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Silnz. ekonomska kriza povzročila največji padec članstva v zgodovini naše jednote. Brezposelnost je odgovorna za 99 odstotkov izgube članov. Čez 5000 članov na pasivni listi. Sprejet je bil načrt posojevanja članom za asessment. Glavni odborniki in nameščenci so si prostovoljno znižali plače za deset odstotkov.

Polletna seja gl. odbora SNPJ, ki je bila zadnji teden, je trajala štiri dni.

Vse delo gl. odbora je bilo usmerjeno na to, kako pomagati članom, ki so v stiski zaradi splošne ekonomske depresije in brezposelnosti, da se ustavi nazadovanje članstva in obdrži solventnost jednote.

Gl. tajnik je poročal, da je SNPJ v zadnjih šestih mesecih dobila 1119 novih članov, izgubila pa je skupaj 6324 članov v obeh oddelkih. Dne 30. junija 1932 je bilo 37,129 članov v oddelku odraslih, v mladinskem oddelku pa 16,123, skupaj 53,252 članov.

Čez 5000 članov je na pasivni listi. Večina pasivnih članov je v starosti 19 od 23 let in v članski dobi tri do pet let, kar pomeni, da so to mladi člani, za katere navadno očetje plačujejo asessment. Danes pa očetje ne zmorejo več treh ali več asessmentov; da obdržijo sebe v jednoti, so bili primorani opustiti plačevanje za svoje sinove in hčere, ki so brez zaslužka.

Po sklepu gl. odbora na seji v zadnjem februarju je tajništvo preiskalo vzroke padca članstva v zadnji polovici leta 1931. Razpolazne so bile vprašalne listine na vsa društva in čez 500 društev je odgovorilo z natančnimi podatki. Rezultat te preiskave je sledeči:

Brezposelnost je odgovorna za 99 odstotkov izgube članov. Drugi vzroki so: prepričani ena osmina odstotka, osebnosti ena četrtna odstotka, politika ena osmina odstotka, prikrajšana bolniška podpora ena četrtna odstotka in vsi ostali vzroki (odhod v staro domovino, izredna doklada, nepezanje pravil, malomarnost itd.) ena četrtna odstotka.

Petdeset odstotkov priporočil društvenih tajnikov, da se emeji izguba članstva, je, da jednota zalaga asessment ali pa pasivnost.

Odkodninski sklad je imel v prvi polovici tega leta \$6328.51 deficita kljub izrednim dokladom petih centov, ki jo člani redno plačujejo; jednota je izplačala v tem času 506 operacij, 35 odškodnin in 41 odpravnin. — Odber je sklenil, da si odkodninski sklad izposodi iz upravnega sklada \$10,000 do prihodnje seje.

Bolniški sklad je v prvi polovici tega leta nazadovale za \$11,470.32 kljub omejenim podporam po izpremembi pravil na splošno glasovanju. Izplačano je bilo \$283,000 bolniške podpore. Bolniški tajnik je poročal: Ako bi se plačevali po starem, bi bilo zdaj okrog \$90,000 deficita in izredna doklada bi bila neizogibna. Vzlic temu ne more biti prihodnje rezerve. — Sklep je bil, da se opusti rezerva za prihodnjih šest mesecev.

Skupni finančni napredek SNPJ v prvih šestih mesecih tega leta znaša \$186,776.03. Dne 3. junija 1932 je skupno premoženje (knjižno) znašalo \$5,420,423.58. Od te vsote je \$4,695,567.51 v smrtninskem skladu.

Gospodarski odtok je naložil \$80,000 v zvezne bonde.

Defalcirani bondi, ki ne plačujejo več obresti, so narasli za okrog \$100,000 in danes znašajo \$600,000.

Članom na posestva je posojeno čez pol milijona dolarjev; vseh posojil članom je 141 in od teh je 31 članov zaostalo s plačevanjem obresti.

Sprejet je bil sklep, da jednota poskuša tudi brezposelnim članom na njihova posestva, a vsako prošnjo je treba natančno preiskati z ozirom na značaj in okolico.

Nova ameriška nota Boliviji

Washington se je pridružil mirovnemu gibanju in zahteva, da Bolivija odloži orožje

Washington, D. C., 9. avg. — Reprezentanti ameriške vlade so zaeno z drugimi nevtralnimi državami pozvali Bolivijo, naj poravnava spor s Paragvajem do srede jutraj in odloži orožje. Paragvajska vlada je bila tudi informirana o vsebini ameriške note in pozvana, naj suspendira sovražnosti in vojne priprave.

Mehika, Kuba, Kolumbija in Urugvaj se strinjajo z ameriško vlado, ki skuša preprečiti vojno med Bolivijo in Paragvajem. Vsebinska nota ni bila objavljena v javnosti, toda doznalo se je, da nevtralne države zahtevajo definitiven odgovor od Bolivije in sprejetje njihovih pogojev, ki naj bi tvorili bazo za vzpostavitev miru.

Asuncion, Paragvaj, 9. avg. — Utrdba Carlos Antonio Lopez, pozorišče bitke, ki je izzvala obstoječi konflikt med Bolivijo in Paragvajem, je prišla včeraj v roke bolivijskih čet, se glasi poročilo paragvajske vlade. Zunanji minister Higino Arbo je obvestil ameriškega državnega tajnika Stimsona o okupaciji, obenem pa ga je naprosil, naj o tem informira ostale nevtralne ameriške države, ki so podvezle akcijo za mirno poravnava spora med Bolivijo in Paragvajem. Minister pravi, da so se morale paragvajske čete umakniti pred močnejšo silo in da je utrdba sedaj v rokah napadalcev.

Slavka v oblačilni industriji

Boj je naperjen proti meznim redukcijam

New York. — (FP) — Člani izvršnih odborov krajevnih organizacij Amalgamated Clothing Workers unije so sprejeli resolucijo, ki določa ukinitve dela v treh četrtninah delavnic v oblačilni industriji v New Yorku, "da se odpravi neznosne razmere v takozvanih znojnih delavnicah, ki so prišle na površje v tekoči depresiji." Krog dvajset tisoč delavcev bo zastavalo, "kar naj bi preprečilo mezne redukcije in ustvarilo podlago za ustanovitve unijske kontrole nad delovnimi razmerami."

"Od 1. 1929, ko je nastopila depresija," se glasi resolucija, "so delodajalci vodili kampanjo meznega znižanja in industrijskega 'butlerstva.' Oddajali so naročila takozvanim znojnim delavnicam, kar je rezultiralo v brezposelnosti med unijskimi delavci. To se mora končati, ker drugače bo mezni standard padel globlje kot je že."

Unija zahteva od delodajalcev sanitarne razmere v tovarnah in ustanovitve brezposelnostnega zavarovalnega sklada, v katerega naj bi tovarnarji prispevali 1 1/2% od skupnih tedenskih dohodkov.

Zenska kandidira za governorja na soc. listi

Des Moines, Ia. — Mrs. Lottia M. Conard, profesorica sociologije na Grinnell kolegiju, je bila nominirana kot kandidatka za governorja na državni konvenciji soc. stranke.

Delegati so na konvenciji poudarjali važnost organiziranja brezposelnih delavcev po vsej državi in izbrali komitej, ki bo vodil to delo.

Mandžursko mesto pod vodo

Harbin, Mandžurija, 9. avg. — Vsed silnih deževnih nalivov je reka Sungari prestopila bregeve in poplavlja mesto. Časopisna agencija Rengo poroča, da je povodenj razdejala nad tisoč hiš. Krog sto ljudi je utonilo, mnogo pa je bilo ranjenih. Materialna škoda se čeni na tri milijone dolarjev.

HOOVER IGNORIRAL BEDNE V PENNSYLVANIJ

Aplikacija za vladno posojilo je bila odbita, ker Pinchot ne podpira administracije

Washington, D. C. — (FP) — Hooverjeva administracija je potom načelnika rekonstrukcijske finančne korporacije Pomerena odbila aplikacijo za posojilo deset milijonov dolarjev za nasičevanje brezposelnih v Pennsylvaniji. Mnogi smatrajo to za politično maščevanje. Pravi, da je Hoover odklonil pomoč rudarjem, tekstilnim in drugim brezposelnim delavcem, da tako kaznuje governorja Pinchota, ker slednji noče podpirati administracije v tekoči kampanji.

Pomerene je naznanil, da je odbor finančne korporacije odklonil Pinchotovo aplikacijo, "ker ni državna legislatura izvršila svoje dolžnosti napram reševanju v Pennsylvaniji." Pomerene prav dobro ve, kakor vedo tudi republikanski voditelji v tej državi, da postavljajo dominirajo starogrdniki, Mellonova in Vareva politična mašina, ki zatrujejo, da Pennsylvanija lahko sama skrbi za svoje reševje. Pinchot ne more prisiliti legislature, da bi odobrila nove davke na visoke dohodke, katerim se Mellon in drugi plutokraci, ki kontrolirajo industrijo, upirajo.

Na zaslišanju pred senatnim odtokom so zastopniki dobrodelnih in socialnih organizacij predložili evideenco o veliki miseriji v Philadelphiji in drugih pennsylvanjskih mestih. Dokazali so, da je legislatura na svojem izrednem zasedanju porazila vse predloge za pomoč brezposelnim, katere so stavili in podpirali progresivci.

Pinchot in trije člani njegovega kabineta ter šest članov legislature je osebno plediralo pri odboru finančne korporacije za vladno posojilo. Bili so iznenadeni, ko so bili kasneje obveščeni, da je bila njihova aplikacija odklonjena na bazi tehničnega izgovora, da legislatura ni storila svoje dolžnosti napram brezposelnim.

Neunijska firma zahteva prispevke od delavk

Philadelphia, Pa. — "Dekleta, ki delate pri tej veliki tiskarski firmi, morate biti hvaležna, toda pri tem ne smete pozabiti na svoje sestre, ki nimajo te prilike in so brez dela. Radi tega vas opozorimo, da morate prispevati v sklad za podpiranje bednih družin v Philadelphiji."

Tako se je glasilo besedilo notice, ki so jo delavke pri Curtis Pub. Co., veliki neunijski firmi, dobile v plačilnih ovitkih. Dekleta pri tej družbi prejema jo samotno nizko mezdo, kljub temu jim je kompanija zagrozila z odložitvijo, ako ne bodo prispevale za brezposelnost.

Alken aktiven v republikanski kampanji

Washington, D. C. — Henry J. Allen, bivši governor v Kansasu in sponsor zakona proti stavkam, je spet v svoji stari službi kot direktor publicitetskega odbora republikanske stranke. Za to delo je v zadnji predsedniški kampanji prejel \$25,000. Poleg tega je Allen sedaj tudi na plačilni listi državnega departamenta kot posebni svetovalec predsednika Hooverja. Kot tak vleče \$10,000 plače na leto.

Trije mladi tatovi poslani v zapor

Leesville, Louisiana. — Trije mladi dečki, ki so bili zasačeni pri tatvini sadja, so bili poslani v poboljševalnico za tri mesece. Na zaslišanju so trdili, da so kradli, ker so bili lačni. Njihovi očetje so že dolgo časa brez dela.

