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Tudi Butte stopi na noge

Butte, Mont. — Več čitatelj Prosvete mi je pisalo, kakse so razmere tukaj. Mogoče bo še kaj drugega zanimalo, če kaj sliši o naši naselbini. Delavcev je tukaj precej več uspešnih kakor jih je bilo v zadnjih letih, priganja pa se na vse mogoče načine. Delo se še precej lahko dobi, in to največ zato, ker jih veliko pusti, druge zopet odlovi. Delavci gredo od ene jame do druge v upanju, da si izboljšajo položaj, a so povsod razočarani.

Tudi na društvenem polju se več ali manj izboljšuje. Tako je tudi pri našem društvu 207 SNPJ precej zanimanja in so seje dobro obiskane. Članstvo je na marčni seji sklenilo, da društvo priredi dne 26. aprila veselico z igro in plesom.

Igra bo šaljiva enodejanka "Oj ta maček". Naš predsednik Frank Lovšin bo čez noč postal kapitalist in kot tak si bo privoščil zabave, o kakršni na navadni zemljani še sanjati ne smemo. Žena (Mary Jenker) najde pri njem nekaj rumenih las, nočno čepico mlade gospodične, svilen žensko nogavico in — strašnega mačka. Posledice si naj vsakdo sam predstavlja. Charlie Propertnik bo postal sloveč dunajski kuhar, ki prejšnji večer kroga z našim kapitalistom in se zaplete v umor mlade žene. Jože Prus bo potreboval botra, ki ga dobi brez težav, ker je prejšnji večer nekaj videl. John Gornik in Katie Petric bosta pri pojedini sregla ter alne cedila, ko se bodo drugi gostili.

Panjanove sestre uprizore komedijo v angleščini. Kaj bo, mi še ni znano, ampak mi jim zaupamo, Mary in Milan Markovici ter Annie Pleš vežbajo članice mladinskega oddelka v plesu in druge zopet v petju. Imeli bomo tudi harmonike, mandolin, violin, kitaro in solosepe, kar bo vse pomagalo k popolnosti programa. Po programu bomo pa plesali. Vse to bo v Buttu v nedeljo na 26. aprila.

Frank E. Jenker, 207.

Za šolo

Salem, O. — Odobravam dopis brata Uleta, ki je bil v Prosveti dne 18. marca kot odgovor na sprotno kolo. Ker se je tudi naše društvo 476 izreklo proti, bodi povedano, da nismo vsi člani proti šoli, ker nismo vsi urezani po istem kopitu ko vodilci društva, ki so proti vsaki napredni stvari in se boje znanja. Mnega so, da morajo njih otroci prav tako misliti kakor mislijo sami. Pa še to nevedljivost imajo, če moj otrok nima prilike učiti se, naj bo še tvoj otrok zabit. Toliko v pojasnilo članom, ki se zanimajo za šolo. Naprej za uredničenje te ideje!

Frances Mihevc, 476.

Naša mladina in društvo 566

Cleveland. — Mnogo se je že pisalo in razpravljalo o naši drugi generaciji. Nekateri jo hvalijo, drugi grajajo. Čas, ta neizogibna stvar v naravi, pa roma vedno svojo pot in prej ko se zavemo, nam poteče pet, deset let. Tako se tudi sedaj malo neverjetno spogledamo, ko čitamo: "Desetletnica tega angleško poslujočega društva, desetletnica onega".

Ali ni bilo včeraj, ko smo nekateri malo godrnjali, češ, že zopet se nekaj novega izmišljujejo — angleško poslujoče društvo — naša mladina ne ve zakaj imamo društva; dokler mi plačujemo, bo še, potem pa nič. No, če hočejo, pa naj — saj ne bo dolgo; kmalu bodo pustili.

Vse to se zdi, da je bilo včeraj. Toda ne — bilo je pred desetimi leti! In mladina v tem času nam je pokazala, da ne samo razume naše ideale in principe, temveč da je pripravljena graditi z nami, nam pomagati vzdrževati naša društva, naše narodne domove in naše kulturne ustanove. Seveda, njihov način delovanja je drugačen; oni se toliko ne ogrejejo za stvari, pa tudi se tako hitro ne ujezijo — imajo več tiste mirne, premišljene pogleda in stvari: dokaz ameriškega učenja in naziranja. Ampak to je veliko. Gredo za nami in udeležujejo se v tem, kar smo

mi, z našim trdnim in dolgim trudom zgradili in upali, da vidijo, da je to naš najboljši dar njim!

V višjih in srednjih šolah sedaj izprašujejo mlade: "Od kje so tvoji starši? Od tam, kjer je Adamič. Blizu tam je Meštrovič. Pupa — Tesla. Ali veš o njih? Vprašaj doma. To so možje, katere je vredno spoznati. Lepi kraji so tam, gozdovi, jezera — le žal, več vaših ljudi je pod tujo vlado." Tako slišijo sedaj otroci in začnejo misliti o svojih starših, o njihovem domu, na katerem so morda bivali njih očetje sto in sto let — o njihovih običajih — zgodovini itd. Mladi vse to povzamejo in sčasoma začnejo tudi oni tisto vez, katere se močno vplete v osebnost in po da človeku široko podlago, tako rekoč barvo osebnosti, ki ji pravi tudi karakter.

Vse te misli mi pridejo na dan, ko čitam, da naše društvo Comrades št. 566 SNPJ praznuje

svojo desetletnico 18. in 19. aprila. Prvo angleško-poslujoče društvo v Clevelandu in sedaj največje, ima v svoji sredi mlade ljudi, ki so tipični reprezentanti naše druge generacije. Udeležujejo se v našem društvem, kulturnem, družabnem in športnem življenju. Seveda, prilike imajo večje, ker so v sredini naše velike slovenske naselbine.

Pokažimo jim, da smo zadovoljni z njihovim napredkom, da z veseljem sram z njimi korakamo v bodočnost!

Mary Krizmanec, ustanovna članica društva 566.

LISTNICA UREDNIŠTVA

Tajnik društva 312 SNPJ, Cleveland: Uradni sklepi za objavo v glasilo (protesti, resolucije, izjave itd.), morajo imeti podpis predsednika, tajnika in blagajnika ter društveni pečat.

Članica SNPJ, Roundup, Mont.: Naturalizacijski zakon zahteva znanje čitanja in pisanja vsaj enega jezika od vsakega prosilca državljskih pravic.

NAŠI ODRI

V nedeljo je Savin koncert

Chicago. — Čikažane in prijatelje petja smo zadnje čase že nekoliko seznanili s spomladanskim koncertom soc. zbora Save, ki bo v nedeljo, 12. aprila, ob treh popoldne v dvorani SNPJ. Zjaj mu hočemo dati zadnji pečat in v nedeljo zapisati "finis" z velikimi črkami.

Zbor se bo vam priklonil z brhkim "Delavskim pozdravom" ter vas nato popeljal v rano jutro s pesmijo "Kadar zora se čez gore nam prijazno nasmehlja", katero bi človek lahko vedno pel. Artacheva Alice vam bo nato zapela v ljubkem sopranu Zornovo "Oj, večer je že" in Patmavo "P t j e k o". Sledil ji bo zbor s prelesto "Pogovor s slavcem", a šegavo idrijsko "Ženka mi v goste gre" in šel pogledat, kaj dela grajska krasotica "Ljudmila". Solosepe pri tej pesmi bodo peale, Anna Miško in Frances ter Christina Preslesnik.

Za nekaj skladb bo nato prevzel oder novi Savin kvartet, v katerem so Louis Zele, Ralph Muha, Frank in Carl Church, vsi mladi fantje in dobri pevci. Izbrali so si "Love's Old Sweet Song" in "Kentucky Babe", obe lepi skladbi.

Prvi del bo Sava zaključila z večno lepo Nedvedovo "Našo zvezdo" in z mogočno skladbo I-vana pl. Zajca "Slava delavstvu". Nato se bomo po odmoru preselili na "Semenj pri gostilni", ki je apektovizor za razvedrilo srca. Poleg sejarjev in sejmarij, kramarjev in Ribničarov boste videli tudi ciganko, ki želi le drugim areo; berača, ki zabava in draži ljudi s svojo "lajno"; fanta in dekleta, ki se zaljubita "na prvi pogled" ter si prepevata o ljubezni; nadalje mešetarje, "je-

siharja" in fijkarja ter seveda tudi gostilničarja. Z drugo besedo: družba bo pisana kakor je pač na semnju.

V ta prizor, katerega je sestavil pevovodja Save Jakob Muha, je vpletenih 15 lepih narodnih in domačih fantovskih pesmic. Vrstile se bodo druga za drugo, vmes pa bodo fantje kupovali dekletam srčke in drugo ropotijo. Udovih bo pa navijal svoje "orgle", da se bo kar kadilo. Po programu se bomo zavrteli v obeh dvoranih, vsi židane volje. Vse to bo stalo le 40 centov. Prihodno nedeljo, ki bo velika, čaka vas torej lep dan na Savinem koncertu.

Savin reporter.

"Razkrinkana morala" v Canonburgu

Canonburg, Pa. — Dramski klub Soča bo s sodelovanjem pevskega zbora Ilirija uprizoril na velikonočno nedeljo, 12. aprila, Moškrčovo komedijo "Razkrinkana morala". Pričetek ob treh popoldne. Že naslov igre pove, da bo priredba skoz in skoz zanimiva, podučna in zelo smešna. Režira jo mrs. Frances Novak. Tudi igralci so porok, da vam ne bo žal nedeljskega posesta te igre. V Prosveti je bila že prej opisana in ni treba, da bi jo ponovno. Pripravljalni odbor bo skrbel, da se vam ne bo krivica godila ne v kuhinji niti v pivskih prostorih in prav tako ne na plesišču.

