

Sofija, Bolgarija, 21. no
Poljedelasko ministarstvo je z
kretom odredilo monopol
dukeije tobaka. To je stori
namenom, da pridelovalci t
više cene, delavci v toba
tovarnah pa više plače.

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Plačovalna prihajajo...

Najvažnejša novica te dni je zaključek voditeljev Slovenske ljudske stranke v Londonu, da so poslali v glavni stan Slovenske osvobodilne vojske bivšega ministra g. Franca Snoja. Namen njegove misije je, prepricati takozvane "domobrancelje", da so bili od voditeljev stranke v Ljubljani prevarani, ko so pristopili v domobransko vojsko in zaprisegli zvestobo nemškemu krvniku Hitlerju, ter jih brezpo- gojno pridobiti, da vstopijo v Osvobodilno fronto, ki je v ime- nu Jugoslavije in v imenu zavez- nikov edina pooblaščenca, da vodi borbo za osvoboditev Slovenije.

Dr. Kuhar, eden izmed glavnih voditeljev SLS ter bivši urednik ljubljanskega Slovenca, je oddajal po radiu iz Londona tri govore med 9. in 11. septem- brom. V njih je javno označil za lažnive vse one, ki so trdili, da se "domobrancelji" borijo za vero in domovino ter proti "ko- munistu". "Borba proti Osvobo- ditelni fronti," pravi dr. Kuhar, "ni borba proti komunizmu, ampak borba proti lastnemu naru- du, ki se bori za svobodo... Vsi tisti, ki se hočejo boriti za osvobodjenje domovine—in to bi moral danes biti najvišji vzor vsakega slovenskega človeka— pojdit po najkrajši poti k OSVOBODILNI FRONTI... Ti- sti, ki mislijo, da jim to ni mo- goče (ker so zašli že predaleč), naj storijo vsaj eno: da vržejo stran nemško orožje, beže od so- vrznanika, prenehajo z ubijanjem lastnih ljudi in pomagajo v bor- bi za svobodo... Rad bi, da me razumevate prav, da sem vam govoril kot duhovnik, kot Slo- vene in kot vaš prijatelj ob ur- lo, ko so v nevarnosti vaša čast in vaša mlada življenja..."

Vodstvo SLS v Londonu se je torej javno odreklo vseh onih članov stranke v Sloveniji, ki so narod nagovarjali k sodelovanju z nemško oboroženo silo in ga zapeljali v boj proti svojim last- nim bratom... Ali se bodo strankini agenti v Ameriki ob- dvajali uri tudi predramili in prenehali s svojim protinarod- nim delom?

Na vse podružnice in gl. od- bornike SANSa smo odposlali odise tednika LIFE od 6. no- vembra, v katerem je šest strani slik iz Slovenije. Posnete so bile 23. septembra, ko so sloven- ski partizani s pomočjo zavez- niške letalske sile razstrelili že- lezniški most pri Litiji. Slikal jih je ameriški poročevalec John Phillips, ki se je s kapitanom Jimom Goodwinom udeležil te nevarne ekspedicije. Zanimale bodo marsikoga.

Na prvi sliki, ki kaže skupino slovenskih častnikov pri izdelavi načrta za napad na Litijo, je tudi general Stane—Franc Roz- man, o katerem je ameriško čas- opisje poročalo 11. novembra, da je umrl radi poškodb, ki jih je dobil pri eksploziji zaplenje- nega orožja. Poleg njega na levi sedi poznani umetniški slikar Božidar Jakac.

Relifna akcija

Zbiranje denarnih prispevkov za Vojni relifni fond Amerikan- cev južnoslovenskega pookla (WRFASD) prav lepo napredu- je. Do 15. novembra so znašali skupni prispevki že \$135.000. SANS je odposlal v newyorški urad do 16. novembra \$18.441.76. Slovenski prispevki, vključevši tih, ki so bili odposlani naravn- ost v New York, pa znašajo \$28.267.58.

Teden smo prejeli prispev- ke od sledečih:

Chicago: Podružnica SANSa št. 2 \$280, Agnes Gross \$10; An- so Bezljaj \$5.

Detroit: Podružnica št. 1 JPO \$490, ter \$242 nabranih po sestri Mary Rant.

Onoville, N. Y.: Math Hribar je poslal \$15 (po \$5 darovala tu- so A. Zrimsek in Steve Turk).

Strabane, Pa.: Sestra Mary Tomic je poslala ček za \$500 od podružnice št. 55.

Syran, Pa.: Društvo št. 6 SN- PJ darovalo \$100; poslal tajnik John Wiant.

White Valley, Pa.: John Britz daroval \$5.

Auburn, Ill.: Za podružnico št. 96 poslal tajnik John Homez \$103.60.

Barberton, Ohio: Za podružni- co št. 51 je poslala tajnica Fran- ces Smerdel \$500.

Waukegan, Ill.: Za lokalni po- močni odbor (SANS in JPO) je poslal blagajnik Math Jereb ček za \$120.

Hostetter, Pa.: Podružnica št. 94 je nabrala med rojaki \$188.55.

Pittsburgh, Pa.: Lokalni odbor je nabral in nam poslal nadalj- njo vsoto \$400.

Med posamezne darovalce pri- števamo ta teden Franka Te- sacka iz San Francisco, Cal., ki nam je poslal vsoto \$25.00, ter enako vsoto Luka in Tončka Može iz Barbertona.

Bridgeport, Ohio: Tajnik in blagajnik postojanka št. 33, John Vitez nam pošilja že tretjo po- siljke in sicer sedaj \$115.50.

Podružnica v Detroitu je pri- spevala, za SANSovo politično akcijo ta mesec \$150.00. Brat Jo- seph Radelj iz West Allisa, Wis., nam pošilja \$20 za prodane par- tizanske zveže, brat Anton De- bevc iz Sheboygana pa \$11.90.

Zelo razveseljuje poročila do- bivamo tudi glede zbiranja ob- leke in drugega oblačila in po- trebščin za staro domovino.

Iz Aurore, Ill., poroča sestra A. Aister, da je poslala že tretjo pošiljko, skupaj do sedaj 112 funtov. Iz E. Molina, Ill., pa se- javlja brat Anton Klanšek, ki je poslal v skladišče v New York 57 funtov volnenega blaga.

Anna Blatnik iz Fayette City, Pa., naznanja, da je nabrala in odposlala 207 funtov dobrega ob- lačila v vrednosti nad \$200.

Podružnica št. 53 v Johnstov- nu, Pa., je poslala nadaljnjih 152 funtov obleke.

V Barbertonu, Ohio., so šli na- ši pridni rojaki na delo ter na- brali 3528 funtov raznega obla- čila ter \$500 v gotovini. Sestri Smerdel in Okoliš poročata, da sestoji njih pošiljka iz 60 zabo-jev ali skupaj 3538 različnih ko- sov obleke in oblačila. Pišejo nam: "Vzelo je veliko truda, to- da ženam so tudi možje pridno pomagali. Vsak večer smo se pozno vračali na svoje domove, da mi v srcu nam je bila zavest, da smo storili vsaj trohico člove- koljubnosti za "narod trpeči— za narod slovenski."

Podružnica št. 96 v Auburnu, Ill., je nabrala in odposlala 175 funtov obleke.

Walsenburg, Colo., je prispe- val 201 funt.

V daljni Minnesoti se je Ely zopet postavil ter prispeval 3650 funtov oblačila.

Iz La Salla, Ill., poročajo, da so nabrali in odposlali 2,460 fun- tov blaga. Pomagale so tudi na- selbine v okolici kot Depue, Oglesby itd.

V Brooklynu so že več tednov pridno na delu in sestra Fran- ces Cerar, tajnica odbora, poro- ča, da so odpremi v skladišče že 5002 funta raznovrstnega ma- teriala. Poleg nje so v lokalnem odboru tudi sestre J. Peshel, G. Mutz, F. Padar in J. Kuković.

Mike Misouri, predsednik po- družnice SANSa v Pontani, Cal., poroča, da so nabrali 1043 fun- tov raznoterega blaga. Največ je skolektal on sam. Skrbil ga- glede stroškov. Upamo, da na- rojaki prispejajo na pomoč ter prispevajo tudi za vozno.

Podružnica št. 25 v Chicagu je odposlala pretekli teden nad 2 tona in pol različnega blaga, oblačila in konzervirane hrane. Pomagale so tudi podružnice iz So. Chicaga in okraja Roseland- Pullman ter iz severnega dela mesta. Druga pošiljka bo odpe- ljana ta teden. Nabiralna posta- ja na 22. cesti (1901 W. Cermak) je pripravila 50 zavojev v teži 2263 funtov.

Iz Jolietta poroča sestra Jose- phine Erjavac, načelnica ženske- ga odseka, da je mestni župan izdal apel in proglas za nabira- nje obleke za Jugoslavijo. Lju- dje se pridno odzivajo in so že veliko prispevali za ta namen. Načelnik lokalnega odbora je brat Louis Železnikar, pomožni tajnik KSKJ ter predsednik nad- zornega odbora SANSa.

Enake razveseljive novice do- bivamo tudi iz Clevelanda, Wau- kegana, St. Louisa, Milwaukee...

ja in raznih krajev Pennsylvan-ije. Nemogoče je omeniti vse posameznike, ki so darovali ali se žrtvovali v ta namen. Nasel- bine, ki se niso vključile v na- šem seznamu, nam naj sporočijo o svojem rezultatu.

URAD WRFASD NAM PO- ROČA IZ NEW YORKA, DA JE DOBA ZA POŠILJANJE OB- LEKE PODALJŠANA ZA NE- DOLOČEN ČAS. VZROK ZA TO JE ZAKASNITEV LADJE. PRIDRUŽILO SE NAJ TEJ POMOŽNI AKCIJI SE DRUGE NASELBINE IN POSAMEZ- NIKI.

SANS hoče dejansko pomaga- ti revežem v Jugoslaviji, ne s- čevkanjem in večno kritiko kot delajo nekateri fašistom naklon- eni posamezniki in šovinisti. Narod zaupa SANSu in Zdrže- nemu odboru in ta zaupnost se- zrcali v dejstvu, da je glavna blagajna v šestih tednih preje- la samo v gotovini nad \$145.000 za nakup najnujnejših potreb- ščin. Kaj ste napravili vi, kriča- či in blebatači, ki še vedno hu- skate narod PROTI NARODU in ki bi tudi prepevali hozo- no Hitlerju, ako bi bili v Ljublja- ni????

VSTANITE, POLMRILCI VI! ZBUDITE SE, VI ŽIVI GRO- BOVI!

Prireditve in shodi

Chicago, Illinois: Proslava uje- dinjenja Slovencev, Srbov in Hrvatov 3. decembra popoldne v Pilsen parku, 26. cesta in Al- bany Avenue. Govorniki: Kri- stan, Baloković in Gacenič. Nastopijo jugoslovanski pevski zbori itd. Čisti dobiček name- njen jugoslovanskemu relifu pod okriljem ZOJSA.

Detroit, Mich.: Podružnica št. 1 SANSa uprži Jontezovo dramo "Vera v vstajenje" dne 10. decembra v Slov. delavskem domu, 437 S. Livernois. Govor- nik tajnik SANSa Mirko G. Ku- hel.

Aliquippa, Pa.: Proslava osvobo- jenega Belgrada praznujejo Slovenci, Hrvati in Srbi dne 10.

decembra. Govorniki: Kristan (ali Rogel), Krišič in Marković. Cleveland, Ohio: Podružnica št. 48 v Collinwoodu priredi Sil- vestrovo zabavo v korist SAN- Sa v Slov. delavskem domu na Waterloo Rd. na starega leta zvečer.

Chicago, Ill.: Veselica podruž- nice št. 2 SANSa v Fleinerjevi dvorani dne 21. januarja. (Odbori naj sporoče svoje pri- reditve, da jih lahko oglašamo naprej.)

Knjiga o Nikoli Tesli

Tiskarna Ives Washburn iz New Yorka poroča, da je prav- kar izšla biografija Nikole Tes- le pod naslov "Prodigal Ge- nius", katero je spisal John J. O'Neil, urednik znanosti New York Herald Tribune, ki je bil prijatelj pokojnega Tesle. Cena knjigi je \$3.75. Mnogo Jugoslo- vanov bo želelo čitati to knjigo. Ako je ne morete dobiti pri svo- jem knjigotrcu, jo lahko nara- čite od Louisa Adamiča, Mil- ford, N. J., ki je naprosil založ- nika, da rezervira par sto knjig za jugoslovanske čitatelje. K naročilu priložite ček za \$3.75.

Plošče Zinke Milanove

Sonart Record Corp. je pričela prodajati album jugoslovanskih pesmi, katere je rekordirala slavna jugoslovanska operna pevka Zinka Milanov, primado- na Metropolitanske opere dru- žbe v New Yorku. Album vklju- čuje 2 slovenski, 2 srbski in 2 hrvaški pesmi in nosi ime Ju- goslovanski biseri (Pearls of Ju- goslav Songs): "Ko lani sem", "Gor' čez jezero", "Gde si dušo", "Kad ja podjoh na Benbaša", "Domovini in ljubavi" in "Dle- ko moj Split".

Album se naroča pri Sonart Record Corporation, 251 West 42nd Street, New York 18, N. Y. Stane \$3.65 in poština. Kdor ga naroči, naj omeni "Album M-6 hy Zinka Milanov."

Čisti dobiček od teh plošč je namenjen jugoslovanskim parti- zanom.

Mirko G. Kuhel, tajnik.

Glasovi iz naselbin

PETDESETLETNICA ZAKONSKEGA ŽIVLJENJA

Cleveland, O. — Redko kdaj praznujemo med nami petdeset- letnico skupnega zakonskega življenja ali zlato poroko. Na- ši ljudje trdo delajo v tovarnah in drugod, zato so le redki, ki dosežejo visoko starost.

Zlato poroko pa obhajata Jo- že Kunčič in njegova žena Je- rica. Oba sta člana društva št. 53 SNPJ.



Jože in Jerica Kunčič

Jože je eden izmed ustanovi- teljev našega društva. Predno se je naselil v Clevelandu, je živel v Lorainu, O., kjer je bil tudi član društva SNPJ. Tedaj, ko se je naselil v Collinwoodu, je bila še skoro sama divjina, potem pa se je zavezal z drugimi rojaki in danes imamo tu na- predno in močno postojenko SNPJ.

Brat Kunčič je bil rojen 19. marca 1. 1869 v Radovljici pri Ljubljani. Prav tako njegova žena Jerica, ki je bila rojena 1. 1871. Poročena sta bila 24. no- vembra 1. 1894. V zakonu se ji- ma je rodilo šest otrok, trije v- stari domovini in trije tukaj.

Jubilant Jože je prišel v to deželo 1. 1903, leto pozneje pa je prišla za njim žena s tremi o- troki. Če se ne motim, sta pri- šla najprej v Lorain. Otrok ži- vi še pet, kateri imajo šest o- trok.

Jožeta poznam že 28 let. Jaz sem bil še mladenič, ko je bil on že gonilna sila vsega napre- dka v Collinwoodu. Z njim so- tedaj sodelovali pokojni D. Blu- mter, John Zupanc in mnogi drugi naprednjaki. Tedanje

življenje je bilo vse drugačno kot je danes; bilo je več življe- nja in veselja, da društvenega življenja — organizacije so ra- sle. Tedanji socialistični klub št. 2 je imel ime "Luc". Klub je imel tudi svoj tamburaški zbor. Kučičeva hčerka Mary je igrala pri zboru. Jože je bil tudi vnet delavec za tukajšnjo zadrugo, za SNPJ, bivšo SSPZ ter za dru- ge napredne organizacije. Prav tako je dober podpornik naših naprednih časopisov kot so Pro- letarac, Majski glas, Družinski koledar in drugih.

