

### ZAVEZNIKI PRODIRAJO V NOTRANJNOST ITALIJE

Moskva naznanila nove zmage na severni fronti

### AMERIČANI SE STRELILI 51 JAPONSKIH LETAL

Zavezniški stan v Alžiru. 25. jan.—Zavezniške čete so prodrle dvanajst milj daleč v notranjost Italije ob obrežju Nettuno-Anzio, kjer so se izkrcale zadnje soboto. Slovita apijska cesta in glavna železnica, ki vodita v Rim, sta oddaljeni okrog 12 milj od invazijskega obrežja in možno je, da sta že pod dominacijo zavezniške sile.

Zavezniški stan v Alžiru. 25. jan.—Feldmaršal Albert Kesselring, vrhovni poveljnik nemške armade v Italiji, je zagnal devet divizij v naskoke na glavno fronto pete zavezniške armade, da popravi kolosalno napako, ki je omogočila izkrcanje ameriških in britskih čet na ozemlju v bližini Rima skoro brez odpora.

Fronta pete zavezniške armade je dolga 30 milj in se razteza od Sant Eliaja do Cassina, nemške vojaške trdnjave, kjer se odpira cesta v Rim. Tri nemške divizije so oklopane. Ameriške čete so zavojevale v ljutih bitkah z Nemci ob reki Rapido.

Nemško poveljstvo upa, da bo zadalo strahovite udarce peti ameriški armadi, katere poveljnik je general Mark W. Clark, na fronti pri Cassinu, nakar bo vrglo vso razpoložljivo silo v boj proti zavezniškim četam, ki so se izkrcale v bližini Rima. Te so zasedle Nettuno, pristaniško mesto, 30 milj južno od Rima, in prodrle štiri milje daleč.

London. 25. jan.—Ameriška bojna letala in bombniki so spet bombardirali mesta in industrijska središča v zapadni Nemčiji in nacijska oporišča na francoskem obrežju. To je bil že trideset let napad na te tarče v zadnjih 25 dneh.

Uradno poročilo pravi, da so Američani v spopadih v zraku sestrelili 21 nemških bojnih letal. Nadaljnja tri letala so sestrelili angleški letalci v spopadu nad Holandijo.

Radio Berlin je naznanil, da so zavezniška letala ponovno metala bombe na Sofijo, glavno mesto Bolgarije, na ogrska in avstrijska mesta.

Moskva poroča, da je ruska armada pod poveljstvom generala Leonida A. Govorova prodrla do železnice Krasnogvardejsk-Narva in s tem zaprla izhod nemški oboženi sili okrog 250.000 v smeri Estonije. Ta sila je deloma obkrožena na ozemlju pri Smolkovu, 40 milj južnozapadno od Leningrada.

Maršal Stalin je sinoči naznanil okupacijo Puškina, letovišnega mesta bivših ruskih carjev, in Pavlovska, železniškega centra, 18 milj južno od Leningrada.

Druga sovjetska armada pod poveljstvom generala K. A. Meretskova se vavi naprej od padlega Novgoroda in drobi odpor nemške sile. Glavni del te sile je zbran pri Staraji Rusi na južni strani Ilmenskega jezera.

Zavezniška baza na Novi Gvineji. 25. jan.—Ameriški letalci so bombardirali Rabaul in Bewak, japonski bazi na Novi Britaniji, in sestrelili 51 sovražnih letal, se glasi uradni komunikacije. Operacijah nad Pacifikom so zavezniški letalci v enem mesecu uničili čez tristo japonskih letal.

Drugi rogi ameriških letal so bombardirali japonske baze na otokih Kaven, Maloelap, Jaluit in Kwajalein v Marshallovi grupi in japonske parnike v bližini

### Partizani presekali železnico

Kralj Peter bi se rad vrnil v Jugoslavijo

London. 25. jan.—Jugoslavanski partizani so presekali železniško progo, po kateri so vlaki vozili nemške čete v Tuzlo, mesto v vzhodni Bosni, in zasedli Gračanico, se glasi komunikacije.

Druge partizanske enote so izvršile sunke proti Sušaku na nasprotni strani Reke, na ozemlju ob Jadranskem morju, o katerem so Nemci trdili, da je "pomirjeno." Partizani so prodrli skozi Gračanico, 22 milj severozapadno od Tuzle, in presekali železnico med Tuzlo in Dobojem.

Radio postaja Svobodna Jugoslavija poroča, da so partizani razdeljali železnico. Partizani so odbili nemški napad na svoje pozicije na južni strani Jastrebarska, 20 milj južnozapadno od Zagreba, glavnega hrvaškega mesta.

Radio Budimpešta poroča, da je 25.000 partizanov zavojevalih v ljutih bitkah z Nemci v krajih ob meji Bosne in Srbije.

Kairo, Egipt. 25. jan.—Kralj Peter je izjavil, da bi se rad vrnil v Jugoslavijo in se dejansko udeležil bitk proti nemški okupacijski sili.

### Amerika ne priznava bolivijske vlade

Argentina bo pretrgala odnose z osiščem

Washington, D. C., 25. jan.—Državni tajnik Cordell Hull je odpoklical poslanika iz La Paza in izjavil, da Amerika ne bo priznala bolivijske revolucionarne junte, ki je prišla na krmilo po uspešnem puču in prevzela kontrolo. Puč je bil povezan z osiščnimi napori za ustanovitev bloka proti Združenim narodom v Južni Ameriki.

Formalna deklaracija pravi, da bo Amerika sledila vodstvu Urugvaja, Kube in Venezuele, držav, ki so odklonile priznanje bolivijskemu režimu. Brazilija je zavzela slično stališče kot Amerika. Hull je informiral vse ameriške republike z izjemo Argentine in Bolivije o tem koraku.

Državni tajnik je dejal, da je bil Pierre Boal, ameriški poslanik v Boliviji, pozvan, naj se takoj vrne domov. Poslaniške posele bo v Boalovi odsotnosti opravljal Robert F. Woodward, drugi tajnik.

Buenos Aires, Argentina. 25. jan.—General Alberto Gilbert, argentinski zunanji minister, je informiral poslanika Amerike in Velike Britanije, da bo Argentina pretrgala diplomatske odnose s osiščem ta teden. Po konferenci s poslanikom je Gilbert obiskal Otona Meynena, opravnika nemških poslaniških poslov, in ga obvestil o zaključku. Pozneje je Gilbert naznanil, da bo dr. Adrian S. Escobar zastupil Buenos Aires in odletel v Washington, kjer bo prevzel položaje poslanika. Dalje je naznanil, da je Enrique Ruiz Guinazu resigniral kot argentinski poslanik za Španijo, ni pa razkril vzroka.

Predsednik norveške vlade pri Hitlerju

London. 25. jan.—Radio Berlin poroča, da je major Vidkun Quisling, predsednik lutkarske norveške vlade, obiskal Hitlerja. Razpravljala sta o važnih vprašanjih glede evropske celine in bodočnosti germanskih ljudstev.

otoka Ailingalapa. Eden parnik je bil potopljen, dva pa poškodovana v napadu.

### SOVJETSKO SODELOVANJE Z DELAVSKIM URADOM

Predsednik Roosevelt odobril prizadevanja

PRVA KONFERENCA V PHILADELFIJI

Washington, D. C., 25. jan.—Predsednik Roosevelt je odobril napore, katerih cilj je pridobitev sovjetske Rusije za mednarodno sodelovanje, da se izboljša delavski standard in raztegne socialna zaščita v povojni dobi. Storitveni so bili koraki, da Rusija spet postane članica mednarodnega delavskega urada, organizacije 53 držav, med katerimi je tudi Amerika.

Carter Goodrich, načelnik vodilnega odbora mednarodnega delavskega urada, in delavska tajnica Frances Perkins sta po konferenci z Rooseveltom naznanila, da je bila razprava o načrtih glede ponovnega vstopa Rusije v ta urad in da je predsednik odobril gibanje. Roosevelt je zavzel stališče, da je Rusija pripravljena kooperirati z mednarodno organizacijo.

Moskva je že prevzela vso odgovornost v političnem smislu na podlagi teheranskega sporazuma, v poljedelskem v smislu dogovorov, sprejetih na konferenci reprezentantov Združenih narodov v zadnjem poletju in finančnem smislu na podlagi zaključkov konference za obnovo in pomoč, ki se je vršila v Atlantic Cityju, N. J. Gibanje je v soglasju s petim členom Atlantiskega čarterja, ki pravi, da sta Amerika in Velika Britanija za popolno kooperacijo med vsemi narodi na ekonomskem polju v svrhu izboljšanja delavskega standarda, socialne zaščite in pospešitve ekonomskega napredka.

Ti cilji so tudi cilji mednarodnega delavskega urada, ki je bil tesno povezan z Ligo narodov od 1. 1919. Ko je bila Rusija izključena iz Lige v decembru 1. 1939, je prenehala biti članica delavskega urada, s katerim je prej kooperirala.

Mednarodni delavski urad bo imel prvo polno konferenco v Philadelphiji, ki se prične 20. aprila. Vodilni odbor tega urada je izjavil, da izboljšanje delavskega standarda ni mogoče brez kooperacije sovjetske Rusije.

Nemški načrt se je izjalovil, pravi Pravda

Moskva. 25. jan.—Pravda glasilo komunistične stranke, ki je nedavno objavila poročilo iz Kaira, da sta se dva angleška visoka uradnika pogajala z nemškim zunanjim ministrom Ribbentropom glede sklenitve separatnega miru, pravi, da se je nacijsko upanje glede ustvaritve razkola med zavezniki izjalovilo. Pravda je ponovila deklaracijo sovjetske vlade, da sta konferenci v Moskvi in Teheranu blokirali nemška prizadevanja za ustvaritev razkola med zavezniki. Na obeh so bili sprejeti zaključki, da bodo Rusija, Velika Britanija in Amerika nadaljevale vojno, dokler ne bo Nemčija popolnoma poražena.

Kompanija in uradniki obtoženi zarote

Seattle, Wash., 25. jan.—Parobrodna družba Moore-McCormack Lines in trije njeni uradniki so bili obtoženi zarote z namenom, da se zavre pošiljanje ameriškega orožja, streliva in druge bojne opreme v sovjetsko Rusijo na podlagi posojilno-najeminskega programa. Obtoženi uradniki so A. V. Moore, K. H. Donaviti in L. F. Klein.

### Domače vesti

Tajnik društva 134 umrl  
Superior, Wyo.—Dne 12. januarja je v bolnišnici umrl Jakob Zajc, star 64 let in rojen v Učaku pri Kamniku (pošta Trojane), član in zadnjih devet let tajnik društva 134 SNPJ, prej pa predsednik. V Ameriki je bil 40 let in tukaj zapušča brata Lovrenca, v Rock Springsu bratranca Jakoba Podbevška, v starem kraju pa dve sestri in druge sorodnike, ako so še živi. Društvo 134 je z njim izgubilo aktivnega odbornika. Bil je tudi delegat na več konvencijah SNPJ in prav tako na zadnji.

Nov grob v Kansasu  
Pittsburg, Kans.—Na Fillerju je 3. t. m. umrl Martin Južnik, star 75 let in rojen v Ronkah na Primorskem, samski in član društva 411 SNPJ. V Ameriki je bival okrog 40 let in tukaj ne zapušča nobenih sorodnikov.

Iz Californije  
Los Angeles, Cal.—Pred dnevi je v Fontani umrl Peter Kraker, rojen v Albanyju, Minn., zet Jakoba Stoniča, znanega potovalnega trgovca v pokoku. Oženjen je bil s Stoničevo mlajšo hčerjo Rose. Tako je Jakob Stonič pred podrugim letom izgubil sina, minulo jesen ženo in zdaj zeta.

Iz Clevelanda  
Cleveland.—Dne 23. t. m. je v bolnišnici umrla Mary Lewis, roj. Marinšek, stara 41 let in rojena tukaj. Zapušča moža, dva sinova, štiri hčere, starše, dva brata in štiri sestre.—Istega dne je naglo umrl Jos. Jakše, star 39 let in rojen tukaj.—Dne 21. t. m. je umrl Jos. Vogrič, star 60 let in doma iz St. Florijana pri Gorici. Zapušča sestro in druge sorodnike. Bil je član društva 26 SNPJ.—Dne 20. jan. je umrla Jožefa Kuhel, roj. Škufca, stara 68 let in doma iz Viseja pri Hinjah na Dolenskem. Zapušča štiri hčere.

### Hillman orisal politične cilje CIO

Apel na unije Ameriške delavske federacije

Chicago, 25. jan.—Sidney Hillman, predsednik unije Amalgamated Clothing Workers in načelnik odbora za politično akcijo Kongresa industrijskih organizacij, se je posvetoval s štiri najstarejšimi pokrajinskimi direktorji odbora o strategiji v zvezi s prihodnjimi primarnimi volitvami.

Hillman je dejal, da bo odbor skušal mobilizirati javni sentiment v prilog zakonskemu načrtu, da se vojniki udeležijo volitev. Avtorja tega načrta sta senatorja Green in Lucas. Odbor bo skušal organizirati podružnice v volilnih distriktih in preiskal bo rekorde kongresnikov, ki bodo ponovno kandidirali pri primarnih volitvah.

"Politični odbor CIO ne bo nastopil proti kongresnikom, ki so bili izolacionisti pred japonskim napadom na Pearl Harbor, temveč le proti onim, ki so pozneje vodili opozicijo proti Rooseveltovemu programu mednarodne kooperacije," je rekel Hillman. "Apeliral bo na unije Ameriške delavske federacije in na neodvisne za sodelovanje."

Lakota pokosila 900,000 Grkov

New York, 25. jan.—Joseph Besso, posebni odposlanec grške ubežne vlade, ki je pravkar dopel sem iz Egipta, je dejal, da je lakota pokosila 900.000 Grkov, odkar so Nemci okupirali deželo. Nemški, italijanski in bolgarski vojski so ustrelili veliko število ljudi. Besso je povedal, da se malarija in jetika širita v Grčiji.

### RUDARSKA UNIJA MORA SPREJETI POGOJE ADF

Clani eksekutivnega sveta imajo polno oblast

POGAJANJA SE BODO NADALJEVALA

Miami, Fla., 25. jan.—Clani eksekutivnega sveta Ameriške delavske federacije so na svoji seji zaključili, da se rudarska unija UMWA lahko vrne v federacijo pod pogojem, da obdrži jurisdikcijo, kakršno je imela 1. 1936, ko je izstopila iz ADF. Takrat je unija imela 400.000 članov.

Od izstopa iz ADF je John L. Lewis, predsednik UMWA, inkorporiral več tisoč delavcev, uposlenih v drugih industrijah, v petdeseti distrikt. Lewis je nedavno izjavil, da mora federacija sprejeti unijo, kakršna je sedaj.

Dokaz, da vprašanje glede vrnitve rudarske unije še ni rešeno, so navodila eksekutivnega sveta posebnemu odboru za pogajanja, naj se ponovno sestane z reprezentanti UMWA z namenom razčiščenja drugih spornih zadev, ki še niso izravnane. Datum sestanka med člani pogajalskega odbora in predstavniki rudarske unije ni bil določen.

William Green, predsednik ADF, je dejal, da smatra zaključek eksekutivnega sveta za korak naprej v prizadevanjih, da rudarska unija pride v federacijo. On ni hotel izjaviti, ali se bo UMWA kmalu vrnila v federacijo. Vprašanje je, ali bo Lewis pristal na stavljenega pogoje ali ne. Clani eksekutivnega sveta imajo polno oblast glede odločitve, ki ne zahteva potrditve s strani članov unij ADF. Green je dejal, da je Lewis naslovil pismo eksekutivnemu svetu, v katerem je pojasnil svoje stališče o jurisdikcijskih problemih, ni hotel pa razkriti vsebine.

Načelnik posebnega odbora, ki se bo pogajal z reprezentanti rudarske unije, je Daniel J. Tobin, predsednik unije voznikov. Drugi člani so George M. Harrison, Matthew Woll, Harvey W. Brown in George Meany.

Clani eksekutivnega sveta bodo danes razpravljali, ali bo ADF poslala svoje reprezentante na mednarodno delavsko zborovanje, ki se bo vršilo v Londonu in katerega se bodo udeležili tudi predstavniki ruskih delavskih unij.

### Tiskarji odobrili postopanje odbora

Izravnava sporov z delodajalci

Washington, D. C., 25. jan.—Vojni delavski odbor je vzel na znanje zagotovilo štirih članov eksekutivnega sveta mednarodne tiskarske unije, da se bodo strinjali s proceduro odbora glede izravnave bodočih sporov med unijo in delodajalci.

Odbor je pozval člane eksekutivnega sveta v Washingtonu, da razkrijejo vzrok opozicije proti postopanju potem, ko je Claude M. Baker, predsednik unije, svedoval uradnikom, naj ne predložijo spornih zadev odboru v izravnavo. Kakor druge unije, je tudi tiskarska dala zagotovilo, da njeni člani ne bodo stavkali, dokler traja vojna.

William H. Davis, načelnik vojnega delavskega odbora, je sklical sejo, na kateri bo razprava o vprašanju, zakaj se ni Woodruff Randolph, tajnik bližnjak tiskarske unije in član eksekutivnega sveta, udeležil zaslišanja.

### Rusi se odpovedali ozemlju na vzhodu

Vlade zavezniških držav informirane

London. 25. jan.—Sovjetska Rusija se je odpovedala raztegnitvi dominacije nad pokrajina Daljnega vzhoda po poročilu iz zanesljivih ameriških virov in je v tem smislu obvestila zavezniške države, ki imajo interese tamka.

To je ustvarilo možnost, da bo Kitajska podelila Rusiji carine prosto cono v neki mandžurski luki, ki pa ni omenjena. V pošte prideta Dairen in Port Arthur ali pa Kiaočov na Sangtunskem polotoku, General Kaišek, vrhovni poveljnik kitajske obožene sile, je baje že obljubil koncesije Rusiji.

Ruska odpoved je značilna iz več razlogov. S tem je v glavnem zavrnila obdolžitve, izrečene v krogih, ki so sovražni sovjetom, da hoče dobiti Mandžurijo in severne kitajske province pod svojo kontrolo.

### Slovanski kongres odobril Rooseveltovo politiko

Pittsburgh, Pa., 25. jan.—Ameriški slovanski kongres je na svoji zaključni seji odobril Rooseveltovo vojno politiko, ni pa sprejel resolucije za ponovno izvolitev Roosevelta. Sodnik Blair F. Gunther, predsednik kongresa, je dejal, da se ta hoče izogniti vmešavanju v evropsko politiko, daš včasih ne more ignorirati nastalih vprašanj. Eno izmed teh je izravnava spora med poljsko ubežno vlado in Rusijo glede ureditve meje. Slednja ne more sama izravnati spora in ta naj se izravnava na konferenci reprezentantov Velike Britanije, Amerike in poljske vlade.

### Kongresnica udarila po Rooseveltovi administraciji

Washington, D. C., 25. jan.—Kongresnica Sumner, republikanka iz Illinois, je okrcala Rooseveltovo administracijo in jo obdolžila, da podpira cportuniste in internacionalce, ki vodijo agitacijo, da premier Stalin nasledi Hitlerja kot diktator Evrope. Ona je govorila v teku ostre debate o resoluciji glede udeležbe Amerike pri izvajanju programa pomoči in obnove evropskih dežel, ki so prišle pod dominacijo Nemčije. Resolucija določa, da Amerika prispeva vsoto \$1.350.000.000 za pomoč in obnovo.

### Unija CIO zmagala pri volitvah

Chicago, 25. jan.—Unija United Office & Professional Workers of America, včlanjena v Kongresu industrijskih organizacij, je zmagala pri volitvah, katerih se je udeležilo 1412 agentov, uposlenih pri Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. Dobila je večino glasov in s tem postala predstavnica vseh agentov pri kolektivnih pogajanjih. Volitve so se vršile pod nadzorstvom federalnega delavskega odbora.

