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Napadi na Roosevelta zaradi sedečih stavk se nadaljujejo

Predsednik pozvan, naj ustavi stavkovni val

CIKAŠKA POLICIJA IZGNALA SEDEČE STAVKARJE

Washington, D. C., 23. marca. — V kongresu so se večeraj ponovno slišale zahteve, da mora Rooseveltova administracija zažeti odločno akcijo, da konča epidemijo sedečih stavk, ki lahko povzročijo krvave bitke, če jih bo še nadalje tolerirala. Kongresnik Clare Hoffman, republikanec iz Michigana, je dejal, da bi bil Roosevelt lahko ustavil sedeče stavke že v začetku, toda on molči, kar pomeni, da tajno odobrava take stavke.

V višji kongresni zbornici so kritizirali Roosevelta senatorji Rush D. Holt, Frederick Steiwer in R. S. Copeland. Steiwer je dejal, da je "patriotična dolžnost" Roosevelta, da javno pove svoje stališče glede sedečih stavk. "Zdi se mi, da sta predsednik in delavska tajnica bolj kot kateri drugi odgovorna za kritično situacijo, ki so jo izzvale sedeče stavke," je rekel Steiwer. "Predsednik je celo pohvalil michiganskega gubernerja Franka Murphyja, ki ni hotel izvajati zakonov proti sedečim stavkam v tovarnah korporacije General Motors. To je dokaz, da administracija odobrava take stavkovne metode."

Roosevelt, ki se zdaj nahaja na počitnicah v Warm Springsu, Ga., stalno odklanja vladno intervencijo v sedečih stavkah, pravijo kritiki. S tem, — pravijo — daje potuho stavkarjem, ki zasledajo privatno lastnino, da izvajajo svoje zahteve.

Chicago, 23. marca. — Cikaška policija je večeraj izgnala več kot tisoč stavkarjev iz tovarn in trgovin, katere so okupirali. Okrog 800 delavcev in delavk je izgnala iz delavnice Wilson-Jones Co., katero so zasedli zadnje arede, sto iz tovarne Maremont Automotive Products Co. in 175 iz veletrgovine na oglu Diversey in Milwaukee ave. Stavkarji se ni- so upirali policiji in evakuaciji, se je izvršila na miren način.

Stavkarji so bili izgnani na podlagi 75 let starega zakona, katerega je začel izvajati državni pravdnik Courtney. Ta določa maksimalni zapor šest mesecev in denarno kazen \$500, katero sodišče lahko naloži vsaki osebi, ki se polasti tuje lastnine. Ta zakon, pravijo, se bo izvajal na splošno v državi Illinois proti sedečim stavkarjem.

Detroit, Mich., 23. marca. — Avtna unija je s pritiskom na šupana Frank Couzensa izvojevala koncesije, ko je uniji dovolil sklicanje masnega shoda na glavnem mestnem trgu. Mestni svet je nekaj ur prej odklonil dovoljenje. Velike delavske demonstracije se bodo pričele danes popoldne.

Druga koncesija, katero je avtna unija dobila, je županovo zagotovilo, da bodo policijski na- vali na sedeče stavkarje ustavljeni. To zagotovilo je Couzens dal na konferenci, katere so se udeležili uradniki avtne unije, župan, policijski načelnik H. A. Pickert in federalni posredovalec James F. Dewey, nakar je Homer Martin, predsednik avtne unije, umaknil svojo pretirno gledišča od klica splošne stavke v detroitskih avtnih tovarnah, ki naj bi bila protest proti policijske- mu zatiranju sedečih stavk.

Solventnost SNPJ je spet porasla v prejšnjem letu

V današnji številki Prosvete je priobčeno uradno poročilo o solventnosti SNPJ (Valuation Report) ob koncu leta 1936. Iz tega poročila je razvidno, da je solventnost naše jednote poskočila v prejšnjem letu za več ko dva odstotka. Dne 31. decembra 1936 je solventnost SNPJ znašala 107.451%, dne 31. decembra 1935 je pa znašala

109.738%

To je najvišja solventnost, ki jo je SNPJ kdaj prej dosegla. To pomeni, da se je finančno stanje naše jednote v prejšnjem letu dobro opomoglo nad vsoto predpisane rezerve po zakonu, katerega ni všteta v račun solventnosti.

Obrestni dohodek SNPJ se je tudi opomogel v prejšnjem letu. Ob koncu leta 1936 se je premoženje SNPJ obrestovalo po 3.871%. Prinos obresti v letu 1935 je bil 3.664%, v letu 1933 pa 2.494%; dočim je bil še leta 1932 4.364%.

Clevelandka kampanja

DRUŠTVO MIR št. 142 SE TUDI PRIDRUŽUJE

Pozor člani društva Mir št. 142 SNPJ oziroma vsi oni, ki želijo pristopiti k temu društvu in SNPJ! Clevelandka federacija SNPJ je razpisala lokalno kampanjo za nove člane v obeh oddelkih. Kampanja traja do 11. redne konvencije SNPJ in v tem času so prosili prosti pristopnine in stroškov zdravniške preiskave. Vsakdo, ki še ni član SNPJ in ki želi pristopiti k temu ali drugemu društvu SNPJ v Clevelandu, so mu zdaj vrata na široko odprta.

Društvo Mir št. 142 (oziroma tajnik) je vedno eno prvih v pridobivanju novih članov, naj si bo med kampanjo ali izven kampanje, zato upa, da tudi v tej predkonvencijni kampanji ohrani prvenstvo. Bratje in sestre! Vsi združeno na delo! Kadar potrebujete kakšnih pojasnil, kar pokličite tajnika telefonično (Ken. 2127 W.). Boljših ugodnosti ne najdete nikjer kot baš pri naši jednoti.

LOUIS MRMOJLA, tajnik.

Domače vesti

Delegatje

Chicago. — John Potokar, društvo 39, Chicago, Ill.; Minka Aleš, društvo 102, Chicago in 550, Grand Haven, Mich.; Frank Margole, društvo 449, Cicero, Ill., in 429, Aurora, Ill.; Jos. Germ, društvo 262, Sharon & Farrell, Pa.; Frank Kerže, društva 56, New York City, 598 Niagara Falls, N. Y., in 556, Nazareth, Pa.

Kandidat

Chicago. — Walter Potokar, sin našega pionirja Martina, je kandidat za občinskega odbornika v sosednjem Lyonsu.

Nesreča v rovu

Bellaire, O. — Rafael Perič se je ponesrečil v premogovniku in nahaja se v bellairski bolnišnici. Tamkaj je tudi Peter Suškalo, ki ga je napadla pljučnica. Oba sta člana društva 258 SNPJ in želja je, da hitro okre- vata.

Avto neprestano ubija

Slickville, Pa. — Stanley Medvešek, star 18 let in sin Franka Medveška, predsednika društva 379 SNPJ, je zadnje dni izgubil življenje. Vozil se je s svojimi tovariši v avtu, ko je avto butnil v neko ob časti rastoče drevo s takšno silo, da je bil nesrečni fant na mestu mrtev, njegovi tovariši so pa bili bolj ali manj po- biti. Poleg očeta zapušta tudi brata in sestro.

Razstava slik Peruških učencev

Cleveland. — Prihodno soboto in nedeljo, 27. in 28. marca, bodo učenci in učenke Peruško- ve šole za slikarsko umetnost razstavile svoja dela v Slovenskem narodnem domu v Cleve- landu. Razstava slik bo v spodnji dvorani in vstop občinstva je prost, pričakujejo se pa prostovoljni prispevki. Ob času te raz- stave bo v SND tudi otroška igra "Princezka in pastirček" pod re- žijo Mary Ivanušev, in sicer v nedeljo ob treh popoldne.

Roosevelt se začel otresati klike

Klerikalcem je malo stopil na prste

Washington, D. C., 23. marca. —Klika klerikalne (katoliške) propagande v Washingtonu je te dni dobila sunek, ko je predsednik interveniral in pridobil državni department, da je preključil svoj prejšnji sklep glede prepovedi potnih listov ameriškim zdravnikom, bolničarkam in šoferjem ambulančnih avtov, ki bi radi odšli v Španijo v službo španske vlade. Zdjaj lahko svo- bodno odidejo.

Državni department je bil že od začetka civilne vojne v Španiji pod močnim vplivom katoliške klike, katere je pod masko "nevtralnosti" doslej preprečila vsako pomoč iz Amerike španski vladi in katere ta vlada sramoti in črni- kolikor more. Zdi se, da ima general Franco dobrega zaveznika v tej kliki. Zadnje čase je pa ta klika naletala na močan odpor nasprotne skupine novih dealerjev in Roosevelta samega. Nasprotna skupina namreč sovraži Mussolinijev in Hitlerjev fašizem in nikakor ji ni prav, da bi Amerika direktno ali indirektno pomagala Italiji in Nemčiji pri zatiranju demokracije v Španiji. Ta skupina nasprotnih demo- kratov in progresivcev je končno stopila v akcijo in dala ko- rajžo predsedniku, naj stopi na prste katoliški kliki. Roosevelt je ogorčen nad katoliško propa- gando proti amendentu za od- pravo otroškega dela in proti njegovim sodnijski reformi.

"Suobodni" delavci so večina, pravi magnat

Pittsburgh, Pa. — "Nije predstavljajo samo 10 odstotkov ameriških delavcev," pravi Frank E. Eberhardt v reviji Iron Age, glasilu jeklarskega

Mussolinijeva lju- bica pred sodnikom

Povedala je, zakaj je streljala na grofa

Paris, 23. marca. — Lepa Madeline La Ferriere, ki je zadnji teden s krogljo iz revolverja ranila grofa Chambruna, bivšega francoskega poslanika v Rimu, je bila večeraj prvič zaslišana pred preiskovalnim sodnikom. Zaslišanje je bilo privatno in njen odvjetnik, ki je bil navzoč, je kasneje povedal, da je Madeline izjavila pred sodnikom, da je zato streljala na grofa, ker je izdal njeno tajno ljubezensko razmerje z "njimim galantnim Benitom" — Mussolinijem. Izjavila je, da ji je Chambrun obljubil, da bo molčal o njeni lju- bezni, toda ni držal besede, zato ga je hotela kaznovati.

Njen odvjetnik je dalje razkril, da je bil preiskovalni sodnik v konfliktu s svojimi uradniki zaradi velike fotografije Mussolinija z njegovim lastnoročnim podpisom, katero je policija zaplenila v Madelininem stanovanju. Sodnik je hotel, da se Mussolinijeva slika označi s sodnem zapisniku kot "portret nekega moža", toda uradniki so zahtevali, da mora biti slika označena za to, kar je — in končno so zmagali. Fotografija je v sodnem zapisniku označena kot "slika Benita Mussolinija". — Zaslišanje Madeline La Ferrierjeve še ni zaključeno.

Papeževa obtožba razkačila nacije

Zanikajo obdolžitve o persekuciji katolikov

Berlin, 23. marca. — Senzacionalne obdolžitve v pastirskem pismu, katerega je papež Pij XI. naslovil katolikom v Nemčiji, da Hitlerjeva vlada krši konkordat, ki ga je sklenila z Vatikanom in podžiga protikatoliško gibanje, so silno razkačile nacije. Pismo, ki vsebuje te obdolžitve, je bilo zadnje nedeljo prečitano v vseh katoliških cerkvah v Nemčiji.