Hitler povabljen na sodelovanje

Priprave za konferenco, na kateri se bo odločila usoda nemške republike. Naciji zahteva jo pozicijo kancelarja

Berlin, 9. avg. — Kancelar Papen je naznanil, da je pripravljen deliti oblast nad Nemčijo s voditeljem fašistične stranke Hitlerjem in nacionalisti, katerih načelnik je dr. Alfred Hugenberg. Obe stranki sta bili povabljeni na sodelovanje v vladi. Fašistična stranka je najmočnejša politična skupina v Nemčiji, dočim je Hugenbergova grupa, ki se navdušuje za restavriranje monarhije, šibka, toda odločna.

Kancelar, ki se je odločil, da ostane na krmilu vlade, ki mora biti neustrankarska, se je včeraj vrnil v Berlin s politične. V Berlin so prišli tudi voditelji drugih političnih strank na konferenco in pričakuje se, da bo Nemčija v kratkem obveščena o značaju svoje bodoče vlade. Priprave za pogajanja so v polnem zamahu. Dr. Heinrich Brüning, bivši kancelar in vodja centristov, bo igral važno vlogo na konferenci, ker bo njegova stranka vzdrževala ravnotežje v novem parlamentu, ki se odpre 30. avgusta.

Papenova izjava, da namerna ostati na vladnem krmilu, je razveljavila fašiste. Njihovo glasilo "Angriff" je takoj poudarilo zahtevo, da mora imeti Hitler popolno kontrolo nad vlado. "Borili se bomo do zadnjega za vodstvo v vladi," se glasi fašistični ultimatum.

Odločitev, kdo bo bodoči kancelar Nemčije, je v rokah predsednika Hindenburga, piše "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung". On je vrhovna avtoriteta pri imenovanju kancelarja.

Politični izgredi se še vedno nadaljujejo. Dva sta bila ubita in več drugih ranjenih v političnih bitkah v Šleziji. Papen je sklical sejo svojega kabineta, na kateri se je razpravljalo o potrebnih korakih za končanje terorizma.

Politični krogi napovedujejo izdajanje zašilne naredbe, ki bo določala smrtne kazni za osebe, ki povzročajo izgrede in noailjo orožja. Izredna sodišča bodo postopala drastično in odločno proti teroristom na podlagi dekreta, ki je bil razlažen 6. oktobra lanskega leta.

Franz Bracht, Papenov minister za notranje zadeve v Prusiji, je včeraj posevil vse uradnike, da so za svoje akcije odgovorni ljudstvo, ne pa političnim strankam. Izjavil je, da ne bo toleriral političnega terorja v Prusiji, ki je zahteval veliko žrtev v zadnjih tednih.

Militarizem žre vladne dohodke

Washington, D. C. — Proracun, ki ga je pripravila administracija za prihodnje leto, kaže, da 68% od vseh vladnih dohodkov bo šlo za vzdrževanje militaristične mašine in penzijske vojnih veteranov.

Nekatere evropske države potrjuje še več za vzdrževanje militarizma, kot je razvidno iz poročila Mednarodne antimilitaristične komisije. Francija na primer potroši v to svrhu 72% od svojih letnih dohodkov.

Otroci stradajo v Los Angelesu

Los Angeles, Cal. — Ko je Parent-Teacher As'n naznanila, da bo razdelila živila med revne otroke, se je pred njenim uradom zbralo prvi dan nad deset tisoč otrok, od katerih jih je mnogo odšlo praznih rok, ker ni bilo dovolj živila za vse.

Ali resno mislimo z varčevanjem?

Vsed nepraktičnega sistema in zavoženega gospodarstva je dežela znašla v krizo, iz katere se ne more izkoptati in tudi izgledov, da se situacija kaj kmalu obrne na bolje, še ni na obzorju. Ker je tudi naša jednota valed teh razmer gospodarstvo prizadeta, smo pač primorani iskati potov za omejitev izdatkov.

Zavedamo se, da znižanje delavskih plač ne bo rešilo problema brezposelnosti in depresije. Če bi bilo to resnica, bi že davno zavladala prosperiteta, valed temu smo pripravili na NASO jednoto nekaj žrtvovati. Glavni odbor, uslužbenec in vsi ostali stalno uspešni delavci, ki delajo za jednoto, so si prostovoljno znižali za 10% svoje plače. Toda številke med plačami gl. odbora ter osebja in izplačili v raznih podporah se tako razlikujejo, da bomo vseno morali doplačevati v izrednih assessmentih, če ne bomo štedili v splošnem. V prvih šestih mesecih tega leta je bilo v raznih podporah članom izplačano nad \$367,000.00. Koliko bi se bilo dalo od imenovane vsote prihraniti, ne moremo sicer konstatirati, ali lahko se domneva, če bi bilo več pažnje in previdnosti pri nakazovanju raznih podpor, da bi se lahko prihranilo nekaj tisočakov.

Glavni odbor, zbran na polletni seji v začetku meseca avgusta, je na podlagi poročil, ki so bila predložena od upravnih uradnikov, zaključil, da se odkodninskemu skladu — v katerem je deficit — razenkrat pomaga s posojilom, obenem pa apelira na članstvo, da se tudi oni pridruži gl. odboru ter osebju SNPJ in prične bolj pažljivo in varčevati v bolniškim in odkodninskim skladom ter s izrednimi podporami, ako ne plačevati izrednih doklad, ki so v nasprotju NEIZOGIBNE.

Kadar govorimo o "šparanju" v naši organizaciji, katere lastniki in gospodarji smo vsi, in če resno mislimo kaj prihraniti, je tudi dolžnost nas vseh, da skupno štedimo. Hraniti in žrtvovati samo na eni strani in le od nekaterih bratov ter sester, na drugi pa nepremišljeno nakazovati razne podpore, ni pravilno in še manj bratsko in tudi uspeh na tak način ne bo dosežen. Valed tega, kot že omenjamo, gl. odbor APELIRA IN PRIPOROČA ČLANSTVU, da previdno nakazuje katerekoli podpore in samo onim, ki so v smislu pravil do istih upravičeni, kar skhadi, ki niso še isprani — če se temu ne odpomož — bodo kmalu prazni. Ako ta apel ne bo upoštevan in izdatki ne bodo omejeni, NAJ SE ČLANSTVO PRIPRAVI NA IZREDNE DOKLADE, KI BODO KMALU RAZPISANE.

Za gl. odbor
FRED A. VIDER, gl. tajnik.

Bomaž drobil

Iz Chicago. — Okrajna veleporota je zadnji teden oprostila Vero Carl in njenega brata Ivana Grika v zadevi umora njene mame Geo. Carla, ki so ga našli ustreljenega pred nekaj tedni in osadi njegove grobnice prodajalnice. Bila sta izpuščena iz zapor. Carlova nasilna smrt je ostala nerešena. — Jos. Zele, pogrebnik v Clevelandu, je bil zadnje dni na obisku v Chicagu.

Iz North Chicago. — Rose Svate, stara 18 let, se je 5. t. m. ubila med vožnjo v avtu, ki se je prevrnil čez nasip v Lake Bluffu. Dva mladenca, ki sta bila z njo, sta bila ranjena. Pokojnica je bila članica društva št. 568 SNPJ in zapušča mater, sestro, brata in več drugih sorodnikov tu in v starem kraju. — Jennie Kavčnik, članica društva št. 568 SNPJ, se je vrnila iz bolnišnice, kjer je bila operirana na vratu; njeno zdravje se vido virača.

Iz Milwaukeeja. — Devetnajtnoletna Lottie Florjanc, ki je bila uslužbena v Pungertarjevi trgovini, je nenadoma zbolela in umrla za vnetjem možganov mrene. Rojena je bila tu in zapušča starše ter več bratov in sester. — Gostilničarja Johna Draganja je zadel mrtvoud na vseh udih razen leve roke; nahaja se v domači okoli. — Anton Hren, gostilničar, je bil napaden pri belem dnevu v svojem lokalu od dveh roparjev, ki sta mu odnesla okrog \$300 v gotovini in pobegnili.

Iz Calumeta, Mich. — "Slovensko-Hrvatske Novine", glasilo SHZ, so prenehale izhajati. Člani SHZ bodo poslej prejimali kot svoje glasilo tednik "Hrvatsko". Matija Sojat, urednik omenjenih dveh listov in starosta hrvaških časnikarjev in pešnikov v Ameriki, je odšel v pokoj.

Iz Frontenaca, Kans. — Tu je umrl po devetmesečni bolezni John Jarc, pionir naselbine, star 81 let, ki je bival v tem kraju celih 50 let. Doma je bil iz Podbratja pri Mirni peči na Dolenjskem in zapušča pet sinov in dve hčeri.

Iz Strabana, Pa. — Umri je Martin Midofer, star 45 let in doma iz Brud pri Smihelu na Dolenjskem; tu je bival 18 let in zapušča ženo in tri nedorošle otroke.

Iz Clevelanda. — Nagio je umrl John Lesar, star 45 let in doma iz Kopa pri Novi Štifti; tu je bival 18 let. Bil je član društva št. 5 SNPJ in zapušča ženo, sina in tri brate.

Rezultat rudarskega glasovanja še ni znan

Obe skupini si privajata smago. Unijski voditelji pravijo, da je bil dogovor ratificiran s malo večino glasov

Springfield, Ill., 9. avg. — Danes ali jutri bo naznanjen uradni rezultat glasovanja o novi rudarski lestvici. Unijski voditelji, ki so urgirali rudarje na sprejetje lestvice, ki določa redukcije dnevne mesece od \$6.10 na pet dolarjev, menijo, da je bil dogovor ratificiran, dočim opozicija trdi, da je bil poražen.

Včeraj so v glavnem stanu ilinoiske rudarske unije nadaljevali s uradnim štetjem glasov, toda izid ni bil objavljen. Walter Nesbit, tajnik distriktne organizacije je izrazil mnenje, da so rudarji odobrili pogodbo. Predsednik mednarodne rudarske unije John L. Lewis je optimističen, toda rekel je, da bo podal izjavo, ko bo uradno štetje glasov končano. John H. Walker, predsednik dvanaestega distrikta, je tudi uveren, da je bila meza lestvice ratificirana.

A. T. Pace, auditor mednarodne unije, ki je nadziral neuradno štetje glasov v Herrinu, je poslal izjavo glavnemu stanu v Springfieldu, v kateri pravi, da je 18,121 rudarjev glasovalo za ratifikacijo in 17,998 proti. Zagovorniki nove lestvice pravijo, da so rudarji v južnem delu države, ki so nasprotovali redukciji pri prvem glasovanju, revdirali svoje stališče. Pri sobotnem glasovanju so odobrili dogovor s večino glasov.

Grupa opazovalcev, ki trdi, da je bila izgnana iz urada organizacije, kjer je v teku uradno štetje, je posneje izjavila, da bi pošteno štetje glasov pokazalo poraz mezne lestvice.

Bojazen pred novimi rudarskimi nemiri

Indianapolis, Ind., 9. avg. — Napetost med rudarji v južno-zapadnem delu države se še ni polegla. Včeraj se je nad tisoč rudarjev udeležilo shoda v bližnjem Princetonu, na katerem so govorili unijski organizatorji in pozivali rudarje na boj proti meznim redukcijam. Kasneje so rudarji organizirali parado po mestnih ulicah.

