Year's Eve, Dec. 31, at the Miners' hall. Music will be furnished by Frank Wotassek and his orchestra. Dancing from 8 till 1:30 a. m. Admission for gents 35c; ladies 25c. Plenty of refreshments. We're hoping all you friends of the neighboring lodges, far and near, will keep this date open for the gala affair. You all are invited to spend the New Year's Eve with us.

FRANCES BLAZIC, Lodge 734.

Collegiate Courtesy

Freshman: "Say, what's the idea of your wearing my raincoat?"

Roommate: "Well, you wouldn't want your new suit to get wet, would you?"

Onward and Upward!

This Should Be Our New Year Greeting

By IVAN MOLEK, Editor

We greet every New Year with hilarity, noise, and overdone feasting, and we are swamped, right and left, with "Happy New Year" wishes. We go on repeating this performance year after year throughout our lives as simply and automatically as when one greets his neighbor or a friend with "good evening" or takes leave with "good night." Old custom, old words, old stuff.

What does it mean? What do we mean when we wish anyone a "happy new year"? How can unhappy men—millions of them, each with a different idea of happiness or satisfaction—become happy after January 1?

It means nothing; we never stop to think about it. We repeat the old stuff; that's all. Our duty is done, and we imagine we are satisfied. It is a habit, and life is a bundle of habits.

Moreover, there are myriads of ideas of what constitutes human happiness. It is a relative term; it depends on the individual, how he lives and what his state of mind is, to define his happiness or satisfaction. The term, happiness, is very abstract and contradictory to different human beings living under different conditions and a different state of mind. Some men are convinced they would be intensely happy under conditions which would make another set or class of men intensely unhappy.

Sometimes you feel you are perfectly happy—and yet any moment might enlighten you that a duration of your "happiness" will make you sick and tired of it. You want something else, something better, something new—unless you are an idiot. Only feeble-minded people, incapable of exercising their mental powers, possess that ideal state of "happiness" which is the dream of idealists.

What we want is the satisfaction that we enjoy the best there is under the best conditions of normal, real life; that no healthy and capable man, woman, or child is deprived of this opportunity; that every one should have economic security in his everyday material needs and opportunity to achieve a full share of education and culture according to his or her abilities.

This, in short, would make the majority of people reasonably satisfied. This would make human existence amazingly better and it would spur mankind to greater and greater achievements along the line of constant progress.

The normal, healthy human being does not want a static life; he wants constant change for the better. Such conditions could make most of the people satisfied. But, you are prone to point out, there are many people who are happy with things as they are, and they want no change at all. True, but this concerns the minority which makes the majority dissatisfied. And it should be the greatest happiness of every normal, healthy human being who craves a normal desire for a change to enlist in the struggle against this stupid, mentally-sluggish, self-content, and robust-individualist minority which stands in the way of social progress!

We are enlisted in this struggle against reaction, and, therefore, we are happy to do our bit. We are happy because we know what we want and what is the best way to realize what we want. The struggle for free thought, for freedom to say what we think is right, for economic security, for intellectual security, and for social justice is the happiest duty of every honest and free-minded man and woman of today.

Men must eat if they want to exist, but to improve their existence, to move onward and upward, they must have intellectual freedom. Full stomachs are necessary, yet full heads are more necessary in order to rise upward and to secure a new way of living which will dispense with the constant worry about the empty stomach. To obtain the latter, the common people should fill their heads with proper knowledge, and our duty is to supply that knowledge.

So, to all our readers, our greeting on the threshold of 1937 is:

ONWARD AND UPWARD!

Off the President's Bat

CLEVELAND, O.—Before saying anything else I wish to express my appreciation to the Comrade Lodge for electing me to the presidency. It is also gratifying to know that the lodge used excellent judgement in choosing the other members of the Board.

For the benefit of those few who did not attend the annual meeting here are the names of the Executive Board for 1937: Frank A. Truden, president; John J. Alich, vice-president; Pauline Gassar, financial secretary; Anton R. Kushlan, treasurer, and Joseph F. Fifolt, recording secretary. The auditing committee consists of Mary Krizmancic, Pauline Spik and Otto Tekautz.

On Sunday, January 10, there will be a meeting of the entire new board at the home of the retiring financial secretary, Mary Krizmancic. It is the opinion of the lodge that this year of 1937 will be a banner one in the history of the Comrade Lodge, and it is only fitting that we get together to formulate a program and a policy for the ensuing year. By all of us pulling together we should make this the beginning of a new era in the English-Speaking movement among fraternals in Cleveland. With the quadrennial convention scheduled for this spring the English-Speaking lodges of Cleveland have an opportunity to demonstrate the aggressiveness and qualities of leadership so necessary in perpetuating the fraternal movement as exemplified in the SNPJ.

For the next few months there are no social activities planned by the Comrades, but our sister lodges are keeping up the good work, so here goes a plug for the Bank Nite Dance given by "Napredne Slovenke." This lodge has been, perhaps, most instrumental in promoting the interests of the younger lodges, and particularly so the Comrades. Therefore, let us go there in a body. Where? The National Home in St. Clair on Saturday, January 2.

Another high spot in the social life of the community is the big annual dance of the Inter-lodge League, this coming on Saturday, January 9, with that nationally known band, led by Gene Beecher, furnishing the entertainment. Plan for this and come early to avoid the enormous crowd later in the evening.

On behalf of the Board may I wish every Comrade and SNPJer a belated Merry Christmas and a timely Happy New Year with the hope that 1937 will be the biggest and best both for the Comrades and the entire SNPJ.

FRANK A. TRUDEN,
Lodge Comrades 566.

A Happy New Year!

By VINCENT CAINKAR, Supreme President

The Christmas holidays are past, and before this issue of the Prosveta gets into the hands of all of our members and readers in the far West and the upper part of Canada, the New Year will be here. With the end of the old year our Society's activities for 1936 will come to a close. With the New Year, new requirements and new duties in connection with our Society life will arise.

This year we have again received a great number of the season's greetings from our members and friends residing in different towns and places of this great American continent, wishing us good luck and much success in our business and leadership of the Society. It is almost impossible for us to write to all of them and thank each one separately, and those concerned will, please, forgive us for using this space in the Prosveta for that purpose. Prosveta shall, therefore, convey to you our thanks and heartiest appreciations, and bring in return our warmest greetings and sincere wishes for a Happy New Year! The same wish is extended to the rest of our members.

The exchange of Happy New Year wishes is a very old tradition of mankind, and Merry Christmas greetings have been in use since Christendom has designated the day of the birth of the poor Carpenter of Nazareth as a Christian holiday. But these greetings and good wishes can have a worthy purpose only if we adjust our lives and deeds accordingly. There is, indeed, plenty of everything in this world for the prosperity and happiness of all the people. There is an abundance of fertile soil, an abundance of natural resources, and abundant willing hands to work the land and transform these natural resources into all kinds of necessities of life. Yet there is very little of real joy and happiness, very little peace and prosperity, especially for the working people. It is because these beautiful and wholesome things that we express to each other at the Christmas and New Year holidays are not taken sincerely and are not usually carried into practice. Instead of love and brotherhood which Christmas is supposed to symbolize, we still have too much of enmity, too much of exploitation and persecution. As long as we permit such things to exist there can be no prosperity and no real happiness for the working people. Natural wealth, factories and mills and all means of production and distribution, which the people need and which are the foundation of happiness and prosperity, are mostly all still in the hands of a few individual speculators and the people's exploiters, while the great mass of the people is robbed of all these earthly goods and possessess nothing. And the representatives of Him, who came to teach love and universal brotherhood, who came to preach peace on earth, and in whose name we celebrate Christmas, are stil looking upon this gross injustice indifferently and seem to be more interested in the welfare of the exploiters than the exploited.