Napol uradni komunikacije izražajo vladnih krogov, ker je šel papež tako daleč v svojem pastirskem listu in obdolžil Hitlerjevo vlado zatiranja katoliške cerkve, ker so naciji začeli ti- lo cerkev pred brezbožnimi komunisti in sličnimi elementi, ki imajo zdaj vso oblast v Sovjetski uniji.

"Papežovo pismo ne izraža želje, da hoče Vatikan mir, tem- več je direktno vmešavanje v no- tranje zadeve Nemčije," odgo- varjajo naciji papežu. "Katoliški duhovniki zlorabljajo protekci- jo, katero jim daje konkordat, za agitacijo s prizniče proti naciji- ki in sličnim elementom, ki imajo krivdo na nas, ki smo ga pod- pisali."

Federacija suspendirala Lewisove unije

Austin, Tex. — Unijo Oil Field, Gas Well & Refinery Workers of America in devet drugih unij, ki so se pridružile Lewisovemu odboru za indu- strijsko organizacijo, je eksekuti- va državne delavske federacije suspendirala. To akcijo je pod- vzela v smislu instrukcij, katere je dobila od Williama Greena, predsednika Ameriške delavske federacije. Med suspendirani- mi organizacijami so unije In- ternational Ladies Garment Workers, ki vodijo organizato- rično kampanjo med oblačilnimi delavci v Houstonu in Dallasu.

NADALJNJE ZMAGE JEKLAR- SKIH DELAVCEV

Jeklarske trdnjave pa- dajo na vsej črti

DVE KOMPANIJ PRIZNALI UNIJO

Chicago. — (FP)—Buda Steel Co. v Harveyju, čikaškem pred- mestju, ki uposluje 1100 delav- cev, je pravkar aklenila kolek- tivno pogodbo z Zvezo železar- skih in jeklarskih delavcev, Knapp Steel Products Co. pa je slišala meze 22 odstotkov po sklenitvi dogovora z unijo. V Jo- lietu ima unija večino med de- lavci, ki so uposleni pri Carne- gie-Steel Corp. Benjamin Fair- less, predsednik te korporacije, je namignil, da bo kompanijska unija kmalu razpuščena, če ne bodo reprezentantje te unije v Chicagu in Garyju, Ind., bolj ak- tivni v opoziciji proti Lewisove- mu odboru, ki je invadiral ta je- klaraki distrikt in potegnil več tisoč delavcev v pravo unijo.

Med delavci v čikaškem dis- triktu se nepokoj razširja. Naj- večjo pozornost vzbuja stavka šoferjev, ki je izzvala že več iz- gredov, poleg te pa so sedeče stavke izbruhnile v oblačilni, kov-inski in več drugih industrijah. Delavske unije nimajo dovolj or- ganizatorjev, da bi ugodile za- htevam delavcev. S sedečimi stavkami so delavci že izvoje- vali mezdna zvišanja in druge koncesije. Nekatere so kratke trajnosti, da širša javnost sploh ne ve, da so se vršile. Jeklarska unija je dobila več tisoč članov v zadnjih tednih in njen vpliv stalno narašča.

Stiritredenska stavka pri Illi- nois Watch Case Co. v Elginu je bila končana, ko je kompanija priznala krajevno unijo Interna- tional Jewelry Workers, ki je večanjena v Ameriški delavski federaciji. Stavkarji so izvoje- vali tudi zvišanje meze 10 od- stotkov in skrajšanje delovnega tedna na 40 ur.

Italijani v Španiji izmučeni od bega

Tekli so devet dni in zdaj so se ustavili

Madrid, 23. marca. — Musso- linijeve divizije, ki so se 9. mar- ca podale na "slavnotešen pohod" proti Madridu z geslom: "Veli- ko noč bomo praznovali v Ma- dridu!", a so se 13. marca obr- nile nazaj v dvjem begu in so bežale neprestano devet dni, so se večeraj ustavile v hribih pri Jadraqui ob glavni cesti, katere drži iz mesta Guadalajare v Sa- ragosso, kakih 60 milj severno- vzhodno od Madrida. Italijani so izgubili skoro ves teritorij, ki so ga zavzeli v treh dneh svojega "velikega pohoda v Madrid."

Toda Italijani se grdo motijo, če mislijo, da bodo zdaj tamka devetdnevem begu. Letalske enote španske vlade, ki operira- jo v ospredju čet mednarodne in španske milice, so neprestano nad glavami italijanskih divizij in že sinoči so deževalo bombe na vse vojaške pozicije in na postajo s kopico vlakov v Jadra- qui. Plen v orožju, strelivu in drugem materialu, ki ga špan- ska ljudska milica pobira za be- žičimi italijanskimi bandami, je že tako bogat, da poročila o njem postajajo naravnost fantastična. Večeraj je bilo ujetih nadaljnjih 1500 italijanskih vojakov. Iz južne Španije, kjer se dne- vno vrše napadi in protinapadi za stratežim hrib Pozoblanco severno od Cordobe, ni nič po- sebnege; prav tako ni kaj po- ročati z madriške fronte, niti

Zanimiva razprava o evoluciji človeka

Celo katoliški jezuit je priznal izvor iz opice

Philadelphia, Pa., 23. marca. — Mednarodna razprava znan- stvenikov o razvoju človeka, ka- tero je aranžirala akademija pri- rodoslovnih znanosti v Philadel- phiji zadnje dni, je prinesla na dan nova dejstva o najnovejših človeških okamenicah in nove iz- jave nekaterih slovečih znanstve- nikov, ki ponovno potrjujejo ži- valski izvor človeka. Med onimi, ki danes pritrjujejo temu izvoru, je tudi Teilhard de Chardin, katoliški duhoven-jezuit in geol- og, ki je rekel (kakor ga citira- jo časopisi): "Na podlagi teh do- kazov ne morem več dvomiti, da človek izhaja iz opičjih predni- kov. Kot znanstvenik moram priznati, da je človeštvo izšlo iz živalstva, kot katoliški duhoven pa verujem, da človeški um ima drugi izvor."

Najboljši dokaz pred znanstve- niki je bila lobanja opice iz Av- stralije, stara okrog 750,000 let, ki je bližje človeški lobanji kot katere danes živeča opica. Ta lobanja je do danes najbolj "spojni člen" med primitivnim človekom in njegovimi predniki v opičjem svetu.

Znanstveniki so zaključili, da pošljejo na otok Javo v vzhodno- indijskem morju ekspedicio, ki bo iskala nadaljnjih okamenic primitivnega človeka na tem o- toku. Na Javi je bila pred leti odkrita lobanja slavnega "opič- jega človeka" in potem so tam- kaj našli še druge ostanke iz dav- nih dob. Iz tega znanstveniki sklepajo, da mora biti otok Java skladišče okostij prvotnega člo- veka iz pred milijon in več leti. Ekspedicijo na Javo bo vodil 34- letni holandski učenjak Van Koenigsvald.

Francoški komunisti prejeli 250 milijonov frankov iz Rusije?

Paris, 23. marca. — Jacques Doriot, bivši komunistični vod- ja v Franciji, je večeraj izjavil v francoski zbornici, da je franco- ska komunistična stranka prejela iz Moskve vsa skupaj 250 milijonov frankov (\$11,250,000) od leta 1920. Doriot je zahteval zbornično preiskavo, pri kateri bo on predložil dokumentarne dokaze za svojo trditve. Doriot je prišel na dan s svojo obdolži- tvijo, ko ga je neki francoski komunistični list obdolžil, da prejema denar od Adolfa Hitler- ja.



M. J. Ordjonikidze, sovjetski komisar težkih industrij, ki je nedavno umrl.

iz Asturije, kjer je položaj že 10 dni neizpremenjen.

Paris, 23. marca.—Francoska vlada je nemalo razkačena, ko je prejela najnovejša in nepobit- ne dokaze o Mussolinijevi inva- ziji Španije z več ko 80,000 "prostovoljci". Francija se je obrnila na Anglijo z resno zahte- vo, kaj misli slednja storiti gle- de tega dejstva. "Blokada" Špa- nije je nekam zaspala...

VELIKI PROFITI CHRYSLERJEVE KOMPANIJE

V preteklem letu je na- redila \$62,110,543 dobička

SENATNI ODESK RAZGALIL SPIO- NAŽO

Detroit, Mich.—(FP)—Chry- sler Motor Co., ki je provocirala sedečo stavko v svojih tovarnah, ko je odbila zahtevo avtne unije glede kolektivnega pogajanja, je imela največ koristi od povečane produkcije v avtni industriji. Preteklo leto je naredila \$62- 110,543 profita, največjega v svoji zgodovini. Celo mogočna korporacija General Motors se ne more ponašati s takim rekor- dom. L. 1929 je bil njen profit \$21,902,168, skoro trikrat manj- ši nego lanske. Ako bi Chrysler- jeva kompanija zvišala meze 50 odstotkov, bi vseeno vlekla velike profite.

Dokler ni Chryslerjeva kompa- nija izzvala stavke, so se njene politične smernice povsem rasi- kovale od smernic korporacije General Motors, ki je njena glav- na tekmovalka v avtni industriji. Uradniki slednje so bili aktivni v zadnji volilni kampanji in po- trošili so ogromne vsote, da pre- prečijo ponovno izvolitev Roose- velta za predsednika Združenih držav. Prispevali so stotisoče dolarjev za financiranje aktivno- sti Lige svobode, Križarjev in Čuvajev republike ter aličnih re- akcionarnih organizacij, ki so pobijale "new deal". Direktorji Chryslerjeve kompanije se niso družili s temi elementi; dokaza- no je bilo celo, da so podpirali demokratsko stranko v volilni kampanji. Ta kompanija se je direktno pogajala s avtno unijo pred odklicem stavke. Konflikt je nastal potem, ko je unija zahte- vala, da mora biti priznana kot edina predstavnica vseh delavcev pri kolektivnih pogajanjih.

V finančnih krogih so se pred izbruhom stavke širile govorice, da ima Chryslerjeva kompanija zaveznike v Rooseveltovi admi- nistraciji. Sele potem, ko je bila pozvana, naj prizna unijo kot predstavnico vseh delavcev pri kolektivnih pogajanjih na pod- lagi Wagnerjevega delavskega zakona, je kompanija pokazala svojo pravo barvo. Unija je na- letela na opozicijo, čeprav je do- kazala, da reprezentira 90 od- stotkov delavcev v tovarnah te kompanije.

Senatni odsek, ki preiskuje špijonažo v industrijah, je zdaj objavil evidenco, da je Chrysler- jeva kompanija potrošila \$257- 233 za financiranje špijonaže med delavci v svojih tovarnah.

Pet Rusov poletelo na severni tečaj

Moskva, 23. marca. — Pet so- vjetskih letal, ki jih pilotirajo najboljši ruski letalci, je danes začelo masni polet na severni tečaj. Namen tega poleta je, da sovjetska vlada ustanovi na se- vernem tečaju stalno letalsko postajo, ki bo služila ruski ko- mercialni letalski liniji, katero namerava sovjetska vlada začeti med Moskvou in San Fran- ciscou v Združenih državah.

