

Nemški parlament izrekel nezaupnico baronski vladi

Predsednik Hindenburg ignoriral akcijo parlamenta in Papenov kabinet je še vedno na krmlu kljub nezaupnici. Nemški državni zahtevajo, da vrhovno sodišče obtoži kancelarja zaradi kršitve ustave.

Berlin, 13. sept. — Kancelar Franz von Papen in njegov kabinet aristokratov sta še vedno v sedlu, dasi jima je uporni parlament izrekel nezaupnico z veliko večino glasov.

Parlament insistira, da je bila vlada poražena in da mora sedaj podati resignacijo, dočim ministri argumentirajo, da je Papen razpustil parlament, ko je položil pred poslance od predsednika Hindenburga podpisani dekret, ko je bilo v teku glasovanje o nezaupnici. Ta konfuzna situacija, katere nima primere v zgodovini nemškega parlamentarizma, je postala stvar, o kateri bo moralo odločiti vrhovno sodišče.

Vzlic temu je predsednik Hindenburg ignoriral akcijo parlamenta in še nadalje podpira Papena, ki je postal faktični diktator Nemčije in bo obdržal te pozicije vsaj do prihodnjih parlamentarnih volitev, katere bodo na podlagi naznanila barona Wilhelma von Gayla, ministra za notranje zadeve, razpisane v prihodnjih šestdesetih dneh, "ako se ne bodo v tem času pojavili resni nemiri."

Najznačilnejše pri vsem tem je dejstvo, da Papenov kabinet še vedno kontrolira armado in policijo v tej novi politični krizi. Za nezaupnico Papenovi vladi in proti nasilnim ekonomskim odredbam je bilo oddanih 512 glasov. 42 poslancev je glasovalo proti nezaupnici, 50 poslancev pa se je vzdržalo glasovanja. Von Papen ni mogel preprečiti glasovanja o nezaupnici, ker ni prinesel s seboj svoje rdeče listnice, v kateri je bila naredba, s katero bi lahko razpustil parlament, ko je bil predlog o nezaupnici predložen poslancem.

Kasneje, tekot kratkega odmorja, je Papen prinesel dekret in je skušal razpustiti parlament, kar pa je preprečil Wilhelm Goering, predsednik parlamenta in član fašistične stranke ter eden največjih sovražnikov baronske vlade, s svojo briljantno parlamentarno taktiko. Odrekel je Papenu besedo, ko je slednji hotel govoriti, ko je bil predlog o nezaupnici že dan na glasovanje. Papen je bil ves zelen od jeze in je ponovno zahteval besedo, toda njegovo zahtevo je Goering ignoriral. Rekel je, da ne more nihče govoriti tekot glasovanja. Ko mu je Papen pomolil dekret, ga je Goering odklonil. "Sedaj je v teku glasovanje o nezaupnici," je dejal, "in jaz ga ne morem prekiniti."

Papen in člani njegovega kabineta so potem jezo odkoricali iz zbornice, dekret pa je ostal na predsedniškem mizi. Po končanem glasovanju ga je Goering prečital. Na dekretu so bili podpisani Hindenburg, Papen in njegov minister Gayla. "Velika večina je izrekla nezaupnico vladi," je rekel Goering. "V smislu ustave mora Papenova vlada položiti resignacijo in dosledno je dekret, katerega so podpisali člani strmo-glavljene kabineta, neveljavni."

Nekateri vladni uradniki so protestirali, ker Goering ni dal besede Papenu, ko je slednji zahteval. Rekl so, da je to kršitev ustave. Na to jim je Goering odgovoril, da ni parlamenta na svetu, ki bi dopustil govore tekot glasovanja. Rekel je, da je imel Papen dovolj časa in bi moral prej vprašati za besedo. "Več nemških držav," je dejal Goering, "bo sedaj zahtevalo od vrhovnega sodišča, da obtoži Papenovo vlado kršitve konstituci-

je. Predsedniku Hindenburgu bom pisal pismo, v katerem ga bom opozoril na dejstvo, da velika večina parlamenta nima zaupanja v Papenov režim. Parlament se ne bo sestel, dokler vrhovno sodišče ne poda svojega odloka glede legalnosti razpusta parlamenta."

Von Papen je sredi govora v radio in informiral narod o konfliktu med vlado in parlamentom. "Situacija je kritična," je dejal. "Zadnja leta so pokazala velike hibe weimarske ustave, katere je treba odpraviti. To je naloga vlade. Vlada ne bi storila svojih dolžnosti, ako bi dopustila formiranje novega kabineta, katerega bi tvorila parlamentarna koalicija političnih strank."

Domač drobiž

Iz Peorije, Ill. — Okrajna veleporota preiskuje vzroke nasilne smrti Martina Viranta, slovenskega rudarja, ki so ga našli pred desetimi dnevi obešenega v ječi in vsega črnega po telesu vsled udarcev. Državni pravnik Louis Dunkelberg vodi preiskavo. Med glavnimi pri-lagi je dr. W. D. McNally iz Chicaga, ki je izvršil obdukcijo trupla in dva ali trije jetniki, ki so bili v sosednjih celicah ob času Virantove smrti in so slišali vpitje nesrečnika. Obtoženi de-putatir Skinner je na prostem pod kavejco \$20,000.

Iz La Salla, Ill. — Tu je umrl bolnišnični Math Urban, ki je bil med najstarejšimi pionirji naše naselbine. Pokopan je bil 10. sept. in zapušta ženo ter že odraslega sina.

Iz Nokomisa, Ill. — Charlie Cirar, dobro poznan fant tu in v Chicagu in zdaj član društva št. 209 SNPJ, se je moral te dni podvreči operaciji na slepiču. Zelimo mu, da kmalu okreva.

Iz Chicaga. — Zadnje dni je tu umrla Teresa Tomec iz znane stare Tomčeve rodbine, ki se nahaja v Chicagu že čez 60 let. Doma je bila od Črnomlja v Beli Krajini in neoznena.

Iz Calumeta, Mich. — V so-sednjem Ahmeeku je umrla Ka-tarina Pintar, stara 48 let in vdova po pokojnem krojaču Pintarju. Tu je bila 30 let in zapušta tri sinove in tri hčere.

Iz Clevelanda. — Rojak Josip Medveš, ki je bil že dolgo brez dela in v bedi s svojo družino vréd, je te dni zagnal opeko v neko izločeno okno, da opozori oblast na svojo stisko. Res je bil aretiran in prigan pred sodni-ka, toda sodnik ga ni hotel obsodi-ti in obljubil je, da mu najde delo. — Johna Lenaršiča, starega 56 let, so pred nekaj dnevi vrgli iz njegove hišice, na kateri dolguje še nekaj stotakov in ne more plačati. Policija mu je zmetala pohištvo na ulico in za-bila vrata in okna z deskami. Takoj se je zbrala velika mno-lica ljudstva, ki je kratkoma-lo navalila na hišo, potrgala deske in znosila pohištvo nazaj. Zade-va se bo nadaljevala pred sod-nijo. — Umrl je Rudolf Meo-je-dec, star 39 let in doma iz Češ-ke vasi pri Novem mestu; tu je bil 22 let in zapušta dva sinova in hčere. — Dalje je umrl John Orehek, star 62 let in doma iz Iha-na pri Domžalah; tu je bil 29 let, član tudi društva št. 5 SNPJ in zapušta ženo, dva sinova in šest hčere. — Louise Cebular, 15414 Lucknow ave., se je težko pobila pri avtni nezgodi; nahaja se v Community bolnišnici.

Iz New Yorka. — Umrl je Feliks Dolinar, bivši članikar in star naseljenc. Doma je bil iz Škofje Loke in star 60 let. Bil je tudi član društva št. 56 SNPJ. — V Fly Creeku je umrl sloven-ski farmar Peter Lacian, star 39 let, ki zapušta ženo in dva o-troka.

FRANCIJA ODBI-LA ZAHTEVE NEMČIJE

Ameriška vlada podpira stališče Francije. Gibanje za odgo-ditve razorožitvene konference.

Pariz, 13. sept. — Britska vlada je podzela akcijo glede odgoditve razorožitvene konfe-rence, da tako prepreči poostri-tev spora med Nemčijo in Fran-cijo, ki je nastal v zvezi s vpra-šanjem izenačenja oborožene sile.

Tej akciji nasprotujeta Fran-cija in Amerika. Reprezentant ameriške vlade je dejal, da Zdru-žene države podpirajo stališče Francije in da je sedaj prišel odločilen trenutek. Ako bo Nem-čija bojkotirala razorožitveno konferenco, kakor je nedavno zagrozila, tedaj bo morala tudi prevzeti odgovornost za polom.

Francoška vlada je sredi ob-javila vsebino odgovora Nemčiji, ki se nanaša na nemške za-hteve glede izenačenja oborože-ne sile ali na znižanje fran-coške armade na stopnjo Nem-čije. Francoški odgovor odločno odbija zahteve Nemčije ter na-glašja, da Francija ne bo nikdar pod nikakimi okoliščinami do-volila ponovno oborožitev Nem-čije.

Farmarska stavka se širi

Ohijaki farmarji se bodo pri-družili stavkarjem

Bowling Green, O. — (FP) — Dvatisoč farmarjev se je odloči-lo za stavko, katere cilj je po-nizati cene poljskim pridelkom navzgor. Sklenili so, da se pri-družijo farmarjem v Iowi, Ne-braski in drugih državah, kjer traja stavka že več tednov.

Ohijaki farmarji ne bodo pi-ketirali cest, obdržali bodo le farmarske pridelke doma, dokler se ne zvišajo cene, in skušali pregovoriti vse, naj store isto. Na shodu je nastopil kot govornik Glenn Miller, predsednik farmarske unije v Iowi in voditelj tamošnje stavke.

"Ne pričakujem, da bomo do-segli naš cilj v kratkem," je de-jal Miller, "toda pripravljeni smo se boriti do zadnjega."

Allen E. Lein, reprezentant Toledo Producers' Ass'n, ki za-la-ga s mlekom mlekarne v To-le-du, je bil izvoljen za načelnika komiteja, ki bo sestavil defini-tivne načrte glede stavke ohij-skih farmarjev.

Charles Truax, bivši državni direktor poljedelstva in sedanjí kandidat za kongresnika, je v svojem govoru urgiral razglasi-tve moratorija na zadolžene far-me in črtanje zaostalih davkov na farme kot začasno pomoč za farmarje.

Gandhi grozi z gla-dovno stavko

To je njegov odgovor britski vladi, ki je odredila krivično razdelitev sedežev v provin-cnih postavodajah

London, 13. sept. — Mahat-ma Gandhi, voditelj indijskih na-cionalistov, ki je že več mesecev zaprt v yeravski jetnišnici, je odgovoril na MacDonaldovo so-lucijo indijskih problemov z grožnjo gladovne stavke.

To je prišlo na dan večer, ko je bila objavljena koresponden-ca med "svetnikom" in britsko vlado. Z gladovno stavko bo pri-šel 20. septembra in bo trajala do njegove smrti.

Gandhi pravi, da se je odločil za ta korak po dolgem premi-šljevanju. To naj bo protest pro-ti delni razporedbi sedežev v provinčnih legislaturah, katero je odredila britska vlada. Na podlagi vladne odredbe bodo člani nižje indijske kaste, "nedo-takljivi," sedeli ločeni od dru-gih poslancev v zbornicah, kar smatra Gandhi za veliko krivico.

Mahatma je prvič zagrozil z gladovno stavko na konferenci "okroglo mize," ki se je vršila v Londonu zadnjo zimo. To grož-njo je sedaj ponovil v piamu, katerega je naslovil sir Samuelu Hoaru, tajniku za Indijo.

"Vi veste, da sem se zanimal za položaj zatiranega razreda od mladih let," pravi Gandhi v pi-smu. "Zaradi tega želim infor-mirati britsko vlado, da se bom postil do smrti, ako bo skušala uveljaviti krivično naredbo, ki odreka enakopravnost temu raz-redu v zbornicah. Ako se bo vlada odločila, da me izpusti iz zapora s naménom, da se roči iz zagata, bom gladovno stavko vseeno nadaljeval."

Pristaniščni delavci se pogajajo

New York. — Tukaj so se o-tvori-la pogajanja med Medna-rodno asociacijo pristaniščnih delavcev in delodajalci glede no-ve pogodbe, ki naj bi nadome-stila staro, ki poteče 30. sep-tembra.

Predsednik asociacije Joseph P. Ryan je dejal, da je več kot polovica članov brez dela in re-dukcije mezde, s katerimi gro-ze delodajalci, ne bodo izboljša-le situacije. Sedanja pogodba določa 75 centov na uro. Pred enim letom so pristaniščniki sprejeli redukcijo za deset od-stotkov.

Naval na službo

Buffalo, N. Y. — Tri dekle-ta so bila ranjena v navalu na službo, ko je neka trgovina na-znanila, da potrebuje dvajset prodajalk za teden dni, tekot velike razprodaje. Naznanilu se je odzvalo več sto deklet in pred trgovino so nastali izgre-di.

NOVO FAŠISTIČ-NO GIBANJE NA JAPONSKEM

Militaristična kasta se je odlo-čila za čiščenje v politiki

Tokio, 13. sept. — Draistično čiščenje koruptne politike po-tom patriotičnega gibanja po vsej deželi, katerega bo vodila asociacija bivših vojakov, je bi-lo večer naznanjeno. Jedro gi-banja bodo tvorili štirje milio-ni bivših vojakov. Tako je bilo sklenjeno na tajni seji Milita-rističnega kluba, katerega tvorijo vojaški častniki. Seje so se udeležili vojni minister general Sadao Araki, večje število dru-gih visokih vojaških častnikov in 117 prominentnih finančni-kov in industrijev, ki imajo tes-ne stike z militaristično kasto.

To gibanje, kateremu načelu-je Araki, ima namen mobilizira-ti javno mnenje v svrhu čiščenja v parlamentu. Bivši vojakji bodo tvorili politično mašino, ki bo pojasnjevala ljudske želje po-tom svojih reprezentantov. Načrt uključuje direktno so-delovanje pri volitvah, odstrani-tje profesionalnih politikov, ka-terih mesta morajo prevzeti o-sebe, ki jih priporoči asociacija. Vsi zakonski osnutki in peticije morajo biti prej predloženi aso-ciaciji bivših vojakov kot pa-rlamentu. Ako jih asociacija od-bori, potem bodo šli pred parla-ment.

Ustroj asociacije je fašisti-čen, dasi voditelji to zanikajo. To je samopostavljena militari-stična grupa, ki si lasti pravico tolmachenja želj in zahtev japo-nskega ljudstva.

Vojno ministrstvo v svoji iz-javi zakriva prave namene in sestanek je označilo za prija-teljsko konferenco med vojaški-mi avtoritetami, bankirji in in-dustrijci, kar naj še bolj utrdi medsebojno prijateljstvo.

Demokratje prvačijo v Mainu

Portland, Me. — Pri volitvah v državi Maine, ki so bile 12. septembra in katere so po tra-diciji nekaj "politični barome-ter" za splošne volitve v no-vemburu, imajo po zadnjih ve-steh demokratje večino. Vse kaže, da so demokratje izvolili gubernerja in dva kongresnika izmed treh.