Dosedanje priredbe Soče in Ilirije so bile zadovoljive v vseh oziirih. Občinstvo jih je posečalo v polnem številu, kar je najboljši dokaz, da narod ceni delovanje teh dveh kulturnih ustanov. Društvo Soča in zbor Ilirija, katerih člani so iz delavskih vrst,

Povodnji in njihovo preprečanje in omejevanje

Rastoče reke in drveči ledeniki so v kakih tucat državah povzročili strašno škodo in prinesli mnogo gorja stotisočim ljudem. Pri bližnjem dvesto ljudi je utonilo predno je visoko vodovje odteklo. Le v vzhodnih pokrajinah se škoda na življenju in lastni ceni na več kot psto milijonov dolarjev. Pittsburgh, veliko industrialno središče v Pennsylvaniji, ki je bilo nekoliko dni malone onesposobljeno vsled velike povodnji, šteje svojo škodo na skoraj isti znesek. Deroča reka Ohio, ki je poplavlila tri države, je spravila ob streho mnogo tisoč ljudi in je prišla zaprtje mnogih tovarn. Nevarnost boleznih in kuge je povzročila mobilizacijo vseh zdravstvenih in sanitarnih sredstev v prizadetih pokrajinah.

Neposredno vprašanje, ustvarjeno od povodnji, je seveda rehabilitacija onih pokrajin, kjer je povodenj ponehala in preskrbovanje potrebnega prebivalstva z živežem in stanom. Armada 250,000 delavcev WPA je bila nujno ožposlana v središče poplavljenih pokrajin, da pomagajo lokalnim oblastim pri delu rehabilitacije. Ameriški Rdeči križ je apeliral za pomožni sklad treh milijonov dolarjev, ali zdi se, da je potrebna veliko večja vsota, da se pride v okom obupnim potrebam žrtev velike povodnji.

To rešilno delo je sicer zdravo in plemenito, ali strokovnjaki in znanstveniki, ki opazujejo vsakoletne škode milijard dolarjev, bolj poudarjajo potrebo, da se nekaj stori za preprečenje in omejevanje povodnji v bodočnosti. Oni uvidevajo, da eden izmed glavnih vzrokov povodnji in prašnih viharjev je erozija prsti. Ceni se, da voda in veter odnašata vsako leto kakih 3000 milijonov ton vrhnje prsti v tej deželi. Vseled tega prst ne more pridržavati več deževnice in ko nastane suša, vetrovi odnašajo razrahljano prst visokih planjav.

Nekoliko načinov za kontrolo povodnji je bilo že uvedeno v prakso z velikim uspehom. Na primer Norrisov jez Tennessee Valley Avtoritete shranja povodenjsko vodovje reke Clinch, ki zalaga vsa država. Boulder Dam, ki je takorekoč dogotovljen, bo shranjal vodovje deroče reke Colorado in se bo to vodovje uporabljalo za irigacijo, vodovode, razvoj električne sile in kontrolo povodnji. Skoraj dogotovljen je tudi program za kontrolo povodnji reke Mississippi, in kako dobro je načrt uspel v najbogatejši dolini na svetu, se je pokazalo ravno letos, ko smo imeli največje povodnji v zadnjem desetletju; kajti ogromna reka Mississippi je lepo ostala sredi svojih bregov in mirno odtekala svoje ogromno vodovje v zaliv. Konservacijski sistem v državi Ohio, ki vključuje sistem shranjujočih rezervarjev ob reki Miami, tekoči skozi Dayton, ima namen končati vsako mogočnost povodnji. Grand Coulee jez v reki Columbiji v Washingtonu služi obenem za irigacijo, razvoj električne sile in za kontrolo povodnji.

Ali vzhic ogromnim stroškom za zgradnjo teh preprečilnih sredstev proti zdvijajoči naravi je treba potrošiti še mnogo več denarja za kontrolo povodnji. National Resources Committee, ki gleda naprej v bodočnost z resno skrbjo, naznanja, da vse, kar se je storilo tu pa tam, ni še od daleč zadosti in da delu sploh nima nikakega resničnega načrta za kontrolo povodnji ob večini rek v tej deželi.

Velika nevarnost za življenje in lastnino se najde v glavni strugi reke Ohio, ene izmed najdivjejših rek vse dežele in poglavite povzročevalca povodnji ob svojih nestabilnih pritokih. Isto velja za reki Connecticut in Merrimac v New England, kjer je tudi divjela nenavadna povodenj. Reka Ohio začneja od mesta Pittsburgh naprej, ko so reki Monongahela in Allegheny zlivata v eno mogočo reko; obe ti reki predstavljata stalno nevarnost, ker ni nikake kontrole povodnji. Ravnotako je zgodovinska reka Potomac stalno nevarna za glavno mesto Washington. Istotne katastrofe so oživele zanimanje za kontrolo povodnji v širokem obsegu, zlasti za preprečevanje povodnji vsled temeljitih vzrokov: erozije prsti. In predlaga se, da se obirne površine manjvrednih poljedelskih zemlji umaknejo iz obdelovanja in povrnejo k pristanji rabi kot paše; nadalje se govori o ustvarjanju mogočnega zaščitnega pasu gozdov od severa do juga skozi vsa srednja dežela. o gradnji teras in o boljših metodah obdelovanja zemlje.—FLIS.

Zanimivo dognanje

Res, hudo zanimivo dognanje. Neki statistik je namreč izračunal, kolikšno pot napravi pisateljve ali poročevalsko pero, ko napiše novelo ali poročilo.

Ce piše brez prestanka šestdeset minut, napravi pero 300 metrov dolgo pot, to je pet metrov v minuti ali dobrih osem centimetrov v sekundi.

Pripomniti je treba kajpada, da so te številke le povprečje, ker ne pišejo vsi ljudje enako hitro ne enako veliko.

Ferdinand Silcox, pomožni tajnik v federalnem poljedelskem departmentu.

sta pripravljena sodelovati tudi na važnih priredbah naših podpornih društev. Sodelovala bosta na slavnosti 25-letnice društva Slap Peričnik 166 SNPJ dne 30. maja v Prestu, Pa.

Torej še enkrat uljudno vabimo na to prireditve rojake in rojakinje iz te in vseh bližnjih ter daljnih naselbin. Pokažimo, da smo vsi za to, da se še gojita dramatika in petje. Podpirajmo domačo umetnost brez ozira na prepričanje. Pokažimo, da smo vsi sinovi in hčere enega naroda. Torej na svidenje v nedeljo 12. aprila!

John Koklich.

"Pred sodnikom"

Lorain, Ohio. — Na velikonočno nedeljo zvečer se vrši v SND varietni program pod vodstvom SND in igra "Pred sodnikom." Priliko boste imeli čuti razpravo med dvema goldinarjema in štirimi kronami. Resnično komičen nastop kmetov v starem kraju, ko se pripravajo za žalbo volno. Petje, ples in razne druge zanimivosti. Kot običajno, se po izrpanem programu vrši ples in prosta zabava. Vstopnina je za ta večer znižana pod običajno ceno za enak program. Ne pozabite, da se prične točno ob 8. uri!

John Bruce, tajnik.

"Rdeče rože" v Pueblu

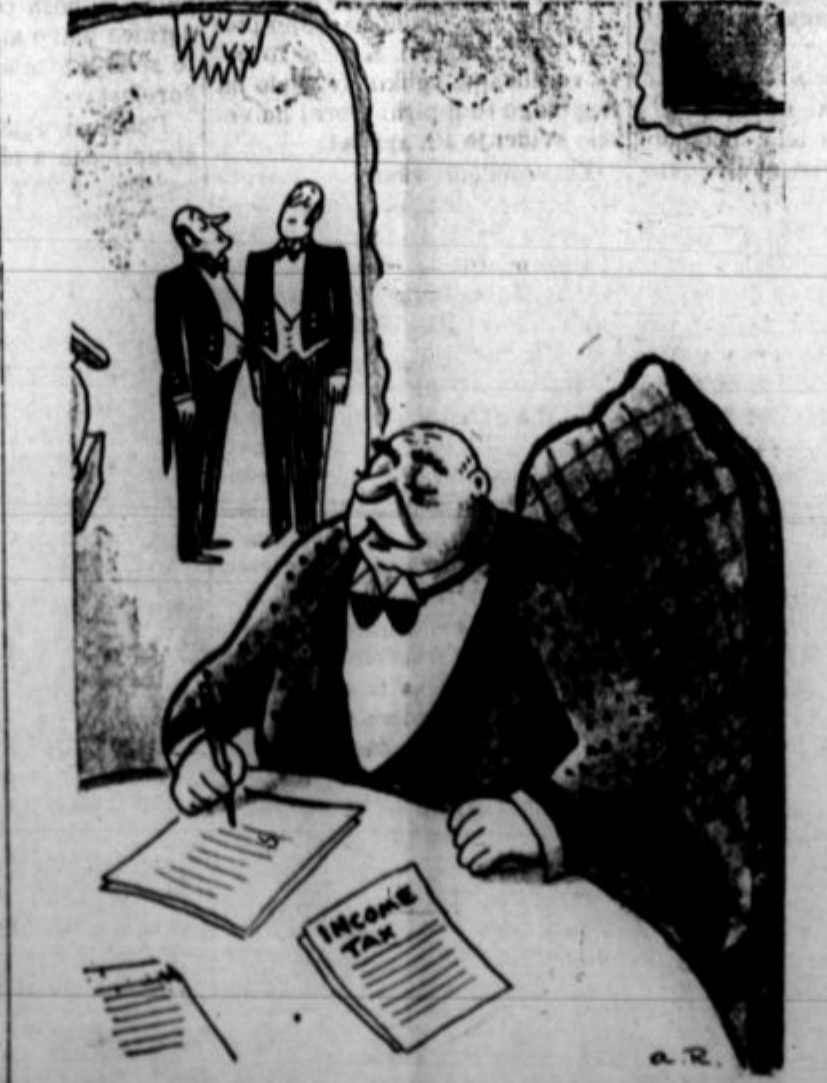
Pueblo, Colo. — Društvo Orel št. 21 SNPJ bo proslavilo delavski praznik Prvi maj z zelo primerno socialno dramo, ki jo je spisal Jože Moškrč in ki je vsepovsod v Ameriki dosegla nenavadne uspehe—to je z dramo "Rdeče rože." Uprizorjena bo 3. maja zvečer v Orlovi dvorani.