Posebno veliko zaslug pa ima

za društvo št. 53 SNPJ. Prejšnja leta je vedno poslal neje in pri- redbe. Njegovo gostilno vodijo sedaj njegovi otroci. Predno smo imeli Slovenski delavski dom, smo imeli marsikatero se- jo v Kunčičevi dvorani.

Dasiravno sta zakonca že v jo- semskih letih, sta še vedno čr- sta. Jože še vedno rad malo polimizira in se spominja mla- dih let in bojev, ki so jih imeli tedaj proti reakciji. Rad se- spominja tudi na Eibina Krista- na, katerega globoko spoštuje.

Na koncu zakoncema Kunčič v imenu društva št. 53 SNPJ že- lim, da bi še dolgo živelu mirno in srečno zakonsko življenje in da bi dočkala 50 letnico dru- štva št. 53. Prejmita iskrene čestitke od vseh vajinih prija- teljev in znancev!

J. F. Durn, tajnik št. 53.

MINNESOTČANI TUDI NA DELU

Duluth, Minn. — Želim sporo- čiti javnosti, da smo se od dru- štva št. 205 SNPJ tudi odzvali klicu naših bratov in sestra iz stare domovine in zbrali in od- poslali deset zavojev obleke. Na-

biralci obleke so bili John Kobi in njegova žena, podpisani in njegova žena.

Sestra Angela Blatnik, tajnica društva št. 205 SNPJ, je tudi na- birala obleke samostojno in jo odposlala. Gotovo je imela ve- liko sreče. Podpisani je pobir- al tudi denarne prispevke za zdravila in druge potrebščine. Darovali so sledeči: \$10 Carl in Ana Gerlovich, \$5 John Novak in Frank Blatnik, \$1.50 John I- vane, po \$1 na sledeči: Frank Rot, Joseph Jakša, John Zalar, Joseph Jančar, Louis Ropotar in Frank Vesel, 50c pa Mary Mrak. Skupaj \$28, ktere sem odposlal na pristojno mesto. Vsem najlep- ga hvala!

Carl Gerlovich, 205.

POROČILO O PRIREDBI

Chicago, Ill. — Moram malo poročati o prireditvi društva Pio- neer št. 559 SNPJ, katera se je vršila v soboto zvečer, 11. no- vembra.

Priredba je bila jako uspeš- no. Udeležba je bila dobra in prispevki tudi lepi, tako da je prireditveni odbor zelo zado- voljen in ravno tako ostalo član- stvo. Dobiček priredbe bo naj- brže pokrili stroške, ki smo jih imeli z darili, ki smo jih posla- li za božične praznike našim članom—vojakom križem sveta.

Najlepša hvala vsem, ki ste delali na prireditvi in prav tako tistim, ki ste udeležili prired- be in darovali toliko daril, da smo izvršili tako dobro delo.

Še nekaj bi poročal našim Slo- vencem, zlasti Cikažanom. Ako bi kateri želel dobiti delo čuva- ja (crossing watchman), se la- hko zglesi pri družbi Chicago Ra- pid Transit Co. in bo delo dobil. Plačajo \$5.40 za osem urno delo, delajo pa šest dni na teden. To res ni velik zaslužek, toda delo je čisto, lahko in stalno, kar je velike vrednosti, posebno za mo- ške, ki so že prekoračili 40. le- to.

Tega ne pišem za to, da bi ho- tel pomagati kompaniji, a rad pa bi pomagal kakemu Slovincu, da bi dobil to delo, kajti pred vo- jno je bilo zelo težko dobiti to delo. Sploh ga niso dali drugim kot onim, ki so imeli politično pomoč.

Ako bi katerega interesiralo, potem naj se zglesi pri meni in dal mu bom potrebne inform- acije. Moj naslov je: 1177 S. Gro- ve ave., Oak Park.

John Simon, 559.

AKTIVNOSTI PRI DRUŠTVU ŠT. 130

Eveleth, Minn. — Zadnja seja društva št. 130 SNPJ je bila ze- lo dobro obiskana. Seja se je vršila 13. novembra. Članice so sklenile, da pošljemo našemu glavnemu predsedniku \$25 za naše brate in sestre v stari do- movini.

Sestra Julia Turunzo je povi- la dvojke. Oba sta sinčka. Na- še čestitke! Dokler bosta majh- na, bo imela veliko dela z nje- ma, a ko dorasteta, bo pomona nanju, kakor vsaka mati. Naše društvo pa se je pomnožilo za dva člana v mladinskem oddel- ku.

Tukaj se lovei pridno priprav- lja za lov na srce. Lov se je od- pri 15. novembra. Toda lov- ce skrbi, ker ni snega in tako se bo marsikatera srna izgubi- la v gozdu in ji ne bodo mogli slediti, ker ni snega.

Za staro domovino smo nabra- li veliko obleke in čevljev in vse skupaj odposlali 11. novem- bra v New York.

Josephine Frantar, tajnica.

ŠE O PROSLAVI V BRIDGEPORTU

Bellair, O. — Proslava 40-let- nice društva št. 13 SNPJ in naše jednote, ki sta jo priredila dru- štvo št. 13 in tukajšnja federa- cija SNPJ, je v vseh ozirih do- bro izpadla. Program je bil za današnje razmere pester in Phi- lip Godina je nam povedal veli- ko zanimivega.

Udeležba je bila zelo lepa in tako gneča, da smo se komaj premikali. Poslali smo vstopni- ce vsem društvom, 15 po števi- lu, in vsa so se odzvala in so- delovala razen enega, katero je poslalo vstopnice nazaj s pri- pombo, da se noben član ne za- nima za proslavo. Vstopnice je bilo orodnih za \$163, čistega prebitka pa je \$271.67. Da je proslava tako sijajno uspela, je največ pripomoglo društvo št.

Trpljenje ljudstva v Jugoslaviji

Združeni odbor južnoslovenskih Američanov je prejel od mini- stra Save Kossanovića sledečo brzojavko o stanju v Jugoslaviji: "Od Jugoslovanskega rdečega križa sem dobil pismo sledeče vse- bine, namenjeno vaši organizaciji: "V imenu ljudstva Jugoslavije in Jugoslovanskega rdečega križa apeliramo na vas za pomoč, ki nam je nujno potrebna. "V teški borbi je naš narod pretrpel milijon žrtve. Še vedno se- vodijo krvave bitke. Narod da vse več in več žrtve za končno zmago nad fašizmom. Odločno in trdno stoji naš narod ob svojih zavezanih, ali naši ranjeni junaki še vedno lažijo v primitivnih partizanskih bolnicah, nezadostno obdelani in lačni, brez zdravil- nih zalog in brez zadostnega števila zdravnikov. Pomoč dana naši narodno-osvobodilni vojski je dragocena, ali ne zadostuje našim velikim potrebam.

Sovražnik, ki se umika s močnimi silami iz Bolgarije, Albanije in Grčije proti severu, se mora boriti z našimi enotami na vsakem koraku. V svojem besu ruši še zadnje hiše in polja, ki so še ostala nerazdejana po neštevilnih fašističnih napadih. To nas razdraže- nih fašističnih vojakov, borečih se brez moralne odgovornosti, je- bee ranjene zveri, ko se odraja v manem ubijanju ženi in otrok in izliva še večje odpornost in borbenost našega ljudskega naroda.

Naše vasi in mesta so razdejana, polja naše lepe domovine uni- čena, živina poklana. Naš narod, ki je vedno brez strahu gledal smrti v oči, se ni nikdar obotavljal diti svojih precestev in življenj za končno zmago nad fašizmom. To ljudstvo je sedaj iscrpano in bo- lno in v veliki nujnosti za najbitnejše življenjske potrebščine. Na deset tisoč otrok, gelih in lačnih v razvalinah njihovih bivših do- mev brez staršev, pričakuje prihajajočo zimo. Brigati se za te otroke je naša najvažnejša dolžnost. Oni so jamstvo bodočnosti naše domovine. Naša prva dolžnost je, da jim pripravimo sigurna zavetja in bolnice, da jih preskrbimo z obleko in obuvanjem ter vi- taminsko hrano.

Vaše pismo dr. Smedlaci, zunanjemu ministru jugoslovanske vlade, pokaže vaš globok interes za usodo naših bratov v Ju- goslaviji in vašo željo, da bi jim pomagali. Prišel je skrajni čas, da se ta pomoč da, ker vsako nadaljnje odlaganje bi povzročilo nesre- ča. Mi moramo izkoristiti vsako priliko, kako bi preskrbeli naš narod z vsem, kar potrebuje čim prej, če ne, da bi rešili njih življenja.

Mi apeliramo na vas, da ukrenete vse, kar morete "svrhu zsin- terestiranja Ameriškega rdečega križa za teško usodo narodov Jugoslavije. Prosimo vas, da najdete najboljši način za prenos v našo deželo zalog in denarja, zbranega za jugoslovanski narod v Ameriki. Eventualno moglo bi se poilitati na opolnomočeni urad Jugoslovanskega rdečega križa v Bari, Italija.

Naš narod se popolnoma zanaša na vašo pomoč, čuti najtesnejšo zvezo z vami, ustvarjeno v veliko ljubavnišo za našo domovino Jugoslavijo.

dr. Vojislav Kečmanović, predsednik;
Jara Ribnikar, tajnik,
Podpredsednik:
Proto Presviter J. Karamatičević,
dr. Srećko Šilović,
dr. Drago Marušić.

13 in pa neumoren društveni tajnik Joseph Snoy.

Priznanje gre tudi članicam društva št. 640, katere so poma- gale na odru in drugod, koder je bila pomoč potrebna. Zato se v imenu društva št. 13 in tukaj- šnje federacije SNPJ vsem de- lavcem in delavkam najiskre- nejše zahvaljujem.

Upam, da nam bo ta lepa slavnost ostala v trajnem spo- minu. Popolnoma pravilno je, da smo zvesti člani naše velike jednote, vsaj ona za nas vse ne- pristransko skrbi! Priporočam, da gremo vsi skupaj na delo za večjo in močnejšo SNPJ!

Louis Pavlinich, tajnik federacije.

KLIC NA KONFERENCO PM

Chicago. — V nedeljo se bo vr- šilo jesensko zborovanje okro- žne Prosvetne matice v Sloven- skem domu v Waukeganu, pri- četek ob desatih popoldne. Vsa pridružena društva in klubi so dobili poziv, naj izvolijo in po- šljejo svoje zastopnike na to zbo- rovanje. Upamo, da so društva in klubi PM to storili. Zastop- niki naj pa store svojo dolžnost in naj pridejo na zborovanje ob določenem času.

Tajnik.

DVAJSETLETNICA PROGRESIVNIH SLOVENK

Cleveland, O. — Progresivne Slovenke prirediti prav Krasen program v nedeljo, 26. novem- bra, v Slovenskem delavskem domu na Waterloo rd. ob priliki desetletnice ustanovitve.

Program bo vsekoli zanimiv. Nastopili in sodelovali bodo sle- deči dobro poznani kulturni in društveni delavci:

Pavla Kline—pozdravni go- vor. Mary Grill-Ivanush zapo- je ameriško himno. Vera Mila- vec-Slejško in Frank Slejško na- stopita v duetu na klavir in vio- lino. Danica Hrvatini in Mary Udovih nastopita v duetu. Na- stolji tudi orkester Mladinskega pevskega zbora SDD. Govoril pa bo kapitan Branko Velkovrh, član trgovske mornarice in slo- venski partizan, ki sedaj poma- ga našim zaveznikom prevažati potrebno blago iz enega dela sveta v drugega.

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Podporne organizacije in združništvo

V Ameriki se je v zadnjih desetletjih zavarovalniški biznis vseh vrst tako razvil kot v nobeni drugi deželi. Za življenjsko zavarovanje je na primer v moči več "police" kot pa je prebivalstva. Ker je v deželi še precej milijonov oseb v najrevnejši plasti brez vsake zavarovalnine, to pomeni, da je tudi precej milijonov ljudi, ki imajo dve, tri zavarovalnine. Takih, ki so zavarovani pri dveh, treh podpornih organizacijah, je tudi med Slovenci precej. Tudi je precej takih, ki so zavarovani pri podporni organizaciji in pri inšurencu.

Bratske organizacije so imele na podlagi statističnega poročila Fraternal Monitorja 3,369,951 članov v začetku 1944. To je že lepo število. V tem številu smo ameriški Slovenci proporcionalno zelo dobro zastopani, sploh večinoma vse slovenske narodnosti. Z največjimi in najštevilnejšimi organizacijami so v tem poročilu zastopani Poljaki, ki so pač največja slovanska skupina v tej deželi.

Vse te bratske organizacije vrše dobro delo z pudenjem večje ali manjše socialne zaščite svojim članom. Nudile bi lahko pa še večjo zaščito in se lahko še bolj razmahnile, če bi razvile tudi združno medicino in združne pogrebne zavode. To polje je še skoraj nedotaknjeno, toda kriči po remediuri.

Kljub temu, da je dežela preplavljena z raznovrstnimi privatnimi inšurenci za življenjsko zavarovanje (za smrtnino) in tudi z bratskimi organizacijami, je notorično dejstvo, da je izmed vseh industrijskih držav v Ameriki najslabše preskrbljeno za javno zdravje. Do zadnjih let sploh ni imela nobenega socialnega zavarovanja. Šele zadnje čase smo dobili zakon za starostno pokojnino, ki pa je na splošno slab in zelo potreben za izboljšanje, da bi nudil vsaj minimalno zaščito vsem onim, ki so nesposobni za delo bodisi vsled starosti, dolge bolezni ali pohabjenosti. Najslabša stran tega zakona je, ker izključuje okrog 20 milijonov delovnih moči—služinčadi, vladnih uslužbenecv in drugih.

Slično je tudi z zavarovanjem proti brezposelnosti. Prav za prav je to zavarovanje še slabše, kajti vsaka država ima drugačne zakone, po katerih se izplačuje brezposelnostna podpora. Ta znaša povprečno za vse države le okrog \$13 na teden in enako število tednov v letu.

Najslabše pa je na polju javnega zdravja, ker tukaj sploh ni bil storjen še en sam korak. Vse javno zdravje je do danes in bo po vseh videzih še tudi v bodoče prepuščeno posamezniku in—privatni iniciativi, "svobodnemu podjetništvu," kar pomeni svobodno izkoriščanje s strani zdravnikov, bolnišnic, tovarnarjev in trgovcev patentiranih zdravil in "zdravil." Vsi ti interesi vodijo silno propagando proti vsaki javni ali socialni in tudi proti združni medicini. Tej propagandi na splošno nasledajo tudi ameriške bratske organizacije, ker njih voditelji ne vidijo dalj od svojega nosa in—žepa.

In ker ti interesi spoznavajo, da ne more iti tako naprej in da bo vlada prej ali slej prisiljena nekaj storiti tudi za javno zdravje, so zadnje čase pričeli po večjih mestih prihajati na dan z različnimi skemami za hospitalizacijsko zavarovanje—"group hospital plans." Ampak to zavarovanje doseže le majhne skupine in za vplačani denar tudi nudi le minimalne ugodnosti.

Namen teh in podobnih skem je predvsem preprečenje javne zdravstvene oskrbe skozi vladno zavarovanje, ki bi nudilo brezplačno zdravniško pomoč in bolnišnično vsemu prebivalstvu. Tako zavarovanje je ena največjih potreb dežele. Te vrste zavarovanje bi bilo tudi najcenejše. Financiralo bi se lahko deloma iz federalne blagajne (skozi davke) in deloma z odtrganjem kakega odstotka od plače ali zaslužka. Tak zakon bi seveda moral pokrivati vso in vsako družino.

