

GRKI PREDRI FAŠISTIČNE OB- RAMBNE ČRTE

**Angleži ujeli italijan-
skega generala**
**MUSSOLINI BI RAD
DOBIL BAZE NA
KORZIKI**

Atene, 14. jan.—Grške čete so za petmesečni Italijanov, ki beže iz centralne Albanije proti Berat, središču oljnega polja v Albaniji. Angleški letalci mečejo bombe na to mesto. Grško poveljstvo poroča, da vojne operacije proti Italijanom na severni strani Klisure zadovoljivo napredujejo.

Kairo, Egipt, 14. jan.—Tu poročajo, da je bil general Argentin, poveljnik brigade črnosrajčnikov v Sidi Barraniju, ki je pobegnil pred padcem te trdnjave, ujet. General se je skrival z več drugimi italijanskimi častniki ob neki reki v severni Afriki. Italijane je opazil neki angleški letalec, nakar je bil odrejen lov, ki je rezultiral v ujetju.

Atene, 14. jan.—Grške čete so prebile italijanske obrambne črte južno od Valone in se zdaj pripravljajo na veliko ofenzivo. Nove zmage so bile izvojevane tudi na severni strani Klisure, strateškega mesta v centralni Albaniji, ki so ga Grki okupirali zadnji petek.

V sektorju pri Pogradu so grške čete okupirale nove pozicije in zaplenile velike količine italijanskega orožja, streliva in drugega bojnega materiala. Čete v tem sektorju so pod grško kontrolo.

Predstavnik atenske vlade je izjavil, da je Mussolini poslal svežo vojaško divizijo, okrog 15,000 mož, na fronto pri Tepelinju, da ustavi prodiranje grških kolon proti Valoni. V zadnjih dneh so Grki ujeli več sto italijanskih vojakov in častnikov.

Kairo, Egipt, 14. jan.—Angleški letalci že rabijo letalske oporišča pri Tobruku in drugih libijskih krajih, s katerih so bili Italijani pregnani. Vse ozračje nad libijskim obrežjem od Bardije do Bengasije je pod angleško kontrolo.

Angleži napadajo italijanske kolone na drugi strani angleško-egiptskega Sudana. Fašistična posadka pri Metemmi, vzhodno od Gallabata, je kapitulirala pred Angleži.

Rim, 14. jan.—Fašistični krogi trdijo, da italijanske čete uspešno odbijajo grške naskoke na svoje pozicije na albanških frontah. Ti ne pripisujejo posebne važnosti premešanju poveljstva italijanske oborožene sile v Albaniji. General Ugo Cavallero, ki je nasledil generala Ubalda Sodduja kot poveljnik italijanskih čet v Albaniji, bo obdržal pozicijo kot načelnik armadnega štaba. To pozicijo je dobil, ko je bil maršal Pietro Badoglio razrešen dolžnosti na svojo lastno prošnjo v decembru.

Zunanji krogi napovedujejo, da bo Italija s pomočjo Nemčije skušala dobiti baze na Korziki in v Tunisiji, ki sta francoska posest. Tunisija leži na drugi strani Sicilije, Korzika pa zapadno od italijanskega obrežja.

Sedem ranjenih v izgredih

Saginaw, Mich., 14. jan.—Pri večerajšnjih izgredih pred tovarno Eaton Mfg. Co., ki so nastali, ko je grupa piketov, članov avtne unije, skušala preprečiti stavko-
kazom vstop v tovarno, sta bila dva stavkarja in pet policajev ranjenih. Policija in državni milic-

Rezultat kampanje meseca decembra

Oba članska oddelka sta porasla za 316 članov ali skupaj za 951 novih članov v treh mesecih

Članska kampanja pri angleško poslujočih društvih SNPJ in v splošnem za mladinski oddelki naše jednote, katera je v teku od 1. oktobra 1940, je meseca decembra pomnožila članstvo v obeh oddelkih za 316 novih članov.

Za oddelke odraslih je bilo pridobljenih 203 in za mladinski oddelki 113 novih članov.

Rezultat kampanje v decembru je bil za 14 članov slabši kakor v novembru, ko je kampanja prinesla 330 članov, je pa za 11 članov boljši kot je bil v oktobru, prvem mesecu kampanje, ko je prišlo 305 novih članov.

Skupni rezultat kampanje vseh treh mesecev je torej 951 članov v obeh oddelkih.

Če se bodo društva in posamezniki, ki so na delu v tej kampanji, držali tako trdno bodoče mesece skozi zimo in pomlad, bo ta kampanja dobro uspeła.

Le krepko naprej, bratje in sestre!

Beg francoskega parnika preprečen

**Vrniti se je moral
v urugvajsko luko**

Montevideo, Urugvaj, 14. jan.—Francoski tovornik parnik Mendoza, ki se je izmuznil iz te luke, se je moral sinoči vrniti nazaj. To je bil že drugi pokuš s strani tega parnika, da predre angleško blokado Atlantika.

Poročilo iz Punta del Este, ki leži sto milj vzhodno od Montevidea, pravi, da je parnik pognala nazaj v urugvajsko luko angleška križarka Asturias. Ta je čakala nanj ob ustju reke Plete. Parnik Mendoza je odrinil iz urugvajske luke s tovarom zmrznjenega mesa in volne.

Urugvajski zunanji minister Alberto Guani je protestiral pri angleških avtoritetah, ker so ustavile francoski parnik v nevtralni vseameriški pomorski coni. Te so odgovorile na protest, da kapitan francoskega parnika ni vprašal za dovoljenje glede odhoda iz urugvajske luke. Ako bi se mu beg posrečil, bi skušali nadaljnji francoski parniki, ki se nahajajo v argentinski luki, predreti angleško pomorsko blokado.

Ogrski kneginji preti deportacija

Washington, D. C., 14. jan.—Justični department je naznanil, da je bilo odrejeno postopanje proti ogrski kneginji Stefániji Hohenlohe-Waldenburg, ki je prišla v Ameriko z ogrskim potnim listom 22. decembra l. 1939. Ona bi morala zapustiti Ameriko zadnjo soboto, a je informirala imigracijske uradnike, da je bolna. V angleškem parlamentu je bila kneginja obdolžena, da je v službi nemških nacijev.

Green obljubil odpravo prodajnega davka

Springfield, Ill., 14. jan.—Dwight H. Green, republikanec, ki je bil včeraj ustoličen kot guverner Illinois, je v svojem govoru naglašal, da bo odredil štednjo v vseh državnih departmanti in odpravil prodajni davek na živila. Poleg njega so prevzeli državne urade štirje drugi republikanci—podgouverner Hugh F. Cross, justični tajnik George F. Barrett, kontrolor Arthur C. Lueder in zakladnik Warren Wright.

niki so potem aretirali 20 stavkarjev. Guverner Murray D. Van Wagoner je zapretil, da bo poslal nadaljnje oddelke milicnikov v mesto, če se bodo izgredili ponovili.

ANGLIJA BO PO- JASNILA SVOJE VOJNE CILJE

**Rooseveltov odposlanec
pri kralju Juriju**
**JUZNA NEMCIJA
BOMBARDIRANA**

London, 14. jan.—"Angleška vlada bo kmalu pojasnila svoje vojne in mirovne cilje in podala zadevno izjavo," je dejal D. M. Foot, član parlamenta in podtajnik ministarstva ekonomske vojne, v svojem govoru pred člani Škotskega liberalnega kluba v Edinburgu. "V zadnji vojni je bila deklaracija te vrste podana šele v januarju l. 1918. V tej vojni ne bomo čakali štiri leta na deklaracijo. Kar moramo upoštevati, so aktualna vprašanja te vojne, ne pa meje, ki bodo odtane po zaključku konflikta."

Footova izjava glede mej je prvi mljaj, kako bo Anglija uglasila vojno napoved glede vzpostavitve poljske republike s svojimi cilji. Gotovo je, da Poljaka, kakršna je bila, ne bo vzpostavljena, če Anglija ne bo iztrgala iz sovjetskih rok poljskih provinc.

Tu prevladuje mnenje, da je Harry Hopkins, posebni Rooseveltov odposlanec, prišel v London, da dobi natančne informacije, kakšen red namerava postaviti Anglija z ameriško pomočjo ali brez te pomoči. Hopkins je včeraj obiskal kralja Jurija. Konferenca je trajala pol ure, toda Hopkins ni hotel povedati reporterjem, kaj je bil predmet razgovora.

Letalski minister omenja v svojem poročilu veliko letalsko ofenzivo. Angleški letalci so ponovno metali bombe na nacijske "invazijske baze" v Franciji in Belgiji, na oljna skladišča v Porto Margheri v bližini Benetk, Italija, na Regensburg, luko ob Donavi, kjer so čistilnice in skladišča rumunskega olja, in na industrijska središča v južni Nemčiji. Piloti so po povratku v Anglijo povedali, da so bombe porušile več nemških tovarn.

Nemški bombniki so istočasno bombardirali mesto v južno-zapadni Angliji in South Walesu. Okolica Liverpoola je bila tudi tarča nemških bomb.

Berlin, 14. jan.—Angleški letalci so napadli z bombami Bayreuth, pozorišče letnih Wagnerjevih glasbenih prireditev, in druga mesta v južni Nemčiji. V Berlinu trdijo, da bombe niso povzročile velike škode.

Marshall pozvan pred veleporoto

New York, 14. jan.—Verne Marshall, predsednik odbora No Foreign War, je bil pozvan v Washington, da tam nastopi pred federalno veleporoto, ki preiskuje trošenje denarja v volilnih kampanjah. Marshall je dejal, da ne more razumeti, zakaj je bil pozvan v Washington.

Lov na levičarje v Ekvadorju

Quito, Ekvador, 14. jan.—Policija je uprizorila lov na levičarje po krvavih izgredih v tem mestu, v katerih sta bili dve osebi ubiti in 17 drugih ranjenih. Avtoritete trdijo, da so komunisti provocirali izgrede.

Na vprašanje "Ali mislite, da varnost Amerike zavisi od angleške zmage?" je v splošnem odgovorilo 68 odstotkov volilcev, da da, 26 odstotkov vtraja, da Amerika ni odvisna od Evrope, šest odstotkov pa ne ve, kaj bi rekli. Drugo vprašanje je bilo, če Američani mislijo, da bi Iraka mo-

Domače vesti

Nov grob v Buffalo
Buffalo, N. Y.—Dne 5. jan. je v tukajšnji bolnišnici umrl deček Joseph Batchen, star 11 let, rojen v Ameriki in član mladinskega oddelka pri društvu 710 SNPJ. Umrl je za vnetjem slepiča. Zapušča starše (Mihael in Ana Kren Batchen), dva brata in sestro, v Gowandi, N. Y., pa staro mater.

Naši bolniki v Penni
Prestó, Pa.—Dobro znani Lovrenc Klemenčič, član društva 166 SNPJ, se je moral podati v bolnišnico Mercy v Pittsburghu na operacijo, katero je že prestal. Članstvo mu želi hitrega ozdravljenja.

Spet avtna nesreča
Painesville, O.—Dne 12. januarja ponoči se je šest milj od tu smrtno onesrečil pri avtomobilski nezgodi Mike Pavlovič iz Clevelanda, star 26 let. Rojen je bil v Calumetu, Mich., in v Clevelandu zapušča starše, brata, polbrata in sestro.

Vesti iz Clevelanda
Cleveland.—Dne 11. t. m. je v bolnišnici umrla Josipina Jese-novič, stara 50 let in rojena v Vipavi na Primorskem. V Ameriki je bila 30 let in tu zapušča moža, štiri otroke ter sestrično.—V bližnjem Fairportu, O., na farmah je zadnje dni umrl John Palčić, star 70 let in doma iz Vrhnike pri Ložu. V Ameriki je živel 35 let in tu zapušča sina, tri omožene hčere in brata.

Dva dečka ubita v Sharonu
Sharon, Pa.—Dne 12. januarja zvečer sta bila pri sankanju ubita dva slovenska dečka, bratca Fred in Joseph Vodenčar, prvi star 13 in drugi 12 let. Bila sta sinova rojaka Jos. Vodenčarja. Povožil ju je taksij. Zavarovana nista bila pri nobenem podpornem društvu in to naj bo svarilo naši mladini oziroma staršem.

Nov grob v Minnesoti
Eveleth, Minn.—Pred nekaj dnevi je tu umrl Frank Virant, star 79 let in doma od Ribnice. Tu je živel 30 let in zapušča sina in hčer. Bil je član ABZ.

Avto povozil članico
Kansas City, Kans.—Dne 12. t. m. zvečer sta dva črna v avtu povozila 26-letno Berto Horzen, članico društva 408 SNPJ. Črna sta pobežnila, čeprav je policaj oddal tri strela za njima. Ranjena članica se nahaja v So. Margaret bolnišnici, soba št. 325.

Nov grob v starem kraju
Cleveland, O.—Angela Pirc, članica društva 126 SNPJ, je prešla žalostno vest, da je v Smartnem pri Cerkljah na Gorenjskem umrla njena mati Marija Bolka v starosti 88 let. V Ameriki zapušča eno hčer, v starem kraju pa dve hčeri.

Francija protestira proti blokadi

**Prebivalci ne morejo
dobiti živeža**

Vichy, Francija, 14. jan.—Francija se jezi in protestira proti angleški pomorski blokadi, ki je odgovorna, da prebivalci ne morejo dobiti živil in morajo trpeti pomanjkanje. Tu celo trdijo, da blokada ne bo dosegla svojih namenov in da celo škoduje Veliki Britaniji. Narodni na evropskem kontinentu so prisiljeni kooperirati s sovražniki Anglije zaradi blokade.

Francoski uradni krogi zlasti napadajo premierja Winston Churchill, ki je nedavno naznanil poostrevo blokade. Očitajo mu, da je on odgovoren za bado v Franciji. List Figaro je objavil uvodnik, v katerem pravi, da je blokada proti nebojnikom bolj kruta in brutalna nego militaristična akcija.

Angleška misija dospela v Turčijo

**Nemški poslanik
obiskal bolgarskega
premierja**

Ankara, Turčija, 14. jan.—Angleška vojaška misija je prišla sem, da se posvetuje s turškimi voditelji o militarističnih zadevah. Naznanjeno je bilo, da se bodo razgovori pričeli danes.

Zunanji opazovalci sodijo, da se bodo razgovori nanašali na dogodke v Sredozemlju, Afriki in balkanskih državah. O Turčiji je znano, da hoče dobiti nazaj Dodekaneske otoke v vzhodnem delu Sredozemskega morja, ki so italijanska posest. Turčija je demonstrirala veliko zanimanje za grške uspehe v Albaniji in angleške v Afriki.

Turški tlak je navdušeno pozdravil izjavo bolgarskega premierja Filova, da bo Bolgarija ostala nevtralna. Iz tega sklepa, da se Bolgarija ne bo uklonila nacijakim zahtevam in da se zanaša na pomoč sovjetske Rusije.

Sofija, Bolgarija, 14. jan.—Tukajšnji nemški krogi so obnovili diplomatske aktivnosti, ko so se pokazala znamenja, da je Moskva zavzela bolj odločno stališče proti vstopu Hitlerjevih čet v bolgarsko ozemlje. Nemški poslanik Herbert von Richtenofen je včeraj obiskal bolgarskega premierja Bogdana Filova in zunanjega ministra Ivana Popova. Predmet razgovorov ni bil omenjen. Nemški krogi so namignili, da boata Filov in poslanik Richtenofen kmalu skupaj odpotovala v Berlin.

Rooseveltova zmaga v kongresu

**Debata o pomoči
Angliji**

Washington, D. C., 14. jan.—Rooseveltova administracija je izvojevala prvo zmago v kongresu, ko je nižja zbornica odobrila proceduro, katero so očitrali pristajati administracije, glede razprave o načrtu o pomoči Veliki Britaniji. Predlog Sama Payburna, predsednika zbornice, da se Rooseveltov načrt izroči odseku za zunanje zadeve, je bil sprejet.

Sol Bloom, načelnik tega oddelka, je nato naznanil, da se bo zašiljanje o načrtu pričelo danes. Kot prva priča bo nastopil pred odsekom državni tajnik Cordell Hull.

Kongresnik John W. McCormack, vodja demokratske večine v nižji zbornici, je predlagal amandiranje Rooseveltovega načrta. Predsednikova oblast naj bi se omejila na gotovo dobo. To naj bi bila koncesija opoziciji, ki je proti temu, da bi Roosevelt sam določal obseg pomoči Veliki Britaniji, Grčiji in Kitajski v obliki bojnih ladij, letal in bojnega materiala.

Senator Walter F. George, demokrat iz Georgije in načelnik senatskega oddelka za zunanje zadeve, je izjavil, da on brez pridržkov odobrava namene in cilje Rooseveltovega načrta, zano pa je naglasil, da je uverjen, da Roosevelt ne bo ugovarjal reviziji načrta tako, da Amerika dobi gotove garancije od držav, katerim bo nudila pomoč. Senator Wheeler iz Mnotane je bil izbran za voditelja demokratske opozicije proti Rooseveltovemu načrtu. Republikanci se še niso odločili, možnost pa je, da bo senator Vandenberg ali pa senator Taft izbran za voditelja republikanske opozicije.

KONEC FAŠISTIČ- NE KONTROLE ABESINJE BLIZU

**Bivši cesar Selazije na-
povedal raztegnitev
revolte**

**DEZERTACIJE
IZ ITALIJANSKE
ARMADE**

London, 14. jan.—Poročilo angleške časopisne agencije Reuters iz Khartouma, angleško-egiptski Sudan, citira izjavo Haila Selazija, bivšega abesinskega cesarja, da čas, ko bo vodil armado abesinskih patriotov proti Italijanom, ki so ga pognali s prestola, ni več daleč. V izjavi je naglasil, da je zadovoljen z napredkom v vezbanju svoje armade in da se revolta med Abesinci proti Italijanom razširja.

"Dnevi mojega bivšega italijanskega zaveznika, ki je izdal moje domovino, so že pretečeli," je rekel Selazije. "Italijani so zgradili dobre ceste v Abesiniji in zaslužili moje ljudstvo, niso pa zadržali njegovega upornega duha. Znamenja osvoboditve Abesinije izpod italijanskega jarma so se že pokazala. Abesinija bo kmalu dobila ustavno vlado."

On je dalje rekel, "da bobni stalno ropočajo. Na tisoče mojih bivših vojakov, ki se morajo zdaj boriti na strani Italijanov, ve, kaj to pomeni. Dezertacije Abesincev iz italijanske armade so v teku in rebeli se zbirajo pri Gojamu pod zaostavo lojalnega poveljnika rasa Mongasha."

Med opazovalci situacije prevladuje mnenje, da bo Anglija kmalu odredila veliko ofenzivo proti Italijanom v Abesiniji s pomočjo rebelnih domačinov. Vse kaže, da bodo Italijani kmalu doživeli strahovit poraz v vzhodni Afriki. Sterjeni so bili že koraki glede evakuacije nebojnikov iz krajev, ki so še pod kontrolo fašistične oborožene sile.

Angleško poveljstvo v Kairu, Egipt, poroča o revolti abesinskih patriotov proti Italijanom v Gubbi, mestu, ki je oddaljeno 20 milj od angleško-egiptskega Sudana. Rebeli so pognali fašistično vojaško posadko iz tega mesta. Drugo poročilo o nenja umik fašistov iz Kassale, abesinskega mesta v bližini Eritrije.

Finskim prebival- cem proti lakota

**Zunanja pomoč
potrebna**

Helsinki, Finska, 14. jan.—Ako Finska ne bo dobila potrebne kredita v Združenih državah za kupovanje živil in dovoljenja od Anglije za dovoz potrebnih in Petčamo, pristaniščno mesto na severu, bo polovica finskega prebivalstva stradala, je izjavil finski šivlaski minister Vajno Kotilainen v razgovoru z reporterji zunanjih listov. Situacija je kritična in Finska potrebuje takojšnjo pomoč.

Minister je dejal, da se Finska pogaja z živilsko administracijo v Washingtonu že od novembra glede kredita v vsoti \$7,000,000. Ta, če ga bo dobila, ji bo omogočil kupovanje ameriških poljskih pridelkov. Finski poslanik Hjalmar Procope v Washingtonu je informiral svojo vlado, da je bil apel odklonjen.

Kotilainen je zanikal poročila, da Finska pošilja potrebščine Nemčiji in drugim državam. On je tudi obljubil, da bo vaje blago, uvoženo iz Amerike, porabljeno na Finskem.