Več sto piketov je včeraj ustavilo obratovanje premoznika v Brazilu. Prispeli so tja na avtomobilih in zahtevali od kompanije priznanje unije.

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

Declaration of Principles, SNPJ By-Laws.

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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

Convention Talks and Thoughts

The 10th Regular Convention of the Slovene National Benefit Society is but eight months hence; it will convene at the prescribed time at the Home Office of the Society in Chicago next May. From now on to the convention time there will be many suggestions, views and opinions advanced by the active members who will try to present rationally their thoughts on the many vital problems which are confronting the organization at the present. These proposals and suggestions, if worthy and with-in reason, will be later referred to the 10th Regular Convention when it convenes in May, for its consideration.

The By-Laws of the Society provide that the convention, besides the referendum, is the highest managing and appellate authority with an absolute right to accept, change or reject any provision in the By-Laws. The convention has also the right to decide on all matters under its jurisdiction and in conformity with the laws of the State of Illinois, and those decisions are final.

Election of delegates to the Regular Convention of the Slovene National Benefit Society, which is held every four years, the time and place determined by the previous convention, takes place in the months of February and March, 1933. Lodges which fail to elect their delegates during the time specified in the By-Laws, forfeit their representation rights at the convention. Lodges having one hundred members are entitled to one delegate; lodges having two hundred and fifty members are entitled to two delegates; no lodge can send more than two delegates. Lodges having less than one hundred members are officially notified within the first week of October prior to the convention year to unite for the purpose of electing a delegate in due time.

These advance lines are written for the express purpose of helping to avoid any confusion which may arise by any locals, so that when the time comes the matter may be handled with dispatch both in the Lodges and in the Main Office. We are sure that all members interested in this question will make enough effort themselves to seek further and detailed information in the By-Laws on pages 252-54. We may add that discussions on the By-Laws will open in the official organ the first Wednesday in September, but views on general topics pertaining to the organization can be aired at any time.

Don't Mention It?

Believe it or not, but the real reason why Washington hesitates to present a blanket moratorium to Europe on money it knows it'll never get is because the folks at home might become moratorium-minded too.

P. S.—Don't worry, Washington, they already are.

Have you balanced your budget yet? Sure! Have nothing. Spent nothing. Even!

And by the way, have you noticed there are no more Scotch jokes in the funny paper? Know the reason why? No. Well, whenever we see a Scotchman pinching a penny, we wish we had it, and there is nothing funny in that. Then there was the Scotchman who wouldn't spend a cent because he didn't have it.

Give the devil his due. If kings had nothing better to do for their people, they set them at work killing each other whereas Capitalism has hit the sorry spot where it can neither wholesomely keep nor wholesomely kill its people.

The American Guardian.

Public Ownership Isn't Enough

Germany has a very considerable degree of public ownership with very little of a Socialist result. Herein is a lesson. Socialism is not the sum of a lot of public ownership of this, that and the other thing. Some public ownership or public aid to business in Germany, as in America, is avowedly capitalist in intent and purpose and probable result. To public ownership of basic resources and industries must be added SOCIALIST planning for production for use, not profit, to give us real progress in Socialism. That is progress toward the classless society.—Norman Thomas.

The social revolution involves the emancipation not merely of the proletariat, but of the whole human race, which is suffering under existing conditions. But this emancipation can be achieved by the working class alone, because all other classes, in spite of their mutual strife of interest, take their stand upon the principle of private ownership of the means of production and have a common interest in maintaining the existing social order.

The struggle of the working classes against capitalist exploitation must of necessity be a political struggle.—J. O'N.

The Reveliers' Column

Ambridge, Pa.—Muehball Items. There was a seriousness about the manner in which the games between Ambridge and Canonsburg were played last July 24. Both teams wanted victory, since it carried the mythical title of champ of the section's SNPJ mubbers. And only one can gain such a coveted title. It goes to Ambridge for 1932. The first game played in Ambridge (Beaver county) was won by the Bridgers 11-4. The second game was switched to Fair Oaks (across the line into Allegheny county). Ambridge repeated its victory, winning 7-4.

Cvitko's four hits and Matyko's homer in the 1st game were outstanding. Kuehl was the local hurler, while Podboy was on the mound for the Pioneers. The second game was the harder fought of the two. With Florngian's hitting and pitching the Pioneers were ahead for seven innings by a 6-4 score. In the 8th with two out Fritz Rosenberger walked; Kuehl, pitching the 2nd game also, socked the apple for a four-sacker that tied the score. The 9th started with Barney Blaszak singling, advancing to second base on another hit and Manager Grandovic's double scored Barney for the winning run of the game. And Ambridge stands at the top of the SNPJ mubball world in Western Penn.

On July 29 the Revs lost an 8-1 decision to the local team representing Ambridge in the county league. Dan Obed was pitching; but the opposing pitcher's smoke ball proved too much for the boys.

And now you're brought down to some more good news. Capt. Towel-mak's Reveliers won a twin bill over the Pittsburgh KSKJ Boosters by 6-0 and 8-0 scores. Iron Man Kuehl did mound duty for both games, and he had errorless support from his mates throughout the afternoon of July 31. In the first game Matyko of the Revs had 4 hits out of 4 times at bat and Barney Blaszak had 3 out of 4. Ribby and Petie were Mgr. Lokar's Boosters' best bats—each pitching a game and getting a couple hits apiece. In the second game Matyko with two doubles and Pels with his exceptional good fielding featured for the Revs.

ALL THAT SORT OF THING. After the Booster-Revelier games the Pitsburgers were guests at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. John Rosenberger, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rosenberger, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Peltz and Mr. and Mrs. John Cvitko. And those lads aren't unseemly; which means you get to like them. In the B-H second game that Tammy Sumic chap, the Boosters' publicity man, sneaked into Mgr. Lokar's catching position in the 7th inning and coaxed one Revy to whiff at three. Aug. 14 will find the Ambridge gang down in Boosterland for return engagements. Will Mikey Miklavic, Kress and the rest of the Morning Star tribe be on hand to root for the Bridge-Makers. There's plenty of picnic and other dates on the calendar for Aug. in the SNPJ fraternal circle. If you've got the means go to some. Consider the Clairtonians' Aug. 31 doings. Those lads are making extensive plans for a real day. Then the Excelsors are hitting up enthusiasm about

Progressive Patches

By Pals Inc.

Wiener Roast Euclid, O.—Don't forget the wiener roast the boys are giving at Neff rd. and the Lake. This affair has the official O. K. of the Quacks and Pals Inc. When we O. K. it, it stays O. K'd. Lindy took up bathing for this and it is a sign of good fun. Everyone is welcome. Come out and have a good time with us. The date is Saturday, August 13.

"Meet Sugar in 1933" All the SNPJ Lodges are adopting the slogan, "Meet Sugar in 1933." Is your Lodge among them? If not, why not? We will stage a dance early in 1933 just to fulfill the slogan. We will try to do our best with your cooperation. (Sugar would be revealed sooner, but members of SNPJ requested us to hold out till 1933.)

Spirit Galore We received letters from many important members of our SNPJ. Among them we find Sis. Mary Likovich of Library, Pa., who is doing her best to locate Sugar. Thanks for your personal interest. Sis. Mary Buchanan of the Torch of Liberty sends a card with high hopes that Sugar will be located soon. Bro. Prosser of Silver Stars is also cooperating. He sends his best wishes from the "Firemen's Camp." He is awaiting the convention week. We certainly appreciate your cooperation.

Notice—Two Blue Balls We are sorry to say that we are in need of more ransom money and we hope that you can supply us the mis-

their polka shindig of Aug. 27. Don't overlook the Veronians' affair for Aug. 28. Those guys are seriously working on things that are bound to appeal to you. And do you want to miss the affair? And yet... no work... a few of us no can be there... but you who can... be there!!!

July 30 found a number of Reveliers with the Burgettstown Cavaliers, whooping up things at their dance. And Cavaliers are you with the rest of us in the E. S. Federation? Are you... huh???

With the campaign for new members on within Rev circles an increase in membership is looked for. And Ambridge is going to have the largest E. S. lodge in Western Pa. Yeah, and that Kersan chap reports an addition of a red-head for the next meeting to Rev ranks. And are the Revs glad... huh???

To Ray Travers of Detroit Dan Obed of Ambridge sends greetings. And cards come pouring in from Bill Badojich out at Toiyanna, Prosser from Connelleville, Lindy from Maryland, Eschmied from different points of the U. S., Mary Dolencia from Cleveland, Anne Barriah from N. Y., the Kren sisters from Buffalo, and a host of others. And here I be.

Thank heavens that Towelmak chap gave me a chance to send a few cards from some vacation spot last June. Or we'd be left with no trip to boast of during the winter months. Eventually we must stop, why not now. Louis Kuehl.

Badger Picnic News

Milwaukee, Wis.—August 21, the day you are all waiting for. The Badger picnic committee, has just completed their plans to make that day never to be forgotten. All neighboring lodges: Jolly Allis, Stalwarts, Moderns, Little Forts, Vangers, Lodge 18 and others are cordially invited to be with us at Kosmuth's Park, South 92nd and Beloit road on that date.

The festivities will begin at 12 noon. Games and races will begin at 2:30. For girls there will be a potato race; for boys a wheelbarrow race; for the women an egg race and for the men a sack race. Two prizes will be awarded in each event. There will be other entertainments. Don't forget to bring the children. Free ice cream, cracker jack and balloons will be given to all those that attend.

All drinks and refreshments will be offered at depression prices. Dancing will be held in the afternoon and evening, with Martinak's orchestra furnishing the music. A ten dollar good place will be "given away" at 9:30 p. m. Tickets are 10c. All members who have not yet received their tickets may receive

SPIRIT-O-GRAMS

St. Louis, Mo.—Members are urgently requested to attend meeting of Spirit of St. Louis Lodge Friday, August 12, at 1439 Chouteau ave., as some very important business will be discussed.

Also I wish to remind you not to forget the 65c special assessment for the month of August.

Sophie F. Vertoveck, Secy.

ing dollars. The need is great and we assure you we need it for a good cause.

Inter-Lodge Day August 14—the day of days. Baseball games and thrilling games will be staged. Five of our Slovene fraternal organizations are working. How many Progressives will be there? Remembering

Bro. John Kanta is recuperating at his home. He underwent an operation at the East Cleveland Clinic Hospital. Members and friends are requested to visit him.

Convention Week Don't forget the "convention" we are having in November. Did the parties organize? How about your reports? Bro. Sazon, the chairman, and Sis. Helen Roberts are requested to make reports. We would appreciate to hear from you in our next issue.

Barn Dance October 15—the Fourth Annual Barn Dance. The Silver Stars and their card sharks are invading Euclid to take home the championship. Sister Likovich of Library, Pa., also is attending. How many more? We would be pleased to hear from you. Thanks

% Pals Inc. (John Pende) wishes to thank everyone that helped to make 50% Pals Inc. (Steve Trebac Jr.) birthday party a success. He hopes you all enjoyed yourselves at the farm and is very grateful that you were with us. Talk about a surprise—net much!