Yes—there wil be peace and happiness and general prosperity, but not by mere pious wishes; it will all come by systematical education of the working people and an enduring struggle for possession of the earthly goods. To accomplish this end, the working people must stick together and must unite in their own organizations. The SNPJ is one of the organizations of this kind. In it, the members have the best opportunities to exemplify the real kind of brotherly love, and at the same time find the best means for dissemination of education and to work for the abolition of ignorance which permits the exploitation of the poor.

Members of the SNPJ are so much more justified in celebrating Christmas and in looking into the approaching New Year with satisfied and clear consciences. For, during the year of 1936 we have again been busy in taking care of countless sick and have helped all who needed our aid and mutual protection. We have, by our noble work and deeds of mercy, amply demonstrated the real meaning of brotherly love. We have, by preaching the principles and ideals of the SNPJ which stand for the rights, liberty and happiness of the working people and the promotion of human progress and universal brotherhood, done our full share. We have, by the promotion of progressive thought and education of the working people, done our best towards the enlightenment and realization of true democracy and equality, and for the real prosperity, joy and happiness of all the people.

Let us—Brothers and Sisters—continue our good and noble work in the coming year and let us redouble our forces and activities! Let our organization again be a shining example of true brotherly love and real progress. Let us all do our part in keeping it in the highest honor and prestige, and let us get as many new members into our Society this year as we possibly can. To this end we heartily greet you and wish you all a Happy New Year!

The Penna. Fraternal Congress Sessions

(Continued from last week)

New officers elected include Mr. Francis Taptich, Esq., for President; Mrs. E. Halupka as 1st Vice-pres., Mr. J. L. Wilmeth as 2nd vice-pres., Mr. H. Bruce Meixel as sec'y-treas., and an Executive Board of nine. Dr. F. J. Arch of the SSCU was elected to the Executive Board.

(The Penna. Fraternal Congress has many fine organizations; the past session elevated fine officials to responsible posts for the first time in the Congress' history.)

W. E. Blaney: Feels that fraternals can reach greater heights; taxation will probably come to fraternals because of great state and national expenditures; many members are not lodge conscious in spite of pleas to show activity; fraternals have not shown a united force in advertising their value to the world; unity in action better than individual action; a present comment that fraternals are "slipping" cannot be accepted.

H. J. Dodgeson: Editor, The Fraternal Monitor: Problems do confront fraternals; the Monitor does not copyright its editorials; editors can use material therein, but should give the source credit; editors should watch copying of many articles in other publications that are copyrighted; juveniles enjoy joining a lodge, yet invariably lose interest the 2nd and following years; segregate juniors in ages and keep up with their mental ability; nowadays juveniles have advanced interests, fraternals should play to same modern interests; lodges should study progress and change systems when times warrant, if ever; fraternals should clean house in locals where chronic scolds, etc., disrupt progress and unity.

Mrs. E. Halupka: Under topic of "Understanding" it is stated that many so-called foreign fraternals are members of the Congress, nationally and in this state; a great degree of understanding is had in such organizations.

J. C. Murray: Cooperation is needed by sending names of fraternal field workers to a central committee to watch activities of same workers to avoid any possible dishonest and chiseling activities; active workers of all fraternals should become acquainted, meet occasionally to exchange opinions; meeting interest may be keyed up by an interchange of speakers; sections in state could unite to promote this unity of understanding of inter-fraternal relationships.

E. V. Buckley, Esq.: The strength and good of fraternals are in their being barriers in the U. S. against fascism, communism, etc.

F. M. Speakman: Fraternals should be alert on the question of future taxation; taxation is almost certain in one form or another.

L. D. Lininger: (Ethics): Code of fraternal ethics desired but little sought after; infractions of code condemned but no organized opposition or criticism exists; dissemination of code infractions' knowledge needed; there should be a state bureau to receive reports of violations; give to fraternals all they ask, too much can never be given. It was approved to have the Penna. Fraternal Congress become officially affiliated with the Natinonal Fraternal Congress.

A resolution to establish a clearing house to have records of all field workers, code violations, etc., was not passed because the Congress is unable to administer or manage such a bureau. Fraternals cognizant of other fraternals committing any code infractions can best make personal information to the state insurance commission.

M. H. Wykoff: Lodge activities have decreased 50 to 75%; the World War was directly responsible for much loss of interest in his society; modern interests have taken hold in youth to the loss of fraternals; new efforts to awaken interest lie in juveniles; regrets that fraternal membership can no longer be sold, but insurance can; fraternals have had to make competition readjustments.

J. L. Wilmeth: There is a gradual uplift in fraternal publications all along the line; it is a good practice to send publications to each member; lodges should secure all local publicity possible; cultivate local publishers who are really glad to carry lodges' news.

S. Horner Wood: The depression over, fraternals are continuing to progress; fraternals did commendable work during the depression years to aid members.

Near the end of the 2nd day's session Mr. Wykoff made a stirring farewell address: After 42 years of fraternal activity he is retiring this year. His final plea was to give attention and build up a good, strong juvenile department.

F. J. Lokar: There is a gap between the work to organize juveniles and the interest of the old members that deserves attention; it is the adolescent youth between 16 and 30 who must be brought into active participation in fraternal ranks; a review of KSKJ Booster club's activities was given.

M. J. Varga: Speaking on investments stated that safety of principle should not be jeopardized for the gain of interest; fraternals should keenly follow financial and political knowledge to be ready to make safe investments.

A memorial service and the installation of officers concluded the actual sessions.

However, the annual banquet in the Urban Room presented an array of speakers chosen from the fraternal, legal and political life of the state. Mr. Joseph of the State's Insurance department spoke the most worthy words in his warning that fraternals should not let factionalism and exploitation exist within their societies. Likewise, he lamented that nowadays members are not interested in the same ideals their parents were interested in. He deprecated the apparent lack of sociability in many fraternals. Another speaker warned that internal dissensions do great harm within fraternals.

Friday afternoon was held the annual dinner attended by only representatives of Slav societies present at the Congress. A general atmosphere of amiability and neighborliness prevailed. On behalf of the SNPJ your society's delegate gave a few remarks in congratulatory vein to the new officers elected.

Until again, so long . . .

LOUIS KOSELA, Lodge 699.

FLASHES

CHICAGO—Stop! Take stock and prepare the road for a new journey! 1936 is leaving, 1937 is on the threshold. And that means new possibilities, new work, new life for all of us. As has been the Pioneer custom for many years past, a program of activities for 1937 will be brought to the January 15 meeting for adoption. Committees to serve for 1937 will also be named. We need 100 members to serve on ten important committees. If you are willing to serve, notify Oscar Godina or the writer.—We must fill a gap which has been left open by increased activity in 1937.

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Our convention is just four months away. Beginning with January and continuing thru April we should utilize our time, our efforts and our paper to improve the functions and services of our Society. "PROBLEMS OF THE SECRETARY" should be the subject of a discussion to which all local lodge secretaries and particularly secretary-delegates should be invited either at a preconvention affair or at an evening session. In such a session many interesting and valuable points could be brought out. The answers to many questions could be gotten. For one thing, what about the Cleveland scheme of dues collections? How does a secertary of nearly 600 adult members manage to suspend only one member on the monthly report? Have the others all paid? (which is unlikely). What is the secretary of a 580 membership lodge to do on the 25th of each month when about 180 of his members fail to say their dues? Yes, such questions can be answered and a method devised from the discussions to benefit all concerned.