Ampak te vrste zavarovanje je v tej deželi najbrže še zelo oddaljeno, kajti na eni strani delujejo proti njemu močne politične sile, na drugi strani bo pa na deželi ležala taka butara javnega dolga valed vojne, da bo potrebno samo za obresti sedem do osem milijard dolarjev letno. Povrhu pa še obetajo osedlati deželo z velikim in zelo dragim militarizmom, ki ne bo vodil drugam kot v imperializem in novo svetovno vojno.

Ker je situacija taka, je edini praktični izhod—združna medicina. In ljudje, posebno podporne organizacije bi na tem polju lahko mnogo storile, sicer ne posamezno, ampak več organizacij skupno. Najbrže bi bilo v to mogoče zainteresirati tudi unije. Zdruga od pet do deset tisoč članov bi lahko nudila vso in najboljšo zdravniško oskrbo z bolnišnično vred veliko ceneje kot pa stane privatno zdravljenje.

Na tem polju je dr. Shadid, po narodnosti Armenec, organiziral v Oklahomi zanimiv eksperiment. V čisto farmarskem okrožju je ustanovil in zgradil novo združno bolnišnico. Ta bolniška za druga ima sedaj okrog 2500 članov. Opremljena je z vsemi modernimi pripomočki. Pred ameriškim vstopom v vojno je imela pet prvotnih zdravnikov, ki prejemale po pet tisoč dolarjev letne plače. Za okrog \$30 letne članarine je vsa družina deležna vse zdravniške oskrbe, tudi zobozdravniške potrebe—pri slednji pacient plača le material. V tej združni igra preventivna medicina veliko vlogo.

Tukaj je konkreten dokaz, kaj je na tem polju mogoče doseči skozi združništvo. Na to polje bi se lahko podale tudi bratske organizacije in ustvarile čudeže. To posebno v večjih mestih, kjer so številna društva in tisoče članstva. Za čim boljši uspeh in čim večji razmah združne medicine bi bilo seveda treba podreti narodnostne plotove, katerih združni dejstva itak ne pozna. Enako bi lahko storile veliko za članstvo tudi z ustanavljanjem združnih pogrebnih zavodov.

Glasovi iz naselbin

DELO RELIFNE AKCIJE GRE JADRNO NAPREJ!

Chicago.—Naša pomožna akcija v korist bednim v starem kraju gre jadrno naprej. Rojaki in rojakinje marljivo nabirajo in pripravljajo blago, ki se vsak teden sproti odpošila na določeno mesto v New York. Ker je Chicago velika vas, imamo pet postaj, ki poslujejo v različnih mestnih predelih.

Na severni strani mesta posluje podružnica št. 2 SANSa na naslovu 3019 N. Damen ave., pri rojaku Petru Šolarju, ki je dal svoje prostore na razpolago brezplačno, poleg tega pa sam tudi nabira, šiva in pripravlja potrebno blago. Redna seja te podružnice se vrši v soboto, dne 25. nov. v Fleinerjevi dvorani, 1638 N. Halsted st., veselica te podružnice v korist bednim v stari domovini pa se bo vršila dne 20. januarja.

Podružnica št. 60 SANSa v stari slovenski naselbini ima svojo postajo za nabiranje in odpošiljanje obleke na naslovu 1901 W. Cermak rd. Doslej je ta podružnica odposlala že večjo količino nabranega blaga v New York in nabiranje se nadaljuje. Redna seja te podružnice se je vršila dne 19. nov.

Na zapadni strani mesta vodi svojo postajo podružnica št. 25 SANSa na naslovu 3936 W. 26th st. Poleg že priobčenih imen rojakin in rojakov, ki se udeležujejo pri relifnem delu, sta izvršili obilo pralnega dela rojakinji Mary Jelenc in Helen Trakonja. Valentin Mersol je pomagal popravljati kožuhe, Frank Muha je šival vreče, Frank Udovc je pripeljal mize, stole in šivalni stroj, Philip Godina pa je preskrbel potrebni tisk besedila, ki se oddane na vreče. Šivalni stroj je posodila rojakinja Testin in Anton Andres je preskrbel več potrebnih reči.

Nadalje so v omenjeni postaji pomagale pri šivanju in sortiranju rojakinje Komačar, Mary Skočir, Ana Križanič, Frances Blažun, Mici Oven, Pauline Kocjan, Frances Divjak, Mary Šifrar, Rose Slabe, Mary Jane, Carolina Beton, Minka Alesh, Annie Pčman in Nikolina Božičnik, dočim sta Louis Zorko in Donald J. Lotrich pomagala pri nakladanju vreč na avtohtok pri zadnjih dveh pošiljkih, ki sta skupaj tehtali štiri tone.

Na južni strani mesta poslujejo dve skupini. Ena postaja je na naslovu 9710 Avenue L in ena na naslovu 516 115th st. Br. J. Briljavac, predsednik podružnice št. 54 SANSa, naznanja, da se bo prihodnja seja te podružnice vršila v torek, dne 28. nov., v dvorani Calumet Park ob 8. zvečer. Vsi člani in članice se vabijo, da se gotovo udeležijo, tako tudi ostali rojaki, ki še niso člani, da se pridružijo skupnemu delu. Članarina je samo \$2 na leto. S tem, da postanete člani, boste pokazali, da se strinjate z namenom te plemenite organizacije ter da jo tudi podpirate.

Maks Poljšak in žena, Roundup, Mont., sta poslala \$25 za pomožno akcijo.

Naprej s pomožno akcijo, da magamo našemu bednemu ljudstvu v stari domovini s čim večjo podporo v blagu in denarju! Naša sveta dolžnost je, da to storimo sedaj — takoj! — kajti pomoč je nujno potrebna in pot je odprta, da se jim pomoč lahko dostavi. Na delo za čim večji uspeh izdatne pomoči bednim v starem kraju!

Za centralni odbor, Publicistijski odsek.

AKTIVNOSTI MLADINSKEGA KROŽKA

Arma. Kana. — Kanaški mladinski krožek SNPJ je sredi oktobra v naglici priredil svoj piknik in "Wiener roast" na znani Strletovi farmi. Bil je krasen jesenski dan, pravo indijansko pletenje. Mladina je bila žogo, pekla "hrenovke" in krompir ter se zabavala s sikanjem. Starejši pa so se seveda zabavali po svoje. Farmar John Teršinar iz Farlingtona je prinesel debelo bučo, da smo jo, tako bolj

za šalo, dali na licitacijo. Prinesla je krožku čedno vsoto. Iskrena hvala vsem udeležencem; s tem da ste prišli na to priredbo, ste spet podprli dobro stvar.

Mladinski krožek je v tej kampanji znatno narasel in poživil svoje aktivnosti. V soboto zvečer, 23. decembra priredi božičnico v Franklinu, v Community halli (šolska dvorana). Ujudo torej vabimo na to priredbo vse člane, posebno še članice bližnjih društev. Imeli bomo primeren program, Miklavža in drugo zabavo. Vse, kot "v starih dobrih časih."

A. Shular, upravitelj krožka.

LEP USPEH PROSLAVE SNPJ V SAN FRANCISCO

San Francisco, Cal.—Vsaka stvar je nova, ako je nismo preje slišali. Vidi se mi potrebno, da nadaljujem poročilo o proslavi 40-letnice SNPJ, kjer je prenehal tajnik.

Društvo Tabor Slovanov št. 304 SNPJ je priredilo že mnogo zanimivih priredb, katere so narodu ostale v spominu. Program in vse druge zadnje priredbe so se vršile v najlepšem redu, zato se moram zahvaliti vsem, ki so mi pomagali in kooperirali, da smo imeli tako lep moralen in finančni uspeh. Kadar se narod združuje, se da storiti marsikaj koristnega.

Program je odprla Ana Fabian (Judnich) in zapela ameriško in jugoslovansko himno. Na klavir sta jo spremljali Mary Clemens in Tillie Kurnick. Ana nam je pela že večkrat na naših priredbah, zato ji gre vsa čast! Ljubezen je preprečila že marsikatero dobre namene umetnikov. Ali si je izvolila moža in je srečna in vesela v zakonskem življenju.

Ko sem govoril o delovanju in napredku Slovenske narodne podporne jednote, je prišla na oder najmlajša članica našega društva Diana Fabian in predstavila ustanovitev SNPJ s traktom na prsih, na katerem je bila letnica 1904. Za njo pa je prišla Dorothy Milarich, ki je predstavljala jednoto v letu 1944. Njeno sliko ste videli v št. 174 Prosvete.

Program je bil vseskozi zanimiv in občinstvo je bilo zelo zadovoljno, kar je pokazalo z burnim aplavdiranjem.



Diana Fabian

Naj še omenim, da je Diana Fabian hčerka Ane Fabian. Vsa Fabianova družina spada k SNPJ. Tudi Mici Fabian je izvrstna pevka in dobra prodajalka vstopnic. Mici Fabian, Mrs. Barich, Mary Mialovich so prodale največ vstopnic, zato se jim v imenu društva najlepše zahvaljujem. Društvo potrebuje aktivne člane in članice.

Tisti, ki so videli film "Slovenija", ga ne morejo pozabiti. Največji pomen pa je imel film za Ano Fabian in Poldico Podgornik, kajti prva je videla v filmu svojo prijateljico, druga pa svojo polsestro Sabino Drobnič iz Metlike, ko sta plesali.

V tej naselbini smo videli že veliko filmov, a narod je bil z njimi razočaran, tako da so se nekateri skoro bali, da bo tudi ta film slab. Sedaj pa ga ne morejo prebraviti. V imenu društva št. 304 se najlepše zahvaljujem gl. odboru, ki nam je posodil film.

Peter E. Kurnick, predsednik.

PADEL V VOJNI

Depue, Ill.—Vojni department je sporočil družini John Yuvan žalostno vest, da je njih sin Pfc. Henry J. Yuvan umrl dne 10. oktobra na Holandskem za ranami, katere je dobil 6. oktobra v bitki z Nemci.



Henry J. Yuvan

Pokojnik je bil rojen 4. junija 1923 v La Sallu, Ill. Leta 1942 je graduiral srednjo šolo v Depueju. Bil je izvrsten žogometnik in igralec na boben in saksofon. Igral je v depueški srednješolski godbi. Pozneje je ustanovil svoj orkester, ki je bil znan v tej okolici pod imenom Yuvan's Orchestra, katerega sta vodila z bratom Johnom, dokler ni odšel k vojakom.

Njegov brat John je tudi pri vojakih, kjer je aeroplanski učitelj. Nahaja se neke v državi Kansasu. Značilno je, da je John prišel domov na dopust prav dan pozneje, ko so starši prejeli brzojavko o Henryjevi smrti, in tako je tolažil starše.

Pokojnik je bil član SNPJ 20 let; najprvo v mladinskem, zadnja tri leta pa v odraslem oddelku. Njegov oče je blagajnik društva št. 59 SNPJ.

Henry je bil poklican v armado meseca februarja l. 1943, preko morja poslan pa junija l. 1943. Bil je v bitki v severni Afriki, Siciliji in Italiji. Lanskega leta pa je bil poslan v Francijo. Služil je pri pehoti. Poleg staršev zapušča v armadi brata in sestro.

John Zuglich, tajnik št. 59.

POROČILO O PRIREDBI

Pueblo, Colo.—V nedeljo, 12. novembra, so tukajšnje postojanke SANSa in relifne akcije imele sejo v dvorani sv. Jožefa, katere se je udeležilo za današnje razmere še prejšnje število naših rojakov. Sejo je posetil tudi gl. tajnik SZS Anthony Jersin iz Denverja, kateri je orisal delovanje Denverčanov, kar se tiče zbiranja oblek za staro domovino, za kar smo se pričeli pripravljati v Pueblu. Izrazil se je zelo pohvalno o nas Pueblčanin in o našem delovanju v korist akcije za pomoč domovini.

Izvoljen je bil odbor, kateri bo deloval, da pridejo vse obleke ki jih rojaki nujno ne potrebujejo in so še za rabo, do naših trpeh bratov in sester onkraj morja.

Dne 29. oktobra so skupna društva priredila program in ples v pomoč stari domovini in naša pueblška slovenska naselbina se je odzvala, da mogoče nikdar poprej tako. Narodni dom je bil napolnjen do zadnje gatičke. Društvo sv. Jožefa KSKJ je imelo isti večer ples v svoji dvorani v isti namen. Čisti dobiček od tega plesa, kateri je znašal \$102.77, je društvo darovalo in spojilo z dobičkom od programa, kar je skupaj znašalo \$551.72. Pri igrah so stroški veliki, včasih smo veselci, če jih krijemo. To pot so pa oglašali, katere sta požrtvovalno nabirala Mary Kogovsek in Joe Krall, prinesli okoli \$230. Mary se ni ustrašila nikogar, kakor tudi ne potov, ne izgube časa. Imela je pred očmi samo eno stvar—to je trpljenje naših Slovencev. Zraven so še nekateri dobrodušni rojaki posegli v žep in doseglo se je, da se bo poslalo potrebne stvari v stari kraj, \$400 in SANSu \$100, nekaj pa bo ostalo v blagajni za stroške.

Program je bil izredno dober in ples zelo živahen. Toliko čestitk in priznanja nismo prireditelji še nikoli prejeli. Seveda

se sem pa tam najde kak sitnež, kateremu ni prav ta ali ona stvar, ampak na to se ne more ozirati.

Občinstvo je pozdravil Anton Kochevar, predsednik organizacije. Opisal je v kratkih besedah pomen prireditve in apeliral na občinstvo, da odpre svoja srca in sočustvuje in skuša ublažiti gorje, ki je zadelo naše ljudstvo v stari domovini.

Prva je bila igrana enodejanka "Mati". Kot se sliši, so privedle solze iz oči marsikateremu. Seveda najdemo tudi take, ki se smejejo, kjer bi se najmanj smeli. S tem ne razalajo igralcev, ampak pokažejo, da so njihove misli vse drugje kot pri igri. Si na Petra je igral Louis Malenshek. Vloga je precej nehalna, dolgi dialogi, na mestih nerazumljivi občinstvu, a kljub temu jo je dobro izvršil. Louis ima vso družino pri SNPJ. Prišel je iz Crested Butta. Ves čas, kar smo bili z njim skupaj, je pokazal, da je nad vse potrpežljiv in to je, kar nekaj velja.

Da je Tony Henigsmann v vlogi Andreja nad vse dobro igral, je dokaz, ko je prišel na oder ranjen in zbudil pomikanje namesto smeha. Jennie Henigsmann, v vlogi Minke, je morala obvladati besede, katerih ni še nikdar poprej slišala v življenju, a je kljub temu predstavila pravo sliko slovenskega dekleta. Partizan Marko, katerega je predstavil Louis Erel, je imel tako uniformo, da če bi prav nič ne povedal, bi bilo dovolj. Louis je zelo dober igralec, samo premajhno vlogo je imel topot. Kar se tiče "matere", je bila v mojih rokah, zato ne vem popolnoma nič, kako je izpadla.

Za tem je Johnny Novak zaigral dva komada na harmoniko. Zlasti polka nam je ugajala.

Druga enodejanka je bila "Who gets the car tonight". Občinstvu je ugajala in se je pošteno zabavalo. Kjer imajo doma odrasle otroke, slišijo podobno storijo večer za večerom. Ne morem najti besed, da bi opisala dovršenost petih igralcev v tej komediji. Nastop vseh je bil profesionalen. Temu je pripomoglo, ker jim ni bil tuj jezik, kot jim je, kadar tu rojeni igrajo v slovensčini. Robert Pavlin (mr. Jones) je bil vsega občudovanja vreden. Ravno tako (Mrs. Jones) Josephine Keefer-Babnik ne bi mogla biti bolj popolna kot je bila. John Novak (sin Paul), dober godbenik, je bil tako prijazen za pogledati, da se ga niso mogli nagledati na vseh skušnjah, kar smo jih imeli. Evelyn Sinder (hči Mary) je bila perfektna v govorjenju in kretnjah in prav tako je Joe Cetin (njen fant) dobro rešil svojo vlogo, čeprav je bila kratka.