Stavka jeklarskih delavcev v Penni

Lebanon, Pa. — Več ko dva tisoč delavcev je zastavkalo v jeklarni Bethlehem Steel Co. za priznanje unije. To mesto je bilo do sedaj pod popolno kontrolo jeklarske kompanije. Voditelji stavke pravijo, da bodo kmalu vsi jeklarski delavci v tem dis- triktu organizirani.

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Glasovi iz naselbin

Kako bolj priljubiti dnevnik Prosveto?

Cleveland, O. — Zadržim sem dejal, da bom podal svoje mnenje, in sicer, kako bi izboljšali Prosveto, oziroma jo bolj popularizirali ter s tem pridobili več naročnikov.

Prosveta je najboljši slovenski dnevnik v Zdržu državah; ima skoro še enkrat več čtiva kakor kakšen drug dnevnik, ima najbolj podkovana urednika, ki piše vsak dan izvirne in izvršne uvodnike, poleg tega pa še dvakrat v tednu "Pasjo logiko", ki je duhovita in močna satira in nima primere v ameriško-slovenskem žurnalizmu; nadalje: priobčuje dobre, socialne povesti, od časa do časa tudi iz pod peresa naših literarnih delavcev; njene kolone so napolnjene z dopisi, itd., itd., a vendar nima toliko naročnikov kakor jih bi morala imeti. Zakaj ne?

Prvič: Prosveta ima močno konkurenco z lokalnimi časopisi, ki jih imamo veliko številu, toda, ker je Prosveta v primeru z njimi za 50% boljše časopis, te konkurence ne bi bilo v tolikem obsegu, če bi imela v omejenih naselbinah poročevalca, ki bi inteligentno razpravljala o domačih stvareh dotične naselbine in iskal med njimi novice, ki jih zanimajo. Res bi to stalo nekaj denarja, na drugi strani pa bi brez dvoma prineslo novih naročnikov. Moje mnenje je, da bi Prosveta imela poročevalce v večjih naselbinah. Seveda, s tem ne mislim reči, da se jih bi plačalo več kakor se zmore. Za par dolarjev na teden se bi dobilo poročevalca, kajti tudi zavest, da ti vršiš nekaj važnega, pomeni veliko: Smo pač ljudje!

Nadalje: prva stran v Prosveti, najbolj važna stran, ne bi smela imeti preveč dolgih člankov, ki so čisto pisani v preveč akademski slovenščini, ampak več krajših novic (bolj kondenziranih), napisanih tudi v bolj poljudnem jeziku, ki ga razume naš delavec. "Preveč učeno pišejo," sem že večkrat slišal. Temu je res tako. Dasiravno uredniki dobro obvladajo slovenščino (jaz sem se že veliko naučil od njih) in dopise vzorno popravljajo, pa rabijo preveč latinških besed, ki so čisto tuje našemu delavcu. Po tem kopitu lahko pišejo meščanski listi v stari domovini, ne pa ameriško-slovenski. Moj nasvet je, da se slovenijo vsi oni latinizmi, ki se malokdaj slišijo. Sloveniti pa se ne sme imena krajev, n. pr.: "Druga mesta in vasi od Hickmana do Bele reke (White River) v Arkanzasu..." (Prosveta, št. 21, 1937). Pomislimo, če bi pričeli predstavljati angleška imena, v kakšno zmedo bi zašli: v državi Ohio imamo mesto in reko "Rocky River". Ako bi to ime poslovenili, bi rekli: "Jutri grem v mesto 'Skalnato reko,'" ali "Jutri grem plavat v 'Skalnato reko,'" Slovenci v Clevelandu dobro vemo, kje je mesto ali reka "Rocky River", nihče pa ne ve, kje je reka ali pa mesto "Skalnata reka".

Nadalje: Prosveta se ne bi smela izogibati splošnih novic, to je novic o umorih, škandalih in drugih, ki jim pravimo senzacionalne novice. Tudi take novice imajo svojo vrednost, ker so pač del našega življenja, mora se jih pa pravilno tolmačiti.

Se nekaj bi svetovalo: vsi vemo, da je najbolj zanimivo čtivo oziroma članek, če ga napiše oseba, ki jo poznamo. Pri Prosveti imamo tri pomožne urednike, zato mislim, da bi časopisu veliko pripomoglo, ako bi oni pisali vsak svojo kolono, v kateri bi razmotrivali naše domače in svetovne probleme. Razumljivo, da ne vsak dan, temveč se bi periodično vrstili: prvi teden br. Beniger, drugi br. Slabe in tretji br. Garden, tako bi vsak izmed njih napisal en članek na vsake tri tedne. Pa tudi upravnik se jim bi lahko pridružil.

Na koncu naj še pristavim, da meni Prosveta neprimerno bolj ugaja kakor kakšen drug slovenski dnevnik in njen urednik br. Molek mi je žel vedno na roke in je edini človek, ki se

polovica povedala o rezultatu, sem kar zazijal, še bolj pa bodo zazijali zastopniki, ko bodo sili hali poročilo na prihodnji seji naše federacije. Zato pa nikar ne pozabite priti na federacijsko sejo v nedeljo 28. marca ob 9. dopoldne v SND na St. Clair ave. v dvorano št. 2, novo poslopje. (Br. Terbižan navaja sobo št. 4 v starem posloju.—Ured.)

Kot predsednik cleveandske federacije društva SNPJ si uogjam apelirati na jednotino članstvo, da prispevate po svojih možnostih v programno knjigo, pa naj bodo to obrtniki, trgovci ali posamezni člani. Pomhimo, da konvencija SNPJ je velik dogodek za našo metropolo! Zato apeliramo na vsa društva v državi Ohio, da pomagajo s prispevki v programno knjigo. Cene so sledeče: Cela stran \$16, pol strani \$8, četrt strani \$4.50, osminka strani \$2.50. Posamezniki (ime in naslov) \$1. Konvencna programna knjizica bo izšla v lepi obliki, 9 palcev dolgoti in 7 palcev širokosti.

Clevelandska federacija pričakuje, da bo imel vsak delegat svoje cenjeno ime in naslov v tej knjizici. To bo nekakšna spominska knjiga!

Na delo!
Prispevke za oglese v knjizici lahko naslovite na naslov ene izmed teh treh oseb: Frances Kandon, 1058 E. 72nd st., na Mary Somrak, 996 E. 74th st. ali Frank Somrak, 996 E. 74th st., Cleveland, O.
Frank Somrak.

Delavski shod v Chicagu
Chicago. — Kdor se v Chicagu zanima za shode in predavanja, lahko gre na enega ali drugega, ker jih je vedno dosti. Med nami pa ni dosti takih — lahko bi jih naštel na prstih ene roke. Priporočljivo torej je, da ta četrtek večer, 25. marca, napravimo izjemo vsi, ki čutimo, da smo delavci in nasprotniki sedanjega sistema, in se udeležimo socialističnega shoda v hotelu La Salle v "lopu" (Madison in La Salle ulica). Nastopilo bo več dobrih govornikov.

Norman Thomas bo govoril o mednarodnem položaju, milwaukeeški župan Hoan o političnem organiziranju delavstva, mladi pa energični organizator avtnih delavcev Victor Reuther iz Detroita o unjakem gibanju, Howard Kester iz Arkanasasa o boju najemniških farmarjev na jugu (on je tajnik njih unije) in Devere Allen. Predsedoval bo Maynard Krueger. Vstopnina 25c. V petek se prične izredna konvencija stranke, ki bo trajala štiri dni. Udeležite se tega shoda v četrtek zvečer in se seznanite z novimi smernicami socialistične stranke.

Anton Garden.
Priporočila društva 427
Coverdale, Pa. — Iz priporočil konvenciji je razvidno, da je večina, ki se ozira v preteklost. Večina dopisnikov primerja stara pravila z novimi. In je resnica: kolikor večja so pravila, toliko so slabša vsaj za starejše članstvo. Poleg tega pa so še precej netočna. Sploh so sestavljena tako, da jih lahko tolmačijo kakor ti bolje kaže, gl. urad pa sopes kot njemu kaže (v prid organizaciji.)

Tako se tudi mi strinjamo z večino posebno radi bolniške podpore in odškodnine; priporočamo lestvico sprejeto leta 1929. Poleg odškodnine za člane, ki izgubijo obe roki, ali obe nogi, oslepijo na oba očesa, za zlomljen hrbet, ali popolno ohromelost, naj se dovoli, da tak član izčrpa vsjo bolniško podporo, nakar bi bil še deležen podpore iz sklada izrednih podpor za nadaljnjih 12 mesecev po \$10—\$15 mesečno. Po izčrpanju te podpore naj se take člane vknjiži kot stare v starostni sklad.

66. člen, načrt B in C, v točki 7 naj bi se glasil: Član, ki prestopi iz A v B, je upravičen do posojila za assessment po preteku 30 dni — ne šele po enem letu. Beseda "razno" naj se opusti pri mesečnih izdatkih in vseh računih priobčenih v Prosveti. Vsi izdatki naj se zabeležijo, zakaj in v kakšen namen so bili izdani.

Federacije. Ako hočemo, da bodo to, za kar so bile ustanovljene, moramo jim dati več mo-

V kakšni višini človek še lahko živi?

Problem višinskih poletov, ki bodo imeli v naslednjih letih veliko ulogo v zvezi z namero, da se uvede redni letalski promet preko oceana, dalje poskusi, da bi premagali zadnje vrhove Himalaje, in drugi višinski problemi načelnjajo vedno znova vprašuje, do kakšne višine more človek še delati in živeti, ne da bi se okrišal z dihalnimi maskami. Pri dosedanjih višinskih poletih je bilo običajno tako, da si je letalec že ob meji 5000 m nataknil masko za kisik. Večkrat so opazovali, da so se drugače zavoljo hitre premene zraka pojavljali tako zvani "beli trenutki", ki so onemogočali popolnoma vsako pretehtavanje, vsako smotreno dejanje.

Toda takšne hitre premene zračnih prilik niso noben dokaz za to, da bi človek v višini 5000 ali 6000 m ne mogel več dobro živeti. Na skalovalec Mount Everesta kakor Shipton in Rutledge, so vedno znova poudarili, da je mogoče s počasno prilagoditvijo zdržati tudi v višini, v kateri bi človek pod drugačnimi okoliščinami morda poginil. Ugotovili so, da živijo planinski zajci, metulji in mnoge vrste ptic že v višini 7000 in celo 8000 m.

A tudi takšna izjemna opazovanja niso dajala znanosti potrebnega gradiva. Da živijo v Tibetu v višini 5000 in 6000 m kot puščavniki, in še celo dolga leta je dejstvo. V Andah se pripravljajo ta čas na to, da bi v višini več nego 5000 m obnovili stare rudnike zlata Inkov. Rudarji delajo začasno samo v posadih po tri ure in večinoma samo tri do osem tednov v tej višini, na kar se vrnejo za nekaj časa v nižji predele. V Čilskih Andah so rudniki bakra, ki ležijo v višini 5000 do 6000 m in v nekaterih dela na tisoče mož. Seveda pa v večini primerov niso bogve kako zmogljivi. Toda že v višini 4500 m so ti gorjanci in rudarji sposobni odigravati z domačini, aklimatiziranimi Indijanci, nogometne tekme.