Uradne vesti društev SNPJ

Calumet, Mich.—Pri društvu 62-SNPJ so bili izvoljeni sledeči uradniki za 1941: Predsednik Geo. B. Spehar, podpredsednica Mary Puhek, tajnik John Mukavec at., blagajnik John Lamut st., zapisničarica Frances Serlich, nadzorniki Michael Zunic, Anton Gregorich, Joseph Pechaver, reditelj John Bregar, zdravnik A. C. Roche. Seje so vsako torko nedeljo popoldne ob 2. uri. Opozarjam člane in članice, da se udeležite seji in da delujete v dobrobit društva in jednote.
John Mukavec, tajnik.

Roundup, Mont.—Članstvu društva 114 SNPJ naznanjam, posebno pa oddaljenim, ki niso bili na letni seji, da sem bil izvoljen za tajnika in zastopnika Prosvete za tekoče leto. Kdor želi obnoviti naročnino ali se naročiti na Prosveto, lahko da meni denar in mu ne bo treba plačati poštna nakaznice.
Steve Blazina, tajnik, (Box 871).

Tire Hill, Pa.—Članstvu društva 289 SNPJ naznanjam, da sem 5. jan. prevzel tajništvo. Torej vas prosim, da se od zdaj naprej obračate na podpisanege v vseh društvenih zadevah. Asement bom pobiral vsakega 30. v mesecu v Slovenskem domu od 5. do 9. ure zvečer; če pa na 30. pade nedelja, bom asement pobiral od 1. do 5. ure popoldne. Članstvo prosim, da to upoštevate.
Fabian Horvat, tajnik, (Box 134).

Cicero, Ill.—Pozivam članstvo društva 449 SNPJ, da se udeleži prihodnje seje 17. jan. ob navadnem času v navadnih prostorih. Na tej seji boste slišali poročilo nadzornikov za prošlo leto. Obenem vas tudi pozivam, da plačate asement o pravem času, to je do zadnjega v mesecu, da ne boste imeli kakšnih neprilic, ako bo kateri suspendiran, ker ni tajnikova dolžnost, da bi zalagal za člane, ki ne plačajo o pravem času. Torej brate in sestre, upoštevajte pravila.
V odbor za 1941 so bili izvoljeni sledeči: Predsednik Anton Slabe, podpredsednik Joseph Komučar, tajnik Jakob Adam, zapisnikar Jakob Zupan, blagajnik Martin Brus; nadzorniki Matt Kure, Joseph Komučar, Louis Uličar; zdravnik dr. John J. Zavertnik. Seje se vrše vsak tretji petek v mesecu. Asement bom pobiral na domu (1829 S. 55 Ct., Cicero) v sredo in petek zvečer in v nedeljo popoldne.
Jakob Adam, tajnik.

Calumet, Mich.—V zadnjem poročilu o novem odboru društva 390 SNPJ je bila pomota v mojem imenu. Glasiti bi se moralo Joseph Weiss, ne Valjes in naš zdravnik je dr. Roche.
Joseph Weiss, tajnik.

Chisholm, Minn.—Društvo št. 110 SNPJ je na letni seji izvolilo sledeče odbornike za 1941: Predsednik Frank Kne, podpredsednik Joe Vodovnik, tajnik Frank Jenko, blagajnik Frank Medved, zapisnikar Frank Vidmar; nadzorniki Frank Klun, Joe Arko, John Novak; zdravnik dr. C. Jacobson. Seje so vsako tretjo nedeljo v mesecu v Mahnetovi dvorani ob 9. uri popoldne.
Samo toliko moram omeniti, da se bo vršila prihodnja seja v soboto popoldne, dne 18. jan., ob 2. uri, in sicer samo ta seja, potem pa zopet ponavadi tretjo nedeljo. Sprememba je zato, ker smo na zadnji seji odločili, da napravimo malo zabave po seji. In še nekaj: imeli bomo fine domače klobase in tudi za suha grla ne bo manjkalo. Torej ne bo treba drugega kakor — "help yourself". Prosim vas, udeležite se seje kar je v največjem številu mogoče in slišali boste letne račune in poročilo o Silvestrovi zabavi. Hvala vam vsem skupaj, tistim, ki ste prodajali vstupnice

in onim, ki so jih kupili in se v velikem številu udeležili naše zabave, ki je bila prav dobro obiskana.
Obenem vas prosim, da se pozurimo za pridobivanje novih članov sedaj v tej kampanji in da povečamo naše društvo. Ne pozabite na sejo v soboto popoldne ob 2. uri.
Frank Jenko, tajnik.

Fredericktown, Pa.—Naznanjam članom in članicam društva 288 SNPJ, da je razpisan izredni društveni asement v vsoti 90c. Kot je vsakemu članu že znano, se je naša blagajna v prošlem letu toliko izčrpala, da smo bili prisiljeni razpisati ta izredni asement za kritje stroškov. Plačati ga bo moral vsak član in članica, in sicer 45c v januarju in 45c v februarju 1941.
Nadalje vam naznanjam, da je društvo sklenilo na letni seji, da se povišajo redni društveni prispevki s 15 centov na 25 centov na mesec. Tukaj je primer, koliko bomo plačali: v januarju bo 45c izrednega in 10c več rednega asementa kakor je bilo v decembru, prav tako tudi prihodnji mesec. Torej v teh dveh mesecih bo vsakdo plačal \$1.10 več kakor je bilo do sedaj, potem pa samo 10c več kakor v letu 1940.
Prosim vas, brate in sestre, da upoštevate to naznanilo. V primeri, da bi kdo ne hotel plačati prej omenjene vsote, mu tudi ne bo mogoče plačati asementa kot ga je plačeval v letu 1940.
Tukaj je odbor našega društva za 1941: Predsednik Max Magayna, podpredsednik Frank Jekar, tajnik Anton Skvareh (Box 391, Vestaburg, Pa.), blagajnik John Oystersek, zdravnik Thomas E. Morgan; nadzorniki Joseph Vrinock, Agnes Lokar, Fr. Albert; bolniški odborniki Anton Skvareh, John Oystersek, Fr. Albert; delegata za federacijo Jakob Baloh in Max Magayna. Seje so vsako tretjo nedeljo v mesecu ob 2. popoldne v Owis Halli.
Anton Skvareh, tajnik.

Springfield, Ill.—Apeliram na člane in članice društva 47 SNPJ, da se udeležijo prihodnje seje v nedeljo, 19. jan. To je prva seja v letu in je dobro, da se člani odločijo, da bodo navzoči na vsaki seji, ker je na vsaki kaj važnega. Na letni seji je bilo tudi zaključeno, da letos naše društvo praznuje svojo 35-letnico, o čemer bo poročano pozneje.
V odbor so bili izvoljeni: predsednik John Goršek at., podpredsednik Anton Per, tajnik Louis Aidich, zapisnikar John Goršek ml.; nadzorniki Frank Kalan, John Zavari, John Furian; bolniški osek John Lazar, Ann Aidich, John Mocnik, zdravnik dr. Mautz; zastopnika federacije Antonia Church in John Hocevar.
Louis Aidich, tajnik.

Clinton, Ind.—Društvo Skala 50 SNPJ vabi vse člane in članice na sejo v nedeljo, 19. jan. ob 2. popoldne. Slišali boste poročilo nadzornega odeska. Naznanjam vam tudi, da je bilo na letni seji sklenjeno, da se bodo od zdaj na vsaki seji klicala imena članov in članic in tisti, čigar ime bo dvignjeno, bo dobil dolar iz blagajne, če bo navzoč(a). To je bilo sklenjeno iz razloga, ker se članstvo slabo udeležuje seji, ta privlačnost pa jih bo mogoče pritegnila. Torej pridite, bomo videli, kateri član ali članica bo dobila prvi dolar.
Frank Bregar, tajnik.

Biwabik, Minn.—Naznanjam, da smo pri društvu 211 SNPJ izbrali dva člana mladinskega oddelka v enem mesecu. Prvi je umrl 29. nov. Edward Kaulzlarich, star 17 let. Bolan je bil 10 let. Zapuščala mater, brata in dve sestri. Na novega leta pa je umrla Rose Mary Sherek, stara 12 let in pol. Bolna je bila dva meseca in umrla je v bolnišnici. Zapuščala starše in dva brata. Obema blag spomin, žalujočim pa naše sožalje!
V imenu sorodnikov obeh pokojnih se zahvaljujem vsem, ki so se udeležili pogreba, nosilec, darovalcem vencev in vsem, ki so darovali avte brezplačno, kakor tudi onim, ki so pomagali na kakršnekoli način.
Johnanna Shain, tajnica.

Warren, O.—Članstvo društva 321 SNPJ pozivam na prihodnjo sejo, ki se vrši 19. jan. ob 2. popoldne. Na tej seji bodo podani letni računi in slišali boste, kako obstoji naša blagajna. V odbor za 1941 so bili izvoljeni sledeči: Predsednik Joe Mlikuš, podpredsednik Jack Peršin, tajnik Joe Jež, zapisnikar Eugen Mikuš, blagajnik William Zuga, nadzorniki Frank Petrich, Frank Zuga, Jack Peršin, zdravnik Dr. Mutschman. Asement bom pobiral kot do zdaj: vsakega 26. v mesecu od 7. do 8. zvečer tam kot do sedaj.
J. Jež, tajnik.

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Anton Zagar, tajnik.

Detroit.—Vse članstvo društva 711 SNPJ opozarjam, naj se gotovo udeleži prihodnje seje v nedeljo, 19. jan., ob 10. popoldne v Hrvaškem domu. Na dnevnem redu bo letno finančno poročilo, kakor tudi volitev tajnika za l. 1941, ker ga na letni seji nismo mogli izvoliti. Torej je ta seja zelo važna in je potrebno, da se udeleži vae članstvo, ker društvo ne more biti brez tajnika, še manj pa napredovati v današnjih kritičnih časih. Torej še enkrat pozivam vse brate in sestre, da sodelujejo pri rešitvi tega važnega problema in si izmed okrog

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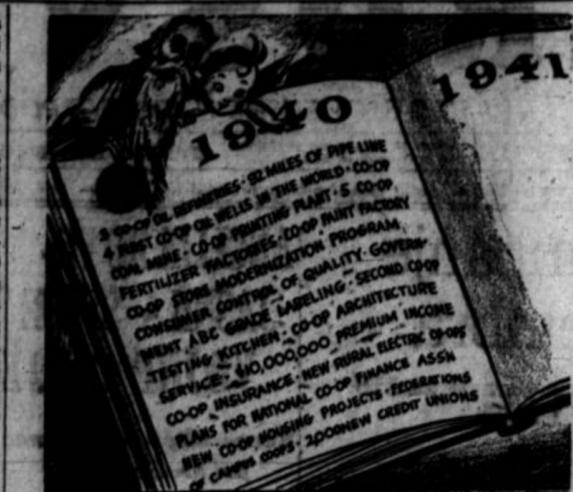
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John J. Rimac, dosedanji tajnik.

Mogadore, O.—Na letni seji je naše društvo 456 SNPJ zaključilo, da se naše seje vrše vsako tretjo nedeljo v mesecu ob 2. popoldne pri sestri Anni Anzelich. Prihodnja seja bo torej v nedeljo, 19. jan. Člani in članice ste vabljeni, da se udeležite. Oddaljene člane prosim, da plačajo asement pri meni ali pri blagajniku in torej ne čakajte zadnjega dneva v mesecu.
Matija Pekljaj, tajnik, (L. B. 316)

Struthers, O.—Uradniki društva 277 SNPJ za 1941 so sledeči: Predsednik Bogdan Sirich, podpredsednik Andrej Havalov, tajnica Amalija Slabi, blagajnica Rose Sirich, zapisničarica Jennie Mikolich, nadzorniki Abraham

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Carlville, Ill.—Poročati moram žalostno vest, da je naše društvo 362 SNPJ izgubilo člana Matha Mraka, ki je naglo umrl za srčno hibo in bil pokopan 15. dec. Zapuščil je ženo, ki se zahvaljuje SNPJ za takojšnje izplačilo smrtnine, društvu za veneč, prijateljem za cvetlice in članom za lepo udeležbo pri pogrebu. Pokojniku bodi lahka ameriška gruda, ženi pa naše sožalje!
Frances Podobnik, tajnica.

Manaca, Pa.—Pozivam vse tiste člane našega društva 618 SNPJ, ki ne prihajajo na seje, da se morajo v bodoče ravnati po društvenem sklepu. In ta se glasi, da se mora vsak član udeležiti seje vsaj enkrat v treh mesecih, kakor se glase pravila. Kdor se v bodoče ne bo držal te točke, bo suspendiran, ali pa bo podvržen društvenemu sklepu od zadnjega oktobra. Torej prosim vse člane, da se udeležite prihodnje seje 19. jan.
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Synganske aktivnosti

Syngan, Pa.—Ker ravno pošiljam naročnino Prosveti, ker ni nobenega zastopnika naokrog, bom še malo poročala o naših aktivnostih. Pri društvu Bratstvo 6 SNPJ je bil izvoljen sledeči odbor za 1941: Predsednik Frank Pustovrh, podpredsednik Julius Lesjak, tajnik John Virant, blagajnik Frank Ursich, zapisničarica Amalija Horvat, nadzorniki Mary Ursich, Mary Visnikar, Anton Safar, vratar Jakob Siflar.

Poročano je že bilo, da je bilo naše novo kegljišče otvorjeno na starega leta zvečer. Torej vabim vse nasebine od blizu in daleč, da pridete k nam in se zabavate, posebno sedaj v zimskem času je prav lušno kegljati. Vabim tudi vse ženske klube, da se bomo malo zabavale skupaj. Naš gospodinjinski odsek društva 6 keglja vsak četrtek zvečer.

Na letni seji gospodinjinskega odseka je bil izvoljen sledeči odbor: Predsednica Amalija Horvat, podpredsednica Elsie Prosen, tajnica Margaretta Lesjak, blagajnica Mary Ursich, nadzornice Julia Kramžar, Mary Drobni, Ann Ramovš. Seje so vsak zadnji petek v mesecu. Članice, pozapomnite si ta večer in se udeležite sej, ker čim več nas bo, lažje bomo kaj ukrenile.

Amalija Horvat, 6.

Kam jadramo?

Kemmerer, Wyo.—Ko čitam naš lasten delavski list Prosveto, namreč dopise članov, prihajam do zaključka, da z nekaterimi opazniki ni menda vse v redu. Opaziti je sploh zadnje čase, da se bolj in bolj zaletavajo v našega urednika br. Moleka, ker se ne strinjajo z njegovimi članki, nanašajočimi se na politične stranke in na svetovne dogodke.

Po mojem skromnem mnenju je br. Molek popolnoma na mestu s svojimi izjavami v Prosveti in vsa čast mu, ker nam poroča resnico in nas izobražuje. Nič se ne ustraši nasprotnikov in tudi puške ne vrže v koruzo. Takih mož nam je treba, da se iz obrabe v obraz pove ali zapiše resnico. Seveda, resnica pa v oči bode. Menda ni moza med nami Slovenci v tej deželi, ki bi več storili za narod na izobraževalnem in prosvetnem polju kakor br. Molek. In za to delo bi mu morali biti hvaležni, ne pa ga kritizirati brez konca in kraja, kar ni bratsko niti pošteno.

Bratje in sestre, ako vidite, da je br. Molek kršil pravila ali sklepe konvencije, obtožite ga. Ako pa nimate dokazov, pa pustite pri miru poštenega delavca, člana in urednika našega lastnega lista, ker to ruševanje proti njemu škoduje Prosveti kakor tudi SNPJ.

Lahko je kritizirati tistim, ki ne nosijo nobene odgovornosti za list niti glede zakonov, a br. Molek je pa za vse odgovoren. Svetovni položaj in druge take zadeve so urednikom veliko bolj znane kakor pa nam navadnim delavcem. Torej bodimo bolj demokratični in poslušajmo tiste, ki nekaj več vedo. Mi Slovenci v tej deželi itak ne bomo spremenili državnega niti svetovnega položaja, čeprav se vsi na glavo postavimo. Opustimo kritiziranje in napade drug na drugega in bodimo bolj dostojni. Skušajmo raje pridobiti Prosveti novega naročnika, naši jednoti pa kakega novega člana, bodisi v odrasli ali mladinski oddelki, kar bo v korist vsem.

Priporočam pa vsemu našemu članstvu, da raje razmisli o naših pravilih, ker smo v konvencijem letu. In ako je kaj v pravih, s čimer se ne strinjamo, priporočamo spremembo, ker se da je čas za to. In v svoji lastni organizaciji lahko kaj dosežemo, da bo boljše za članstvo jednote.

Anton Tratnik, 267.

Uresničeni upi

Syngan, Pa.—"Up, če tudi tisočkrat stri in porazen, nikoli ne umre v prah človeka." To je gotova resnica. Tudi nam Synganom ni umrlo upanje, da bo naš društveni dom enkrat pre-

novljen in povečan. Naša velika želja je tudi bila, da dobimo svoje lastno kegljišče. Nešteto krat smo na sejah razpravljali, kako bi začeli, a vedno je bil kak zadržek. Slednjič smo vendar prišli do zaključka, da se z delom pri domu prične.

Naš up se je uresničil. Na Silvestrov večer smo odprli kegljišče. Kar nisem mogel verjeti, da je to resnica. Bil je krasen prizor. Postor razsvetljen z modernimi luči, članov polno kegljišče na obeh straneh. Štiri članice mladinskega odseka društva Bratstva 6 SNPJ—Elsie Prosen, Ann Vrtačnik, Rosie Ursitz, Margaret Erzen—so prve pričele s kegljanjem. To je bilo ploskanje! Najet je bil tudi fotograf, ki je snel nekaj slik, da nam bodo v spomin na ta nepozabni večer.

Navzočih je bilo toliko ljudi, da že dolgo ne pomnim, da bila tako velika udeležba v našem domu na Silvestrov večer. Začetek je bil zelo dober. Krogle so letele in keglji so padali vso noč do petih zjutraj, potem pa zopet od devetih zjutraj naprej do drugega jutra. V štirih dneh, kakor je poročal br. George Prosen, upravitelj kegljišča, na seji društva Bratstva, so bili lepi dohodki.

Danes se vidi, da je s kegljiščem naš synganski klub oživel. Videl sem ljudi na kegljišču, katerih prej nisem videl v klubu. Posebno mladina je navdušena za ta sport, a tudi starejši smo se malo razgibali. Seveda nas keglji ne ubogajo, posebno mene ne. Za zlomka nočejo padati, kakor bi jaz rad, toda bo že bolje. Korajža velja!

Kaj pa naši kegljaški odseki? Naši mladi Jolly Juniorji in Strabanci so se zadnjič udarili. Veste, Strabanci so v resnici mojstri v kegljanju, a so jih naši premagali za 33 pointov. Ne pozabite nas še obiskat, Strabanci! Mogoče vam bo drugič sreča bolj mila.

Naš gospodinjinski odsek? Tudi ta ima svoj team. S kegljanjem so imele precej dober začetek. Le korajža, ženske! Moral sem se smejati moji ženi, ko mi je rekla, da ne gre pa ne gre, da kroglja leti enkrat v ta, drugič v drug jarek in tudi keglji nočejo padati kakor bi ona hotela. "Veš," je dejala, "nismo več pri tamladih, toda podatki se nečemo. Korajža pa šnajt—to tudi nekaj velja!"

Toda špas na stran. Kegljšče je res nekaj krasnega. In komu moramo dati največ priznanja za prenovljeni dom in moderno kegljišče? Mnogo skrbi, truda in dela je dalo le štirim članom, ki ni so odnehali prej, da so dosegli kar so začeli. In začetek je bil težak. Polena so letela pod noge in bile so razne ovire, toda naši fantje se niso ustrašili, niso odnehali. Priznanje gre br. Juliusu Lesjaku, nemu izmed ustanoviteljev društva Bratstva, Georgu Prosenu, Franku Ursitu in Johnu Barufaldiju.

Ti štirje so bili neumorno na delu, da so se naše želje uresničile. Bratje, hvala vam! Synganci vas ne bodo pozabili. Upam in želim, da bo prišel čas, da vam bomo enkrat vsaj deloma poplačali stroške, ki ste jih imeli s tem v zvezi. Vem, da "hvala je cena mala", kakor pravi pregovor. Ampak vse pride. Pred več leti, ko sem prišel iz stare domovine, ni bilo na Synganu elektrike, ne vodovoda in cesta je bila zelo slaba. In danes? Danes imamo električno razsvetlilno, mestni vodovod in krasno cesto, ki bo do spomladi zgotovljena.

