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BOJNE LADJE IŠČEJO SOVRAŽNO PODMORNICO

Odmor v bojevanju na Bataanskem polotoku
ANGLEŽI DRŽE SVOJE POZICIJE

Washington, D. C., 24. febr. — Vojni department je naznanil, da enote bojne mornarice in Jerala iščejo sovražno podmornico, ki je sinoči bombardirala oljno polje pri Elwoodu, Cal. Ta je bil prvi napad na kontinentalno Ameriko v tej vojni.

Washington, D. C., 24. febr. — Vojni department je objavil deljano poročilo o operacijah enot ameriške bojne mornarice in letalske sile na Pacifiku v zadnjih sedmih tednih. V tej dobi so se potopile najmanj devet japonskih bojnih ladij in potkodovala 24 drugih ter razleli 48 sovražnih bojnih letal v spopadih v zraku in na tleh.

Department pravi, da poročilo ni popolno in da so japonske izgube najbrže večje. Bombe in krogle so potopile šest vojaških transportov, dve križarki, potkodovala pa eno bojno ladjo, dvanajst križark, osem transportov in štiri rušilce. Poročilo ne omenja ameriških izgub.

Upanje, da je oborožena sila generala MacArthurja ustavila japonske napade na svoje pozicije na Bataanskem polotoku vsaj začasno, izražajo tukajšnji vojaški krogi. Ti sicer domnjujejo, da bi se ameriška in filipinska oborožena sila mogla dolgo upirati japonski premoči. Gotovo je, da bodo Japonci vrgli sveže čete v bitke, da zlomijo odpor te sile.

V Washington dospela poročila omenjajo, da je bojevanje ponehalo na Bataanskem polotoku, odkar je general MacArthur strl japonsko ofenzivo. Težki topovi in obrežne baterije na obeh straneh Manilškega zaliva so utihnile.

Bandoeng, Vahodna Indija, 24. febr. — Japonske čete kontrolirajo velik kos otoka Balija in vojaško letališče pri Denpasaru, ki leži na južnovzhodni strani tega otoka. Bali je le nekaj milj oddaljen od Jave, največjega otoka holandske Vzhodne Indije.

Rangoon, Burma, 24. febr. — Britske čete držijo svoje pozicije na ozemlju med rekama Bilin in Sittang, ki je oddaljeno okrog 50 milj od burmanske ceste, po kateri dobiva kitajska armada bojni material iz Anglije in Amerike. Vse dosedanje japonske napade so odbile in vrgle sovražnika nazaj z velikimi izgubami.

Havana, Kuba, 24. febr. — Tovorni parnik Cofresi, naložen s sladkorjem in na poti proti Združenim državam, je bil torpediran po sovražni podmornici nekaj milj proč od kubanskega obrežja. Sem dospelo poročilo, da so se vsi člani posadke rešili.

Willemstad, Curacao, 24. febr. — Panamski parnik Thalia je bil napaden in potopljen v bližini otoka Moncos, sto milj stran od Aruba, holandskega otoka, po poročilo, ki ga je prejela častniška agentura Aneta. To pravi, da so se vsi člani posadke rešili.

Poziv na kampanjo zmage

Gl. odbor je na svojem letnem zborovanju vzel velikopotezne korake za nadaljnjo porast in zagotavljanje bodočnosti naše SNPJ. Razpisal je novo, veliko kampanjo za pridobivanje članov, ki se prične s 1. marcem in bo trajala do konca februarja prihodnjega leta. Razume se, da ta kampanja vključuje mladinske in odrasle člane. Imenuje se KAMPANJA ZMAGE in pričakuje se, da se bodo živdo zanimala vsa naša društva, krožki in federacije ter se resno zavzele za stvar, da bo tudi velik uspeh.

Kakor je razvidno iz kampanjskega programa, ki je priložen v tej številki Prosvete, načelujeta tej kampanji brata VINCENT CAINKAR in MIHAEL VRHOVNIK, oziroma glavni predsednik in direktor mladine. Kampanjsko delo je porazdeljeno na šest okrajev, katerim načelujejo distriktalni podpredsedniki, ki so po vrsti kakor se delijo okraj: JOSEPH CULKAR, JAMES MAGLICH, RAYMOND TRAVNIK, JOHN SPILLER, URSULA AMBROŽIČ in EDWARD TOMŠIČ. Tem sledi glavni činitelj, od katerih je največje odvisno, kakšni bodo uspehi te kampanje—URADNIKI IN ČLANI DRUŠTEV IN KROŽKOV. Nad vsemi temi je seveda glavni odbor, ki ima v smislu pravil vso oblast ukrepanja in ki pričakuje resno zanimanje in kooperacijo od vsakega posameznega člana, ker le tedaj bo ta pogon za nove člane popoln uspeh in rešnica kampanja zmage SNPJ.

Kakor vsaka, ima tudi ta kampanja svoj poseben namen. V resnici ima ta kampanja dva posebna vena namena, ki se najbolj pravilno odražata v geslu: POMAGAJ V OBRAMBI AMERIKE S PRIDOBIVANJEM NOVIH ČLANOV SNPJ!

Mogoče bo kdo vprašal: Kako mislimo, da bomo s pridobivanjem novih članov zaeno pomagali braniti Ameriko? Naš odgovor je: S tem, ko so za uspešne agitatorje določene nagrade, ki bodo izplačane v obrambnih varnostnih obveznicah ali bondih ter v znakih. To bo pomagalo k nabavi municije in tako braniti naše svobodine in do zmage našega orožja ter nad vsemi sovražniki Amerike. Ker smo mi globoko zainteresirani v obrambi ameriških svobod in pred nasilnimi ali agresorji vsake baše, smatramo, da vsak novo pridobilni član v naše organizacijo tvori nadaljnjo oporo, vsak nadaljnji član pomeni en dodatni steber naše bratske moči v obrambi organizacije, ki dela in se bori za človeško pravico in svobodo—ideal, radi katerega se največ bije sedanji svetovni boj.

Pomen naše KAMPANJE ZMAGE bo nam bolj razumljiv, ako pomislimo, da je vlada te dežele usitnjena na principih svobode mladi, svobode govora in tiska, vere, političnega prepričanja, itd.—na svobodnih, zasloženih v ustavi in elasti v takozvanem "Bill of Rights" ali določbi pravic, kajti vse to so zaeno principi in ideali SNPJ in na katerih temelji pravi ustroj bratskih društev. Smelo se reče, da je temelj sodobne ameriške demokracije globoko ukoreninjen tudi v bratskih podpornih organizacijah te dežele, ki so združene ustanove in izvajajo demokratični način upravljanja tudi v praksi. S tem, da poskušamo ohraniti te organizacije, zaeno pomagamo ohraniti Ameriko kot deželo svobode in ljudji in demokracije. In v tem postoji najbolj važna ter tesna zveza med Ameriko in SNPJ—navesani smo na obe, ločljivi od nobene. Opredeljeno smo mi napredna struja ameriškega štiviljenja. Torej—s pridobivanjem novih članov za SNPJ prav gotovo pomagamo k obrambi Amerike in ohranitvi svobod, za kar se bori tudi jednota.

Pri tem je na mestu pripomniti, da je s koncem leta 1941 bilo končno isvedeno tudi združenje SSPZ za SNPJ. Tako se je vsesilno čila želja, ki so jo idealistični člani verno gojili celo dvadesetletje. Z združitvijo je SNPJ pridobila okoli 7000 članov in nekaj nad en milijon v premoženju, istočasno pa so ti člani postali enakopravni, kar znači, da imajo iste pravice pri upravi in lastništvu organizacije s 60.000 člani in nad deset milijonskim premoženjem, ter bogati na lepih idealih in principih in tradicijah. Članstvo obeh organizacij je s tem pridobilo. Oboji so izvajali veliko zmago. In s ponosom lahko pokažemo, da se začneja velika jednotina KAMPANJA ZMAGE, ko je ena zelo važna zmaga že dosežena. S tem, da imamo eno tako pomembno zmago še v "zaklju", so toliko bolj strnjene naše agitatorične sile, naš skupni cilj toliko bolj zagotovljen. Na podlagi tega lahko še vnaprej zaključujemo KAMPANJA ZMAGE BO ZMAGA ZA SNPJ IN USA!

Zivimo v kritičnih časih in tega se moramo dobro zavedati. Naše članstvo naj ve, da smo dobro pretehali vse možnosti in prišli do zaključka, da je živahna agitacija najbolj priporočljiva stvar za organizacijo tudi v teh težkih časih. Nikakor nam ne kaže, da bi radi vojne kar ideli in čakali, pač pa moramo začeti s nadomeščanjem izgube še sedaj in učvrstiti naše vrste predno se vojna konča. Vsakega člana, ki ga izgubimo, bodisi radi vojaške službe ali kakorkoli, moramo nadomestiti in če mogoče podvojiti. To je edini pravilen izhod iz krize in zaeno najboljše sredstvo za napred. Baš radi tega so se distriktalni podpredsedniki tako vneto zavzeli za to kampanjo, in ravno iz teh razlogov jo je glavni odbor odobril ter dovolil tako privlačne in velikopotezne koncesije.

Od strani glavnega odbora je torej odobren program in izdelano je vse potrebno za takojšen začetek te kampanje. Potrebno je sedaj samo le, da se za stvar ogreje in resno zavzame tudi splošno članstvo. Sodelovanje vseh federacij, vseh društev in krožkov in vsakega posameznega člana je potrebno. Vsako društvo naj se zavzame, da vpiše vsaj enega novega člana v prvem mesecu te kampanje in tako naprej. To ni nič preveč. To naj se smatra za bratsko in patriotično dolžnost. Seveda bodo po večjih naselbinah boljše prilike in bodo tudi lahko pokazali več. Vsako društvo in vsak član, ki se potrudijo, bo zapisan na častnem mestu kot priznanje od jednote. Vsako društvo, vsak krožek in vsak član se lahko udeleži te kampanje in dobi nagrado. Treba je samo, da se prijavi in zaeno pojdje na gl. urad eno ali več prošelj za pristop.

POMAGAJ V OBRAMBI AMERIKE S TEM, DA PRIDOBIVAŠ NOVE ČLANE ZA SNPJ!
VINCENT CAINKAR, gl. predsednik.
MICHAEL VRHOVNIK, mladinski direktor.

Nadzorstvo tuje lastnine v rokah zakladnika

Washington, D. C., 24. febr. — Federalni zakladnik Henry Morgenthau je naznanil, da mu je predsednik Roosevelt poveril nadzorstvo nad tujo lastnino v tej deželi. Vrednost te znaša najmanj sedem milijard dolarjev.

Nadaljnji Francoz ustreljen v Parizu

Vichy, Francija, 24. febr. — Nacijske okupacijske oblasti so naznanile, da je bil Rogers Laus ubijen na smrt in ustreljen zaradi kršenja dekreta, ki prepoveduje nošenje orožja. V zadnjih mesecih je bilo 330 oseb usmrtenih v okupirani Franciji.