Kampanja proti vojni

New York. — Henri Bar-busse in Sherwood Anderson, voditelja Svetovnega antivojne-ga kongresa, sta pozvala Ame-riško dijaško ligo, naj organizi-ra študentsko konferenco v prihodnjem decembru, na kate-ri naj bi se razpravljalo o na-črtih velike kampanje proti vojni in militaristični propagandi.

Legionarji žigosa-jo predsednika

Bostonski župan izjavil, da so federalne čete streljale na ve-terane v kapitolu kot na pae

Portland, Ore., 13. sept. — Na konvenciji Ameriške legije je bila večer predložena resoluci-ja, ki s ostrimi besedami obso-ja akcijo predsednika Hooverja, ki je poslal federalno armado proti vojnim veteranom, ki so prišli v Washington zahtevat izplačitev bonusa.

"V slavnem mesecu juliju l. 1918 so ameriški vojaki zapodili sovražnika od vrat Pariza," se glasi resolucija. "Podli so ga dalje in dalje, dokler ni par me-secev kasneje prošil za mir. Gro-zde poraz se je spremenil v bri-ljantno zmago."

"Stirinat let pooseje, 28. julija t. l. smo videli v našem lastnem kapitolu Washingtonu prizor, ki nima primere v zgo-dovini ameriškega naroda. Na ukaz predsednika Združenih dr-žav so federalne čete napadle in izgnale iz kapitola prav tiste vojne veterane, ki so rešili ame-riški narod v kritični uri."

"Ti vojni veterani so prišli v Washington, da pojasnijo svoj miselni položaj kongresu in predsedniku. Upali so, da bo njih-ov apel uslišan. Negleda na teh-nično stran zakonov in policijs-kih regulacij, bi morale vladne avtoritete pokazati vsaj simpa-tije."

"Naše mnenje je, da je pre-dsednik Združenih držav, čigar dolžnosti se ne nanašajo samo na izvajanje zakonov, temveč preko tega, ravnati silno nero-dno v situaciji in je odgovoren za krvavi incident."

James M. Curley, bostonski župan, je bil deležen viharnega aplava, ko je izjavil, da so bili nekateri vojni veterani, ki so prišli v Washington, da predlože upravičene zahteve, ustreljeni kot psi. Poleg Curleyja sta go-ovorila tudi vojni tajnik Hurley in bivši mornarični tajnik v Wil-sonovem kabinetu Josephus Da-niels. Slednji je obsojal nasilni lagon veteranov iz kapitola, do-čim je Hurley apeliral, naj bo Ameriška legija neustrankarska in da mora biti njen patriotizem nad vsako politiko.

Socializacija premogov-ne industrije

To je edina pot iz kaosa, pravi Norman Thomas

Indianapolis, Ind. — (FP) — Stavke ne bodo rešile proble-mov premogovne industrije, temveč socializacija, je rekel Norman Thomas, predsedniški kandidat socialistične stranke v svojem govoru v tem mestu, kjer ima United Mine Workers uni-ja svoj glavni stan.

"Strafk ilinolskih rudarjev ne more sam na sebi socializi-rati premogovne industrije, če-prav je upravičen tako proti operatorjem kot proti predse-dniku mednarodne rudarske u-nije Lewhu, ki je veliko pripo-mogel, da so ameriški delavci pričeli izgrubljati vero v pošte-nost in sposobnost delavskega gibanja," je dejal Thomas. "V socializaciji je edina rešitev bol-ne in kaotične ter preveč razvi-te industrije."

V svojem govoru je Thomas omenil, da ne kritizira gibanja med ilinolskimi rudarji, ki je rezultiralo v ustanovitvi nove unije, temveč izraža le svoje so-cialistično prepričanje, da se vprašanje brezposelnosti rudar-jev tiče vseh, in da ne more bi-ti napredka v krajih, kjer je duh revolte med izkoriščanimi izumrl.

5000 krojačev zastavkalo v Bal-timoru

Baltimore, Md. — Tu je več-raj zastavkalo 5000 krojaških delavcev in delavk, članov Amal-gamated Clothing Workers uni-je.

KONGRES SPRE-JEL NAČRTE PRO-TI VOJNI

Nad dvatisoč delegatov z vseh strani sveta se udeležilo anti-vojnega kongresa v Amster-damu

Amsterdam. — (FP) — Dasi je zborovanje Antivojnega kongresa uradno zaključeno, njego-va moč in vpliv stalno narašča-ta. To je bilo najuspešnejše zborovanje kongresa v njegovi zgodovini.

Zborovanja se je udeležilo 2.195 delegatov, ki so represen-tirali 27 držav. Henri Barbusse, slovit francoski pisatelj, je predsedoval. V svojem otvori-tvenem govoru je dejal, da de-legati, ki so prišli na zborova-nje, predstavljajo 30.000 orga-nizacij, katere imajo nad 30 mi-lionov članov. Strokovne de-lavke unije, kulturne in paci-fistične organizacije so bile za-stopane po svojih delegatih.

Praktični načrti boja proti vojni so povečini prišli od dele-gatov, zastopajoči države, ki so najbolj trpele v sadnji svetovni vojni. Navzoči so bili delavci iz munijskih tovarn Nemčije, Francije, Velike Britanije in Češkoslovaške. Nemčija je po-slala na zborovanje 752 delega-tov, in je bila najštevilnejše za-stopana. Francija je imela 585 delegatov, Anglija 78, Združene države 32, Italija 35, ostale de-leže v Evropi in Aziji pa so imele manjše delegacije.

Na zborovanju je bilo spreje-tih več resolucij, med temi ena, da delavci, ki so upošeni v to-varnah municije in vojnega o-rožja, takoj prenehajo s delom, ako izbruhne vojna.

Len Wincott, eden od vodite-ljev upora v britski mornarici lanskega septembra, je dejal, da se med britskimi mornarji revolucionarni sentiment hitro širi.

Govor Sherwooda Andersona je zlasti pomemben za Američa-ne. "Amerika je delala negoto-vosti," je dejal Anderson. "De-presija je prinesla miserijo. Ne-nadno so se farmarji snaili v revščini, velike armade brezpo-selnih pa postopajo brez dela v industrijskih mestih in iščejo hrane po smetiščih."

Dalje je rekel Anderson, da se vsi prominentnejši ameriški pi-satelji nagibajo k levici in so pripravljeni na boj proti mili-taristični in imperialistični propa-gandi.

Letalska družina najdena

Copenhagen, 13. sept. — Ge-orge R. Hutchinson, njegova že-na in njuna dva otroka ter štir-je člani letalske skupine, od ka-terih ni bilo nobenega glasu zad-njih 36 ur, so bili danes najdeni v bližini fjorda Ikersuak, Green-land. Našel jih je angleški par-nik Lord Talbot, ki se je odzval klicu na pomoč. Letalo je popol-noma razbito, dočim so družina in člani moštva ostali nepoškodova-ni.

Naravna Rio Grande odnaša mo-stove

Presidio, Tex. — Silna povo-denj v dolini Rio Grande se ni odnehala. Te dni je voda odnesla mednarodni most in več federal-nih zgradb, ko je reka narasla 38 čevljev v sekciji Concho River. Farmarji v okolici so izpraznili svoja domovja in poplava je u-ničila vso letino.

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Chicago. — William H. Kep-pinger, predsednik Calumet Foundry and Machine Compa-ny v East Chicagu, se je v pon-deljek zvečer ustrelil s name-nom, da bo njegova žena dobila \$100,000 zavarovalnine.

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Deton in klopajo, na primer (Aug. 31, 1938), poleg valnega linija na nadzoru pomeni, da vam je s tem datumom potekla naročnina. Poskusite jo prenoviti, da se vam list ne ustavi.

Zločinski moške postavbe

Nasilna smrt slovenskega rudarja in člana SNPJ Martina Viranta v zaporih okraja Tazewell v Illinoisu je nadaljnji dokaz, da "third degree" v Ameriki ni le fikcija v romanih in filmih, temveč je barbarsko in škandalozno dejstvo. Na tisoče in tisoče žrtev, med njimi mnogo nedolžnih, je že zahtevala policijska brutalnost, ki z nečloveškim mučenjem izsiljuje iz obtožencev zahtevana priznanja zločinskih činov — in brat Virant najbrž ni bil prva slovenska žrtev te vrste. V večini primerov so taki umori potlačeni in časopisje jih niti ne omeni; najrajši jih pokrijejo s "samomorom" žrtev.

Toda Virantov primer je bil preveč očiten, da bi se mogel potlačiti. "Samomor", ki ga je hotel obtoženi deputat Skinner potakniti, je bil preveč prozorna in stupidna igra, da bi se obnesla. Tako je stvar prišla na dan in časopisi, ki navadno previdno molče, so zdaj prisiljeni, da se zgražajo in obsojajo ta zveraki dogodek. Čikaški dnevnik "Times" piše, če bo Skinnerju dokazana krivda, je to monstroznost zločin proti vsemu ljudstvu države Illinois in nalikuje izdajstvu.

Kakor vsa evidenca kaže, je bil br. Virant nedolžen. Vsa poročila se glase, da so šerifovi pomočniki hoteli izsiliti iz Viranta izpoved neke krivde, a ker se je Virant odločno uprl, so ga mučili v celici toliko časa, da je umrl, nato pa so njegovo truplo obesili.

Koliko je v bistvu razlika med tem početjem in barbarsko "justico" v srednjem veku, avto inkvizicijo in splošnim mučenjem pri obtožencev? Nobena. Razlika v teoriji je le ta, da v srednjem veku je bilo to mučenje postavno in sankcionirano od vseh oblasti, danes pa to ni več postavno — vsaj toliko časa, dokler se ne izve in ne more več potlačiti. Na splošno je znano, da policija prakticira "tretjo stopnjo", to je pretepa in muči jetnike v nešteti primerih.

Današnja človeška družba je v svojem temelju zločinska, ker vzdržuje in neguje izkoriščanje in uničevanje posameznika. Zato ni nič čudnega, če pobija zločin in zločin in nastavlja najgrše človeške bestije za iskanje zločinca. Oficijska krivdnost ne more prinesiti respektu za oblast, temveč izliva individualno krivdnost. Ali ni že čas, da se ameriško delavstvo gane in napove odločen boj temu zločinskemu sistemu?

Delavci so žrtve

Številno zločinov in samomorov narašča z naraščanjem pomanjkanja in bede zaradi ekonomske depresije. Čim večja je kriza in trpljenje, tem več je zločinov in samomorilcev.

Nikdar, odkar izhaja Prosveta, ni še bilo v našem listu toliko poročil o umorih in samomorih med ameriški rojaki kot je to leto. Ni ga skoro tedna, da ne bi zabeležili, kako si je ta ali oni rojak, ta ali oni naš član sam vzel življenje.

Ta žalostni pojav ni nobena zagonetka. Nikdar prej še ni bilo toliko pomanjkanja in mišerije med našimi delavci v tej deželi; nikdar prej ni bilo toliko razočaranja in obupnosti. To je jasno iz splošnega položaja. Časopisje vseh mest poroča dan za dnevom o zločinah in samomorih v takem številu in na take načine, da so že davno posekani vsi rekordi.

Res je med žrtvami precej propadlih bogatinov in tudi takih, ki še niso materialno propadli, toda odstotek teh je tako malenkosten, da ga ni vredno omenjati. Fakt je, da ogromna večina žrtev je med revnimi delavci in zastopane so vse narodnosti, vse vere in vsa plemena. Bridko razočaranje ne pozna izjem in kosi vse enako.

Nič ne vemo, ali je beda že dosegla vrhunec ali ni. Vse kaže, da najhujše še pride prihodnje zimo, katera ni več daleč — in pričakovati je še več žrtev. Vsi nismo enako potrpežljivi in mnogi gredo rajši prostovoljno v smrt, kakor da bi se ponizali na berače.

Predno se kriza zaključí in se vrne sleparska prosperiteta, bomo morali zabeležiti veliko števil — veliko za naše razmere, dasi majhno s primeri s splošnim številom — naših žrtev. To bo mučna naloga, ker se zavedamo, da je škoda vsakega našega delavca in člana. Ampak — to je cena, ki jo ameriško delavstvo kot celota danes plačuje za svojo brezbržnost in naš delež ni izvet.

LJUDSKI GLAS

Jednotina posojila na prve vknjižbe

Gary, Ind. — V zapisniku zadnjega polletnega zborovanja gl. odbora SNPJ je omenjeno (12. stran, peta kolona), da je br. gl. tajnik Vider rekel: "Kaj bomo naredili, če bo zmanjkalo denarja na čekovnem računu? Ali bomo vnovčili Liberty bonde, kar se lahko stori brez kakih sitnosti, ali pa bomo šli prodat kakšno hišo v Gary?"

Da ne bodo člani po Ameriki mislili, da so v Garyju, Ind., vsi dolžniki, ki so zaostali s plačili, naj pojasnim, da je doslej zaostalo le par članov in to ne po lastni krivdi. Hooverjeva prosperiteta je povzročila težkočje v vseh naselbinah in zadnje čase je mnogo članov popolnoma izgubilo delo. Kako naj potem odplačujejo svoje obveznosti?

SNPJ ni do danes še izgubila niti centa v Garyju, pridobila pa je ogromne tisočake, kar lahko dokazemo iz računov vplačil in prejemkov. Jednoti do danes še ne grozi nobena izguba v vsoti, ki jo je posojila članom na prvo vknjižbo na njihova posestva. Ako bi bilo vse premoženje SNPJ tako sigurno naloženo kot je na prvih vknjižbah, bi lahko mirno gledali sedanjí cirкус.

Iz zapisnika je razvidno, da nekateri gl. odorniki želijo, da se odpravi posojevanje članstvu na prve vknjižbe. To je zares dobra reklama za prihodnjo konvencijo. Samo ena primera. Član št. izposodi od SNPJ \$2000 po šest odstotkov za dobo pet let. Po petih letih se je vsota skoraj podvojila in vredna je \$2600. (To je še daleč od podvojitve. Op. uredn.). Ali ni torej posojilo varnejše naloženo kot v bondu, od katerih so mnogi zmznili za večno? Nisem proti vladnim bondom, ali kje dobiti toliko vladnih bonдов, ko pa danes vse banke in organizacije iščejo omenjene bonde? Vlada bo primorana dati naš denar privatnim oduhom, ki nas bodo še bolj izkoriščali. Kdor tega ne vidi, je slep na zdravih očesih.

Denar so člani prispevali in lahko smo toliko poštenj, da se najprej pomagamo članom in ne privatnim izkoriščevalcem. In če se kaj izgubi, naj se izgubi pri tistih, ki so pomagali skupaj spraviti. Toliko k zapisniku gl. odbora. Če bo brezposelnost trajala še tako dolgo kot traja doslej, bomo primorani ustaviti vsa plačila in naše organizacije bodo še samo na papirju! — Andy Uetich, tajnik društva št. 271.