Sidewalks of Detroit

By Herman Regal

Radley, Kansas.—Last week's article was concluded in Auburn, Ill., and this writing is now being done at Radley, the home of lodge "Spokane" No. 72 SNPJ. It was here that I first joined the SNPJ and it seems I always have a liking for it; it's just like your own home, you always like it, be it ever so humble. Not getting sentimental the least bit, but I will say that the greatest joy in my life is, when I get the opportunity to return back home; if you have never been from home, you know not what I speak of; if you have been you know just how it is.

Have noticed several new ideas since leaving Detroit, that is, different from the daily routine in a city. Most of the population believes in being readily exposed in the sun, some are tanned to such a degree that their skin becomes nearly as dark as that of a Negro. People in cities do not take sun bathing seriously. All of their time is spent in shops, buildings and in the home. Most of them are pale white, a perfect picture of a tubercular person. Therefore it is a necessity to take sun baths. Doctors tell you of what great value light treatments are. They refuse to tell how much better sunning is, because sunshine is free; light treatments mean profits to them and their profession teaches them that their own living gets first consideration; your health comes last and that depends upon how much cash you have to spare. The more money you have the longer it takes to get well. Sounds logical, doesn't it?

Attended the picnic of SNPJ lodge No. 9 from Yale, Kansas, last Sunday. Yale being the first lodge or-

them from the secretary or any member of the committee. Members are urged to sell as many as possible.

Following are the directions for those who plan on coming by street car. Take the 3rd and Burnham street car to South 94th street. From there transfer to the bus that will take you to South 92nd street, and automobiles will be there at half past 9 o'clock to transport you to the picnic grounds.

Frank Oblick.

STRUGGLERS

By Lindy

Cleveland, O.—All aboard for that history-making Inter-Lodge Day to be held at Mervar's farm in Valley View, Aug. 14. All the Inter-Lodge clubs are represented, namely, SNPJ, KSKJ, BDZ, SSCU, etc. The Strugglers will be there in a large group. If you miss this treat, blame it on yourself. Ball games, races, prizes and a hundred other events will play the leading roll on Slovene Inter-Lodge Amateur Day.

If Interested—Trucks will leave St. Clair Bathhouse at 9 a. m. Round trip fare is 20c. Admission to the park is free. Parade starts at 9 a. m. with each lodge being fully represented. All ready—over 70 cars are in readiness. Are you? Let's go, Sunday, Aug. 14!

Aug. 27—? Yes, August 27, a Saturday nite, the Strugglers will make a surprise appearance and for the first time in their lodge's history will sponsor a "Moonlight Picnic." (Place to be announced later.) Admission via truck will be 35c; by private auto 50c per person. Bus free. Make your reservations early for the moon is all set to furnish the light. The dance floor is waxed and the musicians all wound up to make this Moonlight Picnic a big hit.

Oct. 25—Halloween Eve. We'll be seeing you all dressed up ready to walk home with one of the many beautiful prizes. Those of you that attended the last one remembered the lucky "Win" Muddie, who won the aeroplane trip. Well, this year it's to be a greater and better event.

Don't Cry Some people, in fact millions of people call the present hard times depression, but if one was present or witnessed the opening ball games between Philadelphia and Cleveland in Cleveland's mammoth Stadium on Sunday, July 31, he wouldn't even think that times were bad, for some 50,000 people paid almost \$1,000,000 to see a baseball exhibition. Crowd broke all world record. Yet we see these starving millions. It's a shame and I think we all agree.

Is This Justice? Extra papers carried headlines all about the "Washington Riot." Our country's Hoover who, we presume, doesn't even know the way to handle a wheelbarrow, called out the soldiers so that they could crush the Bonus Army's stand. What happened? Three innocent workers who formerly fought "over there," were killed. But have these unemployed soldiers not the same right as any other citizen? They at least don't get paid. They were doing themselves much more justice than the Hoover's crew. One can't help but

1917 and 1931

"Troops Drive Veterans from Capital; Fire Camps There and at Anacostia; One Killed, Scores Hurt in Day of Strife."

Thus ended the patriotic war epic within the shadow of the capitol building at Washington recently. Fifteen years ago members of the ragged army just driven out of Washington marched through our streets carrying the starry banner and keeping tread to the strains of patriotic airs. Women gathered with cigarettes and sandwiches to cheer the "boys." There were tearful partings as these men boarded transports destined for France.

Then the great receptions abroad followed by life in the trenches. There, in the muck and blood, the lice and filth, these men lived through hell for months. Amid the screech of bursting shells, clouds of poison gas, the popping of hand grenades and the swish of machine gun-bullets they fought to make the "world safe for democracy."

At home the greatest fortunes in history were being piled up out of the sacrifices of these men and the exploited workers at home. The profiteering ghouls got their handsome bonus while the getting was good. Then the armistice, and these men crawled out of the trenches and came home. The world was safe—if we forget the ruin, the death and desolation abroad.

American capitalism supped like a vampire on the miseries of the European masses during the post-war years. The returned soldiers wandered into such occupations as they could find. The structure of capitalism became shaky. In October, 1929, the world made safe crashed and the soldiers found themselves, with other workers, barred from the industries which had gushed amazing profits into the laps of the insolent profiteers. They were outcasts in the nation of their adoption or by birth. At Washington the profiteering class ruled through its two parties which were handing lavish gifts to powerful bankers and capitalists.

"Generous government," said the soldiers; "perhaps we can get an advance on our account that will help to keep us alive." But Washington was deaf. So the soldiers decided to march to the location of the Federal money vat. They established camps and occupied old buildings. By not molesting them the Federal authorities accepted the occupation. It was a lobby just as legitimate as the swarm of lobbyists who had already got theirs.

Then the swift and dramatic movements late the previous week. The soldiers were in flight and their shackles were put to the torch. In the glare of the flames, the dome of the capitol, looking like the nipple of a milk bottle that has nursed great capitalist interests, loomed above the smoking ruins and the hungry men in flight before a military drive.

Never mind if these soldiers did not vision the needs of the whole working class in demanding satisfaction of their own. They have not matured in class consciousness. That will come. Indeed, a press correspondent looking over the refugees at Johnstown observed a marked change in the men, a change in favor of general unemployment relief. That is a gain.

This section of the labor army has suffered a reverse, not a defeat. We invite its victims to join the rest of their class in a drive for general relief, and to march with us under the Socialist banner against the ruling clique that has treated them as pariahs.

—The New Leader.

Without Apologies to Kipping

or anybody else

By Sam Hill

If you can call a panic a depression, And say that it's improving all the while; If you can be consoled with a confession That life is what you know it an't—and smile; If you can call starvation malnutrition, And see a ray of light beyond the sky; If you can speak with praise of your condition, When in your heart you know it's all a lie; If you can see in them a different meaning, And say the Reps and Dems are not alike; If you can have the guts to say you're leaning Toward either side, as down the road you hike; If you can take the course of least resistance, And say it might have been worse, after all; If you can say it only takes persistence, And muster up the necessary gall; If you can but continue self-deceiving—Pretending that the luck is with the mass—If you can only say you're still believing That you are still a man and not an ass; If you can be content to face the poorhouse, While that last weary mile is being run; Beware, perchance you're facing toward the bughouse, And what is more, you're on your way, my son!

FLASHES By Incognito

The Pioneer Picnic Committee will meet with the Executive Committee Friday evening, Aug. 12, at the home of Oscar Godina, 3211 S. Crawford ave. Every member of each committee is urged to be present. The picnic date is only 18 days hence. It is very important therefore that the details are completed to guarantee a big crowd.

Right now we are working hard to arrange for low priced transportation to the Shady Tree Grove. We are also very busy procuring the various gifts and prizes for the races. A number of contributions have been already received but not enough—we need more. Every Pioneer is urged to get busy and help procure the various gifts. Prizes have always been the big attraction at the Pioneer picnics and we want them to be equally so at this picnic.

Advance information given us indicates that we are to have a big attendance. Our members tell us that their friends await with interest the annual outdoor festivities of the Pioneers. In former years the Pioneer picnic was eagerly awaited and the desire is equally as great this year. True, the date is rather late, but under the circumstances it couldn't be different. Other picnics, dates and places necessitated a late picnic. It will most likely be the final windup of outdoor activity for the SNPJ interests.

Very little has been said about the Pioneer girls' "diamond ball" team. Somehow, no one has given them any publicity. But we learn that they have wound up in second place in the sectional competition and are now going to make a strong bid for the Evening American girls' title. In the elimination round they have discarded one of the strong opponents last Sunday. We want them to win and climb up to the title, but we also wish that announcements of their games be published. Many Pioneers would like to see the games.

Speaking of the team itself, eight of the players of the 1930 championship team are out doing their stuff ably assisted by another half dozen capable additions. With their new outfits the girls attract plenty of attention while many of them also draw great applause for their spectacular playing. We hope they will come across with a second title in as many tries in the wide Evening American competition as the Pioneer boys captured last winter's "American" basketball crown. If you are superstitious and you think crossing fingers will do any good, let's all cross our fingers for the luck it may bring our girls—Oh, to the title, girls!

And the children; it's the week prior to the return to classes. Parents can give them one last opportunity to mingle together before winter sets in. We have always felt a satisfaction and pride in the attendance of so many young people at our picnics. This we feel, is one of the best agitational methods for the SNPJ because, if we can interest them in the doings of our lodge, we automatically interest them in the Society. And if we can instill the SNPJ spirit into them in their youth days, it will remain with them forever. So, we await with eagerness the attendance of many, many young boys and girls at the Pioneer picnic on Sunday, Aug. 20.

Stock markets have begun to rise. Prices are rising; people, that is the wealthy, are pooling and buying, and this is an indicator that better times are returning. At least that is what Incognito surmises. Yet there is no valid reason for the rise of the stock market. None whatsoever. Factors are not making any money. Dividends are not being paid. And those are the two main reasons for stock advances. Orders, singing machinery and employed workers make value.

You see how artificial this whole system is. Idle factories, no buying power, doles, charity, etc., and the stocks advance. Herein enters that statement that 64 men run this country and control the destinies of 124,000,000 people without any say from the people. Some say this is only a protest in order to reject Herbert Hoover. Perhaps, but just the same it definitely establishes proof for what we have so often said, that "the few rich have us bound hand, foot and brains, and we must do as dictated to us."

It is not a question of how to get new members anymore, but how to keep those already in the Society from dropping out. Very few societies have not lost in membership during the past seven months. People haven't the money to pay, that's all there's to it. Every lodge should make its secretary an active agent to speak with every delinquent before members are dropped and explain our passivity to every one burdened member. This will help us materially when conditions improve. Lodges should also appoint other committees to visit with all who drop out.

What's lovelier than a moonlight night, a pretty girl, good music and plenty of refreshments out in the country? A fellow could hardly ask for more. You can always have a good time at Sava's moonlight picnic. We know that, so the whole gang said they would be there. It's at Kegel's in Willow Springs. Cheap, at a quarter, plus ten at the gate.

Pennsy News

Picnic
Lafayette, Pa.—On July 31 some of us Torches spent a pleasant afternoon with the Silver Stars. The mulligan game with the Veronians was interesting, and I am glad to say that throughout the game a fine, clean spirit prevailed. That's the usual Pennsy SNPJ way. At the picnic Tony Laurich, a popular Silver Star, was in the limelight. He was busy working for two SNPJ lodges, and he also transported ladies in his limousine from the baseball field to the scene of the picnic. He's a good worker. Keep it up, Tony—Seeing so many of the "old tops" made the trip to Yukon a very pleasant and impressive one.