VELIKA RUSKA OFENZIVA NA CENTRALNI FRONTI

14.000 nemških vojakov padlo v bitki pri Karkovu

GENERAL KEITEL V BRATISLAVI

Moskva, 24. febr.—Velika sovjetska ofenziva je v teku na vsej centralni fronti in prvi vojaški oddelki so prodrali na ozemlje, ki je samo 50 milj oddaljeno od Smolenska, kjer je glavni stan nemškega vrhovnega poveljstva. Rusi so reokupirali Dorogobuž, strateško mesto vzdolžno od Smolenska ob reki Dnjeper. To leži petnajst milj južno od železnice, ki spaja Smolensk z Moskvo.

Uradni komunikacije objavljene danes zjutraj, pravi, da se ruski obroč okrog velike nemške armade pri Smolensku zožuje in da je ta v nevarnosti zajetja. Smolensk leži 240 milj zapadno od Moskve. Komunikacije sledi poročilom, da sovjetske armade prodirajo proti Smolensku s treh strani. Poleg Dorogobuža so Rusi reokupirali več drugih mest in vasi.

Stalin je vrgel sveže divizije v ofenzivo proti Nemcem na centralni fronti. Te so se v zadnjih tednih vezale v pokrajinah na vzhodni strani Uralskega gorovja.

Naznanilo pravi, da je v lju-ti bitki pri Karkovu, industrijskem središču Ukrajine, padlo čez 14.000 nemških vojakov. Bitka na tej fronti se nadaljuje.

Na severni fronti pri Leningradu, drugem največjem ruskem mestu, so sovjetske čete izvršile več uspešnih naskokov na nemške pozicije. Nacijska bojna črta je bila prebita v več krajih.

Ruska bojna mornarica na Baltiku, ki podpira operacije armade pri Leningradu, je porušila čez tisoč nacijskih utrjenih pozicij in utihnila 1500 sovražnih baterij. Moskovska radiopostaja je sinoči naznanila, da so Rusi potopili in poškodovali 267 nemških bojnih ladij in parnikov od začetka vojne.

Berlin, 24. febr.—Vrhovno poveljstvo poroča, da so Rusi uprizorili več naskokov na nemške postojanke v različnih sektorjih centralne fronte, a so bili vrženi nazaj z velikimi izgubami. Na drugih frontah se položaj ni izpremenil.

Feldmaršal Wilhelm Keitel, šef armadnega štaba, je sinoči dospel v Bratislavo, glavno mesto Slovačije, kjer konferira s slovaškimi voditelji. Tam se nahaja tudi načelnik okrškega vojaškega štaba.

Program glede delitve potrebščin v odmerkih

Chicago, 24. febr. — Michael Mulcahy, administrator urada, v cigar podjetje spada izdajanje je nakaznice za živila in druge potrebščine, je dejal, da se mora vsaka oseba ne glede na starost registrirati pri federalnih avtoritetah in podati vse zahtevane podatke. Registracija, ki se bo vršila prihodnji mesec, bo popolna in se bo lahko primerjalo štetju prebivalstva, ki se vrši na vsakih deset let. Sladkor se bo najprej delil v odmerkih, potem pa pridejo druge potrebščine na vrsto. Sleherni registrirane bo dobil izkaznico.

Turška misija odpotovala v Nemčijo

Berlin, 24. febr.—Delegacija turških železniških uradnikov je odpotovala iz Ankare v Nemčijo, kjer se bo pogajala z nemškimi firmami in vlado o dostavitvi lokomotiv in železniške opreme Turčiji.

Rdeči križ pošilja pisma v stari kraj

Imeti amejo le 25 angleških besed

Chicago, — Ameriški Rdeči križ je 20. t. m. naznanil regulacije za pošiljanje kratkih in osebnih sporočil v sovražne in od sovražnika okupirane dežele. Ta sporočila ne smejo imeti več kot 25 besed v angleškem jeziku, morajo biti strogo osebne ali družinskega značaja in spisane morajo biti na papirju, ki ga v ta namen preskrbi Rdeči križ. Naslov čikaškega urada v ta namen je War Inquiry Service, Red Cross, 616 South Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

Pisma, naslovljena na civiliste v Nemčiji, Italiji in Japoniji ter v deželah, ki so jih zasedli Nemci, Italijani in Japonci, bodo poslana po Mednarodnem Rdečem križu. Kjer koli bo mogoče, bo uradnik Rdečega križa pokazal naslovljencu pismo iz Amerike in naslovljenec bo lahko napisal odgovor na drugi strani pisma.

Rdeči križ ne pošilja pisem v nevtralne in prijateljske dežele, s katerimi imajo Združene države odprto poštno zvezo.

Politične demonstracije v Urugvaj

Dva senatorja ranjena v praksi

Montevideo, Urugvaj, 24. febr. — Policija, oborožena s plinskimi bombami, je napadla in razpršila demonstrante, ki so se zbrali pred glavnim stanom o-posredovalnega sindikata, katere vodja je senator Luis Alberto de Herrera, in s tem preprečila bitko med pristajali dveh političnih grup. Herrera se je pojavil na balkonu, da nagovori svoje pristaje, toda nasprotna grupa, ki podpira predsednika Alfreda Baldomira, je pričela kričati in živžgati. V akcijo je bila pozvana policija, ki je kmalu razpršila demonstrante.

Predsednik Baldomir je razpustil kongres, ko je opozicijska grupa zavrgla njegov program glede revizije ustave republike, obenem pa je odložil parlamentarne volitve, ki bi se imele vršiti 29. marca. Herrera je zagovornik izolacije.

Dva senatorja sta bila ranjena v praksi pred palačo državne zbornice zadnjo soboto, ko sta skušala priti v zbornico, dva poslanca pa sta bila aretirana. Vsi štirje so člani Herrerove politične stranke. Ta je zdaj objavila manifest, v katerem je proglasila podpredsednika C. Charlona za predsednika in pozvala poveljnika armade, naj se mu pokore. Manifest očita Baldomiru, da je prekorščil mejo svoje oblasti z razpustom kongresa in odložitvijo volitev.

Židovski pisatelj in njegova žena izvirila samomor

Rio de Janeiro, Brazilija, 24. febr. — Stefan Zweig, židovski pisatelj, ki je pobegnil iz Avstrije, preden so jo Hitlerjeve čete okupirale, in njegova žena sta izvršila samomor. Živiljenje sta si končala s strupom v svojem stanovanju v bližini Petropolis. Brazilski predsednik Getulio Vargas je odredil pogreb dvojice na državne stroške. Oba bosta v sredo pokopana na tukajšnjem mestnem pokopališču. Zweig je bil star 60 let, njegova žena pa 33 let.

Vojaki zasedli japonsko naselbino

Los Angeles, Cal., 24. febr. — Vojaške čete so okupirale japonsko naselbino pri Fish Harborju v bližini otoka Terminal, kjer so militaristične naprave. Federalne oblasti so že prej odredile evakuacijo Japoncev.

Domače vesti

Minister Snaj govori v Delavskem centru v Chicagu

Chicago, — Slovenski minister v jugoslovanski vladi Franc Snaj je bil povabljen, naj nastopi kot govornik po redni seji kluba št. 1 JSZ v Slovenskem delavskem centru. Snaj je brzojavno odgovoril, da pride v Chicago 27. februarja in zvečer tega dne nastopi kot govornik po seji omenjenega kluba. To bo okrog devete ure zvečer. Vstop k temu sestanku v Slovenskem delavskem centru v petek, dne 27. februarja zvečer, je prost vsakomur.

Milwauške vesti

Milwaukee, — Louis Jankel, mlajši, star 27 let in rojen tujak, je bil 19. febr. do smrti povožen po avtu. Zapuščena žena in oče. Pri društvu ni bil nobenem. — Dne 20. febr. je umrla Angela Jukič, stara 58 let in doma iz Slavonije. V Ameriki je bila 34 let in zapuščena moža, sina in dve hčeri. Pogreba obek 'je oskrbel Ermenčev zavod.

iz Minnesote

Duluth, Minn. — Rojak Arthur Lampe iz Eveletha vodi akcijo za organiziranje civilne brambe na Iron Rangu za zaščito železnih rudnikov in vseh rudarskih naselbin naokoli.—Pred dnevi je v Evelethu umrl Frank J. Starc, star 29 let in rojen tam.— V Soudanu (Tower) je po dolgi bolezni umrla žena rojaka Erčula, stara naseljenka in doma z Dolenskega.

Naši vojaki iz Indiane

Indianapolis, — Od društva 575 SNPJ je že 10 članov odšlo k vojakom. Zadnja dva sta odšla S. Skorjanc in H. Turk. Fr. Berlot iz Terre Haute je odšel prostovoljno k vojnarjem.— Želja je, da se vsi povrnejo zdravi in veseli.

Nov grob v So. Chicagu

South Chicago, — Dne 14. t. m. je naglo umrl Mihael Jurečič, član društva 8 SNPJ. Doma je bil iz Velike Mune, Istra in tu zapuščena žena in dva sinova, v Tacomi, Wash., dva brata, v starem kraju pa brata in sestro. Star je bil 47 let.

Cankarjev glasnik

Chicago, — Februarska številka Cankarjevega glasnika, mesečnika za leposlovje in pouk, ima sledečo vsebino: Ethin Kristan: Demokracija in svet (uvodnik), Louis Adamič: Za mir je treba delati sedaj, Ivan Jontez: Optimizem (pesem), Ivan Jontez: Pisma dveh zaljubljenec, F. H. Cramer: Iluzije o Nemčiji in Nemcih, Milan Medvedec: Več kritike! Japonski značaj, I. J.: Jezikovni anarhisti, Četniki, O pisateljevanju, Eiflov stolp v nevarnosti, Odmevi.— Cankarjev glasnik stane tri dolarje na leto, posamezna številka pa 30c. Naslov: Cankarjev glasnik, 6411 St. Clair Ave., Cleveland, O.

Nov grob v južnem Illinoisu

Livingston, Ill. — Dne 20. febr. je umrla Franciška Hribar, roj. Urankar, stara 85 let in doma iz Moravé na Gorenjskem. V Ameriko je prišla leta 1908 in leto dni kasneje je izgubila moža Johna Hribarja, ki je bil ubit v prenegovniku. Od tedaj je živela kot vdova ves čas tukaj, kjer zapuščena sina in hčer, omožen Bogovič, v Granite Cityju, Ill.; dalje zapuščena devet vnukov in 16 pravnukov. Pri društvu ni bila, ker je bila prestara za pristop. Njen sin John Hribar in zet Geo Bogovič sta oba bila delegata na 12. redni konvenciji SNPJ v Pittsburghu. Pokopana je bila po civilnem obredu 22. februarja.