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To wish you an abundant life in 1937 would be folly because, well, the present economic setup just won't let us have the abundance we can produce. To wish you happiness when millions in America are forced to live like unhumans do wouldn't cheer you very much. To wish you prosperity when we know there isn't any for the workers, as long as 90% of what you earn never gets to you is mere hypocricy. But just the same, I hope you'll excuse me for hoping that we'll all have a better, happier and more fruitful 1937. I hope and wish for more thought, more brains, more honesty and sincerity and less hypocricy, more vision, more consciousness and more earthly reasoning and less bluffing, lying and cloud walking; more understanding and tolerance and less damnable misunderstanding and intolerance; more progress and more idealism, as of yore.

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Zele's SNPJ Office team put a nick in the standing of the SNPJ Pioneer bowling league last Tuesday by taking the last game of the 3 game series from Curda's Boulevard Florists. Imperl's Zavertnik Medicos took two from the Beverage quintet. Some excellent scores were recorded. Stan Zele was nosed out by Fred Imperl for the turkey. Louis Zefran, Leo Komuchar and Paul Videgar are new additions to the squad.

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The busiest Christmas Chicago has seen brought joy and excitement to many. A number of us gathered at the Slovene Labor Center Xmas Eve to relax from the constant strain.—A son was born to Tillie and Vinko Locniskar Dec. 20, just on time for Xmas glad tidings.—The gang piled to Hudale's last Friday for a party and weren't hoarsed up until Sunday.—Thanks to all for the many cards and good wishes.

Everywhere the workers are beginnig to assert themselves. Strikes in rubber, steel, glass, auto parts, etc., convince one that everything isn't lost, that workers still want to fight for a better life. It will be just that spirit which will carry us into a new economic order. Why do people strike anyway, inquired an uninformed friend the other day. To better their working conditions and to get more pay, of course, was the reply. But I thought President Roosevelt took care of all that, came back the retort. Didn't he make firms give bonuses, raises, etc.? I merely asked if he thought any of the workers were overpaid. "Oh yes, there was a fellow in our shop who always stalled. He was being paid twice too much."

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Basketball is here and the Pioneers are making their 1937 debut Dec. 29 at the Boys' Club. With the talent at our disposal we have hopes of a good team and some trophies.

DONALD J. LOTRICH, Lodge 559.

Land of Palms

OAKLAND, CALIF.—December meeting was fairly well attended. The following officers were elected or reelected: Nick Stokovich, President; Anton Tomsic Sr., Vice Pres.; Frank Slaby, Sec'y-Treas.; Frank Tomsic, Recording Sec'y. Social Committee consists of Rose Perati, Robert Minerich Jr. and Pauline Tomsic.

Collection was taken up for the Defense Fund of Tom Mooney; $7 was donated for this worthy cause. It is sure needed to help him along for his new court struggle to obtain his just rights and freedom.

The SNPJ Federation of Northern California will meet on Jan. 3 at 2 p. m. in San Francisco. Let's hope all lodges will send delegates there so we can get together and get the right combination for the election of delegate to the coming convention. While on the convention subject, how would other English speaking lodges feel if a resolution were drawn up to have an English convention every four years, the first two years after this convention, to get our youth a little more interested in our affairs? It would mean a convention for English lodges in 1939 and the next in 1943. How about having one in San Francisco? It will be a great city for convention that year with the World Exposition here. Think it over, members, and let's hear about this proposition.

Conditions out here in California are at present nothing to brag about. Our maritime strike is at this writing in its 60th day, and the only grievance at present is the Preferential Hiring Hall of Master, Mates and Pilots. Other strikes out here are slowly clearing up.

The automobile industry at present time here seems to see a need for organization, and fairly good results at this writing are being accomplished.

Let's hope that 1937 will be a better year and find our great capitalists on a more friendly term towards organized labor. They see the handwriting on the wall, but are a very stubborn bunch to admit when defeated. It's up to every worker to organize in order to really better himself and then he or she will find out that through unity and solidarity we can win and gain almost everything that is justfully and rightfully ours. When this is accomplished our different fraternal lodges will gain members and strength, and with these together we shall in time control and own a little more than the bare necessities of life.

F. SLABY, Lodge 594.

Jolly Allis Lodge

WEST ALLIS, WIS.—Ha-do, folks, and again I say "what's new on the Rialto?" Well, to the best of my knowledge I did manage to find something. This being the last article of the season, I may as well make it good.

Well, what did you all get for Christmas? That's swell. I hope that all of you were not disappointed. After seeing a few of our members, I found that they all were satisfied. If I were to tell you what some of them got, it would take me three columns to tell it all. So all I will say is that they got what they were after. This much I will say, however, "I want to congratulate two of our brother members, Mickey Mavrin and Rudolph Teshener, at the announcement of their engagement to two of the sweetest girls. I wish you all the luck in the world." That may mean that we have two more members in store for the lodge.

It looks like our lodge will have a good team some day. Yes, sir!—Let me congratulate Mr. and Mrs. F. Grabek on the arrival of a baby boy.

The old year has but today to ring out, so I may as well ring out this article and wish all of you neighboring lodges as well as all you friends a prosperous and happy new year. So for the last time this year, and if a can find a new snooper to take my place, this will probably be said for the last time by me. So let it be, and again I'll say, "Thar' all thar' am fo' thar' hain't no mo'." So long.

SNIPPY.

Milwaukee News

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—First of all I want to say, "A HAPPY NEW YEAR" to all you Badgers and neighboring lodges.

Holiday travelers included: Mr. nad Mrs. Math Pink who journeyed to Auburn, Ill.; John Maren visiting his parents in Mt. Olive, Ill.; Frank Bolka with his friend "Porky" who 'dashed' to Minnesota to recline from his recent strenuous presidential campaign; and best of all, Frank Obluck and "Peppy" Gradisher who suddenly went "air-minded" and hopped a plane to visit the folks in Muskegon, Mich. Happy landing to you all, and wishing you enjoyment during your short visits.

Just a little reminder that our next dance will be held on January 23 at the lower S. S. Turn hall. Admission will be 25 cents in advance and 35 cents at the door. So get your tickets soon. More about this affair next week.

Also the Fun-O-Leers are having their 5th annual dance next Sat. nite, Jan. 9, at the lower S. S. Turn hall.

The Plankington strike is still being carried on. Don't forget, Badgers, that there are quite a number of our members in the picket line and they are in dire need of help. One way everyone can assist is to urge your dealer not to handle any merchandise from this concern.

Tomorrow we begin another year. The Badgers have just completed one of their most successful campaigns, but that doesn't mean that we can't better it this coming year. So what do you say that we go to the line with that thought in mind and make 1937 a banner year for the Badgers.

Again I wish you all success and happiness in the coming year.

ANTON VERBICK, Lodge 584.

Heigh-Ho

LIBRARY, PA.—It doesn't seem to me that it is fair enough, and I daren't say much because I never was very effectual in capital letters. Let those who wish produce the sound and fury; I find the interlude between the clashes of the cymbals or the sudden quiet between the first onslaught and the rushing fury of the gale much more interesting. It is in that brief instant that light-tired eyes or noise-dinned ears may relax, enjoy the momentary stillnes, stifle a yawn, and murmur a calming "Heigh-Ho!"