Zastojna Prosveta

Barberton, O. — V 211. številu Prosvete piše br. Andy Spogor, da se dnevnik Prosveta pošilja zastoj. Svetujem dopisniku, naj pregleda cene lista in prišel bo do zaključka, da se list ne pošilja zastoj.

Kjer so trije člani ene družine pri SNPJ, plača vsak po \$1.20 letno za tednik, torej skupaj \$3.60. K temu doplačajo še \$2.40, to je skupaj \$6 za dnevnik.

Omenjen je tudi znesek \$1.92 s pripombo, da to še na papir ne zadostuje. Odkod izvirajo te številke, mi ni znano. (Odšeta je provizija, ki jo vzamejo tajniki. Op. ured.)

Naj še omenim, da trije tedniki imajo skupno 24 strani in to brez posebne izdaje, kadar je objavljen zapisnik seje gl. odbora; obratno ima dnevnik le 28 strani v tednu in stane \$2.40 letno, oziroma za štiri strani več na teden. Ali se dnevnik pošilja zastoj?

Kdo je v glavnem kriv deficita dnevnika? Depresija in nihče drugi. Ako bi ne bilo take depresije, kakršna je danes, bi člani delali in lahko plačevali naročnino. Zakaj imamo danes toliko pasivnih članov? Zakaj prebije na glavni urad za asement?

Br. Spogor pa priporoča, naj se zviša naročnina za Prosveto. Kakšen bo rezultat, se lahko vidi v naprej.

Anton Yakich, društvo št. 48.

Odgovor sestre Zakovšek

North Chicago, Ill. — V Prosveti št. 205 me sestra Mary Pirc poziva, naj ji čim prej izročim nagrado \$25. Čudno se mi vidi, zakaj je dala oglas v Prosveto, namesto da bi bila prišla po nagrado direktno k meni — saj ve, kje stanujem — in bi si bila prihranila stroške.

Ker sem nekaj časa nazaj silala, da se govori, da zahtevam plačilo za usluge članicam ali drugim osebam, sem 23. marca v Prosveti izjavila v glavnem tole: Vsakemu, ki me je do danes vprašal za kakšno uslugo na kakršenkoli način, sem vsako plačilo odklonila, najmanj pa sem komu kaj računala. Kdor mi dokaže, da sem komu računala en sam cent, mu dam \$25 nagrade.

Mary Pirc pa pravi v svojem oglasu: "Poziv sestra Frances Zakovšek, stanujoči na 1016 Adams st., No. Chicago, Ill., ki je v dopisu v Prosveti obljubila \$25.00 nagrade tistemu, ki ji dokaže, da je prejela plačilo za uslugo bolnim članom. Jaz sem s pričo na seji društva dokazala, da je od bolne članice, katere mož leži v bolnici, prejela denar."

Da Mary Pirc ne zna pisati, mi je znano, nisem pa vedela, da tudi čitati ne zna. Pravi, da sem obljubila nagrado onemu, ki mi dokaže, da sem prejela plačilo itd. Dobi koga, naj ti prediše enkratno izjavo. Kdor hoče biti pošten s teboj in če zna čitati, ti bo povedal, da jaz nisem tega zapisala. Oni, ki je pisal tvoj oglas, ni bil pošten s teboj ali pa ni vedel, kaj je čital. V svojem oglasu sem zapisala, da izplačam nagrado le onemu, ki mi dokaže, da sem komu poslala račun za en sam cent. To je velika razlika. Poslati račun se pravi, zahtevati brezpogojno plačilo.

Federacije S. N. P. J.

Kanaška federacija

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Labor day piknik, ki ga je priredila naša federacija na Stefančičevi farmi, je bil (upoštevajoč, da smo kanaški knapje ob tem času stoodstotno brez dela) vsekoli uspešen. Posebno pa še je moralnih ozir.

Program ni bil tako pester kot navadno, ampak ravno primeren za te abnormale čase. Ker smo tik pred splošnimi volitvami, so bili posebno na mestu socialistični govorniki, ki so slikali razmere in kovali pot, ki vodi k zmagi delavskega razreda, ki naj prinese mir in počeno življenje za vse delavstvo, odpravi pa takozvani "večni boj za obstanek."

Govorniki so: Philip Callary, advokat, mra. V. J. Vanzant Rowe, kandidatinja za kongres v našem volilnem okraju (gotovo bo

čilo, in tega nisem nikdar storila, da bi sem bila vedno rada na uslugo temu ali onemu, ako sem le mogla kaj pomagati. Za svoje delo pa nisem nikdar zahtevala plače, nagrade ali daril, temveč sem jih vedno odklanjala. Ako mi je pa bilo kaj ponudeno ali prostovoljno dano, ne vem, zakaj ne bi amela vzeti.

Ves očitek izvira iz tega, ker sem prejela kak dolar od bolne članice, s katero sem hodila k zdravnikom vse leto 1930. Zdravnikom, ki so redno zahtevali denar, se pa nič ne očita. Ne vem, da bi mi tista članica mogla kaj očitati. Meni se je zdelo, da mi denar usiljuje, in ker sem mislila, da se ne bo več upala vprašati me za uslugo, sem vzela, kar mi je ponudila. To pa največ radi tega, ker je vedno trdila, da ji jaz najbolje ustrežem.

Ne vem, zakaj se sestra Pirc danes toliko zanima za to članico. Kje je bila takrat, ko je bilo treba iti skozi vse leto tedensko k zdravnikom? Končno izjavljam, če bi vsi oni, ki danes toliko govorijo, da bi mene uničili, storili toliko potov vsak čas in kamorkoli kot sem jaz, bi ne sprejeli samo ponujenega denarja, temveč bi dobro zaračunali vsake najmanjšo pot. Nikdar bi ne prišla v javnost s to stvarjo, če bi ne videla, da je namen tega rovarjenja, uničiti mene in moje poštenje. Sestra Pirc in jaz sva dobro poznani v Waukeganu in North Chicagu, vsaka po svojih delih — pa naj bova še v širši javnosti.

Frances Zakovšek, dr. št. 119.

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Udeležba našega članstva je bila dobra, vendar bi bila lahko dosti večja. Saj nihče ne pričakuje denarnega dobička od nas, ki ga nimamo, razvedrilo pa rabimo vsi. Da brezposelnim knapom ne zastanejo vsi udje in za spremembo programa, se je tudi "štrk" vlekel. Tekma med Yale-Jackville in Arma-Franklin. Zmaga je bila za Arma-Franklin. To so ti vlekle stare korenine. Rezultat: en plaser evička, nekaj umazanih srajc, in Stefančič ima par metrov daljšo vrvo.

Pavski zbor z Arme je zopet pokazal kaj se lahko doseže z dobrimi pevskimi močmi. Upamo, da na prihodnji prireditvi bomo silili še druge pevske moči pridružene k temu pevskemu zboru. Posebno vi, ki veste kakih glasov še ta zbor potrebuje, pri- glasite se pri pevovodju Fr. So- tošku v Armi.

Koliko si je opomogla federal- cijska blagajna in o poteku pik- nika bo poročal pikniški odbor na seji, ki se bo po sklepu zad- nje seje vršila četrto nedeljo t. m. (25. sept.) ob dveh pop. v Frontenacu, Kans. Upam, da ne bo nobeno društvo brez zastop- nika. Dobrodošli tudi ostali čla- ni (ice)! — John Sular, zapisnikar.

Od zveze čikaških društev

Chicago, Ill. — Zveza čikaških društev SNPJ tem potom nazna- nja zastopnikom vseh društev v Chicagu in okolici, da se dne 19. septembra vrši skupna seja za zastopnikov vseh pripravljenih dru- štev v svrhu priprave za kon- vencijo, oziroma, da se izvoli pripravljalni odbor. Vsi prizade- ti zastopniki boste prejeli ka- drevna vabila. Če bi slučajno kdo ne dobil vabila, naj blagovolji upoštevati to naznanilo kot po- ziv ter naj se seje gotovo ude- leži.

Seja se vrši v spodnji dvorani SNPJ, pričetek ob 8. zvečer. Pri- dite gotovo in točno!

Za zvezo čikaških društev SN- PJ — Victor Zupancic.

Zapisnik okrožne federacije

Forest City, Pa. — Zapisnik seje okrožne federacije društev SNPJ, ki se je vršila v Scrantou- nu, Pa., dne 28. avgusta.

Brat predsednik je otvoril zborovanje ob 2. popoldne in po- zdravljal navzoče zastopnike v i- menu federacije društev SNPJ za ta okraj.

Imena prijavljenih zastopni- kov: za društvo št. 124 Louis Sasso in Frank Povhe, za dru- štvo št. 447 Majk Ferlin in An- ton Zupan, za društvo št. 513 Ralph Končnik in Rudolf Topol- nik, za društvo št. 432 Anton Kastelic in za društvo št. 204 Majk Bizjak.

Tajnik prečita dopise, ki so bili priobčeni v Prosveti in se nanašajo na društva, ki so bila priključena v listu. To sta dru- štva št. 204 in 447. Poročilo se vzame na znanje.

Poročilo posebnega odbora Majk Ferlin pravi, da se vpra- ša tri različne pogrebne o po- grebnih cenah, pod kakšnimi po- goji bi bili pripravljeni izvršiti pogrebno delo članov SNPJ. Na- to poroča, da se cene od \$250 do \$1,500, kakor kdo pač hoče.

Ralph Končnik tudi poroča o tej zadevi, da je tudi on poizve- del pri pogrebniških o zadevnih cenah. Najcenejši pogreb stane \$100 za daljavo 150 milj iz Scrantona. Poročila obeh spre- jeta.

Zastopnika društva št. 124 želi- ta, da se znižajo federalijski prispevki. Sprejeto, da se zniža na 5c od člana letno.

Zastopnik Kastelic od društva 204 pravi, da se bliža konvenci- ja SNPJ in da je treba, da se tudi naša federacija zavzame za to. On predlaga, da bi se najprej pregledala jednotina pravila. Sprejeto. Nato se izvoli zadetni odbor, ki ima nalogo, da pregle- da pravila in potrebno urediti. V ta odbor so izvoljeni: Majk Ferlin, Majk Bizjak in Frank Ratajc. Seja tega odbora se vrši 4. nedeljo v oktobru v Scrantonu pri br. Ralph Končniku.

Sprejeto, da se prihodnja fe- deracijska seja vrši spet v Scrantonu, Pa., in sicer dne 26. decembra t. l. ob 2. popoldne. Za- ključek seje ob 5. popoldne.

Louis Sasso, zapisnikar.

Psihološki učinek pijače

Vprašanje, ali je zmerno uživanje alkoholnih pijač škodljivo ali ne, še zmerom razburja du- hove obeh nasprotnih taborov: Abstinenci vidi v vsaki kapljici pijače strup, povprečnik pa pravi, da mu alkohol niti ne škodi niti ne ko- risti, da se pa sem pa tja le prileže kak kozar- ček. Dokazov in protidokazov o učinkovanju alkoholnih pijač je nešteto ali nobena skupina ne more potegniti jezika pretehtavanj na svojo plat. Tudi stña znanost je prispevala že precej dognanj k temu vprašanju in v nasled- njem prinašamo nekaj novejših izsledkov dr. Meisenbacha o psiholoških pojavih pri zavij- vanju pijače.

Krilatici, da je pivo tekoči kruh, vino pa koncentrirana solčna toplota, po mnenju dr. Meisenbacha nista brez vsake realne podlage. Alkohol je hranivo, vir energije v tem smislu, ker z izogrevanjem proizvaja neobhodno po- trebno toploto. Od drugih hraniv se pa raz- likuje po tem, da ga naš organizem ne zna na- kopičiti kakor druge snovi, ki jih črpa iz hra- ne in da ne umi uravnati njega koncentra- cije v krvi. Če pa je v krvi več ko desetinko odstotka alkohola, že učinkuje kot strup.

Če prejema telo preveč sladkorja ali škroba, potlej odstotek sladkorja v krvi sicer narašča, toda ko se dopustna meja prekorači, potegnejo odvisni sladkor nase jetra in mišično tkani- čevje, ga pretvorijo v glikogen ali maščobo in shranijo za pozneje. Zaradi tega pri zdravem človeku odstotek sladkorja v krvi nikoli ne prekorači neke skrajne meje. Organizem mno- žino zmerom pravi točno uravnava. Če pa re- gulacijski mehanizem odpove, se pojavi slad- korna bolezen: množina sladkorja v krvi na- raste na skoraj dvakratno normalno količino, sladkor se začne odlagati v organizmu in po- vzroča vsakovrstne bolezenske pojave.

Uživanje alkohola je za normalnega človeka prav isto kot uživanje škroba in sladkorja za diabetika. Če je alkohola preveč, se ga orga- nizem ne more iznebiti po normalni poti in kri ga raznese po vsem telesu: v možgane, je- tra, vranico, ledvice, srce, pljuča — povsod je enako koncentriran, še celo v sapi, ki jo izdi- havamo, se da dokazati. Razen tiste malenkosti, kolikor ga izločijo pljuča in ledvice, po- časi v organizmu zgori v ogljikovo kislino in vodo.

Ker organizem — kakor rečeno — ne more pretvoriti alkohola v kako drugo snov, niti ga ne nakopičiti, začne pač njega koncentracija v krvi počasi naraščati v razmerju z zavžito ko- ličino in doseže v eni ali dveh urah maksimum. Če ne pijemo naprej, se potlej začne zaradi ogrevanja množina počasi spet manjšati in slednjič je telo popolnoma očiščeno.

V organizmu normalnega človeka lahko zgo- ri karoh 7 do 10 kubičnih centimetrov alkohola na uro. V kolikem času se človek spet popol- noma iztrezne, je odvisno tedaj samo od zavži- to množine. 30 kubičnih centimetrov, koliko ga je n. pr. v četrt litra srednje močnega vina, izpuhti v treh urah, od zmerne okroglosti si pa organizem popolnoma opomore šele čez deset ali dvajset ur.

Kakor lahko diabetik uravnava množino slad- korja v krvi samo po zavžitih količinah, tako si tudi pivec lahko regulira množino alkohola v krvi po času in mericah, da ne bo koncentra- cija nikoli prevelika. Pri koncentraciji 0.15 odstotka kar odgovarja zavžitju 100 kubičnih centimetrov čistega alkohola, se mu na prazen želodec že nekoliko v glavi zavrti. Če pije še kar naprej, se koncentracija počasi veča in pri koncentraciji 0.5 odstotka je pivec že živinsko pijan. Skrajni čas, da nehaj, ker 0.6 odstotka je že življenjsko nevarno.

Bolj ko je pijača koncentrirana, hitreje pre- ide v kri, tem prej se pokažejo posledice. Kdor ni vajen pijače, se ga hitreje prime kakor pi- janca, čigar želodec ne more alkohola več tako sproti absorbirati kakor želodec normalnega človeka.

Žeja se z alkoholom ne da pogasiti, ker veže vodo in raztaplja maščobe, na čemer temelji tudi njega narkotični učinek. Ker prodre al- kohol v vse stanice sluznic in odtegne belja- kovinam v njih neobhodno potrebno vodo, se čuti po pijači tista strašna suša v grlu in že- ja, ki jo povzroča.