Čitateljem Prosvete je dobro znana ta drama, ki je bila že večkrat opisana v Prosveti in Proletarcu. Dramski odsek soc. kluba št. 1 JSZ v Chicagu jo je ponovil, če se ne motim, že PET-KRAT v raznih slovenskih naselbinah. In baš sedaj sem čital v Proletarcu, da je društvo Delavci št. 8 SNPJ v So. Chicaku naprosilo omenjeni dramski odsek, da jo ponovi zanje prihodno jesen dne 11. oktobra, kar se bo tudi zgodilo. To bo torej že ŠESTA ponovitev po istem dramskem odseku! Iz tega se pač lahko sklepa, da mora biti ta socialna drama nekaj izrednega, ker se rojaki zanjo tako zanimajo, kakor menda še za nobeno prej.

Pueblski rojaki bomo imeli priliko videti to zanimivo delavsko dramo v nedeljo zvečer dne 3. maja v Orlovi dvorani. Člani se naprošajo, da gredo takoj na delo, da razprodajo vstopnice, tako da bo uspeh čim večji. Vsak naj se malo potru-di, da bomo pokazali, da se zanimamo za razredni boj, ki je izrazito predčen v "Rdečih rožah."

Prvi maj je praznik vseh trinov, vseh proizvajalcev dobrin. Vsebinska drama "Rdeče rože" povsem odgovarja, da se uprizori na tako pomembni dan kot je Prvi maj. S to dramo bomo pueblski Slovenci proslavili naš praznik stodoletnosti! Namreč tudi s tem, da omenjenega dne napolnimo dvorano dobesedno do zadnjega kotika! Uljudno se vabi vse občinstvo. Kdor bo enkrat videl to zanimivo sodobno dramo, si bo gotovo želel, da se še ponovi!

Frank Boltezar, 21.



Kapitalist tuhta, kako bi osleparil vlado pri dohodninskem davku.



Comrade Column

COMRADES' HISTORY

(Cont.)

Cleveland.—Anniversaries usually bring to mind memories, especially pleasant memories are those which linger. A single glance into my Comrade days brings the following random sketch: That group of energetic young people discussing the organization of an English-speaking lodge in Cleveland. Meetings were successful as in April 1926 the first Comrade Lodge dues were sent to Chicago—also had a dance that month.

Later roamed to other just-arriving lodges in Cleveland and vicinity—cold weather at New Eras—enjoyed ourselves so much and stayed so late our cars froze. Progressives—lost our way near Rechee ave.—Sister Strifoff's boasting speech—red touring car seemed to be official Comrade good will car in those days—good times with the Loyalties—Jos. Pifolt presenting Lokar of the Strugglers with a gavel.

First out-of-town trip—Barborton—bus load—misty, foggy weather—Loyalties arriving with a flourish—grand time. Always regretted missing those other trips to Akron, Lorain, Canonsburg—also the train trip to Chicago. But managed to get in on the Detroit boat trip—Young Americans' picnic—dance—great hospitality of those Young Americans.

One Labor day the Cleveland Lodges played host to out-of-towners: Picnic at Mervar's—our Comrade official cook already an apprentice serving sandwiches—ball game—National Home—dancing—meeting fine young people—next morning serving impromptu breakfast—promising many people to see them again—pleasant thoughts.

Then that Comrade boat ride—other day met an old timer—mentioned the Tenth Anniversary Celebration—"of course I'll come—had fine times with the Comrades." "Say, do you remember the moonlight boat ride? I'll never forget that!"—asked him what kept him away now—"busy work—other things—not so much time to myself." You won't forget the Celebration? "Say—I never broke a promise!"

How about you?
Let us make April 18 and 19 just as memorable in the minds of those who are with us. Let's all come.
JUST ANOTHER OLD-TIMER.

We wish to thank the sister lodges who have so generously responded to our call for Souvenir Booklet advertisements. The results are very gratifying, our fondest hopes would be realized if we saw each and every one of you at our Celebration. We wish to assure you at this time that we are ready to cooperate with you as soon as the opportunity arrives. The lodges who have not as yet replied are urged to do so at once as the day is drawing close and we have but a short time in which to make our final preparations. Let us know how many of you are coming and the approximate time of arrival. We are extending our invitation to all of you—Come to Cleveland on April 18 and 19—you will enjoy yourself thoroughly.

Dinner for out-of-town visitors will be served free on Saturday evening. The lower hall of the National Home has been placed in charge of a remodeling committee, and they assure us the results of their labors will be startling. Fine surroundings, delicious food, good music, excellent entertainment—Saturday evening. The Sunday afternoon program will be varied, interesting and amusing. Mickey Katz, the Sunday evening entertainer, is one of the leading or-

chestra leaders in Cleveland, he has a wide following on the radio as well as the dance floor. The whole program has been worked out to give you the maximum in entertainment.—Come to Cleveland.

The Little Comrades, although few in number, are interested and active far beyond expectation. The meetings are held according to strict parliamentary rules (thanks to the coaching of Betty Bogatay). The members are taking part in the Tenth Anniversary Celebration, and are planning summer activities galore. An active group of this kind is sure to draw many members into its fold—we are hoping this will soon be proven.

The flood disaster has taken its toll of many Slovene families. One wonders if it is not possible to foresee and forestall the suffering and loss of life which such a catastrophe brings forth. We extend our sincere sympathy to the unfortunate sufferers, and hope that the movement for aid begun in Cleveland will be launched soon and successfully. The Comrades are ready to do their best.

The Comrade Headquarters, in the old building of the National Home, is beginning to buzz with activity—virtually to humm. The several committee heads are each lining up their workers and setting them plenty busy. Cooperation, hard work and good will seem to be at the controls. We hope they will bring good results. Come and see for yourself on April 18 and 19.

The Pep Nite on Wednesday, April 15, will be held in the lower hall of the National Home. Dancing and refreshments—also good entertainment is promised. All members are urged to attend. The meeting will be short—the entertainment? Come and find out.

THE CLEVELAND FEDERATION WILL SPONSOR ANOTHER OPEN FORUM ON APRIL 17, THE EVENING BEFORE COMRADE DINNER. THEY ARE ANXIOUS TO HAVE SOME OF THE YOUNG PEOPLE FROM OUT OF TOWN ATTEND THIS FORUM. IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO HOLD THE SYMPOSIUM ON THE SUBJECT "POLITICS IN THE SNPJ" ON THE 17TH OF APRIL AS THE FEDERATION HAS DECIDED TO HAVE SUPREME SECRETARY, BRO. F. A. VIDER, SPEAK AT AN OPEN MEETING ON THE QUESTION OF "MOVING THE SNPJ HEADQUARTERS TO CLEVELAND." SECRETARY.

THE COMRADE COLUMN

Cleveland, O.—In response to our appeal for "ads" in our Tenth Year Anniversary Souvenir Book, we, the Comrades, wish to take this opportunity of extending our sincere thanks and appreciation to the following lodges: 139, 121, 312, 684, 6, 631, 262, 137, 589, 142, 559, 614, 26, 450, 102, 126, 442, 118, 664, 53, 129, 713, 643, 158, 672 and 641. Our book will go to press on April 11, and it is our desire that all "ads" be in before that date.

We also wish to thank Mr. Frank Cerne, jeweler, for donating a beautiful wrist watch as first prize in the ticket selling contest; Mr. Frank Oglar for donating a tea set as second prize; Biepp-Coombs for a bathing suit as third prize and Richman Brothers for a pair of trousers as fourth prize.

We would also like to ascertain the number of out-of-town visitors. Kindly send in your reservations as early as possible.

OTTO TEKAUTZ, Lodge 566,
Chairman, Souvenir Book Com.

Little Fort News

Waukegan-North Chicago.—All is in readiness for the Athletic Dance which is to be held here in Waukegan on May 23. The tickets are now on sale, and any member wanting more tickets may get in touch with Tillie Mesec. According to the committee, the dance is going to be a big success. Novelty items are to be given away to everyone. The music will be furnished by Johnny Koche-car and his popular orchestra from Chicago. The band made such a hit when it played here before that we just had to get it back. The Chicago gang has already assured us of its coming. How about the rest of you neighboring lodges?

To start the ball a-rolling, Little Fort staged a bowling tournament on April 5. The Little Fort girls' teams took all three from the Lodge 119 ladies' teams. The Little Fort boys did not do as well by losing all three games to the Sloga men.

In conjunction with the Athletic Conference which is to be held in Waukegan on the 19th, there will be held a bowling tournament of both men's and women's teams. All lodges are urged to compete. Entries must be in by Thursday, April 16. The roll-off will be at 2 o'clock at the O'Farrell Bowling alleys. The out-of-towners will meet at the Slovene Home if they do not know their way around. The entry fee of \$5.00 will include bowling fees and prizes. (The JSKJ tournament will be held here April 18 and 19. They are sponsoring a dance at the Home on Saturday night, dinner and supper on Sunday.)