Po tej igri je nastopil Mickey Giarratano, član znane Pechkove družine, in zapel tako lepo "Cleaning my rifle", da je žel splošno odobravanje.

Ko je prišla na vrsto enodejanka "Zakonska sreča št. 317", je izzvala toliko smeha, da ga še ni bilo v dvorani toliko, od kar smo igrali "Vašno Venero". Občinstvo se je pošteno zabavalo. Tone Kochevar in John Klancher, oče in sin, ki sta iskala v svrhu ženitve mater in hčer, sta prekosila ta večer sama sebe. Agnes Knafelec v vlogi matere ni mogla biti boljša in Elsie Pechek v vlogi hčerke je bila tako ljubka, da je v resnici zgledala kot zakonska sreča. Frank Yager v vlogi hlapca je imel obleko in masko tako popolno in tako dobro zadel Anžeta, da je marsikatega poslušalca pripeljal naravnost na njegov rojstni dom. John Stonich v vlogi ženitvenega posredovalca je tudi "dobro izpeljal", kot pravi v igri.

Po igrah je nastopil John Germ in s spremljanjem svoje harmonike zapel "Oj zlata vinska kaplja ti..." in "Natočimo v čase svoje..." Zapel je tako kot zna samo on. Pridružil sta se mu brata Mesojedca, Frank in John, in vsi trije so zapeli "Tam nad jezerom..." in venček slovenskih pesmi. Kako so peli, je povedano s tem, da se je občinstvo pritoževalo, da je vse prekratko. Če je bilo tako dolg program prekratek, potem se ve, da je bilo to petje nekaj izrednega. Pevcem so se nato pridružili vsi igralci in zapeli z Johnom Germom na čelu "Hej Slovenci" in "God Bless America".

Naj ob tej priliki tudi vabim članice na sejo, ki se bo vršila 10. decembra. Na tej seji bomo volili tudi uradnice za prihodnje leto.

Za odsek društva 106 SNPJ: Jennie Trusnovich.

riča", in z njimi je pelo tudi občinstvo.

Res je veliko truda, preden se spravi skupaj tako velik in lep program na oder, posebno v teh časih, ko dva ne delata enako, ampak vse je poplačano, ko človek vidi, da je občinstvo napolnilo dvorano in imelo velik užitek.

Naša zadnja seja je bila bolj slabo obiskana. Je veliko boleznih v Pueblu. Katarina Blazina je bila operirana in je še zelo bolna. Joe Verbich je še vedno v slabem položaju, ravno tako tudi Steve Ogulin. Max Tekavec se je hudo pobil v jeklnari in našemu članu Johnu Mramorju je umrla žena, ki je bila precej časa bolna. John Mohar je že precej časa odsoten iz svoje brivnice radi bolne noge. Frances Petkovsek, naročnica Prosvete, je šla v Californijo za zimo k svoji hčeri Danici, kjer se nahaja tudi njen mož Frank.

Prihodnji mesec bodo volile društvenega odbora za leto 1945. Člani so pozivljani, da pridejo vsi na sejo, katere bo 9. decembra ob pol osmih zvečer. Seveda, tisti, ki delajo, so izveti. Drugi se naj odzovejo in izvolijo odbor, da bo v resnici odgovarjal, za kar je postavljen, da ne bo namigavanja "jaz zaradi tega ali onega ne grem na sejo", kar je vse skupaj samo prazen izgovor. Vsak je zaposlen sam s seboj, da nima še časa misliti na druge, če se pa slučajno domisli na tega ali onega, pa majhno čavnsko po njem, pa ne toliko iz zlobe kot iz navade, kajti slovenski narod je že tako "prištiman".

Rose Radovich.

Društvene priredbe

DRAMA NOREC

CHICAGO, ILL.—Kakor je bilo že poročano, bo klub št. 1 JSZ vprizoril slajno dramo "Norec". Priredba se vrši v nedeljo, 10. decembra, v dvorani SNPJ. Rezervirajte si vstopnice! ODBOR.

VESELICA DRUŠTVA ŠT. 333

Barton, O.—Društvo št. 333 SNPJ priredi plesno veselico v soboto, 25. novembra, ob sedmih zvečer.

Vljudno vabimo brate in sestre in ostale, da se je udeležite in nam pomagate do boljše uspeha. Ker naše društvo podpira vse dobre ustanove, je podpore vredno. Odbor bo preskrbel za lačne in žejne, za plesalce bo pa igral izvrstni orkester pod vodstvom Pavla Kuharja. Vstopnina je samo 35c. Torej na gotovo svidenje v soboto v Blainu, O.!

John Vitez, predsednik.

VABILO DRUŠTVA

Blaine, O.—Društvo št. 333 SNPJ v Blainu, O., vabi rojake iz bližnje okolice, da nas posetijo na veselici, ki se vrši v soboto, 25. novembra. Prijeteka je ob sedmih zvečer; vstopnina samo 35c. Igrala bo poznana godba Pavla Kuharja.

Dne 3. decembra ob 1. uri popoldne pa se vrši društvena letna seja. Dolžnost članstva je, da se je polnoštevilno udeleži, ker volijo hmo odbor za l. 1945. Mike Smerdel, tajnik.

DRUŠTVENA VESELICA V IMPERIALU

Imperial, Pa.—Odsek društva št. 106 SNPJ priredi plesno veselico v soboto, 25. novembra, v Slovenskem narodnem domu. Vabimo rojake iz vseh sosednjih naselbin, da nas obiščejo na ta večer in se z nami lahko razveselijo. Posebno članice društvene odseka naj bi se udeležile, kajti to bo letna veselica in treba bo plačati za vstopnino, ako se udeležite ali ne.

Za ples bo igral Paul Dolinar in njegov orkester. On bo zadovoljil stare in mlade.

Naj še na tem mestu omenim, da je 14. oktobra umrla Marija Turšič v starosti 82 let. Ona je bila članica odseka odkar je bil ustanovljen. Dasiravno je bila že stara, je vedno obiskovala naše seje, zato jo ohranimo v prijaznem spominu.

Naj ob tej priliki tudi vabim članice na sejo, ki se bo vršila 10. decembra. Na tej seji bomo volili tudi uradnice za prihodnje leto.

Za odsek društva 106 SNPJ: Jennie Trusnovich.

The 1944 Annual Lodge Meeting

With the arrival of the final month of 1944 a week hence, our lodges are again preparing for the yearly meetings at which officers are elected and plans laid for the coming year.

Our annual lodge meetings have always been important; this has been so in normal times and is especially true in wartime. War conditions place extra responsibilities in the hands of all lodge officers as well as the membership as a whole. Many lodge activities are still curtailed by various restrictions and long hours in war plants. As a result of this situation, our lodges must seek new ways and means to carry on their work.

At this time, more than 5,000 of our young men are in Uncle Sam's service. This creates a gap in our ranks which must be filled with new members, and the present membership must assume more active duties in their lodges' official responsibilities. We must see to it that our ranks remain intact by promoting lodge interest.

Agreeing, as we should, that our annual lodge meetings are one of the main functions of our fraternal endeavors, it is vitally important that we make a point of attending these meetings without fail.

For the fourth consecutive year, this year's annual lodge meetings will be held in a wartime atmosphere—in a period which demands of us many sacrifices, long hours at work, and night employment.

Most of our members know that they have a fraternal duty to perform for the welfare of their lodge, a duty which is also their privilege in a democratic organization such as ours. They also know that the type of officers elected and the kind of plans charted at these meetings, have a direct bearing on the future activity and growth of the lodge. We cannot emphasize too strongly this point for upon it hinges the success of the lodge.

We all know that an alert lodge executive personnel will at all times radiate activity which is essential particularly now. A wide-awake lodge personnel will constantly strive not only to keep the lodge before the community's eye, but also to build up its ranks; conversely, an indifferent executive personnel is likely to let the lodge drop into lethargy.

In addition to election of officers, our lodges are asked to give special consideration at this meeting to their soldier-members. Remember them in some way, whether by letter, card or gift—but be sure to let them know that you haven't forgotten them.

Let us remember that we have a definite responsibility to our young men and women in the armed forces, a responsibility which must not be neglected.

As always at these meetings, consideration will be given to support of our Juvenile Circles, federations and progressive cultural organizations.

Our juvenile units deserve our full support, encouragement and cooperation. We must help to build them up wherever there is an opportunity to do so.

Our lodge federations, too, need and deserve our support because they are vital links in our fraternal system.

Some of the cultural organizations which deserve our support are: The Educational Bureau (Prosveta Matica), the Slovene National Museum in Cleveland, and our singing and dramatic groups consonant with the principles of our Society.

Also, let us support the Yugoslav War Relief and the Slovene American National Council.

We trust that our lodges will keep in mind all these important factors at the annual meetings in accordance with our long established tradition.

NOTATIONS

By Frances L. Rak

CHICAGO, ILL.—The nineteenth anniversary Pioneer meeting was poorly attended. We initiated a number of new members. Reports covered bowling activities, servicemen's benefit—social, SANC and other routine matter. Mary Hochevar won the adult meeting award and donated it to the Yugoslav War Relief. Joanne M. Rak won the Juvenile while Charles Fister won the servicemen's awards. Refreshments were served after the meeting. Visitors included Frank Reven Sr. president of Lodge 74 of Virden, Ill. T/Sgt. Cora Tumilty, a marine and of course, our furloughing marine, T/Sgt. Ernest Reven.

Help Wanted.—We need a staff of workers to help pack the rest of the yule parcels for our servicemen. The date is Friday evening, Dec. 1, at 7:30 at the Slovene Labor Center. Come out and help do a good job.

Perfect Circle.—We have learned that the studio picture of the Perfect Circle turned out swell. Each member of this group will be given a picture as an anniversary gift. Saturday, Nov. 25, this group will make a trip to the Chicago Museum of Natural History. Those that will go should be at the SNPJ hall no later than 9:30 a. m. Bring carfare and sandwiches along. In the afternoon the first rehearsal will begin for the Chicago federation yule party. Those failing to make the morning trip be sure to be present at 1 p. m. Several of the Perfect Circle members participated in a novelty act at Preseren's concert last Sunday. The act went over big. Nice work, fellas. Eddie Udovich, the Circle president, took part in a solo and duet number.

Servicemen.—Last Saturday night friends and Pioneers held a party in honor of T/Sgt. Ernie Reven, U. S. M. C., at the Slovene Labor Center. Though the crowd was small we all had a very good time. The apple strudel donated by Marge

Bozenik was delicious. In the wee hours of the morning we departed happy.—A cheerful letter from Richard Prazak, somewhere in the Pacific, tells us that he recently took part in a minstrel show and had a good time.—From now on it's an APO, New York, address for Henry F. Rak.—Here's an interesting item about one of our Pioneer members that recently appeared in the Chicago Sun: "Corp. John Jachino was a member of the Headquarters 319th Bomb Group which was cited by Gen. de Gaulle with the Croix de Guerre with Palm for its support in the Allied offensive in Italy in May. Jachino's parents live in Nokomis."

Jugoslav War Relief.—Last Friday the second shipment of clothing was sent off to New York by local SANC 25. The place is humming with activity. The collectors, sorters, menders and packers worked like beavers to get the shipment out on time. The Pioneer lodge donated \$50 at their last meeting towards the Yugoslav War Relief.

All-A-Round.—We are sorry the Gerdances could not attend the Pioneer servicemen's benefit because of a death in the family. Our sympathies to the family and relatives.—Minka Alesh's picture was in the Chicago Times last week in connection with the Millinery Workers Union.—Dorothy Sodnik has won an award in the slogan contest at Sears where she is employed.—It's another barn dance by the Perfect Circle for the federation yule party Dec. 17.—The players in drama "Norec" are hard at work in their play scheduled for Sunday, Dec. 10.

USE V-MAIL

With greater numbers of troops now overseas, the Army Postal Service wants friends of servicemen to use V-Mail instead of ordinary mail. V-Mail saves time and space. No V-Mail has ever been lost.

Badgerland News

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—Our regular monthly meeting will take place Friday evening, Nov. 24, at the usual place, Sostarich's hall, S. 6th and W. Bruce sts. All you Badger lads and lassies are urgently requested to attend. Some very important items are to be trashed out, plus our usual drawing. I am told that at our last meeting a lot of old faces showed up for the first time in months. Let's make it a date every month. The meetings are only what the members make them. One day a month shouldn't be too much for you Badgers to donate toward your lodge. I assure you that your time at this meeting will be well spent. Providing work does not interfere your reporter will be on hand.

We are going into the last few days of our membership campaign. Get that friend, neighbor, or shopmate into a huddle and explain the advantages of belonging to the SNPJ. I am sure that when he knows about the benefits derived, the various insurance plans, the social activities of our lodge, he will be glad to sign on the dotted line. Also any one getting a new member into the lodge should not stop there. Get him or her interested in the lodge activities. Get them to attend the monthly meetings. Then your job will be well done. This campaign will be over Nov. 30. So let us all put our shoulder to the wheel and when it is over, we will be able to look back very satisfied with the final results.

Again I ask you Badgers to write to our members in the service. It is so little that we can do to help these boys along and letters go a long way to those in far off lands. This week's addresses are: T/4 Victor Frel, 36205446, 897 Ord. H. A. M. Co., A. P. O. 230, c/o P. Master, New York, N. Y.—Pvt. Frank Ermene, 3688805, 130th Station Hospital A. P. O. 645, c/o P. Master, New York, N. Y.

Sister Josephine Smanz spent last weekend in Muskegon, Mich., visiting her parents and sister Francy. Also for the first time met her new sister-in-law just arrived from England. She is the wife of a former Badger, Sgt. Joseph Gradisher, who has been in England nearly 3 years. Joe is a member of the Muskegon lodge.

Have heard that Al Jeray is now overseas. Good luck to you, Al, and will write to you as soon as I get your address.

Bowling Taps

This past week Rudie Pugel was on the beam. No less than four honor marks. Monday in the Remic Mixed league he crashed 606. Tuesday he connected for 650. Thursday he slammed 637. And Friday he finished off with 600. A grand average of 207 for the week. Not bad. Rudie is scheduled to bowl in the World's Individual Match Championship which will be held in Chicago Dec. 11-12. Will be hoping to see some Chicago SNPJ rooters in the stands. Watch your local papers for time and place.

Among the lassies we find only one honor score. Little Josephine Smanz cracked the pins for a total of 519. Matt Levay fumbled his way for a measly 483 series. Matt has a very justified excuse which accounted for the low score. Joe Glavan is having his share of trouble making his ball behave. The season is young yet, Joe, so you will have plenty of time to pick up that average.

Sailor Harry Uhle dropped in on a surprise visit. Harry is home on delayed orders for a few days after which he will report back to active duty somewhere in the Pacific. We are with you all the way, Harry. So bon voyage and hoping you are back with us very soon.

Leo Schweiger and Joe Vidmar are visiting friends and relatives in Livingston, Ill. this week.

The Badger fall dance was a success both financially and socially. An unusually large crowd attended this affair. Was happy to see so many of the oldtimers there. Everything went along smoothly, and I am sure that all present enjoyed themselves thoroughly. A surprise visitor at the dance was Pvt. John Gorishhek, a veteran of the Italian campaign. Good old Lefty Lotrich came down from Chicago way. Our thoughts did stray to our members in the armed forces. Those familiar faces were really missed. Slim, Al, Matty, Lud, etc. We all hope that before another fall dance rolls around we can all put our feet on the rail together again. Otto, Marko, Frankie and Joe took good care of things at the bar. The dance committee consisting of Sis. Debelak, Golob and Currie are to be congratulated on the fine way, all things were taken care of. The thing that struck me was the fine fraternal spirit that prevailed thruout the evening. Rudie Smole and his boys had the dancing crowd in good tune all evening.