Ko se začne človek podžigati z alkoholom, mu jame naraščati samozavest, čuti se spro- ščen, jezik se mu razveže, kdor je rezerviran, postane zaupljiv, v flegmatiku se vzbudi delav- no zmanjša. Ostroost vida, tip, čut ravno- vesa, razsodnost, urejenost gibanja — vse odjenja.

Dr. Meisenbach je naredil zanimiv poskus. Več poskusnim osebam je dal piti manjšo mno- žino lahke pijače, s katero je vsak zavžil 50 kubičnih centimetrov alkohola, potem pa je na- pravil na njih razne preskušnje: Najprej so morali reševati šifrirane brzojavke, potlej je sledila preskušnja glede točnosti zavedanja, slednjič pa je bilo treba napolniti vrč pod sem- ter tja nihajočim izlivkom, nato je sledila sto- ter tja nihajočim izlivkom, nato je sledila sto- ter tja nihajočim izlivkom, nato je sledila sto-

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Oboroženi pobojniki iz južnega Illinois, ki nastopajo proti stavkajočim rudarjem.

(Dolje za 5. stran.)

The Society shall insure to its members personal freedom of religious, philosophical, ethical and political creeds.

Declaration of Principles, SNPJ By-Laws.

PROSVETA

ENGLISH SECTION

FOR MEMBERS OF SLOVENE NATIONAL BENEFIT SOCIETY AND AMERICAN SLOVENES

Those who would give up essential liberty to purchase a little temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety.

Ben. Franklin, Motto to Historical Review

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Editorial Comments

Try This New Idea In Getting Prospects

In his field work, says L. A. Stark in the Fraternal Age, he has tried various methods to secure prospects and applicants in his lodges. Some of the methods were good and others not so good, as is always the case. One evening after a brief talk on getting new members, he asked permission of the lodge assembly to pass out blank prospect cards. He gave each member a card and waited until all had an opportunity to fill them out. He then collected the cards and found that out of forty cards distributed thirty-six of them had names on them, of which he later secured over 50 per cent. The time consumed, writes Stark, was only ten minutes, but it was the best idea and got the most results of any of the different ideas he has tried or seen tried. And he firmly believes that each lodge assembly could readily increase their members by this new idea. Would this new idea if tried and applied by our lodges show any marked results? Let us try it!

New Postal Regulations

Cut Out Cards

The new postal regulations require newspapers to pay two cents on each postmaster's cut out card they receive. These cards formerly came to newspapers from the postmaster gratis. The idea is this: If you move without giving us—the Manager of the Prosveda—ample notice and your Prosveda is mailed to your old address the postmaster sends us a card telling us to discontinue sending your Prosveda to that (old) address. Of course, having no other place to send it we will be forced to discontinue sending your Prosveda until we hear from you, or the secretary of your lodge, giving us your new address. The Manager gets many of these cards each month. You can help save a substantial sum of money for your Society if you will only send the Manager your new address in time to avoid the necessity of the postmaster sending him a cut out card. The lodge officers can assist by mentioning this at lodge meetings.

Illinois Miners' Relief Fund in Action

We are pleased to note that Bro. Joseph G. Brinocar, Secretary of Lodge Lincolnites, No. 567, SNPJ, of Springfield, Ill., is active in the Illinois Miners' Relief Fund which was recently set up by the Socialist Party of Springfield. Many of our members know Bro. Brinocar who distinguished himself in the E. S. movement of the SNPJ in the pioneer days and later up to this date. With 30,000 Illinois miners on strike against a reduction in their wage scale and faced with one of the most unusual reigns of terror in Illinois history, the Socialist Party has taken action to help the miners in their struggle for their rights. We may add that Bro. Brinocar is Secretary of the Administrative Committee of the Miners' Relief Fund.

Official Notice

ADDITIONAL EXPLANATION REGARDING PASSIVITY

Due to the number of complaints received to the effect that various lodges have drawn up special rules requiring passive members to pay local lodge dues or assessments, it becomes necessary to offer the following explanation:

Passive members, as already explained in the official organ as well as circulars sent to the various branches, have no rights or obligations in the Society except those rights set forth in Article XXXIV, Section 4, of the SNPJ By-Laws. It naturally follows, therefore, that no local lodge can compel a passive member to abide by any rule binding him to pay lodge dues. If such lodge rules exist, they are illegal and should be annulled.

All arguments that passive members are obligated to pay local assessments on the ground that the lodge has certain funeral expenses in case of death, are without basis. No lodge is obligated or bound by the rules of the Society to make funeral arrangements for passive members, and if such is done, it is of its own free will.

Local lodges are hereby advised to comply with these instructions. Rules by which passive members are required to pay local dues in effect at the present time should be repealed. Collecting local assessments from passive members may result in unnecessary confusion and expense for the Society. Such matters need careful consideration on the part of lodge officials.

FRED A. VIDER,
Supreme Secretary.

Most of our petty bickering, and often enough our serious differences, arise more from an overload of loyalties to leaders, when there ought to be no schisms or antagonisms except perhaps on definite differences in pure policy.

The Reveliers' Column

Ambridge, Pa.—ALL THAT SORT OF THING. Today it seems as though it is impossible to garner thoughts on any one subject—so let's wander on until the end of this piece is reached. . . . Some advocate a change in the name SNPJ. For immediate commercial returns it takes on an effect that outwardly looks desirable. The prospective name may go farther in publicity channels among elements that are non-Slovene. A simplified English heading is called for by E. S. lodge enthusiasts. That may be beneficial . . . or it may not. Basically, the SNPJ is a Slovene institution. There is no argument there. Today the society is advertised and known as the SNPJ. A change would call for a new publicity effect. For a time it would cause confusion. What about the organizers of the society? Those to whom SLOVENSKA NARODNA PODPORA JEDNOTA was the realization of a life's work? Would it be proper to rename the structure they already had named? . . .

Lodges affiliated with the E. S. Federation of SNPJ lodges of Western Penna should direct thoughts to the coming conference that will be held in Pittsburgh on Oct. 16. A few who have not paid their 1932 assessments should do so. There are fourteen lodges in the Federation; and now the Broughton Keystone-Trojans and Burgettstown Cavaliers are the sole absentees—meaning, they are wanted in the Fed. ranks . . .

During the past year the Revels have participated in so many softball games it would be impossible to give readers an accurate account of games won and lost. Ambridge has already received the SNPJ trophy for winning their district championship. It lays on display in the lodge meeting room. . . . That was a colorful presentation act at the last Revels meeting. Bro. Bocek received the trophy at Library, brought it to the Revels meeting, and there presented it to Capt. Towclimack who gave it into the keeping of the Reveliers. Assistant manager Matakovich aided the proceedings with a few timely words . . .

Plenty of folks would like to know the outcome and whereabouts of the Fleas' outing. It was a success, and that's all you are supposed to know. . . . Things must have got crossed up somewhere because Saint and Sinner of Cleveland failed to appear. . . . The Fleas owe Bill Towclimack a few words of thanks for the use of his home as a central gathering place . . .

Sometimes it would be nice to hear word from some of the distant actors in SNPJ circles. . . . Like the Spillers out in St. Louis. . . . or the former team of Cheek and Doublecheck from Milwaukee. . . . Then nothing for ages has been heard from the Louis Zaverztniks; and one Ambridge lad is still waiting for that promised word, or a mail man comes. . . . Lodge Adria down in Indianapolis is quiet as ever. . . . S' too bad there's no news of Ambridge lads' travels to lodge affairs just now. Folks just ain't working hereabouts . . .

Local folks are reaping garden harvest these days. Witout work plenty of them remembered some-

thing about sowing and planting. Spare time was put to some use. And every available back-yard and unoccupied plot of ground was cultivated. A sort of back to the soil movement. . . .

Wonder what the Quack regiment will do minus the General's leadership? Or will the entire group follow suit and take unto himself a—???

Local Briefs. Over the Labor day holidays Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Losar and son were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Pelta. The Cleveland folks renewed acquaintanceships with many Ambridge Slovenes. . . . Mr. and Mrs. John Cvitko were hosts to Mr. Cvitko's mother over the holidays. . . . Mr. John Kernan, Sr., is recuperating at home from a serious operation performed in St. Margaret's hospital in Pittsburgh. . . .

Louis Kosele.

Wolverine News

Detroit.—The Wolverine meeting, held on September 4, was well attended by Wolverines and also Young Americans. The Young Americans present were Joe and Johnny Yaklich, Pauline, Ray, and Bill Travnik, and Mgr. Berry. Come again!

Arrangements were made for the coming Wolverine annual Halloween dance to be held on the 28th of October at the Slovene Workers' Home, 437 South Livernois. Keep this date open and let's see everybody at the big dance. There's a good time in store for all who come.

The Wolverine meetings will now be held on the first Friday of each month. This will continue throughout the winter.

The baseball game between the Wolverines and Young Americans held at Chrysler Field on Labor day, was one big battle from start to finish. It was a close, tense game that kept the two thousand five hundred spectators (2500) on edge during the entire nine innings. The final score was Wolverines 4, Young Americans 3. Both teams played air-tight ball, but the star of the day and most outstanding player was Joe Kopmeyer, Wolverine pitcher, who allowed but nine hits and himself made three of the Wolverine hits, a home run and two singles. Mahalich of the Young Americans had a perfect day at bat, getting four hits out of four times at bat. Another game between these two teams will probably be played soon, but no arrangements have been made as yet. Manager Joe Kern of the Wolverines is to be congratulated for the showing of the team, which consisted of one-half of last year's substitutes.

A little get-together party was held by the Wolverine team at the Obed home after the game. The honored guests were none other than Bill Travnik, John, Joe, Ernie, and Frank Yaklich of the Young Americans. Mr. Travnik, amidst the thundering Bronx applause, gave an impersonation of Paderewski. Mr. Travnik sat down at the piano and twinkled his fingers; they laughed; but Mr. Travnik undaunted, with a

little Pauline Berger, the only real sailor or sailorette, s'il vous plait, is making preparations to return to the U. S. A. from across the pond, after a summer tour of Europe. . . . "Cookies," the little dear, has been doing considerable sailing by her numerous trips across lake Mich., wonder why? . . . Merci for the postals.

Recently when talking to a representative of the weaker and fair sex, I was given the hard luck story of "how the poor girls are better off when not pursued by a man," and then she turned about and talked of "her" conquests. My, such fickleness. An . . .

Integrity Week by Week

F. J. M.

Chicago.—Another Labor day has come and gone, as so many Labor days have, but this year the workers have another reason to celebrate—their third year of plenty . . . plenty of idleness.

Along about this time of the year all lodges start planning fall festivities with which they hope to reopen the season of gaiety as well as to replenish the lodge pocketbook. So here are some of our dates:

Sept. 15, at Aldine Hall, 911 Center st.; Nov. 5, our annual fall dance, which this year will take on an aspect of the good old fashioned Barn dance. This Barn dance will also be held at Aldine Hall.

And on Jan. 29, 1933, Integrity's Mammoth Fifth Anniversary celebration. Inasmuch as 1933 is World's Fair year, our lodge will offer a program in keeping of the World's Fair spirit.

All of you lodges out in the East, and those about the Mid-West and even those out West—we extend at this time our heartiest invitation to attend our affair. We offer this early invitation for a very obvious reason: to give you ample time to make arrangements to attend the Joliet lodge's anniversary festivity and at the same time attend part of the World's Fair.

H. W. Sailors again have set out with their yachts and crews. . . . Joan and Doris, two demure sailorettes, have "yachted" to old Kansas to visit their families and friends. . . . Rambling Joe, the highway sailor de luxe, went bounding over the rails to good old Omaha. . . . Joe E. and Andy also boarded their private cruiser and went down south to Kans. . . . while

little Pauline Berger, the only real sailor or sailorette, s'il vous plait, is making preparations to return to the U. S. A. from across the pond, after a summer tour of Europe. . . . "Cookies," the little dear, has been doing considerable sailing by her numerous trips across lake Mich., wonder why? . . . Merci for the postals.

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LODGE NO. 766

Moon Run, Pa.—Our Seniors showed their appreciation to us on August 6, the day when we held our annual outdoor dance. We had a wonderful crowd, nice time, tantalizing music, due to the fact that our elders of Moon Run cooperated with the Musketeers.

I wish to state a few facts concerning the affair between Sis. F. Arch and the Yammik sisters. Mary and Jo. Yammik had no reason to say anything against Sis. Arch. She respects and loves her parents, and we Musketeers respect our gray-haired elders with weary faces and stooped shoulders. Yes, and the Musketeers also bear in mind that their youth will fade which fact each member realizes only too clearly. Beating around the bush has no meaning.

We thank our Seniors for the cooperation they showed us on August 6.

Joseph J. Krally,

Progressive Patches

By Pals Inc.

Moonlight Ride. — Oct. 2 the Progressives and friends enjoyed the fresh air and moonlight on the steamer Goodtime. Brother Kristoff furnished music on the upper deck for the crowd. On the lower deck there were prizes for the best waltzes. A good time was had by all. We wonder where the Strugglers, Comrades, Loyalties and Becons were. Thanks!

Meeting

Don't forget to attend the next meeting. Pals Inc. wish to report that with the Beacons we have completed our work as requested last meeting and we want all the members to vote up this very important subject at the next meeting. All members should make a special effort to be present.

Congratulations

We wish to congratulate Brother Zelle on his twenty-first birthday. We had a very enjoyable surprise party for this day at his home.

Barn Dance

Coming. The Progressives' Fourth Annual Barn Dance, Oct. 15, 1932. How many lodges will be represented that day?

Sugar

What happened to Sugar? No more articles of any kind during the past month. We hope that Sugar will listen and start writing again.

Keep It Up

Bro. Koss of the Strugglers certainly deserves credit for the interesting articles he is writing in place of Lindy. The boys certainly can work hand in hand to push things across.

Beacons Notice

What is the matter with the Beacons? Have you forgotten the address of Prosveda? Your scribe's articles were interesting, but how about some more? Send your news to us.

Do You Know—

that the Progressives have reorganized the basketball team and the result of two games is 10000%. It pays to keep in practice for the coming years. This week the boys are scheduled to meet the Obrock Dairy team that has defeated the Progressives last year.

Convention

We are still waiting to hear from the "convention heads." What is the matter? We should be started by now. Please make your reports.

Notice

Pals Inc. would like to hear from the following scribes in the next issue: Sugar, Two Blue Bells, Ginger, Canned Peaches, and Dimples.

Loyalite News

Cleveland, O.—The Loyalites are holding a Fall Dance at the Slovene Home on Holmes ave. The date will be Sunday, Oct. 16, and the music by Jackie Zorc trio. Admission will be 35c. As it is a fall dance, the hall will be decorated with cornstalks and green leaves. The decoration will provide an appropriate setting for the dancers and the lights will be dimmed. As all the previous dances have been successful, we hope this one will keep up the tradition.

Here another unpleasant but necessary issue must be thrashed out. Why do not all the members of the entertainment committee come to the meetings? If the plans of the committee do not run to the satisfaction of the absent members, they "kick." Come to the meetings and give voice to your thoughts and they will be given ample consideration.