Ko je prišla v preteklem poletju neka ameriška ekspedicija v ta andska ozemlja, da bi opazovala krvne spremembe pri rudarjih, so bili raziskovalci dovolj pogumni, da se utorobili sami v višini več nego 6000 m. Celostari, navajeni Indijanci niso tega tvegali. Menili so zaresno, da belokožni nekega dne v svojih sotarih ne bodo več vstali. Pokazalo pa se je samo to, da so učenjaki slabo spali, da so malo jedli, da so hitro nazadovali v svoji teži, da niso mogli prenašati nobenega večjega napora in da so celo kadili brez užitka.

Ko so učenjaki po nekoliko tednih, torej potem, ko so se višine malo privadili, stopili spet v dolino, so ugotovili, da se jim je splošno stanje na poti v dolino hitro izboljšavalo. Splošno odlično, tek jim je bil neprekosljiv, čutili so se močne in krepke. S tem so pač podali dokaz, da je življenje v takšnih višinah samo vprašanje prilagoditve. Da-li pa bo mogoče nekega časa s samo to prilagoditvijo, brez kisikovih mask premagati Mount Everest, je vprašanje, ki se bo dalo dognati s prakso.

Pšenica raste kakor trava

Novo vrsto bastardne pšenice, ki ne zahteva vsakoletne posevke, temveč rase kakor navadna trava vsako leto iz svojih korenin, preizkušajo ta čas na državnih farmah v Kanadi. To hibridno obliko pšenice so dobili s tem, da so oplojili cvete navadne pšenice s cvetnim prahom večletne trave agropirona. Tako je nastala rastlina z dolgoživimi koreninami trave in s velikimi plodi pšenice.

Zrna dolgožive pšenice so danes sicer manjša in lažja od zrn prave pšenice, vendar upajo, da bodo časovno vzgojili tako izpopolnjeno rastlino, da bo rabila lahko za izdelovanje kruha. Že v sedanji obliki se da uporabljati kot krma za živino, razen tega bodo z njo spreminili širna ozemlja zapadne Kanade, ki jih suša spreminja v pušave, v rodovitna ozemlja.

Novo pšenica rase lahko namreč v okolčinah, v katerih druge rastline ne morejo uspevati. Mala zrna trave je treba posejati tik ob površini zemlje, kajti drugače ne morejo vzikati. Izkušnje na kanadskem zapadu pa uče, da pobirajo močni vetrovi vrhno plast zemlje in z njo tudi semenska zrna. Večja zrna hibridne pšenice pa se vsadijo globoko v zemljo in tako jih vetrovi ne morejo odnesti. Ko bodo sedanja na pol puščavna ozemlja posejana s to pšenico, se bo vpliv vetrov, ki te pušave čedalje bolj širijo, prenehal.

Pred dvajsetimi leti

(Iz Prosvete z dne 24. marca 1917.)

Domače vesti. Dr. Fr. J. Kern iz Clevelanda je naznanil v Prosveti, da se je v Washingtonu, D. C., ustanovila Jugoslovanska pisarna, ki bo širila propagando za novo jugoslovansko državo pod srbskim kraljem.

Iz gl. urada SNPJ. Iz vseh naših naselbin prihajajo ugodna poročila o agitaciji za tisoč novih naročnikov dnevniku Prosveti.

Svetovna vojna. Nemške armade v Franciji so se ustavile na novi "Hindenburgovi liniji" severno od Somme. Zaveznike čete so še vedno v ofenzivi.

Problemi SNPJ

Predkonvenčno razmotrivanje članstva SNPJ v Prosveti se do zdaj največ vrti okoli tehle treh točk: bolniške podpore, krize starih članov in investicij. Za "endowment" se bolj zanimajo mladi člani kot pa starejša generacija.

Druga vprašanja, kolikor koli se pojavljajo, so za člane, ki se oglašajo v Prosveti, manjše važnosti, zato jih puščajo v ozadju. Nekaterim delajo točke v starih pravilih glede volitve delegatov veliko preglavice, zato priporočajo bolj ali manj drastično izpremembo teh točk, zlasti kolikor se tičejo združevanja manjših društev za izvolitve enega delegata.

Resnica je, da je naš sedanji sistem združevanja društev za volitve delegata neroden in potrebuje reforme. Da nekatera društva, ki vedo, da ne bodo prodrla s svojim kandidatom, nagajajo pri združitvi, je res, ampak to je — demokracija; če damo moč združevanja gl. predsedniku ali gl. upr. odseku, bo pa vpitje, da je to diktatura.

Glavni problemi na prihodnji konvenciji SNPJ bodo torej revizija bolniške podpore—in seveda operacijske ter odškodninske—navzgor, kako urediti bodoče investiranje jednotinega premoženja in kako vsaj deloma zadovoljiti one stare člane, ki težko zmagujejo assessment in ki so razmeroma prešli še zelo malo podpore v svoji članski dobi.

Bolniška podpora bo zvišana, o tem ni dvoma, vendar ne tako radikalno kot priporočajo nekateri, ki hočejo, da gremo nazaj k lestvici iz leta 1929. Srednja mera bo najboljša. To pomeni, da bo zvišanje indirektno s podaljšanjem dobe plačevanja in skrajšenjem odbitka. Razne omejenosti naj se odpravijo.

Z investicijami imamo vedno težave, imamo pa tudi zmirom več izkušenj. Na primer pred desetimi leti še nismo vedeli, da so investicije, ki donosajo visoke obresti, tudi najbolj riskantne in nevarne — danes vemo, ker smo bili zadnjih sedem let v dobri šoli. Pri tej stvari je tudi potrebna zmerna arednja pot. Dokler se jednotno imetje povprečno obrestuje do štirih odstotkov, bo jednota na varnih tleh.

Ko smo v zadnjem januarju odprli predkonvenčne razprave, smo opozorili članstvo na navet br. Petroviča, predsednika gospodarskega odbeska, ki je bil, naj člani ne priporočajo česar koli, kar je proti zavarovalniškemu zakonu. Nekateri razprave kažejo, da je med nami še mnogo članov, ki se ne zmenjajo za ta nasvet oziroma mislijo, da je podpornim organizacijam vse dovoljeno. Dokaz temu so priporočila, naj SNPJ financira domača podjetja, zlasti pa patente slovenskih iznajditeljev. Bratje, ki priporočajo kaj takega, naj bodo uverjeni, da simpatiziramo z njimi, toda jednota ima v tem oziru po zakonu vezane roke.

Onim bratom, ki želijo, naj uredništvo Prosvete objavi prevod zavarovalniškega zakona, da bo članstvo poznalo ta zakon, žal ne moremo ustreči. Prvič je zakon obširen in drugič se baš zdaj pripravljajo nov zakon, ki pa še ni sprejet.

Italijani natepli Italijane!

V Španiji, kjer napadena delavska demokracija bije že deveti mesec krvav boj za obstanek, se je zadnje dni zgodilo nekaj čudnega, vendar jasno razumljivega.

Italijanska brigada Garibaldi, obstoječa iz protifašističnih prostovoljcev in pridružena španski ljudski armadi, je natepla in poglala v beg italijansko divizijo, katero je diktator Mussolini poslal v Španijo na pomoč svojemu fašističnemu prijatelju Franciscu Francu. To se je zgodilo severnovzhodno od Madrida v provinci Guadalajari.

Radostnejega dogodka si je težko predstavljati. Italijani kot redni vojniki imajo v novejši zgodovini malo laurik; navadno so bili v vsaki vojni tenpi, to je v vsaki vojni, v kateri so se merili z enako oboroženim nasprotnikom. V Abseniji ni bilo takšne vojne!

Toda, kadar se Italijani bojujejo kot prostovoljci za idejo svobode in demokracije proti lastnim zatiralcem, tedaj so dobri bojevnik in navadno so dosej zmagali. To je dokazal revolucionar Garibaldi leta 1870, to se dokazali italijanski delavci že neketokrat—dokazali so danes italijanski protifašisti v Španiji in dokazali bodo v Italiji sami, kadar strmoglavijo fašizem!

Mussolinijevi fašisti so veliki junaki je tedaj, ko imajo opraviti s slabo oboroženim ali razoroženim nasprotnikom...

Slovenska Narodna Podporna Jednota. Inskorp. 17. Junija 1907 v državi Illinois. GLAVNI ODBOR S.N.P.J. UPRAVNI ODBOR: VINCENT CAINKAR, predsednik...

konvenciji in upamo, da si radi povrnosti pri nekaterih društvih članstvo takih nepotrebnih stroškov ne želi. Razpcelali smo zadevne vprašalne pole na vsa društva...

Prispevki v podporo španskim žrtvam fašizma. (ENAJSTI IZKAZ) V podporo španskim žrtvam španskega fašizma so zadnje darovali sledeča društva in posamezniki:

Razsode gl. porotnega odseka. Zadeva društva št. 356. Društvo št. 356, Benid, Ill., je obtožilo pred glavnim porotnim odsekom brata Georgeja Verčiča...

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Nekaj važnih pojasnil glede novega zavarovanja članov mladinskega oddelka in volitev delegatov

Vled številnih vprašanj, ki prihajajo na gl. tajništvo radi novega zavarovanja za člane mladinskega oddelka in ker je nemogoče vsem posamezno odgovorjati, naj na tem mestu pojasnim sledeče: 1) Novi certifikat določa smrtninsko zavarovanje do \$1000...

POBOČLO O NAKAZANI BOLNIŠKI PODPORI

Nakazana dne 11. marca 1937. REPORT OF SICK BENEFIT PAYMENT Payment of March 11, 1937

Table listing names and amounts for sick benefit payments, including names like Theresa Jordan, Elizabeth Podgorec, etc.

Important Information Anent Juvenile Insurance and Election of Delegates

Since we have received many inquiries in regard to the new certificate adopted for the Juvenile Department, you will find in the following paragraphs such information which may help to enlighten you upon the matter.

(1) The scale of the new certificate begins with the amount of \$20 and increases annually up to \$1,000 death benefit, and \$300 cash value when the member reaches the attained age of 18 years. In case a member insured in this class ceases to pay assessment before the certificate expires, he may obtain his accumulated reserve for his membership period in cash, or his insurance extended until the accumulated reserve is exhausted. No member of the Juvenile Department can hold two certificates at the same time.

(2) After the first of March, children are accepted into both classes of insurance from the date of their birth up to the age of 16 years.

(3) Children who are already members of our Society, may transfer into the endowment Educational plan, but, since the risk is greater as this certificate provides for \$500 more insurance, every such juvenile member must be medically examined and the medical examination fee must be defrayed by such member himself, as the initial physical examination has already been paid by the Society.