Pa naj še kdo reče, da Syngan napreduje. Z združenimi močmi se mnoge naredi. Pisal bi rad o tem in onem še več, toda naj zadostuje. H koncu želim in vabim prijatelje in znance iz sosednjih nasebin, da pripeljeta svoje teame na naše kegljišče.

Rudolf Kramžar, 6.

Bahač

Milijonarjev sinček pripoveduje zjutraj svojemu očetu: "Očka, več, noči se mi je sanjalo, da so deževali sami stotaki."

Oče: "Sramuj se, sinko, take sanje imajo le revni ljudje."

Kitajska ni mrtva

Sredi vojne nastaja v nezasedeni Kitajski nov družabni red

Kako je na Kitajskem, kjer že tri leta divja vojna? Kako velika je kitajska moralna sila? Končno bo edino ta merodajna in ne oboženo nasilje. Ali je tudi na Kitajskem tako, kot misli večina Evropevc, da je povprečnemu Kitajcu vseeno pod katerimkoli režimom živi?

Ravno to zadnje vprašanje zanika v "The New Statesman and Nation" izvrstni poznavalec Kitajske, Gilbert Baker. Baker je živel dolga leta v svobodni kakor tudi v zasedeni Kitajski. Doživel je v oktobru 1938 zasedbo Kantona in kar o tem poroča — ropanje, gangsterstvo, revkizicije, opij, hazardne igre in še drugo, s čimer skušajo Japonci osrečiti Kitajce — se ujema s tem, kar smo brali v dnevnem časopisu. Z marionetno vlado, ki so jo Japonci postavili Kitajcem v zasedenem ozemlju, do sedaj niso imeli sreče. Baker piše o tem doslovno: Japonci storijo vse, da bi v zasedeni kitajskem ozemlju tok časa zastavili in naredili iz povprečnega Kitajca, ki je izredno oster in realističen kotilec vseh dogajanj, in nemo delovno žival, ki pije opij in brez misli služi svojemu gospodarju.

Nasprotno pa je nezasedena Kitajska v pravem pomenu svobodna dežela. Baker poroča o "svobodi, katere se prej ne opazi, dokler ni izgubljena." Med tem ko vlada v zasedeni Kitajski povsod teror in kjer te na vsak korak ustavi straža ter je javno mnenje strogo kontrolirano, opazi v svobodni Kitajski šele pravi dih življenja. Posebna vrsta svobode je tista prostovoljna delavnost kitajskih študentov, uradništva in delavstva, ki žrtvuje svoj prosti čas za delo v tovarnah, na letališčih, cestah itd.

Tudi svoboda govora in tiska slavil Gilbert Baker. Knjigarne so polne knjig o vojni in guerilnem bojevanju. Politika "enotne fronte", na podlagi katere sta se kuomintang in komunistična stranka sporazumela za ublažitev vseh nasprotstev, da tako povečata kitajsko odporno silo napram Japoncem, je izredno okrepila svobodo misli in govora. Važnejše je, kot poroča Baker, da se Kitajska ne samo bojuje, ampak da si močno prizadeva, zgraditi nov družabni red. Vajeni zgodovinskega gledanja na svet, smatrajo Kitajci vojno le za epizodo v svojem narodnem življenju in v svoji še nedokončani revoluciji. O izidu vojne si ne delajo prevelikih skrbi: pričrli so, da bodo Japonci nekoč izgnani z njihove zemlje. Pač pa Kitajce stalno zanima vprašanje o bodoči organizaciji njihove domovine.

V gospodarskem oziru ima Kitajska po Bakerjevem mnenju vse pogoje za dober napredek, ne da bi ji bilo pri tem treba zaiti v napake zapadne Evrope. Posebno važno je, da industrijski razvoj na Kitajskem ne vodi v velepodjetja, ampak v manjše naprave na zadržni podlagi. Letos bo v svobodni Kitajski že deset tisoč industrijskih zadržug ali Baker: "One združujejo prizadevanja po obnavi male industrije z resnično uporabo demokracije pri dnevnem delu. Najrazličnejši proizvodi od šivanke do modernega

Društvene priredbe

Zabava društva All Americans

New York.—Društvo All Americans 580 SNPJ prireja plesno zabavo dne 15. februarja v Elk's Halli, Gate in Central Avenues, Brooklyn, N. Y. Vabimo vse naše stare znanke in prijatelje, da nas ta dan posetijo in se z nami pozabavajo. Odbor bo poskrbel za primerno godbo in zabavo, ki bo prijala starim in mladim.

Na letni seji, 15. dec. 1940, je bilo sklenjeno, da se da ali pošiljamo vsakemu članu in članici odraslega oddelka po dve vstopnici k zgoraj omenjeni zabavi in plesni veselici, kateri mora vsak član in članica plačati, če ju porabi ali ne. Društvo je bilo prisiljeno nekaj ukreniti, ker je blagajna padla na nizko številko. Seveda lahko vstopnice prodamo, in to je tisto, kar bi bilo želeli: da pridete z eno vstopnico na zabavo, drugo pa prodate prijatelju ali znancu, da bo tako naš večer zaobavnejši. Cena vstopnic je 35c.

V novi odbor so bili izvoljeni sledeči člani: članice: Peter Fuzins, predsednik; John Kirk, podpredsednik; John Schneider, tajnik; Frank Padar ml., zapisničar; Joseph Kočevar, blagajnik; George Mikolay, reditelj; Katherine Schneider, Barbara Arshen in Katherine Kirk, nadzornice. Dr. B. Pollet ostane društveni zdravnik.

Sklenjeno je bilo tudi, da se seje zopet vrše v Slovenskem domu na 253 Irving Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y., in sicer vsako tretjo nedeljo v mesecu ob sedmih zvečer.

Naša večletna tajnica Agnes Schneider se pot ni kandidirala, in društvo ji spriče njene aktivnosti v resnici dolguje iskreno zahvalo za njeno delovanje. Sestra Schneider je bila povsod, kjer je bilo treba kaj storiti v prid društvu in upamo, da bo tudi poslej ostala agilna. Za njeno dosedanje požrtvovanje in delovanje pa ji izrekamo vse priznanje.

A. K., 580.

Veselica društva 68

Racine, Wis.—Pri našem društvu Slovenec 68 SNPJ se pripravljamo za predpustno veselico, ki se bo vršila 22. februarja (kje?). Pozivamo že sedaj vse člane in članice in vse prijatelje od tukaj in iz sosednjih nasebin—Waukegan, Kenosha, Milwaukeeja, Cudahyja—da se bomo zopet enkrat skupno zabavali. Vaakdo rad vidi svoje prijatelje in znance.

Kolikar je meni znano, bo to druga veselica našega društva v 16. letih. V tem času se je dosti naših članov preselilo v druge nasebine s prestopnimi listi. Želja moja in drugih članov je, da bi se na tej veselici zopet vsi skupaj zbrali. Vstopnina je zelo nizka, samo 15c, odbor pa bo skrbel, da bo vsaga dovolj.

Na decembrski seji smo pri našem društvu izvolili zopet stare odbornike, kakor je naša navada. Predsednik je Frank Zupančič, podpredsednik Rudy Kromberger, tajnik Frank Jelenc, časna tajnica Metka Jelenc

(Frank se nahaja na bolniški listi in ga tudi na sejah pogrešamo), blagajnik Edward Kromberger, zapisničarica Mary Marinac, preds. nadz. odseka Rudy Kromberger. Seje so vsako tretjo nedeljo v mesecu v zimskem času, v poletnem pa bodo zopet vsako tretjo sredo zvečer.

Pri nas je prav žalostno, ker se člani slabo udeležujejo seji. Odkar sem članica—od l. 1925—in sem začela zabujati na seje, vidim vedno ene in iste obraze. Srečni smo v tem, da zborujemo pri družini, ki ima sedem članov pri jednoti. Pridemo se odborniki in seje se vrši, drugače bi se ne mogla. Članov imamo 42, toda verjemite mi, ko koga vidim na cesti ali pogosteje, ne vem, če je član našega društva. Tukaj je torej vzrok, da ostanajo vedno stari odborniki.

Strinjam se z Valentinčičem glede jednotlivih koledarjev. Fantek je luškan, da sem ga celo v okvir dala, toda koledar sam pa nič ne odgovarja tako veliki organizaciji. Tonetu tudi lahko povem, da sva s Polono Marinac iz Trinidada v sorodu, ker najini mamic sta bili sestri. Rada bi vedela, kako se ima Kate Maljavac, doma iz Šapjan na Primorskem, po domače Knezova in sva skupaj potovali v Ameriko. Mary Marinac.

Otvoritev društvenega doma. Johnstona, Pa.—Kot je bilo že poročano, naše društvo Adria 3 SNPJ oficieino otvori svoj novi dom v soboto, 18. jan., pričetek programa ob 8. zvečer. Apeliramo na vse članstvo, da se udeleži te proslave, prav tako vabimo tudi vsa druga društva v tej okolici, da nas posetijo ob tej priliki.

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J. Oreskovich, tajnik.

Plesna zabava društva 36

Willock, Pa.—Društvo 36 SNPJ je na letni seji zaključilo, da priredi zabavo v prid svoje blagajne. Ta se vrši v soboto zvečer, 1. febr. Obenem je bilo tudi sklenjeno, da morajo vsi člani kupiti vstopnico, če se veselice udeleže ali ne, ker dolžnost nas vseh je, da pomagamo društveni blagajni.

Vabimo tudi člane in prijatelje iz vseh bližnjih nasebin, da nas obiščejo ta večer. Oddanih bo več krasnih dobitkov in tudi "door prize". Za ples bodo igrali "Slovene Aces", ki so daleč okrog znani kot izvrstni muzikantje. Torej, bratje in sestre, pokazi mo, da smo še vedno lojalni člani društva in jednote in se omenjeni večer vsi snidimo skupaj v Slovenskem domu na Willocku.

Veselilni odbor.

TRPEČI NA ŽELODCU

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Po silovitih konfliktih, ki so nastali zaradi vprašanja združitve SNPJ in SSPZ, se je končno izkristaliziralo precej možnosti, da pride do združenja. In ta o je prav! Stokrat prav! Pozabimo na prepire, ki so nastali radi tega, in združenje se naj izvrši z bratskim prijateljstvom in zavestjo, da se izvrši velik korak k napredku in v korist našega ljudstva v Ameriki.

Zaradi letošnjih koledarjev SNPJ se članstvo še vedno jezi. Tudi našemu Tonetu Jankovihu ne ugajajo, brat Zupančič iz Clarksvilla, Pa., pa je pripravljen poslati piscu kar dva poštnine prosto. Hvala.

Well, ni moj namen upravičevati izvršnega odbora, toda, ko jih je nabavil, je mislil dobro. Bo pa drugo leto kupil lepše in v večjo zadovoljstvo članstva.

Karl Guma, tajnik št. 165, poroča v zadnji uradni številki Prosvete, kako težko je izvoliti odbor pri majhnem društvu. Pravi, "da so dve uri kovali društveni odbor."

To ni nič čudnega, saj jih je težko izvoliti še celo pri velikih društvih. In to je eden nadaljnjih vzrokov, da bi bilo z društvijo SNPJ in SSPZ tudi v tem oziru na koristi. Imeli bi več izbire za odborniška mesta.

Glede točke št. 102 naših pravil je Gumaova kritika deloma upravičena. Točka namreč določa, da ne sme nihče, ki je tajnik kakšne druge podporne organizacije, kandidirati v odbor društva SNPJ. Oni, ki so zagovarjali in predlagali to določbo, so prvotno mislili, da ne sme biti tajnik druge sorodne podporne organizacije ob enem tajnik društva SNPJ, kar je popolnoma pravilno. Kajti velikokrat se je zgodilo, da je tajnik dveh različnih organizacij deloval samo za tisto, ki mu je bila bolj pri arcu, dočim je drugo zanemarjal.

Narobe s to točko pa je, ker ob enem določa, da ne more biti tajnik druge podporne organizacije ne predsednik, ne podpredsednik, ne blagajnik ali zapisničar društva SNPJ. Torej, dokler se točka omejuje samo na tajnika, je pravilna, je pa pre stroga glede drugih odborniških mest, kajti, kakor pravi br. Guma, za odborniška mesta se danes ljudje ne tepejo, namreč za slabo plačana, zato je čestokrat težko sestaviti društveni odbor.

Ameriški Slovenci smo po svoji prav iznajdljivi. Imamo veliko društev in organizacij, a bolj malo denarja, da bi plačali društvene delavce. No, pa si v tem oziru pomagamo po svoje. Ker ni denarja, da bi si nakazali plače, si pa nadenemo visoko donosne šarže. Na primer, če je kdo direktor pri kakšni ameriški družbi ali organizaciji, ima tudi visoko plačo, med nami pa si lahko petkrat direktor in celo sam predsednik direktorija, pa ne zasluži niti za "šnof" tobak. Well, šarža je pa le!

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Številke, iz katerih upije krivica

"Da ti bo dobro na zemlji in v nebesih..." Te želje se spomni premnogi umetnik. Dokler je še navaden zemljan, ki ne zna živeti od zraka in vode, je lačen in brez vsaega. S težavo se prebija v življenju. Za vse seveda to ne velja, toda za veliko večino. Šele po smrti postanejo njegova dela slavna, cenjena ter se plačujejo z gorastanimi vsotami; šele po smrti prične svet ceniti umetnika. Morala, ki ji ni primere!

Slavni slikar Van Gogh je umrl 1890, ne da bi imel v šepu vinar, da bi ga podaril beraču. Francoski slikar Gauguin je nekoč za čašo piva dal več slik, ki so bile kasneje prodane za 400.000 frankov. Wistler je nekoč založil svoja najboljša dela za tri šilinge. Kasneje, ko njega ni bilo več med živimi, so slike prodali za suho zlato. Millet je še imel srečo. Nekaj svojih po-

V Clevelandu večkrat ugibamo, zakaj ta ali ona priredba ne uspe. Mnenja so različna. Nekatera prav absurdna. Zadnja leta je bilo zlasti v Collinwoodu precej neuspešnih priredb. Vzroki so mnogi. Toda voditelji so slepi zanje in rajši zvrtačo krivdo drug na drugega, ali pa na st. clairake rojake.

Vsak povprečen društveni lahko pozna našo situacijo. V nasebinah se vrše priredba za priredbo, zato je razumljivo, da so samo tiste uspešne, pri katerih so osebe, ki se trudijo podati dober program, ki razprodajo veliko vstopnic v predprodaji in ki z naznanili o priredbi prekrče vse druge.

Pisec je imel precej izkušenj z različnimi priredbami in so vse dobro, nekateri celo izredno dobro uspele. Toda zakaj so uspele? Zato, ker smo se odborniki trudili, prodajali vstopnice, nagovarjali ljudi križem in krajem in pisali, pisali v vse časopise, tako da so si končno vsi zapomnili, da se ta in ta dan vrši naša priredba.

Torej, namesto da zvrčamo krivdo na druge in prav z nekulturnimi manirami gobezdicimo o nekakih bojkotih in podobnem, je bolje, da gremo na delo, prodamo vstopnice v predprodaji, oglašamo in ob enem podamo tudi dober program, kajti slabih imamo že sedaj preveč.

Izletniški prostori SNPJ bodo imeli svojo sezonsko otvoritev v nedeljo, 25. maja. Čisti dobiček sezonske otvoritve bo porabljen za napeljavo regularne elektrike, kajti takozvani "Delco" električni sistem, ki ga imamo sedaj na farmi, ne deluje kot bi moral in imamo preveč stroškov s popravili stroja, baterij itd.

Vse nedelje so oddane za piknike, zato bo letos precej živahnosti na farmi skozi vso sezono. Pa tudi veliko dela bo. John Sorc že dela načrta.

Jože Jauch je imel zadnji teden zanimivo predavanje o zdravju v klubu št. 27 JSZ. Med drugimi je rekel tudi sledeče: "Če hočemo uspešno delovati za izboljšanje gospodarskega in socialnega reda, moramo imeti zdravo telo in zdrav um."

Priporočljivo je, da bi Jauch priobčil svoje predavanje v našem časopisu.

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V nedeljo je uprizorilo dramsko društvo Anton Verovšek silajno komedijo "Oj ti yrajš fant". Gledalcev je bilo veliko, igra dobro igrana. Igro je režiral John Steblay. Glavne vloge so igrali Florene Jeray, Frank Slejko, Tony Drenik, Mrs. Kovac, Mrs. Zaitz in Joe Godec.

Za veliko udeležbo se je najbrže zahvaliti v prvi vrsti onim, ki so prodali veliko vstopnic v predprodaji in pa onim, ki so priredbo pridno oglaševali. Le tako naprej, pa se ne bo treba pritoževati!

dob je prodal gospodu Chauchardu za 2000 frankov. Prav ta gospod je po njegovi smrti prodal slike Americanom za 750,000 frankov. Ravnateljstvo Akademije lepih umetnosti je nekoč poslalo Milletu 100 frankov podpore, da ga ohrabri v težkem položaju. Ko je Millet denar prejel, že točno tri dni ni ničesar vavžil. Paul Baudry se je zelo težko prebiral v življenju. Slednjič je vzel svojo violino ter po sumljivih lokalih igral pocestnicani zastoj. Meissonier je živel v največjem siromaštvu. Toda še v življenju je doživel čudež. Pracej let je zmanj ponujal svojo znano sliko "1814", ko se je že naveličal ponujanja, jo je spravil, kjer se je na njej nabralo na kufe prahu. Ali nekega dne jo je prodal za 500,000 frankov, kar ga je tako zmešalo, da nekaj mesecev sploh ni mogel prijeti za nobeno delo.

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Deton v oklepaju na primer (January 21, 1941), poleg valnega imena na zadnji strani, da vam je v tem datumu pošiljal naša rednica. Novice lo pravočasno, da se vam list ne zavi.

Z domače fronte

Uradna statistika, ki je bila objavljena v Washingtonu zadnji mesec, nam pove, da je v letu 1939 umrlo v Združenih državah dvakrat toliko ljudi za srčno hibo kot za katerimi koli drugimi vzroki. Statistike glede tega za leto 1940 še ni, skoro gotovo je pa razmerje isto kakor v prejšnjem letu.

V letu 1939 je v Združenih državah umrlo skupaj 1,387,897 ljudi. Od teh je za srčno hibo umrlo 360,634 oseb. Na drugem mestu je rak, ki je umoril 153,846 ljudi. Drugi glavni vzroki smrti so bili: krvotok na možganih je imel 114,967 žrtev, ledvične bolezni 108,512, influenca in pljučnica 99,097, jetika 61,609 itd. Ponesrečenih je bilo 92,623 oseb in od teh so avtomobili ubili 32,386; 8394 oseb je bilo umorjenih in 18,623 oseb je izvršilo samomor.

Gornje številke nam jasno povedo, da srčna hiba dvakrat nadkriljuje vsako drugo bolezen in vzrok smrti. Srčna hiba je menda že dve desetletji na prvem mestu kot glavna in največja morilka Američanov. To nam potrjuje tudi naša enotna statistika, katera leto za leto navaja srčno hibo kot glavni vzrok umiranja naših članov.

Značilno dejstvo je, da gornja trpka statistika ne razburja ameriške javnosti — zlasti ne razburja onih sentimentalcev, ki se vsak čas jokajo nad strahotami vojne. Na primer pri vsaki priliki citirajo število ameriških žrtev v zadnji svetovni vojni, fakt pa je, da vsako leto umre za srčno hibo več Američanov kot je bilo ubitih in trajno pohabljenih v svetovni vojni. Okrog 57,000 ameriških vojakov je bilo ubitih v svetovni vojni, med tem ko je vsako leto skoro dvakrat toliko ubitih doma pri raznih nesrečah. Števila v vojni ubitih Američanov ne moremo pozabiti — toda kdo se zmeeni za 92,623 oseb, ki so umrle nasilne smrti doma v letu 1939?

Človek je čudna žival. Na eni strani se kar topi od sentimentalnosti, na drugi strani je pa miljo globoko zakovan v led — čeprav ima v bistvu opraviti z istim predmetom. Baš danes vpljejo na vse gro: Proč od vojne! — kakor da je Amerika polna hudobnežev, ki silijo narod v vojno iz same strasti po ubijanju — na drugi strani smo pa slepi in gluhi za resnico, da smo sleherni dan in sleherno leto v vojni na domači fronti, doma, na cestah, pri delu in v postelji — in žrtve padajo na debelo vsak dan, ampak mi se ne brigamo za te žrtve in ne storimo nobenega resnega koraka, da bi se postavili krepko v bran sovražniku na domači fronti.