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About Norbert Troutman

There's an old, old story still going the rounds about an old, old man, one Norbert Troutman, from the desert of Transmania. The story, of course, just goes the round at moments when a certain philosophic soul, jaded by constant bombardment of an unsympathetic world, plus the bitter-sweet of two mugs of ale in a cozy back room, liberates it to an open-eared, pretzel-munching intelleet who pays for the suds.

After a preliminary dissertation on how people just don't understand the Communists, Communists don't understand the capitalists, capitalists just don't understand labor, Green can't understand Lewis, and Lewis just can't understand—all with a philosophic tear or two while peering into the depleted mugs—the sage begins his story:

"Norbert Troutman was a simple and honest soul who went out to the middle of the Transmanian desert to prospect for gold. After several long, lean years of looking under rocks and digging holes in the ground and not finding much more than a few grams of silver with which to buy the local Hearst Sunday paper with the Transmanian Weekly Magazine insert, Norbert was pretty much discouraged.

"He decided to give up prospecting for a while. He'd go to the city, write a book about Starlight over Transmania, and maybe give some lectures before some women's literary societies. Besides, Tessiemay lived in the city, and Norbert though he had a date to marry Tessiemay.

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And Then He Struck Gold

"First of all, he decided to bury his prospecting outfit and skillet so he could find it if he ever wanted to come back and take up looking for gold again. Luck would have it, though, that just where he dug the hole a vein of gold struck his shovel, and Norbert decided to wait a while before he visited the city, Tessiemay, and the golddiggers whose pictures he had cut from the Transmanian Weekly and papered all over his shack. He'd wait a month.

"Norbert waited a month. He did a good deal of mining, but at the end of that time he discovered that there was more gold left in the vein than he had taken out of it. He'd dig another month before he'd go to the city. Another monbt went by, and when he hadn't drained the whole vein into his sacks, he decided to wait a while longer.

"Years later Norbert was still digging away at his gold. In the meantime, however, the Transmanian desert began to change. The Transmanian government built a big dam across the Transmanian river, and what had formerly been a trickle was now a cascade. A city began to grow at Norbert's doorstep.

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Wherein More Suds Disappear

"In the city there were theaters, libraries, schools, music halls, and all sorts of things Norbert once thought his gold would bring him. Tessiemay had also migrated to the new city. But Norbert never noticed the city, and he only thought of how Tessiemay's hair was like the gold he was digging when he thought of her at all.

"The city wanted to buy his claim to build a scientific institute, but Norbert ordered them away. Soon they had pickets walking around the place with signs 'Unfair to Culture' and 'Down with Norbert' written on them. He was always looking down at his vain of gold."

The philosopher takes a long draught of the ale which his friend had set up, draws the sleeve of his coat across his lips, looks sadly at the shrinking foam, and continues:

"Then one day Norbert dies. All his life he worked for something that was at his doorstep, and he was too blind to see. He was worried too much about the means than about the result." More tears mix with the philosopher's suds as his friend takes him by the arm and leads him to fresh air.

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These Smoke Rings . . . . . I Know

People hate moralizing no end, but it's more fun than blowing smoke rings at the moon: I can do that any night the moon is out.

HENRY LAMUTH, Lodge 682.

J. Z. Jrs. Bright Spots

LIBRARY, PA.—Preparations are again being made for another J. Z. Jrs. dance which will be held on Sat., Feb. 13. Since so many claimed they had an enjoyable time at our last dance we would like to have you drop in and join us again.

Seems as if the two most discussed of topics these days are the Pioneers' Xmas Dance and the Jan. 1 Bowling Tournament which will be held in Ambridge. The J. Z. Jrs. will endeavor to attend both of these affairs.

Views of the News

Our "Phantom Scribbler" is still running around in mysterious circles. Heard the Clairtonians are making plans for an affair which they will hold sometime in June. Quite a long time to wait, don't you think?

Who are those boys from Latrobe that had such a good time at our dance? Would be a pleasure to show you another good time on Feb. 13.—Where's Jane Fradel? Don't see much of her any more.

Be sure to consult your newspaper The Prosveta for further details of our Valentine Dance.

KAY LIKOVICH, Lodge 682.

Integrity News

THE BEGINNING OF ANOTHER YEAR

CHICAGO.—Our officers (SNPJ Integrity Lodge 651) for the ensuing year have now been elected. The SNPJ is starting on the thirty-third lap, with thirty two years of splendid accomplishments now recorded in the annals of her history.

Why not every officer pledge to himself, the lodge, and the Society, that he will bring in at least one new member during the early part of his term of office as an evidence of his or her sincerity in accepting the honor of being elected to office. Why not all of our officers make a combined effort to reach the individual members of their respective Lodge and ask them to secure the application of one good deserving man, boy, woman or girl. Just think of what strides we would make during the next year if each one would seriously take this pledge to himself, and think how easily it could be done, for we are sure there is no member in our Lodge so bereft of friends that he cannot secure at least one new member.

This should be a banner year in the history of the Society. Attendance at meetings has shown a decided increase. The interest displayed by the membership is at the highest ebb which the Society has enjoyed for the past five years. Now is the time for all of us to put forth our best effort to double the membership of this organization of which the entire world has every reason to be proud.

LOUIS A. BAFFETTI.

Lodge No. 262

SHARON-FARRELL, PA.—Our last meeting of the year was a great success. Election of officers for the coming year was the most interesting event of the evening. Our club appreciates the way our officers of 1936 conducted the meetings and social affairs of the past season.

An entire new group of officers will lead our organization for 1937. The following members were elected: President, John Masek; Vice President, Henry Rupert; Secretary, Rose Mlakar; Treasurer, Carl Billioni. Auditors: Betty Stambal, Mrs. Steibly.

The meeting was concluded with a Xmas party which was enjoyed by all.

Business views: Our First Anniversary Dance will be held Jan. 23. Barberton SNPJ Buckeyes have already promised a busload for that affair. We expect Girard Golden Eagles to fall in line with the Buckeyes with a busload, too. So, until Jan. 23, we say, "A happy 1937!"

RUPERT'S SCANDALS.

Gowanda Boosters

SIX YEARS YOUNG

GOWANDA, N. Y.—In reviewing the activities of the past six years it is not possible and certainly not advisable to relate a whole string of figures. Rather than that I shall try to enumerate briefly those phases of GOWANDA BOOSTERS' life, which even today stand out most conspicuously. Even here, I may fail to give prominence to everything because space and time will not permit.

It was in January, 1931, that a group of young people were called together in the Slovene hall, with the specific intention of forming an English speaking branch of the SNPJ, by Bro. Joseph Kren Jr. from Buffalo, John Andolsek and this writer. We discussed the pros and cons of such a venture, finally winding up with 17 signatures for a charter. One month later and after much bickering, that group annexed the name "GOWANDA BOOSTERS." They selected ambitious officers, and we started on our course untrained and inexperienced. But they set out at once for new members and in course of a year secured a membership of 45 Adults and 12 Juveniles.

The second year brought them to 67 and 16, and so on until at the close of six years we number 150 members in both departments.

Now as we stand on the threshold of the seventh year, all plans are completed for the most successful year in our short history, with all hands on deck ready and determined that it shall be an epoch-making year.

Social Functions

Everyone looked forward to the first dance of the Boosters. It was held in Feb., 1931, with an orchestra from Cleveland, O., playing for young and old; that was proper, for it seemed that all of the Slovenes in Gowanda were present with many friends from near and far. The dance spelled a financial and moral success and from then on the Boosters needed only to reap the harvest which each succeeding year brought on. There were the:

Picnic, First Anniversary, Picnic, Second Anniversary, Twentieth Anniversary of SNPJ and Picnic, Third Anniversary, Picnic, Fourth Anniversary, Picnic, Harvest Dance, Fifth Anniversary, Picnic.