Also, we want all of the members present at the dance. Help at the refreshment stands will be appreciated. We want to see a few new faces at the refreshment stands and not the same old help.

August Prusnick, Sec'y.

Secure New Subscribers for the "PROSVETA"



FLASHES

By Incognito

Chicago.—Every Pioneer should attend the September regular meeting on Friday the 16, at the SNPJ Hall. The evenings are not as hot anymore, so we look forward to a good attendance. What will we have, did you ask? Yes, music and refreshments, after the meeting. At the meeting the Pioneer girls' ball team will be formally presented with second place medals in the Chicago Evening American Tournament. Various reports will be made, including the annual picnic report and a decision shall be reached whether passive members shall be required to pay the regular lodge fees of 10 cents.

Do you know what the consensus of opinion is among the Pioneer officers? The feeling is that the Pioneer lodge would be the largest lodge of the SNPJ today, hadn't the depression set in. And where do you think we get that opinion? From our members and friends who report of the good will and the large numbers of friends who will gladly join as soon as they get work.

No, we are not perfect in every way, but what we undertake we generally make a good job of. So all we ask is work for the unemployed, better times—and then we shall flourish again. Until such time, we must work in close harmony and our identity is certain.

Since August 19, five of our members have been operated upon for appendicitis, namely: Valentine Kobal, Mayme Cerkoney, Vera Kiery, Olga Kness and Louis Calkner. All of them have recovered sufficiently to receive visitors. In addition Louis Zeffran has broken his arm and Rudy Dudas has an infected eye. Sickness is not stopped by the depression. To the contrary, the depression causes a good deal more sickness than good times.

We have noticed that Bro. Joseph Brinocar of Springfield, Ill., is secretary of the Western Miners Relief Committee of which Norman Thomas, Professor Dewey and many other

prominent persons are members. The headquarters are in the Slovene National Home in Springfield, which is another evident factor that Slovenes are taking an active part in the relief work of the Illinois miners. It would be well to hear from them as to how the situation stands and how many miners are really still working.

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The past month has been a heavy one for us Pioneers. We lost Sister Josephine Faiella, who was but 21 years old. She was a member of our Society four years and eight months, having joined on December 16, 1927. She was of Bohemian parentage and for a long while lived in the Lawndale district. Our records disclose that she received \$109 for appendicitis operation plus \$46 sick benefit, a wedding gift of \$10 and now the death benefit of \$600. Total \$766, for which she paid in dues and assessments \$105.03. These figures are reproduced for one reason only. To show others what benefits we give and to use such items for their agitational value.

We have just finished our picnic and now we are preparing for our annual fall dance. It is to be held on Saturday evening, October 29, 1932, at the SNPJ Hall. One of our good friends asks us why we hold so many social events each year. There are just two reasons. First, a good, strong lodge must be active in order to grow, and secondly, because it costs a good deal of money to operate a big lodge efficiently. Social activities are the means by which we can raise such funds.

The Pioneer Dance Committee will hold its next meeting at the home of Oscar Godina, 3211 S. Crawford ave., Thursday, September 15. Every member must be present.

The Pioneer girls have entered another soft ball tournament and won their first elimination contest last Sunday, 9 to 8. More games are on the schedule.

Plans Laid to Soak the Poor Some More

Although the federal income tax receipts for the fiscal year of 1932, ending at the close of June, were lower than last year, the rate of decrease was not as great as that which occurred a year ago.

But the conservative papers play up the decrease very prominently in order to make propaganda against income taxes and in favor of a general sales tax.

Though they do not state their reason, it is evident.

They want to get rid of income taxes because that kind of a tax reaches the pockets of the rich.

They want a sales tax because that kind of a tax takes the money out of the poor mainly, and only very slightly hits the rich.

It is claimed that the rich do not have sufficient incomes nowadays so that the government revenue could be secured from them. But that is absurd. Their incomes have been decreased by the depression, it is true, but it is also true that they still have great incomes, most of which ought to be taken into the public treasury.

The rich cannot spend all of their incomes on themselves. Neither is there any need that they should reinvest their incomes, for there is more than enough capital already. So long as they have the money, it is not spent and does not cause industries to open up so as to produce goods to take the place of goods purchased. If the money were taken into the public treasury, and paid out to the toilers through public works and otherwise, it would be spent at the stores, and the factories would have to open up in order to fill the additional orders they would receive for the replenishment of the store shelves with goods.

But, while this is true, it won't have any effect upon the minds of Republicans and Democrats, for they cater to the rich. They will put over a sales tax if they win at the polls. The cards are being stacked for it. Any voter who does not want the poor to be soaked with a sales tax, in addition to all the other soaking they get, had better vote the Socialist ticket—

Milwaukee Leader.

Strikes are Doubly Heroic

Just because these are hard days in which to carry on a strike successfully, those workers in the coal mines, in the clothing shops in New York and now in the sweated doll industry who dare to strike deserve the greater credit. It is one of the worst signs of the times that wages are falling even faster than employment is decreasing. Wages will continue to fall faster and faster; and they will not rise even should this tender stock market boom be the forerunner of improved conditions. (By the way, the index of business activity fell again for the second week of August in spite of the stock market boom.) These heroic strikes do have the effect sometimes of actually winning, and even when they lose they help put the brakes on the process of still further degrading the condition of the workers. Except for the workers' own resistance, there are no limits to which exploitation will not be forced. Thus, in Maine I heard of workers putting in a 10-hour day on the roads at 20 cents an hour; and in New Bedford I heard of women in sweatshops which had run away from Boston and New York who were making exactly \$2.60 a week. Hail, then, to the gallant strikers, to the unknown heroes of labor's wars.

What's to be Done?

Make any list you want of the problems of our time: 12,000,000 unemployed, 200,000 children 15 years and over adrift on the highways of America, falling wages, 50 per cent loss of income to farmers since 1927, the burden of debt around our necks—the total debt service of all sorts, according to Mr. Howard Scott, requires this year around twenty billion dollars, a sum equal to the entire estimated salary and wage roll for the year. What's to be done?

By all means we must work for more and stronger labor unions and farmers' organizations. Even in this depression we must push the organization of the unorganized on the industrial front. We must greatly improve our machinery of centralized aid that can be promptly mobilized to help the most significant strikes. We must back up and extend the measures already taken by the A. F. of L. executive council to end all taint of racketeering which is so characteristic of capitalism from our unions.—Norman Thomas.

Every man ever elected to office was in the opinion of the majority the best man for the office, and see what we got.

What a funny country, where folks beg for old clothes and new clothes go begging.

STRUGGLERS By Kanary

Collinswood, O.—Well, it's all over now—Lindy's wedding. The best man was Joseph Tolar, and the maid of honor was Mary Zajac. I was an of honor as well. The bride and groom, Mary C. Chesnik and Joseph Tolar, were married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Zajac, 1198 E. 170th St., on Saturday, Sept. 13, 1933. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. J. Zajac. The bride wore a white gown and carried a bouquet of white flowers. The groom wore a dark suit. The reception was held at the home of the bride's parents. There were many guests, including friends and relatives. The bride and groom were very happy and enjoyed the celebration. The wedding was a very successful one and everyone had a good time.

Coming Event
The big Struggler day is nearing. Already several of our out-of-town friends have informed us to be with us on Sat. night, Oct. 29, when the Strugglers will sponsor the huge Halloween Spectacle. Don't miss this big event for the saying goes, "Enjoy yourself at the Strugglers' affairs." Prices will be reasonable, and several prizes will be given.

Appreciation
I want to take this means to thank the many friends for their gifts and well-wishes, especially the Strugglers. Permit me to state that I will continue in my future work as I have done in the past, for I enjoy working with the Strugglers because the majority of them always shows their appreciation.

What Are You?
Some people have the tendency to quit when things go wrong, others are afraid to face people face to face, while the better group keeps on fighting and steadily progressing. To the so-called "yellow" group I have this to say: Come on out into the open and speak face to face with you have to say. Don't be afraid and write dirt without signing your name. The party involved in sending those threatening letters is known. But we are not afraid! We welcome you to step out and show your face. Your tactics can't make a quitter out of a worker. Count your friends and we will count ours. We are sure you won't need a pencil to record your total.

Now Is The Time
The Strugglers' Harmony Aces, who for the past few years have been stepping at a fast pace, are returning to the Slovans Home for the season. Bro. Louis Simoncic informs me that their addition of newly recorded hits, both Slovene and English, will please you. So if you are looking for good music for your next dance in or out of town drop a line in care of Lindy Lokar, 1198 East 170th St., Cleveland, Ohio. Remember—satisfaction guaranteed.

Are You?
Don't lapse in paying your dues. It may bring regret to your loved ones. Remember, a stitch in time saves nine. Remember, the 25th of every month is the deadline, so we urge you for your future protection, Pay your dues today.

Coming
The next convention is not far away and by the looks of things the English lodges are going to make a hit. Never before in SNPJ history have English lodges taken such high interest in their organization as now. Keep it up!

Equal Rights
The Declaration of Principles of the SNPJ are: "The society shall insure to its members personal freedom of religious, philosophical, ethical and political creeds." This organization gives the people equal rights in everything but politics. If we are going to back only one political party, and not the others, we might as well drop this one party, or back all political parties. There is no political organization, so there is no reason why this one party should have a voice in the paper. Some action should be taken at the next convention if not sooner.

Coming
Strugglers' Halloween dance Oct. 29. All lodges and members, keep this date open. Many prizes will be given away, so don't forget to attend. You can always have a good time with the Strugglers.

A Rumor
That August P. Svetek might back Strugglers' bowling team this year. You pay for the shirts, Gus; the boys will do the bowling. Last year's Svetek's Strugglers were champs.

Shine Again
The Strugglers' winter roast went over with a bang. Everybody had a good time. The moon was shining good and bright. Boy, and that barn dance around the fire.

Assessments
From now on all members wanting their dues paid, will have to fill out a loan blank, and when you start to work will have to pay all that money back again. This was done to avoid more special assessments.

STRUGGLERS—By Lindy
Cleveland, O.—Back after a long absence from these pages. I will say "Hello" to all my friends and hope that Kanary Koss' pinching for me in these columns was liked. I followed up Bro. Koss' writings and found them interesting. We would all like to see Bro. Koss continue.

Silver Stars of Yukon

Yukon, Pa.—Wending their way towards the hills of Western Pa., Teacups Tekauts, his brother Bob, Johnny Strifot, and Rudy Turk, all Comrades from Cleveland, made the trip to attend the Keystoneians' 5th Anniversary affair. In the afternoon of this affair the Silver Stars' baseball team was defeated by the combined Keystoneian-Comrade aggregation 10 to 3, the Pitts Henry soccer group for some reason or another walked off the field after playing a scoreless game with the Keystoneians. In the evening dancing commenced to the tunes of Leo Zornik and his orchestra. The streamers, serpentine, confetti and souvenirs played a good part in the program. The small hall was filled to capacity with visitors from the Ramblers, Torch of Liberty, Yough Valley Knights, Comets, Silver Stars, Belle Vernon, and many many others from local vicinities. But we missed saying goodbye to the Comrades, and learned also that Saint or Sinner was there, sorry we didn't get the opportunity to see you.

On behalf of the Pitts Henry boys of Lodge No. 109 I wish to explain the reason for the delay on giving their Ford away. It is simply the depression that is holding these workers back. It will be almost a year since they started on their campaign to give it away, but the lack of money among the people has held them back. When they held their affair in West Newton on Decoration day, practically nothing was made, in fact just enough for expenses. Today they still need some money to pay for the Ford. Their intentions were good, but this depression has hindered them mightily, and it seems that they might come out of their hard work by breaking even, but that is not likely, by figuring the expense of running around they will be very much in the hole. So to the SNPJ members that are personally concerned I ask to be patient, because power and it won't be long now. The boys are doing all that's in their date of the giving away will be announced in the Prosveta sometime in the future.

That's the spirit! Meaning our own local members when our monthly meeting was held last Sunday, Sept. 4, they attended in a large group. In fact the local officials were somewhat surprised when such a group turned out. And among them we had many members that today are on the passive list but by their turnout we notice that they still think a lot of our local and are interested. You are always welcome and may you be as helpful as well. Speaking

business complications were the reason. Baumbich makes quite a few visits to Omaha, Nebr. He's there again, according to a card. Haven't seen Kress for a long time. Beek back at Notre Dame. Good luck, Joe! We're still sorry for Lindy. You can't help it, but those bees happen to be every place the Fleas are. Plz us!—Strugglers were missed last week with their column. And here comes fall and winter with the usual SNPJ sports, bowling and basketball. Whoopee!

And for our final word we ask you to watch this column for something mysterious to happen—???

Herman Preeren.

Beacons

By "A Beacon Beam"
Cleveland.—It's coming! The "Beacons" fourth anniversary. This will be another great day that will leave pleasant memories lingering as years go by. Remember, keep November 27 in mind. Frequently it occurs that two English speaking SNPJ lodges have an affair on the same day. In this way the profit of both lodges is effected. So let us keep November 27 OPEN for the "Beacons!"

September 4, 1932, proved (to those who didn't know) that the "Beacon Melody Picnic" have loyal boosters, and plenty of them. Keep up your friendly spirit and good music, we'll remain "Ever Faithfully Yours." And how!

Say "Smilers," get to work and organize the club you were talking about. Organize it and make your talk come true. I am sure the girls will co-operate and make the club a success.

The attendance at "Beacons" last meeting showed an increase over the previous. Keep it up, and have the Beacon meetings a pleasure to think of. It would make the officers much happier, to see a large attendance as well as some of the active members who attend every meeting they possibly can.

I wonder—Where have some of our old scribes gone to, for instance: John Ayrik, Kanaries, Three Musketeers, X & XX and Pals Inc.? Why Tony Bubnic is always busy? Why Johnnie Baumbich is always smiling? Why John Ayrik seems to enjoy mingling with females? Last, but by no means least... don't forget to pay your lodge dues, on time, and save the secretary and yourself trouble.

Lucky Stars

Imperial, Pa.—Success is a combination of circumstances and therefore we must be able to use them to the best advantage. There are certain possibilities in one locality, while in another they will be altogether different. So, in our lodges, as in other organizations we must depend upon the co-operation of its members for support and encouragement. The successful accomplishments of one lodge will encourage another to do likewise, and by so doing, we are gradually building up our organization upon a solid foundation, which will withstand even the depression of the present day.

Social courtesy is one of the main factors leading to the success of an organization. We must consider the advantages and disadvantages of a lodge, and try to aid one another in striving to reach the top.

The Lucky Star Lodge No. 716 has not sponsored a social affair for some time. Our anticipations are that the Second Anniversary Dance on Sept. 24 will be an outstanding affair. The admission price will be ladies 25c and gents 50c. The symphony will be furnished by Leo Zornik's orchestra of Hermine, also the refreshments will be plentiful. Everybody is extended a very cordial invitation to attend this dance, and will be assured a good time.

Frankie and Johnny.

Spirit-o-Grains

By Whoosie
St. Louis, Mo.—Last Friday was the Spirits regular meeting but before the meeting there was a joint meeting with the Leaders of the C. F. U. There was a nice attendance and after the meeting refreshments were served. Everyone there enjoyed the evening.