Smrtne nesreče se bodo vedno dogajale, pa naj bo posameznik še tako previden, dasi je res, da se lahko zmanjšajo, če se vsi organiziramo v ta namen; na primer avtne nesreče bi lahko znižali na minimum, če bi se Američani bolj brigali za svojo telesno varnost kakor se brigajo za naglico in business. Prav tako lahko bi omejili nesreče pri delu, če bi se lastniki podjetij bolj brigali za varstvo svojih delavcev kot se brigajo za svoj gnotni dobiček.

Drugače je s srčno hibo in drugim epidemijami, ki izvirajo iz moderne civilizacije. Avangarda zoper tega sovražnika je zdravilna znanost, ali tudi ta znanost ne more vsemu kaj, dokler se Amerika ne izveže iz močvirja današnjega primitivnega industrijskega življenja. Srčna hiba na primer, je posledica celega kompleksa vzrokov. Boj za obstanek, ki žene povprečnega človeka, da prvi kot blazen skozi življenje, ga drži vedno napetega kakor najbolj napeto struno, ki mora enkrat počiti. Sto in sto vzrok je — zunanjih in notranjih, organskih in socialnih — za srčne bolezni, ampak glavni vzrok se zdi, da je zastrupljeno ozračje. Ogjikova kislina, ki puhti iz avtomobilov in drugih motorjev na cestah, pri delu in skoraj povsod, je smrtonosna za človeka, če jo stalno požira in prej ali slej mora odpovedati arec. Gasolinska sila, ki danes vozi ameriško civilizacijo, je za Američane kakor črna kuga, ki je nekdo krala ljudi v Evropi in Aziji. Ampak povejte to industrijskim mogotcem in njihovim "strokovnjakom" in pogledali vas bodo z začudenimi nasmehom.

Človek je zares čudna žival. Dolga in brida kola ga je že toliko žučila, da bi si lahko zgradil gladko, varno in zdravo cesto življenja, ampak on raje prvi kot blaznež po ostrih strminah in močvirnatih globinah, ne zmeče se, kam gre in kje pade.

Glasovi iz naselbin

Nekoliko kritike

Lincoln, Ill. — Citatelji se bodo še spominjali dopisa, ki je bil priobčen v Prosveti 16. dec. 1940 pod naslovom "Obisk pri ponesrečencih". Tikal se je Rudolfa Kraselna, ki je bil v avtni koliziji blizu Lincolnu in je postal pohabljen za vse življenje. Dasj on ni član naše jednote, je bil tisti dopis namenjen v korist S. N. P. J., za agitacijo novih članov.

Znano mi je, da je uredništvo v tistem času preobloženo z dopisi za glasilo SNPJ, zato tudi nisem nič omenil, kdaj naj bo moj dopis priobčen. Omenil pa sem, naj ga priobči ob priložnosti v tedniku. Štiri dni pozneje je bil že priobčen v dnevniku. Mislim, da je njegova želja samo to, da mu gredo dopisi hitro izpod rok. — Ker pa je z mojimi dopisi že večkrat tako napravil, sem prisiljen malo pokritizirati proti uredniku.

Kakor vidim, se on dosti ne zanima za spise glavnega urednika kakor tudi ne za spise drugih članov in uradnikov, ki apelirajo na članstvo za pridobivanje novih članov. Toliko bolj se pa zanima za kakšno propagando, v kateri je pa le on v pravem in nihče drugi.

Znano nam je, da ni veliko mladih članov, ki bi dobro čitali slovensko ali da bi prejemale dnevniki Prosvete, vsak član pa prejema tednik in je dosti članov, ki ga pazljivo čitajo. Če bi se urednik zanimal za take dopise kot je bil moj, bi ga podaljšal, ker vem, da je zmožen, in priobčil v tedniku, in sicer v angleščini, za kar bi mu bil iz srca hvaležen.

Bratje in sestre, edina naša pot je, če hočemo, da bo SNPJ napredovala, da delujemo kolikor je mogoče in pridobimo mladino na našo stran, člani in ne člani. Veliko je še članov, ki nimajo dosti pojma o naši organizaciji. Potrebno je torej, da jim razložimo njen pomen, kolike vrednosti je SNPJ za člane. Onim pa, ki še niso člani in ne moremo priti v dotik z njimi, je treba napisati pa kak dopis, ki bo vplival nanje, da bodo dobili več veselja in postali člani naše organizacije. Taki spisi bi morali biti priobčeni v tedenski izdaji Prosvete.

Znano mi je, da imajo po večjih naselbinah stari člani še precej prilike za pridobivanje novih članov. Vse kaj drugega pa je po majhnih naselbinah, kakor je na primer naša, kjer imamo le en par mladih članov. Če kdo nas starih članov poskuša koga nagovoriti, da bi pristopil v našo organizacijo, nas sploh ne poslušajo, ker misli, da mi delamo za svoj dobiček. Nič ne pomagajo, če mu še toliko razlagam, da ne delam za svojo korist, ker moja plača je \$3 na mesec, pa če pridobim enega ali pa deset novih članov.

Popolnoma nekaj drugega pa je pri mladih članih. Če on nagovori prijatelja, naj postane član naše organizacije, njegova beseda več zaleže kakor besede desetih starih članov. Zatorej je potrebno, da upošteevamo prej navedeno priporočilo. Pred par dnevi sem se srečal z nekim našim mladim članom, ki ima precej veselja do SNPJ. Pogovarjala sva se o tem in onem in mi je obljubil, da bo skušal pridobiti nekaj novih članov našemu društvu. Kakor mi je namignil, jih bo kar pet naenkrat, in če jih bo pet, jih bo še več. Upam, da se to uresniči.

Se nekaj. V Prosveti z dne 30. dec. sem čital v uvodniku pod naslovom "Kako je z našo bodočnostjo?" tudi sledeče: "Ali se zavedamo velike krize? Ali se vprašamo, če bo v prihodnjih dveh, treh ali petih letih še stala naša jednota, ako bo še izhajala Prosveta, ako bomo še smeli povedati svoje misli v naših publikacijah?"

Rad bi vedel, kaj pisec misli s tem. Ali misli, da bo v prihodnjih treh letih še sodni dan? Ali mogoče misli, da bomo takrat še pod vlado tehnokracije? Če misli prvo ali drugo, potem bo naša jednota še živelja tisočlet. Jaz razumem, kaj tista dva stavka pomenita, lahko se pa

zgoditi, da bodo nekateri tako pisanje tolmačili ravno nasprotno. Sicer pa ni drugo kot prerokovanje, ampak takega prerokovanja ne potrebujemo v Prosveti, ker tako pisanje lahko škoduje naši organizaciji.

Upanje moramo lmeti, da ne bo tako hudo kot nekateri mislijo. Dosti delavcev se je že zbudilo iz spanja v zadnjih petih letih in če bo šlo tako naprej, se bodo zbudili še ostali. Vse svet se oborožuje in z njim se oborožuje tudi delavska masa.

Michael Brill, 116.

Seja in drugo na Midwayju Midway, Pa. — Dne 19. jan. ob 2. popoldne se v dvorani društva 89 SNPJ vrši seja vseh okoliških društev, ki se za to zanimajo. Na tej seji si bomo izbrali dneve naših priredb ali veselic za leto 1941. Torej ste vabljani, da se udeležite iz vseh bližnjih naselbin.

Zadnjih par let, odkar imamo skupne dogovore, se vidi med članstvom dosti več dobre volje. So velike udeležbe na veselicah iz raznih naselbin od blizu in daleč, toda ni ališati žalne besede. In tako razpoloženje dela dober vtis na vse, obenem s tem pokažemo, da smo zmožni med sabo delovati še za kaj večjega.

Ker smo v konvenčnem letu, sem gotov, da vsi želimo biti čim več med delegati. Pripravimo se že sedaj in uredimo naše stvari, da bodo bolj odgovarjale. Vse zabave delegatom naj bi se pripravljale pripravljalnimi odborom, ki so jih izvolile federacije, da ne bo kakšnega nesoglasja. Dobra volja mora ostati tudi med nami, ker to je tista gonilna sila, ki vse premaga in dela dober ugled in gotov napredek.

Kakor pri vsaki stvari, tako morajo tudi društva imeti načrt in se po njem ravnati. S tem se tudi da članstvu prilagoditi, da si uredi domače zadeve, da odgovarjajo društvem. Ako mi bi čas dopuščal, bom opisal aktivnosti društva 89 in gospodinjstvskega oddelka ter mladinskega krožka za leto 1940. Vse tako lepo napreduje, da nam gre čas vse prehitro naprej. Tako bi tudi rad opisal svoje doživljanje glede tobaka in cigaret, s čimer po radiu tako blufajo ljudstvo, da več prodajo.

Torej, dragi sosede, udeležite se te skupne seje in opozorite tudi uradnike angleško poslujočih društev. V nedeljo, 2. marca, pa bodimo gostje društva 106 SNPJ v Imperialu. Ta dan bo naš mladinski krožek št. 22 tam priredil lepo igro. Sem gotov, da ne bo nikomur žal, ki se udeleži, obenem pa tudi pokaže dobro voljo do lastnih priredb. Tam imajo lepo prostorno dvorano, rojaki se priznajo in človek se počuti srečnega, če je med njimi.

John Sirc, predsednik.

Leto konvencije SNPJ — Cleveland. — Ko dobim v roke sredino Prosveto, si mislim, da živimo v tisti objubljeni deželi, v katero je Mojzes peljal Izrael. Kakor hitro industrija malo okreva in so ljudje malo bolj uposleni, ni drugega več v listih kot veselice, razne priredbe, obletnice in podobno. Najbolj potrebna dela pa ljudstvo zanevarja in organizacije ostajajo v ozadju toliko časa, dokler zopet ne pride sila, da se zopet spomnimo nanje in posebno še na tiste, od katerih dobimo podporo.

Gledam, da bi opazil, ali se kdo zanima za nekaj, kar bomo imeli letos, namreč konvencijo SNPJ, ene najboljših podpornih organizacij v Združenih državah. Ima zmožne voditelje in je na zdravi podlagi, toda nobena stvar ni tako popolna, da se ne da več izboljšati. Tako bi bilo treba, da se naše članstvo zbudijo in da svoja priporočila, posebno pa, da zahaja na društvene seje, kjer naj razmotriva, kaj je pomanjkljivega in kaj se da izboljšati.

Dostikrat me kateri član vpraša, zakaj nima naša jednota kaj ukrenjeno za stare in onemogle članke, ki ne morejo več plačevati članarine, in zakaj ni to in o. Torej sedaj je čas, da po-

vemo svoje mišljenje, toda ne po stanovanjih ali kjer se srečamo, narveč v glasilo ali na sejah; sploh so seje zato, da na njih razpravljamo o naši organizaciji. Časi se spreminjajo tako naglo, da nič ne vemo, kaj nam jutrišnj dan prinese. Zato so potrebne spremembe tudi pri naši organizaciji. Zato je dolžnost vsakega člana, da začne razmišljati in ako ima kaj stvarnega in koristnega, naj pove.

Pred par meseci je zapisal glavni predsednik, da se nekateri člani jeze na pozive na sejo. Moje mnenje je, da bi nam taki pozivi dosti več koristili kot pa dopisi, kako smo se kje zabavali. Naša jednota je ustanovljena na zelo demokratični podlagi. Vsak član ima pravice in tudi dolžnosti, toda se mora za to zanimati. Ako se komu godi krivica, lahko vsak mesec prinese pred sejo. Ampak največja krivica je to, da se mnogi ne morejo privaditi, da bi vsak mesec "izgubili" par ur na seji.

Apeliram na vse člane jednote, pričnimo s pričetkom leta, posebno zdaj v zimskem času in delujmo, da bo prihodnja konvencija izboljšala pravila, kolikor je to še mogoče in potrebno. Ampak to je križ, ker se mnogi člani tudi za pravila premalo ali pa tudi nič ne zanimajo. Iz izkušnje vem, da je še mnogo članov, ki niso pravil še nikoli imeli v rokah, niti takrat jih ne pogledajo, ko zbolijo. Žalostno, toda resnično je, da je nastalo med članstvom tako mrtvilo. Članke, zbudimo se in posečajmo seje, dokler nam je mogoče in akrobizmo za svojo organizacijo, dokler jo imamo. Konvencije stanejo ogromnega denarja, zato je potrebno, da članstvo pošlje dobre moze na taka zborovanja. Še potrebnejše pa je, da društva dajo svojim delegatom dobra priporočila.

Torej bratje in sestre, pričnimo kampanjo za našo koristno SNPJ, toda ne z zbadanji, pač pa z bratsko zavestnostjo.

Frank Celin, 142.

Nekoliko o društvu 198 Willard, Wis. — Naše društvo 198 SNPJ je eno najbolj razravnanih društev v Wisconsinu in menda v vseh Združenih državah. Imamo člani, ki so oddaljeni 15, 20, 63 in celo 80 milj od nas. Imamo pa tudi člani v Minnesoti, Illinoisu in celo v Vermontu. Torej mislim, da ne bo odveč, če poročam, kako naše društvo posluje.

Leto 1940 smo na jednoto poslali \$3122.57, v bolniških podporah in porodnih nagradah pa smo prejeli \$903. Društvo je lanskega januarja štelo 122 članov v odraslem oddelku. Pridobili smo dva nova člana, štirje pa so prestopili iz mladinskega oddelka. In ker ni bil nihče črtan in tudi noben član umrl, imamo danes društvo 128 članov. Seveda nam bo treba zamašiti luknjico, ki je nastala v mladinskem oddelku. In to nam bo lahko, ker imamo pripravljenih celo vrsto kandidatov.

Za vzdrževanje društva plača vsak član 10c mesečno v blagajno — tisti, ki so zavarovani samo za smrtnino, plačajo pet centov. Ker pa to vseeno ne zadostuje, imamo vsako leto po 25c društvene doklade. Ker pa bo mogoče kdo mislil, kam gre denar, naj navedem še plače uradnikov. Tajnik prejema \$7.08 na mesec, predsednik \$10 letno, blagajnik \$10 letno, zapisnikar \$12 letno, nadzorni odtok \$7 letno, rent za seje do \$25 letno. Društvo je vključeno tudi v Prosvetni matič in ima tudi svojo knjižnico, katero oskrbuje knjižničar, ki prejema \$6 letno.

Društvo Slovenski kmetovalec je bilo ustanovljeno 12. dec. 1, 1912, poslovati pa je začelo 1. 1913 z 11 člani. Njih mesečni assessment je bil \$18.20, danes pa samo ena družina plača \$18.65 assessmenta na mesec. Assessment za december je znašal \$293.45. Da naše delo ni še končano, moramo pokazati letos s tem, da zopet dvignemo društvo na stopnjo 152 članov, kot je bilo leta 1931 pred razcepitvijo. Ako malo premislimo, bi to ne bilo tako težko doseči. Saj je društvo 1. 1926 samo na eni seji sprejelo 51 članov. Seveda se nam je tista navdušenost precej ohladila 1. 1931, ali še vedno delujemo za napredek SNPJ.

Joseph Slemec.



Clyde Beals, bivši urednik lista Guild Reporter, glasila unije častnikarjev.

Mnenje o koledarju

Midway, Pa. — V zadnji članiki Prosveti sem čital poročilo in mnenje gl. tajnika o letošnjem enotnem koledarju, ki so ga prejeli člani. Br. Vider je raztolmačil sklep izvršnega oddelka, katerega kot 32-letni član jednote tudi odobravam.

Čitati in slišati je veliko kritike glede letošnjega koledarja. Umestna kritika je upravičena, toda dobe se nekateri, ki ne vedo, na katero stran bi potegnili. Toda čez izvršni odtok po mojem mnenju ni upravičena nobena kritika, vsaj po mojem mnenju ni glavno vprašanje, kakšen je koledar. Kot 75-letnik in član jednote od 1. 1908 stavi vsemu članstvu in društvu vprašanje, ali je umestno, da jednota izda \$3500 za koledarčke?

Moje mnenje je, da bi bilo bolje, ako bi šel ta denar v sklad izrednih podpor, iz katerega bi izvršni odtok lahko nakazoval nekakšno podporo starij onemoglim članom in sirotam, namesto da se taka vsota potroši letno za koledarčke. Jednota naj bi izdala le večje in okusne koledarje za dvorane in večja zbirališča članstva. Moj sin je tajnik društva 89 že mnogo let. Vsako leto razdaja članom jednotne koledarčke, ki nekaterim nikdar ne ugajajo. Ampak za tistih deset centov, kot je stal letošnji iztis koledarčka, tudi ne moremo pričakovati vola. In čeprav je izvršni odtok skušal ustreči članstvu, je vseeno dregnil v sršeno gnezdo.

Vprašanje je, če ni ta denar, izdan za koledarčke, proč vržen. Koliko agitacije so že izvršili ti koledarčki? Po mojem mnenju bore malo. Agitatorji so pač aktivni člani, ki so dnevno na delu in vedno skrbijo za porast društva, kakor tudi to, da bi naselili na Midwayju, vem dobro, da bi ne bilo tukaj tako hitro društva, kakor tudi to, da bi danes ne štelo 182 članov v obeh oddelkih. Torej še enkrat se obračam na vsa društva, da bi po možnosti upoštevala moje sugestije.

John Just st., 89.

Federacije SNPJ

Seja illinoiske federacije

Carlinville, Ill. — Vabim vsa društva, ki so priključena k centralni illinoiski federaciji SNPJ, enako tudi ona, ki še niso, naj gotovo pošljejo svoje zastopnike na prihodnjo federacijsko sejo, ki se vrši v nedeljo, 2. febr., pri br. Johnu Rogeinu na North Clinton st. v Gillespieju. Pričetek ob pol desetih zjutraj. Na dnevnem redu bo več važnih zadev: volitve odbora za 1941, določitev mesta, kjer se bo vršil federacijski ali jednotni dan, kakor bo že sklenila federacija. Izbrati bo treba kraj, ki bo priključnejši in v zadovoljstvo vsem članom v centralnem Illinoisu kakor tudi našim sosednjim društvom v St. Louisu.

Nahajamo se tudi v letu, ko se bo vršila konvencija naše jednote, o kateri bomo tudi razpravljali na seji. Zato je potrebno, da zastopniki prinesejo priporočila svojih društev na federacijsko sejo. Želim, da bi se seje udeležila tudi br. Tony Gričnik in John Homez, ki sta bila odsotna od zadnje seje radi bolezni. Upam, da se zdaj še nahajata v boljšem stanju. Po seji bo tudi malo domače zabave.

Louis Mahkovič, predsednik.

Stari roditelji—zdravi otroci

Splošno je razširjeno mnenje, da postavljajo stari roditelji, zlasti pa stari očetje, pogostoma manjvredne otroke na svet. S tem vprašanjem se bavi v nekem članku nemški raziskovalec dr. Kuehle, ki se opira na uspehe dosežanih raziskav. Pri tem je pripomnil, da je znanost v tem oziru dolejš točno raziskala le neke rastline in muho drosofilo, ki velja za klasični poskusni objekt znanosti o dednosti.

Vpliv starostnih dogajanj na rastline je pred nekoliko leti preiskal ruski biolog Navašin in ugotovil, da pri nekaterih semenih sposobnost za kalitev po nekoliko letih znatno popusti. Rastline, ki vse eno zrastejo iz takšnega semena, kažejo poleg tega pogostoma bolne spremembe, okrnolosti in motnje, kar se tiče tvorbe rastlinskega zelenila. Navašin je preiskal dednostno strukturo teh rastlin z motnjami v svojem razvoju in je opazil, da so njih kromozomi, v katerih so položeni nositelji dednih lastnosti, spremenili svoj normalni prostor, ali pa da se kažejo še drugačne spremembe dedne strukture. Drugi raziskovalci so ugotovili podobne stvari na žitu. Kako nastajajo takšne spremembe, še ni točno znano. Po vsej priliki imajo pri tem ulogo presnovna dogajanja v semenu samem. Zanimiva so tudi opazovanja znanega raziskovalca dednostnih dogajanj Timofejeva-Resovskega z muho drosofilo. Med potomci mladih samcev in takšnih, ki so bili stari že 20 dni, je bilo opaziti znatne razlike. Pri potomcih starejših živali so dednostne spremembe dosti pogostejše.