Each year finer and better prizes and Juvenile Xmas parties were given. Numerous other social ventures were all more or less successful. With the Boosters came a new life, new type of entertainment, new dances with beautiful and illustrious decorations.

Group Travelling

Trips to many SNPJ lodges were part of the Boosters' life and growth, for the Boosters' idea spread to many principal centers where our people lived. We visited Buffalo, Sharon, Pittsburgh, Ambridge, Cleveland, Girard, Youngstown, Chicago, and Detroit. Those long distance trips bring back dear memories, any of which is a story in itself.

Athletics

No one can deny that "Good Sportsmanship" is a part of fraternalism, and Boosters are proud of the fair-play attitude which prevails in all of our meets. Both our girls and boys have displayed skill in the various teams. Our girls' bowling and softball teams entered the final play-offs last season and their present bowling team is making a creditable record.

Little also need to be said of the past summer's baseball team. Our record was good, but we will work toward improving it for the next year. And didn't our football team give us some real thrills? The boys won five games and lost only one to a professional team from Oleon.

Yes, we are fortunate in having in our lodge men and girls well schooled in all sports, and they are willing to give their time in training our youth, so that we will have teams in every line in the future, that will really attract attention.

When we say training our younger members, we really mean it. If any one does not believe, just look at the names of our officers for 1937: Frances Straus, Pres.; Louise Huch, Vice Pres.; John Matekovich, Sec'y (fourth term); Rec. Sec'y, Amelia Andolsek; Treas., Amelia Kaluza. (Uboga moja ušesa, dekleta!) Some of the officers are new, and when they get ready, some one will take yours truly's job over also and we will have only ladies for officers. This is the young SNPJ spirit, because in most senior lodges you will not even see the ladies attend meetings.

Well, girls! Let's bring a lot of new members into the Lodge in 1937—and do not forget to read our by-laws.

Six young years are behind us, and now we are getting ready to celebrate them, on Jan. 23, in the Slovene hall.

Our Brother, Ernest Miller, heading the dance committee, secured the Music Masters of Buffalo, one of the finest colored orchestras in the city, and one which is sure to please the swing music fans. For the polka adherents there will be the usual Slovene music in the lower hall.

We will also show SNPJ films earlier in the evening.

Now it is up to you members, to follow Bro. Mlaker, because it will pay you and the lodge. Just imagine! Michael sold over 35 tickets in less than one week! How many did you and you sell to your friends? Let's start the New Year right, and make our Sixth Anniversary the best affair we ever had.

JOHN MATEKOVICH, Lodge 728.

Buckeyes' Bits

By "Oh"

BARBERTON, OHIO.—This dept. takes time out to wind up the year with a final word or so—only this time we'll deal with future events.

A good way to start out the year is by attending the first meeting on Jan. 8, which is the second Friday of the month. We give you the first Friday for celebration.

Then on Jan. 23 the Farrell-Sharon crowd promise to do the honors at their dance and, we are told, they await the arrival of our busload with open arms. All those wishing to make the trip will make reservations with Stephie & Mary. This should be done as early as possible with a "down payment" to make sure of your passage.

Jan 30, marks the ninth year in the life of the Buckeyes and a fitting affair will be held to celebrate the day. We want to have all of our old and new friends to make merry with us. Can we count on YOU?

All members should make an attempt to visit Mrs. Frances Poja, who is still on the sick list and rather lonesome. We will all be happy when Mrs. Poja is back in our midst again and we hope it will be soon. Reports are that the original Ambassador of Good Will, Tommy Ganter, is still looking at the rest of the world from the "Land of Counterpane." Your friends are all looking forward to seeing you back in the whirl of things, T. G., so don't disappoint 'em. We trust you'll be in the "pink" soon.

We're all a bit sad these days because one of our most faithful and active charter members has left our ranks by transfer, but we're sure that Frank Carr will enjoy doing his part for the Chicago Pioneers now. Wonder how the souvenir glass is doing in Chicago???

A popular student at the Barberton high school is John Mesec, who is being kept rather busy with football, cheer leading and music, but who is also an honor student where lessons are concerned. We hope to see more of this young member at our future affairs.

Soap Chips:—Adie Yersin's letter to Santa in behalf of this dep't was certainly appreciated. By the way, "Bing," why was that Barberton offer turned down? Or am I being too inquisitive?—Some time ago this dep't accused a certain party of being the Beacon Bachelorettes, but we, being a trifle incredulous, were easily softsoaped into believing we were wrong. Much, much later we discovered that the B. B's really were the above mentioned c. p. And to think that we fell for that "Ideal Man" stuff!!!—Bertha Mesek is seen going around with a preoccupied look in her eye. Wonder if she's trying to memorize her Social Security number . . . We're still waiting for the Commodores' writeup by "Captain Kidd."—A Happy New Year to you all!

Wolverine News

DETROIT.—Once again the Wolverines' Sports Club has organized its bowling teams for the 1937 season. The final games of the 21 game series were bowled last Sunday to determine the members to participate in the first 3 teams. A prize of 4, 3 and 2 dollars was also awarded the 3 members having the highest average in the series.

The girls also have a team and the same prizes were awarded them.

"Capone," Lockner and Debelak were the winners in the order named, Bozick and J. Bernick are the other two members of the first team. The second team is comprised of Steffler, "Gooch," Hren, Dan Obed and A. Anzick. And the third team is: A. Klarich, Kovatch, M. Klarich, "Boss," and Kipila.

The prize winners of the girls' team are: Mary Ann Golear, Margaret Obed, Charlotte Anzick and the runners up, Lenore Brewer, Sophie Debelak and Katherine Klarich.

We are now waiting for the annual series with the Young Americans, which is to be held in January, the exact date not having been decided on.

We would also like to book games with other SNPJ teams, especially Chicago or Cleveland. Teams interested write to Alfred Maccani, 6025 Proctor, Detroit, Mich.

ALFRED MACCANI, Lodge 677.

Lodge Letters

LODGE 581 HOLDS DANCE

ST. MARYS, PA.—Ldoge 581, SNPJ, will hold a dance January 9, at the Grange hall, North Michael st. This is our first big event of the year, and an elaborate program has been arranged by the committee. There will be plenty of waltzes, polkas and swing time music furnished by an orchestra which has the reputation of being one of the best—Martin Serro's radio orchestra which can be heard regularly over station WHJB, Greensburg.

Wide-spread interest is already being shown and delegations from nearby towns and cities are expected to attend, justifying the committee's report that one of the largest crowds ever to attend a Slovene dance will be on hand.

Yes, we will have an ample supply of eats and drinks to last the entire evening. We're certain you cannot and will not miss this gala event.

We are extending a cordial invitation to all our members, neighboring lodges and friends from far and near, assuring you one and all an evening filled with merriment.

The date is Saturday, January 9. The place is Grange hall, North Michael st. The admission is 25 cents per person.

Wishing you all a very happy New Year—will be seeing you January 9.

GABRIEL ULJON, Sec'y.

FRONT PORCH NEWS

CANTON, O.—Gay times! Refreshing drinks! Good eats! This was at SNPJ Lodge "McKinley's" annual juvenile party which this year was a Halloween Party, October 31. Thirteen members were dressed in Halloween costumes: Elsie Rotar, Frank Rotar, Molly Dodich, Frank Dodich, Tony Basa, Jennie Ceh, Adele Ceh, Joe Ceh, Edwin Vitavec, Dorothy Vitavec, Joe Uljich, Virginia Yagodnik, and Betty Yagodnik.