(4) Transferred members into the above mentioned class shall be considered as entirely new members, i. e. they shall be assessed at their present age and the amount of cash value that such members will be entitled to shall also be calculated according to the present age of entry. Perhaps some members may wonder why the juveniles who are already members should not have more consideration than entirely new ones. The reason for this is that at the present time there is no cash reserve in the juvenile fund for that purpose and it will have to be accumulated, from the time that this new plan becomes effective. When a juvenile member transfers into the new class of insurance, the local lodge secretary must enclose the members' old certificate with the application (medical examination) so that we shall be able to cancel the old policy and issue a new one.

I further wish to mention that the certificates for the new type of insurance shall not be completed for some time yet. Those days when organizations issued certificates according to their own taste, and filed them with the insurance department, are past. The new certificate must be issued in accordance with prescribed rules of the insurance department and also submitted to the insurance commissioner for approval before it can be issued, which shall require more time and work. I kindly request that the above be taken into consideration if you do not receive the certificates as soon as one may have anticipated.

We have noticed in cases where lodges have merged to elect a delegate, that each one of the combined lodges designate a different delegate on their individual reports. For instance, if three lodges have merged for this purpose, two of them report the name of their own delegate elected at their lodge only, and the third one doesn't even report. We illustrate another instance: five lodges merged for the purpose of electing a delegate and among the five only one reports who is elected delegate, etc.

Therefore, how is it possible for the Main Office to know who is the duly elected delegate under such circumstances, if we do not receive proper reports? Lodges that have merged to elect a delegate must, according to the by-laws and instructions received from our office, vote until a candidate of the combined lodges receives a majority of all the votes cast, and then each of the lodges must report individually who is the elected delegate to represent their lodge. These reports must be properly signed, certifying that the reported delegate was properly elected by a majority of members of the combined lodges. If we do not receive the reports as described above, such delegates will not have the power or right to represent the combined lodges, for no one will be able to determine who was elected as delegate of the merged lodges. Only one improperly elected delegate may cause a lot of unnecessary inconveniences and expenses, and we hope that this is not desired by the general membership due to the negligence of some of the lodges.

Some time ago we had sent blank forms to all lodges, upon which the delegates' names should be written, and returned to our office. If these forms are not received properly filled out and in due time, those particular lodges will not be represented at the convention.

F. A. VIDER, Supreme Secretary.

Badgerland News

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—Here are the results of our first "Amateur Show," and they proved to be quite a hit with the members.

Eddie Sostarich and Steve Hegji, harmonizing a Croatian lullaby, won first prize. Marge Obluck, singing two beautiful numbers, took second place. Otto Jerab, displaying his "month-old" beard, received third prize. The rest of the brave performers included, Fanny Penosa playing the piano; Frank Bolka singing the "very touching" love song "How Dry I Am"; Frances Glavan rendering "Pennies from Heaven"; Vera Sostarich doing "Chopsticks" with the one-finger accompaniment of Steve Hegji; and Rose Uhle with her disappearing act.

The only disappointing part of the program was the failure of "Zup" to appear with his squeeze-box. And after such a build-up, too, shucks!

Two new members were installed into our group. They are Sis. Catherine Lang, and Bro. Edward Sostarich. We welcome you into our midst.

Sis. Frances also proposed two members for the next meeting, namely—John and William Debelak. With these two our membership will be up 195. How about hitting that 200 mark soon?

Sis. Marge Golob was the lucky girl to take away the first "Bank-note" drawing.

Heinie and his Grenadiers were favored by our branch of the Federation group for our Labor Day Celebration. This should assist greatly in putting over the affair with a bang.

Bro. Teddy Kropousek is strutting his stuff with a new Plymouth these days. I hope it's roomy enough for the family.

The May Dance scheduled for the 25th of May will have Math Pink and his orchestra entertaining. A popularity contest will be held in conjunction with this dance.

Don't forget the Fun-o-leers Hard Time Dance on April 10 at the Lower South Side Turn hall. Also the Jolly Allis' Dance on April 24 at Labor hall.

Universal Comets

UNIVERSAL, PA.—Too much can't be said in eulogizing the splendid efforts of the various committees in charge of the Comets' Spring Dance. Such fine work as they have performed in making the necessary arrangements for the "Big Affair" is certain to bring results. There is no doubt but what the committees have striven more energetically toward the success of this affair, than ever before. Not one opportunity has been passed up in making this affair known; nor has any opportunity been passed up in an attempt to make this an affair that will rise above all previous Comet dances.

To refresh your memories let us once more inform you that the "Swing Band" of Gene Carlson will hold sway and that the date has been set for Sat., April 2. We must also repeat that the site selected is the beautiful Moose Temple, with not only the most beautiful of dance halls, but also with bowling facilities for those who seek diversion. Lastly we mustn't forget to mention the unique "added attraction" that is scheduled to come off about 10:30 p. m.

Here's hoping we see you all on Saturday, April 3, at the Universal Moose Temple. We'll be looking for you. JOS. BERTOVIC, Lodge 715.

Musketeers' Musings

MOON RUN, PA.—The hill-billy affair was a grand success. The hall was filled to capacity. The kiddies as well as the older folks had one grand evening of fun and enjoyment. The Musketeers wish to take this opportunity to thank you for making the affair the success that it was.

The J. S. Federation will hold its bi-annual conference at Moon Run on Sunday, March 28, at 10 a. m. Each branch is urged to have their delegates represented. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend.

The next regular monthly meeting of the Musketeers will be held Thursday evening, April 1. We urge your attendance as this meeting will be of great importance. Plans for our Seventh Anniversary celebration must be complete. The date of the great event will be JUNE 19 AND 20. The Musketeers kindly ask you to reserve those days for them. To head the affair there will be the grand drawing of two cash awards amounting to twenty dollars.

Joseph M. Bertovic, a recent scribe to the Prosveta—Keep up the good work, Joe. . . Wondering what happened to the Phantom Scribbler? E. M. AMBROZIC, Lodge 706.

New Era News

CLEVELAND, O.—I was surprised to see so many members present at our last meeting. It must be our bank night; Pres. Joe Sanker walked off with the prize. For the few that didn't attend, please attend next month's meeting for you might be the lucky one, also you must be present at the meeting to win.

Strugglers' Bog Days

Most of New Era members will attend the big Strugglers' gala event April 3 and 4. The Strugglers surely know how to put them over big. Big lodge, big event. Woe is me—why isn't New Era so big? Give us the cooperation and we'll be tops in a year or two, I hope.

New Era's Dance

After the Two Big days on the East side, April 3 and 4, we will move to the West side April 10 for a big dance on W. 130th and McGowan ave. By popular request we will have Cleveland's young radio star, Louis Traybar, playing for us. So let's go out to New Era's dance for good time. MICKEY DAN, Secretary, Lodge 572.

Announcing Sixth Anniversary Dance

MEADOWLANDS, PA.—The Trail Blazers SNPJ Lodge 734 is sponsoring a dance in honor of its sixth anniversary to be held at the Meadowlands Miners hall, Saturday evening, April third.

The music will be furnished by Frank Wataasek's Rhythm Kings for young and old, dancing from eight to twelve o'clock; admission is twenty-five cents for the ladies and thirty-five cents for the gentlemen. Refreshments will be served.

A cordial invitation is hereby extended to all members and their friends and the cooperation of all nearby lodges will be appreciated. MARY AZMAN, Committee—Lodge 734.

Comments on This and That

By IVAN MOLEK, Editor

MAIN PROBLEMS CONFRONTING THE SOCIETY

The pre-convention discussion in the Prosveta has so far brought out the following facts:

The discussion in the Slovene section of the Prosveta, which is much more extensive and pronounced than in the English section, revolves so far around the following presumably most important questions: Revision of Sick Benefit upward, investments of Society funds, and aid to the old members.

These problems are designated by the members of the SNPJ senior lodges participating in these discussions as the main problems of the Society to be tackled at our next convention. Incidentally, other problems are mentioned in many communications, yet they are not deemed so important and, therefore, remain in the background for the majority of members who have so far participated in these discussions.

On the other hand, the question of athletics and, to a certain extent, the endowment question, seems to be the center of attention in the English section. The senior members have so far displayed an entirely different point of view as to the importance of problems confronting the Society today. Only a few, for instance, have to date shown some favor for the endowment feature.

This line of division between the senior and junior membership, as judged solely by the aforementioned discussions in the Prosveta is, of course, nothing new. The youth always had a different angle. Not that this division of thought and urges necessarily means antagonism; not at all.

The oldsters, I believe, are more tolerant towards the young generation than vice-versa. Take athletics, for example. To the great majority of senior members, athletics personally are simply a waste of time and money—yet they will not offer the slightest opposition to this. They will knowingly appropriate some thousands of dollars of the Society's money to develop sports for the junior members even with the knowledge that by so doing, after all, they will provide the younger set only with entertainment, and the Society in general will not be benefited thereby.

I wish the ES lodges would take more interest in the Sick Benefit and investment problems, more interest in the cultural aspect of the Society, and the Society's principles and our labor policy. But if our young brothers and sisters think, as they do with some notable exceptions, that athletics and endowment will solve all their urges and problems—let them rest on that platform.

The next SNPJ convention at Cleveland will still be under control of the delegates of the senior lodges. They will shape the immediate future of the Society as they did in the past—and that, to be sure, will be for the best of the SNPJ. I am sure there will be an energetic group of delegates representing the ES lodges present, who will soberly cooperate with the majority and who will follow the right course for the best of the Society.

Strugglers

CLEVELAND.—Just one more week and our long awaited TENTH ANNIVERSARY celebration will be held on April 3 and 4 at the Slovene Workmen's Home at 15335 Waterloo rd.—but let me tell you what will take place on

Saturday, April 3

First of all will come the grand opening by Brother Louis Simonick and his orchestra, an entirely new orchestra with many pleasing new song arrangements which I am sure you will all like—not only will they render the popular numbers but Slovene melodies as well! No request will go by unheeded, so don't forget just ask for your favorite number. Gosh! oh gee, what a grand time we will have renewing old acquaintances, it will give you quite a thrill to see so many present because they know that a Struggler event is an outstanding event in the history of the SNPJ!

"QUACK! QUACK! QUACK!"—now don't get excited. It is just the national order of the QUACKS getting together, for Brother Walter Lampe has informed me that after midnight they reign supreme—strange and mysterious doings are on the list—members are coming from out those Pennsylvania hills to help celebrate Strugglers TENTH BIRTHDAY! This clan boasts of the following members: Canary Koss, Walter Lampe, Joe Tolar, Lindy Lokar, Louis Tolar, John Rynik, Louis Kosela, and Herman Preseren. According to the reports your scribe has received, the first four are married, and the remaining four are still single, and girls, here's your chance!—they are all nice because I have been fortunate enough to know all of these lads. The admission for this frolic is only thirty-five cents so come on and join us in having the fun of your life!

April 4

Once again the Strugglers will stage another one of their famous Vaudeville Shows which will take place on Sunday, April 4, at 2:30 p. m. at the Slovene Home on Waterloo rd.—we are commemorating our TENTH year of existence, and surely nothing but the best for this great event! Truly a wonderful program has been selected and is filled with vim, vigor and vitality—therefore we assure you we have done the best to our ability! Something new and different—an amateur show! No doubt you have heard Burt's Community Songfest over WJAY—we have selected the 1st prize winners and are having them appear on our program. There are twelve acts composed of singers, tap-dancers, eccentric dancers, Russian and Gypsy dancers.