Takšnih opazovanj seveda ne moremo brez nadaljnega preučevanja. Rastlinska semena so po mnogoletnem ležanju podvržena vplivom svoje lastne presnove, vplivom vremena in drugih zunanjih okoliščin. Že pri višjih živalih je to drugače. Tu se ključne stanice obnavljajo v rednih presledkih. Opazovanja z muhami še niso dovoljno zaključena in torej ne veljajo kar tako tudi za človeka. Tako znanost o podedovanju nima še pravega gradiva o vplivu starosti na dedno maso. Kolikor pa vemo danes o pomenu hormonov, bi lahko domnevali, da mati v starosti, če sploh še rodi, ne bo mogla spraviti na svet otrok, ki bi jim ne prešla nevarnost glede motenj v razvoju. Lastnosti se podedujejo namreč ob sodelovanju tako zvanih genskih hormonov, a glede hormonov se pri ženskah okrog 50. leta pogosto pojavljajo motnje, o katerih je domnevati, da morejo vplivati tudi na otroka.

Kar se tiče višje očetove starosti, po vsej priliki ne vpliva na otrokov razvoj. Iz zgodovine nam je znanih dovolj primerov genialnih otrok, ki so se rodili staremu očetu. V srednjem veku naletimo prav pogosto na velike starostne razlike med možem in ženo, to prevesem zaradi tega, ker ženske zavoljo nedostatne porodne pomoči takrat često niso ušakale visoke starosti in so se vdovci potem znova poročili, in sicer skoraj dosledno z mladimi ženskami.

Primeri iz zgodovine pa nas seveda ne smejo zavajati, da bi ne smatrali zakona mladih staršev za najbolj naravnega. Samo starši, ki so dovolj mladi, lahko spravijo na svet večje število otrok, pri starih roditeljih pa se kmalu pokažejo razlike v pokolenju, ki utegnejo biti v naših časih zelo resnega pomena. Takšni starši svojih otrok, ki rasejo v novih časih, ne morejo več razumeti, vzgoja pri tem vsakako trpi. Tudi prevelike starostne razlike med možem in ženo so iz istega razloga nevarne. Današnji zakonci živijo v čisto drugačni duševni skupnosti nego v srednjem veku, vprašanja življenjskega naziranja imajo veliko ulogo, razen tega je življenjsko povprečje za ženske danes čisto drugačno nego v srednjem veku. Zakonci danes lahko mirno računajo s tem, da bodo postali skupaj stari. To je pa zelo važna točka k vprašanju, dali-li se naj mlada ženska poroči s starij moškim.

Sodobni vzdih iz starega kraja

- Sovraštvo. Boj. Brezmesni dan.
- Trpljenje. Smrt. Zategnjen pas.
- Ves svet potr. Zelodec — bas.
- Človeštvo? Joj!
- Godba. Hrup.
- Razdrapan svet. Ples in strast.
- Draginja. Strah. Noč in slast.
- Zaloga. Klet. Jok. Obup.
- Bomba. Ah! Strup.
- Meso. Sladkor. Mast.
- Kontrola. Oblast.
- Skrita vreča.
- Ječa.

Ivan Rob.

Pred dvajsetimi leti

(Iz Prosvete, 15. januarja 1921)

Domače vesti. V Pittsburgu, Kans., je na porodu umrla Alojzija Gašparut.

Zadeve SNPJ. Vrše se volitve delegatov za izredno (združitveno) konvencijo SNPJ.

Delavske vesti. Odslavljanje delavcev in znižavanje plač se nadaljuje.

Inozemstvo. Velika finančna kriza je zadela republiko Avstrijo.

Sovjetska Rusija. Iz Berlina je prišla čudna vest o smrti Lenina.

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Predsednikova kolona

Novo leto je nastopilo in ob času, ko bodo te vrstice dotiskane, ga bo minilo že prvih par tednov.

Sicer ni važno, da se to tukaj omenja, ker leto je le merilo časa, po katerem se civilizirani smrtniki več ali manj ravnamo.

Kakor znano, se čas ne ozira ne na levo ne na desno; nič ne čaka in ne vpraša, kaj in koliko smo naredili ali česa smo pripravili ali ne, temveč hiti brezobzirno svojo določeno pot po odmerjenem tempu naprej.

Novo leto smo začeli z novimi upi, kakor navadno vselej, in z večjimi nadami, kar je tudi upravičeno. Z večjimi nadami smo začeli upravičeno, ker so gospodarske razmere ob nastopu tega leta veliko bolj ugodne kot so bile ob nastopu lanskega, in gospodarske razmere, vemo, da so najbolj važna in odločujoča stvar v sodobni človeški družbi.

Staro leto je šlo v pozabnost, toda med nami je zapustilo marsikaj, kar ne more in ne sme iti v pozabnost.

Vsekakor lahko storimo za našo organizacijo to leto več kot smo v lanskem, samo ako hočemo. Kajti sedaj smo toliko bolj preizkušeni in sposobni, boljše so razmere in večje so splošne prilike in ugodnosti. In hoteti moramo! Ampak ne pozabimo, da čas hiti! Kakor čas ne odlašja, temveč hiti porazdeljen v dobe in sezone zahtano in usmerjeno naprej, tako ne smemo čakati ali odlašati niti mi, da nas ne zasadi nepripravljeni. Zadržati si moramo agitatorične aktivnosti takoj s početkom leta—vsako društvo bi moralo na to misliti že na januarski seji—ter iti s podvojeno silo z našim delom odločno in vztrajno naprej! Mi imamo dobro organizacijo—najboljšo za delavske sloje, kar si v danih razmerah moremo zaustrojevati—in je vredna naše požrtvovalnosti. In mi lahko veliko storimo zanjo. Zato naj bo vsak čez, tega leta čez naše žive agitacije, vsaka sezona doba naše vroče kampanje in zaključek bo sijajen!

DRAGOCENE ČEDNOSTI Sedaj, ko smo nove odborne upeljali večidel že pri vseh društvi in se pripravljamo na izvajanje drugih važnih zaključkov z decembarskih ali letnih sej, je dobro, da se pomenimo tudi o splošnih potrebah društvenega poslovanja in rečeh sploh, s katerimi pričakujemo, da se bo treba baviti v teku leta.

Prvo, na kar se nam zdi potrebno opozoriti, je, da mi—žal—veliko preveč podcenjujemo sami sebe in svoje. Kakor že v preidicem omenjeno, imamo Slovenci v SNPJ izredno dobro organizacijo. To je organizacija najbolj plemenitih namenov in potrebnih del ter najvišjih zaslug. Nje socialno in kulturno delo je velikansko in neprecenljivo vrednosti za naš narod. Mi, ki smo nje člani, to najbolje vemo, ali vsaj morali bi vedeti. V resnici je vsak član upravičeno ponosen nanjo.

Ali se pa mi tega vselej tudi prav zavedamo? Žal, da ne! Ako bi se, bi to primerno dokazali s svojimi dejanji. Ako bi se vselej prav zavedali velike uloge naše dobre jednote, ako bi vselej zapopadli in spoštovali pravi pomen našega velikega bratstva, potem bi pač ne bili potrebni posebni opomini na aktivnost, potem bi ne bilo teh pozivov na agitacijo, potem bi ne bilo slabo obiskanih društvenih sej in tajniških opominov, pa tudi ne težav pri volitvah društvenih uradnikov in drugih odborov, in marsičesa drugega je.

To je ne—bratje in sestre—tista naša velika hiba, na katero je potrebno opozoriti! To je tisto naše zlo, ki nam dela resne ovire v marsičem ter škoduje naši stvari veliko, veliko več, kakor si povprečni član more zamisliti ali kot je mogoče tukaj na kratko opisati!

Skrajni čas je že, da se začnemo tega bolj resno zavedati. Zelo zelo zaželjivo je predvsem, da se vsak član dobro seznanji s praviimi nameni in potrebami svojega društva ter pozna važnost funkcij njegovih uradnikov; da izkazuje svojo člansko zavednost in resno spoštovanje do jednote s tem, da se kolikor mogoče redno udeležuje sej, da gre odbornikom na roke in v društvo sodeluje. In zelo zaželjivo je, da se tudi uradniki društva prav zavedajo svojih dolžnosti; da se skušajo v njih usposobiti, kakor največ mogoče, ter jih s ponosom vestno in točno opravljajo. Vse to so, kajpak, dragocene čednosti in blagor organizaciji, ki ima takih članov obilo! Več o tem drugič. V. CAINKAR, gl. predsednik.

OPERACIJE IN ODSKODNINE

meseca decembra 1940

OPERATIONS AND DISABILITIES

Paid in December, 1940

Table with columns: Name of Member, No. of Weeks, and Amount. Lists members and their disability payments for December 1940.

POROČILO O NAKAZANI

BOLNIŠKI PODPORI

Nakazana dne 2. januarja 1941

REPORT OF SICK BENEFIT PAYMENT

Payment of January 2, 1941

Table with columns: Name of Member, No. of Weeks, and Amount. Lists members and their sick benefit payments for January 2, 1941.

SEJA IN VESELICA WYOMINSKE FEDERACIJE

Rock Springs, Wyo. — Naznanjam vsem zastopnikom wyominske federacije, kakor tudi vsem članom okrožnih društev SNPJ, da se vrši veselica v prid federacijske blagajne v soboto zvečer, 18. jan., v Slovenskem domu v Rock Springsu.

Federacije SNPJ

Poročilo detroitske federacije

Detroit, Mich. — Seja detroitske federacije SNPJ se je vršila 27. dec. Udeležba je bila bolj klaverna, razlogov zato je več. Seja se je vršila ravno po praznikih in v takih časih so ljudje v objemu veselja in pozabijo na dolžnosti; nekateri zastopniki so morali na popoldansko delo in se zaradi tega niso mogli udeležiti, nekateri pa sejo izpustijo iz navade, češ, kaj bom hodil na sejo, saj ni nič važnega. V takih razmerah smo zaključili leto 1940.

Da federacija ni napredovala kot bi morala napredovati, je krivo članstvo, ker mišl, da je federacija "peto kolo", in zastopniki na sejah to ponavljajo. Na federacijskih prireditvah se je pokazalo, da članstvo neče sodelovati s "petim kolesom", ker je to prireditve ignoriralo, čeprav so bile namenjene v korist vsemu članstvu. Zadnja prireditev 14. dec. je pa razočarala še tiste, ki so imeli voljo do dela za federacijo.

Od 900 članov se jih še toliko ni udeležilo, da bi mogli stroške plačati. V takih razmerah hira detroitska federacija in bo treba močne injekcije, da se spet spravi na noge.

Moje priporočilo je: Sedaj, ko smo ustanovili mladinski krožek, čeprav majhen po številu, glejmo, da ga dobro negujemo in da mu damo vso moralno in gmotno podporo, da zraste v orkaja, ki bo v ugled in ponos detroitski nasebini, in tudi privlačna sila federacijskim prireditvam. Nadalje priporočam, da federacija priredi vsako leto dan SNPJ za Michigan in po eno federacijski izlet, pri katerem sodelujejo vsa društva, navadne veselice pa naj odpadejo, ker z njimi ni uspeha. Največ zanimanja naj se nudi mladinskemu krožku, naj ta prireja koncerte, mladinske igre in druge aktivnosti, ker sem uverjen, da bodo starši bolj sodelovali in posejali njih prireditve kot pa posejajo naše, ker bo vsakdo radoveden, kako njegova mladina napreduje.

Nadalje priporočam novemu federacijskemu odboru in federacijskim zastopnikom, da delujejo slobno, ker le na ta način bodo napravili kaj koristnega za federacijo. Upam, da nistem nobenega užalili s temi vrsticami. Vas vse bratsko pozdravljam in želim mnogo uspeha.

Joe Korsic, bivši preds. feder.

Seja westmorelandske federacije

Hermine, Pa. — Zastopnikom društev westmorelandske federacije SNPJ naznanjam, da se vrši konferenca v nedeljo, 19. jan., na Hermineju, pričetek ob 2. popoldne v dvorani SNPJ. Zeleti je, da se vsi zastopniki udeležijo, ker je to glavna seja, torej tudi volitve uradnikov. Po zaključku seje se bomo lahko malo pokratkočasili, ako bodo zastopniki dobre volje.

Skodovalo ne bo, ako pridete na dan s kakšnimi dobrimi sugestijami v prid naše organizacije. Kot vam je znano, je letošnje konvencije leto, kakor tudi

Seja barbertonske federacije

Akron, O. — Vsi zastopniki društev okrožne federacije SNPJ naj se udeležijo glavne seje, ki se vrši v nedeljo, 26. jan., ob 10. popoldne v klubu Slovenskega doma na Manchester rd. v Akronu (Kenmore). Na tej seji bo treba dosti važnega rešiti in tudi izvoliti odbor za l. 1941. Podani bodo tudi šestmesečni računi.

Tajnike društev prosim, naj novim zastopnikom izdajo poverilnice, ki naj jih prinesejo s seboj, ali pa naj jih pošljejo na moj naslov: Box 3708 Kenmore Sta., Akron, O. Po seji bo okusen prigrizek.

Maka Kotnik, tajnik.

Naročite Mladinski list, najboljši mesečnik za slovenske mladine!

SMRTNINE IZPLAČANE DECEMBRA 1940

DEATH CLAIMS PAID IN DECEMBER, 1940

Table with columns: Name of Member, No. of Weeks, and Amount. Lists members and their death benefit payments for December 1940.

SKUPAJ—TOTAL \$15,302.00

F. A. VIDER, gl. tajnik—Supr. Sec'y.

IZKAZ UPRAVNIH STROŠKOV ZA MESEC DECEMBER 1940

REPORT ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES IN DECEMBER, 1940

Table with columns: Description of Expense, and Amount. Lists administrative expenses for December 1940.

SKUPAJ—Total \$15,302.00

F. A. VIDER, gl. tajnik—Supreme Sec'y.

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Our Duty in National Defense

Our members are well acquainted with our Society's democratic principles, with its firm stand against any infringements, as well as with the fact that its organ has always championed the rights of the workers.

A fortnight ago, in stating our Society's program for this year, we said among other things that the Prosveta will continue to support the United States Government in its endeavor to effect a strong national defense against the totalitarian powers and in its endeavor to aid the democracies against the aggressors. Today we reaffirm our stand.

The present war situation presents a real menace to the nation. Unless the Axis powers are kept at bay and defeated before they become a real threat to our country, there is no doubt that their next victim will be America as the richest country in the world. Fortunately, our government is fully aware of this danger and as a direct result today we are engaged in a gigantic national defense program. We would be blind indeed if we didn't see the grim realities of the enslaved nations in Europe which today lie prostrate, partly because of unpreparedness and partly because of internal disruption achieved by fifth columnists and appeasers.

The President of the United States has repeatedly warned the nation of the danger in the event of further totalitarian victories. We are convinced that he hates war as all peace-loving people hate war, but the situation is such as to demand the immediate help of all of us to make America strong and to give the Allies all possible aid. We must help defeat international banditry and lawlessness before it defeats us!

Our members would do well not to listen to the fifth columnists and appeasers. We must not be deceived by the fact that among the appeasers and pacifists we find some well-meaning and sincere but misguided liberals and progressives.

The great majority of our members are workers in factories, mines and various industries. Our members constitute a part of the great army of industrial workers of America. It is to a very large extent up to the workers to make the national defense program effective. We do not believe that labor will abuse its privileges guaranteed by the federal law. However, there may be instances where the fifth columnists will attempt to encourage the workers to unjust demands, and there are certain type of employers who will seek to promote strikes in order to curtail the rights of the workers.

We do not believe that the right to strike should be abrogated by national defense. But we also believe that the workers should not become the pawns of either the Communists, Nazis or Fascists in whose interest it would be to render the country disrupted and disunited.

Let our workers be on guard against any inroads from any sinister camp. Let us cooperate intelligently at all times and we may be sure that the government will not abrogate but increase our rights.

Little Fort Lodge

Of the Future— WAUKEGAN, WIS.—This evening as we sit before the typewriter wondering about what to write, there comes to mind a question asked by one of the older members of the SNPJ lodge 564. In the midst of mild conversation this morning, he asked, "Just what is the future of the Little Fort Lodge?"

There are perhaps three ways by which a lodge can be measured—its membership figure, its financial worth, and the services it renders to its members (not necessarily in the order of their importance). Today we shall pick apart the membership, and perhaps next week we'll continue the deep discussion of the other items.

Westm'land SNPJ Fed Will Meet Jan. 19th

HERMINIE, PA.—Notice is hereby given to all delegates and lodges affiliated with the Westmoreland SNPJ Federation that the next meeting will be held Sunday, Jan. 19, at the Herminie SNPJ Hall at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. Let's make it a success by being represented 100%.

ANTON ZORNIK, Fed. Sec'y.

there were about 26 members at the start of the lodge, just fifteen years ago—and that these were all transfer members from Lodges 14 and 119.

During the years 1934 and part of 1935 there were one hundred and twenty-six members, an increase of about one hundred members in nine years. According to our exact statistics connected with this column-to-be, about 75% were transfers from the other two lodges, either from the adult department or the juvenile department.

Today, in 1941, we have one hundred and ninety adult members and sixty juveniles. Sixty-four members about five or six years—remarkable, huh? But again that eminent doctor of figures claims that about 80% of the adult figure were transfers. Of course, the juvenile increase during the past year has been new, thanks to the "Jolly Juvenile" Circle.

Then this sad-eyed juggler of figures politely questioned as he reached for the tumbler, "Has the Lodge really done its share in getting new members into the Society; or has its work been done by the older lodges in Waukegan and North Chicago. Has the Lodge in the past fifteen years been of any value at all to the Society, or has its function been merely to give the younger members of the community a club where energies could be the most uselessly expended? Yes, my dear younger brothers, with the membership record before me, I hereby state that I am afraid for the future of the lodge."

Potpourri— The Secretary has received the Lodge copy of "From Many Lands". (Continued on page 7)

Silver Star Dance

YUKON, PA.—On behalf of the Silver Stars I wish to extend our sincerest wishes for a very happy and prosperous year to each and everyone. And may the SNPJ spirit and activities grow with the year.

Also with that greeting we send our very cordial invitation to all to attend our 10th anniversary dance Saturday, Jan. 18. (Just two more days, folks.) Music to satisfy all—polkas, waltzes and jitterbugs—will be furnished by Joe Kramer's orchestra, popular Slovene band heard over WMBS every Sat. at 3:15. All kinds of refreshments will be served by our lads and lassies.

We're giving you the opportunity to have the time of your lives, a chance to get all tangled up with your best girl or beau, as it may be. There will be crepe paper decoration which, as tradition says, comes down upon the dancers after intermission. Balloons and confetti will also be distributed.

It's Yukon on Jan. 18 at the Slovene Home.

Although we cannot boast of progress as some lodges are able to, we can say at least there is progress. This month we welcome into the lodge as a new member Bro. John Sadlo. Also our Prexy has promised that his new son will become a Silver Star juvenile.

What's keeping these people from joining the S. S.—Agnes Kravajna, Jennie and Helen Kovach, Ross Kostello, and Tony Marvich? Tony Gorenz, has now become Mrs. Bill Gorenz. C'mon men, bring those wives to the next meeting as prospective members.

We're sorry that our anniversary dance conflicts with the Keystoneians' dance but through all 10 years we have sponsored our anniversary dances on the third Sat. of Jan.—May your dance be a success.

FRANCES PRESEREN, Lodge 729.

Notice To Members of SNPJ Lodge 212

BISBEE, ARIZ.—Members of SNPJ lodge 212 decided at the December meeting that in January 1941 all adult members pay 25c special assessment for the lodge expenses of 1940.

MARY A. SUPANICH, Secretary.

Veronians Plan Benefit Dance

VERONA, PA.—We again take this opportunity to remind you that Jan. 25 is the day of the President's Ball, held by members of Lodge 680, for the benefit of the less fortunate, the victims of infantile paralysis. Taffy's Domovina orchestra—thrilling many at the tournament dance in Library—will be in Verona to again give pleasure to those who have had the good fortune to hop, skip, and jump at the New Year's Day affair.

Reports from the Committee say that everything is in smooth running order and that only the arrival of the 25th is needed. We are glad to hear from the Morning Stars that we can expect them as our guests. For a day you'll never forget and a treat, as you put it, John and Dan. Let's see all of our neighboring lodges represented.

Sun, Jan. 19, is the day of the Veronians' regular monthly meeting at 7:30 p. m. Members please attend this the first meeting of the new year and start the new officers out on the right foot.

VIVI and DOT, 680.

Badgerland News

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—This coming Friday is the Badgers regular monthly meeting. In order to start the new year right, let's all attend.