### Papež odklonil nemški predlog

Stockholm, Švedska, 25. jan.—List Aftontidningen je objavil poročilo iz Curiha, Švica, da je papež Pij zavrnil predlog nemških vojaških avtoritet, naj zapusti Vatikan in odpotuje v nemški katoliški distrikt. Odgovoril je, da ne more sprejeti predloga, ker je Vatikan nevtralen, in da se neče postaviti pod nemško nadzorstvo.

### BOLGARSKI PARTIZANI V AKCIJI PROTI NEMCEM

Agitacija za umik iz vojne se nadaljuje

GLAVNO MESTO V RAZVALINAH

Istanbul, Turčija, 25. jan.—Potniki, ki so prišli v zadnjih dneh v to mesto iz Bolgarije, pripovedujejo, da je sabotaža zavzela velik obseg po zavezniškem bombardiranju Sofije, bolgarske prestolnice, in podgala aktivnosti bolgarskih partizanov proti nemškemu vojaštvu.

Partizani so na delu že več mesecev, daš javnost ni bila informirana, ker operirajo v sovraini deželi. Najbolj so aktivni v panagirinskem distriktu, ozemlju, na katerem se je skotila revolta, katera je Bolgariji prinesla neodvisnost 1. 1878. Partizani ne operirajo kot armada, temveč kot posamezne grupe, proti Nemcem. Dokaz, da obstoje, so naznanila v bolgarskem tisku o eksekucijah.

Bolgarski partizani niso komunisti, daš je znano, da so, kot večina prebivalcev, naklonjeni sovjetski Rusiji. V prvi vrsti so Bolgari, ki so uverjeni, da je vlada storila veliko napako, ko se je postavila na stran osišč.

Partizanske aktivnosti so se v zadnjih tednih povečale in dobile oporo pri ljudstvu. Prej je to mislilo, da je dobilo nekaj jugslovanov in grških pokrajinsko pomočjo Nemcev. Zdej, ko delata čuti posledice vojne, dobivajo partizani nove pristaje.

Zavezniški bombni napadi na Sofijo so dobili odziv v agitaciji za umik Bolgarije iz vojne. V več krajih je prišlo do krvavih spopadov med demonstranti, policijo in vojaškimi četami. Naciji so si nakopali odločnega sovražnika v partizanih, ki vrtajo znotraj in izpodkopavajo temelj nemški trdnjavi.

Sofija je v razvalinah kot posledica bombnih napadov. Potniki so povedali, da je ostalo v mestu le 50.000 od 300.000 prebivalcev. Sofija je brez vode in elektrike.

### Argentina grozi z zasego materiala

Vojaški krogi priznali poteškoče

Buenos Aires, Argentina. 25. jan.—Pomanjkanje materiala in bojne opreme za armado je doseglo stopnjo, da so morali vojaški krogi zapreti s konfiskacijo materiala, ki ga posedujejo privatne kompanije.

General Edelmir Farrell je priznal poteškoče in izdal dekret za zasego surovega materiala, strojev in drugih zaloz za armado. Poteškoče so nastale, ko je ameriška vlada odbila apel Argentine za pomoč na podlagi posojilno-najeminskega programa.

Državni tajnik Cordell Hull je v zadnjem septembru zavrnil apel Segunda Stornija, takratnega argentinskega zunanjega ministra, naj Amerika pošilja orožje in stroje Argentini. Hull je v ostri noti poudaril, da Amerika ne bo pomagala Argentini; ker noče preklicati diplomatskih donosajev z Nemčijo in Japonsko.

Kompanije, ki vzdržujejo promet na kopnem, morju in v zraku, javne in privatne, morajo v smislu dekreta dati prednost armadi v vseh ozirih. To velja tudi za Pan American Airways v Argentini, sistem, ki je pod kontrolo ameriške vlade.

# Glasovi iz naselbin

Še nekaj o polemiki v Prosveti

**Bellingham, Wash.**—Vidim, da nekateri vztrajajo, da gre resolucija o smernicah Prosvete na splošno glasovanje iz razloga, ker je "pisanje urednika nasprotno idejam čitateljev." Količko je teh, ki tako mislijo, ne vem. Naj povem, kaj jaz mislim o tem sporu.

Ni treba, da raziskujemo, kaj je zadnja konvencija sprejela. Delegatje so zastopali 99 odstotkov našega delavstva in samo po sebi se razume, da so sprejeli take resolucije, ki so bile črni in razmeram najbolj primerne, torej demokratične. Če pojdejo te resolucije zdej na splošno glasovanje, se bodo oni, ki hočejo imeti glasovanje, prav pošteno osmešili, kajti izvojevali bodo priznanje uredniku. Zmagal bo urednik in smejal se bo v brk svojim nasprotnikom.

To je moje mnenje. Prepričan nisem zaradi demokracije, saj smo vsi—vsaj jaz mislim tako—za demokracije. Nasprotje je nastalo zaradi urednikovega stališča glede sovjetske vlade in partizanov. O sovjetski vladi se trdi, da je le ena oseba: Stalin. Urednikovo pisanje je bilo nasprotno z demokratičnega stališča, katero je, da komunistom ne smemo zaupati, ker so proti demokraciji.

Tukaj, bratje in sestre, je naš urednik v pravem in splošno glasovanje bi potrdilo njegovo stališče. Vse drugo je osebno čustvo ali prikrita osebna mrznost, ki se ne da izravnavati z nobeno resolucijo ali glasovanjem. Vsi imamo sočutje ali mrznost do nekoga in nečesa, kakor že sodimo po lastnih izkušnjah v življenju. Ker so naše izkušnje različne, zato tudi sodimo različno. To delamo ne samo mi, navadni delavci, ki gledamo na življenje vsak po svoje, temveč tudi takozvani izobraženci.

Ako čitaš ameriške časnike, boš opazil dovolj kritike in nesoglasja, pa naj bo predmet demokracija ali diktatura. Po radiu slišiš razne komentatorje, ki tudi niso enakega mnenja; posebno kar se tiče Rusije. Rooseveltova poslanica kongresu tudi ni vsem ugodila.

Pisal sem že, da sta teorija in praksa dve stvari. Ekonomska demokracija na papirju še ni dejstvo. "Ako" in "če" bi neki sveti duh razsvetlil vse delavce in farmarje in vse druge, ki si žele ekonomske demokracije, da bi izvolili Normana Thomasa za predsednika ali Roosevelta in vse člane kongresa na socialistični listi z geslom: Vsakdo naj dela in vsakdo uživa, ki dela! — bi ekonomska demokracija postala kmalu meso in kri, ne bi bila več samo ideja, ki lepo spava.

V Ameriki čakamo na ekonomsko demokratico, odkar je bila ustava sprejeta od prvih trinajstih držav, pa je še ni. Mi se varamo, če mislimo, da je politična demokracija vse. Kadar bo ekonomska demokracija (in socialna, ur.) uvedena, bo po mojem mnenju politična demokracija nepotrebna. Danes pa je osamljena politična demokracija v Ameriki neprestano zlorabljana. Današnja vojna kaže to. Obvezno delo ni demokratično, vendar je predlagano, daš diši po diktaturi. Razmere in potreba spreminja način gospodarstva življenja, ne pa tisto, kar je zapisano.

George Gornik, 493.

**Razmere na antracitnem polju**  
**Wilkes-Barre, Pa.** — V dnevnih novicah čitamo, da je v prvih devetih mesecih leta 1943 dalo življenje 173 premogarjev pri delu na antracitnem polju. To pomeni, da je bil na vsakih 254-399 ton nakopanega premoga ubit en delavec. Pri Glen Alden Coal Co. jih je bilo ubitih 31, pri Hudson Coal Co. 21, ostali pa so bili ubiti pri drugih manjših kompanijah.

Istočasno smo tudi čitali v listih in revijah, da so prej omenjene kompanije napravile več profita v prvih devetih mesecih preteklega leta kot kdaj prej v enakem času v zadnjih 14 letih. Torej velike žrtve delavcev še za večji profit profiterjev.

Koliko delavcev je bilo pobitih in za vedno pohabljenih, ta

poročila ne povedo. Vemo pa, da jih je veliko število. Pri našem društvu Kamnik 204 SNPJ imamo člana, ki je bil pred štiri leti pobit na noge. Ta član je bil pri kompaniji na podpori (compensation) nekaj več kot leto dni. Potem pa so ga pričeli nagovarjati, naj se podpiše, da bo poskusil delati, kar je storil. Poskušal je delati nekaj dni, toda ni mogel. Potem ga kompanija ni hotela več na "compensation". Pritožil se je na državni odškodninski departament in zaveva je prišla pred okrajno sodišče. Tam pa je stvar tako izpadla, da je naš član izgubil vse. Zdej komaj še rabi noge. Videl sem ga dan predno to pišem in siromak izgleda, da ne bo mogel več dolgo rabiti nog.

Poskušal sem, da bi tega člana kam odpremil, ampak naš okraj nima nobenega zavetišča za osemoglet. Okraj Luzerne se živi 90% od premogarjev, toda nima nobenega doma ali zavoda za onemogle. Pred okrajnim sodiščem je prav zdej vprašanje, ali se Glen Alden Coal Co. oprostilo ali zniža davke za \$15-000,000. Skoraj gotovo, da bo kompanija tudi zmagala, kajti denar govori. Torej ni čudno, da je okraj tako "broke".

Od premogarjev pa vsako leto zahtevajo po \$10-\$15 za Community Chest. Nič ne vprašajo, če hočeš dati ali ne, nego pravijo — "you must". Kadar pa kak delavec potrebuje pomoči — try and get it!

Zadnja leta, posebno pa v času te vojne je veliko delavcev zapustilo premogorove in šli so v druge industrije za boljšim kosom kruha. Veliko premogarjev še dandanes zasluži le toliko, da komaj preživijo sebe in svojo družino. To je tudi vzrok, da primanjkuje premogarjev na antracitu.

Glen Alden Co. se hoče prikazati kot zelo patriotična in tako je izjavila, da bo uposlila vojne ujetnike, če dobi dovoljenje od federalne vlade. Tukajšnji premogarji in njih unijski voditelji protestirajo proti tej nakani Glen Alden Co.

Nekatera poročila pravijo, da se delodajalci in federalna vlada precej uče iz te vojne glede vprašanja, če so moški in ženske, stari 65 let, "outlived their usefulness", to je če so še zmogni za delo. Poročilo od Old Age and Survivor Insurance, kakor tudi od Social Security Boarda pravi, da se je registriralo za delo 600,000 mož in žena, starih 65 let ali več.

Nobenega dvoma ni, da so ti ljudje še sposobni za kakšno delo. Veliko teh starčkov in starih je prijavilo za delo iz patriotičnih namenov. Nekateri so bili pred vojno odstranjeni od dela samo radi tega, da so delodajalci postavili na njih mesta mlajše in močnejše delavce, iz katerih so mogli izprešati več profita. Na antracitnem premogovnem polju ni pred vojno mogel dobiti dela, kdor je bil star 40 let ali več.

Zdej pa nasprotniki starostne pokojnine pravijo: Če so 65 let stari možje in žene sposobni za delo, tedaj je to dokaz, da ni treba znižati starostne dobe za pokojnino na 60 let ali še manj. Tako pravijo delavski nasprotniki, ki hočejo izrabiti to poročilo v svoj namen in so proti znižanju starosti v svrhu starostne pokojnine.

Dolžnost delavcev je, da se organizirajo in zahtevajo znižanje starostne dobe v svrhu pokojnine s 65 na 50 let, kakor tudi garancijo dela, dokler je človek sposoben za delo. Če tega ne, potem pa socialno zavarovanje, ki mora znašati najmanj 75% delavčeve plače. Sedanj sistem socialne zaščite je nezadosten.

Frank Vratarič.

## SANS in vojna

**Chicago, Ill.**—V petek, 28. januarja, bo v klubu št. 1 v Slov. del. centru, 2301 S. Lawndale Ave., razprava o delu SANSa in skupnem jugoslovanskem riboboru, ki ga skrajšano imendje ZOJSA.

Uvod v razpravo napravi Frank Zaitz, član Sansove eksekutive, ki bo podal svoje vtise o prvi seji Sansovega širšega odbora. Vršila se je 8. januarja v Chicagu.

Točke, ki pridjejo v razpravo, so:



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Ako to gibanje dominirajo komunisti—kakšni so njihovi nameni?

Ali je prva konferenca Sansovega širšega odbora sporne duhovne pomirila?

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Vstop vsakemu prost.—P. O.

## Draštvene priredbe

**Veselica društva All Americans**  
**New York.**—Udeležila sem se zadnje seje društva All Americans 580 SNPJ. Zdej imamo novo predsednico Cecilio Maurin, tajnica je aglina Jennie Padar, zapisnikar pa je mlajši Padar. Imamo torej dobre odbornike in zato naše društvo tudi dobro napreduje.

V soboto zvečer, dne 12. febr. bomo imeli društveno veselico, tako zvan "Valentine dance" pri Franku Arnezu, 66-91 Forest ave. Društvo vabi vse Newyorčane, Brooklyncane in iz vse okolice, kakor tudi iz Elizabetha, N. J. Jaz vem, da bodo naši Slovenci tudi zapeli, kakor na vsaki veselici. Za prigrizek bo skrbel odbor, za ples pa naša godba, da bomo brusili pete. Torej ste vabljeni vsi Slovenci in Jugoslovanci v Greater New Yorku, ob priliki pa vam povrnemo. Več bo poročala Jennie Padar v angleški sekciji Prosvete. Na svidenje 12. febr.

Mary Tursich.

## Bodo imeli "pig roast"

**Luzerne, Pa.**—Društvo Kamnik 204 SNPJ priredi veselico v soboto zvečer, 5. febr. v Italijanski dvorani na 204 Oliver st. Imeli bomo "pig roast", na raznih pečeno svinjino. Tisti, ki ljubijo svinjino, jo bodo lahko dobili brez pointov. In svinjina tudi ne bo "butlegarska". Če pridete, smo sigurni, da boste zadovoljni.

Večerja se prične ob šestih in bo tako dolgo trajala, dokler bo kaj svinjine. Kot običajno, bo tudi mehka in trda pijača. Zagotavljamo vse, da ne bo ničesar manjkalo. Samo pridite od blizu in daleč. Torej na svidenje 5. februarja zvečer.

Frank Baloh, tajnik.

## Veselica za stari kraj

**Imperial, Pa.**—Kot je bilo že poročano, prirede skupno veselico vsa tukajšnja društva in gospodinjstvi klub v soboto zvečer, 29. jan. v dvorani društva 106 SNPJ. Ves preostanek bo šel v sklad pomožne akcije JPO-SS in Sansa.

Uljudno vabimo vse rojake iz bližnje okolice in člane društev. Pridite na to veselico, ker skoraj vsakdo ima svojce v starem kraju in je naša dolžnost, da jim pomagamo, kolikor moremo, kajti oni gredo skozi strašno trpljenje. Zato upamo na veliko udeležbo s strani članstva in rojakov. Pobirali se bodo tudi prostovoljni prispevki. Imeli bomo dobro godbo—slovenski trio iz Brownavilla. Vstopnina bo 50c za osebo—za vsa enako. Torej pridite od blizu in daleč. Odpri srce, odpri roke, otiraj bratovske solze. Vabi—

Veselični odbor.

## Maškera društva 615

**Los Angeles, Cal.**—Naše društvo Gora Wilson 615 SNPJ priredi predpustno maškeračo in plesno zabavo v soboto, 12. febr. Vrši se v Ameriško-hrvaški dvorani na 330 South Ford Blvd.

Na to zabavo naše društvo prijazno vabi vse Slovence in

Hrvate. Oddane bodo tri nagrade. Najlejša in najpomembnejša maska dobi prvo nagrado in tako druga in tretja. Igrala bo najboljša godba. Za prigrizek in pijačo bo skrbel društveni odbor tako, da boste zadovoljni vsi. Torej na svidenje 12. febr. v dvorani na 330 S. Ford Blvd. Jacob Stonich, predsednik.

**Veselica gospodinjstevskega kluba**  
**Midway, Pa.**—Tukajšnji gospodinjstvi klub priredi veselico v soboto, 5. febr. v dvorani SNPJ. Za ples bo igrala živahna godba, ki je znana pod imenom Slovenian Swing Kings, ki ustreže starim in mladim. Vsa sosedsnja društva in gospodinjstvi klubi so uljudno vabljeni, kakor tudi vsi prijatelji, da nas obiščejo na tej zabavi. Vabi—  
Veselični odbor.

## Iz gibanja SANSa in JPO-SS

**Klic Johnstownčanom**  
**Johnstown, Pa.**—Na zadnji seji naše podružnice 4 Sansa smo razpravljali, kako bi v Johnstownu poživili delo za Sans. Na predlog tajnice je bilo sklenjeno, da dobimo stik z ostalima dvema podružnicama v svrhu skupne priredbe, ki bi se vršila, kadar bi bilo vse pripravljeno. Čas in prostor bi določili na skupni seji.

Za to priredbo bi dobili govornike od eksekutive Sansa. To bi bila velika manifestacija našega naroda, kar bi napravilo dober vtis tudi na splošno javnost v tem mestu.

Tajnici je dana naloga, da pozivijo do prihodnje seje, če se ostali dve podružnici strinjata z nami. Johnstown je bolj majhen, zato je treba skupnosti. Če se vse tri podružnice potrudijo, se lahko doseže velik uspeh.

Bratje in sestre, ne spimo sanjnice zaspangaj! Zbudimo se iz mrtvila, stopimo na noge, kakor pravi vojak. Naj res čujejo gore in bregovi, da sinovi Slave smo. Samo premislimo, kakšen vtis bi bil na ameriško javnost, če pridemo vsakupaj, vsi Slovenci te okolice. Vse to lahko dosežemo s skupnimi močmi.

Poglejmo druge naselbine, kaj vse so zmogle napraviti. Ali naj stojimo mi v ozadju in pustimo trudit in delo drugim? Ali res mislite, da tukaj nismo zmogni ničesar napraviti? Smo, le požrtvovalnosti in akcije je treba, pa bo več življenja. Naši rodni bratje v stari domovini se ne boje žrtve. Ali nas ne bo sram pred tako hrabri junaki, če bomo le čepeli doma pa jamrali in držali roke križem? Torej na delo! V kratkem obiščem obe podružnici, da se dogovorimo o vsem potrebnem.

Mary Vidmar.

## Iz urada podružnice 9 JPO in 36 Sansa

**Waukegan-North Chicago, Ill.**—Glavna letna seja poružnice 36 Sansa se vrši v soboto, 29. januarja ob 8. uri zvečer v Slovenskem narodnem domu. Na to sejo so vabljeni vsi uradniki, društveni zastopniki (ice) in v splošnem vsi rojaki in rojakinje v naselbini, kateri so člani te podružnice.

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Aktivnost v tem delu je nekaj odnehala, ker je toliko drugih važnih zadev, katere so prišle na površje zaradi vojnih razmer. Vendar pa se vidi, da ljudstvo ni pozabilo na to stvar in ob priliki bomo zopet nastopili s primernim programom v korist JPO.

Anton Kobal, predsednik,  
Joseph Zorc, tajnik,  
Frank Nagode, blagajnik.

## Letna seja podružnice Sansa in JPO

**Chicago, Ill.**—Glavna letna seja postojanke šte. 8 slovenske sekcije Jugoslovanskega pomožnega odbora in obnemem postojanke šte. 60 SANSa se bo vršila v ponedeljek dne 31. januarja v Tomažinovi dvorani na 1902 West Cermak Road. Pričetek ob pol osmih zvečer. Na dnevnem redu bo volitev odbora za tekoče leto, razmotrivanje o morebitni prireditvi to pomlad in pa druge važne zadeve. Zatorej ste prošeni vsi stari in novoizvoljeni zastopniki in zastopnice, da se te seje gotovo udeležite.