In Smoky City
On Aug. 1 it was my pleasure to go on a business and pleasure trip to Pittsburgh. The weather was sweltering hot, but we headed for 57th street to meet our SNPJ friends, among them Bro. John Ban, who is secretary of the senior SNPJ Lodge in Pittsburgh. Mr. and Mrs. Ban are always earnest workers for our organization. On this street there stands the beautiful Slovene Auditorium and a Slovene church. On our way back home we stopped at Emil's Place on the Lincoln Highway, near Irwin. He welcomes you with a "special smile," if you're an SNPJ member. Remember—it's always right to patronize SNPJ members.

Silver Stars of Yukon

Connellsville, Pa.—Hurrah! It's all over. The picnic held by the Silver Stars A. C. happened to come out successfully morally and socially, but not financially, on July 31. The affair began about 2 p. m., when the Veronian mulligan team and boosters arrived. Except for a good game of mulligan the picnic was quite dead in the afternoon, but towards evening until the hour of one the ball was in full swing. Some of the visitors that made their appearance were the Veronians, Ramblers, J. Z. Jr.'s, Torch of Liberty, Colonial, Young Valley Knights, and the neighboring and friendly Keystoneans.

A Good Game
The Veronian mulligan team proved to be the superior over the combined Silver Star-Keystonean team in the first game by the score of 4 to 0. Bunched hits in the eighth inning proved to be fatal to the Westmoorlanders. In the second game the score ended in a 7 to 7 tie, after the game was called due to poor arbitrating and occasional arguments. Biting and occasional arguments. But our players say "Revenge is sweet," and will see what will happen on the 29th.

Are We Coming?
Oh yes! We couldn't miss it. The affair that is so much advertised. Clairton's annual picnic to be held in Shady Park. The time will be on Aug. 21. The affair will mean a lot to the Clairtonians, because it is their only affair of the year. So it is your duty to attend, because the Clairtonians have visited many places in a large group and you are due for a real reciprocation from them. We'll see you there.

Another Loyal Member
Today's description centers around our former president, Victor Povirk, a charter member and a good worker at any lodge affair. Although somewhat homely, yet he takes an interest in other lodge affairs. He takes an extensive interest in the poor people's welfare, and workingmen. Today he is in the possession of many working committees. He's a passive member now due to the closing of the local mine, but he says he'll be with us soon.

Just Imagine
Yes, just imagine yourself in a camp with about 15 of your own friends, 5 of them your lodge brothers. With about 34 other life companies in camp on a huge hill. That is the realization that the few Silver Stars, including this writer, are in at the present time with the firemen at the convention in Connellsville. The affair, by the time this is in print, will be half over.

Get to Work, Youth
We would like to have the youth of the SNPJ at the Convention next year. It's time now to get started, the youth has shown from time to time that they have taken much interest in the management of this big organization. Let's have your ideas on how the Society can be bettered and made more prosperous. So, let's have your opinions in the Prosveta. Andrew Grum has started the ball rolling, let's follow him.

Is It Justice?
The bonus army that had congregated in Washington some time ago has been driven out by the regular U. S. army. In 1917 a call was made for an enlistment to fight in foreign territory, today that which rightfully belongs to them, has been refused. Even the Red Cross has refused them and while the bonus marchers are hungry and sick.

Today's Thought
There has never been any great genius without a spice of madness.

Herman Froese.

Integrity News

F. J. M.
Chicago.—Here's the news that all Integrity members and friends have been waiting for—Integrity girls' baseball team picnic will be held at Forge Cabin, Maple Lake, at 9th and Maple Lake, Sunday, Aug. 14. For those who do not have means of transportation, here also is good news—a truck will leave from Louis Kozul's house at 11 a. m. Louis lives at 1830 N. Clymoun. The price for a round trip will be very small. Swimming, baseball and other games can be indulged in by all who desire.

During the past season not much has been said of our baseball activities, but what has been lacking in publicity, has not been lacking in competition.

The girls have played in 24 games and lost 6. Of the teams they have met are the foremost in the city of Chicago. They have met the following: Pickwick 5—Integrity 8; May & Malone 10—Integrity 9; Libertyville Hawks 10—Integrity 7; Royal Peps 5—Integrity 13; Sleipner A. C. 11—Integrity 5; Royal Peps 11—Int. 20; Eagles (colored) 12—Int. 9; N. U. S. Sunflower 2—Int. 3; Eagles (colored) 10—Int. 11; Flashy Flashies (boys) 14—Int. 18; Amphion 12—Int. 19; Lakeshore A. C. 4—Int. 3; Chase Park 12—Int. 15; Chase Park 20—Int. 30; May & Malone 11—Int. 6; J. P. I. 12—Int. 10; Flashies 5—Int. 10; Amphions 8—Int. 8; Amphions 6—Int. 7. Several other games had been played and won, but the score cards had been misplaced.

In the Evening American tournament the Integrity girls have reached the greater finals. Thursday evening at Lincoln Park the Integrity plays the J. P. I. team in the greater finale. The game begins at 7 p. m.

It is the fondest hope of all members and followers that the girls can win the title.

Two great SNPJ teams will meet each other when the Integrity girls play the Pioneer girls at the Pioneer picnic on Aug. 20. This game is to be the first of a 5 game series to decide the SNPJ title in Chicago. Watch for dates for these games.

Stalwart's Sayings

Kenosha, Wis.—The thing uppermost in our minds at this time is Badgers' Picnic August 21. Who was that guy that said he'd go if only he had the means of getting there? Those interested in going should get in touch with the writer at once. Prepare for us, Badgers, we'll be seen' you.

Don't forget Stalwart's Annual Summer Frolic August 28. The best of entertainment, eats and refreshments are promised to all. The place is McKen's grove, only three miles south of Kenosha, and easily reached by North Shore trolley. The best of music obtainable will be furnished by Claude Zornier and his Melodians. Don't take our word for it, but just come and see for yourself what a real bunch of music these boys can deliver.

Two indoor ball games, featuring the four leading teams in these parts, will be played during the afternoon. Don't miss out on all this. **ADMISSION IS FREE!** —"Gus."

Secure New Stalwart's for the "Prosveta"

This and That

Library, Pa.—How our friend Hoover loves to pile up trouble for himself! Boy, how I can take it, o' boy, o' boy! The article "Perjured Testimony" makes an interesting bit of reading. There are many towns and cities that have their own power plants, water systems, etc., which in a number of cases earn enough to pay for all municipal expenses. Excellent! That is public ownership of the right kind. On the other hand, take the postal service. No one will deny that the postal service could be made self-supporting. Yet, taxpayers make up the deficit each year. The terribly inefficient government ownership of the railroads during the war is another example of the "blessings" of public ownership. Good and bad examples, aren't they? The question is—will the advantages outweigh the disadvantages of public ownership? Can public ownership on a large scale be made as profitable as on a small scale—and if so—how? There is no doubt that a new system is needed—but wouldn't it be better to decide from a practical standpoint—in other words, let's throw our rose-tinted glasses away and look for facts and more facts.

(Editor's Note:—When the railroads were taken over by the government they were (1) in a deplorable condition as admitted by the government administrator McAdoo, and (2) they were operated—NOT owned, as stated above—primarily for the speeding of war preparedness, disregarding all other phases.)
Library has no pose out looking for "Sugar," everyone is looking for work and can't be bothered. If, while chasing the elusive JOB we see her, we'll let you know—Palm Inc. Who knows what happened to Anyk, Prejst? Uran-tar will get in touch with me. How's of "nine-alarm" Present? No amplifiers needed—just muzzle Kumer, Previc and a couple other Flies at next Fed meeting. "Ay bay go hum now" sex Kossels after some home brew sampling. Jakovics comes back into circulation. Good. Where's "I am what I am" Biras these days. Radoleich is playing soldier up in New York state. Clairtonians out presenting their coming picnic. Fleas have another lawyer in "Spoken" Bolte from Library. With Beck and Bolte to take care of legal matters—the Flies are well fixed.

Strings.

Progressive Mail Box

Beaumont, O.—Opportunity is knocking at your door—you card sharks! (Knock, knock!) If only knocks once. Here was a chance to display your hitherto hidden ability at pinocle, bridge, sixty-six, etc., air, at the Progressive Card Party held on Aug. 9 at Slovane Home, Rechar ave. Table prizes, door prize, refreshments, music by Progressives' Aces.

"Winner Fry"
August 13 finds us all set for our "Winner Fry" to be held on the shores of Lake Erie. The private beach at Neff Road has been engaged for this event, where the Beacons once watched the sun rise (ahem!). Anyone who is unable to find transportation is not out of luck, for Bro. Rav-nahrib has promised to take the role of a bus driver. He will pick anyone up at Bro. S. Treber's house between 8 and 9 p. m. Only charge is 10c per person for use of beach. All neighboring lodges cordially invited.

"Surprise"
By the time this is in print the "surprise" will be over. Progressives are staging a surprise party in honor of Pres. Treber's 21st birthday, to be held at Chippewa Lake. Bro. Treber has been one of the most active members and has done perhaps more for the lodge than any other member. Belongs to more clubs, lodges, etc., than he can remember. Has a weakness for blondes (don't rush, girls) and loves to clip the corners on two wheels. Is simply crazy about aviation, but got seasick on his first (and last) plane ride, and therefore is content to remain on terra firma. At present is busy trying to figure out a way to bottle some of this campaign "hot air" so that it can be used in heating homes next winter. We sincerely hope you enjoy many more happy birthdays.

Extraordinary
This scribe wonders just how much time that Queek Anyk spent on his last article. It took me 1 1/2 hours looking up his extraordinary English.

"Canned Peaches"

Universal Comets

Universal, Pa.—The motion of Lodge 393 was adopted and became effective July 1, 1932. From this date on any member of our Society can be insured for death benefit only if they so desire. The adoption of this motion may induce many members who were on the passive list to again become members of good standing by insuring themselves for death benefit only. It will also add members who were to become passive to insure themselves in the same manner.

On July 30 a Comet and his friends from senior Lodge 41 invaded Washington Co. and attended a dance in Connelville. A fairly attended crowd was on hand; some of those present were known to this writer as Excel-

sors, Musketeers, Revellers, senior lodges of nos. 287, 41, Export, Midway, and Detroit. The cheerfulness of the Cavaliers' pres. kept the dance committee moving. Hoping that your dance was a success financially, and may the Cavaliers progress rapidly.

Sam and his Jazzy Clowns—were they! Their hilarious polkas were so fascinating that it exulted the hearts of the elderly folks as well as the youth.

After the dance a crowd was escorted to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Laurich. Here the accordion was put to work. All the latest pieces were played and all the latest twentieth century steps were exhibited, such as the epic polka, square dance, polter tanc, etc. It finally broke up in the wee hours of the a. m. Ye scribe personally thanks the Laurich family for their wonderful hospitality.

Fraternally,
Joseph Caesar.