The invitations and entry blanks have been received for the Midwest Bowling Tourney which will be held in Chicago on Feb. 23 at Southwest alleys and sponsored by the SNPJ Integrity Lodge 631. All you bowlers come to the meeting and get your teams lined up so that entries can be sent in as soon as possible.

This 'n' That— Hank Strudel just returned from a vacation up in Minnesota. Ann Povsic is now wearing a diamond. Who is the lucky fella? Bring him around sometime. Ann, a former Badger, Johnnie Martinek, has been inducted in army this past Monday. Frances (Jereb) Debelak is arranging for a bus trip to Lincoln, Ill., to visit her brother Eddie, who challenged the Badgers to a bowling match. Incidentally, Eddie is a former Badger. The bus fare will not be more than \$3.50 per person. Anyone wishing to go contact Frances, or call Orchard 6678. LEO SCHWEIGER, 584.

Form New ESL in Brownsville, Pa.

BROWNSVILLE, PA.—A new English Speaking Lodge of the SNPJ has been organized here in Brownsville recently. Our Lodge number is 759, and we have named it "The Monongahela Valley Brownies." Very likely, for the sake of convenience, the Lodge will be known as the "Brownsville Brownies."

In the near future, the new Lodge is planning to give a dance. Since this will be our initial affair which will give all other nearby and distant lodges a chance to lend a helping hand, we cordially invite all other SNPJ lodges in this area to help and cooperate with us; of course, in turn, we will reciprocate willingly. We are confident that the rest of the ESL's in this sector will respond favorably as they are aware of the fact that a new lodge needs help, encouragement and inspiration. Any help given us will be greatly appreciated.

We thank heartily our Senior Lodge 398 of Brownsville for their help and genuine cooperation which they have given us to organize this new lodge. Your cooperative support is sincerely appreciated.

MARY BRANDSTETTER, Sec'y.

Strabane Pioneers

STRABANE, PA.—The Pioneer Lodge 589 will open their 1941 social year by holding a dance on February 1, featuring the music of the hit band of the year, Taffy's Domovina orchestra. The dance will be held at the SNPJ Hall and the admission is 35c per person.

The "Parents' Day" banquet will be held on February 9. The Parents of all members are urged to attend this affair. There will be more published on this affair in the next issue.

In the bowling league, the Home Furniture team has clinched the first half championship. The other teams, namely, Tommie Motors, Podboy's Tavern, and Zigman's, are still fighting it out for the runner-up positions. The boys had a banquet to celebrate the success of the bowling league on Sunday and everything points to a very successful second half. The competition is so keen that the boys travel to Sygan and other places to practice their bowling during the week.

"RUDY URF," (Rudy Krulce), Lodge 589.

All Americans New Board; Dance Feb 15

NEW YORK, N. Y.—The annual meeting of SNPJ lodge 580 on Dec. 15 was very well attended and the following officers were elected for the coming year: Peter Fugina, president; John Kirk, vice president; John Schneider, secretary; Frank Padar Jr., recording secretary; Joseph Kuchvar, treasurer; George Mikolay, sergeant-at-arms; Katherine Schneider, Barbara Arsen, and Katherine Kirk, auditors. Dr. B. Pollet was renamed lodge physician.

Elections were conducted in most pleasing manner, all members present willing to cooperate in whatever way they could. A good start for a New Year. Our secretary for many years, Agnes Schneider, did not "run" this time, and the lodge should extend thanks and sincere acknowledgement for her loyal work to her. She always did her best and worked the hardest without complaining, never interested in gaining praise, but in the results the lodge achieved.

Important change is the place and time of our future meetings, which are to be held in the Slovene Home, 263 Irving Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y., each 3rd Sunday of the month at 7 o'clock in the evening.

The lodge is sponsoring a Valentine Dance on Saturday, Feb. 15, in the Elk's Hall, Gate and Central, Brooklyn, N. Y. It was decided that each adult member of the lodge be given or sent two admission tickets, at 35c a ticket, for which he or she must pay in order to help the treasury, which, according to the annual report, is rather low. It is hoped that members will cooperate by using one ticket themselves and selling the other one to a friend or acquaintance, which certainly won't make one feel as though a fine was imposed, but rather as an invitation to a lot of fun and enjoyment. Remember now, to be in the treasury if you don't sell or use the tickets yourself—and we can't appraise what you will be missing by not attending our enjoyable Valentine affair. Those who have attended our previous Valentine affairs know what is in store for them at this year's affair. More details later. —A. K., Lodge 580.

SNPJ Wolverines

DETROIT.—A plea is being made for the SNPJers of Detroit to get behind the newly organized Juvenile Circle. If only one-third of people could see the enthusiasm spread among those juveniles present, every one would do his part in helping.

Oлга Marie Knapič, organizer, is trying to make this juvenile unit one of the most successful circles. It isn't that there is lack of juveniles or financial help; it's only lack of interest. The Circle has been called the "Juvenile Spirits of Detroit." Let's show the juveniles we are willing to help them.

On Thursday, Jan. 2, a farewell party was held for Bro. Frank Hribar of the Y. A. who on Jan. 3 left for Camp Custer near Battle Creek, Mich. It was a gay affair until time came for parting speeches. Frank started the speech with sincere remarks of the SNPJ and its affairs.

A dance will be given by Y. A.'s on Jan. 25 at S.N.D. Come on, let's all join in for an evening of fun.

The Wolverine lodge will play host on Sunday, Jan. 19, at the Omira Cafe to all the Wolverines. Everything will be free to all Wolverine members. The party begins at 4 p. m.

The snow train trip to Grayling, Mich., has everyone talking. Everyone is planning on taking a party. Those of you who have attended these trips in recent years, will need no explanation. The date is Feb. 2.

The Wolverine Snow Frolic dance on Feb. 15 will be on event to attend. Great ideas have been expressed to the comm. It will be a treat to see this Frolic, some may say it's different, or they've never seen anything like it. Come and see it for yourself.

Attention, Detroit Lodges! Send your 3 delegates to the Federation meeting Jan. 24 at S.N.D. New officers will be elected.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Widmar on their recent marriage. A new Wolverine, so Charley says. JULIA BOGATY, Lodge 677.

SNPJ Lodge 240

BENTLEYVILLE, PA.—The meetings of Lodge 240 will be held at the same place until further notice. JOHN GRACHEN, Sec'y.

Ramblers Stage

Dance on Jan. 18

HARMARVILLE, PA.—Stop, Look and Read! Have you decided where to go on Saturday, Jan. 18? If not, your problem is already solved. For you won't want to miss this dance sponsored by the SNPJ Harmarville Ramblers' Girls of Lodge 713.

The dance will be held at the Harwick Union Hall on Saturday, Jan. 18, starting at 8 p. m. Music will be furnished by none other than that popular orchestra, Taffy's Domovina band, from Barberton, Ohio. They have played at Library on New Year's Day at the SNPJ Tournament dance, which everyone seemed to enjoy so immensely. This will be their first appearance in this locality and we are sure you won't want to miss this big affair.

We extend a cordial invitation to all of you SNPJers from Verona, Universal, Imperial, Export, Pittsburgh Morning Stars, Library, Canonsburg, Sharon, Claridge, Young Americans and all others we failed to mention. You won't regret coming to this dance for you can't help but have a good time dancing to the popular and splendid orchestra.

The Ramblers boys and girls will be there with cheerful smiles to greet you at the door and serve you at the bar. Many Ramblers have been seen at many of the SNPJ affairs, so here is a time where you can really reciprocate by attending our dance.

HELEN and DOT, Lodge 713.

"Forkers" Will Stage Dance Saturday

SOUTH FORK, PA.—The day of the Forkers' first dance is almost here, Sunday, January 18, and the music will be furnished by none other than Joe Plesivce and his Slovene Melodiers. It's music in a tempo to satisfy everyone's style. I send out a hearty invitation to the lodge members of Floody City, Friendly City, Triglav, St. Michael, Kelo and all other neighboring lodges. It's been a long time since we have seen some of the old gang, so what do say folks, let's all meet again on Jan. 18. (Lodge members don't forget the monthly meeting on Jan. 19 at 10:30 a. m.) MRAGE, Lodge 345.

Trapped

Missus: "Well, you can't say I ran after you." Mister: "No, and neither does a mouse trap run after mice; but it catches 'em just the same."

Our Progress During December

F. A. VIDER, Supreme Secretary

We are happy to announce that our young people in Brownsville, Pennsylvania, organized an English Speaking lodge with 18 new and transferred members. According to information received there is considerable interest among our younger generation for this lodge and under such circumstances we have full faith in their progress. This new lodge is No. 159, and we extend our congratulations to you. The members of this newly organized lodge have elected Brother Herman Brandstetter as President of the lodge and Sister Mary Brandstetter as Secretary for the ensuing year.

During the month of December the Society again recorded a very satisfactory gain in membership in both departments—a gain of 113 juvenile and 203 adult members, or a total gain of 316 members. Outstanding progress was made last month by Lodge 559, which obtained 17 new members and Lodge 287 which secured 12 new members. We trust that members of the other English Speaking lodges will follow their example.

Increases of five or more members during the month of December were made by the following lodges:

Table with 3 columns: Lodge, Prev. total, Dec. gain. Includes lodges 8, 287, 559, 564, 584, 669, 759.

Brothers and Sisters of our English Speaking lodges, there is still about 4 1/2 months of our campaign. This is also our convention year. If you want your lodge to be represented at the Convention by your own delegate—especially those lodges which require only a small number of members to attain sufficient number for selecting their own delegate—now is the time for you to become active!

Off the President's Bat

By J. F. Fifolt, Lodge 566

CLEVELAND.—No rest for the wicked. I had an idea I would lay off sending in the weekly column, first because I thought a change would be appreciated, second it might bring back "gutter ball" and Pauline Spik on the page again. Neither worked, I got bawled out and the others did not come thru, so here goes.

We've had a consolidation. Smiling Sis. Tratinik informs me that the three St. Clair circles, namely, Nos. 2, 12 and 13 have merged, as No. 2. The officers are: Valentine Pakis, President; Lou Bruder, Vice President; Elsie Widmar, Secretary; Alma Zager, Treasurer. The Auditing committee will consist of Ann Surina, Caroline Jerina and Josephine Meznaric. They will meet the third Friday of each month at 7:30 p. m. sharp, Room 3. The Adviser is Mrs. Milan Medvedsek. At the February meeting name will be selected for which a suitable prize will be awarded. At their last meeting, Mrs. A. Simic and Mr. J. Terbizan spoke on the history of juvenile circles. Any opportunity we have, let's give the kids a boost.

Plans for the 2nd Annual Eastern Invitational Tournament were lined up. Will consist of singles, doubles and team events. Bowling will be done on the new Skans alleys, one of the best in the City. Cost per event will be \$1.10. The date, Saturday, March 8, and Sunday, March 9. Understand that the March 8 date conflicts with the Young Americans' dance. This is indeed unfortunate. It may be however, that Detroit delegation can be on hand Sunday as last year. We certainly hope so. Entry blanks will be in the mail soon and it is expected participation will be greater than the first tournament. Music for the dance on March 8 will be furnished by Frankie Yankovic. More details later.

The writer has written to Frank Groser, soliciting his aid in securing an appropriation of \$25 from the athletic fund to go towards the prize money. The tournament is being staged as a stimulus for greater participation in the National SNPJ tournament to be held in May at Detroit. (They tell me Naprednik have a busload already lined up).

Frank was also requested to advise me regarding bill due the Loyalties for trophy inscription; likewise money still due the Struggler girls from the Waukegan tournament. Jo Lokar asked to secure ruling as to whether or not a member from another lodge could fill in on a team bowling in national tournament, where at the last minute a withdrawal was made.

Minutes of the athletic meeting were taken in Strabane and sent to Groser in November. We wonder when they will be published.

Understand Treasurer Frank Becar was taken to the hospital re-

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Lincolnties No. 567

SPRINGFIELD, ILL.—The annual election meeting of the Lincolnties Lodge 567 was held on Dec. 20, with the following officers being elected: Frances Lazar, president; Frank Volk, vice-president; Anne Hribal, financial secretary; Christine Nadvornik, treasurer; Mary Kink, recording secretary; auditing committee chairman, Joe G. Brinocar.

Now that the holidays are over, let's see a large attendance at our meeting this month when our new officers will be installed. You will want to wish them luck for the new year. We also wish to thank the old officers for past accomplishments.

The Links have a little surprise for you members who haven't been attending the meetings. Better mark the date now, Jan. 17, Friday night at 8 o'clock at the Dom, and bring a new member. The Lincolnties wish to express their deepest sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Bezgowsky and family for the loss of their daughter, Anne. ANN HRIBAL, Secretary.

My Week

By Louis Beniger

We don't often hear about Frances Perkins, the Secretary of Labor, the first and only woman to hold the high position. However, last week at her press conference she did a brave thing which is worth recording.

When correspondents of certain reactionary newspapers tried to put her "on the spot" in the hope of wringing from her some statement which they might twist into an admission that workers are obstructing national defense, she told the truth by saying that labor is not abusing its privileges, that strikes are steadily decreasing, although the workers are better organized than ever before.

In order to make it impossible to misrepresent her views, Miss Perkins presented these two clear statements: "I do not believe that the right to strike should be abrogated by national defense. I do not believe that labor has abused its privileges and I do not believe these privileges will be abused by the American working people."

Organized labor knows from Miss Perkins' past record that she understands their problems. It is no secret that the money interests would like to see labor deprived of its most effective weapon—the right to strike. It is hoped that labor will guard this right and use it justly.

Last week the Department of Labor released a report which revealed that strikes during 1940 have decreased fully 50% and that only one-third as many work-days were lost as compared to 1939. And most of the strikes were in nondefense industries. However, the fact is that a number of employers have been on a sit-down strike against the government ever since last summer, but the reactionary daily press never mentions these slackers.

According to Dr. L. F. Barker of Johns Hopkins Medical School, a human being's life span is determined at the time of his birth, barring under-nourishment, disease, accidents and violence. In other words, it is a matter of inheritance, for he added that "the best insurance of long personal existence is derived from long-lived ancestors."

The Doctor argued that physiological characteristics of old age vary so much that one person at 75 may be much younger than another at 50. Proof to this statement can be found among our own people everywhere; why, some of our "oldsters" display more pep than many a youth in his 20's. "Temper your activities," advised the Doc, "avoid bodily and mental fatigue, and stay away from dietary fads."

South Chicago's Column

SO. CHICAGO, ILL.—The Calumet Sentinels held their first meeting of 1941 on Monday evening, Jan. 20, at 7:30 at the Field House. At this meeting the officers for the year will be inducted into office. Likewise, open discussions on methods to improve and heighten activities within the Sentinels' lodge will be had.

Lodge officials can do little good without active backing by a membership. With the Sentinels showing a willingness to get into an active role within the society 1941 can be more than just a year of dues' collections and routine business. A lodge membership has an opportunity to get a whole lot more in its membership by being alert and active. Ideas can be discussed at our meetings. The more satisfactory activities can be accepted. Attendance at meetings is the surest indication that a membership wishes to be active. The question of whether the Sentinels want to be more active is one that the membership alone can answer.

The officers for 1941 are Louis Kosele, Pres.; Howard Elsas, Vice-Pres.; Frances Koscic, Sec'y; Carl Bozich, Treas.; Angeline Kubel, Recorder. Trustees are Mary Kubel, chairman; Jennie Kosele and Anna Kubel. Sentinels delegates to the Chicago SNPJ Federation sessions are Steve Malnarich Sr., Rudy Koscic, Steve Malnarich Jr. and Louis Kosele.

Keystonians Will Hold Two Dances

HERMINIE, PA.—The Keystonians, SNPJ lodge 613, are announcing the coming dances of the season, Jan. 18 and Feb. 15, both at the local Slovene hall. Martin Serro and his Trio will play Jan. 18 and Frank's Trio will play Feb. 15. All neighboring lodges are asked to attend and make them a success.

The Christmas dance was a huge success and everyone seemed to have the Christmas spirit in them. The cake was won by our fair lady, Mary Baber.

This And That: What happened to the Drop boys? Haven't seen them lately. Martin says "Trailer business is booming." Louis B. can get to Yukon only once a week since working at the Diner. Jennie B. says married life is okay, also our Secretary, Joe B. thinks so too. Tony

Universal Comets

Dates to Remember
UNIVERSAL, PA.—Jan. 18—Dance by Harmarville Ramblers Lodge 713, at Union Hall, Harwick, Pa., featuring Taffy's Domovina orchestra.

Jan. 19—Meeting of E. S. Federation of SNPJ Lodges of Western Pennsylvania at Slovene Hall, Moon Run, Pa., beginning at 2 p. m.

Jan. 25—President's Birthday Ball by Verona Lodge 680, at the National Home, Verona, Pa., featuring Taffy's Domovina orchestra.

Jan. 25—Dance by Lucky Stars Lodge 716, at the SNPJ Hall, Imperial, Pa., featuring Martin Serro and his orchestra.

Jan. 25—Dance by Cavaliers Lodge 741, at the Slovene Hall, Burgettstown, Pa.

Feb. 1—Dance by COMETS Lodge 715, at the Slovene Hall, Universal, Pa.

Flood City

JOHNSTOWN, PA.—As far as weather conditions and working hours would permit, Lodge Flood City's Dance on Jan. 4 was a fairly successful one. We were glad to welcome our visitors from Sharon—"Skitchie" Kovach and the Mikars, Rose, Frank, and Ed. We want to thank them and also our local lodges, who were represented at our affair. To you, we say, come back again.

Our Lodge held its monthly meeting on Jan. 9. We had a few more members present than we have had the past year, but we would appreciate still more members attending future meetings. These meetings are held in order that members can express their opinions so if any existing condition is not suitable to any member, come to our meetings and let us try to improve it.

Singing Society "Jugoslavija"
Our local Slovene Singing Society "Jugoslavija" has changed its rehearsal time from Tuesday to Sunday, in order that those members, not able to attend during the week, may be there. The society has accepted invitations to sing at the 25th anniversary affair of SNPJ Lodge 254, Bon Air, Sunday, Jan. 12, and also at the opening of the new Slovene Home in Cambria City on Sat., Jan. 18. The members are rehearsing for their concert to be held in the spring, but for which no definite date has yet been decided upon.

Passing Thoughts
We extend our deepest sympathies to the Kauhapp family, whose husband and father died on Dec. 26. Rose is an active Flood City member.—We sure do miss the loyal support of the Raiks, who are now living in Chicago.—The Flood City girls have decided not to depend on the boys any more, and are forming their own bowling team.—We were glad to note that George Resick and Frank Seibert, South Forkers, came out of their corners long enough to attend Flood City's dance. We hear that Carrie Strell and Mickey Miklaucic are planning to middle-aid it, f. c. n.—Members, our next lodge meeting is on Feb. 13. Make a date now to be there! NINETEEN, Lodge 712.

FED. ITEMS

IMPERIAL, PA.—The next meeting of the ES Federation of SNPJ Lodges of Western Pennsylvania will be held in the Slovene Hall, Moon Run, Pa., on Sunday, Jan. 19, beginning at 2 p. m. All affiliated lodges are urged to have representation at this meeting. Kindly have three delegates present and make it more interesting for all concerned.

ES Federation of SNPJ Lodges Western Pennsylvania: JAMES M. MAGLICH, Secretary.

Integrity Broadcast

CHICAGO, ILL.—Dear Brothers and Sisters of the SNPJ, one of the greatest fraternal organizations in the world. During the past few years I haven't been very active as far as writing articles for our weekly edition of the Prosveta was concerned; but the time has come where several things should be improved, criticized, and commented.

We are starting a new year, so I think it would be beneficial if everyone would forget his or her personal grudge. Everybody knows, or should know, that it is impossible to do anything without cooperation. Lack of cooperation and fraternal spirit will in a short time dissolve the membership of any organization.

I have attended many meetings, in which attendance could have been improved, but to improve it is the big problem that faces every lodge or organization. The reason for poor attendance at meetings is simply due to the fact that you depend on the rest of the members. Everybody has the time; "no time" is a very poor excuse, because you find time to do other important things. Or do you consider your lodge unimportant?

W. went and did "it" for sure this time. John G. still goes to Yukon. In the last few months we have had quite a few new members, hoping this continues. Don't forget the dance Saturday.
KING TUT, lodge 613.