Anton Krapenc, predsednik,  
John Gottlieb, tajnik.

## Sansova seja v Milwaukeeju

**West Allis, Wis.**—Iz urada podružnice 56 Sansa se naznanja vsem zastopnikom in članom, da se vrši prihodnja seja 30. jan. ob dveh popoldne v Sostarichevi dvorani, 539 S. 6th st. To bo obnemem glavna seja, na kateri bo treba izvoliti odbor in ukreniti več važnih stvari za tekoče leto.

Pomniti je treba, da se naš narod še vedno bori in krvavi za svobodo in mi jih ne smemo pozabiti. Zato jim moramo pomagati, kar je tudi naša narodna dolžnost, če nam je res za svobodo in demokratico vsega sveta, zakaj ne bi tudi našim ljudem pomagali do nje. Torej pridite v nedeljo vsi na to sejo.  
Mary Musich, tajnica.

## Od podružnice 48 Sansa

**Cleveland.**—Na letni seji podružnice 48 Sansa se bil izvoljen sledeči odbor: Predsednik Frank Barbič, podpredsednik Andrew Božič (zidar), tajnik J. F. Durn (15605 Waterloo rd.), blagajnik John Zajc, zapisnikar Louis Kaferle; nadzorniki J. F. Terbižan, Mary Durn in Amali-

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Zastopniki so na tej seji sprejeli razne sklepe. Prvi je, da 5. marca priredimo velik ljudski shod v Delavskem domu na Waterloo rd. Povabljeni so razni predstavniki našega naroda — Adamič, Kristan in tudi od Hrvatov in Srbov. O tem bomo poročali pozneje.

Seje naše podružnice se bodo vršile še vedno kot do zdej — četrti petek v mesecu. Vse pošiljateljice in korespondenca za podružnico naj se pošilja tajniku.

Seja je bila dobro posejana in upati je, da bo zanimanje ostalo na višku tudi to leto, sploh dokler ne bo zasijala zarja svobode našemu jugoslovanskemu ljudstvu. Na narod pa apeliramo, naj vsakdo prispeva po svoji moči in tudi upesah, da dosežemo čim boljji uspeh za Sans in skozi njega za osvoboditev ljudstva v starem kraju. Torej na delo vsi in vse.

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# Glasovi iz naselbin

## Še eno mnenje iz Clevelanda

Cleveland, O.—Tudi jaz bi želel izraziti par misli o polemiki, ki jo imamo v Prosveti. Mene se zdi, da je popolnoma prav, da razpravljamo o teh stvareh, o partizanih, o naši zavezniški Rusiji, o demokraciji, diktaturi itd. To so zelo važne stvari, ker danes se napaja zemlja s človeško krvjo po vsem svetu. Partizani so izšli iz ljudstva, oni ne marajo več starega reda, kateri bi moral biti že davno pokopan. Partizani ustvarjajo nov red in so proti ljudskim izkoriščevalcem, zato jih moramo mi podpreti in tudi naša Prosveta.

Mi smo delavci, naši sorodniki v starem kraju so tudi delavci, zato držimo skupaj. Za Rusijo imejmo lepe besede, ker ona je naša zaveznica. Če ne bi Rusija tako močno tolkla po fašistih, bi padlo mnogo, mnogo ameriških vojakov prej, ko bi bil Hitler poražen. Tega nikakor ne smemo pozabiti. Jaz mislim, da se ne bi toliko pričakali, ako bi urednik Prosvete sprejel voljo večine glavnega odbora, ki je sprejel resolucijo, s katero se jaz popolnoma strinjam in v kateri je napisano, da smo naklonjeni partizanom in Rusiji. Vsa ta debata pa se ne bi tako raztegnila, ako bi se brat Čok in Clevelandski Barbič ne delala tako "brihtna", da mislita, da vse vesta, kar pa ni take.

Bratje, narodi se bude. Slovani prinašajo odrešitev in mi smo z njimi. Slovanska kri teče v potokih in ta kri bo prinesla odrešenje ljudstvu. Slova ne pravi, kakor Nemec, da je on polician vladati svetu, ampak da so vsi narodi enaki, črni in beli, židje in kristjani. Tako mislim jaz in še mnogo drugih.

**Anton Švelc,**  
podpredsednik 174 SNPJ.

## O položaju pri nas in po svetu

Davenport, Ia.—Urednik Molek in gl. tajnik Vidler si tolmачita resolucije zadnje konvencije vsak po svoje, jaz pa tolmāčim te resolucije tako, da sta oba v pravem. Vse kaže, da tudi konvencijni resolucijski odsek ni razumel resolucij. Nekateri dopisniki jih tudi ne razumejo in se smešijo zaradi njih. Brat Molek je edini, ki ve pomen teh resolucij, kajti on jih je spisal in predložil odelku.

Izjava, katero je spisal Milan Medvešek in katero je gl. odbor sprejel na svoji zadnji seji z veliko večino, je tako nedolžna, da ne prizadene nobene konvencije resolucije. Jednosta tudi ne bi izgubila na svojem ugledu in principih, če je ta izjava upoštevana. Urednika pa tudi ne more nihče prisiliti, če je ne upošteva. Brat Molek ne verjame vsaki stvari, dokler ni z vseh strani prepričan, da je na pravi podlagi. Seveda bi svoje pisanje lahko predrugačil, če bi hotel.

Konvencijne resolucije so "okej" in zaradi njih ni treba nobenega splošnega glasovanja; jednota bi imela le nepotrebne stroške s tem. Prihodnje leto bo spet konvencija in tedaj lahko obracunate z vsem, kar se vam ne vidi pravilno. Prihodnji mesec zboruje gl. odbor, kateri tudi lahko pogladi, kar se v javnosti ne more storiti.

Polemiko o Rusiji in partizanih pa tudi o ameriški demokraciji lahko imamo. Nikomur ni zabranjena. Ta polemika se lahko vodi brez kakšnih očitkov in namigavanj, kaj je kdo "dobil" in kaj je "delal" po Illinoisu in Wisconsinu. Tudi mi vemo, kaj je kdo delal. Nič ni bilo zoper jednosta, pravila in zakone. Če bi bilo kaj narobe, bi bil prizadeti brač že davno obtožen. Opuščajte take stvari! Vidi se, da nekateri zelo prežijo na to, kaj in kako kdo zine, da ga potem dobi ovrkajo. Nato pa jokajo: Sovražnike imam, same sovražnike, ki me napadajo! Oj, vi možganske medicine, kako čudno delujete!

Ameriške demokracije imamo toliko, kolikor smo je vredni. Če se nam pa zdi, da je premalo demokracije, tedaj razpravljajmo, kako je doseči več. Tudi v Evropi se ne bo demokracije po

teji vojni in v Rusiji tudi ne. Ljudstvo se mora prej učiti, da demokracijo spozna in jo zna rabiti, še prej se pa mora naučiti, da si jo pridobi. Kapitalisti bodo tudi nagajali. Saj veste, da so imeli v Jugoslaviji vse najboljše industrije kapitalisti iz Francije in Anglije in tudi ameriški so bili vmes. Po vojni bodo zahtevali nazaj svoje koncesije in jih bodo tudi dobili in še nove povrh. Politika onih, ki vodijo sedanjo vojno, kaže tako. Po Evropi bo vse uničeno, domovi in industrije, ljudstvo pa bo oropano vsega imetja. Zavezniške vlade ne bodo zmogle vsega; dale bodo le prvo pomoč. In tako bodo angleški in ameriški kapitalisti, ki bodo v stanju pomagati, spet želi. Dobili bodo najboljše koncesije in oni bodo potem delili demokracijo. Delavske organizacije bodo prešibke, da bi kaj dosegle. Čudež bo, če kdo v Evropi sploh dobi demokracijo po vojni.

Nekateri pravijo, da je sedanji kongres slabši kot že dolgo let ne. Nič ni slabši, razlika je le, da sedaj očitno kažejo, kaj so. Ako je prejšnji kongres dal delavcem več svobode in ljudem na splošno nekaj finančne pomoči v brezdelju, je to storil zaradi tega, ker so prej kapitalisti dobili od vlade veliko pomoč. Koliko milijard so dobili, ni znano, toda dobili so jih in nikdar jih ne bodo vrnili. Če kapitalisti ne bi bili dobili, ne bi tudi delovno ljudstvo nič dobilo. Tukaj je bila tista prikrita hinavščina, da vlada nekaj daje zastoj. Sedaj, ko so kapitalisti spet na konju in molzejo v polni meri, je tudi kongres pokazal prav velike robove delavcem in čez čas jih še podaljša.

Verjamem, da bi predsednik Roosevelt z nekaterimi drugimi reved rad vsaj malo pomagal revnemu ljudstvu, toda nima moči. Kdor upa, da bodo republikanski in demokratski krmljarji dali ljudstvu vso demokracijo, se jako moti. Kadar bodo delavci imeli močno politično organizacijo in iskrene voditelje, ne razdiračev, tedaj šele bomo imeli pravo demokracijo, ki bo res vredna tega imena.—Partizani zaslužijo priznanje, toda vprašanje je, če bodo mogli vzdržati toliko časa, da jim zavezniški pridejo na pomoč s svojo ofenzivo. Če ne bodo mogli vzdržati, pride spet v ospredje Mihajlovič in zavezniški bodo potem podpirali njega in Petra. Današnja politika je zvita na vse načine.

**John Artach.**

## V službi Strica Sama

South Chicago, Ill.—Pošiljam sliko Williama Rashina, člana društva 8 SNPJ, z željo, da jo priobčite v Prosveti. On je pristopil v mladinski oddelek leta 1927. Pri božičnicah je večkrat nastopil na odru s kitaro. V odrasli oddelek je pristopil leta 1942 v starosti 17 let in šest mesecev. Kot sin dalmatinskih staršev je takrat tudi šel prostovoljno k ameriški mornarici. Sedem mesecev se je nahajal v Great Lakes Naval Training Stationu, potem pa je bil poslan na Pacifik.



Mlademu Williamu je mama umrla leta 1937. Tudi ona, katica Rashin, je bila članica našega društva. Od takrat so on, oče in sestra Sylvia naprej složni in živel. Iz pisem, ki jih piše

očetu in sestri, je razvidno, da je v tem času na Pacifiku že dosti preстал. Oče in sestra mu želita vse dobro in po zmagi srečen povratek. Enako mu želimo tudi ostali člani društva Delavca.

Od našega društva je do zdaj v oboroženi sili že 22 fantov, ki so raztreseni širom sveta na bojnih poljanah. Želimo srečnega povratka vsem. Zadnji, ki je šel 14. dec., je Joseph Kosich. Za mesec januar so vsi naši člani-vojaki prosti asesmenta — enako kot prejšnje leto.

**Joseph Kosich, tajnik.**

## Še eno "tolmačenje" resolucij

Milwaukee, Wis.—Nekateri čitatelji kritizirajo Prosveto že več let, ker se kot delovski list ne drži svojih delavskih principov in ker v svojih uvodnikih hvali kapitalistično administracijo in njene predstavnike, medtem pa kritizira delavske ustanove in njihove voditelje.—(Resnica je, da Prosveta pohvali Rooseveltovo administracijo, kadar naredi kaj dobrega za delavce, obenem je tudi kritizira, kadar zasluži kritiko z delavskega stališča; prav tako Prosveta dosledno podpira dobre delavske voditelje in ustanove ter kritizira le slabe. Ur.)

Ta sprememba pri Prosveti je prišla takoj, ko je brat urednik zapustil socialistično stranko, a le malo čitateljev je opazilo to spremembo. Večina kritikov se je pojavila šele ob vstopu Rusije v sedanjo vojno. Do vojne so zagovarjali stališče urednika, češ da ima popolnoma prav in s tem so nevedoma zamenjali svoje socialistično prepričanje za drobtine, ki so padle z mize demokratskega "new deala". (Kako slabo sodi br. Vidmar o svojih sodrugih! Pokazati hoče, da je urednik pustil socialistično stranko zato, ker je zamenjal socializem za "new deal" in drugi naši socialisti so mu sledili, resnica pa je, da je urednik obrnil hrbet stranki, ko je zajadrala v komunistične vode z znano detroitsko deklaracijo, ohranil pa je do danes svoje staro prepričanje demokratskega socializma, ki ga je Prosveta zagovarjala od svojega začetka. Ur.)

Brat urednik je pa dobro vedel, da nima prav (kako br. Vidmar ve, da je urednik vedel, da nima prav? Ur.), ker takrat je Prosveta še imela delavske smernice, zato je spisal tisto slavno resolucijo, s katero je položil delavske smernice pod noge Rooseveltovi administraciji in katero je predložil zadnji konvenciji SNPJ v Pittsburghu v odobritev. — (Kako je mogel urednik položiti Prosvetne delavske smernice Rooseveltu pod noge, ko pa je prišla sprememba pri Prosveti že pet let prej z njegovim izstopom iz socialistične stranke, kakor pravi br. Vidmar? Zakaj dopisnik sproti pozabi, kaj zapíše? Ur.)

Zanimivo pri tem je to, da so za to resolucijo glasovali tudi delegati socialističnega priprčanja, ki danes zagovarjajo Rusijo in partizane, s katerimi se strinjam tudi jaz. S sprejetjem te resolucije je br. urednik popolnoma dosegel svoj namen, namreč da Prosveta preneha s širjenjem socializma.—(Resolucija, o kateri govori br. Vidmar, nima nič opraviti s smernicami Prosvete; tiče se le stare domovine in svetovnega položaja. Na isti konvenciji je bila soglasno sprejeta tudi resolucija o smernicah Prosvete, ki je bila tudi spisana in predložena po uredniku. Glavna točka te resolucije se glasi, da mora biti Prosveta urelevana v smislu politične, ekonomske in socialne demokracije. Kaj pomenijo te tri vrste demokracije? Demokracijski socializem? Ali br. Vidmar razume, kaj čita in sploh ve, kaj govori? Ur.)

Zelo se pa urednik moti, ko odgovarja svojim kritikom, da ima na podlagi omenjene resolucije pravico, da kritizira tudi rusko vlado. To potrjujem s sledečim pojasnilom: omenjena resolucija določa med drugim tudi tole: "Drugič odobrava zunanjo politiko Franklina D. Roosevelta, predsednika Združenih držav in njegove administracije ter upa, da bodo Združene države stale zvesto ob strani Velike Britanije in Sovjetske Rusije itd." Ker je politika predsednika Roosevelta in njegove administracije zelo naklonjena so-

vjetski vladi in ji stoji na strani, je ne samo potrebno, pač pa naravnost dolžnost Prosvete, da piše lepo in dostojno o Rusiji in njenih voditeljih. Vsako nasprotno pisanje o Rusiji in njenih voditeljih, kakor je bil na primer članek "Težave prijateljstva s Stalinom," ki je bil priobčen v Prosveti 14. jan., je v konfliktu z omenjeno resolucijo in proti želji zadnje konvencije.—(Resolucija je odobrila ameriško zunanjo politiko glede vojne in izrekla upanje, da bo Amerika še nadalje pomagala Rusiji z bojnim materijalom za poraz Hitlerja, to je vse. Vse drugo je konfuzija br. Vidmarja. Resolucija nikjer ne govori o kakšni sovjetski politiki. Amerika je zaveznik Rusije v orožju, ne pa v notranji sovjetski politiki. Konfuzija je tudi v tem, ker br. Vidmar v začetku dopisa piše, da Prosveta hvali kapitalistično administracijo in dalje piše, da je urednik na zadnji konvenciji položil isti Rooseveltovi kapitalistični vladi pod noge delavske smernice, zgoraj pa piše, da je ista kapitalistična administracija zelo naklonjena sovjetski vladi in zato mora urednik lepo pisati o njej. . . . Kje je glava in kje so noge? Ur.)

Gledé partizanov je pa odločil gl. odbor, ker konvencija jih še ni poznala. Gl. odbor je imel v tem oziru vso pravico odločati kot najvišja instanca med konvencijo in splošnim glasovanjem. V to je bil prisiljen zaradi novih razmer v Jugoslaviji in na podlagi omenjene resolucije. To, kar se danes dogaja v Jugoslaviji, kjer se skupina suženj bojuje za svobodo proti velikanski premoči razbojnikov, nima para v zgodovini našega naroda.

Priporočilo nekaterih bratov, naj se da na splošno glasovanje, če smo za Rusije in partizane, je nepotrebno. Potrebno je le, da se uredništvo drži sklepov zadnje konvencije (in teh se odločno drži! Ur.) in določb gl. odbora, pa bodo lahko vsi prijatelji Rusije, partizanov in "new deala" zadovoljni.

**Joe Vidmar, 747.**

## Društvene in druge zadeve

Detroit, Mich.—Dne 19. februarja bo veselica v predvajanjem slik Slovenije, katero priredijo tukajšnja društva, med katerimi so sodelovali tudi naše društvo št. 121 SNPJ. Ves dobiček je namenjen v pomoč partizanom, borcem za osvoboditev Slovenije in Jugoslavije izpod fašističnih tiranov. Apelira se na vse člane društev in druge rojake, da se omenjene veselice udeležijo.

Marsikateremu članu društva št. 121 ni znano poslovanje pri društvu v zadnjem letu. Kot sem že v prejšnjem dopisu omenila, se ne udeležujejo sej. Izgovor je—prezaposlenost in različni šihiti. Kakor vedno prej, tako je tudi lansko leto društvo darovalo lepe vsote za razne dobrodelne organizacije in name. Vojnih bondov smo kupili za \$225. Za Red Cross smo dali \$35, za božično darilo našim vojakom \$55, kakor tudi od street kare povoženi članici \$5, Vseslovaškemu kongresu \$10. Iz blagajne smo darovali za Slovenski ameriški narodni svet (Sans) \$120. Med člani se je nabralo \$80. Prirejena veselica v to svrhu je prinesla \$65. Skupaj darovali za Sans \$265. Iz blagajne smo darovali za pomožno akcijo \$65. Članarina Prosvetni matiči \$18. Skupno darovali v lanskem letu \$678, oziroma smo darovali \$453, kajti vsota \$225 v bondih lahko izmenjamo v denar, ako bo potreba.

Kot razvidno, smo pri društvu veliko več darovali za Sans kot pa za jugoslovansko pomožno akcijo. Mnenje članstva, kakor prav gotovo tudi drugih rojakov je, da se naše rojake v prvi vrsti osvobodimo suženjstva, v katerem jih drži nacizem in fašizem, ter reši njih domovino, katero so brutalneži razkosali in podjarmili.

Vendar pa, kot je razvidno iz poročila tajnice pomožne akcije mrs. Kraitze, se je nabrala v Detroitu lepa vsota nad \$900. V priobčenem poročilu je naredila nekaj pomot, kar se bi lahko vsakemu pripetilo. Kajti uvrstila imena prispevalcev in njih vsote do bišice pravilno, posebej ker tajnice teh organizacij nima pogovornih imen in vsot po abecednem redu.

In da bo več pomot, priskoči še tiskarski škrat in ji še on prisoli nekaj pomot. Nekateri pomotoma izpuščeni so takoj v luftu in ne morejo počakati, da se pomote izpravljajo. Nekateri so tako pozabljivi ter ne vedo, da so vsoto darovali predno je bila tukajšnja podružnica pomožne akcije ustanovljena ter da je bila njegova vsota poslana na gl. predsednika Cankarja in bila tudi v Prosveti priobčena. Nekateri tudi pozabijo, da so darovali Sansu in ne pomožni akciji. Ne vedo, da je tukaj postojanka za nabiranje prispevkov, da se bo nahranilo, obleklo in obulo siromake v stari domovini.