You will be delighted to see Donna Jean in her own inimitable manner imitating Eleanor Powell! Be sure to see the pictures of the performers at Ogrin's located in the Slovene Home Building—their master of ceremonies is none other than Jerry Holan, a man who has his whole heart in the show and he has promised us a surprise!—gosh I wonder what it is! All he tells us is to sit tight and wait until April 4 rolls around! Glamorous gowns will be in evidence—smiles and laughter will greet you as you step into our domain. The older element will be quite pleased with the vocal duet of Mary Udovich and Josephine Lausche. Modern Crusader's Octet will give you a variety of songs—and our comedian de-luxe will try to make you all feel happy. (Next week will reveal more of our show.)

After the vaudeville program is over, supper will be served in the lower hall by the Struggler girls—and in the evening you can dance to your hearts content to the tune of Paul Leeds and his Columbians in the upper hall and in the lower hall we will have Jackie Zorc's and his trio—there will be plenty of beer and refreshments.

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Waukegan

WAUKEGAN, ILL.—On Easter Sunday, March 28, at 3:30 o'clock, the Slovene National Choral Society will present its third annual concert at the Slovene hall here.

The program, under the direction of Paul Sifer, is as follows: Part I—Opera "Svaha", a lively musical comedy. Part II—Piano selections by Paul Sifer and Christine Stritar. Part III—Gypsy Scene—by Choral Society and dancers.—Songs: Ljubzen in pomlad, The Galway Piper, By the Bend of the River, Sarafan, Po Jezeru and Gypsy Love Song.

A MEMBER.

Midwest SNPJ Cage and Pin Tournament

CHICAGO.—The Midwest Integrity SNPJ Basketball and Bowling Tournament Committee is certainly doing all in its power to make this affair a big success. Many cash prizes, trophies, medals, and other gifts will be awarded to the winners.

Our basketball tournament will begin at two o'clock on Saturday afternoon, April 3, at the Olivett Institute, located at 1441 Cleveland ave. Following it is our Annual Spring Dance at 8 p. m. at the beautiful Crystal Ballroom, located at 2705 W. North avenue. Admission is 40 cents, including wardrobe. Frankie Notto, a young prizier from the Italian Youth Organization, will be on hand as well as our Brother Edward Farrar, better known as Young Hackensmith, the only man to hold three titles at one time. Come and meet the gang.

Our Bowling Tournament will be on its way on Sunday, April 4, at Staek and Ryan alleys, 1133 Milwaukee ave. Plenty of parking space and a watchman to guard your cars. The Integrity Lodge and Sports Club extend their invitation to all Slovene and English Speaking Lodges to attend our affair. Let us make this a big success and show the real spirit of the SNPJ.

The Milwaukee FUN-O-LEERS will hold their dance on April 10 at the Turn hall, and on April 24 the Jolly Allis Lodge 686 is holding its dance at the Labor hall. All Integrity members try to attend these dances; we have tickets for these dances.

Brothers and Sisters! This time our announcement is correct. Sister Augusta Alich really announces her engagement to Brother E. A. DeCenzo. The date of the wedding has been set for June 5. . . Bros. Leo Moralla, Charles and Joe Young, Klanchak and our own little Eddie practice basketball last Sunday, and what speed. Looks like the old spirit is back again.

All our Integrity members please attend the next monthly meeting. There will be plenty to eat and drink. Come and hear the big surprises that we will leave out of the bag. Be early and pay your dues on time, as you know what will happen if you don't.

Well, folks, don't forget the big Two-Day Affair, April 3 and 4. L. A. BAFFETTI, Lodge 611.

Mohawks News

LA SALLE, ILL.—It won't be long now with the coming of spring and the Mohawks' Eleventh Anniversary. The cast for the comedy, "Deacon Dubbs," is hard at work getting prepared to give you laughs of the century. You will enjoy it every minute of the day. Don't forget to attend and celebrate the Mohawks' Eleventh Birthday. On Saturday eve, the Mohawks' Basketball team will entertain the Pioneer boys, and after the game a get-together of all the out of town visitors and Mohawks will be held at the Dom. Don't you Badgers, Little Forts, Integrities and Pioneers forget this date and get acquainted.

Frank and the gang which went to Springfield to attend the Lincoln's 10th Anniversary said they had a swell time, only they were mad at the weather. Lots of luck to you, Lincolnites, wishing you all a lot of success. Hope we find some of you Lincolnites here in La Salle April 10 and 11.

Here in La Salle we had the occasion to hear the Singing Club Pioneer Quartet over radio station WGES. Hope you come back on the air again soon as your songs were enjoyed very much by the Slovenes here.

Easter Sunday, March 28, the Singing Club Soča, composed of the younger set of Slovenes, is presenting its annual concert and play. Don't forget this event as they are a fine group of youngsters; many of them are members of the Mohawks. We'll be seeing you all there.

Brother Martin Janko is still on the sick list and improving and pretty well on the road to recovery. Pay him a visit at his home; he enjoys company. Now, I say, don't forget the date April 10 and 11 at the Slovene Home in La Salle, Ill. All the out of town visitors that intend to be present please notify Lud Vogrich or the Secretary, Anton Mahnick, so the sleeping quarters can be arranged for all. We hope to see you all present at this event. You won't regret it. You ole' scribe, JOHN KLANSEK, Lodge 571.

Penny Pioneers

STRABANE, PA.—The meeting of Pioneer Lodge 589 of March 7 was well attended, more members being present than at the last two meetings. If the meetings continue to increase in attendance maybe by December our dream of a meeting with the whole membership present might come true.

The Pioneers are also holding a CAMPAIGN TO INCREASE THE JUVENILE DEPARTMENT. Frank Tomcic, John and Mary Podboy are in charge of picking the teams for the drive. If the membership continues to decrease because of the transfer of juvenile members to the adult department, the Pioneers will find themselves with a small number of juveniles. As one member stated the matter that the Pioneers Lodge is the largest English Speaking Lodge in Pennsylvania but without a continued increase in the membership the Pioneers will lose that title. So, members, why not each one of you bring a new member, juvenile or adult, into our fold?

The date for the Pioneers' one act "drama" has been announced as April 18. The cast has been picked and are already rehearsing their parts. The directors of the play, August "Gus" Mamrack and Sam "Boom" Rotella, have chosen the play "Mother's Day Off, or Father's Day On." This is a story of true facts that happen in any American home. Besides this one act play there will be a short comedy skit which is guaranteed to make you cry with laughter. For a night of laughs and entertainment be

sure to see this performance of amateurs who act like professionals. The spaghetti supper held by the Pioneers was very successful. We take this opportunity to thank those who attended. The chef for this occasion was Sam Rotella. Stan Vinton and his orchestra furnish the music for the Pioneer April 17 dance. During the same mission, the Pioneers will offer a very promising floor show. As Frank Gasper and Gvedon Chesnic, the Pioneers' best dancers, put it, "Don't be the best band in this district, Stan Vinton." The dance will be held at the SNPJ hall. The boy and girl keglers are certainly improving their game. Frank Progar's team leads in the boy league, but Mike Curtis' team is far behind. They are sure to give Frank Progar's team a real fight. The last five remaining games are between Frances Floriganic's team in the girls' league. In a match game between the pick of the girl bowlers and Frank Podboy's "Pin Busters" another team who are in last place in the boy league, the "Pin Busters" must win 729 pins. The girl bowlers were: ephine Dudick, Frances Floriganic, Mary Progar, Agnes Curtis, Ann E. manaki, and Mary Tamazine. The boy bowlers were Sam Rotella, Frank Podboy, Max Chesnic, Rudy Krulic, Joe Kobilich, and Frank Kamanski. FRANK PODBOY, Lodge 589.

SECURE NEW SUBSCRIBERS FOR THE "PROSVETA"

FLASHES

CHICAGO.—Back into the ordinary stride we went again with our meeting attendance, last Friday, Pioneers, too much of a contrast to go by without comment. But you have missed something. One of the short-notice Pioneer meetings was over. For once, the business meeting was over in rapid succession. We initiated two new adults and received two more from the juvenile department and six incoming transfers. The two adults are both prominent athletes, one a bowler and the other a basketball player. The present season's athletes have "pulled" in 3 new members already. Reports were made on bowling, basketball and other activities.

Movies of SNPJ activities were shown after the meeting and the crowd got a kick on any number of scenes and performers. Many of the scenes look too artificial and not at all natural. Explanations were inadequate and could be improved and the scenes from the important celebrations could be more diversified and certainly more numerous. Now that the SNPJ has finally adopted this excellent medium of publicity and entertainment let us place it into the hands of someone who will devote sufficient time to it to make it a profitable venture. One noticeable deficiency was the lack of mass scenes; scenes where large groups gather. That's extra good material for publicity.

Last Sunday afternoon a nice crowd of Pioneers gathered at the Southwest Bowling alleys to watch two scheduled matches. Since the KSKJ squad postponed their match attention was focussed on the "Seconders" vs. "Thirders" match. The second squad by reason of their records were the favorites and with Eddie and Joe Hudale blasting away with big scores, backed up by consistent efforts of Louis Zefran, John Alich and Emil Hraat, took a threatening lead in the first game. The Thirders came back so strong in the early innings of the second game to send the lead under cover with a pretty 975 game. The Seconders never recovered from this shock, so the Thirders coasted to an easy victory in the final game. Gus Kramer led the winners with a 560 series. Max Kalan, William Arbanas, Louis Kramer and Donald J. Lotrich backed him up well. "Firsters" please note, the "Thirders" score.

A special bowling tournament for Pioneer members only is being scheduled for Sunday, April 25, at the Southwest Bowling alleys. Members are asked to respond wholeheartedly

and enter. Whether you bowled one game or a hundred games if you are a Pioneer you are entitled to enter and we want you to enter. The following committee has charge of arrangements: Frank Groszer, George Curda, Emil Hraat, Eddie Hudale and Louis Zefran. If more information is desired the secretary will gladly furnish it.—Bowling seems to be the leading activity now and we have a good chance to put a glorious climax to a successful season.

Four men and two women squads are booked to roll in the Midwest SNPJ Tournament on April 3 and 4. In addition a number will roll in the singles and doubles.—On April 10 and 11 the bowlers and basketballers are booked to compete against the Mohawks in La Salle at their annual spring celebration.—On April 17 and 18 the bowlers will go to Detroit for the National SNPJ Tournament. And that's a real honest-to-goodness schedule, methinks.

Who wants to go to Detroit with the boys? If enough sign up by April 12 a special bus will be chartered for the trip. You can see members of the above listed special committee or sign up with the secretary. An enjoyable trip is assured. About 15 more are needed to fill the bus.

The monthly meeting of the Chicago District Federation of SNPJ takes place Thursday, March 25. All representatives are urged to attend.