Juvenile Campaign

The Juvenile Campaign is on! Let's get Little Fort on the list this time. Now that the activities of this lodge are beginning to function, we should get more young members in to enjoy them.

SYLVIA KIRN,
Lodge 508.

Montana Stars Lodge 730

Butte, Mont.—The Montana Stars Lodge regular meeting was held March 19 and a campaign was inaugurated for the Juvenile department. Joe Perusich is chairman of the campaign committee. The entire lodge membership is on the campaign committee.

We had the pleasure of receiving some valuable ideas from two officers of the Senior Lodge 207, Bro. Frank Loushin, Pres., and Bro. Frank Farman, Vice Pres. Both took part in our discussions and gave us new and inspiring ways and means of increasing our membership. They also invited the officers of the Montana Stars to attend their meetings.

I brought up the topic of an SNPJ FEDERATION in Butte with a proposition of federating the whole State of Montana, if the proposal won a favorable majority in its support. Such a move, I believe, would bring better understanding among local lodges and promote fraternal undertakings to a better advantage.

We initiated Miss Sylvia Farman into the lodge and five candidates were nominated. Now let's get together on this campaign and do some work and not just talk about it.

I see by the Mladinski List that Brother Jeniker's son, member of Lodge 207, won second prize in the juvenile contest. The Montana Stars congratulate young Bro. Jeniker on his success and hope that in time he takes over my duties as Lodge editor. Keep up the good work, Bro. Jeniker.

Be sure and attend the next meeting on April 19, at the home of John Perusich, 1823 Lafayette st. We invite any member to attend; I mean SNPJ members, regardless of branch affiliation. The meeting to be called to order at 2 o'clock sharp.

JOHN PERUSICH, Lodge 730.

Jolly Allis Lodge

West Allis, Wis.—Spring is here, and that means baseball. I'd like to have about twelve boys come out and form a Jolly Allis softball team. If more want to play, all well and good. We won't take outsiders just to have a championship team. I want everyone to have their fun, and all those who play for Jolly Allis will never be sorry. So come on, you fellows; make up your mind to play ball. Let's start the ball a-rolling. Let's show the other lodges that we, too, are willing to go out for sports in a big way.

It has been said by one of the lodges that everything was "all quiet on the western front." How could it be if they are protesting to the Supreme Board that they are dissatisfied with the selection of the Ath-

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Western Penna. SNPJ E. S. Federation Items

Library, Pa.—Western Penna. Federation Athletic Board met at Library, Pa., Sunday, Mar. 29, at 2 p. m. Members present were chairman, Prijatelj, Kosela, Dermotta, Frank Progar. Communications received from eight lodges intending to have sports within the ESP this year. Six of these lodges are entering teams in the mushball league; they are: Ambridge, Reveliers, Library, J. Z. Jrs., Sygan Jolly Jrs., Burgettstown Cavaliers, Canonsburg Pioneers, and the Universal Comets.

Motion was made and carried asking the Supreme Board for two hundred dollars to help carry sporting expenses for the season. Motion also passed that the ESP donate as much as possible. All finances will be handled by the Athletic Board. Athletic Board books will be audited at regular Federation meetings.

A mushball elimination tournament will be held at the Federation Slovene Day Picnic, on June 14, at Idora Park. Federation league teams and non-Federation teams will participate. Awards to the winner will be decided later.

Motion carried that the Athletic Board write up their own Mushball Rules, a set will be sent to each team. They shall also be printed in

the Prosveta. These are to be available at all games in case of discussion.

The schedule was then drawn up. All lodges wishing to enter mushball competition games at Idora Park will notify Andrew Prijatelj, Library, Pa. As we will not be able to handle all teams that may want to enter this match, only lodges that have an A-No. 1 teams will be considered.

Schedule

May 17—Sygan at Library; Burgettstown at Ambridge; Canonsburg at Universal.

May 24—Library at Canonsburg; Ambridge at Sygan; Universal at Burgettstown.

May 31—Burgettstown at Library; Ambridge at Universal; Sygan at Canonsburg.

June 7—Library at Ambridge; Universal at Sygan; Canonsburg at Burgettstown.

June 21—Universal at Library; Canonsburg at Ambridge; Burgettstown at Sygan.

June 28—Postponed games to be played.

More next week.
ANDREW PRIJATELJ,
Chairman, ESP Athletic Board.

YOUNG AMERICAN NEWS

Detroit, Mich.—Again the Young Americans spell Success, and this time at their Keno Party which was a success both morally and financially. As summer is gradually coming into its own the Young Americans are happy to announce that successful negotiations have been made to sponsor a Moonlight Excursion on the steamer Tashmoo, on July 24, which is probably quite distant but which has a habit of coming upon us all too soon.

Bowling, too, was very successful for the Young Americans, both Girls' and Boys' teams, both of which won the SNPJ Bowling Championship of Detroit. And as no one disputes their Championship they also claim all honors for the entire SNPJ.

As for baseball, nothing is definite, as yet. We have no information as to the plans of the SNPJ which went to the extent of electing an Athletic Committee to promote sports within the SNPJ. Many Lodges, including the Young Americans, would like to know the plans, if any, of this Committee so as to arrange their plans accordingly.

How about it, Athletic Committee? As for dramatics, the Y. A.'s really excel in them also as you can readily see in the coming operetta entitled "Gostilna Pri Figabirtu," or in English "Figabirt's Inn," sponsored by Svoboda Singing Society, an auxiliary of Socialist Club 114, JSF. The

operetta will be presented April 12 at 437 S. Livernois ave. and starts promptly at 2 p. m. This operetta is a three act comedy which is recommended to all, especially the youth, as it will enable them to see how our parents went about this thing called love in the old country. Come and hear the really beautiful singing of Marjetka and Martin, Barbka and Ivan, and Peter plus the ever present Svoboda Singing Society. Come and see how Lesjak, a rich snob, forces his attentions upon Marjetka who repulses him on each occasion. See how Martin, a poor but manly youth outdoes Lesjak and eventually wins Marjetka. Come and see Peter who is really a wow and keeps you laughing from start to finish. Barbka, Marjetka's best girl friend, also plays an important role as does Ivan, Barbka's sweetheart. Figabirt plays the part of Marjetka's father and also has a star role and does it only as he alone can do it, which goes for his wife, Mica, also.

The cast: Anton Semec, Mary Potochnik, Jeanne Grum, Anton Jurca Jr., August Platt, Marie Jurca, Robert Travnik, Raymond Travnik, Choir: Svoboda Singing Society; play director, Anton Semec; music and singing director, John Berlig. Remember, all out to the operetta on Easter Sunday, April 12, 437 S. Livernois, at 2 p. m.

RAYMOND TRAVNIK,
Lodge 564.

Spirit-O-Grams

By Whoozit

St. Louis, Mo.—We are eagerly and patiently awaiting the presence of the full membership and the friends and relatives of the members of the Spirit of St. Louis at the first Spirit-O event this year, namely, the "Leap Year Dance," Sun, April 26.

This is the boys' affair, as you will recall. And it is being waged in competition with the girls' last affair, the "7th Anniversary Dance." Which means that the boys will have to exhibit a greater spark of enthusiasm than ever before. Especially so, when we consider the unusually good showing made by the girls. We'll have to get busy, boys, and knuckle down to some really hard work if we expect to top the girls' efforts.

Here are some of the details decided upon by the committee: Dance to be held at the Sokol Hall at 1409 Chouteau ave. on April 26, 1936, on a Sunday. Dancing will start at 8 p. m. Music will be furnished by the inimitable "Rhythm Aces." You will probably remember this orchestra on other Spirit occasions, and their exceptional ability to produce some genuine entertainment will be recalled. As the title of the dance suggests, there will be plenty of novelties at this affair. And we feel sure your interest will be held throughout this entertaining event, which has been so carefully planned so far. Admission tickets have been sent to the entire Spirit membership. Price, 25c per ticket or 25c per person at the door. Remember, Spirit-O, the success of the dance depends upon the sale of the tickets, so we are urging you to do your bit toward success.

A beautiful attendance prize will

also be awarded. More details about the prize will appear later in the Prosveta. However, it will be a very appropriate prize, we assure you.

It was also decided to serve beer and refreshments.

We urge you, one and all, to attend this affair and you may rest assured that we will do all within our power to keep you entertained.

The Dance Committee decided upon a vote of thanks for the efforts of Sis. Sophie Vertovsek during her co-operation with the committee. Your efforts have been a valuable aid to the committee, Sis. Vertovsek, and we thank you.

W. VA. MOUNTAINEERS

Pierce, W. Va.—It seems that the only time we are heard from is when we are about to sponsor some social affair. And of late these affairs have been rather far apart. Our next one will be on May 2. Of course, this is a long way off yet, but we want plenty of time to prepare for it as we are planning to make it our biggest affair yet.

This time we will hold it in Pierce in Primus Stare's home. Hitherto we have always held our dances in Thomas, but now we think that a change of location will be all for the better. The doors will open at the conventional time—7 p. m. There will be accordion music and plenty of refreshments.

We expect every member present. We want 100% attendance. We are also taking this opportunity to invite all our friends and fellow lodges. Come and spend an evening with us. We promise you a most enjoyable time. So bear the date in mind—May 2. A. GASSER, Lodge 736.