SALTY, Lodge 584.

Feminine Inconsistency

First she wanted sheer stockings to look like bare legs. Now that she has bare legs, she uses make-up to make them look like stockings.

New York SNPJ

All Americans

BROOKLYN, N. Y.—On Sunday, Nov. 12, the Junior All Americans, Juvenile Circle No. 50, had their regular monthly meeting which was very well attended. Plans were made for the Christmas party which will take place on Dec. 10. Also, the Circle will participate in the program sponsored by the United Slovene Societies of Great New York, on January 14.

All attention and work at present is focused on immediate relief for Jugoslavia. The progress shown nationally is encouraging, but not sufficient. Community and sectional groups have been organized, but still it isn't enough. Allow me to tell you this since our store here in Brooklyn has been operating. Many people of other nationalities have contributed much worthwhile clothing and money too. A soldier back from overseas stopped in for a visit and told the ladies that he has been in Jugoslavia. He said, "If you could only see the miserable circumstances that exist there, this store wouldn't be enough for all you would want to give." He left, and a short time later came back with a box full of clothing. So now, you can see if a person who has no one there at all can help in a small way, you, who have some relatives and friends there should contribute on a much larger scale.

The New York Slovenes are showing considerable progress. A large moving van full to the top has been loaded from the store at 665 Seneca Avenue and the way things are pouring in now that truck will have to make another visit soon. Financial donations are coming in regularly.

Recently we were surprised by a visit by Lt. Michael R. Kumer, who has just returned to the states after being in England and France for fourteen months. He gave a quite interesting account of living conditions in both England and France.

A letter from Cpl. Adolph A. Slapnik, who is from Library, Pa., includes "I am rather interested in the fund you are helping to raise for the people of Jugoslavia. Those poor people have really suffered during this war, and have done a magnificent job of fighting the enemy. I don't know if any other country is more deserving of American help. They at least didn't stop fighting after their country was overrun like some of the others. I hope you really have a lot of success in this undertaking. Make those people give until it hurts!"

The 6th War Loan Drive is on! The Slovenes have always cooperated in these efforts, and we know that this drive shall be no exception.

The 1945 SNPJ calendar is at hand, and shall be distributed at the December meeting of Lodge 580 on Dec. 17. The picture once again is an attractive one, portraying the Silver Dawn, at Mount Rainier, Wash.

Wishing all a happy Thanksgiving.

JENNIE PADAR, 580.

SNH Auxiliary Holds Benefit Party Dec. 2

WAUKEGAN, ILL.—Slovene Nat'l Home Auxiliary is sponsoring a card and bunco party on Saturday, Dec. 2 at 7:30 p. m. in the large lower SNH hall. Proceeds of all our affairs go to such worthy causes as the American Red Cross, Yugoslav War Relief, U. S. O., etc. Therefore, we appeal to the people of Waukegan and North Chicago, come to our party. Tickets are on sale in advance by the members of the auxiliary or you may secure yours at the door on the eve of the party.

Have you noticed the activities around the Slovene Nat'l Home in the past weeks? If you had not, I wish to tell you that these activities are sponsored for the benefit of the Yugoslav War Relief, which is collecting clothes and money for the valiant Jugoslavs who are fighting so bravely the 25 German divisions in Jugoslavia, and who help the stranded American fliers back to safety. These brave warriors were forced by the Germans to leave their homes and are living in the mountains and in woods. They are fighting and dying, starving and freezing for liberty and justice for all. Along with them suffer their families and children. Up to now it was impossible to send them any help, but finally a boat arrived in the New York harbor and is waiting to be loaded with clothing and other supplies. These supplies will be distributed by Marshal Tito and his Partisans with the help of the Yugoslav Red Cross. So, if you have any clothing which you can spare and which is still wearable and if you can spare a few dollars, please bring them to the Slovene Nat'l Home hall No. 3 on Saturday or Monday between 6 and 10 p. m. or call Mrs. Mary Celarac, Maj. 3668.

ALBINA L. FURLAN.

Veronian News

VERONA, PA.—Do you feel old lately? Want to know the reason why? It's because of your staying at home, and the only tonic is what we, the Veronians, have prescribed, the Veronian Saturday, Nov. 25, dance to make you feel young again.

The Streamliners, a brand new band appearing for the first time at our club, will see to it that this prescription is filled, by giving you their assortment of Slovene polkas and their latest brand new, popular tunes. Say Mary Krulac, Steffie Krulac, and Frank Bozick of the entertainment committee, that everyone should partake in this Nov. 25 musical tonic because this dance date is only two days after that Thanksgiving holiday.

Admission for this affair that will begin promptly at 9 p. m. is only 50c. As this is the last large affair in conjunction with our SNPJ anniversary campaign which ends this month, this scribe and all Veronian officers hope that a final effort will be made by our members in securing that new member. So till Sat. night, Nov. 25, that's tomorrow, when we will meet at our Veronian Club and dance with the Streamliners, I'll say so long.

MICHAEL LIPEISKY.

Sharon Keystoneers

SHARON, PA.—This Sunday evening, Nov. 26, the Keystoneers are holding a Thanksgiving dance at the Solvenc Hall in Sharon, Pa. Music by Maestro Jack Persin and his Jolly Jesters of Warren, Ohio. Yes, we should all attend this dance, and be thankful that we are still safe, and healthy, in this great country of ours, called America. Please, let's remember our boys and girls somewhere out in strange lands, fighting for our rights.

Will you be there? Fine. We'll be expecting you. Dancing begins at 9 o'clock till!

FRANCES NOVAK, 755.

Annual Meeting of Lodge 759 Dec. 3rd

BROWNSVILLE, PA.—The Monongahela Valley Brownies Lodge No. 759 of Brownsville urge all members to be present at the yearly meeting, Sunday, Dec. 3rd at 10:30 a. m. This meeting is important. Officers will be elected and other business will be transacted.

MARY BRANDSTETTER, Sec'y.

SNPJ Lodge 87 Holds Annual Dance Dec. 30

HERMINIE, PA.—SNPJ lodge 87 will hold its annual dance this year on Saturday, Dec. 30, instead of New Year's eve. The Keystoneers, SNPJ lodge 613, are cordially invited to support this dance given by the senior lodge. We are growing in membership and we should celebrate this success and come together at least once a year. We also invite member of other nearby lodges to attend. Music will be furnished by Wm. Pernishek's well-organized band; they play modern and old-time tunes. Let's remember the date, Dec. 30, at the local Slovene hall.

ANTON ZORNIK, Sec'y.

Yearly Meeting of Lodge 171 Dec. 3rd

MARIANNA, PA.—All members of SNPJ lodge 171 are requested to attend the final meeting of the year on Sunday, Dec. 3rd, as there will be an election of new officers. In order to avoid unpleasant consequences, I ask very kindly that we all attend.

JOHN SEVER, Sec'y.

Annual Meeting of Lodge No. 7/Dec. 3rd

CLARIDGE, PENNA.—The SNPJ Lodge No. 7 will hold its regular and annual meeting on Sunday, Dec. 3rd. There will be important business to be taken care of. Also, the election of officers for the year 1945 will take place. We wish to have all our members attend this meeting Dec. 3.

COMMITTEE.

A Book About Nikola Tesla

The New York publisher Ives Washburn has just published a biography of Nikola Tesla under the title of "Prodigious Genius," by John J. O'Neil, Science Editor of the New York Herald Tribune and a friend of the late Tesla. The price is \$3.75. Many Yugoslav Americans will want to read this book. If you cannot get it at your local bookstore, you can order it (sending check for \$3.75) from Louis Adam, Milford, N. J., who has asked the publisher to reserve several hundred copies for Yugoslav readers.

It is better to suffer wrong than to do it, and happier to be sometimes cheated than not to trust.—Dr. Johnson.

CAMPAIGN NEWS OF THE WEEK

New Record Expected This Month

When this issue of the Prosveta reaches the homes of a majority of our members, YOU WILL HAVE ONLY ONE MORE WEEK in which to add the finishing touches to what is now expected will be the most successful climax of any campaign in the history of SNPJ.

Over 200 adult and juvenile membership applications poured into the main office last week—an average of forty each day. At least three times that number are expected this week, the next, and the opening days of December. Every indication points to an all time high. This means that the record of 992 members, established in the juvenile campaign a year ago, will very likely be broken.

The most spectacular gain last week was made in the little town of Southview, Pa., where another of our "oldtimers," John Jobkar of Lodge 265, went to work and enrolled 10 juveniles and almost as many adult members.

Down in St. Louis, Mo., John Spiller, District Vice-President of the Supreme Board and member of Lodge 659, "sparked" a drive that netted 9 new members and increased the lodge's total at this stage of the campaign to nineteen. The "Spirits of St. Louis" now hold a comfortable lead over the two local rivals.

Third place last week went to none other than Ross Radovich, Secretary of Lodge 1, Pueblo, Colo., who accounted for 8 more new members, equally divided between the two departments, making her a total of 16 for the month and 31 for the campaign—two over the lodge's quota. In the last three campaigns a total of 108 members, exclusive of transfers from the Juvenile Department insured for \$500 or less, were enrolled into this very active Colorado lodge.

Frank Sabotin, Secretary of Lodge 34, Indianapolis, Indiana, came through nicely once more, this time for a gain of 6 new members, three over the quota. . . And this was also matched by Joseph Klun, Secretary of Lodge 583, Lowber, Pa., who increased his previous total of 18 to 24.

Mary Oblak, Secretary of Lodge 135, Cleveland, Ohio, broke into the spotlight of the campaign for the first time with an initial gain of 5 new members, just two short of the quota. . . Four new members each were secured by Mary Vidmar (3), Johnstown, Pa.; Frank Milavec (201), Ludlow, Colo.; Frank Hrvatin (476), Salem, Ohio; and Anne Briceley (684), Johnstown, Pa. . . And three new members each were gained by Joseph F. Durn (53), Cleveland, Ohio; Mary Polsak (106), Imperial, Pa.; Jacob Benchan (217), Davis, W. Va.; Frank Laurich (287), Burgettstown, Pa.; and Anna Zalc (748), Cleveland, Ohio.

During the past week the following ten lodges attained their respective quotas, increasing the number in this group to 83 altogether: Lodge 21, Pueblo, Colo.; Lodge 34, Indianapolis, Ind.; Lodge 84, New Derry, Pa.; Lodge 201, Ludlow, Colo.; Lodge 245, Lawrence, Pa.; Lodge 264, Cleveland, Ohio; Lodge 476, Salem, Ohio; Lodge 484, New Philadelphia, Ohio; Lodge 684, Johnstown, Pa.; and Lodge 760, Washington, D. C.

With the addition of four more names to the campaign honor roll, there are now 69 contestants who have qualified for a special award. The most recent to gain this distinction are—Stanley M. Tisel (100), former SSPZ Supreme Board member, Chicago, Ill.; Jacob Benchan (217), Davis, W. Va.; Stella Murn (259), Meadowslands, Pa.; and Lodge 345, South Fork, Pa., all of whom are lodge secretaries.

Since our last report on new contestants, twelve more names have been added to the list as follows: John Trojar (1), Chicago, Ill.; Anton Yaklich (48), Barberton, Ohio; Joseph Krzner (116), Lincoln, Ill.; James Kos Sr. (126), Cleveland, Ohio; Mary Oblak (135), Cleveland, Ohio; Jack Gustincic (257), Cleveland, Ohio; John Spiller, Lorraine Kountz and Frank Mchlich (659), St. Louis, Mo.; Mary Whipple (704), Spokane, Wash.; Anna Zalc (748), Cleveland, Ohio; and Mary Suglick (660), Washington, D. C.

In this concluding paragraph, let us remind you for the last time that only those applications for new members (adult and juvenile), dated November 30 or earlier, will be counted in the final standings of the campaign. They must be mailed to the main office of the SNPJ not later than December 5, 1944. Any application, dated and approved by the lodge in December, shall not be credited to the 40th Anniversary Campaign.

With only one more week to go, let's make it the most successful in all of SNPJ's 40 years of splendid progress!

MICHAEL VRHOVNIK, Campaign Director.



Our Front

By Louis Beniger

Marshal Stalin, due to the great Russian military victories, continues to be the talk of the world.

On the occasion of the 27th anniversary of the Russian Revolution, Stalin delivered one of his rare public addresses, and now the Japs are speculating as to what he meant when he labeled their country as an "aggressor" in this war. On the other hand, Switzerland is resentful because he refuses to sit in at any conference where that democratic republic is represented. Iran is ready to make concessions in the oil controversy, and British and American moguls confess Stalin will get just about everything he demands.

In liberated parts of Europe, local communist organizations are demanding more and more power. This is so particularly in France and Italy.

What will the trend be in France, the first large country to be liberated? Will she go left or right?

Britain and the United States move to strengthen de Gaulle, hoping he will be able to maintain a "middle-of-the-road" government in France. They agree to recognize France as one of the great powers and to give it an equal voice in deciding how Germany shall be cut up.

Professor Harold Laski, the well-known English political writer, thinks that France will go left. He has just returned from Paris where he attended the first congress of the French Socialist party since 1940. He found the people there confused and bewildered—"it does not yet know the direction in which it is going; it is still uncertain what character its permanent government is to assume."

There were almost 1,000 delegates gathered at the first Socialist congress since 1940. They came from all parts of France, and almost a third of the delegates had relatives who were either prisoners in Germany or doing forced labor there.

Prof. Laski writes that he has never seen men and women so moved as they were by the conference, because they realized that they will again become men and women in a free country.

"No one can doubt," says Laski, "that the drift of the French people is to the left. It is obvious that the main sources of the collaborationists were from the privileged classes; and the main strength of the underground came from the working class."

Referring to our recent elections, Laski writes that "the victory of President Roosevelt has given immense happiness in Paris... the victory meant to Frenchmen the determination of the American people to put an end to Hitlerism once and for all."

In connection with this he adds: "One thing my Socialist friends could not understand was why the Socialist Party in the United States was isolationist. I cannot understand that either."

Rail Freight Nearly Double Figure of "Fabulous" 1929

In 1929, before "the crash," it was common for carloadings to run a million or more a week. During the depression they dropped to half that figure. They are away up again, totaling more than 898,000 for the week ending October 14.

This figure does not accurately reflect the tremendous amount of freight being moved on the rails.

The reason carloadings have lost their significance to a certain extent is that cars are now loaded heavier because of orders issued by the Office of Defense Transportation soon after the war started. In addition, there is generally a longer haul.

Ton miles, which is the combination of weight and distance moved, is now a more accurate measure. In 1929, during the big "boom" this total was 447 billions. In 1942 it hit 637 billions and jumped to more than 727 billions last year.

It is over 556 billions for the nine months of this year alone and running ahead of the same period of last year; the Association of American Railroad reports.

So it may reach 800 billions for 1944, or almost twice as much as in 1929, notwithstanding the "Iron Horse" is operating with fewer workers and less cars and locomotives.

That amazing figure also reveals why the carriers are earning 62 per cent more, per employee, than they did in 1940.

American Exports Hit Record Figure

War or no war, international trade "continues as usual." During the first eight months of this year our exports reached \$9,606,000,000, the largest on record. The total included lease-lend shipments, but not supplies to our armed forces abroad.

Imports for the eight months were only about a fourth of our exports, but were running 22 per cents above the same period in 1943.

Fighting Needs Met

More 100 octane gasoline than is needed by the armed forces is now being produced for the first time, according to the Petroleum Administration.