Druga postojanka z okrajanim imenom je Sans, katera nabira prostovoljne prispevke, da se jih, kot že rečeno, osvobodijo in vrne njih zemlja, katera je sedaj razkosana in jim vzeta.

Kdor je v dvomu, da ni bila njegova vsota oddana, kamor spada, se naj obrne glede pomožne akcije na mrs. Kraitze, 17838 Hawthorne st., glede Sansa pa na tajnico Lio Menton, 1205 Palestine st. Kdor je daroval za pomožno akcijo predno je bila podružnica iste tukaj ustanovljena, se naj obrne na gl. predsednika V. Cankarja v Chicagu.

Ravno tako, kdor želi nadalje prispevati omenjenim organizacijam, kaj se seveda priporočljivo, se naj obrne in darove izročijo omenjenima tajnicama, ali pa blagajnikom. Ne trosite kake sumnje na okoli ter se poprej prepričajte in pronajdite, je li vaš dar prišel na pristojno mesto. Sumnje in refleksije meta-ti zahrbtno na nabiralca ali na nabiralco predno imate dokaz, je nepošteno in falotsko.

Našim prijateljem se za poslano božične kartice s soprogom prav lepo zahvaljujemo. Mi nismo poslali nikomur!

**K. Junak, 121.**

## Odgovor Barbiču

Hermnia, Pa.—Ko sem zadnjič odhajal na pot, sem opazil in tudi površno prečital Barbičev dopis, tikajoč se "prodajalca možganskih medicin" in upornih bratov v Clevelandu. Ker sem bil od onega časa opozorjen že od mnogih čitateljev Prosvete, ali bom kaj odgovoril ali ne, torej ne kaže drugega, še sploh pa radi tega, ker čitatelji ne vedo, za kaj gre v tistem Barbičevem dopisu z dne 7. jan.

Barbičeve vrstice seveda dobro razumem. Tudi on lahko ve, da sem bil ves čas na zadnji konvenciji jednote, dasi ne kot delegat, marveč kot namestnik. Kot opazovalec sem imel boljše prilikot kot delegatje sami, da sem ujel vse, kar je bilo zanimivega, ker mi ni bilo treba napenjati možganov, kaj bi povedal, če bi bil delegat.

Moja pripomba, na katero mi br. Barbič odgovarja, ni bila žaljiva za nikogar. Omenim pa naj, da ljudje v pretežni večini ne vidijo radi stalnega pikanja in zato sem to tudi javno povedal. Bratu Barbiču naj tudi omenim, da ni bilo treba pogrevati tistega, kar se je zgodilo pred tremi leti. Ako se je kak delegat dogovoril s kom, da agitira zanj, da bi bil na konvenciji v Pittsburghu izvoljen v glavni urad, je zadeva tet dveh bratov in njih prijateljev.

Po pravilih naše dobre organizacije imajo to pravico vendar vsi člani, vsi delegatje. Saj so kandidatje tudi tretali člani, da so bili izvoljeni za delegate, sicer ne vsi, ampak veliko je bilo tako izvoljenih pri društvih. Take stvari se ne dajo tako lahko prepričati, ker člani sami so na to nagnjeni, sicer ne vsi, ali skoraj večina je taka, ako je prilika. In tako se dela tudi pri volitvah za državne uradnike. To bo še dolgo trajalo, kajti ljudje se posamezno ne zanimajo, da bi vedeli in spoznali, kdo je kdo itd.

Torej, brat Barbič, mogoče je bil tak dogovor, ampak dokaza črno na belem nima, da je služilo onih 50 copakov v ta namen. Jaz ti to odgovorim naravnost, ker ljudje mislijo, da se to tiče podpisanega. Sicer sem tudi jaz agitiral na zadnji konvenciji za vse stare odbornike, in sicer ne da bi me kdo prosil ali nagovarjal k temu. To sem storil na lastno iniciativo, ker starih odbornikom prizna-

vam zasluge pri organizaciji. Ako komu ne morem dokazati, da zanemarja svoje dolžnosti in naloge do jednote in članstva, kakor mu jih nalagajo pravila, potem nimam razloga, da bi ga rinitil iz službe. Kaj ste še videli, da bi kaka korporacija odslavila človeka, ki ji je zvesto služil? Navadno tega ne delajo.

Torej ali morete dokazati našim odbornikom, da se ne drže smernic jednote in dela, ki ga morajo opravljati? Ako ni takega dokaza, je moje mnenje, da jih ponovno izvolimo. Ali nismo Rooseveltu volili že tri termine in mogoče ga bomo še četrtič, in sicer zato, ker izpolnjuje svoje dolžnosti.

Ampak to še ne pomeni, da ne bi šmel nihče drugi kandidirati, pa bilo proti glavnim odbornikom ali proti Rooseveltu. Kdor bi se postavil na protivno stališče, bi bil za diktaturo. Naša pravila dajejo pravico vsakemu članu in članici, da lahko kandidira za delegata, kakor tudi vsakemu delegatu, da lahko kandidira za glavnega ali upravnega odbornika. In tudi agitacija ni prepovedana. Torej kaj pljuval v lastno skledo, če bi bil proti tej demokratični uredbi.

In dasi ima vsak delegat pravico kandidirati v glavni odbor, je vendar priporočljivo za organizacijo, da obdrži stare in izkušene funkcionarje. Teh bi ne mogla imeti, če bi jih spreminjali na vsaki konvenciji, kajti za vsako delo je potrebna praksa predno človek postane dober delavec.

Ko je moj sin graduiral na Carnegie Tech. za električnega inženirja in se je v krizi leta 1932 prijavil pri agentu sovjetske Rusije za službo, ga ta ni vprašal, kakšnega političnega mišljenja je, marveč koliko prakse ima. Ko mu je povedal, da je šel graduiral, mu je agent odgovoril, da v Rusiji sami producirajo graduante, toda potrebujejo ljudi, ki imajo najmanj deset let izkušnje, da bodo lahko druge učili, kako znizati stroške in izboljšati produkcijo, da Rusija doide kapitalistične tržave.

Torej ruski agent je vedel, kaj dela. Ni iskal politikov, marveč izkušene inženirje. Mojemu sinu je tudi povedal, da ima že sto tisoč prošelj pred njim. Torej zakaj naj bi ni rinitil naše izkušene in zaslužne ljudi iz službe pri naši organizaciji. Ali se vi dobro počutite, ko vas družba odpusti po 20 letih garancije? Prav gotovo ne. In kar ne želite sebi, tudi ne želite svojemu bližnjemu. In vsak nov uslužbenec ali uradnik se mora učiti predno postane dober delavec. Torej bodimo tolerantni napram našim uslužbenecem in dajmo jim priznanje. Ako se pa kdo izneveri svojim dolžnostim, bo podpisani med prvimi, ki bodo zahtevali, da se ga nadomesti.

Bratu Barbiču povem, da sem že 37 let član SNPJ in tudi branil one odbornike, ki so zvesti svojim nalogam. Edino na ta način more organizacija cveteti. Kar se tiče "možganskih medicin", naj Barbič pride k meni in se bo lahko prepričal, ali je moja zbirka manjša od

**Frank Laurich.**

## Domača zabava v Detroitu

Detroit.—Gospodinski klub Slovenskega delavskega doma na 437 S. Livernoisu priredi domačo zabavo v nedeljo popoldne, 30. jan. Vabljeni ste vsi od blizu in daleč. Naupke bomo bruvah klobas in tudi starokrajski kruh bo na mizi. Za članice gospodinjake klub bo vse to zastoj, a drugi ne boste tako srečni. Torej na svidenje v nedeljo popoldne SDD.

**Agnes Kratanik.**

njegove. Imam knjige slavnih pisateljev in sicer v treh jezikih, ki jih v čitanju tudi dobro obvladam. Naj zadostuje za danes.

**Anton Zornik.**

## Nekaj o mladinskem krožku

Midway, Pa.—Glavne seje so za nami. Pri našem društvu 89 SNPJ so bili izvoljeni večinoma stari odborniki, le nekaj je novih. Največje težave imamo dobiti direktorje mladinskega krožka iz razloga, ker pravijo, da je nemogoče kontrolirati male otroke, ker delajo preveč šuma na sejah.

Direktorici Margaret Petach in Wilma Kosem, ki sta lani popoljno vodili krožek, sta izjavili, da še prevzameta za naprej, toda le pod pogojem, da stari ne pošiljajo otrok pod šolsko starostjo na mesečne seje.

Vsled tega prosimo prizadete stariše članov mladinskega krožka št. 22, da to upoštevajo. Obenem jih tudi prosimo, da vsled tega ne zamerijo. Saj mali otroci res ne morejo koristiti na sejah, ker še ne razumejo, za kaj gre. Zato pa toliko bolj nagajajo, skačejo, govore in ropočejo, tako da nič ne slišiš, o čem se govori. Tudi karanje ne zaleže dosti, če pa kaj več rečeš, se lahko pa še zameriš. Torej je najbolje, da otroci pod šestim letom izostanejo od rednih sej. Kadar je zabava, "party" ali piknik, takrat so seveda tudi malčki dobrodošli. Poskusimo na ta način, da bo boljši uspeh.

Apeliram na vse odrasle člane, da se v čim večjem številu udeležujejo društvenih sej, kajti s tem poživljamo zavest bratstva in društvene aktivnosti.

**Lucia Capuder, predsednik.**

## Zabava za vojake

Burgettstown, Pa.—Leta 1942 smo tukaj ustanovili slovenski Service Club, ki še danes obstoji. S pomočjo tega kluba smo vsako leto poslali lepa božična darila v vsoti \$10 vsakemu našemu fantu, ki služi pri vojaki. Ni treba omenjati, da so bili fantje veseli teh daril.

Prej smo še dobro izhajali, ker je bilo še precej fantov doma, ki so nam pomagali. Lani so pa vse pobrali, tako da smo zdaj ostali doma le stari. Kljub temu pa smo sklenili, da priredimo veselico v korist našim fantom-vojakom.

Ta veselico se vrši v soboto zvečer, 29. jan. v Slovenskem domu. Torej uljudno vabimo vse, da se udeležite te naše veselice, kajti vsakomur so fantje pri srcu. Napolnimo Slovenski dom do zadnjega kotička. Pridite vsi od blizu in daleč, da fante zopet razveselimo s kakšnim darilom. Za odbor—

**Frank Laurich.**

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# Glasovi iz naselbin

## Priredba za partizane

**Detroit.**—Tukajšnja podpora in kulturna društva prirede zabavo s primernim programom, od katere bo šel ves prebitok v pomoč osvobodilni fronti v Jugoslaviji. Priredba se vrši 20. febr. v Slovenskem delavskem domu na 437 S. Livernois.

Vse rojake širom Detroita uljudno vabimo, da se udeležijo te priredbe v velikem številu, da s tem pomagamo nekoliko našim hrabrim borcem, ki se tako junsko bore proti okupatorjem. Imeli bomo lep program in dobre govornike—natančneje bo poročano pozneje. Po programu bo zabava. Tudi za potrebo bomo poskrbeli, kar najbolj mogoče v danih razmerah. Gospodinski klub na zapadni strani nam je že vnaprej obljubil, da bo nekaj takega; kar nas bo vse iznenadilo. Vstopnina bo prosta. Torej na svidenje 20. febr. ob dveh popoldne. Za pripravljalni odbor—

**Michael Gregorič, 518.**

## Poziv Lorančanom

**Lorsin, O.**—Vsi Slovenci in Slovenke v naši naselbini so vabljene, da se udeležijo posebne seje v nedeljo zvečer, 30. jan. ob 7:30 uri. To sejo sklicujejo slovenska društva v tem mestu z namenom, da ustanovimo postojanko Sansa.

Vsem, katerim je kaj na tem, da zavladata svoboda in demokracija v naši rojstni domovini, ključem: Pridite na to sejo, ki se vrši v Slovenskem narodnem domu.

Za društvo Bled 17 SNPJ—  
**John Bruce, tajnik.**

## Miha Čok analizuje

**Canton, O.**—V času vojn in ekonomskih kriz se navadno pojavijo različni elementi različnih mnenj in delavci se razcepijo še bolj kot so bili prej razcepjeni. Mi Slovenci v Ameriki smo različnih mnenj in različnih prepričanj, ampak delavci smo skoraj vsi.

Marsikdo je danes doživel, da mu je njegov delavski drug, s katerim je občeval zadnjih 30 let in v katerem je videl iskrenega delavskega sobojevnika, obrnil hrbet. Vsakdo ima pravico, da obrne hrbet svojemu staremu drugu, ako se z njim ne strinja več. Voja, prevrati in druge homatije prinašajo nove in različne elemente, od katerih ima mali človek včasih korist, včasih pa škodo. V takih razmerah zavrež prijatelja in se oklene novega, s katerim se bolj razumeš. V večini slučajev pride potem razočaranje—življenje pa gre vseeno dalje, dokler se spet ne skuha kaj novega.

Ameriški Slovenci smo majhna skupina—le kaplja v velikem morju ameriškega prebivalstva—a tudi med nami so nesporazumi, kakor pri vseh ostalih narodnostih. Nesporazumi so verskega ali političnega značaja, nesporazumi pri naših ustanovah in nesporazumi med posamezniki. To ni nič novega in čudnega in znano je, da to škoduje nam vsem skupaj.

Tudi danes je prišlo med nami do malenkostnega nesporazuma—čprav nekateri, ki so zelo občutljivi, delajo iz muhe konja. Bliznja bodočnost pa ne bo ničesar vedela o tem našem nesporazumu; vse bo izravnano in pozabljeno.

Današnji dopisniki Prosvete so večinoma stari, že osiveli in izgubljeni ostanki nekdanjega živlega slovenskega priseljenstva. Še nekaj let in—ne bo nas več. Ko odidemo, vzamemo s seboj zadnji slovenski časopis v Ameriki. Vse bo šlo z nami vred, le naše življenjske izkušnje in morda naše prepričanje ne bo živelo dalje pri naših potomcih. Stroj, ki danes tiska naša modrovanja, ki jih modrujemo tako, kolikor nam naša skromna zmožnost dovoljuje, bo prenehal tiskati naše misli in besede v slovenščini—in takrat se bomo najboljše razumeli.

Razumeli bi se pa lahko že danes, če bi se hoteli, vsaj kolikor se tiče naših ustanov, prin-

cipov in pravil. Če ne bi le teh principov in pravil mešali v istem političnem kotlu, v katerem se danes meša vsa Evropa! Nobena stvar pa ni večna in z dobro voljo se lahko izravna vse.

V zadnjem času se nekateri dopisniki jeze zaradi uredniških pripomb. Kadar se dopisnik zapleta v protislovja, mora to pričakovati, posebno v Prosveti, kajti urednik Prosvete ni samo urednik, temveč tudi član. Kot urednik se drži konvenčnih sklepov in mora pojasniti, kadar je dopisnik v konfliktu s temi sklepi. Ako ne bi imeli pravil in sklepov, bi divjali vsak po svoje in naša Prosveta bi bila pravi Babilon.

Jaz se ne jezim na nikogar in lahko me ta ali oni švrkne z repenčnikom ali drugo tako trikerijo, ki izvirajo iz prvega razreda, da ljudske šole. Ako bi se tak dopisnik, ki se poslužuje filozofske učenca iz prvega razreda, pojavil na pragu moje bajte v času, ko čitam njegove opazke, bi ga pozdravil kot brata. Vse opazke te vrste so zame postranska stvar. Odgovoren je zanje le oni, kdor se jih poslužuje, ni pa treba, da cvili, kadar ga oplazi kdo, ki ni zmožen prenesti njegovih opazk.

Vedel sem že v naprej, da pridem v konflikt z nekaterimi dopisniki, čim sem zapisal prvi stavek v obrambo konvenčnih sklepov; vedel sem, da so med nami bratje, ki verjamejo drugače glede teh sklepov, kakor jaz, urednik in mnogo drugih članov. Na kateri strani je večina, je težko soditi brez oficijelnih dokazov.

Za svojo osebo sem se odločil, da ostanem v Molkovem taboru. Trideset let uredniškega dela, ki ga poznam, je zame zadostna priča njegove iskrenosti in sposobnosti. Molek upošteva vse člane kot enakovredne, zato se drži onih sklepov, ki so mu jih člani dali po svojih zastopnikih. Inozemska politika me ne razburja, le to želim, da svet čim prej dobi mir in vsaj toliko svobode, kolikor je zaslužil. Simpatiziram z onimi, ki se bojujejo za boljše razmere, v katerih bi živeli in govorili svobodno. To je vse, kar moremo mi tukaj storiti: izraziti svoje simpatije in finančno podpreti vse one, s katerimi simpatiziramo.

Moj prijatelj in brat Jankovič iz Clevelanda pravi, da bi se jaz moral držati predmeta, ko me je precej robato prijel v nekem svojem dopisu; ta njegov dopis je bil bolj iz domače šole, ampak zame kot majhnega črva je bil zelo robat. V nekem mojem prejšnjem dopisu je bila opazka, katera—moram priznati—ni bila na mestu. Ker ni moja naveda, da bi žalil posameznika, priznam to svojo nerodnost in jo obžalujem. Ampak moji dopisi niso osebno bodalo za nikogar.

Čudno je, ko nekdo zahteva, naj se drugi drži predmeta, ko pa on sam zaide tako daleč od predmeta, da ga mora urednik opozarjati s pripombo na to. Med menoj in bratom Jankovičem je prišlo do majhnega nesporazuma zaradi sledečih zadev. Brat J. je za porušenje nekih resolucij 12. redne konvencije s splošnim glasovanjem; on misli, da te resolucije ne odgovarjajo več današnjim razmeram, to je političnim homatijam v inozemstvu.

Jaz pa sem nasprotnega mnenja, da ostanemo ti sklepi v veljavi in nedotaknjeni do prihodnje konvencije. Večina je zame zakon, ne pa moje osebno mnenje ali mnenje katerega koli drugega posameznika. Brat Jankovič, ki je star družtvenik, se je zadnje čase zapletel v tak protislovja glede pravil in resolucij 12. redne konvencije, da se mu to nikakor ne pristoja. Njegova želja je, naj se Prosveta tiska v tonu, da bi neprestano ploskala partizanom in Rusiji, čeprav stalno poroča o bojih prvih in druge. Nadalje je za splošno glasovanje, ker se ne

strinja s sklepi 12. redne konvencije in si želi nekih novotarij, ki bi bile po njegovem mnenju bolj partizanske in rdeče.

Brat Jankovič je stal dolga leta trezen in neomajen svobodomislec in priden delavec za našo stvar. Brat Molek je bil vsa ta leta njegov steber, na katerega se je naslanjal in za tega Moka je bil pripravljen stopiti se, če bi bilo treba—dokler se niso pojavili partizani v Jugoslaviji. Resnica pa je, da vse spremembe v naših pravilih in resolucijah ne bodo partizanom nič pomagale, pa naj mi vsi simpatiziramo z njimi ali ne. Naša pravila in drugi sklepi imajo pomen le za nas doma, ne pa za politiko v inozemstvu.

**Michael Chok.**

## Umrl v Avstraliji

**Los Angeles, Cal.**—Naše društvo 743 SNPJ je izgubilo mladega člana Rudolfa Mihelčiča, ki je umrl v Avstraliji v bolnišnici dne 5. nov. 1943, star 21-let. K vojakom je šel 26. marca 1943. Nahajal se je v taborišču Roberts, Cal., potem pa je bil poslan na južni Pacific v taborišče Stoneman, Avstralija, kjer ga je doletela smrt.



Pokojni Rudolf je bil rojen 23. nov. 1922 v Lokvi na Hrvaškem. V Ameriko je prišel februarja 1937 in tukaj pričel pohačati v šolo, kjer se je pridno učil z mislijo, da si ustvari življenje v tej deželi. Meseca maja 1937 je pristopil v mladinski oddelček našega društva, novembra 1940 pa v odrasli oddelček. Bil je dober član društva, kajti je zelo rad pomagal kjerkoli je bilo treba.