Flood City

Johnstown, Pa.—The heading for this article is certainly very appropriate. At the time of this writing, our "Flood City" is slowly but surely emerging from another flood. Heavy rains and the melting of snow and ice on the mountains caused the Conemaugh and Stonycreek rivers to overflow their banks on Tuesday, March 17. At first it was reported that the water was higher than the flood of 1889, but later it was proved that it was actually a few feet lower. The 1889 flood was caused by the bursting of a dam on the north of Johnstown. This time it was two rivers that swept away bridges, mine tipples, railroad tracks, flooded mines, factories, business sections and houses. Johnstown was entirely cut off from the outside world with the exception of a few amateur short wave radio operators. They were the ones that made known our plight to the outside world. The trains were held up, mail delivery was delayed for 5 days, telephone communications have not been entirely restored as yet, we were without street car service for a week and had no street lights for over a week. Martial law was proclaimed by the mayor and we had the militia and State policemen here for over a week. The death toll was around 20 and the damage is estimated to be over 28 million dollars. (These figures are unofficial.) The damage by this flood is more than that caused by the last one, but the loss of life was considerably less.

The Stonycreek caused much damage to Slovenes and SNPJ members living in Moxham, Kalso and Fern-dale. Brothers Fred Zecker, Louis and Mario Danielli were the only Flood City members that had to leave their houses on account of the high water. Mines employing many Slovenes will be unable to resume operations for a while thereby causing much unemployment among our members. The industrial plants, for the most part, have all gone back to their regular schedules after being idle for about a week. To be able to get a job in the city one had to be on relief. WPA workers were used to clean the streets. The OGC boys are sent from house to house to help people clean up their houses. The Slovenes in Cambria City suffered heavily. The meeting place of Adria Lodge No. 3, SNPJ, was inundated as were the homes of many members. They were forced to flee and seek shelter elsewhere or stay on the hills overnight. These people were in such bad straits they had to appeal to Headquarters for aid. Their houses are now being inspected and some of them have already been condemned and will be torn down.

STRUGGLERS

Collinwood, O.—Word comes from Lewistown, Pa., that two Strugglers members, namely, Jack Svetek and his wife, were one of the many who were saved from the perilous flood disaster which gripped Ohio, Penna. and W. Va. They were rescued by motor-boat and are thankful that they are still alive.

New Address

Notice to members and friends: Brother John Lokar, our Prexy, has moved. His new address is 1097 E. 169 st., Telephone Kenmore 1119-M.

Juvenile Campaign

To Brother Frank Marolt goes the honor of securing the first new Juvenile member to be initiated in the Struggler Lodge during this campaign—his daughter Helen Louise being the lucky one. C'mon, Strugglers, where is your new member? Remember, there must be someone!

Western Penna. E. S. Celebration
Bro. John Lokar has made arrangements for a special coach via the Erie R. R. for the coming Western Penna. English Speaking Lodge celebration at Idora Park in Youngstown, Ohio. For further information and reservations see Bro. Lokar or call him at Ken, 1119-M.

Our Ninth Anniversary Celebration
Gus Svetek again comes forth with a contribution helping us defray expenses for our NINTH ANNIVERSARY program. Good old reliable Gus! Have you seen the two gold wrist-watches which are on display at Ogrin's Dept. store window? These are to be given away as door prizes at Strugglers' NINTH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION which is to be held on Sunday, April 26, at the Slovene Home, Waterloo rd. Words fail me—but if you don't come, you will miss the surprise of your life. Imagine seeing Paul Golob as a school teacher, and Walter Lampe as the tough guy—let alone John Marolt as the nice boy and Jake Marinko as Ike Goldsilver—all of this is included in the skit, "The Little Red School House," which these boys are working so hard to make a success!

Tony Scalero has volunteered to

Frank Zalar, member of Lodge 82 and owner of a confectionery, suffered a heavy loss. Water reached the ceiling in his store. Mrs. Mary Thomas, who owns a florist shop and Mr. Vlodav, owner of a beer garden, were both inundated.

The day after the flood (Wednesday) when the waters had receded somewhat, the people were thrown into a panic by a report that the Quemaoning dam (Bethlehem Steel Co. dam) had burst. Imagine the excitement that caused. People along the rivers and in the business sections of the town were ordered to evacuate. Some did not even have time to gather their personal belongings. It was raining at that time and it was a pitiful sight to see the old, young, invalids, cripples, women with babies in their arms; in fact, everyone was "heading for the hills." Thousands stayed on the hills that night in the wet and cold weather and didn't venture down until the next day when they were assured that the dam was in no danger of bursting. Since then, the Red Cross has been taking care of them.

Flood City Lodge was organized in the Moxham Slovene hall on March 30, 1930, by Sister Frances (Langerholc) Rak and Brother Stanley Kobal and Leo Beliz. Of the three, the latter is the only one who at present belongs to the lodge, the other two having moved to other cities and so had to transfer. The name Flood City was chosen because this city (as stated before) had a very disastrous flood in 1889. The name is very fitting, I think. We are going to celebrate our Sixth Anniversary by holding a dance in the Moxham Slovene hall on April 25, 1936. Kauslita's orchestra will provide the music for dancing which commences at 8:30 p. m. Refreshments of all kinds will be served. Everyone come out and help us to celebrate.

On Saturday, March 28, four Flood City members journeyed to Hermalin and attended the Keystoneians' dance. A good time was had and they brought back promises that some Keystoneians would be at Flood City's celebration. Congratulations, Moxhaws and Comrades on your Tenth anniversaries. Keep up the good work!—Lodge Triglav 82 is holding a dance in the Moxham Slovene hall on Saturday, April 18.—Also, don't forget our anniversary on the 25th, and our next meeting will be held Sunday, April 12, at 2:30 p. m.

JOHN LANGERHOLC JR.,
Lodge 712.

Pioneer News

Chicago.—At the last athletic meeting held at the Slovene Labor Center several important matters were discussed. A delegate was chosen to represent the Pioneer athletes at the SNPJ Athletic Conference to be held at Waukegan on Sunday, April 19. As it was not definitely decided how many delegates were to represent each lodge, the Pioneer athletes selected two capable members to represent them at the conference. Bro. Frank Groser and Sis. Matilda Vidmar were elected as Pioneer representatives. Should the Pioneer Athletic Committee, which is composed of Bro. Oscar Godina, the Pioneers and Bro. Adolph Yonon of the Jolly Allis Lodge, decide that only one representative should represent the Pioneer; if otherwise, both Bro. Groser and Sis. Vidmar will be our delegates.

As the baseball season is nearly upon us, the athletes laid plans for the coming season. Inasmuch as only three of the boys who were present for the Boys team were present, the Pioneer girls on to a new group. A manager and captain are to be selected at a later date.

After the meeting we all "pitched in" and enjoyed a bit to eat.

RUDOLPH JANC, Lodge 614.

Sunflower 9th Anniversary

Arma, Kans.—We again appeal to all SNPJ members and friends to be present and help celebrate the 9th anniversary of the Sunflower Lodge 609, SNPJ, at the Austrian hall in Frontenac on Saturday, April 18.

We have been very fortunate again to secure a very popular radio orchestra. Every radio listener has been enjoying the melodious music of The Pioneer Headliners, but few have had the pleasure to be in their presence. We have a real treat for you because they have been engaged to furnish the music and entertainment for our Ninth Anniversary Dance.

We cordially invite all Sunflowers and neighboring lodge members to attend this gala affair. Don't forget to bring your friends and meet new friends, for everyone will be there.

We will have plenty of refreshments and delicious sandwiches for all. We have selected several members who will be ready to serve both the thirsty and hungry.

The doors will open at 8 o'clock and dancing will commence at 9 until—Admission will be 25c for men and 10c for the ladies.

Don't forget Sunflower Ninth Anniversary Dance at Frontenac on Saturday, April 18.

COMMITTEE.

TO MEMBERS OF LODGE 564

Tyro, Kans.—My sister, Mrs. Isabelle Tschiltz, wishes to thank the members of the Young American Lodge 564 of the SNPJ for the gift they sent her to the hospital at Coney, Kans., where she is recovering from a major operation. I visit her almost daily and her health is gradually improving.

MRS. JOHN A. PERPOTTO.

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FLASHES

Chicago.—A lot of interest has been created in the debate for Friday night, April 10, at the SNPJ hall, on Fascism. Prof. Maynard C. Krueger, a brother Pioneer, is going to throw open the hidden box of terror and confusion of the fascists, primarily the Italian fascists. Opposing him will be Renzo Sereno, an Italian of prominent standing. We urge all our people to take in the debate as the admission is free. If Fascism comes to America it will be because the people are uninformed and unaware of its horrors. You owe it to yourself and to your posterity to hear this debate and then assist in exposing its lies, falsehoods and its terror.

In the minutes of the Supreme Board we note that a recommendation was approved to disburse with the collection of the \$1.00 sick benefit fund for one or two months. I am opposed to that because I believe it is infinitely more important that we place the surplus amount into a special fund, if need be, to some day create a reserve for those who have never drawn on their accounts. No member misses the regular assessment. That is, unless it be regularly discontinued it is only a drop in the bucket. As it is now, a member with a 30 year membership who has never drawn on his sick benefit account has no assurance that he will receive any sick benefit should he become ill over an extended period because no reserves are accumulated.

If that is not possible, although I firmly believe a satisfactory scheme could be worked out, then it is the duty of the Board to recommend extensions on sick benefit payments. Just to release one or two payments at this time is meaningless. Our officers should consider the eventualities of epidemics and catastrophes which would bring on special assessments.

ments. There are many ways of treating this subject and our members should express themselves constructively on it.

Special rates to Cleveland for April 18 and 19, to the Comrades' 10th Anniversary can be had as follows: A round trip fare of \$8.45 can be had if 25 go. Train will leave Saturday morning on time to reach the dinner. A special fare of \$6.25 can be had for anyone desiring to go Saturday evening. Those desiring to go should notify Donald J. Lotrich, Rockwell 8426, by April 16.