Zlata poroka v Clintonu

Clinton, Ind. — Dne 22. februarja sta na svojem domu slavila 50-letnico svojega skupnega življenja Joseph in Mary Rom, oba člana društva 213 SNPJ. Rom, doma iz Bele Krajine, je še vedno aktiven pri društvu in vsaki napredni stvari in prav

SPOR MED DELAVCI IN DELODAJALCI NA ZAPADU

Cez 16.000 delavcev odložilo orodje

UNIJA CIO PREPOVEDALA STAVKE

San Francisco, Cal., 24. febr.— Cez 250 tovarn v San Franciscu in okolici, ki izdelujejo bojno opremo, je moralo zapreti vrata zaradi spora med delavci in delodajalci, ki ga je izzvalo vprašanje dvojne plače na Washingtonov rojstni dan. Delavske unije so obdžile magnate odgovornosti za spor, slednji pa so zvalili krivdo na delavce. Tovarne so ostale zaprte kljub apelu Donalda M. Nelsona, načelnika odbora za produkcijo bojne opreme, na delavce in delodajalce, naj skrbje, da bodo tovarne obratovalne s polno paro. Okrog 16.000 delavcev je odložilo orodje v znak protesta, ker so delodajalci odbili zahtevo glede dvojne plače.

Predstavniki delodajalcev so izjavili, da pogodbe, sklenjene z vlado, so na podlagi, ki ne vsebuje nobene provizije glede dvojne plače. Max Lowe, tajnik organizacije delodajalcev, je dejal, da so morale tovarne ustaviti obrat, ker je večina kovinarskih delavcev ostala doma, dočim je Al Wynn, tajnik sveta kovinarskih unij ADF izjavil, da so vsa podjetja, ki imajo pogodbe glede gradnje bitvestnega bojnega materiala, obratovala.

San Pedro, Cal., 24. febr.— Spor med najljudegradniški delavci delajo osem ali deset ur, je rezultiral v odhodu čez tisoč delavcev iz ladjedelnice Bethlehem Steel Co. po osemurnem delu. Ti delavci, ki so vsi člani unije CIO, so izjavili, da bi lahko kompanija obratov: ladjedelnico noč in dan, če bi odredila tri šhte po osem ur namesto dveh po deset ur. Ta kompanija izdeluje rušilce za ameriško bojno mornarico.

Detroit, Mich., 24. febr.—Uradni avtne unije so prepevodali "divje" stavke v departmentih Ford Motor Co., v katerih se izdeluje orodje, kljub protestu članov. Richard T. Leonard, direktor avtne unije, je imenoval M. Lakeja za posredovalca in razpustil dva unijska odbora, ki nista storila ničesar za preprečitev "divjih" stavk. Uradniki avtne unije so na masnem shodu naglasili, da se mora produkcija bojne opreme nadaljevati in nastali spori izravnati na miren način.

tako njegova žena, katera je bila mnogo let tajnica društva. Čestitke in še mnogo let zdravja in sreče!

iz Pennsilvanije

Lloydell, Pa. — Družina Nick Sikora je te dni dobila zdravega in krepkega sinčka, društvo 60 SNPJ pa novega člana. — Čestitke! — Slovenski vojak iz te male naselbine, ki že služi Strica Sama, so: John Gusel, Frank Poje, Edward Ilerič, Herman Polič, Rudolf Onušič, Karl Brence, Louis Brence, Andy Liković in John Vičič. Srečen povratek vsem!

Detroitске novice

Detroit, Mich. — Težki operaciji se je moral podvreči John Kramer, član društva 121 SNPJ. Nahaja se v bolnišnici Grace. V bolnišnici (Receiving Hospital) je tudi Anton Obramovac, član istega društva. — Civilne svatbe Boba Travnika in Lili-jane Grum sta se udeležila tudi Frank Lotrich in Luka Grosier iz Chicaga. — Ženski odtsek SND priredi 25. februarja zvečer v omenjenem domu plesno veselico. Ves dobiček gre Rdečemu križu.

Od časa do časa

poročila in komentira Milan Medvešek Radijski komentatorji v današnji dobi močno vplivajo na povprečno ljudstvo. Mnogim je radio edini vir, iz katerega črpa informacije in prav tako si iz tega vira ustvarjajo mnenje o raznih stvareh. Danes je dober radijski komentator prav tako važen kot dober urednik. Toda dobrih stvari je sploh malo na svetu, tako tudi ni ravno na koše objektivnih in poštenih radijskih komentatorjev. Po mojem skromnem mnenju pa je izbrani komentator Cal Tinney. On govori po radiu v takozvani ameriški hribovščini (hill-billy jeziku oziroma dialektu). Na clevelandski radijski postaji WHK govori ob 9:15 PM. Ob kateri uri komentira na zunanjih radijskih postajah, mi ni znano.

Westbrook Pógiez, poznani ameriški reakcionarni urednik, ki s kongresnikom Diesom vred vidi komunista ne samo pod vsako posteljo, temveč celo pod vsakim stolom, se je pred kratkim tako spozabil, da je napisal sledeče besede o Rusiji: "Nihče izmed nas se ne sme po nepotrebnem zalezavati v Rusijo in mi vsi moramo ceniti velikansko pomoč, čeravno je slučajna, ki smo jo dobili od presenetljivega junštva ruske armade in predvidnosti ruske industrije."

Časi se res spreminjajo. Lahko se zgodi, da sam kongresnik Dies prišel tultiti za sovjetsko Rusijo.

Rusi so pobili več Nemcev na fronti kot so jih zavezniški generali v svojih govorih.

Ženske bodo zopet bolj upoštevane v industriji. Prišli jih bodo nameščati na moška dela. Toda plačali jim ne bodo toliko kot moškim, temveč od 5 do 20% manj. Uničje se morajo potegniti za ženske in pridobiti zanje enake plače z moškimi, kadar opravljajo enaka dela.

Sezona za izletniške prostore SNPJ bo kmalu odprta. Otvoritev se bo vršila 25. maja. Prostor so najeti skozi vse poletne mesece. Odbor za leto 1942: Milan Medvešek, predsednik, John Sorc, podpredsednik, Frank Šušteršič, tajnik, Viktor Wood, blagajnik, Math Petrovich, zapisnikar. Noben urednik ni za leto 1941 sprejel nobene plače. Na tem mestu se zahvaljujem vsem, ki so na ta ali oni način delali za dobrobit farme, še posebej pa gre priznanje in zahvala podpredsedniku Sorcu in tajniku Šušteršiču. Upravitelja farme sta še vedno Andy in Theresa Gornjane, ki tudi vestno opravljata svoje delo. Cenjeni bratje in sestre, kadar imate čas, pohitite na farmo SNPJ! Omenim naj še, da so Napredne Slovenke 137 stoodstotno včlanjene pri farmi in da se je društvo Prijatelj bivše SSPZ združilo z društvom Združeni bratje, ostanek svoje blagajne v vsoti \$70.00 pa je podarilo farmi. Najlepa hvala!

Seja gl. odbora je končana. Pisec se z veseljem napoti v Chicago, a še z večjim veseljem nazaj domov v naš Cleveland. Večših se samemu sebi čudim, da sem sili v čikaško atmosfero, ki ne prija ne duši in ne telesu...

Članstvo SNPJ lahko veliko prikaže od takih glavnih odbornikov kot so Mike Kumer, Rudy Lisch, James Maglich, Raymond Travnik, John Spiller, Josephine Moccnik, Ursula Ambrosich, Andy Grum. Vsi ti so novi glavni odborniki in po mojem skromnem mnenju bodo objektivni in delavni ter bodo v prvi vrsti gledali za dobrobit SNPJ.

Gl. tajnik Fred Vider in poznani Krist Stokel iz Clevelanda argumentirata glede neke tehnične točke o združenju dveh lokalnih društev. Nadaljnje argumentiranje najbrže ne more roditi dobrih posledic in je najbolje, da se na celo zadevo lepo pozabi. Večših pride do argumentov, ko ne ena in ne druga stranka ne misli nič hudega.

Dramski zbor Ivan Cankar je

v nedeljo uprizorilo komedijo "Pri belem konjčku". Igra je režirala Tončka Simičičeva, poznana clevelandska sopranistka in tajnica ženskega društva 137 SNPJ. Igra je bila dobro podana in tudi scenarija je naredila krasen efekt.

Math Petrovich je postal stari oče. Njegova hčerka Frances, ki je poročena z Johnom Aldenom, bivšim predsednikom 566 SNPJ, je rodila zalo hčerko. Čestitke!

Federacije SNPJ

Seja clevelandске federacije Cleveland.—Prihodnja seja clevelandске federacije SNPJ se vrši v soboto zvečer, 28. febr., v SND, dvorana št. 2, novo poslopje. Seja bo važna. Predloženi bodo načrti za narodni dan SNPJ, ki se bo vršil v Clevelandu 5., 6. in 7. sept. Potrebno je torej, da se prične s pripravami. Apeliramo na vse, ki imajo kaka priporočila, da jih sporoče sedaj, bodisi po vašem zastopniku ali pa pridite na seja federacije. Nesmiselno je govoriti na dan priredbe ali po priredbi, češ "takole bi morali napraviti." Torej zastopniki, ne pozabite priti na seja v soboto zvečer, in sicer ob 7:30, ako hočete, da boste šli prej domov.

Odbor federacije za takoče leto je: Predsednik Matt Petrovich, I. podpredsednik Rudy Lisch, II. podpredsednik Cam. Zarnik, tajnik J. F. Terbizan (14747 Trafalgar ave.), Julija Zirovnik, blagajnica, zapisnikar Carl Samanich, nadzorniki Anne Opeka, Agnes Jeric, Frank Podborske; zastopnika za atletično ligo Carl Samanich in J. F. Terbizan; prosvetni odbor Frank Cesen, Cam. Zarnik, Rudy Lisch, Agnes Jeric; zastopnika za izletniške prostore Matt Petrovich in J. F. Terbizan.

Zapisnik kansaške federacije Arma. Kans.—Izčrpek zapisnika seje kansaške federacije SNPJ, ki se je vršila 25. jan. v Frontenacu. Zastopanih je 15 društev. Zastopniki poročajo glede delnih uspehov pri nabiranju novih članov kot tudi o raznih smrtnih slučajih. Od zadnje seje so umrli sledeči dolgoletni člani SNPJ: Joe Skubic v Frontenacu, Matt Kodrich v Armi, Louis Lipoglav v Cockerillu in Jakob Baloh v Jacksvillu.

Društvo št. 9 v Yalu priredi veselico dne 28. febr. zvečer v društveni dvorani za Rdeči križ. Federacijski odbor poroča, da je božičnica mladinskega krožka, kateri je pod okrbno federacije, dobro izpadla. Krožek je aktiven in je upanje, da bo tako vzgajil nekaj dobrih agitatorjev za SNPJ.

Blagajnik poroča, da znaša ročna blagajna \$55.24. Sklenjeno, da ostane federacija včlanjena v Prosvetni Matici spet v tem letu in da plačujemo dolar na mesec. Zastopniki poročajo, da so nekatera društva že darovala gotove vsote za Rdeči križ, vendar je sklenjeno, da se daruje v ta namen še \$5 iz federacijske blagajne.