V Jugoslaviji zapušča očeta in dva brata, tukaj v Los Angelesu pa strica in druge sorodnike. Mladega Rudolfa Mihelčiča bomo ohranili v lepem spominu. Počivaj v daljnji tuji zemlji, sorodnikom pa naše društvo izreka sožalje.

**Frank M. Grachan, tajnik.**

## Pred počitnicami

**Cleveland, O.**—Drugo nedeljo v januarju je bila seja društva V boji 53 SNPJ brez tajnika. Naš Jože Durn je bil takrat v Chicagu na zboru Sansa in njegovo delo pri društvu je vršil blagajnik John Kos. Naš zapisnikar Louis Dugar se je po dveh mesecih bolezni vrnil in zopet nam bo pisal zapisnik. Upamo, da se mu ne pripeti več kaj takega. Jože Siskovich, predsednik nadzornega odseka, je pismeno poročal, da je zelo zaposlen v tovarni in kot tajnik zadruge; druga dva nadzornika sta bila navzoča in knjigere računski so bili v redu, kakor sta poročala. Lahko se zgodi, da bo na prihodnji seji odsoten predsednik, ker bo imel važen opravke.

Dne 18. januarja smo imeli sejo Sansa št. 39. Zopet je bil pregled računov, Jože Durn je dal obširno poročal z glavne seje v Chicagu. Sklenjeno je bilo, da se enkrat v marcu skliče javen shod. Za to bo skrbel odbor postojanke 39.

Ker je to moj zadnji dopis pred počitnicami dopisov, se le na rahlo dotaknem onega, kar je naš veliki pisatelj psal v Prosveti o "hrabrem junaku." Veseli me, da je pisatelj tako zainteresiran v "junake," da mora klicati vso svojo zlahtno na pomoč, kadar se mu sanja, da vidi "medalje" na junakih in njihove bridke meče, katerih ga je strah. Bilo mi je enajst let, ko mi je oče kupil zadnje hlače, zato se nisem nikdar skrival za hlačami svojega očeta. Če je to junastvo, ker sem bil od mladega sam svoj gospodar in ker sem se vzgojil brez očeta, potem bi bil ta naziv pristojen. Kar se pa tiče fizične sile, je bila predlagana na seji federacije in ker je

ni nihče podpiral, je ni bilo. Če se očetje kam vtičejo, je to njihova zadeva. Jaz sem proti fizični sili, so pa "človeki," ki jo iščejo. Omenjam to zaradi tega, ker je nekdo že imel pri sebi bolniško nakaznico, da bo zahteval podporo, če pride v dotiko s čevljem. To je vsa zgodba. Člani, ki čitajo pravila, pravijo, da za "bolezn" te vrste ni podpore. Amen—brez mojega očeta!

**Frank Barbič, 53.**

## Letna seja Doma SNPJ

**Eveleth, Minn.**—Vsa društva Slovenske narodne podporne jednote v Evelethu bodo imela skupno in letno sejo prvo nedeljo, dne 6. februarja. Začetek seje ob 3. uri popoldne (tako po seji društva Napredek).

Vsi člani ste obveščeni, da se seje udeležite v polnem številu. Slišali boste poročila odbornikov Doma SNPJ, letni račun in na vsa je ležeče, kako ukrenete glede dividend, ali se bo kaj plačalo za leto 1943 ali ne. Na dnevnem redu je volitev odbora za prihodnje leto.

Druga važna zadeva je glede določb, kako se bodo izplačevalo delnice. Na tej važni seji se bo moralo določiti o bodočem poslovanju doma itd. Ker je doma vaša last, bi se morali vsi člani zanimati, da se te važne seje udeležite. Ne zanašajte se samo na nekatere aktivne člane in članice; čim več nas je aktivnih, tem bolje bo za dvorano in za članstvo.

Torej še enkrat, ne pozabite te seje dne 6. februarja točno ob tretji uri popoldne v naši dvorani, katera je last treh društev, spadajočih pod okrilje SNPJ v Evelethu.

**J. A. Ambrozich, tajnik doma.**

## Razno iz Milwaukeeja

**West Allis, Wis.**—Božična priredba za našo mladino je potekala z najlepšim uspehom. Ni bila to navadna božičnica samo z običajnim Miklavžem, temveč priredba, katero se s plačali posetit. Mladinski pevski zbor Junior All Stars Chorus nam je pripravil lep koncert slovenskih narodnih pesmi, brat Vrhovnik pa nam je pokazal nešteto lepih slik iz stare domovine.

Bil je vseskozi lep program, vreden tiste male vstopnine. Seveda ni manjkalo Miklavža, ki je jednotine malčke primeren obdaril. V glavnem je bil pa program namenjen nam starejšim, ki smo ga z veseljem in občudovanjem uživali. Čemu tudi ne? Lep je bil, ne prekrat, ne preobširen, in kar je najbolj imenitno, izvajen je bil po naših mladih. Le tem gre vse priznanje.

Pred početkom pevskega zbora naših jednotarjev so bile božične nekakšno breme za našo federacijo. Precej denarja je bilo treba trošiti za darila mladim. Danes tega ni! Mladina pri pevskem zboru se pripravila, pod primeren program, računna primerno vstopnino, povabi občinstvo (ako ji naše časopisje milostno to dovoli) in stvar je rešena. Iz dohodkov na prireditvi se nakupijo darovi za mladino in ko je stvar končana, ostane še kakšen dolar prebitka.

Da, naš mladinski pevski zbor vrši veliko nalogo. Le žal, da delo in važnost te mladinske organizacije mnogi premalo upoštevajo. Mnogi, sem rekel, toda ne vsi.

Nekateri prav pridno in redno posejajo mladinske priredbe ter s tem dajejo veselje in spodbudo mladim. Drugi gredo še dalje in naše mlade podprejo z lepimi in koristnimi darili. Pogrebnik Frank Ermene na primer. Poslušal je petje mladih in ker je sam pevec, ga je pešem mladine tako navdušila, da je poslal mladim pevcem in pevčkam \$25.00 v dar. Pet in dvajset copakov niso mačkine solze ne v dobrih, ne v slabih časih. Zato naj bo Franku na tem mestu v imenu mladih pevčev izrečena najlepša zahvala!

Zdaj pa še nekaj o naši podružnici SANSa. Zbiranje pripravljeno gre zadovoljivo naprej—lahko bi šlo bolje, toča nabiralcev in nabiralik nam manjka, naselbina pa je obširna. Toda tudi počasi se daleč pride! Trstiči, ki zbirajo prispevke, se trudijo in delajo—vzlic temu, da jim je neki gostobesedni kričar zagrozil s policijo. Nabiralci pa ne porajajo na besede ljudi, ki mnogo blebečejo, pa nič ne storijo. Neumorno gredo za po-

slov, zakar zaslužijo priznanje vsakega trezno mislečega človeka.

V nedeljo dne 30. januarja bo v Soštaričevih prostorih letna seja milwaukeeške podružnice SANSa. Pričetek bo ob 2. uri popoldne. Ta seja bo izredno važna, ker na njej bo volitev novega odbora, ki bo vodil delo podružnice to leto. Dalje bo na tej seji podano poročilo o seji širšega odbora SANSa, katera se je vršila dne 8. januarja v Chicagu. Pridite na to sejo vsi, ki se zanimate za bodočnost našega naroda v starem kraju.

**France Puncer, predsednik podružnice 56 SANS.**

## Novice Planinskega raja

**St. Louis, Mo.**—Naše društvo Planinski raj 107 SNPJ je imelo svojo sejo 16. jan., na kateri je bil upeljan odbor za 1944. Članstvo se je še dovoljno udeležilo in želeli je, da bi bila taka udeležba na vsaki seji.

Nadzorni odbor je podal trimesečne račune, kakor tudi za vse leto 1943. Kakor je razvidno iz poročila, je bilo naše društvo precej prizadeto v preteklem letu. Imeli smo tri smrtne slučaje in 36 bolnikov, tako da je naše društvo nekaj več prešlo od jednote kot smo vplacali. Imeli smo tudi šest operacij. Na letošnji prvi seji pa je tajnik poročal, da nimamo nobenega bolnika in da je vse zdravo. Da bi le tako ostalo skozi vse leto.

Poročila so podali tudi zastopniki Sansa, pomožne akcije in Vseslovenskega kongresa. Poročal je tudi odbor, ki je izdelal načrt za proslavo 35-letnice našega društva, ki se bo vršila meseca aprila. Ker so časi tako kritični, je treba velike poštvalnosti s strani odbora in članstva. Upam, da bomo izvršili vsak svojo dolžnost in uspešno proslavili 35-letnico, kar bo v ponos nam vsem skupaj.

Na seji je bila na ogledu tudi naša nova ameriška zastava, katero bomo razvili ob priliki društvene 35-letnice. Zastava je prvovrstne kvalitete in v ponos članstvu. Za njen nakup smo pobirali prostovoljne prispevke in članstvo je toliko prispevalo, da bi lahko kupili dve. Hvala vsem darovalcem. Ako je še kdo, ki bi rad daroval, se ni prepzno. Ostali denar bomo porabili v obrambne svrhe.

Na seji je bilo tudi priporočano članstvu, naj kupujejo vojne znamke in bonde, katere lahko vsakdo kupi pri sestri Tereziji Spek in gre na račun st. louiskih Slovencev. Bratje in sestre, pokazimo, da smo vredni državljanov naše nove domovine in kupujemo vojne bonde in znamke.

Po zaključku seje smo se podali v spodnje prostore, kjer so bila pripravljena na raznuju pečena reberca, potica itd.; tudi ječmenovca ni manjkalo. Zanimivo je bilo, da so se vsi člani podali v spodnje prostore in se skupno zabavali. Precej smeha je povzročil mali zavitek, katerega je darovala sestra Simayer. Dala ga je na dražbo po centu, ali zadnji je bil razočaran, ker dobitke ni bil vreden niti cent.

**F. Zvanut.**

## Vojak se smrtno ponesrečil

**Slovan, Pa.**—Smrtno se je ponesrečil z letalom dne 5. jan. saržent Fred Barto, sin Lukerije Barto, ki je članica našega društva 241 SNPJ. On je služil pri letalcih od 27. junija 1942 v Wendowerju, Utah. Njegovo truplo je bilo pripeljano domov 17. jan. in dva pozneje je bil pogreb.

Zapušča žalujočo mater, štiri brate, od katerih sta dva pri vojnih in tudi člana SNPJ, in pet sester. Njegovi materi, kakor tudi ostali družini, izreka naše društvo globoko sožalje, pokojnemu mladeniču pa blag spomin. Bil je splošno priljubljen povsod, kar so pokazali tudi številni venci in lep pogreb.

**Carolina Papesh, tajnica.**

## Tedenske kritične misli

Osem društev naše jednote je, ki bodo prve tri mesece tega leta stara štirideset let. To so pionirska društva SNPJ, ki so se ustanovila kot samostojne enote po zgledu čikaške Slavije in katera so potem s Slavijo vred zgradila novo jednoto v aprilu 1904. SNPJ je bila ustanovljena iz devetih samostojnih društev, raztresenih po Illinoisu, Pennsylvaniji, Ohiju in Kansasu. V štiridesetih letih so se ta društva pomnožila na 761, kolikor jih je danes.

Direktorji Kooperativne lige v Ameriki so zadnji teden iniciatorji ustanovitve Mednarodne kooperativne zveze, ki bo obsegala deleže vsega sveta, kjer koli posluje svobodno zadrugarstvo. To bo prva zadruga internacionala, katere namen bo, da povspetuje trgovino med kooperativami vseh dežel—kamen ogelnik za zgraditev bodoče ekonomske demokracije sveta. Pravilno je, da je bil ta korak storjen v Ameriki. Ameriško zadrugarstvo je med to vojno najbolj aktivno in napreduje z mogočnimi koraki.

Dva dni kasneje, 19. in 20. januarja, so se v New Yorku zbrali delegatje zadrughnih organizacij iz dvajsetih dežel na konferenci za mednarodno zadrughno rekonstrukcijo. Zadrughe vseh svobodnih dežel delujejo za tesno zblizanje zaradi velikih in nujnih nalog, ki jih čakajo po vojni. Pomagati bo treba na noge potlačenim zadrugham in osvobodeni Evropi. Danes zadrughe normalno poslujejo le v Švedski, Švici, Angliji in na ameriški celini. V Združenih državah je danes dva in pol milijona družin včlanjenih v kooperativah, ki posedujejo čez 7500 prodajalnic in čez sto tovarnen, delavnic in refinerij.

Zadnji ponedeljek je Prosveta na tem mestu posvetila na "vest" moskovske Pravde glede "tajnega pogajanja med Anglijo in Nemčijo za separaten mir." Pravda je poročala, da je prejela to "govorico" iz zanesljivih grških in jugoslovanskih virov v Kairu. Tri dni kasneje je sovjetski zunanji komisariat obvestil angleško poslaneštvo, da sovjetska vlada—ni odgovorna za tisto "vest." Vlada ni ničesar vedela o tem, dokler ni bila stvar objavljena. To bi pomenilo, da sovjetska vlada ne ve, niti se ne briga, kaj piše Pravda, glavno glasilo komunistične stranke v Rusiji, katere glavni vodja je premier Stalin.

S tem je ugotovljeno, da je bila Pravdina "vest" fabrikacija. Če bi bila resnična, se ne bi nihče v Moskvi branil odgovornosti zanjo. Nekdo v sovjetski diplomaciji je nasedel—nacijaki propagandi, katera je že mesece silno aktivna. Bil je grd kozel, ki so ga ustrelili v Moskvi in naravno noče biti nihče odgovoren za kozle. Ampak odgovornost je kljub temu, moralna odgovornost, ki pade na one, ki izvajajo diktaturo. Pravda, katera se je vedno ponašala, da je resen list, ne pa list za zabavo, je s tem dosegla, da je njena "resnost" še bolj obledela.

Mehiški predsednik Camacho, o katerem pravijo, da je katoličan, je ostro nastopil proti sinarhistom v Mehiki, kakor poročajo ameriški listi. Sinarhisti so katoliška organizacija, ki je v tesni zvezi s španskimi falangisti (fašisti) in katera ima vse pritikline fašističnega značaja. Na primer ena med pritiklinami je, da jo podpirajo irsko-katoliške organizacije v Združenih državah, katere se navdušujejo za špansko diktaturo in še danes vodijo svojo privatno vojno z Anglijo. Vse kaže, da bo mehiška vlada zadržala sinarhizem na svojih tleh.

Z obveznim delom v ameriških vojnih industrijah, ki ga pogojno priporoča predsednik Roosevelt, najbrž ne bo nič. Ne samo, da so organizirani delavci odločno proti obveznemu delu in vsekakor so delavci v splošnem proti temu, temveč so tudi vsi liberalni in napredni elementi v Ameriki z malimi izjemami. Vsi dosedanja uspehi ameriške produkcije za vojno so bili doseženi s svobodnim, prostovoljnim delom! In takšnih uspehov še ni pokazala nobena druga država na svetu. Svobodno delo naj ostane do konca vojne! Roosevelt pravi, da Amerika lahko premaga Nemčijo in Japonsko brez obveznega dela. Pravilno!

Novo izkrcanje zaveznikov v bližini Rima je vsekakor začetek letošnjih ofenzivnih akcij, ki zdrebo nacistične. Odslej je pričakovati pogostejših in vedno večjih navalov v okupirane dežele, med katerimi je tudi Jugoslavija na vrsti. Stvar pojde zdaj hitro in z večjimi zamahi. Začetek konca je že za nami.

Vojnohranilni bondi so danes strelivo, ki prinese zmago. Čim več je bondov prodanih, tem več bo streliva in tem prej pride zmaga. Ko pa pride mir, se to strelivo izpremeni v kruh, obleko, novo pohištvo in druge potrebščine, ki nam bodo prav prišle. Kupite ekstra bond!

**Ivan Molek.**



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URADNO NAZNAILO

Kakor je bilo že enkrat prej v Prosveti objavljeno, se bo vršilo zimska zborovanje gl. odbora SNPJ v drugem tednu prihajajočega meseca...

Člani gl. odbora, izvolite to upoštevati ter se zborovnja za gotovo udeležite!

APEL NA FEDERACIJE: Za točno poslovanje je važno, da imamo v glavnem uradu popoln imenik izvršnih uradnikov naših društev in federacij...

FEDERACIJA SNPJ: Seja federacije na antracitu 'Wilkes-Barre, Pa.—Letna seja federacije društev SNPJ na antracitu se vrši 30. jan. pri tajniku federacije na naslovu 40 Brazil st., Miners Mills (Wilkes Barre)...

Darovi za stari kraj: Za revne slovenske vojne žrtve v starem kraju so nadarili darovali: Pri društvu št. 8 SNPJ, S. Chicago, Ill., Franka Štebca \$1.00...

Fontana, Cal.—Na seji dne 16. jan. je naše društvo 723 SNPJ sklenilo, da se opusti 15c društveni acesment. Prosim oddajne članke, da to upoštevajo pri pošiljanju acesmenta...

Rices Landing, Pa.—Društvo Slavček 501 SNPJ je izvolilo sledeči odbor za 1944: Predsednik John Udovich, podpredsednik Anton Zorich, tajnik Matthew Barich...

Palmdale, Colo.—Člani našega društva št. 162 SNPJ, ki so v vojaški službi, so se vsi oglasili in se zahvalili društvu za božično darilo...

Prispevki za Narodni svet: Za politično akcijo za osvoboditev stare domovine ali za SANS so nadarili darovali: Pri društvu št. 8 SNPJ, S. Chicago, Ill., Frank Štebca in Frank Gorson \$2.00...

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### Our Two Slovene National Actions

Reports from our widely scattered communities indicate that our young people are interested in the future of the country of their parents' origin. Most of them, we are happy to say, are not only familiar with, but also active in the relief and political work carried on here in the interest of our oppressed people in Slovenia.

We have two separate organizations which today enjoy the support of the majority of Slovenes in America. We have the Slovene Section of the Yugoslav Relief Committee and the Slovene American National Council; the former was organized by our fraternal societies immediately after the invasion of Yugoslavia, and the latter was created by the Slovene National Congress late in 1942. As representative bodies these two organizations are carrying on the work that has been assigned to them, i. e. JRC-SS the relief work and SANC the political action.

That initiative for our united relief action came from our fraternal societies was a logical step, for it is our fraternal societies which have been representative of our organized actions and identity in America. The great catastrophe which befell our people across the sea, along with the rest of the occupied nations in Europe, brought about a solid front among us here. All of us realized that the invaders struck against all of our people in Slovenia regardless of their beliefs and affiliations. In short: It was a time for unity and understanding if anything was to be accomplished.

That this united front for humanitarian work was so promptly organized, is to the credit of all Slovenes in America. Similarly, it is to their credit that they went further and met on common ground to form the political front.

Official reports pertaining to the JRC-SS action are being published at regular intervals in all Slovene publications. The latest official report released by the Relief Committee shows that a total of more than \$70,000 has been collected for this purpose. Impressive as this sum may seem, it is still far too small in view of the need that will present itself after the defeat of the invaders. Therefore, a much greater sum will have to be collected to at least partially cope with the situation.

Of course, we all know that the greater part of assistance will have to come from America and the rest of the United Nations. We also know that some of our people are wont to say that they will send their share directly to their relatives after the war. This is all well and good, but what will our people in their homeland say if we will be unable to show a more substantial sum donated collectively by the Slovenes in America?

Therefore, it is urgent that we continue to contribute for this worthy cause. Let us remember that we will be judged only by actual results. Good intentions will be a sorry substitute.

Turning to the political action conducted by the Slovene American National Council, we note that its successes thus far have been noteworthy.