Three more Pioneers are thinking and considering the class C insurance. It looks like a good many Pioneers are beginning to understand insurance and the reasons for changing to class C. Some will only have to continue paying 14 years more because they are given credits and allowances on their past payments. Who'll be next?

Sava's Spring Concert comes Sunday, April 12, at the SNPJ hall. Everybody is happy on Easter, so "Sava's" will be merry with the rest of you. Good dance music will be furnished by Johnny's Merry-makers. Let's make it our Spring Easter parade.

Joseph Brinocar, of Springfield, Anton Udovic, of La Salle, Anton Gaden, Phillip Godina and Donald J. Lotrich of Chicago participated in the Illinois convention of the Socialist Party. The first three were placed in Executive positions and Anton Udovic, the Mohawk, was nominated for State Auditor. Quite an honor. It was a good convention.

Margaret Karun is ill at the West Side hospital.—John Jersin is now home at 1518 W. 19th from the sanitarium.

D. J. LOTRICH, Lodge 559.

our game. Prudish, Stritof, Turk, Aynik and Pultz lead the cheer leading section in the balcony. From far away came the Misses Centa and Meglan to grace our meeting. Little Auggie Prusnick ventured out to see us, and Pauline Spik (as loyal an SNPJer as ever there was one) sailed in with her good will crew.

We missed Tarzan and the Gay Way—of course. Have you seen Marie Zeitz's new ring? Beautiful—"oh no—not an engagement one," she says—and we answer, "oh—no?"

There's another Commo lassie who's quite thrilled over her flowers and candy—who was wearing a corsage on Palm Sunday—pretty well, huh? We won't tell the name—she's a pal of ours.—Nellie Ewalski's favorite name these days is "Stanley" pronounced with confectionery tones. Frank Ewalski has an order in for a new Packard—some class to our ex-Presy. Joie Konchan sings Yours Truly is Truly Yours, to the Irish and says it with gardenias—speaking of gardenias—Dot 'n' Martin celebrated Marty's safe escape from the flood—and she wore a spray of gardenias.—Yes, sir, the Slovene boys say it with flowers these days—and Spring is certainly in the air.—Me-thinks our Romance Dept. will have more and more to report as time marches on. We close with extending Easter greetings to our fellow members of the SNPJ—here, there and everywhere.

MARIAN E. KONCHAN, Lodge 742.

Universal Comets

ANNUAL SPRING DANCE

Universal, Pa.—Interest in the Comets' Annual Spring Dance is growing by leaps and bounds locally. So much so, that if that interest is only partially equalled in nearby towns there is good indication that the dance will be all that was said of it by this person last week. Because our young people here in Universal are cognizant of the fact that the Comets do "pack them in," they are inquiring whether or not an advance sale of tickets is being offered in order to assure them admittance. This has been my own experience during the past week. However, the committee has reported that ticket sales would be made at the door only. Since the hall of the Moose Temple is the largest available in town, it is hoped that there will be accommodations for everyone who attends. The floor is large enough for the comfortable presence of 125 couples. Besides that, there is plenty of space on the balcony and around the hall to stand or sit while watching the dance-lovers in their glory, and listening to the rhythmic tunes of Benny Burtin and his orchestra. And then, the downstairs will be available for refreshments, bowling, and discussion. All in all, you can rest assured of having one grand time on this annual occasion of the Comets.

More confusions on April 18 are noted. This time they are the dances of the Cavaliers and Lucky Stars, in the domains of Burgettstown and Imperial, respectively. Good luck to both of them.

Contributors should cooperate with the editorial board, and adhere to the plea made by the editor last week. My cooperation is assured, with the hope that the remainder of my last week's article appears soon.

Notice to the Two Radicals: M.R.K. doesn't recall of forgetting anything on his recent visit to Cleveland. Nothing of value could have been forgotten, since that is not possible. However, it is hoped that what he is mindful of having left at the Jugoslav Socialist Headquarters have been distributed among our Socialist Comrades. They are of real value to genuine Social-Democrats.

MICHAEL R. KUMER, Lodge 715.

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Integrity Broadcast

Chicago.—On with the progress! Give the Lodge new blood and a fighting spirit. Lodge sports and athletics are necessary for the building up of any Lodge and its membership. Fraternal benefit and fraternal sportsmanship are important factors.

The following members are on the verge of entering the state of matrimony: Julius Abram, Jennie Drlich, Mary Dedich, Marie Venisnik, Mollie Konec, Joe Testen, Agnes Testen, Albert Roycht, Catherine Kerin, Jack Griz and four more of whom I cannot give out information. If this keeps up, the Lodge will have to use a lot of red ink as each member is entitled to a two-fifty wedding gift from the Lodge.

Our former member, Pauline Strahota, gave birth to a baby girl. Congratulations. We hope she will not forget bringing her into the Integrity Lodge.

Some individuals in Chicago SNPJ circles do not wish to see the Integrity Lodge grow, and they hate to give it the publicity it deserves. But in spite of that, we will go forward.

Bro. Fred Knez went to New York with the DePaul university basketball team for a playoff for the Olympic games in Germany. Good luck to you and your team.

Rally meeting—that's what we are staging for our regular monthly meeting, April 15, at 911 Center st., at 8:15 p. m. sharp, and not later than at 9:30 we will proceed with the entertainment. Visitors invited. Possibly the DePaul basketball champs will be with us. Be on hand without fail.

Sister Augusta Alich is planning to make the trip to the Comrades' 10th anniversary in Cleveland.

Our Juvenile member, Audrey Louise Fleischhacker, is in the Humboldt park "Most Popular Baby" contest sponsored by the North ave. Chamber of Commerce and the Humboldt Park Life, neighborhood paper. Good luck to Audrey.

MICHAEL FLEISCHACKER, Sec'y, Lodge 631.

then if the athletes wanted to remain they could do so, but would have to pay dues of their own accord. Most of them said "Goodbye SNPJ" when they met this situation.

Sunday, March 8, Clevelanders met some of our fellow SNPJers from Penna. The visitors were Anton Zornik from Herminie, Max and Mike Kumer and Henry Previc from Universal, and with them was Comrade Pauline from Allegheny county, organizer in the S.P. They attended the Socialist Singing Festival at the Slovene National Home. We were glad to see them.

Frank Barbic, Lodge 63.

DEBATE—"FASCISM"

Chicago.—Have you been reading of the terrors of Fascism abroad? Have you been following the advances into Ethiopia by the fascist regime? Have you given serious consideration to Germany's threat to world peace by its form of fascism? Have you been alarmed at the possibility of this menace to liberty and progress and very life itself in our country?

If you answer "Yes" to any of these questions, you will be interested in hearing an exciting debate on "Fascism," arranged by the Social Study Club, at the SNPJ hall, 2657 S. Lawndale ave., this Friday, April 10. Prof. Maynard C. Krueger, who has spoken at many of our Slovene affairs, will take issue with Dr. Renzo Sereno on this subject. Prof. Krueger is well known for his work among labor organizations, being vice-chairman of the American Federation of Teachers, chairman of the local Cook County Socialist Party, and member of the State Executive, in addition to his post as professor of economics at the University of Chicago. Dr. Sereno is a journalist and assistant in the social and political department, also of the University of Chicago.

Chicagoans who heard the debate arranged by the Social Study Club last year will remember the excitement and enthusiasm evident. No less is expected from the battle of words this Friday. The debate is scheduled for 8 o'clock, and there is no admission charge.

S.S.C.

HOW WE VOTED ON ATHLETICS

Cleveland, O.—I believe in controversy, so I don't blame our brothers for criticizing the Supreme board on voting. If they did give us instructions on how to vote, telling us who is who and what it is all about, also who is a champion on athletics in the SNPJ.

I think that no one on the Supreme board except Brother Lokar knows much (or cares to know) about baseball, football, basketball, prizefighting, or wrestling. The reason is that none of us are interested in these games.

The result of this was that when the motion referring to athletics was introduced, we abided by the explanation of Brother Lokar who said that we should have two from the east, and two from the west. He did not mention himself, but he did recommend Louis Kosela, and Heinie Martin Antonich of the Comrades.

For some reason, whereof no explanation can be made, no one from the west was recommended. We, as I have said before, are not interested in athletics, so we don't know who is best to serve on the athletic board, or who cares to serve, consequently we didn't know whom to vote for.

It was the duty of our English speaking brothers (who really are interested in athletics) to settle this question at the Nov. ES conference or else give us some instructions as to whom we should vote for, and why.

If the controversy was about politics, free thought, grand opera, comic opera, composers of music, I might enter into the discussion very willingly. When it concerns athletics however, frankly, I must say "No!"

The only time I attended baseball and football games was about 26 years ago when I was out west in the state of Washington and had no other place to go.

Next time, you members who are interested in athletics, vote for your best men, as you know them. To me the whole thing is a joke. I have known how at one time our lodges initiated into their ranks good athletes who played games for the lodges they were in. The lodges paid the dues of these athlete members as long as the baseball or basketball season was on,

Secure New Members for the S. N. P. J.

Los Angeles, Calif.—In publishing my letter in the Prosveda of Feb. 5, I erroneously stated that the name of the author of the book "Sodom and Gomorrah" was Max Kneffer; his name is Max Knapper who since then changed his address to 123 N. Lake st., Los Angeles, Calif.

From the roster of lectures and lecturers for this season sponsored by the Modern Forum and lectures held in Philharmonic Auditorium, 5th st., between Hill and Olive sts., I read that Louis Adamic will give a lecture here on "A country full of nice people," Monday evening, April 13.