Soglasno je sprejeto, da skupna kansaška društva SNPJ spet letos prirede Prvomajniško proslavo, kot jih prirejamo že zadnjih 34 let. Sklenjeno, da vprašamo gl. urad, da nam za to proslavo posodijo filmske slike iz starega kraja in pošljejo govornika.

Zastopniki št. 19 iz Minerala žele, da se po dolgih letih spet enkrat vrši ta proslava v njih naselbin, ki se nahaja na jugozapadnem koncu slovenskih naselbin v Kansasu, medtem ko zastopniki št. 65 iz Breezy Hills poročajo, da njih društvo letos praznuje 35-letnico in bi mogoče bilo umestno, da bodi to skupna priredba, ki se vrši lahko v Frontenacu. Po daljši razpravi je v večini sprejet predlog, da naj ima federacijski odbor v oskrbi vsu priredbo, da določi čas in kraj, kot tudi druge stvari, potrebne za uspešno prireditev. Sledi daljša razprava glede pomoči starim članom in o sklepu konvencije glede tega jedrnatega problema. Člani v splošnem razumejo, da ne more biti govora o kakih redni starostni podpori, ker nismo nikdar plačevali assessment v ta namen, temveč se naj pomaga starim

članom, ki so v stiskah, s plačevanjem assessmenta, da ne bodo črtani iz jednote. Večina navzočih članov je mnenja, da naj ostane pri sedanjem sistemu in da je sploh neumestno dajati kak podoben načrt na splošno glasovanje, ker je jasno razvidno, da ni mogoče nuditi članu kako večjo podporo brez znanega zvljanja assessmenta, kar pa ni priporočljivo.

Soglasno je bil ponovno izvoljen ves dosedanjí odbor za te leto. Prihodnja seja se vrši četrto nedeljo v maju v Frontenacu.

A. Šaular, zapisnikar.

Zapisnik federacije na kokosnem polju

Vestaburg, Pa.—Letna seja federacije društev v okraju Fayette in Green se je vršila 28. dec. 1941 v Uniontownu. Predsednik otvoril seja ob 4.1. dopoldne. Navzoči so vsi odborniki razen podpredsednika in zapisnikarja. Za podpredsednika je imenovan Max Magajna, za zapisnikarja pa Anton Skvarca, za to seja. Zapisnik prejšnje seje sprejet kot čistan. Dopisi prečitani in sprejeti na znanje.

Poročilo odbornikov. Predsednik in tajnik nimata nič posebnega. Blagajnik poroča, da je federacijska blagajna napredovala v letu 1941 za \$133.79 in da je sedaj v njej \$381.32. Nadzorni odbor poroča, da je pregledal knjige tajnika in blagajnika in našel vse v redu. Federacija se zahvali br. Stajnrabju in sestri Pečjak za povrnilno vsoto v federacijsko blagajno.

Seje se je udeležilo osem društev—št. 85, 101, 144, 288, 326, 494, 501 in 554. Zastopnikov je bilo 16 in štirje odborniki.

Poročilo zastopnikov. Društvo št. 85 želi uspeh federaciji in njih članstvo je zadovoljno z dobičkom veselice, katero je federacija imela 30. in 31. avgusta 1941 v Republicu. Čisti dobiček iz zabave je bil \$145.81. Društvo 101 se je združilo z društvom 494, drugega nič posebnega. Pri društvu 144 ni nič posebnega in žele uspeh federaciji. Društvo 288 želi napredek in slogu v letu 1942. Društvo 326 poroča, da je dobilo novega člana v odrasli oddelku. Št. 494 se je združila s št. 101. Društvo 501 je dobilo novega člana v odrasli oddelku, enega člana pa so izgubili. Društvo 554 bo sodelovalo 100% s federacijo.

Federacijske seje se bodo vršile leta 1942: prva meseca marca, druga junija, tretja septembra in letna seja meseca decembra. Vse seje se pričnejo ob 1. popoldne razen letne, ki se prične ob 10. uri zjutraj. Prihodnja seja bo v Nemaolinu na farmi br. Toma Baresiča, ki živi med Carmichaelsom in Nemaolinom in je sosed br. Ignatza Stajnraba. Sklenjeno, da plače odbornikov ostanejo po starem, kakor tudi vse drugo, kar se tiče pogorov.

Odborniki za leto 1942 so: Predsednik John Škoda, podpredsednik Max Magajna, tajnik Anton Skvarca, blagajnik Louis Dornik, zapisnikar Anton Bojanc; nadzorniki Frank Gramc, Jakob Baloh in Mike Unehich.

John Volk, član društva 570 pravi, da njih društvo ni polalo zastopnikov na to seja in da mu ni znan vzrok. On je prišel sam od sebe in ako bi slučajno društvo odstopilo od federacije, bo on ostal njen član in plačal svoje prispevke.

Prišlo je do razgovora o prihodnjem slovenskem dnevu v Penni in federacija je zaključila, da se da br. Louisu Dorniku polno moč glede združenja z drugimi federacijami v ta namen. Zaključek seje ob 4. popoldne.

Anton Skvarca, zapisnikar.

Iz urada clevelandске federacije Cleveland.—Opozarjam zastopnike clevelandskih društev SNPJ, da se vrši prihodnja federacijska seja v soboto zvečer, dne 28. februarja in sicer v Slovenskem narodnem domu na St. Clair Ave. Začetek točno ob 7:30. Vse federacijske seja so važne in dobro je, da so vsa društva zastopana. Matt Petrovich, predsednik.

Društvene vesti

Ely, Minn.—Za leto 1942 je članstvo društva Sokol 20 SNPJ izvolilo sledeči odbor: Predsednik Luka Verhovnik, podpredsednik Joe Markovich, tajnik Frank Erzar, blagajnik John Kalan, zapisnikar Frances Erzar; nadzorni odbor John Pucel, Joe Grabek, John Marolt; zastopnik za JND Luka Verhovnik. Seje se vrše drugo nedeljo v mesecu ob 9. zjutraj v Jugoslovanskem narodnem domu v spodnjih prostorih, ne več v zgornjih. Kdor ne dobiva redno glasila, priporočam, naj se zgleda pri tajniku s pravilnim naslovom.

Apeliram na članstvo, da vpišete svoje otroke v društvo, ker SNPJ jim nudi najboljše ugodnosti. Če mogoče, jih vpišite v razred B (endowment); v tem razredu plačate za otroka \$1.30 na mesec—\$15 na leto—ko pa dopolni 16 let, dobi ven \$280 gotovine, poleg tega pa še ostane \$20 kredita za assessment, ko prestopi v odrasli oddelku.

Do sedaj so šli od našega društva v armado Strica Sama Tony Gregorich, Math Markovich, Albert Markovich in Rafael Grabek. Vsi jim želimo srečen povratek.—Na svidenje na seji 8. marca.

Frank Erzar, tajnik.

Nemaolina, Pa.—Društvo 554 SNPJ bo imelo redno seja v nedeljo, 1. marca ob 1. popoldne. Vabljeni so vsi člani, da se gotovo udeležijo, ker moramo rešiti važno stvar za društvo in jednoto, kakor tudi izvoliti zastopnike za federacijsko seja, ki se vrši 29. marca pri br. Tomu Baresichu—na njegovi farmi, ki se nahaja med Nemaolinom in Carmichaelsom. (Srečanje se ne sme oglašati v listu, ker je proti poštnemu zakonu—ured.)

Joe Pajdakovich, tajnik.

Barberton, O.—Članstvo društva Triglav 48 SNPJ je vabljeno, da se polnoštevilno udeleži prihodnje seje v nedeljo, 1. marca. Na tej seji bomo izvolili pripravljalni odbor za našo veselico, ki se vrši v soboto zvečer, 18. aprila. Tak je zaključek januarске seje. Sedaj je potrebno, da izvolimo veselilni odbor, ki bo pripravil vse potrebno in torej se udeležite prihodnje seje, da to izvršimo. Naše društvo že štiri leta ni imelo nobene veselice in torej upam, da boste delovali kakor ste še vedno do sedaj, da bo naša prihodnja priredba čim bolj uspešna.

Alois Ocepak, tajnik.

Bellaire, O.—Joseph Vucelich, član društva 258 SNPJ in edini sin Teodorja in Sofije Vucelich, se nahaja pri vojakih že od lanskega julija. On je do sedaj edini naš član v armadi Strica Sama in je bil do zdaj že štirikrat na počitnicah. Služi pri topništvu v taborišču Fort Bragg, North Carolina. Dne 1. febr. je napredoval v narednika a plačo \$54 na mesec. Pravi, da so za časa njegovega službovanja že izvežebali v streljanju tri skupine.

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George Vucelich, tajnik.

Hermine, Pa.—Člani in članice društva 87 SNPJ se opozarjajo, da se morajo udeležiti prihodnje seje 1. marca 100%. Ta seja bo zelo važna, ker bo morala zvljati društvene prispevke, ker s sedanjimi ni mogoče izhajati. Torej udeležite se polnoštevilno, da se pogovorimo demokratično. Obenem se bo vršila tudi domova seja in je potrebno, da pridete skupaj ob 1. uri popoldne. Sloga jači, nesloga tlači.

Marie Zornik, tajnica.

Detroit.—Po zaključku godišnje sednice društva 711 SNPJ ovime se daje putem društvenog glasila finacijsko izvješće našega društva za vreme od 1. jan. do 31. dec. 1941 a koje glasi se sledeće:

Ukupno je primito u 1941 \$2,479.79 Izdato kroz 12 mjeseci 2,404.37 Više primito nego izdato 75.42 Prenos gotovine iz 1940 34.39 Ostaje čiste gotovine koncem 1941 109.81 Dugovina 3 člana za članarinu 5.79 Ukupno 115.60 Društvo je uplatilo u 1941 gl. uredu SNPJ u assessmentu za odraslo članstvo 2,121.49 Članstvo društva je poteglo iz gl. urada 628.00 Društvo više uplatilo nego je poteglo iz gl. urada 1,493.49 Društvo je uplatilo u ases. za pomladak 70.98 Uplačeno za odraslo članstvo 2,121.49 Društvo uplatilo za obadva oddjelenja 2,192.45 Članstvo poteglo za obadva oddjelenja 628.00 Više uplaćeno gl. uredu 2,564.45 U društvu se nalazi koncem 1941 73 člana i 31 djece, ili ukupno in obadva oddjelenja 104 člana.

Sa bratskim pozdravom, John Rimac, tajnik za 1941.

Karina zabava društva 450 Euclid, O.—Društvo Cvetoči Noble 450 SNPJ je sklenilo, da priredi kartno zabavo, ki se vrši v soboto zvečer, 28. febr., v Slovenskem domu v Euclidu. Do tega zaključka smo prišli, ker je nekaj treba storiti za blagajno, članstvo pa nima rado doklad. Gledati moramo, da blagajni zopet opomremo, ker vedno iz nje jemati brez dohodkov ne gre.