FLASHES

CHICAGO, ILL.—The Pioneers are steadily marching to their 1100 membership mark. At last Friday's meeting we took in no less than 16 new members; 8 for the adult department, and 8 for the juvenile department. This will definitely put our juvenile department over the 400 mark and give a good boost to the adult department. The attendance at the meeting was not so good considering that we had such a nice class of new members but a happy disposition prevailed. This disposition was created by the thoughtfulness of John and Ida Simon in bringing down a birthday cake because this was the anniversary meeting night. The Simons also prepared hot beef sandwiches which were enjoyed by all. A carton of cigarettes donated by Frank Stark were won by Ann Frolik. We also passed out souvenir Japanese cigarettes sent by that Seabee, Al Goste, from the Pacific. Mary Hochevar and Charles Fister each won a \$2 meeting award and Joan Rak won 50c. A contribution was made to the Workers Defense League and the Yugoslav War Relief Fund was supported to the extent of \$50.

Contributions for the Yugoslav War Relief are still being received. Since the last report we want to acknowledge receipt of the following: Mrs. Mary Svetlik \$20, Mike Reading of Santa Ynez, Calif., \$10, John and Rose Porenta \$10, Frank Horzen \$5, Leo and Anna Smagaj \$5, Anton and Anna Dresnar \$5, Bernard and Lucille Spayer \$2, Mary Hochevar \$2, and Eleanor Kramer \$2. In addition to the above, Frances Vider turned in a \$25 check contributed by Mr. and Mrs. Max Polak of Roundup, Montana. All of these are gratefully acknowledged and may these acknowledgements serve as an invitation to others to follow suit. Mrs. Elizabeth Kure took one of our lists and contacted her friends for the following contributions: Mr. and Mrs. Michael Skocher \$10, Mr. and Mrs. Prosen \$10; \$5 each for Mr. and Mrs. Bartol, Mr. and Mrs. Margolite, Mr. and Mrs. Blazin, Mr. and Mrs. Bulcher, Mrs. Beton, Frank Pichman, and Anne Picman; Mr. and Mrs. Komuchar \$3 and Mr. and Mrs. Pra-protnik \$2. This totals \$191. We hope many more will respond.

It felt like old times for Frank and Mary Sotsek to attend the Pioneer servicemen's benefit and it was there that we prevailed on them to enroll their youngster in the Pioneers.—Lillian Hawley will henceforth be known as Mrs. Pappas. Congratulations on your marriage! —Frank Podilpec Jr. came to Cicero for his father's funeral. The elder Podilpec was an active member of the Cicero Neighbors, SNPJ. He also participated in all progressive labor movements, and was a strong exponent for a new and more just social order. He was cremated at the Woodlawn Memorial Cemetery. —Marie Vees, a Pioneer, lost her mother a few days ago. She was buried at Resurrection cemetery. —To both of these families we extend our sympathies. —A note tells us that Andrew Grum Jr. is spending some time at Drummond Island, Mich.—A party was held in honor of Ernest Reven, our Marine, home on furlough, at the Center last Saturday night.—Frank Lotrich and Leo Smagaj attended the Milwaukee Badgers' dance last Saturday.

Bob Teck postcards from Camp Swift, Texas. He is now a sergeant and tells us that he is getting along all right.—Leo Cretnik sends us a snapshot and tells us that his outfit put on an exhibition for 800 high school boys.—After a long absence we have finally heard from Frank Krebel. He also is a sergeant and explains that things on the island where he is located are pretty much under control. He had more than his share of the foxholes. They are short of cigarettes there, too, and

Juvenile Circles of the SNPJ

By DONALD J. LOTRICH

he complains about the food.—Another straggler with letters comes in this week, Andy Sosko. He receives the Bulletin regularly and promises to send us a souvenir later. His outfit is having difficulty in getting beer and extends wishes for the holidays. Andy is with the amphibian company.—Then we have a note from Henry Stirn who is now with the 3rd Army in France. He is a full-fledged cook now with a sergeant's rating and tells us that he has been receiving the Bulletin and that it keeps him posted with what's going on at home.

All who haven't accounted for the servicemen's benefit subscriptions should do so promptly.—The next project of the Chicago District Federation of SNPJ will be the juvenile Xmas party on Sunday, Dec. 17. A meeting of the committee for this purpose is slated for Monday, Nov. 27. Because of the late hour in starting on this work we hope everyone will respond.—According to late reports toys will be available for everyone inasmuch as over \$250,000 worth of them have been made in the past few months.—This writer enjoyed the election articles of Darlington Hoopes in The Call.—According to the latest Brookings Institute figures, the national income will reach \$123,000,000,000 by 1947. They figure that industry will have all it wants to do to keep the supply of consumer goods flowing to the market. The question of annual income is their guess and is much smaller than the figures prescribed by government agencies which makes us wonder sometimes how some of these people get their figures.

They Said Last Week

President F. D. Roosevelt: "The position of our battle lines in Italy, in France and in the Pacific zone today is greatly dependent on the production miracle which labor and management and farmers have accomplished."

"We now have the enemy on the run. Yet we must face the prospect that the hardest fighting and the biggest job of supply are still ahead of us. Our needs for the products of our industries, mines and farms—weapons, raw materials, transportation and food—are as urgent as ever."

"Our immediate job is victory. To attain it quickly will require the fullest utilization of our manpower and womanpower in the production of the necessary weapons of war. American labor can be depended on. I know, to continue to devote itself primarily to that task."

"The war has introduced American products to other countries in a volume and variety never approached before. After the war these countries will want to continue to obtain many of these products by buying them. American industry will have a greatly expanded foreign market, provided that our international economic policies make it possible for these nations to pay for their purchases."

Philip Murray, president CIO: "Planned reconversion of our industrial life, as and when cutbacks occur, is a first essential for maximum war production now and for continued production and employment through the months of transition from a war to a peacetime economy."

"This planning calls for close cooperation between Government, industry and labor under coordinated and purposeful direction. It also demands adequate provision of emergency unemployment compensation for war workers and ex-servicemen who may be jobless in the transition period."

"Our object now must be to prepare for full production and full employment after the war."

THESE WOMEN... HER ONLY CHOICE

Gregory D'Alesio



"Sorry you don't like it, Ma'am. May I suggest a bond then, for a REAL foundation."

Juvenile Circles of the SNPJ

Circle Gives \$50 to War Relief Buys \$100 War Bond

CHICAGO.—The 6th War Loan Drive opened on Monday, and Perfect Circle was proud to participate by buying a \$100 bond. This is the second time this year the Circle has bought bonds during the national drives, having purchased a \$50 bond during the 4th drive in February.

In August of this year \$5 was donated toward the equipment for ambulances for Yugoslavia, and during the recent drive for Yugoslav Relief the Circle donated \$50 toward this worthy cause.

With conditions as they are in most countries today, the Circle is indeed happy and grateful that they are fortunate enough to be able to GIVE.

ANN SANNEMANN, Mgr. Perfect Circle No. 26.

Junior All Star Circle Chorus Practicing Again

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—This is to let all members of Circle No. 4 know that the Junior All Stars chorus is again practicing. The rehearsals are on Tuesday evenings for the convenience of the members. Also, there is a new starting time. Rehearsals start at 7:30 p. m. in order that Napre! singers might start their rehearsals early.

The chorus still practices at Sostarsich's hall, S. 6th and W. Bruce sts. Late attendance has been slim so all members are urged to attend. Remember, Tuesday evenings, at 7:30 p. m. sharp.

Another reminder to all members. The next monthly meeting will be on Tuesday, Dec. 5, right after rehearsal. Very important business will be discussed and there will also be the annual election of officers, so all members are urged to attend.

MICHAEL RUPPE JR., Vice-President J.A.S.

Circle No. 26 to Visit Chicago Museum Sat., Nov. 25

CHICAGO.—On Saturday, Nov. 25, Perfect Circle members are to meet at the SNPJ hall at 9:30 in the morning. We are going to the Chicago Museum of Natural History to see a full hour of cartoon movies. After the movies we will come back to the hall, have lunch, and then start rehearsals for the Christmas program. Members are to bring their carfare, and their names written on the lunches. Milk and cookies will be served by the Circle. If members cannot attend the museum trip in the morning, they are requested to be at the hall at 1 p. m. for rehearsals.

RUTH MEDIC, Asst. Mgr. Perfect Circle No. 26.

Spirit-o-Grams

By Whoosht

ST. LOUIS, MO.—Our 40th anniversary dance will be a past memory when this article is published. We hope all those who were able to attend this great affair enjoyed themselves very much. Members are urged to return their tickets and money to the committee just as soon as possible, so that a final report can be given within a short time.

All members are aware of the fact that our annual meeting will be held December 8 at 9:30 sharp. This meeting will follow our regular meeting, which is scheduled at 8 o'clock. Election of officers will take place and members are expected to attend this important meeting. So be on hand and help to elect your officers for 1945. Keep Dec. 8 open—you have a meeting to attend.

Our next attraction on the list is a Xmas party, which is to be held in the near future. This party is especially for the juveniles and all parents of juveniles are urged to bring their kiddies to this party because Santa will be there too. More details will be published in the coming weeks.

As you all know the 6th War Loan Drive is on. Are you going to buy an extra war bond at this time? Of course, you know that we have a War Bond Committee ready to help you at any time. Let's all do our best and give this committee a lot of work—the more work they get the better they like it. It's a good investment for the future, as well as a great help to our boys who are fighting all over this world for its freedom. Don't forget them, especially at this time. Buy an extra war bond today. Call either Sis. Della Markoff or Helen Herva-tin and they will be only too glad to help you.

Three new members were initiated at the November meeting. They are Arlene Schriener, Delphine Benge and Margaret Pogarek. We are all very happy to have you in our organization and sincerely hope you will get a lot of benefit and enjoyment in belonging to the SNPJ.

The membership campaign is practically over, and members are urged to do their best in securing new members the last week of the campaign. The campaign ends Nov. 30.

This is just a reminder—don't forget your buddies at Xmas. Send them a card or a little remembrance. I know it will be appreciated. A new Buddy Club will start in January.

Labor's Next Great Opportunity

Cooperative Movement Launched One Hundred Years Ago. Has Made Notable Progress

By Murray D. Lincoln, President, Cooperative League of the U. S. A.

War puts us all on our toes. We shift gears and go into high. We work more hours. We buy more bonds. And we eat less beefsteak. But most of us are doing something else. We're thinking. We're going beneath the surface of war in search for causes. We're not satisfied with bombs every twenty years. We're asking a simple earnest question. If man can build a plane to cross this land in less than seven hours, can he not build a plan by which men can live together—in peace?

In the larger sense we are building such a plan. War accelerates change. It crystallizes the shortcomings and limitations of our old approaches to society's problems. And mankind moves forward—just a little—toward the day when economic, social, and political freedom shall be the common property of all.

Meanwhile, in forty nations throughout the world there is a growing people's crusade against the insecurities which breed wars. This crusade is a peaceful, practical quest for economic freedom. From Maine to China, millions of world citizens are taking economic and social initiative in solving their own problems. These people are members of the world-wide cooperative movement.

This movement is not a cult or "ism." It is a democratic institution. It springs from the same causes of insecurity which stimulated the great development of unionism. It is, in fact, the second economic weapon of organized labor in many countries. It springs from the realization that men, by combining as producers and consumers, can solve many of their own problems. It is democratic in procedure and recognizes all men regardless of race, color or creed. It says in effect that common men can own and operate their own business institutions in the interests of their own welfare.

Here are but a few of the results: —Cooperatives raise the standard of living for millions of people throughout the world. —Cooperatives return ownership of stores, factories and natural resources to the common man. —Cooperatives make business serve the needs of people and not profits. —Cooperatives bring vital and practical economic education to millions of world citizens. —Cooperatives ferret out and defeat monopolies which maintain high prices and scarcity of goods. —Cooperatives bring more goods to more people at less cost. —Cooperatives stimulate vital purchasing power by returning savings to members. —Cooperatives maintain our concept of Christian equality through democratic economic action.

The cooperative movement is a century old this year. One hundred years ago a handful of hungry, poorly paid, and ill housed English laborers developed a philosophy of economic action which was to influence every major nation in the world. Let us examine a few highlights of national cooperative developments.

Great Britain

British cooperative progress is of special interest to labor because its widespread success results principally from the determination of British workers to help themselves. Today 230 factories are owned by British cooperators. Today 9,000,000 men and women supply their consumer needs through 12,000 people-owned stores. In 1942 they sold themselves a billion dollars worth of goods and returned millions to themselves in the form of savings. This record is a complement to the British trade union movement. While there is no official tie between the cooperative and labor groups, the bulk of its membership and leadership can be found in the rank and file of British labor. Here's a technique for cutting the cost of living. And in England today, every cooperative employee carries a trade union card.

Denmark-Sweden

These two Scandinavian countries are object lessons for those who say the common man hasn't a chance. In these countries common men made their own opportunities through cooperatives. Sweden was the first nation in the world fully to recover from the last major depression. Denmark—a land of abject peasantry in 1860—is now one of the most efficient agricultural nations in the world. Common men with common problems applied the cooperative technique in a successful challenge to insecurity.

In Sweden 750 cooperative stores provide over 20 per cent of the retail and wholesale services to consumers. These same cooperators own factories manufacturing 10 per cent of Sweden's products. Cooperative insurance, credit and housing are but a few of the additional services which these people are providing themselves. Denmark, largely agricultural, boasts over a half million farmer-cooperators. This group has 2700 local societies

for the marketing and purchasing of farm goods and supplies. Again, the Danes own and operate over 1800 retail stores along with the wholesales which supply them.

These people aren't economic evangelists. They're practical, hard-headed businessmen who have learned that they could buy, sell and manufacture for themselves. Cooperatives have brought greater security to these citizens and a broader and more humanitarian democracy to the nations they inhabit.

Canada

Coming closer to home we turn to the great democratic dominion beyond our northern borders. From the lobster beds of Cape Breton to the rich wheat lands in Canada's interior, cooperatives are meeting and solving many economic problems. Fishermen, farmers, laborers are selling themselves goods, supplying their own credit needs, marketing their own products in a broad program of cooperative enterprise. And they have taken a momentous political step as well. Farm cooperative and labor groups have joined ranks to form the Cooperative Commonwealth Federation of Canada. This federation represents the common people of Canada. It already has the backing of 30 per cent of the people of Canada based on a Gallup Poll estimate. It is a farmer-labor progressive movement which is gaining strength in every provincial legislature in the country. American farm and labor groups will do well to watch the influence of this group upon the national policies of Canada.

China

Beneath the surface of this war is a growing world reaction against scarcity and insecurity when abundance is both possible and attainable. Cooperatives are steps toward that abundance. In China, thousands of producer cooperatives have provided guns and ammunition for the defense of the country. Similar thousands of consumer cooperatives are distributing food to members. These enterprises, beyond their economic advantages, have provided the greatest single force in the unification of Free China. Wherever cooperatives operate they contribute not only to the well-being of their members—but they exert beneficial social influence on the national community as well.

United States

Few Americans are aware of the rapid growth and development of cooperatives in this country. Cooperative expansion has in fact been so great during the war that organized business groups are seeking measures to thwart its further progress. Here, as elsewhere, cooperatives are challenging monopolies, providing goods and services at lower costs, and stimulating genuinely free competition. Further they are protecting consumer interests through grade-labeled and guaranteed quality products. Business antagonism gives full testimony to the effectiveness of American cooperative enterprise.

Forward looking farm and city dwellers in this country are "taking the right of way" through cooperative action. Thousands of urban families are member-owners of retail stores. Organized labor has itself established a number of enterprises in the East and Middle West. Thousands of union members own and operate stores in Ohio, Indiana, Wisconsin and Massachusetts. Major unions have endorsed by resolution the consumer cooperative technique. Leadership in labor has shown increasing interest in getting the cooperative idea across to its constituents.

Farmer Made Greatest Strides

The American farmer, however, has made the greatest cooperative strides. The farmer is in a tight place. He sells his products at wholesale and buys necessities at retail. This makes very poor arithmetic. Today millions of farmers are battling this inequity through cooperative enterprises. They have combined both to buy and sell, and today farmer membership of cooperative buying and selling organizations totals 3,850,000. A million and a half farmers belong to one or more cooperative societies. In the crop year 1942-43 more than 10,000 of these cooperative associations marked up a total business volume of \$3,780,000,000. The American farmer has gone into business in a big way. And that's only part of the story.