At our past dance there was a contest between the girls and the boys in selling tickets. The girls outdid the boys, so the boys are giving a party for all the girls of the Spirits Lodge.

Mrs. Mary Kacin is spending a couple of weeks out in the country with her mother. What a break for the husband! They don't all get a break like that.

Mrs. Jann's Patren with her two daughters is here on a visit from Chicago. Mrs. Patren is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kacin and is residing in Chicago.

Summer is just about over and it won't be long till it will be time for dances where the Spirits always show every one a good time. At our last meeting a committee was appointed to take care of the dances for the coming year.

The Spirits certainly owe a lot of thanks to the committee that worked at the picnic at the Baranich farm. A few weeks ago there was a large crowd, everything was well planned and it worked just like a clock, for the committee was all on the job.

Watch this space for Spirit-o-Grains weekly.

Dynamic Detroit

By Dilly
Detroit, Mich.—Everything would be quiet on the Michigan front if it weren't for the Young Americans and Wolverines trying to outdo each other in cooperation, entertainment and sports.

Cooperation
For the first time in many months the Y. A.'s and the Wolverines are co-operating with each other. The result is that their affairs are successful. Even though the last few outings were costly but the members of these two lodges are getting better acquainted and more friendly right along. However, there are many members who should attend our affairs. By this I mean both Young American and Wolverine doing.

Entertainment
On Aug. 20 the Wolverines held an outing, but the mosquito plague kept them indoors, where everyone enjoyed himself. Ed. Straus furnished the music and the Wolverines' girls supplied the refreshments.

A new club was formed called the "Shirtless Brigade." Two new members were initiated, namely, Johnny Deblak and the writer.

Two weeks later (Sept. 2) the Y. A. Outing at the Upper Strait lakes was attended by one of the largest gatherings in 1932 at any outing.

Swimming, baseball, pinocle and dancing were the main attractions, until the wienies were roasted, then various games were played. The tug-of-war between the two lodges was called a draw, each team winning one pull, but the gang was too tired for the third match.

Sports
The annual 3 game series for Dist. No. 3 between the Young Americans and Wolverines are underway. The first game played Labor day (Sept. 5) and the second to be announced later.

The rivalry between the two lodges is so keen that the attendance will fill Wallace field to capacity.

Many new faces will be in the lineup. For the Wolves: F. Kern, Capone, Ed Sirk, Sumrada. For the Y. A.'s: Lefty Klarich, Polly Renko, Stan Renko, Ed Nagle, Ray Travnik. Kopymeyer and Ed Sirk will hurl for the Wolverines while Hank Kaitner, J. Mihelich and Polly Renko are the Y. A. flingers.

Did You Know that—
The Wolverines lost another decision to Dan Cupid, this time Mary Ann Amlich and Leo Golcar are the victims.

Several Young Americans are trying to make the journey to Penny to attend the Grand East Meets West Ball.

A. Padar and P. Benedict Sr. were reelected Mayors of 6 mile road East and West respectively. Yes, they were both running on the Socialist ticket.

The Friendly City and Flood City lodges held picnics 3 miles apart on the same date (Aug. 14).

The SNPJ convention will soon be here.

The Fleas, Bees, Pals Inc. and Quacks are to be interviewed by the M. B. R.

Jane Fradel's pet words are "pa se kako."

The Y. A.'s want to send their best wishes to Lindy Lokar and his wife. It's time for the disappearing act. Adios!

Excelsiors Lodge No. 721

West Alliquippa, Pa.—It has been some time since I have last submitted an article to our publication "Prosveta," so now I will try to give the readers some idea on what is going on in our circles in the so-called Excelsiors.

With our lodge activities we are getting along fairly well considering the industrial depression, which handicaps many persons from joining our lodge, while in good times it would bring the total of members to a marked degree.

Working conditions are about as bad here as elsewhere in our free and prosperous country and it appears that the conditions will not improve very much until something is done. Can you readers possibly visualize the impression the great Emancipator would receive if it were possible that he were here today, to share our "freedom," "peace" and "prosperity?" What would he think of those so-called gentlemen at Washington and those who have their castle in Wall Street, which is the real White House, the latter being the real control switch in the mechanism known as America.

Those of us who are fortunately employed may enjoy the winter months. But how many of us, the youth, have stopped to think, just for a moment, of the misery, grief, and hunger of the vast group of unemployed in our wealthy nation?

Millions of women and men thrown out of work into the scrap heap, and we go on day after day with frivolous actions, playing ball and watching the results of world series, etc. Yes, and no, and I find ourselves on the scrap heap do we start thinking of a remedy for this great ill which shall always exist under our present system of graft and corruption.

In regards to our Polka dance, first of all we wish to thank all those who worked at the dance. We hope that, if in the near future we call on you again, you will all gladly respond. I wish to thank all our neighboring lodges, Pioneers, Marketers, Revelers, Midway Lodge 122, Coropolis.

Strabane, Cavaliers, and many others. They all merged into one fraternal group, having the time of their life. This dance was another proof that fraternal, social affairs properly attended, are the best medium of bringing together members, consolidating them into firmer bonds.

I had the pleasure of meeting that wonderful worker for the "Yough Valley Knights," none other than Pres. John Kobe; sorry you couldn't attend our Polka dance, but don't forget our Second Anniversary dance. That goes for the rest of Yough Valley Knights, too.

In a few months election of officers will take place. Election will be on the tongue of every member, or rather should be. There is one thing all members should remember: Elect only those fitted for the office. Just what seems to be detaining you Excelsiors from attending our monthly meetings? For the past few months the attendance was so small that nothing of real importance could be discussed and put under way, so just try and remember our next meeting.

All surrounding lodges are urged to watch the "Prosveta" for the Excelsiors' Second Anniversary celebration which is in October. We certainly intend to have a treat in store for you.

Before concluding my article I wish again to thank each and every one who worked or attended our affair. I sincerely hope that you have enjoyed it in every respect and that we may have the pleasure of having your presence and co-operation at our Second Anniversary dance.

Fraternally,
Anna C. Sivec.

Comet Flashes

A Convention Thought
Universal, Pa.—The latter part of the first sentence of Article XV, sec. 4, reads: "He shall file the names and addresses of new members with the manager of the organ."

When an applicant has been examined by a physician and voted upon at the following meeting, it is the duty of the local lodge secretary to forward the blank to the supreme secretary; thence it is also the duty of the local lodge secretary to file the name and address of the new applicant with the manager of the organ. When a member has withdrawn from the lodge, or being cancelled or expelled, it is up to the local lodge secretary to notify same with the manager of the organ. When a member is placed on the passive list the lodge secretary must notify the manager of the organ.

When after passiveness a member becomes in good standing, again it is the duty of the local lodge secretary to notify same with the manager of the organ.

Since it is evident that the supreme secretary and the manager are located in the one and same SNPJ Home to perform their daily tasks, the supreme secretary receiving monthly financial reports from the local lodge secretaries, stating the standings of various members, why is it that the local lodge secretary is advised to write by separate letter to the manager of the organ if a member has withdrawn, was cancelled, expelled, or has been placed on the passive list or again placed in good standing when the same is reached first by the supreme secretary through the monthly financial report. Is it impossible for the supreme secretary to get in direct contact with the manager of the organ without it being a necessity for the local lodge secretaries?

Lodge News
The Comet's regular monthly meeting was held as usual in the first Sunday of the month—attendance fair. Due to a picnic sponsored by the Vol. Fire Dept. within the ranks of the community, most of the members were rather tardy. But in spite of the fair attendance, business and social activities were transacted just the same.

At the adjourning of the meeting Sister A. Demshar announced a surprise party at the home of her parents. Here the waffles were manufactured by a quick-clerified process. Some of the conspicuous big shots such as Maxie, Helme and (I) reiterated the second helping to some half dozen times. After the buttered and syruped waffles, the accordion was put to work. Who was the most unfortunate one in the broom dance? All members present reported that a very pleasant evening was spent. The credit goes to Sister A. Demshar. What will we have for the next meeting?

Future
Looking into the future we are confronted with our annual fall event, the Comet's Halloween dance. W. Penn. SNPJ Lodges please note that this dance will be held on Oct. 29.

Again in Cometville this promises to be a jolly "get-together" for the SNPJ members and their friends. You dear readers will read more of this later on.

How to live long: Do not step into an elevator shaft when the cage is not there. Fraternally,
Joseph Caesar, Lodge No. 715.

OH, JUDGE!

Judge—"You say this man robbed you. Can you distinguish any of your property amongst this heap?"
Plaintiff—"Yes. I know that handkerchief with 'B' in the corner."

Judge—"But this is no proof. I have a handkerchief with 'B' in the corner."
Plaintiff—"Yes, sir, I lost two."

Lodge News Notes

INTEGRITY WEEK BY WEEK

Chicago, Ill.—In behalf of the integrity visitors who attended the Kansas Federation Labor Day Picnic, we extend our congratulations. It proved to be a success and a good time was had by all. We also wish that some of their crowd could attend our celebration as we could return the wonderful time we had. The only fault we found was that the day was too short and it all ended so soon.

On our trip we had the pleasure of bringing two SNPJ members and are hoping they stay long enough to attend our Fall Dance on November 5 at Aldine Hall. Come, Integrates, let's show them what we can do.

The Integrity 5th anniversary is getting closer and closer. You can count on a good time, so be sure to reserve the 29th of January, 1935. Plenty of surprises and anything else you can wish for.

Joan Boycht.

LODGE NO. 310 SNPJ

Beams, Pa.—To members of Lodge No. 310 SNPJ. There will be regular monthly meeting Sunday, September 18, at 2 p. m. This invitation is extended especially to those members who recently transferred to our lodge, so that we'll get acquainted. This is also in accordance with the By-Laws of the Society.

It is the duty of each and every member to pay his dues on time, that is before the 25th of each month, so that you will get all the benefits of the SNPJ in case of sickness or injury. Do your duty and be sure that the Society will do its duty. There who cannot pay their assessment on account of unemployment, should come to the meeting and the lodge will do something for them.

Above all, be loyal to your lodge and organization, where you are sure that your protection is guaranteed. Come to the regular monthly meetings and be active. And do not fail to be present especially at the next regular meeting, September 18.

Joseph Seimisch, Secretary.

CHAMPION KAZAN

Cleveland, O.—The City of Cleveland boasts of one champion, according to the local press, and he is Rudolf F. Kozan, a Slovene, who cobbles shoes at 6390 St. Clair ave. He is a member of the SNPJ. Kozan was recently proclaimed by the 8th annual shoe repairers' and dealers' exposition in New York, as the Ohio state champion in a repaired shoe contest. And it is said of Rudolf that he takes his victory modestly. Since Cleveland at the present lacks a champion in any of the other minor or major fields of endeavor, it feels more than compensated by the fact that the city does have a champion in an useful and honorable field as that of making good shoes out of bad ones.

Congratulations to our Brother Kozan upon his success!

Aleo a Member.

DIDYA HEAR—

Imperial, Pa.—That Lucky Stars' Second Anniversary Dance is to be held Sept. 24 at the Slovans Hall. Leo Zornik and his orchestra will furnish the music. Admission is gents 50c and ladies 25c.

That Mary Virant is back with us again. She spent her vacation at Linwood Park bathing beach, Vermillion, Ohio. Mrs. Mary Polshak and daughter Julia were vacationing at Hermine, Pa.

That Miss Mildred Kosenin is to be married to John Miklaucic, president of Lucky Stars, on Sept. 12.

That the Kren family of Buffalo, N. Y., spent the week-end of Aug. 21 at Imperial. They and others of Imperial reported a very nice time was had at the Clairtonians' picnic. We enjoyed talking about Strugglers' Fifth Anniversary, as our friendship developed there.

Congratulations "Lindy" Lokar and Marjorie Mramor.

Thursday this writer and three other females hiked to visit the Eighty-Niners. Thanks to families Mouts and Opeka for hospitality I received during my three-day visit.

Lucky Stars' next meeting will be held every second of the month at 1030 a. m. at the usual place.

Would like to know: Who are the Blue Moon Strollers of Greensburg? Will B. C.ing U at the "East Meets West."

Mary and Jo Yarnik.

LODGE NO. 589

Strabane, Pa.—The Pioneers of Washington Co. Lodge No. 589, SNPJ, have decided to sponsor another dance Saturday, Sept. 17, at the newly built Drenik park, which is near the SNPJ Hall.

The music will be furnished again by George Koonits and his band. Everyone that heard him the last time he played for us, told us to get him for our next affair, as they like to dance to his music.

The new park has a big open dance floor and also a stage and a coat room. The floor is located under trees. There also is a lot of benches placed under the trees for the ones who do not care to dance. I'm sure that any one attending this dance will not be sorry for it, but will enjoy it to the extreme. I can't see how any one could help enjoying the wonderful scenery.

The Pioneers of Wash. Co. through this paper send their invitations for the nearby lodges to attend this dance. We hope to see a large crowd of you. So please come one and all.

ENOUGH

A young and untried fireman was serving at his first fire and the chief, rushing up to him, shouted: "Climb up that ladder to the eighth floor, crawl along the cornice to the fourth window, drop down three floors, and catch that wooden sign you see smoldering. Then swing yourself along to the second window, break the glass, and go in and see if there's anyone waiting for?"

as the admission is as low as possible. There will also be plenty of refreshments and I assure a very pleasant time for all who attend. I'll be seen! you at the dance. A Member.

BADGERS' HARVEST FESTIVAL

Milwaukee.
Tis the first of October—a Saturday night.
Delice's hall is a colorful sight.

Cornstalks and pumpkins like down on farm,
With soft lighted lanterns to give added charm.

Waltzes and fox-trots to keep you in step,
Red-hot music with plenty of pep.

Lunch will be served—this is our treat,
The Badgers will pay for all you can eat.

Vino? You bet! And plenty of beer,
Just like we had when good times were here.

Tall girls, small girls, blondes and brunettes,
Some clad in overalls like real farm-croettes.

Scavenger for ladies and also for gents,
Admission price is small, just 35 cents.

So bring all your neighbors, and bring all your friends
For a carload of fun for 35 cents! Bubbles.

PIONEER PICNIC SUCCESSFUL

Chicago.—The annual Pioneer Picnic and Juvenile picnic was held on Labor day, September 5, 1933, at Shady Tree Grove, Willow Springs, Ill., due to a postponement from the original set date. Early in the morning the committee could be seen buying about the premises but as early as the committee arrived several picnickers were already present. The flow of incoming people was steady through the day.

Soon after one o'clock the men started their horseshoe pitching and lawn bowling tournaments. Then Edward Farrer gave a short exhibition on the parallel bars. The children received their coupons, and then the contest. A goodly number watched the 125 contestants perform all sorts of novelty stunts and the winners received valuable prizes for their efforts.

Novelties were passed out to the children who in addition gobbled up 45 gallons of ice cream.

In the evening we had dancing. Johnny's Merry-makers played. And when it was time for the committee to go home, we were thankful that it was over, because we were terribly tired.