Games, contests, etc., were played under the direction of our able President, Jennie Vitavec. The older women of the lodge prepared the party—delicious pumpkin pie, punch and candy. The room was decorated in the usual colors of Halloween by Jennie and Adele Ceh. Cats, witches, goblins, ghosts, and pumpkins, walked the walls.

Also, prizes were offered for prettiest, next prettiest, and funniest costumes. First prize was given to the two little Yagodnik girls, Virginia and Betty. Second prize, Elsie Rotar, and third prize, Joe Ceh.

We are sorry that the Belich sisters and brother were not able to be there because of the death of their beloved twin sister. We send our sympathies.

Snoopings: Molly Dodich as "Satan" was a knockout, but we know she isn't of devilish character. Virginia and Betty Yagodnik were pretty Spanish senoritas who had won the first prize. We understand that Dorothy Vitavec was to be dressed as an "angel" but instead came as farmer Ezekiel Brown. "Pioneer" Tony Basa certainly looked like a character from "The Last of the Mohicans" come to life. Those who wanted to have their fortunes told found quite a palmist in Madame Jennie Ceh. We wonder who went to her more often—the girls or boys? Elsie Rotar, pretty little damsel, who had so many "Isn't she pretty" comments. Bum No. 1 was none other than the inimitable Joe Ceh who had won the third prize for the funniest and he certainly was. Frank Dodich made a perfect little girl—now and then he forgot he was a girl. Girls are so angelic. "Oh yeah!" says Frank. Molly Dodich and Dot Vitavec became rather moody about 10:30 p. m. They had been to the Senior Masquerade party the night before and had their "hangover." At every masquerade there is an "Uncle Sam." Adele Ceh certainly played her role so straight and dignified. Joe Ujich was a timid little hobo. Bum No. 2 plus nigger, Frank Rotar. Edwin Vitavec, "America's Sweetheart," was rather shy—he told us he didn't know how to act as a girl. Elsie Rotar was surprised when she found out he really was a boy. Frank Dodich felt rather silly being a girl. Everyone was after farmer Zeke (Dot Vitavec) Brown's whiskey flask and Satan's (Molly Dodich) tail.—Very few people cared to accept "Satan's" invitation to dance. Why?—We found Virginia and Betty Yagodnik leading the Grand March. Andrew Vitavec was absent—we understand he considered himself "too old" to partake in such events.

EM en DEE.

Editor's note:—It's better that it appears in the Prosveta than in the M. L.

GOLDEN EAGLES LODGE 643

GIRARD, OHIO.—After an absence of several weeks from this English Section it is time one of us let you know we the Golden Eagles still exist. We held our annual meeting in the Slovene Dom, Dec. 14, 1936. A large number of members attended. I must take this opportunity to welcome our new member, Bro. Antony Barkovich. Many important matters were discussed.

Election of officers took place, the same officers being reelected with the exception of the president. Henry Cigolic was elected President for the year 1937; Vice-Pres., Joe Cherne; Sec'y., Jeannie Verbech; Treas., Marko Matekovich; Rec. Sec'y. Rose Umek. We know our new President will be capable and willing to work for the benefit of his lodge as did our former President.

To all our absent members I must mention that this was our last meeting held in the Dom. All of our meetings for the following year will be held in Avon Park. All our members are requested to attend the next meeting in Jan. Plans for our Anniversary dance will be discussed. Following our Annual meeting a social time and dancing was enjoyed by all the members. The music being played by the accordionist Joe Umek. The music was swell, those sandwiches made by our Sec'y were delicious, the cakes were tempting. We all had a grand time, the party ending ealy the next morning. With the new year coming on we members should make a resolution to the effect of attending all our meetings for the following year. Come on now, don't forget make the Golden Eagles lodge the most active for the year 1937. Wishing you all a Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year.

MAMIE KACICK, Lodge 643.

LODGE NO. 581

ST. MARYS, PA.—Hello, everybody! This is SNPJ Lodge 581 on the air, and this time with a Slovene orchestra.

Our December meeting was well attended. We have decided to have a dance, to start the New Year right, on Jan. 9, 1937. We will dance to Martin Serro's radio orchestra, who is very good and popular, you bet, and very hard to get. Yes, "he's booked for months ahead," as the Keystonians put it. The great musicians will supply us with many polkas, waltzes and the popular two-steps, tangos, and many others. The dance will be held at the St. Marys Grange hall on North Michael st.

The tickets are making a big headway, and can be bought from any member of this Lodge or may be purchased from our Sec'y. The admission is twenty-five cents (25c).

As the year comes to an end, we can say it was a successful one. As we increased our membership slowly in the past year, we trust confidently that the good work will be continued. We hope the coming year's attedance will be the same or even better.

More and more Slovenes are entering business. Do you know that you can buy from a Slovene a drink of beer or milk, have your hair fixed or printing done?

"SNOOKS" and "LAMBIE."

The Upper Crust

—Federated Pictures.

"Tell mama this job lasts two weeks and then they lay me off."

WOLVERINE LODGE 677

DETROIT.—Due to the New Year holidays week-end, the members of Wolverine Lodge 677 are hereby notified that their regular meeting, scheduled for Sunday, January 3, will be held on the following Sunday, January 10. The meeting will be held as usual at the Slovene Workers' Home and will begin at 10 a. m. sharp.

ALBIN OBED,
Sec'y, Lodge 677.

LODGE 687

MANVILLE, N. J.—At our meeting of Dec. 20, 1936, the following officers were elected for 1937: John Rupnik Jr., President; John Mesaros, Vice Pres.; John Dobish, Sec'y; Agnes Marsicano, Treasurer. Dr. Reale, lodge physician. We will hold our meetings every 3rd Sunday of the month at Batcho hall, Complain rd.

JOHN DOBISH. Sec'y.

DANCE AND MEETING

VERONA, PA.—The National Home will hold its next dance on Jan. 2, 1937, at the Home, 312 Arch st., Verona, Pa. All friends and neighboring lodges are invited. Admission 25 cents for ladies and gents. Music will be furnished by Martin Serro's trio.

The next N. H. meeting will be held Sun., Jan. 3, 1937, at 2 p. m. We all should make this a 100% meeting, so everyone can see for himself or herself what's going on in the Home. Let's pull ourselves together and see what good we can do for the Home.

PAUL BELIN,
Sec'y Nat'l Home.

NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY AT THE SNPJ HALL, DEC. 31

CHICAGO, ILL.—New Year's Eve is a night of celebration. The members of branch No. 1, JSF, and their friends are going to celebrate this event at the SNPJ hall, Thursday night, December 31. As at all of our previous New Year's Eve parties, there will be good dance music and everything that makes a real celebration.

In the upper hall, Johnny Kochevar's orchestra is going to serenade us with good dance music; Frankie Jradishek and Tony Omerza will see to it that everybody is gay in the lower hall. The depression is going to be forgotten and everybody will be in for a good time.

The admission price is 40c if the ticket is purchased in advance. At the door admission will be 60c. Get your tickets in advance from any branch member or at the Slovene Labor Center. Reservations can also be made in advance by calling Rockwell 2864. Be sure to come out and join us by celebrating the passing of another year. Meet your friends at our New Year's Eve Party where you can give them your good wishes for another happy New Year. The date is Thursday night at the SNPJ Hall.