Veronians

Verona, Pa.—Only two more weeks remain until the Veronians' Annual Picnic on Aug. 20 at Oak Hill Gardens, near Harmarville, Pa. The Committee is hard at work making extensive plans to make this picnic the Veronians' biggest affair. Music, dancing, eats, games, refreshments and many other features. Have you made preparations to attend? Now is a good time to get ready. Oak Hill Gardens may be reached by following the Freeport Road to Harmarville, Pa., then turn left at the Harmarville, Pa., railroad station and follow the picnic arrows.

Last week a truckload of Veronians journeyed to Yukon, Pa., to the Silver Stars' picnic, where they played mulligan and spent a very enjoyable afternoon. We will be looking for you, Silver Stars, at the Veronians' Annual Picnic. The Veronians expect to be represented at the following affairs: Musketeers, J. Z. Juniors and the Clairtonians picnic on August 21.

It seems in most localities it is the exception rather than the rule for senior lodges to work in harmony with the English speaking lodges, but it is pleasing to state that this friction does not exist between the senior members in this district and the Veronians, and it is hoped that these pleasant relations will continue.

Although the senior members, to a great extent, are not in a position to contribute financially in these strenuous times, they have given their wholehearted moral support to the Veronians, especially in athletics. It is very encouraging to note the interest they have displayed in the mulligan games in which the Veronians participate. Every game the Veronians play there may be found a large number of senior members enthusiastically cheering and pulling for the Veronians. We feel certain that this spirited interest in the Veronians' athletics is not only due to the fact that the Veronians have been enjoying an extended winning streak in the local mulligan league, winning eight games in a row without any setbacks, leading the league; but also that they seem to have a personal interest in the Veronians. This gesture of cooperativeness is indeed appreciated and it is hoped they will continue to remain loyal and ardent fans of the Veronians' mulligan team.

Vie Jakovics, Treasurer.

Flood City

Johnstown, Pa.—Members, don't forget about our next meeting, which will take place on Thursday, August 11, at 7:30 sharp! Be on time. Important business such as our picnic will be discussed.

Is everybody ready to come to the picnic that is being sponsored by Flood City on August 14 at the City Park, Highland Park (Hogback Tunnel)? A nice, cool place to sit in, with large and tall trees for shade, with a nice, cool breeze occasionally; just the place to spend these warm summer days. Races of all description will be held for both old and young, with beautiful prizes for the lucky winners. With the small price of ten cents you can dance all afternoon and all evening. Our own member, Stanley Kobl, will furnish the music with a piano accordion. All lodges are welcome, neighboring and outside, to make merry with Flood City on their "Third Annual Picnic." The admission to the park is FREE to all.

How many of you English Speaking Lodges have donated to the Socialist Party Campaign Fund? I have noticed in Prosveta that the Young Americans of Detroit and Flood City are among those that have helped the working class movement by contributing to the campaign fund. How many more will do it?

Fraternally,
Frances Langerholc.

BUFFALO BIG FOUR NO. 718

Buffalo, N. Y.—Friday, August 5, we had the pleasure of meeting John Lkar, Vice President of the Revellers, who was spending a few days with Bro. Frank Samman. John was also accompanied by his mother, Mrs. Michael Nagel and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Uherik. Your visit was too short and the next time we hope you will become better acquainted with our territory. **Jennie Jerman,** 103 Gold Street, Buffalo, N. Y.

Lodge News Notes

LOOK WHAT'S COMING

Meadowlands, Pa.—Another big affair by Trail Blazers affiliated with the Allison Athletic Club. A two-day picnic beginning Aug. 13 at 8:30 p. m. There will be all kinds of refreshments served on both days and also all kinds of palatable food.

This event will be held on the Trail Blazers' picnic grounds and dance pavilion in the place known as the Old Stone Quarry in Allison, Pa., and will be heralded in Saturday nite by George Koons and his orchestra. Koons, by the way, is noted for his competence of putting over "Tiger Rag" and other numbers as no other orchestra can.

Sunday, Aug. 14, a baseball game at 2:30 p. m. by two of the fastest teams here. After the game, some professional talent will entertain the crowd until 7:00 p. m., when dancing will begin to the music of George Koons and his orchestra. Just imagine, the admission will be only 25c for both nites of dancing.

So please put either 13th or 14th of August aside for a day or nite with the Trail Blazers. Help make this another never-to-be-forgotten affair. Remember the place, the Old Stone Quarry, at Allison, Pa.

Come to ours and we'll go to yours.

Fraternally, "Smilers."

FLOOD CITY NOTES

Johnstown, Pa.—Brothers and Sisters, may I once more remind you of our meeting which will be held on Thursday, Aug. 11, so as to discuss over our PICNIC which will be held Sunday, Aug. 14, at the Highland Park. There will be dancing, games of all kinds and prizes for the best sports. We would like to see all neighboring lodges and that "Old Gang of Ours." Come, will you, huh! **Publicity Com.,** Mary Koroshets.

WHITE VALLEY NEWS

White Valley, Pa.—Although there is no English Speaking Lodge of the SNPJ here, I do not see why some of the members of Lodge No. 232 SNPJ never write for the Prosveta.

Here and With Comrades

Cleveland, O.—Our next meeting falls on August 16. Let's make this a record meeting and everybody attend 100%. If we have a good attendance, we should be able to accomplish more. If the members do not attend and then do not like something that is being transacted, they start complaining, but it's really their own fault. It is the duty of each and every member to attend all the meetings and if you don't, "don't kick." At the meetings each and every member has the freedom of speech, so why not come and make use of it?

Everybody seems to be taking vacations and they all come back prepared and rested for another whole year until the next vacation. But what do you say if we all take a vacation together—say—for just a day? One that we will never forget? With whom? All the Comrade members. When? At our next outing Sunday, August 23. We want all the members to come around and enjoy yourselves. There won't be any "certain groups" (we hope), but we'll be just a "big bunch of kids" enjoying ourselves. Let's hope all attending will heed this notice and help everyone get acquainted.

Next week we will give the exact details as to when, where and so on of the picnic. So watch these columns for further notices.

We read in a paper where they called off a circus, due to the fact they fed the elephants coffee, and the elephants ate the grounds.

Joe Jare: "Say, Frank, found out anymore news about Louis Zela?"

Frank Truden: "No, Joe, only that he's vacationing at Port Clinton."

Joe Jare: "Don't feel like writing today, but I have to."

The above conversation was overheard by two Comrade girls who stepped into the Journal office. Well, Joe and Frank, since you are both Comrades, how about an article for the Prosveta? Readers of the Journal enjoy your articles and we know readers of the Prosveta would enjoy them, too.

Since President Hoover declared the depression to be world-wide, we don't mind half so much wearing cardboard in our shoes.

People everywhere are talking about "Inter-Lodge Day" at Mervar's farm on August 14. Why shouldn't they? This will be one of the most exciting days of the year and will be remembered by everyone attending in the years to come. Just to show how important this day is a movie camera will be on hand to take pictures of the crowds and various events which will be shown to the people at a later date.

"Variety is the spice of life." There certainly will be a variety of events. One of the many interesting events is the married men's game of class A and the single fellows. This certainly will be a royal battle and we know the score will be a

A few members and myself some time ago did try to organize an SNPJ English Speaking Lodge here, but due to the opposition on the part of some of the Senior member such a lodge has not as yet been organized. It would be well, indeed, if those members opposing the idea would help us instead of obstructing us in the venture. But in spite of this I hope that the time will soon come when we will be able to succeed in organizing an SNPJ English Speaking Lodge in this community, and we'll show them that the SNPJ is a great organization.

The Pittsburgh Coal Co. has recently closed its mine here, and many men are out of work. Next week I will have more news from this town.

Member Lodge No. 232.

CAVALIERS

Burgettstown, Pa.—It's been a long time since I've written an article for the Prosveta and several people have commented on my failure to do so, but why write when there's nothing to write? I would much rather see the space filled in by such writers as Louis Kossels, William Radoleich, Andrew Grum and a few others, who really write interesting and helpful topics, than by one who is not well adapted to the work.

Taking everything into consideration, our last dance July 30 was not very successful, but we made out fairly well. The music furnished by Sam and his Jazz Clowns of Ambridge, Pa., was enjoyed by the young and old alike. We were rather disappointed when the many who promised, failed to attend. Some people make promises like pie-crust—"to be broken." A large number of Excellors have always attended our dances and we want them to know we appreciate their co-operation.

It's too bad we have no red-headed girls in our lodge or we might see Louis Kossels in our vicinity now and then. Guess we'll have to transport one.

We have had three more transfers from the Senior Lodge, namely, Marie Laurich, Frances Laurich and Frank Taucher, making twenty members in all. We're slowly but surely climbing. **Mildred Taucher,** Sec'y, Cavaliers Lodge.

There

close one. The Boulevard Ice (girls' A team) are playing the Boulevard class B team. There are a number of neighborhood girls playing on these teams and you can rest assured the game will be a fast one. There will also be different races for the men and women. We just can't enumerate all the various events, but you can be positive of having fun and laughter galore by coming out. A certain merchant in Collinwood donated a case of Red Top Malt for a prize and the fellows are ever so anxious to win this prize. We may all be invited to a beer party. Can't tell.

Sunday morning at 9 a. m. there will be a parade from the Bathhouse. This is just another method of awakening the people to the fact that it is "Inter-Lodge Day." Some of the lodges donating the use of their cars for the parade are, Comrades, Loyalties, Strugglers and Pioneers. Wonder why Progressives haven't shown any interest? They may be lucky enough to find "Sugar." In case Progressives wish to enter in the parade, they can call Heine Martin.

There will be a truck stationed in front of Slovane National Home on Holmes ave. at 8:30. The price will be by only twenty cents for the round trip and everyone is invited to board the truck at either Holmes ave. at 8:30 or at St. Clair Bathhouse at 9 a. m. There will be a truck stationed at 1 a. m. at the Bathhouse for the people who are unable to manage to get on the first load.

So don't forget the date, August 14. We're all out for a good time and a good time will be had by all. Refreshments will be served for a small sum and a camera would be a worthwhile investment. What's better than looking at old pictures, pictures that remind one of great times.

Saint: "We're having a three-piece orchestra for our party."

Sinner: "Three-piece!"

Saint: "Yes, a piano, player and bench."

Odds and Ends

Frank Slabe keeps standing on a certain corner lately. Is it a "certain someone," Frank?

Millie Tomals was overheard saying she didn't like attending meetings 'cause they are all the same.

Why not come and put some "pep" in them, Millie?

Wonder why Vera Laurich didn't stay for the meeting last month when there was so much discussion concerning the picnic?

Who are Comrades' most active members? The boys or girls?

On the spot this week we have our old friends "The Chesty Whales?" How are you boys?

Miss Mary Spik, a charming young Comrade, is spending a week's vacation in New York. Hope you have a nice time, Mary.

A Scotchman was once run over by a beer wagon and this was the first time in his life the drinks were on him. **Saint and Sinner.**

LODGE ANNOUNCEMENTS

MANY THANKS TO THE SENIORS

Moon Run, Pa.—Many thanks to our seniors (names need not be mentioned). Special thanks are due to Mr. —, who would have done a deed for us, if we were incapable of answering Frances Arch's first article. Senior members are the backbone of everything.