We wish to thank everyone who in any way assisted and helped us with the picnic, especially our many contributors of prizes and our fair ladies who baked and donated bakery goods and eatables.

Committee—D.J.L.

THE VOICE OF THE MODERNS

Sheboygan, Wis.—2-4-3-3-1 Hello, everybody, this is station B-E-E-S, Romeo and Juliet at the mike.—Are you listening?

Well, well, folks, it's great to be back with you again after our long siege of illness for which the best remedy is triple bromides in the morning—ch, oh, naughty, naughty.

Well, folks, August has passed and leaves memories of Modern's picnic held at Sheboygan Airport, where the sooming of the planes overhead mingled with the laughter and merriment of the Moderns at the picnic grounds—ch, it was a gala occasion and a grand time for all.

Well, folks, this little trip through the ether to your home must come to an end, but wait a minute before you turn your dials and hear the important announcement.

We are going to announce as well as to warn you Moderns about our next meeting.

Get hitched to the family chariot and come to the meeting on September 30. We are certain you will get the surprise of your lives. We are going to discuss, debate or what have you, regarding our Sixth Anniversary.

We do not know, nor would we tell if we did know, just what the entertainment committee have up their sleeves (if anything) but it will be worth your while to put on your old shoes and your new dream and come to Pink's Hall on Tuesday, September 30.

Remember the date, Tuesday, September 30, at Pink's Hall. Let this date give you nightmares! until then and for the care come to Pink's Hall and sleep in comfort for the rest of your life. (Until the next meeting.)

Remember Pink's Hall, Tuesday, September 30. A. Brte.

ENOUGH

A young and untried fireman was serving at his first fire and the chief, rushing up to him, shouted: "Climb up that ladder to the eighth floor, crawl along the cornice to the fourth window, drop down three floors, and catch that wooden sign you see smoldering. Then swing yourself along to the second window, break the glass, and go in and see if there's anyone waiting for?"

"Pen and ink," said this new man, "I want to hand in my resignation."

LODGE ANNOUNCEMENTS

WOLVERINE NEWS

Detroit, Mich.—Labor day is gone, and what a day! Gas Wood retains the Harmanworth trophy. Norman Thomas speaks in Detroit and gains more followers. And last but not least the Wolverines again prove that they are supreme rulers of baseball in the SNPP. They beat the Young Americans 4 to 3 in a game that will remain in the minds of many. Just as a Young American fan said, "The Wolverines are lucky, but for fight you can't beat them."

The Wolves came on the field with a team that showed just three regulars from last year. Joe Kopsmeyer was the best all-around player. Besides pitching the whole game he featured with a home run over the right field fence. Jam Mehelich was the hitting star and Herman Smarda showed the best fielding.

Some of the spectators left the field early to go and hear Norman Thomas speak. Of course you have to turn the newspaper a couple of pages to read what he said. Anyway, it was worth reading. Just as he said, a lot of people are not voting for the Socialist Party because they think they're voting for something they can't get. Don't feel that way. You can't feel satisfied with something you don't want. If the Socialist Party ever gets one man or woman "up there," the people will be satisfied just as they are in Milwaukee.

Penny, Marie Grum, a native of your state and a very popular Young American, has been inquiring about those snipe hunting trips. Will you please take care of her when she makes a visit? The snipe makes its hangouts too close to Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Ptochan are back in Detroit. And we notice Rose thinks a lot of that baseball but the boys presented to her. Windy.

PIONEERS' ACTIVITIES

Chicago.—The details of our Annual picnic can only be known to those who were there and saw the work put into it to make it a big success.

I have constantly said and tried to stress this fact very strongly, that Pioneers should dig in and help make our picnic a big success.

There was not quite the crowd we had anticipated—whether depression or the fact that we had two holidays in succession, caused this, we can not say. I can only say, I am truly disappointed in a lot of our members; they who refused us the help we so needed.

After weeks of deliberating, stressing and almost forcing the fact to members, the officers were sorely disappointed. Members, is this fair? Should not each one of you share work equally? So many girls and boys went there in the early chilled morning and worked endlessly and diligently, and when we sought relief, where were those members who had promised to help? Engaged otherwise? Indeed. When asked to help, they scowled and put on such a face that we couldn't stand having people work with the knowledge that they were doing this so reluctantly. It's a shame.

I was very much surprised at the lack of spirit entered into the picnic on Labor day. True, we each seek pleasure and long for some enjoyment, but think not only of yourselves; how about those boys and girls who stood on their feet all day? Don't you think they would have gladly enjoyed themselves a bit? Yet, how could they, when no one offered relief?

Members, it's about time you woke up. I know I'm harsh, but I've had an experience at our picnic I had never hoped I would never experience. All I can say is, some of you turned out awfully disappointing. I hope that in succeeding years and events you shall all make up for it. We are planning great things for the coming winter, and members, you shall get your chance to do things for the Lodge.

Understand, each one of you, the Lodge cannot be run by one person. Do not shove the burden on the same people always. Each one of you must do your share. We need the cooperation of all of you. An auto cannot run on one wheel, a horse cannot run on one foot—it needs the support of the other three. Likewise we need the support of everyone. Think it over and see if you think I am wrong.

I am sorry I shall not be at the coming Pioneer meeting. I would so have liked to be, but as I am quite a distance out of Chicago, it is impossible. But I am thinking of the Pioneers constantly and I do hope the rest of the Ent. Com. has good entertainment prepared for you.

Attend the meeting and listen to details of the Pioneers' Annual Picnic. And let's all of us hope that the next year will be less disappointing than this. Fraternally,

Dottie Plaketaik,
Chairman Pub. Com.

BROUGHTON TROJANS

Broughton, Pa.—It has been many months since there has been any news in our paper from our lodge. So I find it just the right time to let other clubs of the SNPP know that we are still in existence. Just in existence only. We have already lost a few members completely, and a few have turned towards the Senior Lodge. Some time ago our Sec. told you that he has given up hopes for our lodge. I don't blame him one bit. I myself see very little life left

When you hear remarks from officers that they give up, then you know it's done for. A hole should be bored and something put into our blockheads and deadheads. It sure looks bad when you have to offer \$4 to a member to attend a meeting.

Our July meeting was very well attended by those who wanted their money. That meeting (July) was attended by members that haven't been present for months and months. I, the Recording Sec'y., was asked to turn my books in, which I did, and Bro. Iapace was elected as the new Rec. Sec'y.

The month of August was a "flop." We had no meeting and there is no reason why we didn't. I thought things were going to pick up when I was "out." I could write more about a previous happening, but I'll let it go at this.

Our meetings are to be held the first Monday of each month at 8:30 p. m. sharp, but some of the members don't show up until the second Mon. at 10 p. m. and others don't attend at all.

In July a new dance committee was elected and we were to hold a dance. Where is it, what is it? Working at dances and cleaning up later is lots of pleasure and fun. Go to it, committee.

The month of Sept. will soon be at an end. How about a meeting this month? I hope the new officers have lots of luck.

Sat., Sept. 17, at 8 p. m. at Flowers School (formerly Community House), Curry, Pa., there will be a wieners and corn roast held by 3 Keystone Trojans. Dancing also. Price 35c. Hope to see some of our members from our neighboring lodges present.

L. Berlich.

LODGE NO. 739

West Newton, Pa.—Sorry to say, but I couldn't attend the meeting as I came home too late, but Sis. attended it and said it was interesting.

Sunday evening we rode to Claridge. It being our first time over in Claridge, we had a wonderful time. The hall was full of merry people; the floor surely was crowded. Among the people we saw the Keystoneans—about three carloads. Yes, Sugar also was there. Yes, she looked sweet.

We also saw them having three Comrades from Cleveland with them. The Tekauts boys, Bob and Otto. We surely got our money's worth of fun out there. Otto says it's worth 50c just to watch them dance. Did you find out what a good time is, Otto? We also met some fellows from North Side Pittsburgh. Say, boys, were looking for you the next day.

Monday our day and evening were spent at Hermine. Was there a crowd! The hall was also filled. Leo surely keeps the feet going. Met many friends, the "Last We Forget-er," Bill Radojeich. Anxious to meet his (Bee) sister, but somehow didn't; also met Emil Kiocher (pardon the spelling), the man with the store—lots of others, can't remember.

Frank Vozel surely was kept busy all night, Casey and Pee Wee were feeling too happy to say anything about.

Herman Preseren, why be so bashful? William Steak, don't you dance?

Pauline Vitagay from Cleveland is visiting her parents for two weeks. Hoping you have a nice vacation, also a happy birthday. Betty Peve and Angeline Drayer have returned to their work after being on the sick list for a couple of weeks.

Bernard Klanc is also on the sick list. We wish you a quick recovery, kid.

Pioneers, we have not seen any article from you in the paper for a long time. How are you all? How's Tony Rupnik, Rudy Floran and the rest?

Fits Henry, where are your articles? Let's write.

Isn't it funny, reading so much about Strings, Ksela, Rugel, and some of the rest that write in the paper often, it seems as if you know them.

Say you folks from W. N., let's see more of you at the meetings. Why not you from across the bridge, Jennie Ca'en, the Turks, the Tomans and the rest. Let's see you at the next meeting. The meeting house is just a few steps from our homes. Why don't you come, the Zorko boys, we never see you there, and you others?

Mary and Rudy, we hope you continue with your writings; we wish to see an article in the paper every week, so keep up with your work. Hoping that no one has anything to say about this writing, so for that I'll not sign my name—See.

LABOR DAY EXPLOITS

Cleveland, Ohio.—Three days coupled with a command from Bridgeville, Pa., and an invitation from the Keystone lodge of Hermine, Pa., were the inducements for four Comrades boys to tour thru the picturesque hills of Pa. The party comprised of Rudy Turk, John Stritof and Otto Tekauts.

With the indispensable aid of R. Turk's powerful Ford sedan, the party started from Cleveland in a very happy mood at 1:30 P. M. The four—some experienced no great difficulties with the exception of the (powerful) Ford, which balked in the middle of a steep overgrown hill (mountain to Turk), this was due to lack of water. You can not very well

blame the Ford, even a human would balk in like circumstances.

Bridgeville was our first stop and we immediately set out looking for the Trebec residence. Since there are few street markers in this town of bridges, Turk took the path of least resistance, the smallest hill. However we were soon properly directed to the domicile of Mr. and Mrs. Trebec. It was here that R. Turk, the tenderfoot, had his initial taste of Pa. hospitality; we remained overnight.

With no little will-power we left for West Newton and vicinity at 11:00 A. M. Here we had the pleasure of visiting our many Young Valley friends. Late in the afternoon we left for our final destination in Hermine, the home of the Keystoneans, to take part in their gala Labor day celebration.

Here we stopped at the home of proxy Frank Gradisek and after being introduced to many of the Keystonean members, we were feted a la king fashion. In other words, once again Penna hospitality was shown us. This time we have to thank F. Gradisek, Jack Prejza and their folks.

The next day, Labor day, marked the celebration of the Fifth Anniversary of the Keystoneans. One of the features was the Hermine vs. Yukon mullsbull game. It was here the Comrades were made useful, three of them made up the stellar outfield of the Hermine team and played errorless ball. Thank to F. Gradisek's wonderful pitching, no balls were hit into the outfield. Hermine won 10 to 2, incidentally the fourth member of Comrades umpired the game.

Our one regret is that we could not remain to attend the dance as we certainly would have been treated to another glorious time, judging by the previous attentions given us.

Words fail us to express our thanks to the Trebec family in Bridgeville, the Gradisek and Prejza families in Hermine and also the Keystonean members, who did all possible to keep us entertained during our stay there. All we can say is a mere "Thank You" and hope to be given an opportunity to reciprocate soon.

Summing up the trip, we had one grand and glorious time.

O. T.

P. S.—Don't take a Pennsylvanian seriously when inquiring for a direction; their pet phrase "just over the hill," it may be 100 yards or five miles. Ask Turk.

PIONEER GIRLS

Chicago, Ill.—The Pioneer Girls' indoor baseball team after losing to the J. P. L. in the finals of the Evening American Tournament, came back and upset the Sleipner A. C. team in the first round of the Len Small Tournament, which is an elimination tournament. In the final game of the E. A. tournament the Pioneers were not at their best, making numerous errors and being unable to hit. E. Micklaits garnered three of the five Pioneer hits while A. Zaveritnik and M. Jordan made spectacular catches.

Sunday morning the girls encountered the Sleipner team at 31st and Kostner and for a while things looked bad for the Pioneers. The opponent led 5-0 at the outset on a number of errors. The Pioneers later scored two runs only to have the A. C.'s score three more to give them a 8-2 lead. Then the Pioneer defense played errorless ball and held the opponents scoreless and went into the lead to win. Mary Podbevsek starred in the outfield making many spectacular catches. The Pioneers were strengthened by the return of Mary Roychit to the lineup. Ann Kopsch's steady pitching and batting was a great help to the team's victory.

Their next game in the tournament is to be played next Sunday. All Pioneers should come out and support their team. Watch the Evening American for the opponents and place of the game. G. E. F.

Metric Measurements for Olympic Games

The use of the meter, and other metric measurements, in the Olympic games throughout the United States, and later in the Olympic Games at Los Angeles, July 30 to August 14, will attract wide attention to these simple decimal units. As the only world standard system, the metric weights and measures are ideal for use in international athletic competition.

The meter (often called the "world yard") is about 10 per cent more than the old yard. Thus the 200 meters dash is about the same as the 220 yards; the 400 meters is the 440 yards; and the 800 meters represents 880 yards run or half mile. Instead of a mile run, there will be 1,600 meters run—short of a mile by about 110 meters. The 3,000 meters steeple-chase will be proportionately less than two miles.

Building on the public interest developed in metric measurements by the Olympic Games, a movement is under way to press legislation in Congress for adoption of these uniform decimal standards by the United States. All civilized peoples, except the Americans and British, have already adopted the metric units for everyday use and there is a strong movement in the United States and the British Commonwealths to secure the advantages of the world standard. Athletic competition is serving to point out their utility.—"R. L. A."

Rio Grande Valley, Texas

Detroit, Mich.—Much has been written in the Slovene section of the Prosveta about the Rio Grande Valley, Texas, the land of the Golden Fruit.—The Lower Rio Grande Valley is the most southerly agricultural area of the mainland of the United States. It comprises the counties of Cameron, Hidalgo, Wilbacy, and a part of Starr. It reaches from a point 100 miles inland to the mouth of the Rio Grande, with a breadth of 50 miles at the coast. The average width of the valley is about 50 miles. Twenty-five years ago all this section was a wilderness of mesquite and cactus. Brownsville, near the mouth of the river, was the only town of any importance, and it was a typical frontier county seat. This city was started during the Mexican war with the United States. The valley that now has a population of more than 200,000 was inhabited then by only a few thousand—mostly ranchers and Mexican goat herders.