A timely suggestion. My younger brothers and sisters, the new generation, in the SNPJ, should, I think, ponder oftener besides the business end of their respective locality, also about the timely questions that may lead to some intelligent discussion in the columns of the Prosveda whereby all members would profit from their knowledge. Good examples for this kind of work are given by Lotrich, Strell, Kumer and several sister members. Timely topics would be: "What has America done so far to be able to expect to stay out of war? What has America done so far in crime prevention, besides building new jails? What has America done so far in preparing its people for a sane industrial, agricultural and civilized intercourse in production and exchange? What is America's educational system; are the pupils educated in social duties, cooperation and understanding among each other or are they sneakingly and humbly prepared for readiness to give anyone at any time a knockout, for whom and for what?"

Such questions and many others, to start with would help.

FRANK PETRICH, Lodge 462.

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The committee have given them authority to represent the Pioneer lodge. There is no reason why the Pioneers, Waukegan, Integrity, West Allis, Milwaukee and La Salle should not have representatives in the bowling tournaments. How about it, Mohawks? Come to Waukegan and advertise your anniversary.

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FRANK GROSER, Lodge 559.

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JOLLY ALLIS LODGE NO. 686

(Continued from page 6)

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By the way, some of the members bowled last week and I should say that they should have been sent to the ABC tournament. Frank Medle shot a score of 603, on scores of 130,253 and 170. E. Terakan also ran up a big score with a 589 series. Our honorable president is steadily improving his game. He is already boosting his score time and again over the 100 mark. His brother seems to be the making of a bowler. The girls, too, are at it. Agnes Bohte not so long ago shot a 168 score. Her playmate, Ann Yersin, is right on her heels when she bowls, wondering if the ball will go in the gutter or not. Nevertheless, she brought her average up quite a bit last week when she topped the pins way above the 130 mark.

The committee is at work for our annual May Dance, May 9. More about the dance will be found in this paper at a later date. "Tha's all tha'r am, tha'r ain't no mo'."

ANTON KOSTANJEVIC JR., Lodge 686.

OUR ATHLETICS

No. Chicago.—The first meeting of the SNPJ Lodge 8 softball team was held April 2 in the Croatian hall on 9318 Commercial ave. The meeting was opened by acting president, John Zatkovich, who gave a summary of the activities of last season with a financial report. Lodge 8 was represented by Secretary Joseph Kosich, who helped a great deal with his proposals on the management of a picnic and different seasonal projects.

Those in attendance were John Yaki, acting capt.; Anton Svetleich, acting sec'y.; Edward Chadash, Matt. Hew Radosevich, and Joseph Radosevich. New members present were Joseph Ratkovich and Frank Batustic. Other members who couldn't attend were Otto Hauptman, Stanley Pelosa, and Joseph Gornick.

All members are requested to attend the next meeting on April 13, at which Oscar B. Godina, Donald J. Lotrich, and Frank Groser will be present as guests of the team. A complete discussion and election of delegates to the Waukegan Conference will also take place at the next meeting. Lodge 8 will also have a meeting on April 13. Refreshments will be served after the meeting. Please attend and bring a new member!

JOSEPH RADOSEVICH, Acting Reporter.

AMATEUR SHOW

Pittsburgh, Pa.—Everybody out for a very pleasant evening at the Slovene auditorium, 57th and Butler streets, on May 16. An amateur show and dance will be held by a new club, Prosveda in dobrodelna sveza, whose purpose is to help those who can't help themselves. This affair is the first of its kind and I know every one will enjoy it. There will be prizes for the best performances. An audition will be held on March 29 after the club meeting which is at two o'clock. Any one who is talented in any line of entertainment is urged to try out. Everyone welcome.

May I add, that the people should be more interested in the Prosveda, for it really is a very interesting paper, bringing you the latest news of the world and also of the different lodges affiliated with the SNPJ.

Sylvia Fabec, Lodge 118.

TENTH Anniversary Celebration

COMRADES

No. 566 S. N. P. J.

SLOVENE NATIONAL HOME - 6417 St. Clair Ave., Cleveland, Ohio

Saturday and Sunday, April 18th and 19th, 1936

"DINNER-AT-EIGHT" - Saturday evening—Reception for out-of-town guests with Entertainment and Dancing.—Admission 50c

VARIETY PROGRAM - Sunday Afternoon—Singing, Drama and other acts.—2:30 P. M.—Admission 40c

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Combination Tickets for the Two-Day Program, \$1.00

Minutes of the Semi-Annual Meeting of the Supreme Board of the Slovene National Benefit Society

held at the Society's headquarters in Chicago, Ill., February 6, 7 and 8, 1936

SPECIAL BENEFIT FUND

From the special benefit fund the Society paid in the six months period ended December 31, 1935, \$43,200. Receipts from subordinate lodges to this fund were \$9,639.20. Benefits returned from the

Special Fund loans accounts for the fact that this fund has been able to produce a surplus from operations.

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

The total assets in all departments are as follows:

	Amount	% of Total Assets Dec. 31, 1935	% of Total Assets June 30, 1935	Increase Decrease
U. S. Government Bonds and Obligations—Cost.....	\$1,210,707.71	17.66%	14.04%	3.62%
Home Owners' Loan Corporation Bonds—Cost.....	484,234.38	7.06	5.95	1.11
State and Municipal Bonds—Cost.....	3,073,248.07	44.81	46.91	2.10
Utility and Industrial Bonds—Cost.....	854,020.87	12.45	14.13	1.68
Matured Bonds Unpaid—Par Value.....	141,902.75	2.07	1.79	.28
Tax Warrants—Par Value.....	3,600.00	.05	.06	.01
First Mortgage on Real Estate—Cost.....	765,862.62	11.17	12.06	.89
Real Estate Acquired.....	67,270.17	.84	.76	.08
Cash on Hand in Banks.....	199,277.43	2.90	3.44	.54
Loans on Certificates of Members.....	628.89	.01	—	.01
Accounts Receivable.....	1,166.34	.02	.01	.01
Land and Building—Home Office—Net.....	48,458.40	.71	.74	.03
Inventories—Newspaper and Printing Dept.....	1,447.35	.02	.02	—
Furniture and Fixtures—“Prosveta”—Net.....	1,800.60	.03	.03	—
Machinery and Equipment—Printing Dept.—Net.....	2,427.41	.04	.04	—
Deferred Assets—Newspaper and Printing Dept.....	1,275.46	.02	.02	—
Common and Preferred Stocks—Cost.....	9,700.00	.14	—	.14
TOTAL ASSETS	\$6,857,028.05	100.00%	100.00%	—
LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS FUNDS:				
Adult—Unpaid Death Claims.....	\$ 13,184.38	.19%	.25%	.06%
Accounts of Minor Beneficiaries.....	111,451.94	1.63	1.82	.19
Accounts Payable—Newspaper and Printing Dept.....	163.86	—	—	—
Accrued Wages—Newspaper and Ptg. Dept.....	330.70	—	—	—
Surplus—Adult Department.....	6,096,192.21	88.91	88.25	.66
—Juvenile Department.....	498,935.21	7.28	7.42	.14
—Minor Beneficiaries.....	8,266.73	.12	.36	.24
—Newspaper and Printing Departments.....	128,505.02	1.87	1.90	.03
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS FUNDS	\$6,857,028.05	100.00%	100.00%	—

Investments by percentages in the Adult Department are as follows:

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Balance in Funds, December 31, 1935				
Accounted for as follows:				
U. S. Government Bonds and Obligations—Cost.....	\$1,136,205.83	18.60%	14.91%	3.69%
Home Owners' Loan Corporation Bonds—Cost.....	442,282.81	7.24	6.19	1.05
State and Municipal Bonds—Cost.....	2,825,760.07	46.25	48.76	2.51
Utility and Industrial Bonds—Cost.....	692,359.62	11.33	12.50	1.16
Real Estate First Mortgage Loans—Cost.....	648,825.59	10.62	11.33	.71
Real Estate Acquired—Cost.....	30,419.64	.50	.51	.01
Matured Bonds Unpaid—Par.....	134,920.25	2.21	2.02	.19
Tax Warrants—Par.....	3,600.00	.06	.06	—
Loans on Certificates of Members.....	628.89	.01	—	.01
Home Office—Land and Building—Net.....	48,458.40	.79	.84	.05
Accounts Receivable—Lodge Supplies.....	71.90	—	—	—
Cash on Hand for Deposit.....	7,734.38	.13	.97	.84
Cash in Banks.....	128,476.91	2.10	1.82	.28
Common and Preferred Stocks—Cost.....	9,700.00	.16	—	.16
TOTAL ASSETS	\$6,109,443.89	100.00%	100.00%	—
Building Fund				
Comparative statement of Building Fund income and expenses:				
	Dec. 31, 1935	June 30, 1935	Increase Decrease	
INCOME:				
Rent from Insurance Department.....	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,600.00	—	
Rent from Printing Department.....	1,600.00	1,600.00	—	
Rent from “Prosveta”.....	300.00	300.00	—	
Auditorium—Net Rentals.....	1,026.15	1,350.45	324.30	
Initiation Fee.....	52.00	191.00	139.00	
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 4,677.15	\$ 5,141.45	\$ 464.30	
EXPENSES:				
Fuel and Light, Cleaning Supplies.....	\$ 808.09	\$ 1,269.97	\$ 461.88	
Janitor's Wages.....	1,040.00	1,004.00	36.00	
Depreciation—Home Office Building.....	904.16	904.16	—	
Building Repairs.....	94.14	160.00	65.86	
Water Taxes Paid.....	7.65	8.16	.51	
Real Estate Taxes 1934.....	700.88	5.35	706.23	
Building Insurance.....	82.50	82.50	—	
Miscellaneous Building Expense.....	309.12	118.20	190.92	
Architect's Fee—Account of Proposed Addition to Home Office Building.....	880.00	—	880.00	
Chairs.....	303.23	—	303.23	
TOTAL EXPENSES	5,047.27	3,541.64	1,505.63	
Excess or Deficit of Income over Expenses.....	\$ 370.12	\$ 1,599.81	\$ 1,969.93	
Interest Credited to Fund.....	1,209.57	1,601.10	291.53	
TOTAL INCREASE IN BUILDING FUND	\$ 839.45	\$ 3,100.91	\$ 2,261.46	
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Securities in Default				
Class	Par Amount		Interest Due Not Paid	
	Adult	Juvenile	Adult	Juvenile
State and Municipal Bonds in Arrears.....	\$ 194,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 7,122.50	\$ 300.00
State and Municipal Bonds Defaulted.....	554,000.00	38,900.00	121,356.66	5,600.00
Utility and Industrial Bonds Arrears.....	25,000.00	10,000.00	812.50	350.00
Utility and Industrial Bonds Defaulted.....	409,305.87	18,000.00	57,977.50	
Matured Bonds Unpaid.....	135,104.00	7,000.00	5,745.00	1,470.00
Total Bonds	\$1,317,409.87	\$ 88,800.00	\$103,014.16	\$ 7,728.00
First Mortgage Loans—Regular.....	\$ 241,028.78	\$ 36,075.00	\$ 9,718.13	\$ 748.26
First Mortgage Loans—International.....	25,058.17		1,305.66	
Total Mortgages	266,086.95	36,075.00	11,023.79	748.26
Total Securities in Arrears and in Default	\$1,583,496.82	\$124,875.00	\$204,037.95	\$8,476.26