According to the latest official report released by SANC, the total amount thus far collected for that purpose is more than \$33,000. Of this amount about \$12,000 has been expended for political work.

Immediately following the historic success of unity manifested at the Slovene National Congress in Cleveland in 1942, the Council went into action by sending a delegation to Washington and presented our problems before the State Department which gave an assurance that our cause shall receive proper attention. Thus official Washington took cognizance of the just claims of our motherland. Since then the Council has been busy informing official circles about our people's rights. Memoranda have been sent to all important Allied meetings: London, Quebec, Moscow, Teheran, and Cairo. Also, the Council carried out the instructions of the Congress by organizing a committee of the Croats, Serbs, Slovenes, Bulgarians and Macedonians. Only recently, on January 8, the first general meeting of all SANC committees was held in Chicago, which meeting gave a vote of confidence to the Council, unanimously endorsing its past undertakings and urging all concerned to continue the work as outlined by the Congress.

The Slovene National Council is worthy of our financial and moral support. We appeal to our young people to back both actions, the political action as well as the relief work.

### Strabane Pioneers

STRABANE, PA.—The Pioneers have turned over a new leaf for 1944. The last year was not as active as other years were, so plans were made to start the new year off by holding a dance sometime in January.

In a previous article an announcement was made concerning news of a dance. It is now our privilege to state that the dance will be held Sunday, Jan. 30, at the local SNPJ hall featuring the music of a well known orchestra. People who have been accustomed to attending Pioneer affairs in the past know that an enjoyable evening is in store for them if they also attend this Pioneer event. We are extending a cordial invitation to all of our friends to be at the SNPJ hall on Jan. 30.

Another month has rolled around and it will soon be time for the regular monthly meeting. Setting an example to members of long standing who fail to come to meetings or when they do, fail to take an active part in the discussions, is Frank Miller, a new Pioneer member. Since his admittance Mr. Miller has attended every meeting and has taken an active part in the discussions on the floor. This is the type of member that helps a lodge to forge ahead. The members may profit by this example by taking into consideration that the next meeting will be held at the SNPJ hall Feb. 6 at 6:30.

Pioneer Pipes: Sgts. Rudy "Erf" Krulac and August Podboy have

been transferred from North Africa to Italy. Home on leave are Cpl. Max Senkinc who is stationed in Florida and Sylvester Chesnic, member of the Coast Guard, who has been in Bermuda. Something different has been added to the SNPJ bowling alleys, it is the acquirement of Marcella Ross as bowling alley manager. We believe that she is one of the first women to hold such a job. Seen at the Community Honor Roll dance taking admissions were two active Pioneer members, Frances Podboy and Frances Florjan, secretary and treasurer of the Pioneers and also secretary and treasurer of the local Civic Club.

Letters of appreciation for the Christmas boxes are still coming in. One lately received is from Sgt. "Nanny" Krall who said that everything in the box came in handy and he especially enjoyed the nuts which he hadn't tasted since he left the United States. A recent WAC enlistee is Louise Abacic, who has followed her sister Christine into the service, both of whom are Pioneer members. Congratulations to "Cabby" Sedmak, who is stationed in Hawaii, on his promotion to Sgt.

Applications for the singles and doubles tournament are being taken at the bowling alley. The tournament will be held on February 4, 5, 6. Pioneer Pip for the week—Attend the dance Jan. 30.

Publicity Committee, DOROTHY PODBOY, 389.

### Sygan Is Scene of Western Pennsylvania

## SNPJ Bowling Tournament Sun., Jan. 30

VERONA, PA.—Although these lines bear the dateline of Verona, the 1944 bowling tournament of our SNPJ federation will take place at Sygan, Pa., which is the home of one of the largest lodges of our Society.

### Ramblers Stage Valentine Dance

HARMARVILLE, PA.—The SNPJ Ramblers Lodge 713 is going to have a Valentine dance on Saturday, Feb. 12, at the Union Hall in Harwick. Music will be furnished by Frank's Trio. So don't forget Feb. 12.

We cordially invite all the neighboring lodges to be with us and help us make the dance a success. If you like polkas, we will guarantee you a good time; if you like waltzes, you shall have them; if you like modern tunes, Frank's Trio will see to it that your wish will be fulfilled.

We also urge all the Ramblers to attend the next regular meeting, on the fourth Sunday at 3 p. m. in the Slovene Home in Acmetonla. PAUL KRANKER, Pres.

### Two-Lodge Dance Slated for Feb. 12

MEADOW LANDS, PA.—Flash! This is Guy Russo, your SNPJ and AFU reporter of Meadow Lands, bringing you the latest up-to-the-minute report on the outcome of the two-lodge dance held at the Bears Hall on Jan. 15.

The communities represented were Bridgeport, Ohio, Strabane, Cokesburg, Fredericktown, Washington, Herminie, Vestaburg, Muse, and Midland. We wish to thank each and everyone for participating in making the dance a great success. We hope you all had a wonderful time, hoping to see you in the near future at our next dance at Bears Hall on Feb. 12. Music will be furnished by Les Faulk and his Trio. Everyone is welcome. All proceeds will go towards the building of a Slovene Home in Meadow Lands in the near future.

A meeting was held Jan. 9 at which the following officers were elected: Joe Murn, president; Frank Demshar, vice pres.; Stella Murn, treas.; Anthony Azman Jr., sec'y and rec. sec'y. Publicity: Mary Azman, Stella Murn, John Kovatch, Guy Russo. Trustees: Frank Ferlich, Guy Russo, Louis Unjeck.

Our next meeting will take place at the home of Mary Azman on Sunday, Feb. 13, at 6:30 p. m.

Keep buying war bonds and stamps to lick the Axis. Pub. Committee, GUY RUSSO, 734.

### "Hearts" Lodge Give Hop Sunday

KANSAS CITY, KANS.—The Hearts of America, SNPJ lodge 690, are holding their first dance of 1944, on Sunday, Jan. 30, at the Slovene National Hall, at 5th and Elizabeth. "Hearts" members, let us all do our part to make this dance a great success!

The Lodge wishes to invite the members of Future Lodge 408 to come and enjoy themselves with us once again. You have helped us, in dances of the past, with your attendance, and we know we can depend on you in the future.

The Hearts have had a very successful year in 1943, and wish to thank all members and friends who helped to make it so.

Officers for 1944 are: Joe Rezin, president; Helen Rezin, vice president; Frank Rodina, secretary; Mary Rodina, treasurer; Mary Land, rec. secretary. Auditing committee: Martin Volk, Matilda Kovachoff, and Dolly Billacl.

Service News: Three more of our boys have gone overseas. They are Cpl. Tony Stoes, Pfc. Vincent Zernlock, and Pvt. Joe Volk. Good luck to you boys. The lodge received a nice letter from Cpl. Stoes who is somewhere in England. We also received holiday greetings from Sgt. John Griehr, Pfc. Vincent Zernlock, Cpl. John Radey, Pfc. Tony Stoes, and Pvt. Frank Grobolshek.

Let's all work together, pay our dues on time, attend the meetings, buy war bonds and stamps, and write to the boys in the service. MARY RODINA, 690.

War bond purchases aid in the war effort by helping to hold down prices.

Here, briefly, is all the information pertaining to our bowling tourney in a nutshell:

The Western Pennsylvania Federation of English Speaking Lodges of the SNPJ will stage its annual SNPJ Bowling Tournament this Sunday, January 30, at the Slovene Hall in Sygan, Pa. In view of the fact that wartime conditions do not allow us to stage a large-scale tournament, we, nevertheless, are trying to uphold the tradition of our annual bowling contest on a smaller scale as best we can.

The entries for all events will be taken at the Sygan Hall prior to the bowling time that is scheduled to begin at 1 o'clock in the afternoon. The reason for this is—to give all members from the various lodges that have doubts as to whether they will have to work on that day, a chance for a late entry in case they are released from their war work.

The Athletic Committee has promised attractive prizes for this tournament—a tournament that will see the reviving of the bowling sport again among our lodges in this section of the country.

Moreover, our Federation is also aiming to uphold the other well-established tradition among our lodges, namely, entertainment in the form of a dance and social. Yes, our Federation is seeing to it that it is going to give us a double attraction, bowling and relaxation, because the latter is sorely needed by everyone of us in these times of hard work at long hours in which we are all engaged for our country's war effort.

The second part of the double bill, then, will be the dancing session that will feature the peppy tunes of Marty Kuk and his Musical Group. These boys really know their stuff when it comes to playing lively old-time as well as modern tunes.

The time for the music to begin its session is 8:30 in the evening to last until 11:30 that night. Do not miss our tournament dance that will follow the contest on the bowling alleys.

We extend a cordial invitation to all SNPJ lodges in Western Pennsylvania who possibly can take time out and come to Sygan this Sunday, Jan. 30, and participate at our Federation's 1944 bowling contest and dance. To one and all: Welcome!

For Pub. Committee, MICHAEL LIPESKY.

### Integrity Broadcast

CHICAGO.—The regular monthly meeting of Integrity lodge 631 is Friday, Jan. 28, at 8 p. m. at 2436 Diversey ave. Installation of officers will take place and entertainment will follow the meeting. All members who have time and are interested in the welfare of the lodge should attend.

The Frank Pugis are proud parents of a 7 lb. 13 oz. boy. Bro. Pugis is in the Navy but came home to see his infant son and already turned his application in. We wish the Pugis family lots of happiness and fun with the new born baby.

Sister Helen Heidenreich is on the sick list.

M. R. FLEISCHACKER, Sec'y.

### Attention, Members of SNPJ Lodge No. 723

FONTANA, CALIF.—Attention, members of SNPJ lodge 723: It was decided at the regular monthly meeting on Jan. 16 to discontinue the 15c lodge assessment. All members who send their assessment by mail are asked to take this into consideration when they send in their regular monthly dues. ANTON RICHTAR, Sec'y.

### New York All Americans

BROOKLYN, N. Y.—Now that I have fully recovered from my session with the flu, celebrated my birthday, and got the swing of "Kids'll Eat Ivy Too," it is time to get down to some serious business. Isn't it?

The first concert and dance was held for 1944 on Jan. 9 and success achieved. It was sponsored by the United Slovene Societies of Greater NYC and although the audience wasn't as large as anticipated, the treasury has increased by approximately a hundred and twenty-five dollars. The program was brief even though the variety was great. Two singing societies performed. Slovan opened the program and Domovina sang a few songs later in the program. Ann Kepic and Olga Turkovich sang a duet of beautiful melodies. The children of the Slovene school gave a short but good performance, singing a few Slovene selections. Ludwig Mutz and Anna Krausa were the principal speakers of the day with Mr. Joseph Zaveritnik speaking briefly on the Fourth War Loan drive.

The SNPJ lodge 580 officers for 1944 were installed at the Jan. 16 monthly meeting which was attended as usual and many interesting and important subjects were discussed. The entertainment committee composed of Katherine Kirk, Ann Padar, Anthony Svet, and Frank Padar gave a complete report of the arrangements made.

The annual Valentine dance of the "New York All Americans" Lodge 580 of the SNPJ will take place on Saturday evening, Feb. 12, at 8 o'clock at the Astor Bar, 66-91 Forest Avenue, Ridgewood (at the Forest El Station). There will be good dance music to satisfy the young and old, refreshments, and a large quantity of comic valentines to be sent to your friends at the ball. A good time is assured all. Members are urged to attend and bring their friends; to make this annual affair of the lodge the most successful. Members of nearby lodges are cordially invited to attend and join the fun.

The membership of Branch 46 of SANC has been increasing gradually. Some of the latest additions are Joseph Bahor, Cecelia Murin and Mary J. Tursich. We are still striving for that 100% membership of all the members of Lodge 580. All the literature sent by SANC and the South Slavic Committee is at the disposal of the members.

Congratulations are extended to Sister Anna Majowka, who has recently become a proud mother of a little baby girl. Application for membership has already been forwarded to the main office. Glad to hear that Sister Rose Streson has asked for applications for membership for her husband and baby daughter. Happy to know that Sister Eleanore Curda is almost recovered from her recent operation.

Cgt. Ray Travnik has recovered from his recent attack of bronchitis and is looking forward to getting his next furlough just in time for the next supreme board meeting. Pfc. Ray Subel sends his regards from Fort Bliss, Texas. He was previously stationed at Fort Monmouth, N. J. Frank Bozich is now stationed at Fort Belvoir, Va. William Fugina and Albert Skarja are stationed near enough so that they can get together occasionally and talk over old times.

The office of the South Slavic Committee has issued a call for aid of people who can volunteer a few hours of their time each week to help with the mailing of the bulletins and other literature sent throughout the country and overseas. I spent an interesting evening there this week, and if anyone feels they would like to help just call Ann Traven at Bu 8-8762 or go directly to the office on 1010 Park Ave. and 85th St., Manhattan.

There will be a Red Cross rally shortly at the Slovene Auditorium, watch this column for the exact date. If time allows a bond rally will also be held in the near future during the present Fourth War Loan drive.

"Back the Attack." Buy war bonds or at least a war stamp a day. JENNIE PADAR, 580.

### Official Notice

Official notice is given hereby that the time for the annual meeting of the Supreme Board of the Slovene National Benefit Society is set for the second week of the coming month. The first session will take place on Thursday, February 10, 1944, at 9 a. m. at the Society's Headquarters, 2657 S. Lawndale Avenue, Chicago, Ill. All members of the Supreme Board kindly consider this as official notice and try to attend.

#### AN APPEAL TO FEDERATIONS

In order to facilitate our business and perfect expediency it is essential that we have a complete record of the names and addresses of all executive officers of our lodges and federations. A compilation of such names and addresses has been printed in a small pamphlet called "Lodge Roster" and a copy or two of the same sent to each lodge and federation for many years. It is a useful little reference book and we are preparing material for such a roster for 1944. But before sending it to print we must get in also the reports from all federations on their elected executive officers for this year. This, therefore, is our special appeal to the secretaries of our federations for their loyal cooperation in the matter. Kindly forward to us a list of the names and addresses of your federation forthwith.

V. ČAIKAR, Supreme President.

### Comrades' Note Book

By J. F. Filoit

#### War Bond Dances Feb. 5-12

CLEVELAND, O.—Plans and general enthusiasm for the forthcoming Comrade War Bond Dances Feb. 5 and Feb. 12, are slowly growing. Vice President Pauline Spik will shortly issue cards requesting members for their cooperation at these particular events. The sign has been ordered; tickets and invitations at the printery.

We have been successful in securing sufficient points so that there will be plenty of food. Many members, including Marie Zak, called last week promising to do their share in the line of liquid refreshments. The local bank has been contacted and they will arrange for posters, etc., also War Bond application blanks. Either Pauline Ross or a member of the local War Bond Committee will take care of making out the application for the bond you'll purchase on these nights. Many of the members are talking up these affairs at work in an effort to persuade as many of their co-workers as possible to be in attendance.

Remember, it's Johnny Zalokar who'll furnish the music on the 5th and Pete Srnick on the 12th.

#### March of Dimes

The Cleveland Slovenes this year as in the past will stage their annual President's Ball to be held at the SNH, Sunday evening, Jan. 30, to raise funds for the March of Dimes campaign for the Infantile Paralysis Foundation Fund. Committee meetings have been called to make plans to insure this year's affair the same success as during the past four years.

If due to your work you are unable to actively participate in this worthy endeavor, contributions will be accepted. These can be mailed or dropped off at the Slovene Committee, Infantile Paralysis Fund Headquarters, 6403 St. Clair Ave.

#### General

Ed Stefanic transferred to lodge 26. Violet Svigel, juvenile transfer to adult group. Agnes Hodak and Mrs. Ann Heiderscheit, formerly Ann Gabrenja, living at No. Buena Vista, Ia., due to various reasons, requested cancellation. We hate to see them go. A nice letter from the Sodnikars, wishing the Comrades continued success this year. Jean Beljan back in town.

Josephine Kremzar stopping over to tell me Johnny is getting along O. K. and that she is doing her share at Graphite. Bill Sitter and Tony Stritof, Comrade lads, doing a good job at Enako. Frances Spik sticking to Eddie who'll soon be saying good-bye to Cleveland. Wedding bells for Vida Belinger next month, a sailor lad from San Francisco.

Louis Belle's boy, Marion, latest to join Juvenile Chorus, forthcoming concert has stirred their interest. Fran Presern unable to attend last auditing meeting on account of a bad cold. The ailing Vetr family getting back on their feet slowly.

#### More on War Bond Dances

Everywhere one goes you can hear comments being made that the individuals will be in attendance at our War Bond Dances Feb. 5 and 12. The members are discussing these affairs at work, among their friends; many of them are organizing groups to be with us these nights. The old timers are figuring on renewing acquaintances. We would suggest if you have not seen any particular individual for some time to join us and we're sure you will meet him or her Feb. 5th or 12th.

Dance invitations have been mailed to all members, to members in the service with the hope that they will be able to show them to

their commanding officer and thus obtain a furlough to attend! They were sent to dignitaries of the United States, State of Ohio and City of Cleveland officials, to War Bond campaign officials, to all Cleveland and neighboring lodges, Radio and Newspapers; to friends who in the past have always graciously contributed to our successes and to neighboring stores and shops. We suggest that after our members receive their invitation that they pass it along to some particular friend or hand it over to the storeman for advertising in the window.

The cause is most worthy, the lodge is going to do its share in the 4th War Bond campaign and we ask at this time that you also do yours; by ATTENDING the dances and at the same time SIGNING UP FOR A BOND application on Feb. 5 and 12.

#### Comrades' Meeting

Comrades' initial meeting of the year started off well. After Pauline Spik swore in the new officers, Ed Grum took over. He quickly showed that he had not lost any of his excellent presiding ability. The meeting was lively and discussions participated by many.

Transferred members: Anna Banich from De Pue, Ill., and Mary Derganc from La Salle, Ill. We extend to them our welcome. We learned that John Perko was doing his bit in contributing generously to SANC. The financial report for the year was given by the Secretary and cheerfully accepted.

It was voted that the lodge start the Bond Application sale at the Feb. 5 dance with the purchase of a \$200 bond. The \$2 award went to one of our members in the service Frank "Popeye" Modic; for the \$1 award Sophie Koren stepped forward. Pauline, entertainment chairman, appointed and requested volunteers for the dances. Contributions from members in the form of liquid refreshments will be required. Helen Bonac's mother, the Sebeniks, Svete family, promised to do their share.

Tea and hamburgers were served by Albina after the meeting. Ghost recital stories during the refreshment period left the crowd in a nice mood on the way home.

#### In the Service

A card from Mrs. Johnny Prudish advising of a change in Johnny's address to: 35542564, R. D. 1, Camp Miles Standish, Mass.

A nice long letter from Rudy Turk—Bat. 143, Co. D, Pl. 5, Gulfport, Miss., telling about rain and more rain, lots of training under make believe combat conditions and a comparison of food conditions between places he had been, closing with best wishes to the Comrades, and "I do miss the dances."

#### Cleveland Fed. Meeting

The good work performed by the officers caused their re-election. Krist Stokel made a splendid report on the Juvenile Singing Chorus. Everyone agreed that his zeal and untiring effort was primarily responsible for the progress thus far. Enlargement of his committee to plan still further progress this year was agreed upon and taken care of.

#### Followed the Signs

The head of a large business house bought a number of "Do It Now" signs and placed them around his offices. When, after the first few days of those signs, he counted up the results, he found:

The cashier had skipped out with \$50,000.

His assistant had eloped with the stenographer.

Three employees had asked for a raise in salary.

# Our Front

By Louis Boulger

It seems that the old Latin saying "errare humanum est"—to err is human—still holds. It sometimes happens that in our opposition to everything that is anti-labor we overlook things that are beneficial to labor.