Nature endowed the valley with a climate as near the ideal as can be found, and with an alluvial soil, which, for fertility is said to surpass the famed Nile delta. Big visioned men, knowing of these natural advantages, set about to adapt them to the uses and pleasures of mankind. First came the railroads and next the irrigation plants that carry the water of the Rio Grande to distant fields. Just about one-half million acres of land is supplied with water by 17 pumping stations which cost \$20,000,000. Each station pumps an average of 360,000 gallons of water per minute. Thus the railroad and irrigation have wrought a development so vast, that many know the region as the Magic Valley. In the place of dense mesquite brush and cactus there are citrus fruit orchards, intensively cultivated winter vegetable farms and immense cotton fields. Cities have sprung and expanded by the score. Between Brownsville, a city of 25,000 population, and Mission at the west end of the Valley, there are now ten thriving cities ranging in population from 1,500 to 10,000, all connected by a paved highway, which extends the length of the Valley. In the entire area there are twenty-two cities and towns, all supported by agricultural territory that is rapidly developing. One can readily see, that these cities and towns did not grow on air, that some money must have been made in farming the valley, as there are no other industries.

Approximately 500,000 acres of land have been placed under irrigation, and projects contemplated and under way will increase the irrigated area by 120,000 acres. Thousands of acres in the now irrigated sections have been brought under cultivation producing principally cotton. Over 25,000 acres are now planted in orchards. Citrus production is over 5,000 carloads a year. When the entire acreage already planted comes into bearing, fruit shipments are expected to average from 25,000 to 30,000 carloads annually. Shipments of winter grown vegetables have increased from 4,000 carloads in 1922 to 28,000 carloads in 1931, and cotton from 30,000 bales to 115,000 bales. Valuations in the four valley counties, which in 1904 were under \$5,000,000, now exceed \$120,000,000. The entire valley is a two and three time crop country. Shipments of agricultural products can be made every month of the year, though the peak of shipments is reached during the late winter months, when thousands of carloads of cabbage, potatoes, tomatoes, green beans, and other commodities roll out of the valley for northern markets.

Cooled by the delightful gulf breezes in the summer, the valley is warmed by them in the winter. Seldom does the mercury get to the freezing point and a sunstroke is unknown. The temperature in August is about 83 degrees and in January 59 degrees, the average annual rainfall is about 26 inches.

There are about ten canning plants in the valley, one large plant has a capacity of 750,000 cases per year. Extending through the Lower Rio Grande Valley are two hundred fifty miles of paved highways, many additional millions are being expended on permanent paved roads. Despite the fact that the eyes of the nation have been turned to Texas, and tremendous development activities are in progress throughout the Valley. Thousands and thousands of acres of fertile lands are all ready and waiting for those willing to work with nature. The principal citrus fruits are grape fruit, oranges, lemons, figs, dates, bananas, grapes, and papaya, though you can find any kind of fruit raised there. All kinds of vegetables grow there, about 5,000,000 cans of vegetables are canned yearly. Most vegetables are planted so that the crop is harvested in December and January, for northern markets. The total cost of bringing a citrus orchard into bearing point amounts to between \$700.00 and \$1000.00 per acre. An orchard is considered to be in bearing at five years of age. A good orchard at five years should produce an average of from four or five boxes of fruit per tree. Sixty trees are planted to an acre. Older trees produce as high as ten boxes of fruit.

Scale insect, red spider and rust mites are the worst enemies of citrus and all are easily controlled by proper spraying. The average cost per acre for spraying, pruning, and cultivating a grove runs about fifty dol-

lars per year. Fertilizer is not necessary in the valley.

(Editor's Note:—The above paragraphs were taken verbatim from a descriptive advertising pamphlet called "The Lower Rio Grande Valley of Texas," issued by the Missouri Pacific Lines—a Railroad Co.—for business and advertising purposes. It is always necessary to tell the source of the material used. However, we prefer personal observations.)

Much could be written about the valley. My article is based on facts received from reliable people or what I saw. What I think of the Slovene people settling there is: first, every person buying property there should go and investigate for himself. He must convince himself that all those pretty farms and all those cities and towns are not growing on air. Money must come from somewhere. He must convince himself to go in the valley to make a living and not a fortune. The trouble is, too many people who bought land in the valley for speculation expecting to get rich on it, but upon finding that no fortune could be made, many could not meet their obligations, and were forced to let go of their holdings. Many were forced by the big development companies to give up their land when payments could not be made. Unreliable development companies sold much land on time to people from the north, who knew very little about farming irrigated land. In many cases the land was bought without the buyer knowing what it looks like.

In other cases the people were gyped. It has been said that never in history has there been so many crooked dealings as in the Valley. The development companies have many a scheme. They tell you, you can make a fortune in the valley, they have spent many thousands to set up beautiful farms, which they use for advertising. Upon seeing these beautiful farms many people from the north bought land in the valley, planted trees and went back north to live expecting that in three or four years they will come back and find a beautiful orchard. Orchards can not exist unless somebody is there to cultivate the land. Many people put every cent they had as part payment on a tract of brush land. With all their money in land they had no money left to get started with; having no money to get started with a person finds himself stranded trying to meet taxes, water payments and land contract payments. In many cases the development companies forced the farmers to give up their farms for non-payments. It is said that thousands of acres were taken back by these companies.

A person going to the valley to make a living must take the following figures into consideration: A 30 acre tract of brush land at \$50 an acre. To clear the brush Mexicans must be employed, which costs an average of \$20.00 an acre. A small home to live in will cost about \$500, a small barn and water well about \$500, two mules to work the land with about \$200 and about \$500 must be spent for farm implements and seed. Water and taxes per year on each acre of land are about \$25. If a farmer wants to put out ten acres of orchard, 60 trees to an acre, good trees at 40c each would cost \$240. The cost of bringing citrus fruit to a bearing point which is five years is about \$1000 an acre, this amount includes the labor used in cultivating, spraying, pruning, irrigation etc. At bearing point an orchard produces about \$600 per acre. The above is only some of the larger expenses which must be paid cash if a person wants to make a success at farming the Valley. Being out of debt to the point where you begin to sell your crop is the only means of making a success in the valley. People must realize that the market is not always great for their products. One year you may get \$2 a box for oranges and the next year you will get only fifty cents.

People having enough money to get a good start will find the valley a good place to live, the climate is great, good fishing, hunting and all kinds of sport, a trip to Old Mexico for a drink of good beer and see a bull fight. As for Slovenes settling in the Valley it would be advisable for not less than five families to settle as a colony. Buy separate pieces of land joining one another, buy all farming implements together, seed beds could be planted all in one to save water, and many other things could be worked co-operatively. No one should go in the Valley if he hasn't enough money to pay for his land and other equipment, which is necessary to start farming. He must not be in debt until he begins to harvest some crop, where he will have an income to depend on. If one family goes there alone they must have at least \$3500 to start farming whereas if a group goes together they don't need as much.

A person must be careful when buying because some land in the Valley is worthless. One must not believe that agents are angels and do not tell lies, or gyp people. They tell you that the water districts and counties have built levees to prevent floods; there has not been any flood for a number of years, but no one can say that there won't be any more floods. While traveling through the Valley, I have seen many beautiful farms. One farm attracted my attention. It was a 4000-acre tract owned by a fruit produce company from Chicago. This farm was one of the best in the Valley. As it was

Here and With Comrades

Cleveland.—Listen, Herman Preseren, we hope you do come out to some of our affairs. You let us know when you're coming, and we'll have plenty of female scare-crows awaiting you!

Gee, we certainly wish we could have attended "Where East Meets West Ball." But we can't be in Latrobe and Cleveland at the same time. Well, next time the "Bees" will be taking in new members we'll be tickled to join. Imagine they'll have plenty of good times; perhaps the "Bees" and the "Fleas" will get together.

Since we were unable to attend the "Fleas" picnic this year, we will plan a little harder for the next one. Will there be another one? Perhaps "Strings" will be kind enough to invite us again; but "Strings" will have to remember us on the nite of the picnic as well as before. You know what we are referring to? We were in Pennsylvania for the picnic, but you forget to call for us! Bad boy, Strings!

Olga Peterlin, Otto and Bob Tekauts, Rudy Turk and John Stritof all spent the holidays in Pennsylvania. Olga spent all of her time in Bridgeville, while Comrades wandering Romeos explored Claridge, Hermine and West Newton. These boys accomplished one thing during their visit! Yes! They learned to do the "Mokey Dance" to perfection and have promised to demonstrate it to our members at our next meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 20. Better keep practicing, boys!

While in Bridgeville the boys invited Misses Olga Peterlin, Mary Trebec and Aldana Bar to make whoopee at Sunset Cabins. The girls were all interested in the drummer who helped entertain at this dine and dance place. Wasn't he cute, girls? We've decided to stop in and see him.

By the way, Emil Klanchar, we've promised to visit you at your bar-becue on Lincoln Highway. Well, you can still count on us coming, because our promises are as good as gold. We'll be seeing you, Emil!

We've heard Miss Jane Pradel has entered in training for nursing in a Latrobe Hospital. Nursing is wonderful, Jane, and we hope you come out on top! It takes plenty of studying but it's worth it! We envy you, Jane! Wish you plenty of luck!

A few of Comrades members have already gone to visit Mary Zulich at City Hospital. Wish more would help cheer Mary up. It may be quite some time before she will be able to get around, but visiting her makes her forget her troubles.

Winter time in the Valley there was not much to see. The fruit was all green, farmers were getting their seed beds out, so they can plant in the latter part of September. They will harvest the largest part of their crop in December and January. All citrus fruit can stay on trees after being ripe for a long time, it will not rot.

In conclusion I must say: Stay away from the Valley, unless you have enough money to get a good start. Reading Brother Hiti's articles in the Slovene Section of the Prosveta, he writes about flies, mosquitoes, about malaria, typhoid fever, and about some crosses and skeletons warning you that the water is poison. That is fiction. Chances are that ten years ago there was something like that in the Valley, but a great change has been made and millions have been spent in developing the Valley.

With a climate such as they have in the Valley, I don't see how any malaria or typhoid could exist, unless it is in the Mexican villages, or if it was there after one of the past floods. I spent three days in the Valley driving from one to the other covering about 400 miles. I didn't see one fly there—only one of our party was bitten by a mosquito—I did not see any crosses or skeletons, or signs warning us that the water is poisonous. By the above I don't mean to say that all water is good to drink, nor do I say that there are no flies or mosquitoes. We didn't see any. Maybe they were hiding while we were there. If a person does not know where to spend a vacation the Rio Grande Valley is a great place. Swimming in the Gulf of Mexico is great. Next week I will write about our trip to Old Mexico and the Bull Fight.

Andrew Grum Jr.

OVEN IN JOHNSTOWN

Johnstown, Pa.—Sunday, September 18, at the City Park, Highland Park, we will have an opportunity to hear a very good speaker from Chicago, who will be none other than Comrade Joseph Oven. The occasion will be a picnic sponsored by the Yugoslav Socialist Federation, Branch 5. I am sure that you will enjoy his message—a message to the Slovene workers. Dancing will follow all afternoon and evening to the tunes of an accordion played by Frank Korelits and Stanley Kobal, alternately. Refreshments of all sorts will be served. The admission to the park is FREE, and everybody is welcome. In case of rain, the program will take place at the Moxham Workers' Home.

Friday, September 16, at the Moxham Workers' Home, at 7:30, will be the time and place of the next meeting of our Socialist English Section. We cordially invite everybody to come. Frances Langerhok.

Never will forget Comrades' Outing given a few weeks ago. Everybody was sociable, and we all stayed in one group instead of seven or eight. Hope the same crowd plus a great many more of our members and friends attend our dance on October 8. We're hardly awaiting for this dance, and have already started to count the days from now until the picnic.

A surprise party was held on Mr. and Mrs. Suhadolnik Saturday and we were fortunate enough to attend. Were the Comrades well represented? You bet they were, and they all seemed to be enjoying themselves. Anne Erste seemed to be quite surprised when told a certain young Comrade girl and boy have pronounced "man and wife" already.

Saw Otto Tekauts and Rudy Turk at a dance recently, but the boys seemed bashful and refused to demonstrate that "Wicked Mokey Dance." You boys know you can't back out of it at our dance, and if you do we'll send you all back to Pennsylvania to learn it over again.

Just remember, Olga asked us to thank all her friends in Pennsylvania for the wonderful times they have shown her during her stay out there for the Labor holidays. We'll be out there soon to see what the attraction is! There isn't one person as yet, that has visited Pennsylvania that made any complaints as to the behavior of the people or of their hospitality. We've had many promises from the Pennsylvanians to have the pleasure of having them in Cleveland for our coming affairs. We'll all help paint the town red. William Mercer has promised a certain gift to buy a farm near Bridgeville for her and she could stay on the farm with him forever. Well, Bill, we don't know how many pennies you have saved up, but we do know if you ever wait for her pennies, the only way you two will be able to live together will be when you are both old and gray. Tough, Pal! We'll all get together and send you the pennies our boys have promised to donate. Wish we knew who the girl is, but we understand you've never seen her, but you get in touch with her through a corresponding agency. Oo-la-la, Bill, we'll have to send our helper out again to find out more details about the whole affair. We may be able to start you off with a penny.

Guess we'll let Pennsylvania rest in peace and stick to Ohio for awhile. Ever heard the joke about the Scotch and the Irish? Well, we haven't either, and we'll say fare-well until we get a nice clean joke about them. Saint and Sinner.

Norman Thomas

So, Norman Thomas is becoming popular and may pick up a couple of millions "thrown away votes," in spite of his political program! Well, forgetting the political program, it is indeed too bad that American people can't show more respect for a man like Thomas. He is a great American, an intellectual, one of the best speakers the country can offer, and a true friend and defender of all the "forgotten folks." Besides, Thomas knows definitely just how and why we are, poor-rich American people so miserably tangled up with our immense wealth, and equally immense poverty and its companions, hunger, suffering, etc. He knows, too, how all this knotty knots that hold us fast in the claws of depression could be untangled by the people themselves. In short, Norman Thomas is one of the most able men to fill the presidential duties.

Odd, isn't it, that a man so well qualified can't make his way to the White House? Perhaps he is not practical man. He should, in order to succeed, follow the old tracks that surely lead to the honored Great White Father's House. No doubt he would be successful but, of course, a Thomas like that would not be what the Thomas we know as the third party candidate for president is today. He would only be a jumping marionette in a puppet show, and that would not become a man of his type, so those that are going to "throw away" their votes for Norman Thomas probably prefer him as he is: a fearless, intelligent man that is not afraid to tell the ruling and privileged class that its days are counted, simply because the rugged individualism and capitalism had had their day as other forms of social order in the past had it, and then faded out of picture.

Men of Norman Thomas' caliber are setting the foundations for the new and better system, and every really modern-minded individual respects such men, if not openly, at least secretly. A. P. Krause.

TO MOCLINIKAR'S FARM

Cleveland, Ohio.—The Socialist Branches Nos. 27 and 49 will have an outing on Moclinikar's farm on Sept. 18. Good accordion music.

Transportation on a "good time" truck for all those who have no auto or change for gas. Leaving time: 12:30 p. m. 6411 St. Clair Terminal 12:30 p. m. Will stop at 15335 Waterloo St. S.D.D. on its way to Moclinikar's farm, leaving time 2:30 p. m. St. Clair S.D.D. will stop again at Waterloo.

Everybody welcome!

Committee.