In addition, the Society had foreclosure proceedings pending on first mortgage loans (not included in above compilation) as follows:

Adult Department.....	\$64,016.31
Juvenile Department.....	10,123.08
Total (In Foreclosure)	\$74,139.39
Early in January 1936, of the securities classified as in arrears for interest the following were placed in good standing by full payment of interest due:	
Adult Department—Bonds.....	\$40,000.00
Adult Department—Mortgage Loans.....	22,128.38
Juvenile Dept.—Mortgage Loans.....	20,200.00
Total	\$82,328.38

No interest arrearages are shown for those bonds involved in liquidation proceedings or reorganization under Section 77B of the National Bankruptcy Act. However, the principal amount of the securities is taken into account in the foregoing analysis.

We went thru files, containing reports and correspondence on defaulted bonds and find that the administrative committee as a whole did its best to safeguard the interest of the Society. Nevertheless, no individual in the office is mainly occupied with this type of work.

18.31 per cent of all our bonds are in default, namely, state and municipal 9.47%, utility and industrial 6.83% and matured bonds unpaid 2.21%. Our profit and loss on securities matured, exchanged or disposed in the second half of the year 1935 in Adult and Juvenile Departments amounts to \$3,465.38 profit and \$17,806.71 loss.

Croatian Hall

The Society's expenses with the Croatian Hall, which became our property in the first half of last year, were in the period July-December 1935 as follows:

Installation of bar.....	\$ 119.79
Hansler Lumber and Coal Co.....	31.70
Joseph Kuhelj, repairs.....	44.50
John Kopach, Insurance.....	130.00
Joseph Kuhelj, repairs.....	25.00
Peter Mosoleski, receiver's fees.....	650.00
Building inspector.....	5.00
Ventilation inspector.....	9.00
Joseph Kuhelj, repairs.....	74.40
Real estate tax.....	750.60
Personal property tax.....	25.00
Building inspector.....	5.00
Water tax.....	11.40
Total	\$1,881.54

The Croatian Hall was rented last year to Bro. Joseph Kuhelj. He was to pay for the first three months \$75 a month and then \$100 a month. He was unable to make sufficient income with his tavern in the building and hall, therefore he could not meet the terms. Recently the administrative committee of our Society offered the rental and management of the Croatian Hall to the South side lodges of the S.N.P.J. They are now considering the proposition.

Slovene Hall, Springfield

Expenses in the second period of the year 1935 for Slovene Hall in Springfield, Ill., were as follows:

Wages, building repairs.....	\$219.27
Material, building repairs.....	132.09
Taxes.....	147.21
Miscellaneous.....	5.53
Total	\$504.10

The income of the hall, paid in the same period to S.N.P.J., was \$230.00.

S.N.P.J. Auditorium Income

We examined the records of the Building Manager, Brother Anton Troyer and found them in order. The income of the auditorium was as follows:

	Income	Percentage	Net to S.N.P.J.
July.....	\$ 75.00	7.50	\$ 67.50
Aug.....	16.00	1.60	14.40
Sept.....	77.00	7.70	69.30
Oct.....	308.00	30.80	277.20
Nov.....	296.50	29.65	266.85
Dec.....	365.00	36.50	328.50
Total	\$1,137.50	\$113.75	\$1,023.75

Gross income for the year of 1935 was.....\$2,648.00
Total receipts for the year of 1934 were.....2,492.54
Increase for the year of 1935.....\$ 155.46
Comparative figures of net Auditorium income for each of the past five six-months periods are submitted herewith:

Increase for the year of 1935.....	185.46
July-December 1935.....	\$1,023.75
January-June 1935.....	1,350.45
July-December 1934.....	1,056.29
January-June 1934.....	1,160.96
July-December 1933.....	1,087.35

Meeting was adjourned at 12:08 P. M.

SECOND SESSION

Afternoon of February 6

Bro. Cainkar called the meeting to order at 1 P. M.

All members of the Supreme Board were present. Bro. Zalta proceeded with the report of the supreme supervising committee:

Finance Committee.—We examined the work of this committee and also interviewed them at their meeting February 4, on matters of investments.

Expenses charged to this committee in the second part of the year 1935 were \$2,718.90, which is much over the budget. Direct expenses of the finance committee such as salaries, per diems, stationery, postage and telephone, were \$648.30. \$2000 was paid for the Moody Service.

Other expenses on investments were \$1,662.35. For auditing of Six Point Realty Company the Society paid to Mr. P. B. Heller \$601.57. For other investigations, mostly on investments, \$608.83 was paid to Mr. P. B. Heller.

Trial Board.—Expenses of this committee were \$470.45.

Supervising committee.—Expenses were \$296.20.

Advertisements

	Jan.-June 1935	Jul.-Dec. 1935
Ads in Prosveta.....	\$235.00	\$235.00
Ads in other publications.....	70.00	85.00
Prog's Placards, Almanacs.....	41.00	150.00
On stage curtains.....	8.00	28.00
Miscellaneous advertising.....	—	153.25
Total	\$354.00	\$651.25

Emblems to lodges are a new item in this column.

Athletics

For the purpose of promoting athletics in our lodges the following amounts were contributed from the general expense fund:	
Cleveland Federation, for English Speaking lodges.....	\$100.00
Milwaukee-West Allis Federation.....	50.00
Lodge 741, Burgettstown, Pa.....	25.00
Lodge 728, Gowanda, N. Y.....	25.00
Total	\$200.00

English Speaking Lodges Conference

Expenses incurred with the Conference of English Speaking Lodges, held November 3, 1935, in Chicago, were as follows:

Fares and per diem of the delegates.....	\$2,023.43
Badges for delegates, 100 at 85c each.....	85.75
Preparing Hall.....	5.00
Total	\$2,114.18

Other expenses:

Stationery.....	\$20.00
Radio Broadcast.....	50.00
Signs.....	12.00
Moving pictures.....	47.92
Total	\$129.92

Total.....\$2,244.10

There are over 80 English Speaking lodges in our

Society in which there were at the time of the conference 3,782 adult members and 775 juveniles.

Minor Beneficiaries

Assets, Liabilities and Surplus, on December 31, in this department were as follows:

	Dec. 31, 1935	June 30, 1935	Increase Decrease
ASSETS:			
Investment Securities.....	\$119,332.29	\$137,417.86	\$18,085.57
Value at Cost.....	—	—	—
Cash in Northern Trust Company.....	252.85	4,971.76	4,718.91
Cash in Kansas American State Bank.....	72.53	72.53	—
Cash on Hand for Deposit.....	—	1,700.00	1,700.00
Total Assets	\$119,715.47	\$144,362.31	\$24,646.84
LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS FUND:			
Due to Minor Beneficiaries.....	\$111,451.94	\$129,536.81	\$ 18,084.87
Surplus Fund.....	8,266.73	25,225.40	16,958.67
Total Liabilities and Surplus Fund	\$119,715.47	\$144,362.31	\$24,646.84

The interest in arrears amounts to \$6,033.00.—Loss by write-off of United Fuel and Supply Co. is \$18,200.00.

Bonds in default:

Municipal.....	\$ 1,074.17
Utility and Industrial.....	40,647.50

This fund as far as investments are concerned, is one of the weakest. Our reserve in it, with the \$18,200.00 written off is explained in the above amounts.

The surplus fund, as stated, now amounts to over \$8,266.00. Six months previously its total was \$23,225.40. The cause of reduction is losses, primarily the one mentioned above.

To improve the portfolio, this department needs special care.

Publications

A detailed financial report of Prosveta (also of the Printery) will be published in Prosveta by Bro. Godina.

Assets and liabilities of Prosveta are as follows:

ship)	2,186.40	2,186.40	
Accounts Receivable	137.77	616.94	79.19
Deposits—Second Class	557.99	554.69	333.30
Postage	67.30	25.50	38.80
Due from Insurance Department	67.30	25.50	38.80
Stock on Hand—Other Publications		236.85	236.85
Furniture and Fixtures—At Cost	5,558.95	5,558.95	
Securities—U. S. Treasury 4½% '54 (\$18,000.00 Par)—At Cost	10,968.75	10,968.75	