Juvenile Circles

Comets' Meeting
The first meeting in 1941 of Lodge COMETS 715 was held on Sunday, Jan. 5. The new officers were sworn in by George (Gish) Remozo, and they immediately got to work on their new duties. The Athletic Committee reported on the progress of the Lodge Bowling League and our participation in the Eighth Annual National SNPJ Duckpin Tournament. Our girls did a good job of it at this tournament, and everyone was happy about it. The Auditing Committee reported satisfactorily on the lodge's finances. The committee in charge of the roller skating party reported a splendid turnout and great interest. The dance committee reported that a huge crowd will attend our dance on February 1st, and that all preliminary arrangements have been completed. Paul Dolinar and his orchestra will be featured. The Juvenile Committee reported on a successful Xmas party, and plans are being considered for increased juvenile activity in 1941.

All men in the COMETS lodge were urged to secure their membership cards to the Slovene Hall from the secretary of the hall, Joseph Caesar. It was emphasized that the Hall contributes to the well-being of our lodge, and that it deserves our active support.

Five persons were proposed for membership and two applications for membership were approved. Bruno Rosignol, adult, and Michael William Rosignol, juvenile, are welcome into our lodge and society. Interest ran high for the present membership campaign of our society. Several members stressed the importance of building our lodge and society, and enumerated the prizes that will be paid to solicitors. The campaign will be in charge of Frank Haney, Michael Rosignol, and M. R. Kamer.

Joseph Bertovic, Frank Haney, and Frank J. Previc will represent our lodge at the January 19 meeting of the E. S. Federation of SNPJ Lodges of Western Pennsylvania. Michael Rosignol, lodge secretary, requested the cooperation of all members in paying their dues on time. Assessments are due and payable on or before the last day of each month. The secretary lives on School Street, Universal, Pa., in the home of Andy Tomby.

The present dance committee was authorized to select another date and music for another dance sometime in the near future.

President's Birthday Ball

Each year at the end of January thousands of organizations throughout the nation promote the PRESIDENT'S BIRTHDAY BALL to raise funds to fight infantile paralysis.

It is interesting therefore, to learn that the SNPJ Veronians Lodge 680 of Verona, Pa., has enlisted in the national defense against this hideous disease. That is a noble and humanitarian deed, and the Veronians Lodge 680 is to be complimented for their sincere efforts to raise money for this worthy cause. Their efforts are indeed consistent with SNPJ principles.

They are enlisting the active cooperation of organizations and individuals throughout the Verona-Oakmont Valley in an eloquent appeal to join them at their PRESIDENT'S BIRTHDAY BALL scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 25. Expenses will be kept at a minimum so that the net gain will be big at the conclusion of the affair. Their new president, Elmer Effler, has pledged himself to selling seventy-five tickets for the occasion, and he succeeded in selling forty-seven at the recent duckpin tournament. (He also sold twenty-seven tickets to the tournament dance that

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Circle "Dawn of Youth" to Install Officers on January 26

GIRARD, O.—Members of Circle 7 assembled at 9:30 in the morning of Jan. 3 to visit the Ohio Leather Co. Our guide, "Mac," showed us the way through the shop. We saw some of the most important processes in the manufacture of leather, and I am quite sure we all learned much in that trip. We want to thank Frank Resek for making it possible to go through the plant.

This is a brief summary of our 1940 activities. We went to Cleveland's Museum and Zoo, Sharon, Pa., a few skating parties, had a Halloween party, and a very nice Christmas party; we also participated in a picnic.

We want to do much more in 1941, but we cannot do it if we sleep. Wake up, 1941 is here. Write to the Prosveta or M. L. We want to get a scrapbook.

Our officers for the ensuing year are: Betty Rezek, president; George Ritter, vice-president; Edythe Tancek, secretary; Hermina Perechlin, rec. sec'y; Dorothy Selak, treasurer; Ernest Perechlin and Georgie Ritter, auditors; Bernice Lukz and Edythe Tancek, reporters for the M. L.; Hermina Perechlin and the writer, reporters for the Prosveta. We have the same Advisers as last year, Frank Rezek, Mrs. Mary Selak, and Louis Raciek Sr.

Our next meeting will be held on Sunday, Jan. 26, at 2 p. m. at Nagoda's hall in Avon Park. At this meeting the new officers will be installed. Everyone is present.

LOUIS RACICK JR., Circle 7.

Off the President's Bat

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cently to have an operation: Speedy recovery. Frank—Hank Zalar will soon leave to help out Uncle Sams for a year; good luck.

Dropped in to watch the girls bowl and they are still hitting the mazes. Might have been the presence of Mascot Joan, all decked out in the pretty outfit made by Marie Stefania, that caused some high and fancy scoring. One game I noticed Pauline Ross, Ann Golob and Frank Spik hit 181. Pauline Spik lead the pack with 294, which called for drinks. Her team incidentally copped the lead for high single with 794. News of our girls bowling has been quiet of late, however Mollie Koren promised most faithfully that the worm will turn. We'll see.

Geo. Curda just phoned and informed me that Skang's alleys will not be available for the March 8th tournament, necessitating other arrangements. As soon as we find out everyone will be informed.

Strugglers A Column

Strugglers State Wide SNPJ Headpin Tournament
CLEVELAND.—Something new and different—and we believe that the Strugglers Lodge is the first lodge to hold a Headpin Tournament. Won't it be grand? And the best part of the whole thing is that everyone has an equal chance to win from the lowest average bowler to the highest. So you beginners who hit the headpin more often than not, can hope to win because some good bowler has quite a bit of difficulty hitting that precious pin.

Any SNPJ member who lives in the state of Ohio is eligible to enter and your scriber would like to hear from various bowlers what they think of the idea. More rules and regulations will appear from time to time in our official organ the Prosveta from either Mary Grajzar or Anne Zele. Credit goes to Johnny Lokar for suggesting we hold a STATE WIDE HEADPIN TOURNAMENT. Thanks a lot for the timely suggestion and I'm sure every member will take an active part in the above tournament. So hold tight, folks. More details will appear next week.

ANNE STRAUSS ZELE, Rec. Sec'y 614.

Detroit Talk

DETROIT, MICH.—At the five-hour shareholders' meeting of the SND Jan. 5 there were many heated debates with many constructive criticisms. The 1941 officers are Joseph Mibelich, pres.; Al Peternel, vice-pres. (who is also president of lodge 564); John Janc, sec'y; Anton Cedilnik, treas.; Anton Jurek, recorder; Max Culkar, Rudy Grum (both Young Americans) and Joe Korole, auditors. House committee: Raymond Travnik, Albert Naprudnik, Andy Grum, John Jane, Anjan Janko, and Joe Furbas. Andy Grum is secretary of building fund.

According to the attorney for the SND, we learn that new shares may be on sale next Monday, provided that all legal matters involved in issuing the sale of new shares are completed by then. However, if and when new shares are to be sold don't wait to take advantage of this opportunity. The local Slovenes can now buy as many shares as their financial circumstances will permit them.

On a recent visit to Pennsylvania I noticed that the SND at Library was remodeled, costing approximately \$5,000. Other small communities had some remodeling done on their SND's costing a few dollars. Still these homes in these small communities are reportedly doing a very good business with a few dollars in the bank. Could the reason be that they have larger homes with more adequate facilities? Surely the reason can't be that they have better working conditions with higher wages. It is quite evident that people of these small communities including many of the larger cities in our country were determined to have Slovene National Homes built that would fully serve their purpose as centers for our people. So it is for the same reason that I say that Detroit can have a new SND. One small town of Pennsylvania which I think most of in regard to homes is Broughton, with a population of 2,500. One of its most distinguished buildings is the Slovene National

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Little Fort News

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by Louis Adamic, the Slovene writer. "From Many Lands" has been a national best seller for many weeks; put your name on the Secretary's list and find out why. The first meeting of the year will be held on Sunday, Jan. 19. If you don't plan to stay for the meeting, please be kind enough to leave your assessments at the meeting. Much obliged. We settle for Cash. We forgot to mention that at the end of the certain speech, our kind sad-eyed j of f passed out. The annual meeting of the North Chicago Co-operative Union will be held on Saturday, January 18, at p. m.

"ACRES" and "CHEEKINTONG," 568.

Golden Eagles

GIRARD, OHIO.—This is the first blast of publicity for the Ohio SNPJ Day on July 4. From now on until the first customer arrives on that eventful morning, we will tell of the progress of plans and the achievement of committees. At the combined meeting of Lodges 49 and 643, which many of our Eagles seemed to have forgotten, an official Executive Board was elected for the duration of the affair. Chairman, Rezek; Vice Chairman, John Bogstaj; Secretary, John Tancek and Rowan; Rec'd Sec'y, Julia Pire; Treasurer, Marco Matekovich. Auditors are Zitnik, Chernie, Hribar and Crvins.

This committee will grow like some bad weed until approximately some 150 persons will carry out plans to what we hope to be a successful conclusion. The total membership of the two lodges nears the 200 mark, so it is evident that practically a unanimous participation is necessary to keep things moving. It might be excusable for us to sit around and twiddle our thumbs during our own lodge affairs but with the eyes of at least three states on us on July 4, we must be at our energetic best. When approached for aid (and you will be shortly), give the committee a hand, or both of them, won't you?

Announcement from Olga Knapih that a new juvenile unit, Circle 29, sneaked in before 1940 stole away Olga was the young lady who kept us in confusion what with being a circle member and shortly after, the manager of her flock. She was about 16 then (I won't tell you how long ago that was) which should be some sort of a record for managers. From her past endeavors, we can safely predict that the Detroit Circle will be firmly established as a progressive unit in the Motor City. Hail to you, Olga, and the "Juvenile Spirits."

Off the Record.—On Jan. 3, twenty-two Circle members under the guidance of Mary Selak and Edith Cherne, were escorted through the Ohio Leather works by a company representative. A complete tour they made from the time that a bundle of skins is opened to the finished product with even a stop at the glistening laboratory. Notes were taken by Bernice Lukz and a detailed report will be made in the Mladinski List. If the contacts are good, a first hand observation of the working of Radio Station WFMJ will be arranged soon. How-and-where to make a living—for this, too, shall come to pass for our young people.

Michael Ralph-Kumer is due for a Traveling Bachelor card as soon as the publication of the book "The Old Country" is published. Back to the old grounds for a visit came an old sidekick, Frank Rozman. Circle managers for '41 are Mary Selak, Louis Raciek Sr. and the writer. An assurance of a good time is a trip with Cherne and company. Our loyal SNPJ friends, the Struthers Cardinals, are booked for a dance on Jan. 25. We owe them a visit, Eagles.

FRANK REZEK, 643.

Query
The following question is posed in all sincerity, without aiming to prove or disprove anything:
All of us, since the last World War, have been taught to look upon all wars as capitalistic wars; to consider wars as making the rich still wealthier and the poor still poorer; to dig beneath all interventionist talk and discover that it is only capitalistic propaganda for reaping profits from the blood and distress of the laboring classes; to refuse any future participation in wars on the ground that "let the rich who want wars, also fight in them."
Why, is it, then, that in the present war, it is those very reactionary, capitalistic interests that are most vehemently against participation, and the majority of the people for doing everything possible to stop the aggressors? In England, it was the wealthy classes that went the whole way with the appeasement and the liberals who resisted the aggressors. In this country, it is the very interests whom you would expect to fan the flames of war, according to the capitalistic war theory, that are opposed to any measure that would suggest our participation.
Why?
The Voice of Democracy
The President has spoken. Whether or not the course he advocates is the right one, whether or not his method is the best for the present and the future generations, it was a precious privilege to have had the forty-five minutes' time to hear his Message to Congress last week.
It was a privilege such as the peoples of some of the other countries have not had for years and are not likely to have for years to come.
From the President's lips came a reaffirmation of what Democracy is and what the Hope of Democracy is—a statement so lucid and so forceful that, coupled with his preceding Sunday night message, the distinction between freedom and tyranny became at once as great as that between day and deepest night.
No one who is a true democrat can deny that distinction and the forthright declaration of the opposite ends of the pole occupied by democratic principles and totalitarianism. But the President also had the COURAGE to say, and to say firmly, what so urgently needed to be said—to rout the dilly-dallying of those who cover behind "the times-are-different" slogan either because they more than half-way secretly hope the dictators will win or are so confused that they prefer not to take risks.
After all these months and months of defeatist speeches and articles, after all these apostles of the "inevitable" doctrines—inevitable that we are doomed for either fascism or communism—inevitable that the entire present system must be crushed to smithereens so that a glorious world may arise in the future—inevitable this and inevitable that—doom, doom—defeat for "decadent democracies"; victory after victory for those who do not think that "we'll lick the whole world" speeches constitute acts of war—after all this, it was, I repeat a privilege, coming at a momentous time, to hear the President say, after stating the four essential freedoms: "That is no vision of a distant millennium. It is a definite basis for a kind of world attainable in our own time and generation. That kind of world is the very antithesis of the so-called new order of tyranny which the dictators seek to create with the crash of a bomb."
The President's clear-cut stand was the more heartening for us when we realize what his words must have meant to the oppressed peoples in other parts of this saddened globe.

Green Pastures Blasphemy

Very briefly commenting on Frank Obluck's "The Other Side":

It has always been the greatest source of wonderment about human beings how they can give responses like the following: Americans, who have in their midst New York City, which has the greatest subway system in the whole world—it opened in 1904 and has 133 miles—133 miles of subway; and Englishmen, who have 79 miles of subway in London; and Parisians, who have 70 miles of subway; and again, Americans, who in the city of Boston have 39 miles of subway—how all these people can simply go into ecstasy over the 18 miles of Moscow subway that started operation in 1925! (These are 1928 statistics. If at present Moscow has 41 kilometers, then that equals 25 1/2 miles.)

I am no authority for the truth or untruth of the famous people Bro. Obluck quotes. I only know that H. G. Wells, and writer Dreiser, and singer Robeson, and painter Rockwell Kent, and Corliss Lamont, and G. B. Shaw have never made Russia their choice of permanent home.

And I know, too, that Pushkin, Shakespeare, Balzac, Heine, Goethe, Dickens, Gorky, Mark Twain, Tolstoy—which Bro. Obluck says are published in enormous editions in the USSR (you should see the ones in the Chicago bookstores)—not a single one of these contains one single word of criticism about the present Russian bureaucracy!

One more thing: Are we to understand that Bro. Obluck is advocating the adoption of Russia's system for the United States?

FLASHES

CHICAGO, ILL.—All Pioneers are urged to attend the next regular monthly meeting which is to take place Friday, Jan. 17, at the SNPJ Hall, and help us install the 1941 officers, and in other ways promote the general welfare of the lodge and its members.

Twenty-six Pioneers form the honor roll of the 1940-41 membership campaign. Each of them has had a share in securing new members for the lodge. Let us add at least twenty-six more names to this honor roll.

Because of her illness, Irene Bodigar has gone to the Crane Co. farm at Lake Geneva, Wis., for a rest. She is an employee of the Crane Co.—Amelia Eua has reported sick. She lives at 4131 W. 21st Place.—Anna Gabersek of Fort Wayne, has reported well and Justine Sheme has transferred to the lodge in Mineral, Kans.—Jennie Marolt informs us that people in Kansas read Mike Brill's article about the accident to Rudy Krasel last Labor Day, and thus came in contact with the young fellow. That's how news, good news, travels.—We were very glad to see Brother John Vogrich Sr., Treasurer of the SNPJ, up and around. He is feeling much better and looks good. We wish him a complete recovery.

Lawrence Gradisek is leaving Jan. 22 for a year's service in the army.

For many years, I have done a lot of talking about some system of instructing our SNPJ secretaries. We talked about a possible SNPJ summer school or some means of getting the secretaries of the various lodges together each year to give them such information which they do not get ordinarily about the duties of their office and the best way to get around some of the intricate points. Since our convention will take place in September, I suggest that arrangements be made in such a way as to devote a whole day to the work of the Secretaries of the various lodges. Such a session could be had just prior to the convention or even a day set aside during the convention for that specific purpose. It is possible to conclude the 1941 convention in much less than two weeks time. We could have a sort of a Secretary's Section, where all types of questions could be answered and where the Secretaries could receive pointers from one another. Perhaps, it would be advisable to have a President's Section and devote a half day to the job of the Presidents. Our folks everywhere should think about the advisability of adopting these suggestions and let the Supreme Board know if you are for it.

We add our bit to the controversy about SNPJ calendars by saying that it is surprising how some of our good people rejected the 1941 SNPJ calendars. It is true that many of the members did not like this year's calendar. Some did not wish to have it at all. The answer to this question is that for a good many years they have been receiving the old type of calendar. Hence, they have gotten used to it because it served their purpose well and it seems that once they get into a tradition, they want to keep it so. On the other hand, there were a few members who liked this year's calendar better. However, they were much in minority because a good many calendars are still in the hands of the Secretary.

An announcement of the annual meeting of the Slovene Labor Center, for Saturday, Jan. 25, has been received.—The by-laws of the Jugoslav Savings and Loan Association provide that the annual meeting must take place the last Saturday in February, which will mean that this year's meeting will be held on Saturday, Feb. 22.

Joe Koznik is keeping his bowlers.

Eighth Annual National SNPJ Duckpin Tournament

Official Computation UNIVERSAL, PA.—Last week's issue of Prosveta carried the details of the Eighth Annual National SNPJ Duckpin Tournament. The official computation on the number of tournament lines bowled is as follows: 1462 tournament lines bowled, as compared with 1461 bowled the previous year, or a net gain of 201 lines. The number participating in each event follows: 42 five person events; 94 doubles; 156 singles. No change is made in the prize winners announced last week, and checks will be mailed soon. The number of the lodge from Claridge, Pa., did not appear in last week's issue. It is Lodge 7. MICHAEL R. KUMER, Federation President.

The Drs. Walter and Zbitnoff team, in first place, while he himself took the lead in the individual standings. Last week, he rolled a sweet 629 series with games of 224, 215 and 190. Other good scores last week included James Jachino 223 and 210; Joe Hudalec 212 and 203; John Alich 213; Tony Pirman 202, and Victor Kozmuchar 200.—Among the girls, Anne Howard had the highest game of the week, a 189. Other good games were rolled by Ditta Zaertnik 176; Julia Skocir 174; Sue Ullchar 169; Helen Volk 168; Judy Norris 167; Val Tatar 166; Anna Loker 162; Frances Jenko 162; Anne Kochevar 158; Liz Zefran 153, and Dot Ivansek 152. Setecka's squad is in first place.

Our members are still transferring to the new classes of insurance, from the old Class A. Marie Zietzen transferred to Class D and increased her insurance. Let us repeat that it is to your advantage to get into one of the new classes of insurance. DONALD J. LOTRICH, 559.

Spirit-o-Grains

ST. LOUIS, MO.—Spirit members must have made at least one New Year's resolution, for our first regular meeting of 1941 was well attended. Let's keep this resolution throughout the year, and remember that 8 o'clock is the hour, each second Friday of the month.

The 1941 officers were installed by Bro. Ducote, and we were faced by three new officers, Recorder M. Hervat, V. Pres. V. Youngman, and Fin. Sec'y O. Markoff. Spirits hope that they will enjoy their new positions as much as the retiring officers did, and "We're" confident they'll do their utmost to build a bigger and better lodge.

The new Whoosid department congratulates the 1940 scribes for their fine work which was enjoyed by all our readers, and here's hoping "We" can do likewise.

This and That: We were honored to initiate into our midst such a fine gentleman as Bro. Frank Mashak, attorney-at-law. He asked for it and got it—riding a goat—only we're sorry it had to be a wooden one. Credit goes to Bro. Frank Kokal for the idea. Bro. Pete Kokal finally fixed our locker, and warned us not to treat it so brutal; but a motion has been made and passed to procure a new one.

The Spirits were very sorry to hear that one of our most popular members, Bro. Tony Petrovich, has been drafted for service. He spoke a few words and in return "We" assured him our assistance in every possible way, wishing him lots of luck.

The suspense was over when the "Buddies" of 1940 were revealed, and were there surprises! Names were drawn for our 1941 Buddy Club, so please remember your Buddy on his or her birthday, anniversary and all holidays.—Sis. Alma Maurich was exhibiting her diamond at the meeting, and now we wonder when the date will be. We do expect a new member, Alma, so get busy.—Bro. J. Jurcek reported his wife Mary who was ill and had flu, is improving. Spirits wish her a speedy recovery.

Our belated sincere thanks—to Sis. Sophie Vertovsek for her relinquished time given to mimeograph our 1941 local by-laws and the previous dance announcements. I don't know what "We'd" do without our loyal Sophie.—We wonder what has happened to the Lincolites? Couldn't we get together sometime in the near future. Let's hear from you. By WHOOSIT, Lodge 659.

Integrity Broadcast

(Continued from page 7) that the Prosveta is a fraternal paper which should publish only fraternal business.