PUB. COMMITTEE.

TWO GAY PARTIES

DETROIT, MICH.—The West Side Ladies' Club cordially invite you all to their Gala New Year Celebration which is to take place at the Slovene Workers' Home, 437 So. Livernois ave., Thursday, December 31. The music will be furnished by the Silver Crescent orchestra. There will be plenty of noisemakers, hats, confetti etc., distributed free of charge. Refreshments and food of all nature will be served. For an evening of excellent entertainment attend this dance. A good time is assured for the price of 50c per person.

On January 2, 1937, the West Side Singing Club "Slavec" is sponsoring a dance at 437 So. Livernois. Start the new year right and attend this party. They promise a good time for all.

TREASURER.

WPA ADULT EDUCATION

CHICAGO.—The enrollment in the Adult Education Classes of the WPA in the Harrison District has increased 500 over the preceding three months. Free classes are being offered in a wide range of subjects. People of foreign descent are being taught citizenship, English and reading. Foreign language classes are conducted. People desirous of increasing their employment capacities are being taught commercial subjects including comptometry, machine-book keeping, typing and shorthand. There is still time for new students to register. A card to Mrs. Pearl D. Olson, Room 107, Harrison High School, 2850 W. 24th st., will bring information regarding the available classes and their location.

HOWARD W. BENSON.

Women's Round Table

By Mary Jugg

It's all over now, but there's plenty of shouting yet to come. There's New Year's yet. And there's a lot of taking of inventory to be done by business men who filled their coffers on the slogan, "For Christmas comes but once a year, and when it comes it brings good cheer." It'll be rather lonesome for a while. No more free window shows and no more lean, emaciated Santa Clauses ringing beside a little red chimney to "help the poor" for one day in the year.

—Production for Use—

Greeting cards, calendars, cabaret owners, noisemakers, and foodshops proclaim a New Year. But after a week of reveling and hangover headaches, the nation will settle to its former tempo and no one will speak of a "new year" until a year from this date.—Because for the great mass of people there is no new year in reality. Because for the workers the same struggles and problems will beset them as those during the old year. Because for most of them prosperity has not yet made them squint their eyes, but rising prices and the slow crawl of increased wages has made them wrinkle their brows. Because for everything that the workers have attained, they will have to defend to the utmost of their strength. And because for those who reap the profits from the wage slaves, every day is a new year, and "New Year" is only an excuse to strike the limits of carousal.—When the masses will have won their fight for economic freedom, they will proclaim from the housetops—and sincerely: "It's a grand New Year."

—Production for Use—

There will be scores and scores of human beings in other countries who will find no cheer from the New Year, who will realize that their new year is far in the offing. These will also bitterly realize that there will be no new year until they and their kinsmen in neighboring countries are freed from the agony and throes of their miserable state. There are Spain and Italy and Germany and other countries where dictatorship has not only blighted the outlook for a new year but has snatched away the progress of scores and scores of other new years and the progress that had been made in them.

—Production for Use—

There's a reason for everything. The newest light on the action of England's church comes from a look at some of the facts. The church of England gets annual revenues from the tithes of the poor amounting to $75,000,000. Of course, to get this large sum of money it is necessary that the poor be kept in awe of the church. For if they weren't, where would the necessary amount for the church upkeep come from? Now, word had got around (whether justly or not) that the former King Edward had befriended the poor and that he won high respect among them for showing a sincere interest in their living conditions. And the same Edward was none too much inclined towards the church. Is it any wonder, then, that the Archbishop of Canterbury should voice his sentiments, saying that Edward's actions are a shame to religion, and trying to discredit his name among the populace of England? Yes, there's a reason why the church holds its fingers above the heads of the people under the guise of "morals."

—Production for Use—

Women are creatures for a specific purpose in Italy: child-bearing. Il Duce has again made an award for "the best mothers" judged according to the number of children they had borne. Logic would have it that if the dictator were really interested in the well-being of his country, he would be interested in providing the best possible for the people already living there and advise regulation of births. If Italy is already populated so that she needs territory to let herself breathe, why then the encouragement of more and more population? And all of this with the perfect sanction of the Pope and his generals!

Integrity Broadcast

CHICAGO.—To all Integrity members and to all my SNPJ friends I wish a Happy New Year.

The New Year is at hand, members of the Integrity Lodge. The Integrity faces one of the most important years in its history. In January 1938 your Lodge is going to celebrate its 10th anniversary. In order to make it real celebration, I plead with you members for the Integrity's sake and honor to give your best cooperation in 1937 to bring about a glorious ending of your 10 years of struggling. Every member should sacrifice some of his time, or anything that will help the Lodge with the celebration. This preparation for this 10th anniversary is just like some happy event in our life, every member should be happy to prepare—and he should willingly to do his best.

This celebration is for all of us, so let's rejoice together and work hand in hand to bring the happiest moments of our life as members of the Integrity Lodge.

Bro. Edward Medved is still on the sick list.—Bro. Jack Grilz some time ago uttered the finest words that can be find in the dictionary: "I do." Good luck, Jack, and don't forget the Integrity.

To whom it may concern:—All Integrity members that are willing to donate to some cause outside the SNPJ, they may do so of their own free will, but they cannot use the Lodge's name or number, because the Integrity Lodge does not participate in any political or religious orders. That is the Integrity's by-law, the best in the fraternal order. We are an SNPJ Lodge. What our members do outside of the Lodges affair, does not concern the Integrity. I also refuse to accept any donations that are not for our lodge or for the SNPJ members. I uphold the Integrity's by-laws. This is how the Integrity was started by our charter members and that's how we stand regardless how others may feel about us. May this be clear to all our members and members of the SNPJ.

I will send out tickets for our April 3 Dance by mail to all our members—5 tickets to each member. Any member that sells the 5 tickets will receive one free. In case you sell more than 5, you will receive on every 5 tickets sold one free. Hope you will try to do your share.

MICHAEL FLEISCHHACKER,
Secretary 631.

Cracks—Wise and Otherwise

By Federated Press

"Our great problems are national in character. We rise or sink together in America, not separately on 48 different rafts."—Dr. Charles A. Beard, historian.

"The Soviet Union wants no partners and no blocs, it simply offers cooperation for peace. It can give more than it receives."—Foreign Commisar Maxim Litvinov.

"We have already had foreshadowings of the suppressions, the banishments and the book burnings that have been the unhappy experince of our European fellows. Writers of the west are determined that they shall not happen here."—Statement of first Western Writers Congress.

"If coal miners and textile workers cannot buy automobiles and radio sets, the automobile and radio industries will surely languish."—Edward A. Filene, Boston merchant.

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Germany's goats must increase their milk production by 35,200,000 pints a year, Nazi chieftains have ordered.

The people Hitler made goats of have been milked dry.

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Under the 4-year-plan, Hitler orders, each female rabbit must increase its litter from six to 10 young.

To set an example for the breeding of cannon fodder.

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South Carolina night riders pray for their victim as they flog him.

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Horrors! The Koala, or Australian bear, is in danger of extinction.

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Something else to worry about: the Baroness of Rothschild's two dogs bit Slippers, the Duke of Windsor's terrier.