To battle local and national monopolies—to increase the quality of goods and to lower costs—American farm cooperators have launched a program of factory ownership. Today these farmers own refineries, pipe lines, and oil wells. They own and operate fertilizer plants, feed and flour mills, tractor and farm implement plants. They manufacture paint, hatch chicks, and process soybeans. And they cut their costs in electricity, telephones, insurance and a wide range of additional services through cooperative activity. Today, American cooperative farmers present one of the most efficient, progressive and informed groups in our country.

A man who owns a business does not cheat himself. Cooperatives do not aim at exploiting—but rather are not private business—bent on profits—but are "people's business" geared to the interests of members. What about labor? Every work-

This and That

By Peter Ellish

Election Returns

In one of the most bitter elections of recent years the American people have forcibly given President Roosevelt another four-year mandate to carry on his duties at the White House.

The election returns were a rebuke to all those that attempted to stir up racial hatred and the spectre of Communism in America. It was a defeat of bigotry and intolerance. They were a definite approval of our conduct of the war, our foreign policy, and of our domestic social policy.

Isolationism as an issue has been clearly repudiated by the people. Today, isolationism is as dead as the dodo bird. The forces of liberalism and progress have made considerable advances.

Many of the conservative and isolationist members of Congress were defeated, the most notable being Congressmen Ham Fish, Melvin Maas and Stephen A. Day; in the upper house Senators Nye, Donaher, and Davis.

At this writing the Democrats have certain 242 seats in the lower house of Congress with the prospects of gaining a few more after the soldiers' ballots are counted. This is 26 more than the present Congress. Since all these gains are from northern industrial areas, and since several reactionary Democrats of the south were defeated or did not choose to run in the primaries, the composition of the New House will definitely be more pro-administration than the present one. The same is true of the Senate. It is hoped that the administration foreign and domestic policies will be approved by this Congress.

Lausche's Victory

The election has brought on the national scene, a new and striking personality.

He is none other than our able Mayor Lausche of Cleveland. His impressive victory for the gubernatorial post in Ohio has focused the National spotlight on him. Orthodox politicians and newspapermen are amazed at his vote getting ability. The people of Ohio broke party lines to vote for him. His large vote was due to his vigorous personality, and his able and honest management of the public affairs of the city of Cleveland. Already, there is talk of a national future for him, and the road points to Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, D. C.

Still No Glamour

A weary Willie knocked at the farmhouse door and asked for a handout.

"Do you wish employment?" countered the housewife.

"Lady, you mean well," replied the tramp, "but you can't make work sound more inviting by using a word of three syllables."

man knows that a raise in salary doesn't keep the wolf from the door when the cost of living rises. Money is worth only what it can buy. Labor is the greatest single organized group in America. It has an informed and intelligent leadership and membership. It has within its grasp—the greatest potential consumer power in the country. And because of its numbers, labor's opportunity for cooperative development far exceeds that of the farmer.

The implications are tremendous. A strong urban cooperative movement, backed by millions of organized workers, would result in thousands of people-owned stores and service institutions throughout the country. Such a development would strengthen present cooperative wholesales and establish new ones. It would return ownership of business institutions to millions and require their operation in the common interest. It would bring the food producer and consumer closer together and cut measurably the wasteful margins in distribution existing in many lines. It would stimulate purchasing power and employment by returning millions of dollars to members through savings. And with its democratic one member-one vote principle it strengthens the very ideals we are fighting to preserve today.

Strikes at War Causes

This second great world war finds us all searching for a formula by which men can live together in freedom and peace. The cooperative philosophy strikes at the very causes of wars, and brings men together to share democratically the abundance of this miracle production age. It requires that men know and utilize the power of their own organized strength. It requires that men have the courage to help themselves.

The spread of cooperative enterprises to forty nations in the past hundred years gives telling evidence of its force for social and economic goods. Cooperation was recommended at the United Nations Food Conference last year as a vital aid for reconstruction in both rural and urban areas. It is recommended as a valuable technique for bringing relief and rehabilitation to war devastated nations. Its growth and development are being encouraged by all forward looking governments in the world. For organized labor, the cooperative approach is a second great economic weapon. Labor has already won the battle for industrial democracy. It can win the battle for economic democracy if it realizes and utilizes its consumer power. This is labor's next great opportunity.

SNPJ SPORTS

WORLD EVENTS

By Scott Nearing

(Concluded)

These successes, which place the Red Army on the frontier of Turkey and Greece and threaten Britain's control of the Mediterranean, led to the British invasion of Greece.

Meanwhile, Soviet military forces had won virtual control of the Baltic States. Consequently, the Red Army is in actual occupation of about two-thirds of the land area of Europe, with every prospect of going considerably farther in the immediate future.

No wonder Premier Churchill, in his Commons report of September 28, wooed France, Belgium and Holland with such ardor. As Marshal Smuts pointed out a year ago, Britain's only hope for European status lies in a close alliance with the countries lying on the western fringe of the continent. The British government is now working overtime to bring these four countries into economic and political harmony.

Chinese delegates took their places at the Dumbarton Oaks Conference October 2. Three days later they accepted the draft report prepared by the British, Russian and American delegations after six weeks of discussion. Thus the work of the Big Three won the approval of the fourth among the Allied Powers.

The recognition of China by inclusion in the Conference was sorely needed to offset the stunning blows recently suffered by Chiang Kai-Shek's Chungking government. The most damaging reverse is a series of Japanese military successes that are destroying or neutralizing U.S. air bases in China, cutting off the new Burma Road before it is put into operation and actually threatening the city of Chungking. The continuance of Japan's military victories would not only eliminate Chungking as a factor in the Chinese military situation but would leave the Chinese Soviet government as the leader of Chinese resistance to Japanese aggression.

The probabilities of such an outcome are enhanced by the breakdown of negotiations between Chungking and the Chinese Soviets. Four and a half months of discussions failed to produce agreement on a single point, and on October 2 Lin Tao-han, Chairman of the Chinese Communist government, left Chungking. Having failed to establish a united front with the Chinese Soviets, Chungking must continue to divide its forces between those blockading the Chinese Soviet areas and those fighting the Japanese.

When a Chinese representative was selected by the Big Three to sign the Moscow Declaration, it was generally assumed that China's trials were over and that, after five bitter years of defeat at the hands of the better armed Japanese forces, the Chinese army would be supplied with adequate military equipment and would thus be enabled to drive the Japanese invaders from their soil.

The Moscow invitation meant more than that. It meant, presumably, that the Big Three had agreed upon China as their Asiatic representative, in the same sense that Japan had been Britain's Asiatic representative from the signing of the Anglo-Japanese Agreement of 1902 down to 1936, or perhaps even later.

Soviet diplomacy has not conformed to this line. On the contrary, the relations between Moscow and Chungking have become more strained, and at the same time those between the Soviet Union and Japan have become more friendly, culminating in a series of agreements dealing with fishing rights, the Sakhalin oil deposits and the garrisoning of the Manchukuo frontier.

This development divided the Big Three on the issue of Asiatic policy. On September 28 Prime Minister Churchill swung toward the Soviet position by describing the Chinese situation in these words: "I must note with keen regret, in spite of the American help afforded China, that that great country has suffered severe military reverses, including the loss of valuable air fields upon which the American air force under General Hap Arnold has been counting. It is one of the most disappointing vexations."

Chungking's retort was decisive. A spokesman for the Chinese Military Council described Churchill's "lavish American aid" as "so small it would hardly be credited if it could be disclosed." The spokesman added that the tonnage of American supplies to the Chinese army in eastern China from Pearl Harbor to the present would not sustain "a single British or American division in combat for one week."

Our armies in East China, after seven years of war and blockade, are pitifully lacking in every kind of essential equipment... and are continuing to fight virtually alone. The spokesman might have added that, during those seven years, the sum total of American supplies going to Japan had been many-fold those going to China.

President Roosevelt entered the controversy at the October 3rd press conference. He admitted that the total volume of supplies reaching the Chinese armies was small but insisted (1) that it was larger than it had been a year ago and (2) that serious obstacles prevented the sending in of larger supplies.

The controversy raises several

questions of major strategy for the Big Three:

1. If the U.S.S.R. refuses to support Chungking and insists on supporting Japan.
2. And if British policy has consistently refused arms and equipment to Chinese armies, officered by Chinese.
3. And if British and American interests are both fearful of a unified, well equipped, revolutionary China.
4. Does not the logic of the situation call for a compromise peace with Japan at the expense of both Chungking and U.S.A. ambitions to dominate the Pacific?

Argentina's refusal to support USA hemisphere policy has led to further American reprisals. The State Department summary of Argentina's pro-Axis position issued July 26 was reiterated by President Roosevelt on September 29. In a prepared statement handed to his press conference, the President referred to "the growth of Nazi-Fascist influence and the increasing application of Nazi-Fascist methods in a country of this hemisphere..." The Argentine government has repudiated solemn international obligations on the basis of which the nations of this hemisphere developed a system of defense to meet the challenge of Axis aggression.

This warning to Argentina followed Secretary Hull's announcement that USA ships would no longer call for cargo at Argentine ports.

Washington expects Latin American republics to follow its made-in-USA policy. If they fall out of line, as Argentina has recently, the policy of the Good Neighbor will be put in its appropriate pigeon-hole and the Big Stick will come out of the corner where it has gathered cobwebs since 1933.

Incidentally, Argentina is being punished, not for its fascism, but for its anti-USA policy. Brazil, the Latin-American nation that is co-operating most actively with the Big Three, has been under a fascist dictatorship for years and has a constitution which authorizes dictatorship.

Note that the USA is handling Argentina on its own. Argentina may be designated an international criminal (1) by the United Nations or (2) by the American nations. Either action would be a collective decision regarding the conduct of a member nation. The Hull-Roosevelt line puts USA in the role of judge, jury and executioner as far as Argentina is concerned. The Argentine government may choose to consider Washington's actions as preliminary moves toward the severance of diplomatic relations and a declaration of war.

General Eisenhower and Police Chief Heinrich Himmler are agreed on one thing—the probability of guerrilla war in Germany. Eisenhower warns against it. Himmler promises it. It would be strange indeed if it did not materialize.

Guerrilla or partisan bands played a role in the civil wars that followed the Cuban, Mexican, Chinese and Russian revolutions. They have been an important factor in the Japanese-Chinese conflicts that began with the invasion of Manchuria in 1931. They have been active in Nazi-occupied Europe during the past five years. There is every reason to assume that they continue to function in Allied-occupied Europe.

On the surface there is a contradiction between the force-potential of tanks and bombing planes and the hit-and-run tactics of guerrilla bands. Actually they are complementary. Unless military force annihilates at the first blow, those against whom it is directed will employ the most expedient methods of combatting it. A well-governed military machine like that of Japan, Germany or the USA cannot be met in open battle by the people of an occupied country. It can be sabotaged and sniped at from underground. The more formidable the military machine, the more certain is underground or guerrilla opposition, since no other form of defense is possible. Consequently, in an age where military fire-power has reached a level of all-time intensity, underground opposition and guerrilla tactics have become once again the answer which men, women and children are making to their invaders and oppressors.

The Newest

"Ha! ha!" laughed the recruit. "You can't fool me. I know they've got potato-peeling machines in this army."

"Yes, smart chap," replied the sergeant, "and you're the latest model."

In Memoriam

In loving memory of our dear mother
MARY GASVODA
who passed away five years ago.
November 23, 1929.

Time goes on forever.
Forget your face, we'll never;
Five long years have passed by.
Thoughts of you still make us cry.
Sadly missed by sons and daughters.
—Southview, Pa.

National Athletic Board

Michael Vrhovnik, Athletic Director, 2657 S. Lawndale Ave., Chicago 23, Ill.; Dist. No. 1—Frank Jacoby, R. D. 2, Box 234, Johnston, Pa.; Dist. No. 2—Lawrence Casol, 535 Penn St., Verona, Pa.; Dist. No. 3—John J. Spilar, 13513 Darley Ave., Cleveland 10, Ohio; Dist. No. 4—Frank J. Lotrich, 1937 S. Trumbull Ave., Chicago 23, Ill.; Dist. No. 5—Anton Verbieck, 1428 S. 57th St., West Allis, Wis.

Lunder-Adamic Stretch Victory Streak to 12

CLEVELAND, OHIO.—The Lunder-Adamic stretchshooters who seem to be hotter than "Old Grandpa's sixshooter," trounced the Betsy Ross quintet in all three tilts in extending their streak to twelve consecutive games. Frank Svigel, Louis Strukel, Anton Prime, Joe Birk and Mike Poklar make up this powerhouse aggregation which now leads the SNPJ bowling league by a margin of six games. Frank Svigel starred for "The Rampagers" with a swell 582 series that included a 213 tally. Carl Krause with a 519 series was high for the Flag-makers.

Utopians Sweep Board
Blasting the strike pocket with constant regularity, the Utopian No. 1 gang took high honors in the team and individual events in annexing two contests from the Utopian No. 2 five. The winners crammed out a 985 game in a 2772 three game series. Yours truly with a 259 game in a 632 series placed in the individual. "Whitely" Matthews looped in 205 and 210 series in a 608 series that rated runnerup honors for the evening. John Attwood and John Jira with 558 and 548 series respectively led the losers.

The Utopian No. 3 team downed the Lodge V Boj-ers in two frays. Frank Zup with a 524 series sparked for the former. For the latter Andy Poklar was the head man with a 518 series.

Bowling Bits
The 1944-45 SNPJ Bowling League off to a good start. Represented by Utopians, Lunder-Adamic, Betsy Ross and Lodge V-Boj. New faces and old. But that same SNPJ spirit and gaiety. Lunder-Adamic gang cheered on by the women. Betsy Ross and Lodge V-Boj. Both newcomers taking keen interest. Ozzie Hirsch the small man with the big cigar. Johnny Jira collecting from the boys in the shop on his fine 546 series. Which should have been more. Tony Gerchman very confident of getting stuck for beer. Buying before anchorman Matthews threw the

ball. Your writer cracking a 259 game to supplant Carl Krause who held the lead for a week with his 256 outburst. Sorry Carl! Adolph Perdan, the swell manager of the Slovene Workman's Home Alleys. A recent Utopian. And that "spirited" session in the office after bowling. A lively gathering in this league. That will brighten up each Sunday eve.

Sportslants

The answer to a football player's dream, for a lineman to score a touchdown, and on mighty Notre Dame, and as a great Army team rode roughshod over the Irish, this dream became a reality. With a Utopian member turning the trick! Harold Tausel, tackle for the unbeaten Cadets tallied the last touchdown which turned out to be the highlight of the rout. With a Notre Dame man attempting to pass from behind his own goal line, Tausel broke through the opponents line, intercepting the pigskin and dropping to the earth for the tally. Harold then ran out on the playing field his hands above his head in a fighters embrace much to the delight of the spectators who loudly cheered his efforts. Atta boy, Harold!

JOHN J. SPILAR,
Ath. Rep. Dist. No. 3.

SNPJ Keglerettes

CLEVELAND, OHIO.—Friday night the SNPJ girls rolled some closely contested games.

Comrades No. 2 taking the spotlight by defeating Struggler No. 1 in three games. Mollie Koren highlighted the Comrades to the 3-0 victory with a series of 507, backed up by Antoinette Skok with 492. Theresa Jeric and Josie Tomsic were the good supporters of the Strugglers with scores of 461 and 480, respectively. Better luck next time.

Concordians, led by Millie Marn, took two out of three from Struggler No. 2. Theresa Clements, whose high game of 219 brought about their one victory led her team with 501 series. Nice going, Theresa!