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Kar se tiče plačevanja assessmenta, vas prosim, da bodite bolj točni. Držite se reda. Assessment pobiram pred društveno seja v dvorani in zadnje tri dni v mesecu na domu. Pomnite tudi, da od sedaj naprej ne bom hodila okoli kolektari assessmenta—saj nisem inšurenčni agent. Potrudite se sami, da boste imeli assessment plačan do zadnjega v mesecu, ker jaz ne morem za nikogar zalagati. V nasprotnem slučaju bom rabila svinčnik in posledice si pripisilte sami. Točnost je povsod po-

Naznanilo in zahvala

Potruga srca naznanjam sorodnikom, znancom in prijateljem tužno vest, da je preminul moj preljubljeni soprog in oče

ANTON POLUTNIK

Odsel je na dolo kot navadno in ob 10. uri zjutraj je umrl za srčno kapjo na delu dne 8. februarja 1942. Ob enajsti uri dopoldne sta prinesla sinova domov žalostno vest, da je oče umrl v premoregovu. Bil je ustanovitelj društva "Rudar" št. 70 SNPJ, katerega je bil član 30 let in tajnik 23 let. Pogreb se je vršil 8. februarja t. l. po katoliškem obredu ob veliki udeležbi članov in prijateljev na Banff pokopališču. Rojen je bil 13. maja 1878 v Senovem, fara Rajhenburg. Najpriaznejša hvala društvu za darovani lepi venec in ravno tako hvala vsem prijateljem za darovane yence in cvetlice, kakor tudi za udeležbo in veščino s avtomobil pri pogrebu in za tolažbo v uri žalosti. Lepa hvala vsem skupaj. Tabi dragi soprog in oče, selimo, počivaj v miru in lahka naj Ti bude tuja zemlja.—Zalujoci ostali: Marija Polutnik, soproga; Anton in Frank, sinova; Stefanija Fedota, hči; Ida in Erin, sinah; Noris in Anton Fedota, vnuki; Katherine McDovall in Antonia Ostgard, vnukinji; Andrej, Edward, Arthur in Fari Polutnik, vnuki in Evalin Ostgard, pravnukinja. Cemove, Alta, Canada.

Naznanilo in zahvala

Zalostnega srca naznanjam sorodnikom, znancom in prijateljem, da je za vedno zaspal naš dragi oče

JAKOB DERMOTA

Umril je 27. januarja 1942. Trpel je več let za naduho, nazadnje je pa dobil še pljučnico, kateri je podlegel. Rojen je bil v fari Trešn nad Škofjo Loko. Ob smrti je bil star 63 let. Pogreb se je vršil 28. januarja na katoliškem pokopališču Sv. Barbare v Bridgeville, Pa. Polostili smo ga k mirnemu počitku na leto, kjer je veliko let počiva naša blaga mati in naš dragi brat. Iskrena hvala vsem društvim in sestrnam prijateljcem, sorodnikom in znancom, ki ste se v tako velikem številu udeležili pogreba in spremlili našega očeta k mirnemu počitku. Srčna hvala Geo. Usniku, pred. društ. št. 8 SNPJ, za poslovljni govor v angleščini in prav tako tudi br. J. Kvarčiču, pred. Samostojnega društva, za govor v slovenskem jeziku. Nadalje iskrena hvala vsem za darovane krasne vence in cvetlice, katerih je bilo toliko, da bi vso preprosto arko bi imenovali vse posamezno. Hvala vsem, ki ste nam na en ali drugi način pomagali in iskrali vaše solzljive. Lepa hvala vsem skupaj in za vse. Dragi oče, zapustil si nas za vedno. Teška je bila ločitev od Tebe, ker bil si nam skrbni oče in obnem mali skot 24 let. Počivaj v miru in lahka naj Ti bude ameriška zemlja.—Zalujoci ostali: Arthur, sin; Agnes, Christina, Evelyn in Stella, hčere; John in Matt, brata; Frances, sestra; štirje vnuki in več drugih sorodnikov. Sygan, Pa.

Naznanilo in zahvala

Potruga srca naznanjam sorodnikom, znancom in prijateljem žalostno vest, da je preminul moj ljubi soprog, oče in brat

ANDREJ DROBNIČ

Umril je po pet letni mučni bolezni 16. januarja 1942 v bolnišnici in ob smrti je bil star 80 let. Pokojni se je rodil 5. nov. 1861 v Grabovcu na Notranjskem. V Ameriko je dospel leta 1900 in bival skoro vsa čas v tem okraju, ter delal v premoregovnikih. Potrdilo se je leta 1912. Tuzjaj zapuščila mene žalujoci soprogo, tri sinove, eno hčer in enega brata, v starem kraju pa mater in enega brata, ako sta še živa. Bil je ustanovni član društva št. 44 SNPJ in vedno svest član od leta 1909 in enako dobo je bil tudi član društva št. 26 ABE, nadalje član U. M. W. of A., ter dolgoletni sodruznik pri socialističnem klubu. Pogreb se je vršil 13. jan. t. l. po civilnem in društvenih obredih in hile žalosti na Grandview pokopališču ob veliki udeležbi in spremstvu soborov, znancev in prijateljev. Srčna hvala obema društvoma, katerih je bil član, za spremstvo, govore na domu in ob odprtem grobu in vsem udeležencem in vsem, ki ste nas tolažili v uri žalosti. Zlasti vsem, ki ste dali na razpolago svoje avie in pripomogli do lepšega spreveda. Posebno lepa hvala vsem, ki ste poklonili lipkico svelega cvetja in vence in sice; mr. & Mrs. Andrew Drobnič Jr., mr. & Mrs. Carl Ambrose, mr. & Mrs. Frank Drobnič, Joe Male and family, mr. & Mrs. John Mihalik, mr. & Mrs. Irwin Howard, miss Josephine Urbas, mr. Frank Urbas, mr. & Mrs. Walter Weis, mr. & Mrs. Anthony Urbas, Mrs. Frances Gabriela, Mrs. Anna Govekar, mr. & Mrs. Louis Benčina, Mrs. Frances Livk, mr. & Mrs. Frank Hovevar, društvo Sv. Alojzija štev. 38 ABE, dr. Delavec štev. 44 SNPJ, Jerry Jenc, miss Annie Walters, miss Robert Zinkand, Memorial Hospital employees, Steam dept. of Bethl. Steel Co., Fellow workers of Bethl. Steel Co., Local Union of U. M. W. of A. No. 6394 and Franklin Bero School. Močnost je, da smo katerega prešli, za kar naj se nam oprost. Počivaj v miru, neposabni soprog, oče in brat, tam gori na lepem mirovdvoru, med te mnogimi svojimi znanci in prijatelji, katerih številu se vedno veča, naravní zakon je močnejši od naše volje, ki nas brez samiljenja loči za vedno.—Zalujoci ostali: Antonija Drobnič, soproga; Andrej, Frank in Edward, sinovi; Mollie Nehr; Frank Drobnič, brat; v starem kraju Ivan, brat in mati, Conemaugh, Pa.

Glasovi iz naselbin

Kampanja za Narodni dom in šol

Milwaukee, Wis.—Kampanja za Slovenski dom v Milwaukee se nadaljuje po načrtu, katerega je odobrila izredna delniška seja in se ne preneha tako dolgo, da običajno in sezonsko delo, s katerim smo mi stariji pred leti začeli. Torej vsa čista in srečno bodočnost! Želimo pa, da se nam prijavi še več takih agilnih mladeničev in mladenk, da nam v svojem prostem času pomagajo obiskati njih prijatelje in rojake v tej kampanji, tako da se kakor hitro mogoče proda zadosti delnic in izpolni pogodba po načrtu za Slovenski dom.

De sedaj že imamo v blagajni čez \$5000. Torej nadpolovično vso, ki je potrebna za izpolnitev pogodbe s posestnikom S. S. Turn poslojpa. Po zadnjem dogovoru imamo še 30 dni časa, da se pogodba veljavno izpolni. Torej, če v tem času običajno vse prijatelje Narodnega doma, potem ni dvoma, da v prihodnjih 30 dneh bomo lahko nadkrilili potrebno vsoto za nakup, s preostalno vsoto bomo pa lahko lelepšali in Dom popolnoma izplačali.

Resnica je, da smo sedaj po večini vsi prezaposleni s delom v industrijah za obrambo naše doma in dežele pred sovražnikom. Resnica je tudi, da po trudopolnem delu in za zdravje vseh potrebujemo tudi skupnega razvedrila in prijateljske zabave v našem družabnem krogu. In za to bomo najpripravljeni prostori v Narodnem domu.

Nadalje naznanjam, da v nedeljo, 1. marca, bo na shodu Slovencev, Hrvatov in Srbov govoril minister Snoj, ki je prišel v tem vojnem času iz stare domovine. Povedal nam bo gotovo več zanimivih izkušenj iz te vojne. Shod se bo vršil v Eagle dvorani na Wisconsin Ave., pričetek ob 2. popoldne. Nastopili bodo tudi slovenski, hrvaški in srbski pevski zbori z narodnimi pesmami.

Torej to nam zopet dokazuje, da potrebujemo svoj Narodni dom v Milwaukeeju.

Anton Tratnik, tajnik SD, 703—S. 5th St.

Zarja zopet vabi

Cleveland, O. — V teh resnih dneh, ko je ozračje na tem puškastem svetu tako težko, da nam skoro ne da pošteno dihati od poročil, ki dnevno prihajajo od preganjanju in barbarstvu nad našimi nedolžnimi ljudmi v starih domovini, o predrznih napadih na to našo novo domovino in o potoku drugih vojnih grozot—bo nudil Zarjin koncert v nedeljo, 1. marca, za par uric proti vsemu temu pravo od pomoči in uteho, ker ta pevska priredba obeta biti res živahna in pravo vedrilo resnim obrazom. Sestavljal bo iz zborovga petja, pevskega prizora "Iz mladosti" in komične enodejanke "It can't be done".

V pevskem prizoru podaja naša mlada generacija narodne popevke in pesne s tako razigranostjo in mladostno silo, da jih bomo morali vzljubiti. V igri "It can't be done" je pa zakopan za klad dovolj velik, da nam nudi dovolj duševnega užitka. Zborovemu petju je uvrščenih pol duzeta ljubkih skladb, katere pevi prav radi prepeva. Foersterjev izvleček iz "Gorenskega slavca" — Naš prapor" in svetovno priznana skladba J. Sibeliusa "Finlandia".

J. Sibeliusa priznava glasbeni svet kot največjega še živečega muzikalnega genija sveta. "Finlandia" je visok njegovga dejanja in nehanja. Na newyorški razstavi je bila dnevno proizvajana z gracioz-

nostjo vodometov, mavrične razsvetljave in simfonije. Bila je ena največjih atrakcij večerov. "Zarja" jo bo prvič predvajala in sicer v našem jeziku. Kot so Strausove in druge skladbe pete v našem jeziku izrazitejše, tako bo tudi ta.