Is there any reason why youth should be ashamed of a gray-haired person with a weary face and stooped shoulders? No! We, that are young today, must remember that we, too, will become old and haggard.

We wish to thank every person, from far or near, who have paid us a visit and have given us credit for our articles.

By our articles in telling whether we had a good time or not at the Musketeers' dance, we have won many a friend as well as an enemy. If those enemies only heard the stories from some of the seniors of Moon Run, they would have a different opinion of everything.

We are not glad to know that we have within our Society a few, who are ashamed of their seniors; a few, who dislike everything the seniors have done and are doing; a few, who dislike Slovene Halls, etc.

We extend our sincere sympathy to the bereaved Peternell family, who have lost a beloved son and brother, Frank Peternell.

Mary & Jo, Yammik.

SUSIE, THE TALKATIVE STENOGRAPHER, WITHOUT A JOB NOW

Cleveland, Ohio.—Due to Hoover's emancipation of us hard workers, yours truly will now have a little more time to do some observing among the doings of Comrades' members. Be careful, boys, Susie has an eye on you.

Official Notice

Our Secretary reports that the next regular meeting will be held in Room No. 2, new bldg., instead of the lower hall. This change is due to an act of economy passed at the last meeting. For the next few months there will be no dancing and refreshments after meetings, but there will be plenty of time for heated debates. All you debaters please note. Meeting date: Tues., Aug. 16.

Aug. 14

The Inter-Lodge League has played an important role in the activities of the various lodges of the Slovene fraternal organizations in Cleveland. All the lodges affiliated with the league have helped one another out in their many social events because of a better understanding brought

about by the athletic competitions in which they participated. The writer feels that this united activity will pave the way to a better understanding among the many Slovene organizations and will aid in any effort to merge the many fraternal societies. So, Cleveland, let us attend the league's annual picnic in larger numbers than ever before. This year Mervar's Park at 1379 Dunham rd. and Tinkers Creek has been chosen as the center of the many athletic events.

The Committee reports that there will be two all star ball games, racing, ball throwing for boys and girls and many other contests. Those who do not care for this type of entertainment will be able to dance to the tunes of Red's Rhythm Rioters all afternoon for the sum of 10c. Refreshments of all varieties to soothe your appetites. To get to Mervar's Park drive out Broadway to E. 71 st., to Canal rd., to Dunham rd., to foot of the hill where you will see the Mervar sign. The day's activities will start with a parade of all lodges at 9 a. m. The parade will start from the St. Clair Bathhouse promptly. We wonder which lodge will be the most conspicuous in this parade. Truck will also be stationed in front of the Bathhouse for those who have no other means to get to the picnic.

October 8

Comrades will open their fall season with the annual Harvest dance on Sat., Oct. 8, at the Slovene Home on St. Clair. All neighboring lodges are requested to put this date in their travel books and spend an enjoyable evening with the Comrades.

Susie.

LODGE NO. 4

Neffs, O.—Notice: Lodge No. 4 SNPJ will have its regular meeting on Aug. 14 at 10 a. m.

What's the trouble with our members? It seems as though the same ones are always present at our meetings. I wish those members who are suspended would come to the meeting; those who are cancelled would come and pay their assessment or they will be expelled; those who are passive and have started to work would come and pay their assessment or I will have to suspend them. I will not go from house to house and ask members to pay their assessments. I do not want anybody to be peeved about this, for I have to do as the By-Laws demand.

Fraternally,
Frank Zajec Jr., Sec'y.

lodge officers are located, or any other Slovene he would like to get in touch with.

In the city of Detroit we have a large Slovene settlement. We have a Slovene National Home Society consisting of 14 lodges and clubs and about 400 stockholders, but still we have no Slovene Auditorium. Financing has been our main drawback, we have bought lots and paid cash for them, in a district with a Slovene and Croatian settlement. The lots are located one block outside of the city of Highland Park, which has a population of 60,000 people, and has no hall because of an ordinance prohibiting them. There is no other hall within fifteen miles of this location, which is in the city of Detroit. Our present meetings and entertainments are held in an old house which has a partition taken out. Contractors can't build on credit today; they want their money as the building goes up, and that is where we are stuck because the SNPJ cannot loan on first mortgages till the building is complete.

The SNH Society of Detroit has several thousand dollars on hand, but not enough to go ahead. An appeal has been sent out to all the Slovenes in Detroit to give a helping hand so that the project will be started. Because if the building is not built this year, it will never be built. Building material and labor are so cheap now that a hall that would have cost eighty or ninety thousand dollars a few years ago can be built for fifty thousand now. So if the people fail to respond, then Detroit Slovenes may forget that there is such a thing as Slovenski Dom, and the rest of the world cannot expect much from the Slovenes here, especially the Slovene clubs and lodges. Our members have been and are disgusted every time we have an entertainment, because of the cramped up hall we are compelled to rent; other halls are not available. They are going miles out of the way to get better entertainment where they will not be curbed out.

At the next convention, our organization should give some thought on the question: would it be possible for the SNPJ to build auditoriums in larger cities which have a good size Slovene settlement and SNPJ lodges. Under the system of branches of our organization, the auditorium could be called a branch of SNPJ. The SNPJ lodges could be managers of the said hall. How much more progress the SNPJ lodges could make in Detroit, or Milwaukee, if they had their own hall, which they could say is a "Slovene Auditorium."

Would it not have been better if the SNPJ had invested that forty or fifty thousand dollars in a Slovene Hall in the city of Detroit. Instead of buying so many United Fuel and Supply Company bonds, which today are worthless? If this said amount would have been invested in a hall here, the valuation would exist as long as the SNPJ lodges, in Detroit. It also would be better than allowing the capitalists to get the benefit of our money, which has been earned by hard work, or let our own members get a little benefit out of it.

We must remember that today the younger generation will not be so easy to keep together; we will have to offer them much more than our fathers who built the organization. Years ago when lodges held affairs regardless where or the kind of place, the members would attend, but today the younger generation is different, if we don't give them a good dance hall and a good orchestra, they go elsewhere seeking entertainment.

Let's build our organization so that we can offer the younger generation what they want, without endangering our finances.

Andrew Grum Jr.

FUN FOR ALL! ALL FOR FUN!

Milwaukee.—That's just what the slogan is! Of course, we're referring to the BIG PICNIC which is to be held at Kozmuth's Park (Whiskey Corners) located at W. Beloit road and Woodlawn avenue, on Sunday, August 28.

There will be loads of fun for everybody. Special features will be held for the children, and we'll have some good drawing cards for the grown-ups. Plans are being made to have a good baseball game as one of the features, and you may rest assured that the game will be a good one.

One of the big features will be the catching of a very elusive greased pig. Catching this little pig isn't going to be the picnic some think it is, because he's going to be so very, very slippery. A good idea would be to put some old clothes on in order to catch him.

Then there will be a Treasure Hunt for the children. All of you know what this is, so it is needless for us to explain. Come and find out for yourselves.

No picnic is complete without a Fish Pond, and sure enough, there will also be one in prominence here on that date, only, instead of the "fish" costing 10c apiece, the prices will run from one cent (1c) to ten cents (10c), the price to be paid will appear on the top of the "fish." Many valuable "fish" will be caught, we hope.

In addition to all this, there will be delicious sandwiches which will be sold at all times, refreshments will be plentiful, and for those who wish, we have a pony bowling alley. We must not omit that there will also be dancing in the pavilion.

So, come one, come all,—come to our Picnic—just for FUN!

Jugoslav Orchestra Committee.

Hunger March of W. Va. Miners

Charleston, W. Va.—"If we can't get food, we'll take it!"

Five hundred hungry miners from the Kanawha Valley coal-fields, packed in a hall in the Kanawha county court-house to make the West Virginia legislature, then convened in special session, take notice of their destitution, greeted these words of George Scherr, fighting secretary of the West Virginia Mine Workers' Union, with wild applause. On three previous occasions these four hundred miners—and many hundreds more—dependent on relief rations delivered irregularly by a county truck heard the same words, applauded and threatened:

"If we can't get food, we'll take it!"

People respectfully secure in and around Charleston, as everywhere, dread riots. Riots rattle the complacency of one's life. So on all these occasions the miners obtained food. Not much, naturally—a few more sacks of Red Cross flour, a few more pounds of seed beans, a few, inadequate dollars transferred from the road building into the unemployment relief fund—but enough to appease the hunger and to silence the grumbling of the protesting miners at least for the time being.

Unlike millions of their jobless fellow-workers all over this country the miners of the Kanawha Valley coal-fields have not been starving quietly. Men who possess the heritage of independence that the West Virginia miners possess do not allow themselves to be starved quietly. They believe in letting the world know—especially if they go hungry through no fault of their own. The miners, therefore, began to march on the capitol in Charleston to call the attention of the state to their miserable plight.

In about a year, three "hungry" marches—as the miners here call their demonstrations—have paraded over the roads leading into Charleston and the capitol building. Last May, 600 miners, their wives and children, went from the Ward coal camp to the edge of Charleston one night to parade the following day to the governor's office to demand his and the state's assistance. The next morning Governor Conley appeared, perturbed but solicitous, at the miners' place of encampment, to request them to behave like American citizens. He spoke:

"Whatever may be the shortcomings of our government, whatever may be the conditions now, we have the best government on earth. We have eliminated class distinctions, and any man, no matter how humble, may sometime hold high office. It means something to live in a country like this, and your demeanor this morning shows that you appreciate those advantages."

Then he gave the 600 assembled miners ten dollars.

At the court-house, where the miners ended their parade, Harold Houston, attorney for the West Virginia Mine Workers' Union, said: "This is not the last hunger march that Charleston will see."

It wasn't. Ten dollars divided even among 600 well-fed coal-diggers and their families wouldn't go very far. It doesn't go nearly as far when the 600 coal-diggers are unfed. In addition 22,403 other miners in the Kanawha Valley who didn't share in the governor's munificence. But their bread boxes and pantry shelves were just as empty and as bare as those of the Ward miners.

Three months later the miners returned to pay their respects again to Governor Conley. This time "Ten Dollars" Conley was a much more hospitable host. He failed to meet the marchers at all. Instead a cordon of state police, armed with machine guns and tear gas bombs, lined the highway only a few feet away from the spot where the Ward miners had encamped a few months before, and blocked the passage of the procession.

John Britton, chief of police, made the speech this time. "You boys," he said, "are planning to move without a permit into Charleston. That won't do any good. It will only cause trouble. Are you going to force me to stop you, which I'm able to do? I have plenty of men. If you feel like you want to go ahead with it, then I'll have to get a stick."

Sixty pounds of bologna and 100 loaves of bread were sent to the camp of the miners by a group of local merchants. The women of the Kanawha city Methodist Episcopal Church contributed some food left over from a church supper given the night before. The "Ten Dollars" governor also gave another one of his ten dollar bills.

All that day they demonstrated, forgetting Governor Conley's admonition that they behave like American citizens. In the evening they departed promising to return, "five thousand strong," if they got no food. Behind them they left an agitated public.