Funds for the needy is another thing that should be taken up in the near future. Some time ago I remember where a small lodge near Chicago had a fund for its members who through no fault of their own were unable to pay their dues. In a matter of time the fund was exhausted and the lodge was forced to ask for aid from headquarters. Well, naturally, they were turned down, but they could afford to send a sum of money to the monopolists in Washington. This is a matter which will have to be taken up before the next convention.

The juvenile circle is another matter of importance which should be given careful consideration, for the simple reason that the juveniles will carry on after we are gone.

The Integrity sport situation for the past few years was omitted due to the lack of the number of members who participate in various sports and who were unable to cooperate.—But on February 23, 1941 the Integrity Lodge is sponsoring the annual Midwest League Bowling Tournament at the Southwest Alley, 1659 South Blue Island Ave., Chicago, Illinois. Fees are \$1.25 per man in each event and should be sent to Michael Fleischhacker, 1642 N. Fairfield Ave., Chicago, Ill. Please do not send currency. The Tournament Dance will be held at the SNPJ Auditorium, 17th and Lawndale Ave., Saturday, February 22. Music will be furnished by the Omerza-Gradisek and John Beton orchestras. Price of tickets will be 50 cents including federal tax and wardrobe. For a good time don't forget the dance, attend, and meet the members from the out of town lodges. ALBERT ROYCHT, Lodge 631.

SNPJ Calendars Are O. K.; Circle Give Play

MIDWAY, PA.—My appreciation to the SNPJ Executive Committee in selecting a new and different type of calendar for the year of 1941. It is so different than the old type and I am sure everybody will be well pleased and proud to display them in their homes.

By this time everybody is back at the wheels again working hard once more and starting the new year with loads of energy and enthusiasm. Let's all work just as hard as we possibly can and make it a year to be proud of, full of success, happiness and peace, and when it is ready to make its departure, we can look back and say "I am well pleased with my accomplishments and the results obtained therefrom."

This time of year activities are a little slow, due to cold weather, but we are planning on a big day on Sunday, March 2, at the SNPJ Hall at Imperial, Pa., at which place Juvenile Circle 22 "Voice of Youth" is presenting a three-act comedy entitled "Here Comes Charlie," and I specifically urge you NOT to miss this grand play. It was a big success when presented at Midway in December and for that reason arrangements were immediately made with our Imperial friends to give them an opportunity to see what our Juveniles can really present. Tickets can be purchased from the officers of the Imperial lodge, so do not fail to get yours now. Tell your friends about it and set March 2 aside to be in Imperial on that date.

MRS. JOSEPH JANESHEK, Lodge 89.

Attention, Members of SNPJ Lodge No. 288

FREDERICKTOWN, PA.—Notice to all adult members of SNPJ lodge 288: A special assessment of 90 cents has been levied by the lodge to defray current lodge expenses, payable in two monthly instalments, 45c in January and 45c in February. In addition, it was decided at the annual meeting to increase our monthly local dues from 15c to 25c. Therefore, in January and February each adult member will pay 45c special assessment and 25c (10c more than before) regular lodge dues into lodge treasury, or a total of \$1.10. After February it will be only 10c more per month than in 1940. All members are asked to comply with the lodge decision when paying their regular monthly assessment. Our lodge officers are Max Magayna, pres.; Frank Jekar, vice-pres.; Anton Skvarch, sec'y; John Oystrek, treas.; Dr. T. E. Morgan, lodge physician; Joseph Vrtnock, Agnes Oystersek, F. Albert, auditors; A. Skvarch, J. Oystersek, F. Albert, sick committee; Jakob Baloh and Max Magayna, fed. delegates. Meetings 3rd Sunday of the month at Owls Hall at 2 p. m. ANTON SKVARCH, Secretary.

Notice to Wolverines, SNPJ Lodge 677

DETROIT, MICH.—In last week's Prosveta I wrote a letter in regard to instructions to location of my address to our members of SNPJ Lodge Wolverines 677, due to the fact that I am the Financial Secretary for the current year. Dearborn has a population of 80,000 people and just anyone can't drive in the city and find the street. Directions are: 4553 Rosale Ave., 1 1/2 blocks North of Michigan, 4 blocks West of Greenfield Road. RUDOLPH BERNICK, Sec'y.

Cleveland Lodges and Clubs in Directory

CLEVELAND, O.—All lodges and clubs electing officers during January and February will be interested to know that Anthony J. Klancar will include all organizations (fraternal, cultural, social, etc.) in his work "Jugoslav Directory of Greater Cleveland." He would like to get a complete list of officers elected by your lodge or club for this year. See that your club is represented in this directory by merely dropping a card with the information to him at 1047 E. 87th St.

"Svoboda" Will Stage Dance at SNH Jan. 18

DETROIT, MICH.—On Saturday, Jan. 18, the Singing Society "Svoboda" will hold their first 1941 affair at the SNH at 17153 John R., featuring the Stefanich-Werhola orchestra which will provide you with the best Slovene music. Refreshments will be served. The proceeds of this dance will go toward defraying the costs of the heating system recently installed in the SNH. Svoboda's new officers are: Rudy A. Potochnik, president; Rudolf Potochnik, secretary-treasurer; Albena Mazarok, recording secretary. MIMI POTOCHNIK.

Detroit Talk

(Continued from page 7) Home valued anywhere from \$35,000 to \$40,000.

Let's get started, Detroit Slovenes. Other cities have started building new homes or remodeling their present ones. If there is enough determination with collective cooperation from all of the Slovene people in Detroit we can then rest assured of having a new SND. Your Home for the future depends greatly upon how much you do NOW.

There will be a party given at the SND sometime in February. The SND cordially invites all members of the SNPJ lodges to attend. At this party we shall burn the mortgage which we have had for the past five years. The present SND is fully paid for at last.

There will be a Snowball Dance at the SWH held by the Wolverine lodge Feb. 15, featuring the music of Frankie Yankovich. The Wolverine lodge plans to show every Detroit and out-of-towner a grand time.

Frances Straus, a member of the Gowanda Boosters from New York, was present at our meeting Jan. 12. We had a grand time with her and soon expect to visit New York for one of their lodge affairs. Mary Rinke's name was called for the prize money at this month's meeting. She was not present. At our next month's meeting the prize will be \$5 for the girls and \$2 for the boys. Max Korocek was not present to get the award.

At this meeting it was approved that we deposit \$200 in the SND savings account. It was also agreed that we set a prize for members bringing the most members into our lodge for the year of 1941. The prizes will be: 1st, \$10; 2nd, \$5; 3rd, \$3.

The Young American lodge will bowl the E. B. Bowling team a match game on Jan. 26 at the Palmer Park Recreation at 3:30 p. m. The E. B. team is the leading team in the all star bowling leagues throughout the entire city of Detroit.

Sgt.-at-arms Anthony Obranic has been sick for the past two weeks. The entire Young American lodge wishes you a speedy recovery.

This will, no doubt, be my last article since I am going to leave on Feb. 6 to join the army. I have had a grand time as a member of the Young American lodge and it is my most sincere desire that our lodge progresses in the future as it has in the past. So until I see all of you members of the SNPJ again it is good-bye and good luck to all of you. BEACHEY BRUCE, 564.

Universal Comets

(Continued from page 7) same day.) SNPJ members are urged to give the affair their support. If you are unable to attend, buy a ticket anyway.

At the breakfast table one morning, mother read an editorial to me from a recent issue of Daily Prosveta in which the editor favored the defeat of totalitarianism and the axis powers. The editorial asks and answers what would happen to our SNPJ and Prosveta should the axis powers be victorious over democracy.

Because our principal concern must be with a tendency that will protect our interests, we believe that our editorial policy is a good one. We ought to, therefore, resolve ourselves to one fundamental principle: that democracy must triumph. It must be clear to all fraternalists that no fraternal institutions will survive under a dictatorship which will produce a new philosophy of governing by force and dominating all thought.

We need to reconcile ourselves to the fact that America is definitely a part of the international scene, and as such cannot ignore events occurring abroad. Not only passive interest, but active initiative is essential.

But once democracy has triumphed, we will be faced with the challenge of making democracy work. It is indisputable that the biggest defense for the aggressors is that our democracy is unable to cope with the miserable problem of unemployment and want in the midst of potential plenty. Our biggest offense would therefore be to change the social conditions and forces that stifle democracy from working efficiently and effectively. That challenge can and must be met through the establishment of industrial democracy, based on cooperative management and control.

Taffy's Domovina orchestra has made a real hit in Western Pennsylvania. Next Saturday they are scheduled to play at the dance sponsored by the Harnarville Ramblers Lodge 713, at the Union Hall, Harwick, Pa. Let's all meet there for a good time.

The writer is quite argumentative, and cherishes the right of freedom and liberty. He is so much so, that often times he creates a misunderstanding and regrets it. He detests being labeled a chronic critic; but certain things must be said. Here goes.

In the December 11 issue of Prosveta, the Executive Committee minutes of meeting held October 9 appeared. It conveys the thought that the recent National SNPJ Day was to be jointly sponsored by the two Strabane lodges and the Federation, and recommends that the Federation be given a part of the proceeds to be used for campaign purposes. Yet, a

letter in the files of the E. S. Federation of SNPJ Lodges of Western Pennsylvania over the signature of our Society President merely solicits moral support for the affair. It does not specifically state that that Federation was to sponsor the affair jointly with the Strabane lodges. A similar letter was received by the Slovene Speaking Federation of SNPJ Lodges of Western Pennsylvania. In addition to this evidence to disprove what action they thought they took last spring, the writer was present at a meeting of Lodge 589 last March at which time a letter was read that the Labor Day week-end celebration was to be sponsored by the two Strabane lodges, and suggested that those two lodges obtain the moral cooperation of the Federations and lodges in Western Pennsylvania. These are the facts as established by both federations, and if we are in error, let's have a clear explanation in Prosveta.

It's true that the Supreme Board last February moved that SNPJ Day arrangements shall be in charge of Lodges 133 and 589 (Strabane) who shall invite both SNPJ Federations to cooperate so that the work and responsibility shall be of all and not one lodge. That motion was carried, and apparently one interpretation was put on it at the time the three letters above were written, and another at the meeting on October 9.

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Voice From the West Coast—Lodge 594

OAKLAND, CALIF.—Although changes in officers of SNPJ "Land of Palms" Lodge 594 were only the Vice-President, installation will take place the third Sunday of the month, January 19. The annual meeting is about the only one which seems to interest the members. I have hoped and by attending the annual meeting that the officers would be changed. But, lo and behold! practically the same crew must steer for 1941. The campaign is on but so far only one applicant was proposed.

During the past few months many articles have appeared in regard to our present turmoil in the world. The English Section seems to be at times full of editorial notes stating that due to space articles will appear in next issue. The Pacific Coast has very few scribes and once in a great while an article seems to appear. However, some of our eastern and middle western lodges seem to appear regularly—more power to them! I feel that the few who would like to contribute are kept rather busy with other affairs. Others on this Coast seem to have a grudge against the editor and don't care to write for the lodge.

Noting in the Dec. 31, 1940 issue the editorial comment under "Flash" regarding "In Fact" was uncalled for. Does it mean that our Editors are subscribing to the reactionary press policies and trying to deny us free speech and democracy? Being connected with United Automobile Workers Union, CIO, the story "In Fact" was well told in regard to the Valtce strike. If the CIO does not get busy and receive the aid of all progressives concerned, by trying to bring security to the workers, very little can be expected from the industrialists. Our weekly Prosveta should fight for democracy and everything that goes with the saving of democracy instead of carrying notes similar to the daily press.

Just because our workers today are working in National Defense industries is no reason why they should work for nothing. For many long years they have suffered by being pushed around in soup kitchens or relief camps and today with business and profit on the upgrade, we feel that part of the profit is ours. But, if the worker must give in and be patriotic in this emergency, then let's take the profit out of war and from the corporations and put it back into National Defense. The CIO is 100% for National Defense, but it must preserve labor's rights, civil liberties, reemployment of the country's idle millions and a decent wage to support the family. National Defense orders should be given to the corporations who abide by the laws of the land and not Ford or Bethlehem Steel. We find in some cases even big industries laying down and their stooges crying for longer work week, anti-strike laws and other Union busting legislation. I feel that "In Fact," as well as the magazine "Friday" are doing a good job of exposing some of that falsified news as it appears in our daily press. So let's give them credit for their work instead of trying to call them Fascist.

Perhaps some of our lodge leaders have been away from the laboring people and are slowly forgetting what the worker is doing in this world for a living. Let's keep our Declaration of Principles in mind at all times since our lodge is founded on a "Free Thought Basis." The majority of members of our lodges are laboring people—let's help their fight along by giving them the support of our paper.

FRANK SLABY, Secretary Lodge 594. EDITOR'S NOTE—The publications In Fact and Friday travel with Hitler and Communists. Travel with Hitler (see the Hitler-Stalin pact), therefore, we warn our workers to keep away from the Communists and their fellow-travelers if they really value democracy.

Jolly Allis Lodge

WEST ALLIS, WIS.—While attendance at Lodge 686 meeting was not up to par a fairly successful meeting was held. Emil Jerskan provided all the entertainment, which included showing of movies and a fine lunch. Numerous subjects were discussed concerning lodge affairs and activities. We decided to hold a card party in February. More information will appear in subsequent editions of the Prosveta.

Another event to be held will be a sleigh ride party Thursday evening, Jan. 23. All those interested get in touch with Jo Musich, or Yousty Yamnik, or be at Erman's at 7 o'clock on that evening. It will be a good old-fashioned sleigh ride party with sleigh bells ringing and voices singing.

Our campaign for new members is still getting along fine. We initiated two more new members, namely, Julia Lencheck and Frank Ras. We welcome them into the lodge.

A report on the girls' basketball team shows that we have a potentially fine team. In a game that went into two overtime periods the girls got beat out by a single basket. They are out for revenge, so why not go out and see them play. They play every Friday night at 7 o'clock at the Roosevelt school located on 60th St., four blocks north of Nat'l Ave. Any other girls interested are welcome to play with the team.

I repeat for those who have not noticed the time when you can pay your dues. They can be paid every evening Mon. thru Fri. from 4 to 7. Mon. and Wed. from 4 to 10. All day on Wed., Thurs. and Fri. and at the meeting. Please do not expect anyone at home at any other time.

Entry blanks are now at the sec'y's home for the Midwest Bowling Tournament to be held in Chicago on the 23rd of February. Get your teams lined up and bring the entries in. This might be our year to win that elusive title. Nat'l doubles champions John Terskan and Al Sak are again ready to strut their stuff.

Over the Back Fence: The Wolverines were again represented in West Allis on New Year's by Joe and Ann Kern. Joe was proudly prancing around with a new bowling ball, but we're a-thinkin', that it will take more than that to make the Wolverines a factor in the struggle for our trophy. Ann and Frances Yamnik are very interested in the doings of the Nat'l Guard, the reason should not be hard to guess. V. Pres. Joe Thompson is coaching a basketball team that looks like a winner in the Jewish Center League. Phil Yersin is proudly explaining the best features of his new Olds. Looks as though cupid is chasing Emil Terskan; The stork is looking for a landing place near the J. Bolskars. Dorothy Matkovich dropped in 13 baskets for the girls' team the other night. J. Terskan pushed over 666 pins for his season's high total. Until the sleigh ride—So long.

THE OLD MAN OF THE MOUNTAIN

"Demand and Supply"

SO. CHICAGO, ILL.—I notice in "A Column", Jan. 8 issue of Prosveta, an answer is attempted to the letter I wrote and which appeared in Prosveta issue of Dec. 31. Unfortunately, "A Column" starts out with a misrepresentation. I did not say, or imply, that reforms (for the workers) under capitalism were inadequate. On the contrary, I distinctly said that permanent reforms were impossible, under capitalism. Pointing out that under capitalism the worker is a commodity—like cattle, or cars or steel—his price (wages, living standards) will change according to the demand and supply of labor. To use my exact words: "With an army of unemployed at our backs, how can our conditions be improved?" This is the question that remains unanswered.

"A Column" contends that social change cannot take place overnight—that the people will not, "on a certain day—on election day—march to the polls and make a clean sweep of everything that has been and start all over—new." Does history bear this out? What about the Continental Congress that drew up the Declaration of Independence, thus, with one sweep of the pen, ending the 150 year old domination of the American Colonies by Great Britain? If it be argued that the Colonists had to fight a war to establish their independence—that was the aftermath. Actually, to quote the historian Rupert Hughes: "It was realized at the time, though afterwards forgotten, that the (American) revolution was over before the Revolutionary War began."

Again, what of the Emancipation Proclamation of 1863 which marked the end of chattel slavery in America, even though the rebellion of the slave owners had to be dealt with in order to enforce the law? Numerous examples from history could be cited to prove that changes—fundamental changes; not superficial changes, such as unemployment compensation, W. P. A., rearmament, etc.—do come suddenly, overnight, so to speak.

The smallness of the Socialist Labor Party vote in comparison with the Democrats and Republicans was quoted as sufficient proof that the change advocated by this party—the abolition of capitalism, and with it, the ending of the economic slavery to which workers under capitalism are subject—could not come for a long, long time. To the uninitiated revolutions give no sign of their coming. The story is told of a lady Abolitionist who travelled around the states, preaching against slavery until she was well-nigh worn out. Returning from such a trip in 1860, she complained that altogether too few people were interested in the abolition of slavery; that the slaves themselves seem contented, and even willing to fight for their masters' right to keep them in slavery. Slavery, she exclaimed, would not be abolished in a thousand years! Within a few years the final chapter to slavery was written. True, the "50,000,000" still pin their hopes on Roosevelt, and capitalism, but has not such always been the case right up to the eve of every great fundamental social change? Social progress, yes, the mills, mines, and factories, together with America's vast developed resources, do represent social progress—if used to promote an abundant life for all. Private ownership, under capitalism, simply makes of all this technical progress an agent for social reaction, the further enslavement and pauperization of the "50,000,000"—workers. No change within capitalism can alter this situation. The only firm ground for progress is social ownership and control of America's industry and resources. RUDOLPH KOSIC, Lodge 610.

A Ballad for Buckeyes

By OH BARBERTON, O.—Hey! A rhyme! Time was when writing weekly stints proved easy, yea, even sans all hints; But now upon returning to the fold The writer finds everything is told; The Penny scribes revealed the fact That Taffy's band was tops in tact; These swingsters do the trick OK Whenever for a dance they play.

But lookie here—I have some news It's bound to chase away your blues On the fifteenth day of February The Buckeyes invite you to be merry Their annual "Heart to Heart" affair Is something nobody would dare To miss, because it's loads of fun To the minute when the dance is done. We'll feature Taffy and the lads Who'll do the latest musical fads; As leader, Taffy does his stuff, "Stud" treats the bass fiddle ruff. Petie beats the drums with frenzy, Marsek's accordion tops even Penny, Then Johnny Spetch takes the cue Doubles on Sax 'n' clarinet for you. "Oh happy day!" I'll hear you shout "It's something to write home about!"

Now seems to me another refrain Is bestin' round in this hyar brain. Oh yes, it's about Mary 'n' Nelle Of whose accident you heard tell. Glad that Mary's dislocated thumb Is well again and no more numb; Nelle's foot is well, too, ya know A dancin' she's rarin' to go. The moral in this, you can tell, Is all is well that endeth well.

No better time to end this piece But yet I mention ere I cease The membership campaign still is on. So members, go about your biz! Promises from several folks Marsek, Pancho, Jenjga, Polka. Now's the time for all good men To come to the aid of the lodge Amen!

Lucky Stars' Dance Saturday, Jan. 25th

IMPERIAL, PA.—The committee has completed all plans for LUCKY STARS' dance to be held in the local Slovene Hall, Saturday, Jan. 25. We will have everything that goes with a dance including Martin Serro and his orchestra. "As Serro goes, so goes the dance." An invitation is extended to all lodges. For a good time see you at Imperial, on Jan. 25. JAMES M. NAGLICH, Lodge 716.

Attention, Lodge 618!

MONACO, PA.—All members of SNPJ lodge 618 are requested to attend at least one meeting in three months. Members not complying with this request will be dealt with according to lodge decision. Our next meeting is Sunday, Jan. 19. Please attend. FRANCES ZAGAR, Sec'y.

In Memoriam In loving memory of our dear Daddy Joseph Alich who passed away Jan. 7, 1927 Sunshine passes, shadows fall, Love's remembrance outlasts all. Sadly missed by his daughters MRS. AUGUSTA ALICH DI CENZO # 631 MRS. ELLA ALICH JAYCOX, Canada.