For instance, last week we of the working class unanimously denounced the President's proposal for a national service act, and rightly so, but almost completely disregarded the other points in his proposal. He asked for the act on condition that Congress accept four other specific measures. These include a tax law which would take all unreasonable profits, renegotiation of war contracts, a cost-of-food law which would put a floor under farm prices, a ceiling over consumer prices and a continuation of currency stabilization. The war cannot be won in the shortest possible time unless these four essential measures are carried out at once.

Certainly, no consumer can argue with the above four-point proposal. Congress has stubbornly refused to make war-fat corporations and wartime profiteers pay their share of taxes.

Then President Roosevelt went a step further in his third wartime message to Congress when he recommended an Economic Bill of Rights, which is not merely a wartime proposal but a postwar measure as well.

He stated the case for a better and happier and more prosperous nation in the following words: "It is our duty now to begin to lay plans and determine the strategy for the winning of a lasting peace and the establishment of an American standard of living higher than ever before known. We have come to a clear realization of the fact that true individual freedom cannot exist without economic security and independence. People who are hungry and out of a job are stuff of which dictators are made. These truths are self-evident. We have accepted, so to speak, a second Bill of Rights under which a new basis of security and prosperity can be established for all, regardless of station, race or creed."

It is evident that the President's Bill of Rights offers the things that our soldiers and their families want, and will insist on getting.

What are the rights of which President Roosevelt speaks in his message to Congress?

"The right to a useful and remunerative job in the industries or shops or farms or mines of the nation; the right to earn enough to provide adequate food and clothing and recreation; the right of every farmer to raise and sell his products at a return which will give him and his family a decent living; the right of every business man, large and small, to trade in an atmosphere of freedom from unfair competition and domination by monopolies at home and abroad; the right of every family to a decent home; the right to adequate medical care and the opportunity to achieve and enjoy good health; the right to adequate protection from the economic fears of old age, sickness, accident and unemployment; and the right to a good education."

Certainly, Congress will perform a great service to the nation if it realizes the significance of this proposal, if it adopts this Economic Bill of Rights as a basis for immediate legislative action.

## Adamic Is Member of Historians' Society

NEW YORK, N. Y.—On January 17, Louis Adamic, author of "My Native Land," was elected a member of the Society of American Historians.

## Integrity Meeting

CHICAGO.—Members, don't forget to attend our regular monthly meeting, Jan. 28, Friday evening, at 2436 Diversey Ave. After the usual 1500 matters have been dispensed with, of which there will be a few important ones, refreshments will be served provided by the kind and generous outgoing and newly-elected officers, so will each and every one of you try to be present? We'll be counting on you!

JULIUS ABRAM, Pres.

## Midway Women's Club Planning Dance Feb. 5

MIDWAY, PA.—The Slovene Ladies' Club of Midway is sponsoring a dance on Saturday, Feb. 5, in the SNPJ Hall here. Music will be furnished by the well-known peppy Slovene Swing Kings which we know will please both young and old. We cordially invite our neighboring lodges, women's clubs, and friends to attend.

DANCE COMMITTEE.

## THE S.N.P.J.

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# Buckeyes' Bits

By OH

BARBERTON, OHIO.—"He could see that the reserve was more extensive than he had imagined it to be. It was pocked all over with mud pots and steaming pools. Far out towards its eastern border he caught a glimpse of a delicate jet that spouted from its geyser and was gone. A lost world, he thought. He reflected that a man lying in one of the inky shadows would be quite invisible and decided that he had had his climb for nothing. He looked at the slopes of the hill immediately beneath him. The short tufts of grass and brush were motionless. He wandered about a little and was going to turn back when he sensed, rather than saw, that beneath him and out to his left something had moved." And that's where this dept. decided to give in to conscience, put aside the book and get busy on a long delayed article.

It was a Monday night and the little group gathered in the small room waxed enthusiastic as for the first time in several months the Buckeyes showed signs of life.

The lineup of officials remains unchanged for 1944. We have at our helm Dot Miller as president and we anticipate a year of snappy meetings if she and the other officers get the proper cooperation from the membership. "Chuck" Dormish carries on as vice president while Mary Apchak continues as our efficient and trustworthy secretary. Mrs. Mary Fidel remains as treasurer and Nellie Valencheck as recording secretary. This department hopes that this will be a successful year for these officers and now that the meetings will be changed to the 4th Sunday of each month there should be a better attendance at meetings since it won't interfere with war working members. So get hep, you all, and be at the next meeting which is Feb. 27.

But then we'll see you all before then as you're surely planning to come to the Buckeyes' Benefit Ball on Feb. 12. We've finally broken the spell that bound us in an awful inactivity for lo; these many months! So we dreamed up the Ball, some of the proceeds of which will go towards doing something for our members in the service. This all takes place at the Slovene Center Hall (Domovina) on 14th street and Taffy and his orchestra will do the music. We're counting on seeing a few of our old friends from nearby towns and it surely will be a treat. We'll be looking for you all!

In connection with this dance, the members will all receive a book of tickets to sell or buy. These tickets will entitle you for a drawing on a war bond or stamps, so let's all come through.

Behind the Lines: The Valenchecks were right happy to have Sgt. Stan back home on a ten day furlough from Camp Gordon this month. And not long ago this dept. dreamed a few lines about a chance meeting 'tween Mo. M. M. 2/c Stevie Despot and F. 2/c Bill Valencheck and about wouldn't it be swell if the subchaser and D. E. ship met somewhere or other. Well, today we heard that it happened! Bill got back to the States from Bermuda and Stevie got back from somewhere else. How Stevie discovered Bill's ship in Charleston, S. C., is still a mystery but the two got together in the D. E. furnace room and we can imagine the scene that took place between these two buddies of civilian days!

Tony Znidarsic V-mailed a cartoon of his own from Africa and we're sure glad to know radio hasn't affected him like it did his subject!

## Action Taken by Co-op League to Facilitate Co-op World Trade

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The Board of Directors of The Cooperative League of the USA, national federation of consumer and purchasing cooperatives, meeting here January 17th, approved a proposal for the creation of an international cooperative trading and manufacturing association to facilitate trade between the cooperatives of the world at the close of the war.

The action of the U.S. cooperatives took an additional significance as it was held just two days before the conference on International Cooperative Reconstruction which brought together representatives of twenty countries at the Hotel Washington here January 19 and 20.

Prior to 1939 there were more than seventy million members of cooperatives in thirty-nine countries throughout the world. Already co-ops in the Scandinavian countries, the British empire and America were carrying on a growing international trade in food stuffs, farm materials, and petroleum products.

Howard A. Cowden, president of the Consumers Cooperative Association, North Kansas City, Missouri reported in presenting the proposal to the board, that cooperatives in Sweden, England, Scotland, China, and Canada have already indicated their desire to participate in such an international organization.

First step proposed would be trade in feed, seed, fertilizer, and other materials essential for rehabilitation; food stuffs of all kinds and petroleum products. "Purchase of shipping facilities, factories and refineries would be necessary to carry on this international commerce which should run into many million dollars at the close of the war.

Two and a half million American families are members of consumer cooperatives handling \$750,000,000 worth of goods and services. These co-ops own more than 7500 retail organizations and over 100 mills, factories and refineries.—CLNS.

## TRIBUTE TO THE UNCONQUERABLES

This is That: Our sincere wishes for a speedy recovery are extended to our treasurer, Freeman Hake, who is convalescing in St. Elizabeth's Hospital. Many thanks to Frank for his thoughtfulness. Rose Zaubi, Joe Lakovec, Mary Matekovich and yours truly received lovely certificates of award from the Society for their efforts in Circle work this year.

Generally Seen: Dorothy M. with Wilma. Mina with a new b. I. Rose talking all the time. Molly with that cute smile. Billy R. talking about Anne Shirley. Circle meetings quite noisy. Mital and Frank S. and Freddie McGurgle. Did you ever spend a New Year's Day stranded on a lonely country road, out of gas? Well, I did.

IRENE ROVAN.



Young Louise Hodgson wrote a letter... and the American people rallied through the annual March of Dimes. Louise wanted a chance to make her own way, work for her own living. Now she will have that chance. Here she is shown on her way to the Georgia Warm Springs Foundation for treatments that will help her fight Infantile Paralysis.

# Juvenile Circles of the SNPJ

Juvenile Circle No. 26 to Meet Saturday, Jan. 29

CHICAGO.—Although Saturday, Jan. 29, is not our regular meeting day, a group of Perfect Circle members are going to meet at 10 a. m. at the SNPJ hall. We have been given a much larger space to keep all our Circle belongings, and as we collect them, we plan to take an inventory.

An hour or so is to be devoted to the smaller folks who will start making some decorations for our Valentine party. The older children will assist in this, and will also work on some ideas and plans for the coming party. Anyone interested in what we are going to do is invited to be present.

ANN SANNEMANN, Mgr.

## Youth of America Circle Party Was Big Success

JOHNSTOWN, PA.—Our yule party which was held on Dec. 30 turned out to be a huge success. It really started with a bang, as will be seen from the following brief account.

Just as we were ready to start the party, fire whistles were suddenly blowing and everyone was running to the scene of the fire. Naturally, our members were quite excited and wanted to see what was burning. It was later discovered that only a small shanty had burned in our community. In less than twenty minutes our members were all back having a good time.

We opened our party by playing several games and afterwards distributed Christmas gifts. The prizes in war stamps were given out to the active members who write to the Mladinski List. Stanley Skidle, a member, played the accordion while the rest danced to his tunes. After dancing refreshments were served, then we played several more games. The party was over by 11:30 and all had a splendid time.

BETTY JANE DYBA, Pres.

## Dawn of Youth Juvenile Circle Monthly Report

GIRARD, O.—First of all, I want to thank the SNPJ for the lovely prize I received in the Our School for Victory contest conducted in the Mladinski List in 1943. Thanks to the Circle for the point contest prize, also.

Our Circle No. 7 started out the new year right at the January meeting. We had a fine attendance and a very attentive meeting, also. The following officers for this year were installed: Joe Leskovec, president; Louis Beach, vice president; Hermina Perechlin, secretary; Freeman Hake, treasurer; Dot Muster, recording secretary. The following were elected as auditors: Mital Matekovich, George Ritter, Beatrice Muster, and Henry Leskovec.

Since the Girard Recreation Center has again been opened, our boys are going to enter a team of basketball players to take part in the contests. Come on, boys, let's have some good victories!

The program for the next few months will probably be announced at the next meeting, so please be there. Let's try to make this year the best yet in the history of Circle 7. Let's all try to be a committee of one to see if we cannot line up a group of new members this year, and you shall be amply rewarded for your efforts. I think that Juvenile Circles can be a great factor in curbing the juvenile delinquency problems which have been creeping upon us, much to our consternation, since the war began. In our Circles young people can have good entertainment and at the same time, develop a spirit of cooperation and brotherhood, which can be used to their advantage in the years to come. I think the Circles and their members are doing a great deal for the war effort in providing wholesome entertainment for the younger set as well as buying war stamps and bonds and collecting necessary materials. If you aren't a member of a Circle, why don't you join one? You have nothing to lose but a great deal to gain.

Patricia Godec was called for the bank award and Bobby Reinhart for the insurance award. Both failed to be present and consequently were not entitled to the awards.

## TRIBUTE TO THE UNCONQUERABLES

This is That: Our sincere wishes for a speedy recovery are extended to our treasurer, Freeman Hake, who is convalescing in St. Elizabeth's Hospital. Many thanks to Frank for his thoughtfulness. Rose Zaubi, Joe Lakovec, Mary Matekovich and yours truly received lovely certificates of award from the Society for their efforts in Circle work this year.

Generally Seen: Dorothy M. with Wilma. Mina with a new b. I. Rose talking all the time. Molly with that cute smile. Billy R. talking about Anne Shirley. Circle meetings quite noisy. Mital and Frank S. and Freddie McGurgle. Did you ever spend a New Year's Day stranded on a lonely country road, out of gas? Well, I did.

IRENE ROVAN.

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# Veronian News

VERONA, PA.—Only two more days in which to make up your minds as to whether you are going to attend the Western Penna SNPJ Federation Bowling tournament that is being held at Sygan this Sunday, Jan. 30, at the Slovene Home. The Veronians can and should make it a double event; first, by sending teams out to bowl in the matches scheduled to start at 1 p. m., and then, around about 7 p. m. leave to attend their Sunday nite social.

Some might say, why not cancel this Sunday night's social? An answer to this is this. The band that we have now has been hired to play at our Veronian Club every Sunday nite for the year of 1944. This band that features Louis Potochnik and Frankie Perovce can really go to town playing any tunes you like, especially the Slovene polkas. Incidentally, while on this subject, our socials now start at 8 p. m. and close at 12, but then the gang always lingers, dancing to our jukebox until about three. Our new entertainment committee is composed of five really swell hostesses. Next time any of you SNPJ lodges come out to Verona, tell these girls where you are from and I'm sure you'll have an enjoyable evening.

Keeping up with my promise to get more servicemen's addresses, this scribe is doing just that by giving you three names to whom you can write. Pvt. William J. Futules, 33600566, Co. C. 2nd Bn. P.R.D., Pittsburg, Calif.; Pvt. Frank Bouma, 33708283, Hgt. Btry. 290th, F. A. O ban Bn., Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., and Pvt. Joe F. Luzer, 33708265, Btry "A" 290th, F. A. B bn Bn., Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo. The latter two who are in Missouri have been seeing each other constantly. According to rumors, our boys have been getting plenty of mail, but when I ask them to send me the addresses of people who write, only a few have done so to date. Wish some of the folks who have been writing to these boys would drop me a card in care of the Veronian Club, so that I could publish their names in the Prosveta. Yes, these people have been doing a wonderful job here on the home front. Your letters have had wonderful effects in building up the morale of our boys. How about sending your name and address so that it can go on record on the Veronian Honor Roll, as well as starting the chain for the names that will appear in the Prosveta. Who will have the honor of having his or her name at the head of this list?

Good folks to have as Veronian members are the Conville, Mr. and Mrs. Yep, you're right, Ted Conville is the fellow who is the caddy master at the Westmoreland Country Club. Anyone who plays golf can see my point why Ted is important to our club. Maybe some day a golf match can be arranged. How about it, Ted? Speaking of golf, Elmer Effler is the first Veronian of 1944 to play 18 holes. He and three others from the A. S. Foundries (your guess is as good as mine as to what you would call these four when you find out they played with the thermometer staying about 20 above) constitute the foursome.

The person of the week is Mrs. Helen Majcan, the Veronian who although has been kept very busy at her restaurant and grill at 230 W. R. R. ave., volunteered to the great task of cooking and preparing that wonderful meal for the W. Penna Fed. members who held their meeting at the Veronian Club Jan. 16. Runner-up to Helen, who took second place, were Frances Pavelski, Anne Lipesky, Jennie Effler, Josephine Sokoski, Steffie Krulac, Mary Krulac, Lillian Majcan, Madge Cestnik, Mary-Mehalich, and Nellie Gourn. When it comes to serving, these girls really know their oats as was demonstrated when they handled the trays with skill and finesse while serving the guests.

The Veronians and their friends join in expressing their sympathy and sorrow to the Czapar family on the passing away of their mother, Mrs. Amelia Czapar. Helen Czapar, a daughter, is the wife of Johnnie Kubala, a Veronian member.

Other servicemen who were on furlough that I forgot to mention in last week's article were Ernest Markovic, Tom Velentic and George Latin. There is a little incident in case of George Latin. When he

visited our club last Sunday, the mistress of ceremonies made a mistake saying that Charles Latin, a Veronian and brother of George's, just came in to the club. This almost caused a riot as every fellow who paled around with him, dashed for the entrance of our club. Well, as you already know it was George, but the gang was glad to see him.

Could the Western Penna E. S. Lodges meeting held here Jan. 16 be called a success with the 19 persons that attended? In a way, I'd say yes. All necessary business for the next three months was completed, also the place for the next meeting, which is Universal, the home of the Comets, was selected, the date to be announced in the future. Something else to look forward to. An invitation to Elmer's farm (by your new Prexy of the Fed.), yes, an invitation to have a good time and to compete in a golf tourney. Even before Elmer got through speaking Louis Kumer and Henry Previc seconded this invitation. Frank Opeka of Imperial gave us this information about the Imperial combined SNPJ lodges 109 and 716 and AFU 29 and the Ladies' Club of that same town, will be the sponsors of a benefit dance for the boys who are in the service, Saturday, Jan. 29, featuring the music of Les Falk's orchestra. Another dance on Sunday, Feb. 6, will be held by the J. Z. Jrs. at their Slovene Hall in Liberty. This affair should prove to be a humdinger as Lodge 682 has engaged Marty Kuk and his Musical Group.

Other interesting things at the fed. meeting were the reports of how much money (\$219.45) was paid out in the juvenile campaign to the various lodges, and the compliments given to Anne (Chubby) Gosky on her wonderful work in winning second place by James Maglich who still is the sec'y of the fed. Jim tried hard to get someone to take his job due to the fact that he is so busy with his other work, but everyone at the meeting must have had this same thought, "What good would the fed. be without Jimmy?" Mr. Ambrose from Moon Run and Rednak from Braddock gave a good account of themselves when they explained why we should take part in helping the Slovene American National Council in every way possible. The treas. is Frances Demotita, the rec. sec'y and pub. comm. your scribe, and on the athletic comm. it's Larry Cassol, chairman; Frank Krulac, Louis Kumer, and Henry Previc.

Get well soon, go our wishes to Mrs. Maglich who at this writing is at the Mercy Hospital in Pittsburgh; to Ruffie Slosar and John Youk who are at home, and to Josepa Melle who is at the Creson Penna hospital.

MICHAEL LIPEŠKY, 680.

## Women's Club to Give Luncheon Party Jan. 30

DETROIT, MICH.—A luncheon party will be held at SWH, 437 S. Livernois, Sunday, Jan. 30, at 3 p. m. Free lunch will be served to all members of Ladies' Club. So let's all get together just this once, and enjoy the fruits of our labor we did the year around.

This does not mean it's only for the ladies. Everyone is welcome from Grandpa down to Junior. We will try our best to please you, and may even have a surprise in store for you. Small prizes will be provided for bingo, pinnaque, or whatever the ladies will desire. This is one time some of our most steady workers are going to sit back and relax.

Let me also remind you that on Sunday, Feb. 20, a party will be held for the benefit of Jugoslav Partisans. All lodges and other organizations are to participate. The details about this will be described in a later issue.

AGNES KRZISNIK, Treas.

## A Student, Indeed

"I want to be procrastinate at the next corner," said the Negro passenger to the bus operator.

"You want to be what?" demanded the operator.

"Don't lose your temper. I had to look in the dictionary myself before I found out that 'procrastinate' means 'put off'."

## War-Prisoner Parcels Go Direct to Camps

Parcels for prisoners of war held in camps in this country should hereafter be addressed direct to the camp where the addressees are held and should not be addressed "VIA NEW YORK," according to new regulations issued by the Postoffice Department.

Letters and cards addressed to prisoners of war held in camps in this country, and both letters and parcels addressed to prisoners of war confined in enemy or enemy-occupied countries should be addressed "VIA NEW YORK."

Parcels, letters and cards, addressed to interned or detained civilians in camps in this country may be addressed direct to the camps of detention.

Addresses of prisoners of war, etc., should always be placed in the lower right-hand portion of envelopes as near the lower edge as possible. When the name and address of the addressee is near the top the cancellation may obliterate the name, preventing proper delivery to the addressee.

NOTE: Letters to prisoners of war in Europe may be sent by air mail when fully prepaid at the rate of 30 cents for each half ounce or fraction, except letters for Italy, for which air mail service is not available at this time.

## Assistant Auditor

Guest (after dinner)—Don't you help your mama with the dishes when she has company?

Small Daughter of Family—Not washing the dishes, but I help her count our silver spoons, an' knives an' forks after the company's gone.