Norman Thomas, Mayor Hoan of Milwaukee and other prominent Socialists will speak at a pre-convention rally Thursday night, March 25, at Hotel La Salle. All who can, should go and listen to these men of repute. Thomas, Hoan and others of this group know what they are talking about. They have fought many a battle for the underdog. They have been constantly in the front lines of American labor progress. They are, therefore, worth listening to. Admission is 25c in advance sale, 35c at the hotel.

We rejoice in the splendid victories of the Spanish Loyalists over the Italian Fascist columns in the Spanish "Civil" War. We have but one regret—that worker must kill worker for the benefit of—who? The robbing, exploiting reactionary rich who never have to raise a finger but who always enjoy comforts and I don't even dream of. Some day the workers will get enough intelligence to tell wrong from right and when that day comes—Fascists, beware!

D. J. LOTRICH, Lodge 559.

Spirit-O-Grams

By Whoosit

ST. LOUIS, MO.—It seems rather strange that "We" living in this age of turmoil, where the newspapers are constantly shouting news of misery and controversy the world over, that we could find a place where we can sit back and relax and wonder why nothing exciting ever happens.

I think that many people would get disgusted with the world at large if they did not have some fraternal affiliation where they can find true friends. I know that there are many who found encouragement and faith in their fellow men through the medium of the SNPJ. Can the SNPJ be then compared with an insurance company? Indeed not. SNPJ stands so much higher than there is no comparison.

The pro and con on the endowment insurance question is very interesting; also, I must add, that it is educational. It affords the members the opportunity to know both sides of the story and then they can decide what they think is best and let the delegate know what they think, thus making it so much easier for the delegate to

cision will soon be made. Locally, the tickets are being distributed and many of our friends are keeping this dance in mind. We wish to take this medium of inviting all our friends from the neighboring lodges to be our patrons on April 10 and join the happy throng of polka dancers who will be our guests. We particularly invite the Sharon gang, Reveller friends, Canonsburg Pioneers, East Palestine Slovenes, West Newton friends, Universal Comets, Musketeers, Clairtonians, Veronians, Sygan Jolly Juniors, J. Z. Juniors, Morning Stars, local lodge Grozd and the local Kay Jays. This is going to be a typical old-fashioned polka dance and reunion of old friends. Watch for detailed information.

At a joint meeting of the local senior lodge Grozd and the Excelsiors for the purpose of electing a delegate for the oncoming Cleveland convention to be held in May, Bartol Yeran, popular, capable senior member, was elected as our representative.

KEEP IN MIND THE EXCELSIORS' POLKA DANCE, APRIL 10. JEAN SMREKAR, Lodge 721.

Integrity Broadcast

CHICAGO.—Calling attention to all Integrity members about our Spring Dance which will come off on April 3. It is the duty of all members to co-operate with the Lodge's affair for the benefit of the Lodge and yourself in order to avoid special assessment upon yourself which the Lodge has a right to impose. From time to time the Committee and officers take this matter up at the special meeting that each member pay for one ticket.

Thus far such plans have been put aside for the sake of the Lodge, but that is no reason why the members should not help the Lodge in its financial part. No organization can be without it, neither can the Integrity Lodge. When you choose your officers or the committees to take care of the Lodge's affairs there is no reason why you should not co-operate with them. You must give them your help as they are giving their time for your benefit as well as theirs. In the past the officers and the committee had to do 80% of the work, and 90% of selling the tickets. Majority of you members do know what work is and yet you depend on the few to make a successful affair for the Lodge without your even trying to help them out. You should give part of your time for the Lodge that you pledge to give. The committee would surely welcome your help at this time. So on your toes on April 3 at the Crystal Ballroom, 2705 W. North ave., at 8 p. m.

In connection with our Dance, the Sport Club is in charge of the Basketball and Bowling tournament which gives extra work for the committee in charge of that program. This is also an attraction to the Dance, as many out of town visitors are planning to attend. Let's all of us take part in this event so that it will be worthwhile for the Lodge.

MICHAEL FLEISCHACKER, Secretary, Lodge 631.

Yough Valley Knights

W. NEWTON, PA.—As we turn the pages of stage and screen, we see that Metro Goldwyn Mayer produced "The Great Ziegfeld," Warner Brothers "Black Legion," Columbia—"Lost Horizon." And now—the SNPJ Yough Valley Knights are producing the great play—"Bashful Mr. Bobbs." This is to be presented April 9 at West Newton. It is laughable! talkable! lovable! and mystifying! See our "ideal" married couple, Katherine (Patsy Kelly the third) and Fred (Jack Haley). Watch her place her meek little husband where he belongs. Buy your tickets early for the small sum of 25 cents. For this quarter, you'll receive "barrels of fun," loads of laughter and see arms full of romance. See the "37" fashionable

Little Fort News

WAUKEGAN—NO. CHICAGO.—Here we are just a few weeks before the Midwest SNPJ Bowling and Basketball tournament. Everybody seems very much enthused about it, so it's bound to be something big and long to be remembered. Waukegan is going to send its full force out. We are sending our basketball team to win honors on Saturday, four men's bowling teams and three women's teams. Also a large number to enter the singles and doubles events. A bus is being chartered for Sunday and anyone not yet signed up can do so by getting in touch with John Kogovsek or Christine Stritar. A large group is going out on Saturday for the dance.

The Roamers have been traveling again and this time to the birthday party of Lefty and Tillie. A good time was had by all, thanks to the good hosts and hostesses in Chicago. We also had the pleasure of entertaining a West Allis man over the weekend. I wonder if "Butch" jumped into the car by mistake? There is a reward out for the return of this dog. Please take heed, TJK.

On Easter Sunday the Slovene Nat'l. Choral Society is holding its annual concert at the Slovene hall. A very unique program is being arranged by the director, Paul J. Sifler. A comic operetta, given by the men and Mayme Kirn, is to open the program. The rest of the program is to be a gypsy scene in which the characters will be in costume. Both Slovene and American numbers will be sung. A piano duet will be played by Christine Stritar and Paul J. Sifler. A dance will be held after the program with the Bartel-Sluga duo rendering the music. Supper will be served for the small sum of 25 cents for everybody. Come on members, let's see you go out and sell some tickets. You'll get an afternoon of entertainment for only 35 cents.

Two new members, Donald Haro and Henry Leskovic were accepted into our lodge. Frank Malavarsic was transferred from Lodge 14.

A committee has been picked out to work with the Athletic Committee to raise funds for Athletics. A dance will probably be held in the near future. Christine Stritar has been elected as delegate for the Convention with Mary A. Hodnik as alternate.

Until we see you at the tournament, we'll say adios.

THE REPORTER.

Buckeye Bits

BARBERTON, OHIO.—Things have been more or less quiet on the Buckeye front the past month or so, but with the coming of spring (accompanied by Old Man Winter) we're looking forward to some excitement in lodge circles. Altho we haven't scheduled any events for the near future, we note some of our neighboring lodges are ready to start the ball rolling—the Strugglers with their 10th anniversary April 3 and 4, the Farrell-Sharon Social Club Dance April 10, and the Girard Golden Eagles' 9th anniversary dance April 24. At least some of our members are planning to attend one, two, or all three of these events.

style of making and breaking engagements.

Walk! Run! or Ride! to witness "Bashful Mr. Bobbs," directed by Rudy, the successful director of "Prom Night."

Neighboring lodges—don't forget the date, April 9, at 7 p. m., at Slove Home in West Newton. There will be a free dance after the program. So come one and all to laugh off your worries and dance away your blues.

Last but not least—Y. V. K's, don't forget our meeting April 4 at 1:30 p. m.

THE OPTIMIST.

Much has already been said and written about the Convention to be held in Cleveland in May. As yet, I do not know who our delegate is, for we have not yet received the complete reports from all the lodges with whom we merged. From the list of nominees which seemed to be comprised of the more active members of each lodge, we feel that one very capable of representing us will be elected.

Again the subject of meeting attendance. We're still having difficulty in getting more members to attend. Even our faithful members are falling down on us now. Maybe we should post a roster in a conspicuous place of all our members and give a gold star to each one attending a meeting and a red mark to all failing to attend. These meetings are held in your own interests, so please attend. The next one will be Friday, April 2, at 7:30 p. m.

RAMBLINGS.—Frances Mesek and Steffie Matosel accompanied Fanny Luzer to Verona where they spent a very enjoyable week-end. They report the Universal Comets have a fine quintet—so good that they could help our glee club considerably. . . . We were glad to have J. Bogatay spend those few days with us. . . . And incidently, our girls will take the West Allis girls up on that skatink match Labor day—minus the pillows, too. . . . Some of the Universal lads are contemplating making the trip to Milwaukee in a 1923 model Buick. Steffie and Mary are wondering if they may hitch their 1923 model Ford to the Buick. They claim it goes if it's tugged. . . . Members, be thinking of a program or celebration we can offer for our 10th anniversary. It won't be long, you know.

Cavaliers

BURGETTSTOWN, PA.—The Cavaliers' last meeting was held on Sunday, March 14, and it was very well attended. The Cavaliers and the Senior Lodge 287 held a combined meeting, in order to elect a delegate to the coming convention. A Cavalier member was elected as a delegate to represent both lodges at the convention. The importance of selecting a delegate was realized and therefore the meeting was well attended.

The Cavaliers are still very active in securing new members, and all Cavaliers are very anxious to make this a banner year for securing new members. Our membership was increased by three: Joe Roberts, Walter Bendik and Hilda Louder.

Now about the coming Fifth Anniversary celebration and dance to be held by the Cavaliers on Saturday, April 24. The music shall be furnished by Stan Vinton and his band of a thousand styles. Those of you who have danced to Stan Vinton before surely do not need any coaxing to attend the Fifth Anniversary dance. The Cavaliers would greatly appreciate the presence of the Pioneers, Excelsiors, Lucky Stars, Musketeers, Revellers, Comets, Jolly Juniors, J. Z. Juniors and especially the members from the neighboring lodges at Avella and Midway, and others I may have failed to mention. The Cavaliers are using every effort to make this affair the biggest and the best ever held by the Cavaliers and we assure all those attending a grand time. Everyone attending will receive a souvenir from the Cavaliers. A large and luscious cake will be given in a Cake-Walk, and that should be reason enough to attend the celebration. I could write pages about our Fifth Anniversary and the surprises and enjoyable moments that will be spent at the celebration, but I think enough has been said about it so that anyone will not doubt that they will not be assured of a pleasant and memorable evening. I'm sure that after you have attended the Cavaliers' FIFTH Anniversary dance, memories of it will linger for a long time to come.

JOSEPH MOSKUN, Sec'y, Lodge 741.

Women's Round Table

By MARY JUGG

About Cancer

Dr. Maude Slye, world authority on cancer, lectured at a local forum Friday last, and gave in scientific terms the results of her 30-years' study of this enormous problem. Whether or not the layman understood a single one of her contentions, he could not emerge from the lecture without carrying away two well-grounded facts: 1. that knowledge and discovery mean putting the elbows to the wheel in the most literal sense and 2. that science—true science—never speculates; it shows only proved results.

Since mice have the very same kind of cancers as men, in the same proportions, and so similar that experts cannot tell them apart, Dr. Slye has done all her research work with mice. Since cancer has moved from 6th to 2nd place among death causes, it becomes of utmost significance to hope through study to its behavior in hopes of discovering why it behaves as it does.