V duetih in solospvih bodo zastopane sledeče poznane moči: Josephine Turk, Sophie Turkman, Albert Fatur, Alice Vidmar, Jennie Turk, Frank Kokek, Katrine Jürman in Valerija Wees. Tri pevec, katere smo kaj radi videli na odru — Frank Elarsich, Tony Perusek in Andy Turkman — so obklevi v vojaško suktnjo. Zarja jih težko nadomesti. Zadnji je odšel Andy Turkman, pred dobrim tednom. Pevec in prijatelj so mu priredili prav prisrčen poslovilni večer.

Radi zaposlenosti obrambnih tovarn se program prične ob 6. uri zvečer.

Občinstvo je prošeno, da upošteva to spremembo in je na mestu ob času, da bo omogočeno priti s programom ob času in bo pozneje dovolj časa za druge zabave. Vstopnina je samo 40c za osebo in si jo lahko oskrbite pri vsi Zarjini "družini". Polke in valčke bo igral Pecov orkester. Program bo proizvajal v Slov. nar. domu na St. Clair Ave.

V domovini so naše pesmi utihnile... Naj doni pesem v tem novem svetu krepkeje kot kdaj prej in veličastneje!

Vabljeni ste, pridite!

Leo Poljsak.

Vrtanje verskih "petokoloncav" v SNPJ

Johnstown, Pa.—Kolikokrat je bilo že pojasnjeno, zakaj je bila pred 38 leti ustanovljena SNPJ. Že njeno ime samo pove, da ni mika proti kateremu koli verskemu prepričanju, pač pa je nekaj narodnega, kar naj bi pomnilo, da je ta organizacija in službi vzajemnega bratskega podpiranja. Zato si je jednota izvolila svobodomiselnost načelo, po katerem imajo člani popolno svobodo verskega, političnega, filozofskega in etičnega prepričanja.

V kratkem povedano: vsak posamezni član, bodisi kot samec ali kot načelnik svoje družine, sme zase izvajati svoje lastno prepričanje v vseh ozirih, nima pa pravice, da na ta ali drug način forsira v društvu svojo versko ali politično ideologijo kot nekaj obveznega za skupino ali posameznika. Če se dogodi kaj takega pri kakšnem društvu SNPJ, tedaj pomeni to kršitev ustave in načelnosti te organizacije.

Naj preidem k uvodu tega spisa. Zakaj je nastala SNPJ, je dokazov dovolj in skoro večkrat preveč. Še žive stari pionirji, ki so bili ob zibelki njenega rojstva, kakor tudi drugi, ki so pozneje pristopili. Mnogi teh vam lahko povedo, da so bili primorani to storiti—ustanoviti SNPJ ali se je oprijeti—vsled terorizma pri tedanjih katoliških društvih, pri katerih so bila v modi nasilja, kazni, izobčevanje itd., ako člani iz enega ali drugega razloga niso hoteli kloniti pred nepotrebnimi verskimi privesci v obliki svetohlinjenja, cerkvenih prispevkov, spovednih listkov in osebne zavisti.

Tudi povsem pošten in odkritotičen član društva je bil vedno izpostavljen nevarnosti, da bo prosekutiran, ako se je na ta ali drug način zameril vodilni skupini v društvu, katero so navadno vodili po naselbinah tedanji "boardng bossi" in salunarji, ki so bili nekaki polbogovi in seveda pod vplivom "duhovnega vodje". Slednji so bili navadno tudi v tesni zvezi z delodajaljskimi bossi in skupaj imeli tajne zapiske ali "črno listo" vseh ljudi v naselbinah.

Mnogo naših mladih fantov in moč je moralo vsi s trebuchom za krubom vsled tega terorizma. Mnogi izmed njih so še pri življenju, razkropljeni po širni Ameriki in danes že postarani ljudje. Šli so skozi holo življe-

nja in kot dobri državljani mnogo storili za boljšbit sebi in svojim naslednikom. Ve vprašajte jih in vam bodo povedali. Ampak danes so razočarani. Namesto da bi dobili vsaj nekoliko priznanja, se jim pa rado meče pod noge polena, češ, vi črni brezverci, prokleti socialisti, koritarji, zdražbarji, izkoriščevalci ("milijonski fond") in mnogo drugih obteževalnosti, ki se šepetalo širijo med tajnimi skupinami.

Namen vsega tega je, da se dela nesloga med članstvom, posebno med tistimi, ki niso nikdar pogledali v pravila ali misli o načelni izjavi, katera bi morala biti slehernemu članu svetla zvezda-vodnica v njegovem življenju.

V zadnjih časih so se zopet pojavile nevidne sile v naši jednoti, kjer delujejo zelo previdno in oprezno, da zrušijo to, kar je bila njena gonilna sila za nagel porast. Te nevidne sile ne prihajajo k članom, ki razumejo načelnost, marveč se kretajo med mlajšim naraščanjem, katerim nalagajo, naj njih misijo zanesejo med svoje vrstnike in njih starše. Ta njih dobro začrtana poteza, katero bi lahko po novem imenovali "petokoloncav", se jim imenitno izplača. Prej ali slej prinese nesporazum in razkol med članstvom društva, rodi sovraštvo, denuncijantstvo in zavist med prejšnjimi prijatelji.

Tako nastaja prepad med članstvom. In ako reakcija dobi dovolj moči, tedaj kar odprto in oficijelno sklenejo na seji, da se uvede verski poduk za mladino. Za enkrat je sicer "neobvezno", ker pa pri njih namen posvečuje sredstva; bo obveznost prišla sama ob sebi. Za to bodo že skrbeli privrženci in nevidno šepetanje, ki ga je ustvarila tajna sila, ki ima geslo: "To hell z našim izjavo SNPJ!"

Vsakdo, ki le količkaj premišli, ve, da je bila SNPJ ustanovljena na principih ustave Združenih držav, ki daje popolno versko in politično svobodo svojim državljanom. Toda ameriška ustava ne dovoljuje nobeni verski sekli, da bi postala ekskluzivna oblast ali od države prejemala kakšne privilegije. Čeravno imajo lahko svoje šole in druge ustanove, toda na svoj lasten račun.

Tako tudi vsako društvo SNPJ, ki na svojih sejah oficijelno ali drugače navaja svoje člane k verskemu poduku, pa naj bo že v kakršnikoli verski dogmi, krši načelno izjavo jednote. SNPJ je v tem ozirju podobna drugim velikim ameriškim svobodnim bratskim organizacijam, ki se nikdar ne ukvarjajo s kakšno versko dogmo, imajo pa svoje ritualnosti. In te imajo tudi naša jednota, katere smo vsi dolžni spoštovati.

Pisec teh vrstic je že star član naših podpornih organizacij in dobro pozna razvoj našega življenja v tej deželi že nad 38 let, ker se je ves ta čas kretal v javnem življenju. Ker je že dolgoletni član glavnega odbora SNPJ, kamor je bil izvoljen po zaporednih konvencijah, ki si upal dregneti v sršenovo gnezdo s tem, da je opozoril neko društvo na nedostatek, ki so v protislovju z načelno izjavo jednote. S tem pa si je nakopal silno sovraštvo gotove skupine, ki pridno agitira med člani in ljudmi v obče, katerim še ni nikdar storil kake krivice ali škode. Še več: pisec obetajo tudi fizičen napad, kakor mi je bilo poročano. Za osebnost varnost bom že storil korake, da bodo oblasti že vedele, kje iskati krivce, če se kaj takega pripeti.

Namen teh vrstic ni, da bi koga žalil, le v syrho opozoritve so. Namen teh vrstic je, da SNPJ ostane čista v svojih načelih in principih, ki so pravični za vse. Le pustimo verstvo doma ali tam, kjer spada, pri društvih pa si bodimo samo bratje z medsebojno obljubo, pomagati drug drugemu, ne glede ako si rimo-katolik, mohamedanec, grkokatolik, luteranec, hebrejec ali ateist. To naj bo osebna zadeva vsakega posameznika. Mi potrebujemo drug drugega za medsebojno pomoč, in to posebno v sedanjem času, ko gre za obstoj demokratičnih in civilnih svobodčin in svobode, katero nam daje naša velika svobodna Amerika. Sicer se bom pa še oglašil.

Andrej Vidrič.

Nekaj o delegatskih plačah.
Cleveland.—Ker se še vedno oglašajo kritiki radi dnevnice na zadnji konvenciji SNPJ, sem se namenil, da še nekaj pojasnim, kaj nekaterim ne gre v glavo, zakaj tako veliki stroški. Predno nadaljujem, naj povem, da je bil in je menda še neki milijonar v Novi Angliji, tam nekje pri Bostonu. Ta revež je imel sina in ga dal študirati za odvjetnika, potem pa ga je skrbelo, kaj bo z njim, ker je itak preveč odvjetnikov, ki jim slaba prede. Demjallil se je na svojo prijatelja, ki je bil član zveznega vrhovnega sodišča, katerega je šel vprašati, kaj bo z njegovim ubogim sinom, ko dovrši svoje študije. Modri sodnik mu je odgovoril: "Let him sit down and think."

In tako tudi jaz priporočam kritikom zadnje konvencije: prej, ko kaj napišete, sedite na stol in malo premislite. Pomniti je treba, da smo bili radi združitve poklicani na konvencijo 13. septembra namesto 15. septembra. To je bilo potrebno radi odobritve združitvene pogodbe obeh organizacij. Ta špas nas je stal \$8112 samo na delegatskih plačah—brez zapisnikarjev in drugih stroškov. Storiš pa nismo drugega kot pokimali z "da". V nedeljo, ki je gospodov dan, smo počivali.

Kritiki bi morali vedeti, da so člani obeh organizacij zahtevali združenje. Torej nekdo mora plačati račun, ker državni zavorovalniški komisariji so zahtevali odobritev združenja predno smo mogli združiti nadaljevati s konvencijo.

Kot poročano, nas je bilo od SNPJ 259 delegatov in glavnih odbornikov, od SSPZ pa skupaj z glavnimi odborniki 79. Naše dnevnice so znašale \$3108 na dan, od SSPZ pa \$948, skupaj \$4056 na dan. Prihodnja konvencija ne bo rabila dveh tedelj s plačami in bo že na tem prihranek. SNPJ je imela 22 glavnih odbornikov, SSPZ pa 15 in še dva združevalna odbornika, skupaj 39. Sedanji glavni odbor šteje 31 članov. Tako jih bo za prihodnjo konvencijo osem odpadlo. In če bi bile plače zopet po \$12 na dan, bo že pri tem \$96 manj na dan; če bi konvencija zborovala 10 dni, bi bilo pri tem \$960 manj stroškov. Torej že tukaj pri odbitku dveh tedelj in osem manj glavnih odbornikov se prihrani \$9072.