POROČILO O NAKAZANI BOLNIŠKI PODPORI

(Nakazana dne 17. decembra 1936)

REPORT OF SICK BENEFIT PAYMENT

(Payments of December 17, 1936)

1 Michael Koder $23.
2 Annie Tomasic $18, George Tomianovic $15.50, Tomo Cicak $28, John Jurkovich $17.50, Rade Svilar $32.
4 Joseph Milett $48, Frank Zaje $22.
6 Mary Gospodarich $18.
7 Charles Beltz $11, Frances Florijancic $36, Valentin Rodnak $3, Julia Babich $15, Michael Kotar, Jr. $10.50, John Likar $64.
11 Frances Kovacevic $30, Matod Bilia $26.50.
21 Lucille Vodnal $15, Mary Medved $30, Martin Kocevar $40, Matilda Mutz $28, Margaret Jamnick $20.
29 Jacob Klimp $51.
33 Annie Bizic $37, Mary Jerman $14, Gertrude Ubernik $21, Anna Mraovich $10.
34 Andrew Gizic $41, Joseph Kocjan $22.
36 John Arh $11, Frank Hogler $30.
44 Fred Jernejcic $20, Julia Koppler $15, Frances Nadu $17.50, Michael Ozaben $35, Johana Kos $35, John Deselan $50.
48 Lovrenc Frank $18.
60 John Svigelj $8, Joseph Guzell $4, Peter Valah $17.50, Math Hribar $24, Frank Ciber $19.50.
65 Charles Eliash $28.
69 Mary Pechar $30, Frank Krasevec $11, Joseph Oven $60, John Hace $40, Peter Oraskovich $21, John Serahe $38.
78 Ignatz Roscher $17.50.
82 Joseph Miklavcic $18, Anna Urban $7, Matt Novsak $40, Frank Kocevar $33, Mary Verhovsek $15.
95 Frank Luskovic $45, Joseph Legan $47.
96 John Uhan $12, Mary Dolanc $15, Martin Derzanic $17.50.
104 Thomas Jelich $36, John Gole $6, Joseph Zalar $15, Anna Basel $38, Anna Kopusar $15, Josephine Jankovich $19.50, Ursula Saje $15.
106 Frank Blasic $28.
109 Frank Kambich $36.
109 Frank Knabich $36.
111 Mary Losar $34, Theresa Gillach $35, Kate Zimmerman $17.50.
117 Andrew Godek $6, Anton Laurie $52.50.
118 Stephana Lohar $15, Joseph Butkovic $44, Joseph Hlad $20, Angela Jeke $33, Joseph Pogacar, $36 Mary Povse $21, Pauline Sedar $37, Frank Stefancic $8, Joseph Strekelj $17.50, Louis Hlad $34, Morris Fargotstein $41, Martin Berdik $37, Matt Bostjancic $46.
131 Helen Majaik $14, Joseph Lovisek $32.
134 Anna Porenta $19, Anton Chesnjevar $48, John Gornik $35.
135 Anton Menart $22, John Samanich $35.
137 Apolonia Lah $12.50, Ivana Dobrinich $10, Frances Kariz $12.50, Frances Avsenmarg $15.50, Rose Gornik $54.
140 John Gasparin $14.
147 John Beber $16, Frank Guzelj $15.
162 John Trojar $62.
166 Valentin Leskovec $42.
169 John Okrossek $21.
173 William Sitter $18, Antonia Kokoter $36.
174 Joseph Korosec $4, Anton Opeka $33, Anna Perencevic $20, Mary Zakrajsek $35.
182 Frances Zadnik $8, Joseph Tomsic $24, John Podraaj $35.
187 Emma Podpecan $12.
201 John Zaverenik $18.
204 Louis Groselj $22, Joseph Hribar $20.
213 Rose Tribuljak $17.50, Theresa Starika $27, Mary Smith $15.
216 Maria Krulc $10, Katie Podnar $35, Andrew Bartosa $35, Anton Podnar $8, John Ujcic $6.
221 Philip Lovisek $30.50.
225 John Hocevar $8.
226 Ivana Zalaznik $25.
232 John Sprohar $37.
234 Edward Gallun $12, Alouise Senica $18.50, Frank R. Fritz $4, Mary Geiser $30, Gertrude Herga $17.50.
245 Mary Pike $15, John Yankovich $5, Max Florjancic $24.
254 Josephine Jakobe $24, Matthew Krofiga $35.
262 John Rosmarich $42.
264 John Jerman $29, Ciril Urbancic $35, Stefan Stranscak $70.
265 Frank Jerman $24.
266 Catherina Samarzija $15, Louis Kostelic $4, Matt Pogorelc $19, Frank Glavan $22.
269 Louis Malnar $27, Mary Galic $52.
270 Martin Potokar, Jr. $1, Rok Asich $17.50, John Stimac $35.
274 George Jadric $19.
277 Angela Slabe $3, Alexander Penich $13, Peter Leko $34.
284 Sophia Vrcek $8.
287 Mary Lavrich $17, Anna Laurich $32, Frank Laurich $54.
289 Elmer Kline $9.50, Andrew Dolgan $65.
292 Cesare Fratoni $13.50.
300 William Knafelz $35, Michael Sadar $17.50.
306 Frances Colik $17.50, Anna Golik $26, Johanna Jurcic $29, Anthony Vertocich, Jr. $35.
311 Andrew Petkovsek $33.
316 Agnes Sebat $15, Karl Jakse $35.
319 Albert Jacobs $8.
325 Nellie Vehar $15.
349 John Dormis $28.50.
356 Matt Katalinich $10.
361 Joseph Kastelic $36, Anton Kucevich $35.
366 Steve Karan $20, Louis Matelko $35, Lewis Podgornik $2.50, Frank Golojuh $24.
371 Rudolph Moskon $12.50, Joseph Mastnak $21, Anton Bresnikar $31.
385 Richard A. Cairns $1.
386 Frances Likovich $22.50, Frank Dolenc $15, John Lipovsek $40, Anton Kuss $34, Andrew Mihelcic $15.
387 Mary Tomsich $17.50.
390 Frank Sustarsich $35.
395 John Essich $25.
396 Steve Bovich $36.
398 Sam D. Pasquale $29.50, Nikola Salopek $15.
400 Andrew Snoznik $17, Frank Bosnar $36, Ignatz Bogataj $14.
412 Alex Hattel $1, John Grbac $26.
419 William Nosse $6.50, Jerry Miklavcic $15, Frank Pivik $72.
425 Mary Lewis $28, Victor Sustersic $36.50, Louis Gross $60.
427 Paul Hauuha $24, Louis Tomasic $12.
447 Steffie Ferlin $18.50, Louis Zalaznik $13, Rose Hoyak $30.
448 Jacob Napotnik $14, Frank Gunda $17.50.
450 John Krnc $17.50, Frank Zalesnik $46.
460 Frank Semrov $12.
462 Alexander Boryenace $43, Agnes Milkov $27, Polonia Kuretich $16.
472 Joseph Flajs $60.
474 Anton Bozic $30.
480 Paul Butina $14.
525 Joseph Bact $70.
540 Anna Cerne $15.
541 Ivan Thaler $23.50.
543 Alex Erzhevich $14.
552 John Mudraninec $14, Steve Jurkovich $22.
558 Frank Rupnik $10.50.
562 Andrew Spolak $16.
570 Frank Bizjak $13.
583 Louis Strah $29, Frank Manor $20.
586 Anton Bole $6, Hazel Artac $27, Fred Mohar $70, Vincent Jevsevar $48.
590 Katherine Zadell $26, Jennie Prosnick $44.
625 Dragutin Povrsenich $22.
683 Joseph Bergine $21.50, Mary Jenic $22.50, John Polandich 40, Albin Vrtarnik $4.
684 Mary Fine $33, Stanislava Subadolnik $16.
687 Paul Fints $31.

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