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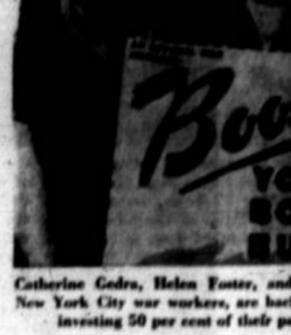
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# HARMONY FROM HARMONIZERS

ROUNDUP, MONT.—The Harmonizers' (SNPJ lodge 700) last meeting was much shorter than some of us predicted. The writer believes that the weatherman was more or less to blame, as we are having sunny California weather; of course, we needn't be reminded that the mines are working six to seven days a week.

Ward Compton read his lengthy report, which covered, among other things, sick members, finances, donations, nomination for membership, and, by the way, we have six new names added to our adult roster. Needless to say, every member listening to the secretary's report each month, gets a real picture of Harmonizers' activities.

We have only two members on the sick list, John Ravnarik Sr. who has been sick for a long time, and Theresa Zupan who has been confined to the hospital for several years. Martin Mezmarich Jr. was on the sick list a long time also. He received severe injury in a mine accident, and he appreciates the check of \$80 extension on his sick order, and wishes to express his gratitude to the SNPJ.

I trust that our members make and keep one 1944 resolution, that is to pay our sick members a friendly visit which, as you know, is a fraternal obligation as well as a friendly call.

Our fourteenth annual dance was very successful; we not only can boast financial success but also kept the name Harmonizers in the limelight. We have entertained the dancing public on that night for fourteen years and the public must be satisfied for they come back every year. So let us keep it that way. As long as we have Amelia Beide heading the entertaining committee, believe me, we shall have results.

Our public card party is in the making. The exact date hasn't been set, only that it will be sometime in February.

The officers for 1944 are: President, Frank Polzak; Vice Pres., Frank Bujok; Financial Sec'y, Lea Oest; Rec. Sec'y, Ward Compton; Treasurer, Jack Kerzan; Sergeant-at-Arms, Anton Lekse; Ward Compton, chairman of supervisory comm., Erna Hilderman, chairman of sick comm., Amelia Beide, chairman of entertainment comm. Circle Director, Lea Oest.

The officers sincerely trust that their program and efforts for your comforts and for the welfare of the lodge are going to be satisfactory.

In conclusion the writer wishes to say that the articles which appear in the weekly are interesting and hoping to see the English Section enlarged. The articles of Frank Rezek, J. F. Fifolt, Donald Lotrich, M. Fleischaeker, etc. remind me of the convention days in Pittsburgh.

FRANK POLSAK, Pres.

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# Bro. R. Mihelcich Killed in Action

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.—Official notification of the death on Nov. 6, 1943, of Private Rudolph Mihelcich, member of SNPJ lodge 743, has been received by his uncle, Kazimir Mihelcich of 715 South Hope St., Los Angeles, Calif. Following the telegram from the Adjutant General, came a card from General Marshall extending his deep sympathy to Kazimir for the loss of his nephew. Thus was closed the altogether too brief a book, covering the life of an ideal young American citizen.

Rudolph Mihelcich was born Nov. 23, 1922, in Lokve, Croatia, Yugoslavia. His Uncle Kazimir, who served in the United States Army in World War I, and who was making his home at the Los Angeles YMCA, extended an invitation to his brother back in Yugoslavia to have young Rudy come to the United States and live here under the guardianship of his uncle. He came to this country in February, 1937, a bright-eyed, winsome youngster, who saw in his new environment the kind of opportunities which he and other members of his family dreamed of back in Croatia. With no knowledge of the English language, his keen initiative and eager desire to become an integral part of his newly adopted homeland, made of him an apt student. Under the tutelage of his uncle, through his residence in the YMCA and his association with his friends at the "Y", he made rapid progress in establishing a real place for himself in the community. He carried many part-time responsibilities in the "Y" during the hours after school, and in 1942 was graduated from the Belmont High School, being awarded a diploma for meritorious character, citizenship and scholarship.

Immediately upon graduation, he went into the war industry with the California Shipbuilding Corporation and was drafted into military service in the United States Army on March 26, 1943. He had his basic training at Camp Roberts in California and embarked for overseas duties in the South Pacific area from Camp Stoneman. His death took place at New Caledonia on Nov. 6, 1943.

Rudy was modest, friendly, clean, radiating in his everyday living, a quality of young manhood which won the affection and confidence of those with whom he came in contact. He was a versatile athlete and took the best of care of his physical well-being. He constantly sought to improve his mind and was a young man of rugged character. In all phases of his personal living, he embodied the ideals for which the YMCA stands, and members of the "Y" staff with whom he was associated are eloquent in their praise of him and have experienced a poignant sense of loss in his death.

In such a brief span of years, Rudy came from the land of his birth to a new country, where his faith and enthusiasm soon won for him friends and a worthy place in society. Then this bright spirit went on again to fight for that land and freedom which he had embraced and grown to love, and in so doing, he made the supreme sacrifice. However, he still lives in the hearts and minds of his friends and associates in the

United States, as they remember and recognize anew the enthusiasm, virtue and integrity of his life. Both his life and his death are a tribute to the true values upon which may come a better world.

Besides his Uncle Kazimir and many friends and relatives in the United States, he is survived by his father and mother, grandmother and two brothers in Yugoslavia. When Rudolph came to the United States, he was a juvenile member of the Lodge and upon arriving here became a member of SNPJ Lodge 743 in Los Angeles. Upon reaching the age of eighteen, he became a full-fledged member and was active in its work. All members of the Lodge appreciated the contribution which he made, are grieved at his passing and wish to extend sympathy to his other friends and loved ones.

FRANK M. GRACHAN,  
Secretary SNPJ Lodge 743.

## SNPJ Ladies' Bowling League of Cleveland

CLEVELAND, OHIO.—Sparkplug bowlers of the various teams this week had to share honors with first and second year bowlers. Although the performances of the latter cannot be compared too closely with the others due to their inexperience, they made some very good showing. Lee Hoyt of Comrades No. 3 bowled a 391 series, although her average so far is only 97. Easy does it, Lee Frances, Preseren of Comrades No. 1, a bowler of two years experience, came into the limelight with a 463 series. Fine work.

Mollie Koren, a veteran bowler of the SNPJ league sparkplugs, led her team to a three game victory over the Comrades No. 3. Her series of 513 was high for her team. Nellie Shine led the losers with 458. Keep it up, Nellie.

Fanny Svetina of Utopians came out of her slump and gave a fine account of herself with a score of 517 as her team took two out of three from Strugglers No. 2; her performance showed no trace of the slump she had been in. Keep going and bear in mind that every series consists of three games and each game ten frames.

Showing a nice display of teamwork, Comrades No. 1 gained a two game victory from the first place team, Strugglers No. 1. Concordians took two games from the last place Comrades No. 4 team. Consistent bowling of Mary Lunder did a great deal in bringing about these victories. Frances Pucel was high for the losing team with a series of 338. Albina Vidmar of Strugglers No. 2 has found the groove and is doing very well for herself. Same goes for the champ of Strugglers No. 1, Theresa Jeric; her game of 202 was top score for singles for the night.

SHE DOOD IT!—She sat there waiting, eager and tense, and looked like a boxer on the defense, and they all roared and shouted very loud, but she didn't pay attention to the noise from the crowd. Her head was bent forward and her eyes seemed to strain as though she were searching for something in vain. Her dress was quite high and her knees in the air, but none of these things was she in the least aware. Then over the crowd came silence and hush and they looked as though they expected a rush. Their eyes held a look of awe and surprise as they turned to the girl who was beginning to rise. And there on her face they saw a bright smile, the kind we all wear once in-a-while.

## "The Labor Front"—New World in Action

Manpower, source of all fighting strength in World War II, is the subject of the new WORLD IN ACTION film, "The Labor Front," which will be at the Telenews Theatre in Chicago from Jan. 14-20. Running time 20 min. The film is being shown also in other cities. Produced by the National Film Board of Canada and filmed in American and Canadian war plants, "The Labor Front" poses the question of the reemployment of current war workers and servicemen in postwar industries.

The film shows the growth, since the start of the war, of the new industrial democracy that is increasing production and offering workers an incentive to stay on their jobs. Labor and management are learning to work successfully as equals on joint committees to adjust industry to the changing needs of war. Communities are trying to make proper living quarters and medical care available to working families. Each worker is offered training to develop his special skills. New careers are opening to women. Heads of industry are realizing that good food for their workers is as necessary as good oil for their machines.

"The Labor Front" shows, as well, the causes of absenteeism and lost time, labor turnovers and labor shortages in war plants today. Inadequate housing is driving people away from defense centers and discouraging people from migrating from communities where there are labor surpluses. Overcrowded transportation lines exhaust workers before they clock in. A lack of child care centers prevents mothers from doubling as defense workers. Inadequate shopping facilities compel women to stay home to buy food for their families.

"The Labor Front" also contrasts the free labor of the United Nations with the slave labor imported into Germany that is now chief cause of sabotage in Nazi industries.

Stuart Legg is editor of "The Labor Front" which is being distributed by United Artists.

—E. G. Associates.

### Mike Is Stuck

Mary: "Every time Mike's wife has a baby, he buys a new accessory for the baby buggy. First it was a new top, then new bumpers, then some fenders, then a pair of wind wings, and finally a new set of tires. Now they've got another baby and Mike is stuck. He doesn't know what else to buy for the buggy."

Sally: "I think he ought to get a stop light."

### Meatless Tuesday

We nominate for the Hall of Fame the calm and cool Marine who, when temporarily captured by some cannibals on a South Sea Island, said to them:

"Let me see your ration cards."

His buddies rescued him before the cannibals could use their points.

Anxiety is the poison of human life; the parent of many sins and of more miseries. —Blair.

and the crowd cut loose with a mighty cheer as though they were ushering in a Happy New Year. For this girl who was happy and they all seemed to like, she had finally managed to make her first strike.

PAULINE ROSS, Sec'y.

## The Upper Crust



"Madame, we Spaniards are neutral in this war."

## Books and Books

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.—I have just finished reading the latest book by Louis Adamic—"My Native Land."

What I think of the book? Well, there are books and books, lots of them. Of the many books I have chosen to read, there were many that I thought much of; others less so, and of some I thought not worth reading at all. A great majority of books in our great public libraries, I presume, belong to the latter class. But of the book "My Native Land," I think everything there is worthwhile to think, and this is a whole lot. Maybe this is particularly so because I am of Yugoslav nationality and reading in that book concerns mostly conditions of that country. Nevertheless, its implications are not local but global, especially today when the United Nations are fighting a global war with nazi-fascists.

The author tells us the stories of shortcomings and miscarriages of political and economic justice caused and brought to Yugoslavia people from many past days on to this one because of personal greed for power and of ambitions of certain individuals in high places whose aim was not to foster democracy and freedom but corruption and dictatorship, fascism and nazism.

The author knew that what he says in the book was true, is still true, and it may remain true if democratic justice will not prevail when war is at an end and the people again will take up their daily pursuits. There is no court on earth, no church and institution anywhere on earth that can forever keep the

old line has-been truths and today's truths, because there are now being forged at the battle fronts—revolutionary fronts—new truths, new morals and convictions which shall serve the people of tomorrow. Not a rule of lip service democracy; not a rule of economic or other royalists but a real rule of the people, by the people, and for the people.

In his book Adamic shows us these truths; yes, even to the point of committing himself to unpopular ideas, to something that without his deep belief and personal character and courage he could not do. But he is, forced to choose—to choose under certain circumstances between the rule of German nazification and the Russian rule in Europe and maybe the world over. To these two rules, he prefers Russia; and wisely so. Is Russia not our Ally in this world war?

Of course, there are many reasons for different kind of people to hate Russia here and abroad. Germany's nazi-fascists hate Russia. But the time factor will take care of that.

Stuart Chase, once only a moderate liberal, says in an article in the Nation of October 23, of last year, among other things:

"Is a world revolution going on or is it not? I believe that it is. The masses can no longer be kept in their place, they are on the march. Those who really cherish democracy are glad to see that they are marching. Those who dislike democracy will continue to be afraid. I have arguments to give them, and no consolation to offer."

This almost coincides with the prophetic words of our great Ivan Cankar who said: "A prišel bo čas, ko go bodo majali beli gradovi v svitu krvave zore..."—"There will come a time when the white castles (i. e., dark forces) will crumble in the glow of a scarlet dawn."

Yes, democracy is on the march, and the book "My Native Land" is one of its prognosticators.

What else can I say of the book? Only one thing: Every socially minded global man or woman in general, and every Yugoslav man and woman in particular should buy and read this book. (Our SNPJ lodge 743 has ordered a copy of this momentous book for our reference and keepsake.)

FRANK PETRICH, 743.

### A Horrid Husband

Mrs. Small—My husband is a perfect brute.

Mrs. Short—You don't say.

Mrs. Small—Yes, since the baby began teething nothing would quiet the little darling but pulling his father's mustache. Well, yesterday he went and had his mustache shaved off.

### A Little Tough

As they walked home together, Tom told Fred he was going to give his wife a serious talk on economy. When they met again next day, Fred asked:

"Well, did you give the missus that economy lecture?"

"I did," replied Tom.

"Any results?"

"Yes—er—I'm going to give up smoking."

### Sad Mistake

Mr. Brown—So your son had to leave college on account of poor eyesight?

Mr. White—Yes, he mistook the dean of women for a good.

### Stick Together

Passenger (to driver of old horse)—Can't you go any faster?

Driver—I could, sir, but I wouldn't like to leave my horse behind!

Keep scrapping—America needs rubber, metals, rags, paper and burials.

## FLASHES

By DONALD J. LOTRICH

CHICAGO.—The Pioneers held a good meeting last Friday night. Among other things we accepted one new member and four transferred members, decided to hold the annual invitational handicap bowling tournament with its bowlers' dance and social and selected August 5 for the annual picnic at Pilsen Park. Frances and Joan Rak, mother and daughter, each won the monthly cash award. We have a new setup on these meeting awards. At each meeting a name is selected from those present to take the cash. We have a sure winner at each meeting. Bingo was played after the meeting under direction of Erma Vertnik.

The Pioneer bowling league is still rolling along very well. Dr. Zavertrnik's squad is in first place; Don Lotrich's insurance team is in second, only one game behind; Nachtmann's dentists are third, only one game further down, while the Slovene Center and Victorians are tied for fourth, three games out of first place. Zefran's team, Dr. Walter's and the Preseren Singers follow in the order named. John Pouhe and Fred Bennett are tied for the lead in the individual standings. They are followed by a triple tie for third place by Fred Svoboda, Emil Skubic and Joe Kosnik. Zefran's team has the highest individual score of 1022 and Preseren has the highest series, 2751. John Pouhe has the highest single game of 255 and Frank Lotrich the highest series of 621. Last week's good games included the following: John Petras 216, Fred Bennett 212, Larry Lotrich 208, Emil Skubic 204, John Pouhe 200, John Alic 197, Joseph Testen 195, Louis Zefran 195, Joseph Kosnik 195, John Collins 193, Robert Kovanda 192, and Frank Carl 190. John Alic is still in charge of the men's division and Anne Groser is in charge of the women's division.

This week's mail brought us a nice card from Arley Bozicnik who doesn't mind the Army life but would rather be back home.—Another V-mail letter from Ernest Dresher, who is still in Sicily and whose troop carrier division is the backbone of the Italian campaign.—They had snow down in Camp Wolters, Texas, according to Frank Groser who sends best regards to his many friends at home. His sergeant is a Slovene lad from Milwaukee.—And a nice, long letter from Walter Zlogar who is on duty with the Navy in the tropical area. He expresses appreciation for the Xmas parcel and the Pioneer Bulletin.—Joseph Supancic is still with the Navy and in actual combat service. He writes that everything seems to be going satisfactorily.—Joseph Zvokel doesn't write frequently; he still looks forward to his coming visits and a reunion which will follow after hostilities cease.

The Slovene Center Social Club held its annual meeting last Saturday. John Rak undertook the work of secretary because Frank Sodnik was drafted. The Center itself is holding its annual meeting this weekend.—We have just learned that Olga M. Knapich has been married in Kansas City. She is a former Pioneer.—Bread and Butter, which is a publication of Consumers' Union, has just reprinted an excellent four point program which was set up by the National Resources Planning Board to guar-

antee freedom from want. Among other things our economy must provide work for all who are able to work, insurance for those who cannot work and adequate services for health and the education of the common people. Naturally, reactionary congressmen are opposed to such services. That's why we must insist on it more than ever.

## A Sales Tax Or ...

In its campaign for a sales tax, the national Chamber of Commerce claims to have unearthed some workers who favor this method for making the poor shoulder the rich man's tax burden.

As evidence that "widespread sentiment" exists for a sales tax, the Chamber's Washington Review reports that "a small, eastern steel distributing company conducted a poll among its workers which showed 104 votes for a 10% retail sales tax..."

Remarkable! But wait a minute, this is only half the story. The report continues with "17 votes for a 10% increase in the withholding tax, and 3 not voting."

In other words, the workers were apparently asked which they preferred, a 10% sales tax or a 10% increase in their withholding tax.

Caught between the devil and the deep blue sea, most of them evidently decided that a devil of 10% more docked from their wages was worse than floundering in a sea of 10% higher living costs.

This incident is typical of the phony sales tax propaganda. Actually the choice is not between two alternative methods of soaking the lowest paid. It is between taxing the wealthy according to ability to pay, or making those least able to pay bear most of the burden through a sales tax.

If these workers had been asked if they preferred a 10% sales tax to higher taxes on upper incomes and war profits, we don't think the sales tax would have received a single vote.

## How Many Learn It?

Young Mother—Nurse, what is the most difficult thing for a young mother to learn?

Nurse—That other people have perfect children, too.

A tricklayer working on top of a high building carelessly dropped a brick which landed on the head of his negro helper below.

"You-all bettah be careful up dere," the helper shouted up. "You done made me bite mah tongue."

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# OUR ENEMIES WANT YOU TO BELIEVE THE END OF THE WAR IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER

The Japanese and Nazis are watching what you do during the 4th War Loan as an answer to the one thing they want to know—have you fallen for the booby trap of complacency? Here are eight reasons why you cannot afford NOT to buy extra war bonds. Here are the real facts about the war situation.



Americans, many from this community and state, are dying on the beaches of the Pacific and in Europe. Remember bloody Tawara and Salerno? Terrible casualties will mark the full scale invasion of the Hitler-enslaved continent.



The Nazis have 300 well equipped combat divisions, comprising millions of men, more than they had when they started the war in 1939. Their morale is high. We cannot count on a German home front collapse.



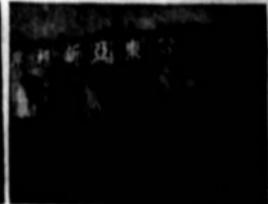
German equipment is still good. The Nazis are using 35,000,000 labor slaves to help build up mountains of supplies. Your War Bonds must be mustered high to pay for the huge stock piles of munitions to overwhelm Hitler.



The Nazis are well fed. They're starving conquered Europe to supply food to Germans at home and on the fighting fronts. The calorie content of German diet is higher than it was before the war began.



The Japanese militarists have mobilized their subjects for 100 years of war. They have never doubted they would beat the United States. They still boast they will dictate the terms of peace in our White House.



The Japanese are prepared to lose 5,000,000 men on the outer ring of their Pacific defense system 2000 miles from their homeland. They plan to make us pay a staggering blood price to frighten us into a negotiated peace.



The Japanese are eating a third less than before Pearl Harbor and working 98 hours, seven days a week. Think of these facts when you are called upon to buy extra war bonds during the 4th War Loan.



Our enemies are the real source of all this talk you hear about the end of the war being "just around the corner." Complacency is the worst kind of a booby trap. Until the enemy is smashed he'll all back the attack with extra Bonds.

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