Je pa nekaj bolj važnega za nas, o čemer je treba, da premišljamo. In to je, kaj nam bodo prinesla prihodnja štiri leta: bomo li še obstajali kot organizacija, ali se bo vlada zavzela za nas reveže in vzela v svoje področje našo veliko blaginjo? Le smejajte se! Smejajte se potem, ko boste prečitali eno stran velik oglaš tehnokratov, ki je bil v Cleveland Pressu 18. februarja. V tem oglasu apelirajo na svoje somišljenike tehnokrate, naj zahtevajo od predsednika Združenih držav, da imenuje Howard Scotta, vodjo tehnokratov, na važno mesto generalnega ravnatelja ameriške obrambe.

In kaj še? Vi radi pijete pivo in vino in "železno". Tehnokrati hočejo, da se zaprejo vse bare, da ne boste imeli kje piti opojnih pijac in boste morali biti zadovoljni s kozjim mlekom. Howard Scott vas bo že "sfiksals"! Ampak to še ni vse, kar hočejo tehnokrati. Oni zahtevajo odpravo vseh tujejezičnih publikacij, vseh tujejezičnih oglasov in tujejezičnih radijskih programov. In kaj naj še vlada odpravi? Vse s tujim imenom označene ameriške organizacije in bratska društva brez pardona in brez ozira, za kaj so bila ustanovljena in brez ozira kakšne so—politične, kulturne, vzgojevalne ali umetniške.

Tukaj, bračo, pazite se, ker prihajajo rokovnjači s fašizmom na čelu. Mi se lahko smejemo—saj so se umirjali tudi v Nemčiji, ko je Hitler blebetal, da se bodo glave rdečkarjev (marksistov) kotalile po pesku, ko bo on prišel na krmilo. In smejali so se tudi v Pearl Harborju pred 7. decembrom 1941, če je kdo omenil, da pridejo sovražniki. Ampak prišli so. Prišli so tudi v Nemčiji in sedaj je boj tukaj. Torej bratje, za enkrat se vediti in pomislimo, ali bomo ali ne bomo zborovali na konvenciji leta 1945. To je bolj važno kakor pa delati iniciative brez krę-

marja. Iniciative tudi stanejo denarja. Za danes končam.

Frank Barbič, 53.

Društvo 104
West Allis, Wis.—Pri našem društvu Združenje 104 SNPJ je dal časa vlada nekakina poparnost in malomarnost. Tudi jako "cagljivi" smo, nobene večje priredbe se nismo upali omisliti že dolgo časa, ker smo se bali neuspeha. Ta strah menda izvira iz naše zadnje Silvestrove priredbe leta 1940.

Udeležba na tisti zabavi je bila zelo majhna, če računamo, da je društvo tedaj štelo še 185 članov. Na tisti zabavi smo imeli tudi par gostov iz Chicaga; če se ne motim, so bili br. Zupan, njegova soproga in naš glavni predsednik Vincent Calkar, ki je sprgovoril par besed v prid SNPJ. Kot se je videlo, so bili zadovoljni s postrežbo. Tem gostom smo takrat obljubili, da mislimo kmalu imeti večjo priredbo, če ne drugega, s predvajanjem slik iz starega kraja. Tiste obljube nismo še do danes izpolnili.

Ko smo prišli na decembrski seji na točko volitev uradnikov, se je naš stari predsednik Anton Demshar odpovedal kandidaturi. Vzrok je menda v tem, ker se člani ne udeležujejo društvenih sej in prireditiv in tako ne izpolnjujejo svojih članskih dolžnosti. Tako nekako se je izrazil tudi naš bivši predsednik. Imeli smo smolo, dobiti drugega, ker vsakdo se je branil. Po večkratni nominaciji smo vendar uspeli in izvolili ves nov odbor razen dveh starih nadzornikov—John Rezel in Ralph Chaplak, tretje mesto pa je prevzela Kristina Pugel, stara tajnica. To mesto je zavzemal več let sedanji društveni predsednik.

Moram reči, da so v tem "novem" odboru člani, ki so imeli že vsakovrstne urade in odborniška mesta. Zatorej je zaleti, da jim gre članstvo na roke v vseh ozirih, da prihaja na seje in tudi na bodoče društvene priredbe. Saj bo uspeh slednjih in vsezadnje v korist celokupnega članstva, društva in jednote.

Na januarski seji je neki član omenil, da bo naše društvo v tekočem letu staro dvajset let. Tako smo izvolili veselilni odbor šestih članov in članje in jim dali nalogo, da ukrenejo za kakšno priredbo v proslavo te obletnice. Na februarški seji je veselilni odbor poročal, da so se sporazumeli, da društvo proslavlja svojo dvajsetletnico 2. maja v Labor Templu na 64th st. in National ave. Društvo je to pripravilo soglasno potrdilo.

Torej sedaj, ko smo vsi skupaj za to priredbo, želimo, da bo pomagal vsak član in vsaka članica po svoji možnosti in sposobnosti do boljšega uspeha. Na vsa društva v West Allisu in Milwaukeeju pa apeliram, naj nam za enkrat odstopijo drugi maj in naj ne prirejajo svojih zabav na omenjeni dan.

Ko že pišem o dvajsetletnici našega društva, naj omenim, da je bilo v zadnjem poročilu o tem omenjeno, da bo društvo praznovalo 30-letnico, kar pa je bila pomota. Tridesetletnico bomo praznovali šele čez deset let, če bomo še pri življenju, ali še nas ne bo diktatorska lopovska trojica podjarmila in oropala še tiste male svobode, ki jo lahko še uživamo v tej deželi. Ampak upamo in smo tudi prepričani, da se to ne zgodi.

Zaenkrat se bomo torej morali zadovoljiti s praznovanjem dvajsetletnice. Torej bratje in sestre, pridite na prihodnjo sejo, ki se vrši 13. marca v starih prostorih. Na tej seji bo veselilni odbor že lahko podal obširnejše poročilo, vsi skupaj pa primimo za delo in glejmo, da bo naša obletnica 20-letnega poslovanja uspešna in tudi zgodovinsko pomembna. (Drugo bo v dnevniku—ured.)

R. Singer, predsednik.

Jolieta, gl. tajnika slovenske sekcije JFO.

Na prvi seji izbrani zastopniki in zastopnice so šli takoj na delo — od hiše do hiše okrog naših rojakov in nabirali prostovoljne prispevke. Uspeh je bil povoljen za pričetek. Na drugi seji, ki se je vršila 15. februarja, je bilo poročano, da so nabrali \$204,76, kar je že lepa vsota za začetek. V imenu pomožne akcije se iskreno zahvaljujem vsem darovalcem in darovalkam in vsem, ki ste se potrudili ter šli okrog rojakov in rojakinj in nabrali omenjeno vsoto.

Res je, da se še danes slišijo glasovi in očitki, češ "saj smo pomagali in dali v zadnji svetovni vojni in kaj smo dosegli" itd. Tudi jaz sem dal, ampak ta pomožna akcija je nekaj čisto drugega. Tudi upam, da bo še nabrali denar za plemenite namene: za kruh gladnim in za obleke raztrganim. Torej bodimo složni v borbi za obstanek malega pa kulturnega slovenskega naroda v stari domovini.

Prihodnja seja naše pomožne akcije se bo vršila dne 15. marca ob dveh popoldne v Slovenskem domu. Ponovno prosimo sosednje naselbine — Oglesby, Depue, Ottwa — da pošljejo svoje zastopnike na to sejo. Na zadnji seji smo imeli enega zastopnika iz Oglesbyja. Upamo, da se bodo prihodnje seje 15. marca udeležili v polnem številu in delovali skupno z nami za pomoč bednim med bednimi v stari domovini, ko bo ta pomoč mogoča.

Borba med civiliziranim in demokratičnim svetom na eni strani in krutim diktatorjem na drugi strani se nadaljuje brez usmiljenja. Treba bo še veliko žrtev v življenju in finančno predno bo pravica zmagała. In pravica mora zmagati nad krutim sovražnikom, ki brutalno mori nedolžne otroke in žene, stare in mlade na levo in desno. Rojaki in rojakinje, dolžnost nas vseh je, da pomagamo ameriški vladi, to je naši vladi kolikor največ mogoče do zmage. Tukaj je naš dom, naš kruh. Srečni smo, da smo v tej naši avobodni novi domovini in moramo ji biti hvaležni.

Iz naše naselbine je odšlo že veliko slovenskih fantov v ameriško armado in še vedno odhajajo; nekateri so odšli prostovoljno, drugi pa kot vpoklicanci. Naša naselbina bo častno zastopana s "slovenskimi fanti in možmi v tej svetovni borbi za svobodo. Vsa želimo, da je ta borba za svobodo vsega sveta, kar je tudi geslo Amerike.

Dne 5. aprila bomo imeli zopet priliko videti "Amateur Show" pod vodstvom društva Mohawk 573 SNPJ. To bo nekaj zanimivega za vsakega, ki se bo udeležil. Vstopnina bo majhna. Lanako leto smo imeli

v Slovenskem domu prvič "Amateur Show" Priredba je nad vse dobro uspeła in navzoče občinstvo je imelo dovolj zabave. Tako bo tudi letos. Po "showu" bo ples in prosta zabava v spodnjih prostorih. Igrala bo dobro znana godba Stream Liner, ki zadovolji vse plesateljine.

Torej 5. aprila od blizu in daleč vsi v Slovenski dom in se zabavajmo med člani društva Mohawk 573 SNPJ. To društvo ima vedno bogat program in ga bo imelo tudi na tej priredbi. Pričetek točno ob 2:30 popoldne.

Matt Vogrich, 2.

DRUŠTVENA VEST

Adah, Pa.—Društvo 269 SNPJ je na zadnji seji sklenilo, da se bodo naše seje v bodoče pričele ob 11. dopoldne namesto ob 10. uri v istih prostorih—v dvorani Georga Plavasa. Obenem društveni odbor poziva članstvo, da se udeležuje društvenih sej v čim večjem številu, ker odbor brez članstva ne more nič storiti.

Michael Bukovac, tajnik.

LISTNICA UREDNIŠTVA

Bobtown, Pa., M. Z. Registraciji sovražnih izvozemcev so podvrženi samo nedržavljeni iz Nemčije, Italije in Japonake. Glede primorskih Slovencev, katerih rojstni kraj je že 22 let pod Italijo, smo čitali razna "tolmačenja", iz katerih lahko sodimo, da si federalni oblastniki niso na jasmem, kam bi prišli te naše rojake. Naš nasvet je, da se registrirate. Škoditi vam ne more, koristiti vam pa lahko.

Društvo 107 SNPJ: Gl. odbor je to že zadevo zaključil. Vaša sugestija, če se objavi, bi samo izzvala nove argumente, ki bi bili sdaj brez pomena.