Dr. Slye stated quite emphatically that at the present there is no cure. The most hopeful aspect is consideration of how it might be prevented. There is no fact about cancer that is not disputed by someone.

All the cancers in the mice under her study arose in the natural life of the animals; they were the same biologic entity as those that show in men. She has found conclusively that cancer is a disease of the finest members. The mice that are susceptible to the disease show early tumors and these grow daily. At the beginning there are no symptoms of illness, no trouble of any kind. The mice so affected are healthy in every respect; they have the glossiest coats. It is only when the cancer growth begins to interfere with a function that trouble occurs. Cancer does not interfere with reproduction, unless it is in the reproductive organs. Some of the mice with cancers almost as large as themselves have reproduced normally. On the other hand, reproduction was impossible where there was infection. Thus, cancers in mice do not behave like infections.

There is no germ. It is only a group of loose cells that grow and continue to grow without knowing when to stop. Those in the loose tissues, such as around the mouth and breast, may break away and begin growth in other sections of the body. This gives rise to the popular expression, that cancer "travels."

Dr. Slye took up the theory of diet deficiencies as a cause. Everyone of the 150,000 mice through all these years have been fed identically the same diet of water, milk, and mixed bird seed. 130,000 of these never had cancer; all the rest did. All of them were perfect specimens. Incidentally, she mentioned, that this also disproved the speculation in the last issue of "Coronet," in which an article said that milk was akin to cancer. "If this were true," she said, "all of

these mice would have died from the disease, whereas they showed only the normal expectancy of it." Her experiments proved that for mice susceptible to a diet of near-starvation level was beneficial.

As to external causative factors: At the present there are only conjectures. Doctors do not yet know. All these things will have to be worked out in the laboratory. Thus far: in those mice which have uneven teeth that strike on the jaw tissues and which are susceptible to cancer, this results in cancer. A scratching of the skin tissue, a chronic scar of such, or constant irritation in mice or people susceptible will bring on a cancer. On the other hand, a mouse or person not susceptible could be bruised in any possible way and still not develop it.

As to diet: Tumors of the digestive tract are most common in man. There are three factors of diet in men that cannot be applied to mice: 1. heat; 2. condiments of all kinds; 3. over-eating and overdrinking. Since all of her mice died when she applied any one of these factors to them, she said, she cannot give any conclusive proof that these factors do produce cancers.

Her most interesting and tedious experiments have been with cancer as of hereditary origin. This is the first time this factor has been studied anywhere. She has been successfully able to breed out cancer. Every mating with a cancer-susceptible or cancer-bearing strain increased the number of cancerous offspring; vice-versa, it was diminished. Her conclusions have been: that 2 factors are necessary: a hereditary susceptibility and injury or stimulation in susceptible tissues. It is not a degenerate process; it is not contagious (while infections are); it is simply the lack of a mechanism to control the growth of certain cells—which lack is still to be discovered.

"It should be possible to eliminate cancer in men the same as in mice," she said, "by avoidance of intermarriage into a family where cancer has been prevalent and by avoidance of external factors."

The greatest hindrance to the present-day research in cancer is the lack of human statistics. The great benefit that any person so afflicted can perform for society is insisting that the doctor take an adequate record. It should be made compulsory to take records.

"I am willing to admit that any step towards the solution of this enormous problem may lie far ahead," she concluded, "but when done it will also be a routine procedure—the same as the treatment of infectious diseases is today."

SPECIAL NOTE: By all means see "Spain in Flames," a movie depicting the actual scenes from the front in Spain's courageous defense of democracy.

Jolly Allis Lodge 686

WEST ALLIS, WIS.—Ha-do, folks, and how's the folks? Well, and once again I must ask, what's new on the Rialto? We shall see what we shall see.

What, no new engagements? What happened? Here I expected to announce another couple about to say "I do," but I guess they put one over on me. Maybe there will be more next time, who knows?

Since there isn't anything in particular to remind you about at this writing we may as well jump to the topic of bowling. The second team received quite a jolt last week, and with a few weeks remaining in our schedule we will have to bowl with only four men. One of our men had to leave us, and we will have to do with four men

since the league voted for a five man team only at the beginning of the season.—With three weeks to go the boys will have to win 5 of their last nine games in order to top second place. The going will be tough, but they said they could do it. Last week with but four men they took one out of three from last year's champs. So, maybe with a weak team coming up, we may take a few games here and there. One thing is almost certain, the first team will never catch up to the second team. Nevertheless, there will be two strong teams represented in the Mid-West Bowling tournament at Chicago Saturday and Sunday, April 3 and 4. They're all gunning for that tournament.

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Excelsiors' Extra

WEST ALIQUIPPA, PA.—Realizing that the Excelsiors have not appeared in print for quite a time, this article is being written to show some signs of existence. It seems difficult to proceed with this article, as refraining from writing takes practice away. Nevertheless, efforts will be exerted to write up some news.

At the last monthly meeting, the "Bank night" award was received by Tres Zekrysek who treated each member present as a token of thanks. By the way the meeting referred to was attended by girls only. The boys stayed home for some reason or other. (Probably they got together and wanted to see if we could carry on without their assistance.) Our President and V. President being male members, girl substitutes were appointed, and so we carried on. The girls will, no doubt, laugh, as I am, when they recall what we used for a game. After a lengthy discussion, the plans for a card party were dropped. Other matters on hand were discussed, and so passed an "all girl" meeting.

Polka Dance—April 10

At this time we wish to announce the Excelsiors' Spring Polka Dance to be held on April 10. An all-girl committee is in charge of completing the elaborate plans for this polka

The John Smiths

Incidentally, the dance is being held to comply with the request of many of our patrons who have attended and enjoyed our previous polka dances. The Italian ballroom on Main avenue has been chosen as the site. The committee in charge, namely—Tres Zekrysek, Ann Ranics, Elizabeth Raub, Ann Groznik, Justine Struble, Josephine Sivic, Nellie Vukelic, Sophia Steklacka, Mary Derglin, and Jean Smrekar have agreed to work with a cooperative spirit as their guide and a success their result. They hope to establish this idea in the minds of the entire Excelsior membership and in this way arouse their enthusiasm for the dance. Recalling last year's polka dance, a very realistic picture enters my mind. All was very merry on that February evening. . . . laughter filled the hall. . . . decorations were carried out in red and white with hearts as the background. . . . a Rev was the lucky winner of the clock. . . . old folks danced with the gang. . . . the cake-walk was another successful feature. . . . folks keep talking about that polka dance. This year's affair, we hope, will surpass it. Nevertheless, that's what the girls conclude. Frankly speaking, the girls all wish it to be a success. The orchestra has not yet been selected, but a final de-

By Harold Magin

YOU KNOW, TWEET, MR. SNOOP'S STORY DOES SOUND KINDA FUNNY AT THAT!

YES, IT DOES SEEM STRANGE HOW HE HEARD ABOUT THE NEW GERSHOFF MEN PLANNING TO MARCH ON GATE NO. 5—

I WONDER HOW HE RECEIVED THE INFORMATION?

OH, WELL—DON'T BOTHER YOUR HEAD, TOBY— YOU'D BETTER GO HOME AND GET AT YOUR SCHOOL WORK.

YEH, OKAY, TWEET.

TOBY STARTS FOR HOME AND AS HE PASSES THE HOPE DRUG STORE, MR. HOPE CALLS TO HIM—

SAY, TOBY!!—I WONDER IF YOU'D DROP A BOX OF POWDERS OFF AT BARNEY JENSEN'S HOUSE?

YOU BET I WILL!

THEY BRIG HGT BARNEY HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL TODAY—

—AND DR. PATIENT PRESCRIBED THESE SLEEPING POWDERS IN CASE HE BECOMES RESTLESS!

GUESS I'LL TAKE A SHORT-CUT DOWN THIS ALLEY

A FEW STEPS DOWN THE ALLEY HE SUDDENLY STOPS!!... HE HEARS A VOICE EMANATING FROM AN ABANDONED GARAGE—

GOSH, THAT SOUNDS LIKE MR. SNOOP—WONDER WHAT HE COULD BE DOING IN THERE?

YEH, IT'S MR. SNOOP, ALL RIGHT, AND—

HE'S IN THERE TALKIN' WITH MR. SNOOP UPSTART!

HOLY SMOKES!! NOW I KNOW THERE'S SOMETHING FISHY ABOUT THAT STORY MR. SNOOP WAS TELLING!

PUTTING THE BOX OF SLEEPING POWDERS IN HIS POCKET, TOBY HURRIES ON HIS WAY—

TOBY'S CURIOSITY IS AROUSED AND HE PEERS THRU THE GARAGE WINDOW—

Lodge Letters

PIONEER BOWLING NEWS CHICAGO.—With only five more nights to go, the Blvd. Florals clinched 1st place by winning 2 games from the SNPJ office March 16.

on the grand sportsmanship which was displayed by all the participants. We regret not having been capable of clinching more honors at the bowling matches with the Pioneers.

Our dance will be held in Davis in Benedetto's hall. This will be also a change in location, but it will be all for the best.

matic moment and tragedy which will remain long in your memory. Besides these characters, there will be a large supporting cast and also a singing chorus.

Library will celebrate its Tenth Anniversary with a program and dance. Among the presentations on the program we will have the following:

All this will be held at 15333 Waterloo road on Easter Sunday beginning at 7 p. m. The admission is only 30c and Ed Barbic and his Troubadors will serenade the dancers.

friends from Clairton, Broomfield, Canonsburgh, Sygan, Covale, and Pittsburgh. A good time is assured to all. Admission is only 25c.

"SLAVIA" LODGE SPONSORS DANCE CHICAGO, ILL.—Since some of you SNPJ members in Chicago and vicinity read mostly the English section of the Prosveta, allow me to remind you that Slavia Lodge, No. 1, SNPJ, is sponsoring a dance at the SNPJ hall next Saturday eve, March 27.

The final standings are as follows: Team Won Lost Ballots 36 30 Insurance 35 31 Policy 31 35 Votes 30 36

While Dynamic Detroit is fighting for its rights, here in Cleveland in the heart of the Strugglers' community the Slovene Section of the Fisher Body CIO local 45 of the UAWA is sponsoring a mammoth Victory Dance on Saturday, March 27, at the Slovene Workmen's Home on 15333 Waterloo rd.

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Time and again the question has been brought up as to whether or not the members of a fraternal organization are morally obligated to assist one another in their lodge and personal affairs.

Yes, sir, it's the talk of the town now, and with only a little more than 5 months away, who wouldn't? That's it, the big SNPJ day, which Milwaukee has the pleasure of having will soon be upon us.

DETROIT, MICH.—The great thrilling drama "Morje" (Ocean) which will be presented at the Slovene Workers Home, 437 S. Livermore ave., on Easter Sunday, March 28, at 8:00 p. m.

NOTE. The figures entered in items 81 to 88, inclusive, below should relate to benefit funds only. The general or expense fund figures are to be excluded from these items.

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ANTON TROJAR, Dance Committee.

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