Utopians No. 1 nosed out Cavaliers by 5 pins in the first and 7 pins in the 3rd in their 2-1 victory. Fanny Svetina was the star of her team with 505 series. Marie Son of the losers didn't do so bad with her 484. Nothing to sneeze at, is it, Marie?

Comrades No. 1, led by Pauline Spik with 458 and her sister Frances with 442, took two from Utopians No. 2, the latter being the cellar team managed to take one one in the last 12 games. Keep trying, girls. Better days ahead!

P. ROSS, Sec'y.

Norwood Community Council

By J. F. Fifolt

CLEVELAND.—A few weeks ago we commented on the necessity of everyone residing in the area between E. 55th to E. 79th streets and from the lake to Hough ave. joining the Norwood Community Council and in this manner banding together to achieve good living conditions, stable property values, a residential neighborhood free from danger of fire and other hazards including freedom from nuisances, noise, smoke and odors. We do not intend to let this subject drop but intend to hammer at you, until you, your friends and neighbors become members of the council and help achieve these goals.

In order to keep the people effected by the fire disaster abreast of current developments we have the following to report. The writer had a personal interview with Mr. J. Robinson, president of the East Ohio Gas Company recently, in an effort to determine just what the people can expect in the way of settlement of claims. Here is the gist of our talk. The East Ohio intends to settle on the basis of depreciated values. In other words if you had a radio worth \$200 for five years and the estimated life of the radio is ten years, settlement would be on the basis of the remaining life or \$100, the company will settle on the value of your furnishings at the time they were destroyed. As far as injuries are concerned, loss of earnings, etc., will be taken into consideration. Where the matter of life expectancy, normal earning power will be factors considered.

Here is something else the writer found out, whether correct I do not know. If LEGAL claim is not filed within a period of two years, you will be out of luck. Also, if any of your friends or relatives working for one company doing business on East Ohio Gas Co. property at the time of disaster who happened to die, they have dual claims, one with the gas company and the other with the company they were working for. The writer found Mr. Robinson as well as other officials of the company very congenial and anxious to have the people come in to discuss settlement of their claims. All we can add is that you make a careful study of all your losses, take advantage of the help offered by the Mayor's Committee on Disaster, go to the Gas Company and see what they will offer. If agreement is not possible, the courts will be the last resort. It may be, however, that

some sort of an arbitration board may be appointed by the Mayor before this last step is taken.

On leaving, Mr. Robinson emphatically stated that the Gas Company does not intend to rebuild the liquid storage tanks.

What About the Devastated Area?

This is indeed a perplexing problem. The Red Cross is awaiting the outcome of claim settlements so that they will know how much help is required; the City Planning Commission is waiting to find out what the people intend to do; the people are waiting pending developments of what will happen to their old neighborhood, and so it goes on.

In an effort to start solving this knotty problem, the Mayor's Committee on Disaster together with members of the Norwood Community Council, met again with the City Planning Commission. The commission has gone ahead and drawn up various plans:

Residential Area	Business and Commercial
1. Same as before	Same
2. " " "	" " "
3. Increased	" " "
4. " " "	" " "
5. Reduced	" " "
6. None	" " "
7. " " "	Reduced
Industrial Area	Park and Playground
1. Same	None
2. Reduced	Small
3. Reduced	" " "
4. None	Larger
5. Same	Small
6. Increased	" " "
7. " " "	None

Of these seven alternatives, No. 1 would be a return to conditions as they were before the fire, except for the replacement of the liquid gas storage hazard on the East Ohio Gas Company property by a non-hazardous use, which is already assured.

The other six alternatives each involves changes from previous conditions, which would affect the Disaster Area itself in the immediate future and also might affect other parts of the Planning Unit over a larger period of time.

Which plan will be most feasible and which plan COULD BE accomplished, is something that will have to be decided and decided quickly. This can only be done by continual meetings with interested parties.

The Norwood Community Council held a general meeting Nov. 15 at the Slovene National Home. Details of this meeting will be published in subsequent issues.

Official Proceedings

SNPJ EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Meeting of Oct. 4

Meeting was called to order at one p.m. in presence of all officers except manager who was on vacation. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

Arrangements committee of Ohio-W. Va. federation and lodge 13 ask for Bro. Godina as a speaker at their celebration of SNPJ's 40th anniversary Oct. 28; request is approved.—Request of the United Committee of South Slavic Americans for SNPJ films to be used in connection with relief campaign is not granted due to previous decision that only our lodges and federations shall have access to same.

The director of SID (securities and intelligence division) expresses appreciation for the map of Jugoslavia and index loaned by the Society.—On invitation, Pres. Cankar is selected to attend the convention of the Indiana Fraternal Congress on Nov. 16-17.

A letter from the American Red Cross, dated Sept. 16, Washington, D. C., signed by Albert E. Chamberlain, Assist. Director of Fund Raising, and addressed to Pres. Cankar, concerning the purchase of an ambulance for the Yugoslav Liberation Army, is presented, which reads as follows:

"Your letter of Sept. 7 addressed to our Mr. DeWitt Smith, concerning your desire to make a gift for use in Jugoslavia, has been referred to me for attention.

"We have made inquiries here in Washington and the information given us indicates that there are no diplomatic sources here in the capital through which such arrangements can be made. The American National Red Cross also has no way to purchase, or to ship an ambulance to your country at this time.

"The Allied military chiefs, we understand, are making efforts to get representation established, and we feel confident that such contacts will be made before long. We regret very much, indeed, that we cannot be of assistance to you in this matter at this time, but it is always possible that conditions may improve and that we may be able to assist you later."

It is decided to inquire further and suggested that Bro. Kuhel, who is attending the meeting of the United Yugoslav Committee in New York, should try to obtain information in this connection.

Discussion on Yugoslav relief. President expresses his opinion in reference to an article by SANS secretary in which he requests that contributions should be sent directly to that organization. He thinks that it would have been better to wait for a meeting of SANS and JPO at which something definite could be decided for coordinated work; in his opinion, the appeal was issued prematurely. Bro. Kuhel explains that he did not intend to discriminate against the JPO, but since this agency has no legal authority for distributing relief funds in Jugoslavia, he thinks that the appeal was in order. The executive committee suggests that a meeting of JPO and SANS be called at the earliest possible date in order to reach an understanding essential to undertake effective relief campaigning by both organizations.

Supreme secretary submits an application for special benefit from lodge #1 for Caroline Slavic, Barbara Cozile and Robert Dicitone for tanslectomy; the sum of \$10 each was approved.

Juvenile Director Vrhovnik presents an application from lodge 564 asking for a donation from the athletic fund for bowling shirts; the sum of \$45 was approved.

Meeting adjourned at 4 p.m.

Meeting of Oct. 11
Meeting was called to order at 1 p.m. with all of the members of the committee present. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

Supreme Secretary submits a letter from Matt Petrovich in which he reported that he attended the Ohio Fraternal Congress convention Oct. 7-8 as a delegate. A detailed report will be published in the official organ; the letter was filed.

A letter was received from the Council of Canadian South Slavs to Aid Free Jugoslavia in which they asked for a contribution; the sum of \$500 was appropriated.

Juvenile Director Vrhovnik presented a letter from the Kansas Federation asking for financial aid for Juvenile Circle 11; the sum of \$40 was approved.

Margaret Godina inquires about treasurer's salary since his leave of absence and reads supreme board minutes concerning same. Supreme Secretary explains that he does not get any salary from the Society due to a statement the treasurer made at the supreme board meeting that he does not ask for any salary from the Society while on leave, but which statement was not recorded in the minutes. Bro. Godina stated that the treasurer is entitled to his salary as long as he is a member of the executive committee. He thinks that some decision on this question should be made at this meeting. President states that a definite decision about this should be made at this meeting. Treasurer states that he was under the impression that the question has already been decided; that he does not expect any salary as long as he is employed elsewhere and that he is willing to resign his position or whatever necessary to protect the interests of the Society. It is decided that this

shall be done together with the president.

Brother Kuhel reports that he attended the meeting of the War Relief Fund of Americans of South Slavic Descent in New York on Sept. 8 and that he inquired about the ambulance for the Yugoslav Liberation Army. He was told that a letter similar to that received by Bro. Cankar was sent to them by the American Red Cross which means that there is little hope for us to buy an ambulance for the Yugoslav Liberation Army at the present time. He suggested that someone should contact the representatives of the International Red Cross in order that we may attain better results.

At this point a discussion ensued in reference to the minutes of the JPO-SS. The committee expressed its dissatisfaction with various decisions made at the meeting of the JPO as shown from the minutes and emphasized the necessity for an immediate meeting of the committees of JPO and SANS in order to clarify certain decisions made at the meeting of JPO and their attitude on future relief. Brother President, who is the chairman of the JPO, states that a meeting of JPO-SS at the earliest possible date will be called and if possible together with SANS.

Upon recommendation by the Supreme Medical Examiner the claim of Frank Kline of Lodge 53 for disability was approved for the amount of \$300.

Applications for assessment loan and special benefit were also approved (details in Slovene minutes).

Meeting adjourned at 4 p.m.

Meeting of Oct. 18

Meeting was called to order at 2 p.m. All members of committee were present. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

The Chicago Art Institute reported that from Nov. 16 to Jan. 1 there will be an exhibit of the United Nations Art and they invited us to participate at the opening of the exhibition. The committee decided to ask for admission tickets for members of the committee, members of the supreme board and employees who care to attend.

Secretary submits request from the National Geographic Magazine for a renewal of our subscription; request is approved.

He also recommends that 3,000 celluloid pocket calendars for 1946 be ordered; recommendation is approved.

Juvenile Director reports that the Waukegan Juvenile Circle guidance committee, composed of representatives of the three local lodges, invited him to attend their meeting to give instructions about the Circle and, if possible, to stimulate the activity; request is approved.

He also asks for permission to rent a reel of movies, from a local film library for the 40th anniversary affair at Milwaukee; request is granted.

Head editor presented the question of subscribing to illustrated matter issued by the CIO; the material is of an educational nature and would serve a good purpose among our members. Decided that 10,000 copies be ordered and sent to our lodges and circles.

Discussion ensued about the meeting of JPO-SS. It is unanimously agreed that our representative should try to persuade the members of JPO-SS to collaborate with the committee of War Relief Fund of Americans of South Slavic Descent, and in case he should fail in his attempt, then there would be no other alternative for us but to instruct contributors that in the future all contributions for relief should be sent through SANS to War Relief Fund of Americans of South Slavic Descent. Brother President states that he has already prepared a resolution to that effect and is going to submit it to the JPO at the coming meeting.

Applications for special benefit were approved (details in Slovene minutes).

Meeting adjourned at 4 p.m.

Meeting of Oct. 25

Meeting was called to order at 1 p.m. All members of the committee were present.

President submits a bill from Anne Beniger for the translation of the minutes of the supreme board, which is approved.

Secretary Vider submits a letter from lodge 110 in which they ask for the films to be shown on Nov. 5 in connection with the benefit of SANS relief; request is approved.

An application for special benefit of Ann Lebar, lodge 7, who lost her leg and wishes to purchase an artificial one, was presented; the sum of \$100 is approved.

He also presented a report of supreme board member Donald J. Lotrich who attended the anniversary celebration of the Society's lodges in New York on October 13 in which he said that the moral success was achieved by the affair. His report was placed on file.

The committee decided to present a bouquet of flowers to opera singer Zinka Milanov who will appear at the 40th anniversary celebration of the Society on Oct. 29 in Chicago.

Juvenile Director submits a request from lodge 29, West Virginia, for a financial appropriation toward the Juvenile Circle 16; the sum of \$35 is approved.

He also reported that he attended a special meeting of the Juvenile Circle guidance committee at Waukegan Oct. 19 at which repre-

sentatives of all three lodges were present. The problems confronting the Circle were discussed and a number of suggestions were made to revive the activities. Here, as in other communities, lack of assistants to help with the work, especially when preparing a program, seems to be the chief drawback. All attempt will be made to revive the interest in activities of this Circle.

He also reported having received the loan of a number of short Slovene plays for the Juvenile library from Erasmus Gorshe, custodian of the Slovene Museum, Cleveland. These will be copied for our own use before the original copies are returned.

Jugoslav War Relief. Treasurer reported about the ambulance which the supreme board at its semi-annual meeting decided to purchase for the Yugoslav Liberation Army. He stated that there was no request made from Marshal Tito for the ambulance, but that an urgent request was sent for various supplies. The committee decided to submit this question to the supreme board members for modification; since it is hardly possible to buy the ambulance, the money might just as well be used to purchase medicine and similar supplies. Since there is also another \$3,500 still available from the sum of \$5,000 appropriated by the last convention as benefit for our people in Jugoslavia, the board members should also be asked to decide about this sum.

The following special benefits were approved upon recommendation by the Supreme Medical Examiner:

Jennie Zvokel (1), \$25; Max M. Tekavec (21), \$25; Mary Yanchar (33), \$25; Frank Lesser (304), \$15; Jessie Zaitz (679), \$25.

Meeting adjourned at 4 p.m.

Vincent Cankar, President

F. A. Vider, Supreme Sec'y.

New Milled Rice Keeps Its Vitamins

One of the greatest nutritional discoveries of the present war period is now available to civilian consumers, according to Edwin Hannula, merchandising manager of Central States Cooperatives.

The product is "converted" rice. This is a white rice which contains up to 80 per cent of the vitamins and minerals of the natural cereal. The significance of this product, Hannula points out, is great not only to U. S. consumers, who have always favored white polished rice and neglected the nutritionally more valuable brown unpolished rice, but even more so to the rice-eating cultures of the world, where nutritive deficiencies such as beri beri and pellagra have followed on the acceptance of polished rather than whole-grain rice as a major article of diet.

A copyrighted article by George Kent in the Washington Post which was reprinted in the Reader's Digest for February, 1944, describes the origin of the new "revolution in rice" in the work of Gordon Harwell, a Houston, Texas, produce broker, and Eric Huzenlaub, an English food chemist. Both, struck with the need to improve the nutritive quality of white rice, had been working along parallel lines.

Harwell tried to interest Huzenlaub in processing rice in the U. S., but the English chemist had turned his eyes to India, where the annual per capita rice consumption is 350 pounds. Nevertheless Huzenlaub came to the U. S. late in 1942. He spent weeks visiting the big rice millers, but found none interested in his discovery. He was returning home disappointed when a fall at the airport hospitalized him for two weeks. Harwell had been with him at the airport, and before Huzenlaub left the hospital, the two had agreed to go into business together. With second-hand equipment a processing plant was set up in Houston.

In ordinary rice milling, a loose outer husk and three inner skins are rubbed away to produce a white pearly grain. Minerals and vitamin B are lost, and the grain is almost pure starch. A coating of jale and glucose is added to give luster.

In the Huzenlaub process, the unmilled rice is cleaned and placed in a vacuum tank, where the air is sucked out of the grain, the Post article explains. Hot water at extremely high pressure is forced into the emptiness thus created. The B vitamins, being soluble in water, are pushed into the center of the grain. Steam is applied to seal them there. When the rice is dry, milling machines remove the husk and skins, leaving rough, cream-colored kernels whose nutrients cannot be rinsed away.

Rice processed in this way, Army tests have shown, will keep for years without deterioration, and is not attacked by weevils.

The vitamin content of "converted rice," according to Dr. M. C. Kik of the University of Arkansas, writing in the Rice Journal, is two to three times that of polished white rice. Huzenlaub has treated barley, wheat, and hominy grits with the same method, and it is believed that the method can be used to maintain the vitamin content of virtually all cereals, or to raise natural nutritional value by injecting additional vitamins and minerals.

"Rice has been eaten for almost 5000 years without any substantial improvement except in varieties that produce heavily," Kent declares. "Converted rice may well create a new vitality in rice consuming peoples of the Far East and the Americas which will add abundantly to the wealth and well-being of the world."—Co-op News.