They did return. Even machine guns and tear gas bombs can't keep hungry miners away indefinitely. On the morning of June 10, 1932, more than a month ago—small groups of miners gathered on the front lawn of the new state building. Unannounced, they came in response to a hand bill that had been circulated secretly through the coal camps the previous day. The bill read: To the Miners and Other Starving Workers! Your Presence is Expected in Charleston—State Capitol—on Saturday Morning 10 A. M. This Notice Means—You be There

Or Forever Stop Complaining of Your Hunger!

In times like these, behaving for nine months like good American citizens, taxes one's endurance. All through the winter and spring, miners had received emergency rations from county trucks, and as the months went by, the intervals between deliveries grew longer and longer. The weekly allowance for a family—whether there were five in a family or ten made little difference—was 2½ pounds of "fat-back" bacon, 2 pounds of salt, 1 pound of oatmeal, 3 pounds of beans, ½ pound of powdered milk and coffee, 14 ounces of baking powder. Public unemployment relief funds were depleted. Private charities could not cope with the problem. The Red Cross refused to give aid—the miners were not suffering from a natural catastrophe. Families were being evicted out of company-owned houses. At Ward 60 families, had been moved out of houses owned by coal operators and compelled to live in tents pitched along a state road. At Blakely a dozen families passed the winter in tents. Six families at Gallagher were occupying tents since January 1. On June 1, three days before the miners began to march, six other families joined the Gallagher tent colony. The men refused to work for just rent money. Bloody flux, the starvation disease, began to take its toll. At Ward, six children were ill, several had died. Five children and a woman had fallen victims to the sickness at the Blakely coal camp. One mine after another ceased operation. The number of unemployed miners increased. Those who were working had their wages cut to the bone. Ward miners were receiving 17½ cents a ton for loading coal. It came to be that a man was better off unemployed than employed.

The day before the calling of the march, a Blakely merchant in a letter addressed to the Kanawha County relief authorities, described the situation. "This," he wrote, "is to certify that I have visited one home here at Blakely this morning where they had a death in their family. I found that they had nothing to eat. I have sent them over from our store edibles to tide them over for two or three days. Now there are at least 12 or 15 families here in the same shape as the home I visited this morning and about 30 families who need help badly. I hope you can see your way clear to do something for these people."

Meanwhile plans for the dedication of the new ten million dollar capitol were nearing completion. The capitol was advertised as the most beautiful state capitol in the United States. It was also probably one of the most expensive. Didn't the gold dome alone cost \$35,000?

Stories of the new capitol reached the coal camps. The men began to ask questions. "Millions for the capitol; starvation for the miners," the miners who made that ten million dollar structure possible—how come? The miners were ready to march.

(To be concluded.)

Anthony Pierce,
Waukegan, Ill.
Member Little Fort Lodge.

Workers! Fight Against Deportations!

Yukon, Pa.—An Anti-Dies bill movement is receiving wonderful response from the workers in this vicinity.

As the crisis deepens, the drive against the foreign born workers increases, workers looking for jobs at employment agencies are mercilessly beaten up, arrested and held for deportations; starving workers are torn away from breadlines, workers fighting evictions, fighting for relief, workers in their battle against wage cuts. Militant workers in the class struggle, wherever it may be, are hounded, questioned, arrested and held for deportation.

The passage of the Dies Bill into a law would extend the drive of "Deportation" Doak. The workers of the United States, native born or foreign born, youth or adult, must meet this bill determined and organized. The defeat of the Dies Bill can only be successful if a flood of protests is combined with determined struggle against pending deportations. The workers must see that passage of this bill would help to break the unity of the native born workers with the foreign born workers.

The workers of this town organized in the Slavonic Federation consisting of eleven (11) fraternal organizations at a mass meeting on July 8 have adopted and sent a resolution against the passage of this bill to U. S. Senators from Penna.

A large number of workers of this town will be at Dies Deportation Conference at Pittsburgh, Pa., on Aug. 7. Three fraternal organizations have to date elected delegates, more are expected to do likewise at their regular meetings. Below is the Resolution adopted and sent to the U. S. senators and also to the press.

Whereas, we the Citizens of Yukon, Pa., organized in the Slavonic Federation, composed of eleven (11) fraternal organizations, meet this 8th day of July, 1932, and adopt the following resolution:

Whereas, a Bill introduced in U. S. Senate known as the Dies Bill for deportation of foreign born workers, also finger-printing and photographing the aforesaid workers; and

Whereas, if adopted this bill would not only contradict the Declaration of Independence, but it would be detrimental to the cause of American Labor; and

Whereas, in all strikes and labor disputes American capitalism would use such law to force foreign born workers to work while native born would be striking,

Therefore, be it resolved that the citizens assembled at this meeting most EMPHATICALLY condemn such Bill as Un-American, Fascist and against the will of American Labor; and

We further demand that you not only vote against this bill, but use all your power and influence in bringing its defeat.

Victor Povirk,
Sec'y. of Resolution Com.
In conclusion I urge all working-class organizations (fraternal, etc.) to send delegates to the Dies Deportation Conference in Pittsburgh, Pa., Aug. 7, at 220 Stanwix street.

Settlement

The best news from abroad for many a weary month is the agreement at Lausanne to settle German reparations at about a cent on a dollar of the older claims. It is more in line with what Socialists of all countries have wanted ever since the war than anything yet proposed, and that Premier Herriot agreed to it is proof of the influence and power of the French Socialists, on whose benevolence his stay in office depends.

But the good news is marred by at least two things: (1) It comes too late to do the good it could have done in earlier years. It is far less adequate as a barrier against the drift to destruction than it would have been before the bitterness and suffering of Europe had grown so great; (2) The settlement, it is said by some "gentlemen's agreement," is made contingent on America's forgiveness of war debts. That was tactically a stupid move to make and bound to cause irritation here.

Nevertheless sooner or later America will have to forgive what America cannot collect. Ever since the war we Socialists have urged that we do not merely drift to a time when the European Powers will reformat their debts or fool us by some form of words, but that we forgive the war debts on terms that make forgiveness dependent on progress toward disarmament, not armament, and on such terms of domestic taxation, etc., as will make the workers rather than the bankers the direct beneficiaries of this forgiveness. The old parties have handled the question to that America is now caught in a state of irritated futility over this whole matter.—N. Thomas.

Destroying the Home and Family

One of the horrifying charges made against Socialism is that it would destroy the home and break up the family. This accusation no longer serves reaction. It is not even mentioned. Capitalism hasn't given us an opportunity to try our hand at it and the system is doing a very good job of its own in dispersing families and destroying homes.

In New York State many young folks are unable to marry. In 1931 the number of marriages declined 3.2 percent compared with the previous year while the number of divorces have also increased by nearly 300. Moreover, the total number of marriages per 1,000 of the population has declined in the same period.

Add all this to the families that are "doubling up" and the children who are being sent to institutions and boarding houses because the parents cannot feed them and we have an idea of what capitalism is doing to the home and the family. It is working class homes and families that are most affected by the crushing force of the depression and unemployment.

The objection to Socialism on the score of the home and the family never did have any force even during normal periods. Many millions, because of their cash, maintained kept women while the ugly sore of prostitution has always been an "essential industry" of the capitalist system. In the foul slums of the cities the "family" has been a disgrace and the home a farce. A world of Socialist equity and equality of opportunity would put an end to these forms of the family and the home.

—N. L.

If instead of an income tax we could abolish workless incomes we would balance the budget and provide for the income of Socialism.

We would suggest an amendment to those who carry signs on their cars reading "Repeat the 13th Amendment." We would read, "Repeat the Depression."

Friendly City

"FRIENDLY CITY" ANNIVERSARY PICNIC

Johnstown, Pa.—Here we are all set to have a good time Aug. 14 at Goods Corner, with Al. Saunik and his saxophone making the music, but we mustn't forget his buddy; he plays an important part, too. There is plenty of room for everybody, for the place has been remodeled.

This is our Third Anniversary and I hope that all of our members make a good turnout as the admission to the grounds is only 10c, and you can have full privileges. You can get a bus at Park pl. and Franklin st. and it will take you right to the place.

Anna Briceley.

"Sava's" Moonlight Picnic

Chicago.—The treat of the year is here. The Moonlight Outing of the Soc. Singing Society "Sava." It will occur next Saturday evening, August 13, at Kegel's Grove, Willow Springs.

Few events are more attractive to the young and old of happy disposition than this "Sava's" annual affair. And why not? Who does not enjoy a mid-summer night outing with a group of people who leave behind all their troubles in order to revel in song and dance beneath a starry sky or commune with Dan Cupid under the spell of the old man Moon, casting his rays of dreams, of hope and beauty to the most despondent heart. And Kegel's Grove is just the place for a hilarious moonlight outing.

In the dance pavilion Johnny Koechevar will again entertain. And from what we hear there will be a nice crowd of merry people present—depression or no depression. Admission in advance 25c, at the gate ten cents more. Truck leaves the SNPJ hall at 7 p. m. One way fare 25c. Will see you there!

Double Ex.

Norman Thomas Speaks:

Western Massachusetts will have the first campaign speeches from Norman Thomas when he starts on a ten-day tour of the New England states on August 13. He will cover two dates in Vermont, one in New Hampshire, three in Maine, and two in Rhode Island in addition to the Massachusetts engagement.

He will speak at the Rhode Island state picnic at Providence at 2 p. m. Sunday afternoon, August 21, and at either Woonsocket, R. I., or New Bedford, Massachusetts, the same evening.

August 23 and 24 will be spent in his office in New York before he starts for Chicago for a meeting of the national executive committee. Two dates are available between New York and Chicago on August 25 and 26. From August 29 to September 9 will be spent in the middle west.

Thomas will return to New York City for a meeting on September 11 which will launch the New York campaign. He will be available in New York and vicinity for some evening meetings during the next two weeks. On September 22 he will start a trip to the Pacific coast which will take him west across the northern section of the country, down the Pacific coast and back along the southern route. On October 26 and 27, he will appear in Philadelphia where he is scheduled to debate with James Cox and Ogden Mills. The last ten days of the campaign will be spent in the vicinity of New York.

THE FARMER'S PRAYER

The farmer laid him down to sleep; He prayed the Lord his farm to keep; "I know," he said, "it ain't worth much,

(It's nothing but a mortgaged crutch), But it is all 'twixt Ma and Me And Hooverville's darned charity.

"I'm 'bout all in; I've lost my hopes, My faith in bishops and in popes; And, as for statesmen, my belief Is I'm the goat of their relief; They've 'saved' me, Lord, so oft and much

They've got me going nuts and Dutch. "Strange thoughts are roaming thru my head;

I'm feeling sore and seeing red; I'm wondering why bread-raisers must

Feed their young uns on a crust, While Congresses deny our rights To shower wealth on parasites.

"I've stood, O Lord, 'bout all I can; And I am a patient man, I mean to have what we uns raise No matter what Big Business says; I mean to be a man 'mong men; Please tip 'em off, O Lord, Amen."

(Submitted by Ann Ulepick, Mulberry, Kans.)

IN MEMORIAM

In sad and loving memory of our dear husband and father.

ANTON SINKOVIC

who departed from this life on August 11, 1932.

Rest in peace dear husband and father. Three and years have passed away. You are gone but not forgotten. We miss you more each day.

Sadly missed by his wife, Mrs. FRANCES SINKOVIC and family, Beverly Hill, Kansas.