Kogar se tiče, Milwaukee: Kaj boste rekli o človeku, ki ni čevljar pa se loti šivanja čevljev in ko pokvari dobro usnje, gre k čevljarju in pričakuje od njega, da bo predelal njegove "čevlje" v dobre čevlje in potem bo povedal drugim, da dobri čevlji niso njegovo delo, temveč so delo nekoga drugega, ki se sploh ni učil čevljarstva? To velja tudi za dopisnika, ki ne zna pravilno pisati pa se loti pisanja povelj. Urednikova dolžnost je, da prepíše dopis, če je vsebina dobra, ni pa naša dolžnost, da bomo prepisavali in pilili povesti in potem podpisali ime onega, čigar delo ni več...

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Naša nova kampanja

Nova članska kampanja SNPJ, katera se začne 1. marca in traja leto dni, je dvojnega značaja. Na eni strani se vrši za povečanje članstva naše jednote, na drugi strani pa ima stremeti za čim večjo obrambo Združenih držav.

Skratka: z enim kannom bomo ubili dve ptici! Patrioticna stran kampanje — če jo hočemo tako imenovati — je v tem, da bo jednota izplačala vse nagrade za nove člane v tej kampanji v federalnih obrambnih dolžnicah in znakah (U. S. Defense Bonds and Stamps) raznih denominacij.

Zato je gl. odbor krstil to kampanjo "kampanjo zmage" ali po angleško "The SNPJ Victory Campaign". Kajti prinese ima novo zmago naši jednoti in obenem bo pomagala do zmage Združenih narodov v tej gigantski vojni, v kateri se nahajamo.

Kampanja zmage velja za oba oddelka SNPJ, to je za pridobivanje odraslih članov in otrok. V podrobnosti te kampanje glede pravil in nagrad, ki veljajo zanjo, se ne bomo spuščali, kajti o tem poročata predsednik in direktor kampanje, katera jo bosta vodila.

Pripomnimo le toliko, da je ta kampanja nekaj popolnoma novega za našo organizacijo po svojem sistemu in pravilih. Nove razmere in potrebe zahtevajo novega delo. Dovolj je, če povemo, da so načrt kampanje zmage izdelali naši mladi.

V novem glavnem odboru SNPJ je desetorica odbornikov iz mlade generacije, rojene v Ameriki, in ta skupina naših mladih na čelu jednote se dobro zaveda novih razmer in potreb. Direktor kampanje zmage je br. Mihael Verhovnik, ki je že pokazal, da ne bo spal v svoji novi službi; našim mladim lahko zaupamo, da bodo tudi delali in ne samo govorili.

Ampak voditelji nove kampanje ne bodo naredili nobenih čudežev brez — članstva vobče. Člani, zlasti društveni odborniki se morajo odzvati na vsaj črti in stopiti v kampanjo z vso svojo energijo. Odborniki starejših društev ne smejo misliti, da je to kampanja le mladine. Vsi morajo sodelovati in pomagati!

Dejstvo, da je material za novo članstvo danes skoro izključno v mlajši generaciji, ne sme odvracati nobenega starega člana, da bi ne pomagal in skušal dobiti čim več novih članov, bodisi med odraslimi ali otroci.

Medtem, ko bomo v kampanji zmage pridobivali nove člane za SNPJ, bomo obenem agitirali za zmago Amerike in Združenih narodov v vojni s totalitarnimi tirani. Čim več novih članov bo pridobil, tem več vojnih bondov in znakov bo jednota kupila za tekmovale. Vršili bomo dvojno delo — enako vredno in enako važno za svojo organizacijo in za Ameriko sploh.

Polje za našo novo kampanjo je široko, ugodnosti so velike in delavec med nami je dovolj, torej so tukaj vse možnosti za naj-ljpsi uspeh.

Bratje in sestre! Nobenega razloga ni, zakaj ne bi v enem letu te kampanje pridobili 5000 novih članov v oddelku odraslih in 5000 otrok v naši mladinski oddelku, tako da bo ob koncu kampanje 50,000 članov v oddelku odraslih in 20,000 članov v mladinskem oddelku — tako da članstvo SNPJ v obeh oddelkih poraste na 70,000 članov. Pomislite!

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Stiska naših primorskih rojakov

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Primorski Slovenci v Ameriki se po pravici smatrajo za naj-naprednejši in najradikalnejši del naroda, kljub temu so danes čisto po nedolžnem porinjeni med "sovražne inozemce" — med Nemce, Italijane in Japonce — samo zato, ker so bili rojeni na ozemlju, katerega si je prilastila Italija pred 22 leti in ker so Združene države legalno priznale to aneksijo.

Ko je predsednik Roosevelt objavil svojo proklamacijo glede sovražnih inozemcev, seveda ni mislil na primorake — in koroske — Slovence. Kdo bi mu to zameril? Kaj on ve o slovenskih kosih, ki so razmetani na vse strani?

Zdaj pa je odvisno od mnogih federalnih oblastnikov, da proklamacija tolačijo vsak po svoje. Odmeve teh "tolmačenj" smo videli zadnje dni, ko sta dva slovenska dnevnika v Clevelandu vsak po svoje "tolmačila" pravice in dolžnosti primorskih Slovencev na podlagi dveh uradnih izjav oziroma "tolmačenj". Zdi se nam, da krivda ne zadene ne enega in ne drugega lista, temveč zadene federalne oblastnike, ki vsak drugače "tolmači" predsednikovo proklamacijo v zadevi primorskih Slovencev.

To je pač naša nesreča. Premalo nas je, da bi se kdo izmed velikih zanimal za nas, pa nas enostavno potisnejo, kamor je.

Uredništvo Prosvete je tudi prejelo več vprašanj od naših primorskih rojakov, kaj naj storijo, ali se naj registrirajo kot "sovražni inozemci" ali ne. Odkrito povemo, da v tem slučaju ne vemo, kaj bi odgovorili — ko pa oblastniki sami ne vedo! Vendar svetujemo prizadetim, naj se registrirajo. Škoditi ne more, koristi pa lahko.

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Glasovi iz naselbin

Klub bivših rudarjev

Milwaukee, Wis.—Vsi člani kluba bivših rudarjev (Ex-miners' Club) se uljudno vabijo, da se udeležijo seje v petek, dne 27. feb. v Kramarjevih prostorih na 525 S. 5th st. Seja se prične ob 7. zvečer. Na tej seji se bo skušala aranžirati kartna zabava v korist Slovenskega doma.

Leo Schweiger, 564.

Koncert v Flintu

Flint, Mich.—Vsi Slovenci, Hrvti in Srbi, ki simpatizirajo z demokratično in mrze nacifšizem, so vabljani na veliki tako zvan "Allied Victory Concert", ki ga prireja ujedinjeni slovenski odbor v soboto zvečer, 28. febr., v avditoriju Central High šole. Pričetek točno ob osmih.

Preostanek bo šel za zdravniško pomoč ruskim in ostalim slovenskim vojakom, ki se herojsko bore proti Hitlerju in njegovemu hajduštvu, s katerim zatira slovenski in ostale narode. Na programu bo nastopila skupina 30 članov "Ruskega ciganskega ansambla" iz Chicago, ukrajinska mandolinaska skupina iz Detroita, ukrajinska otroška skupina 30 članov. Prav tako bo tudi več dobrih govornikov, kot župan mesta Flinta, predsednik univerze Wayne dr. L. M. Bogart in A. Kosciński.

Jugoslavlani, udeležite se tega koncerta v velikem številu. — Za publicitetni odbor — M. Kump, T. Tomaskovich.

Vprašanje o plačevanju smrtninskega assessmenta starih članov

Los Angeles, Cal.—Vprašanje glede plačevanja assessmenta za stare člane, ki nimajo finančnih rezerv ali rednih dohodkov, bo treba rešiti. Da se že ni rešilo na en ali drug način, ni toliko krivda splošnega članstva kot je krivda gl. urada in do gotove meje zadnje konvencije, kjer se je to vprašanje mešalo z neko splošno "starostno podporo" ali "penzijo", namesto da se reši separatno.

Brat A. Tome želi v Prosveti od 4. februarja pojasnila, koliko bi bilo obresti od 11 milijonov dolarjev in koliko članov je nad 70 let starih, ker le na ta način bi se moglo po njegovem mnenju dognati, kakšna pomoč je možna brez zvišanja assessmenta, in če je zvišanje assessmenta potrebno, naj se zviša le do starosti 70 let, potem pa naj se plačuje assessment za nje iz jednotlivih virov, da ne bo dobila jednota ime "mačeha".

Vlic temu, da br. Tome ne govori o kakem novem prizadevanju za rešenje tega problema, na pr. od 60 let naprej, ga lahko vsakdo razume, da misli na eno ali drugo vrsto rešitve.

Na njegovo vprašanje mu odgovarja br. Kuhel, gl. blagajnik, v svojem "pojasnilu", češ da si glede te odločitve lahko vsakdo sam postreže z zameno gotovih certifikatov, in če si članstvo vzle opozoravanju neče samo pomagati, mu nihče drugi ne more.

To je v glavnem vse pojasnilo, ki pa ne pojasni mnogo, niti ne daje kake direktive za drugačno rešenje tega problema.

Splošno mora biti znano, da mnogi člani, ki so danes 65-70 let stari, šestokrat niso imeli prilike zamenjati svojih certifikatov radi njih starosti, ali pa morda radi drugih veljavnih vzrokov. Pa tudi če se to ne upošteva, ostaja plačevanje assessmenta zanje še vedno problem, saj je treba plačevati assessment tudi za zamenjene certifikate.

Br. Kuhel pojasnjuje dalje, da zakoni države Illinois ne dovoljujejo prenašati imovine smrtninskega sklada v druge sklade v zvezi z investicijami čez četrtino enega odstotka. In ker se vse obresti in drugi viri dohodkov od investicij stekajo v smrtninski sklad, je tudi ta vir izven vprašanja, kar se starostne penzije (!) tiče. Tako br. Kuhel.

Površno vzeto izgleda, da so njegove trditve o teh skladih pravilne. Ali zakaj izgledajo pravilne? Zato, ker br. Kuhel gleda in razlaga vso namero o

reševanju tega problema s stališča nekakšne penzije. Penzija je nekaj, kar se smatra za nadomestilo rednih dohodkov, med tem ko je odpomoč plačevanja assessmenta tistim, ki so v potrebi, lahko nekaj izjemnega, začasnega in valed tega čisto nakaj drugega.

Vprašanje pri tej izjemnosti ali novosti bi bilo le: kakšna stvarna, matematična gospodarska razlika bi bila za jednoto, če ne prejema račun za 1000 članov assessmenta, ampak le črta za isto vsoto obveznosti letno? Ali bi bilo radi tega ravnovesje prispevkov v posmrtninski sklad izven svoje gospodarske osi in bi vesled tega padla jednota v nevarnost za solventnost in obveznost odgovornost napram zavarovancem?

Moje mnenje je, da ne. Toda če se jemlje, da bi bila, tedaj nastane vprašanje: Zakaj bi bila? To bi bilo treba pojasniti.

Odbor, ki ima sestavljeni glasovnico, bi moral iskati te vrste informacije, in sicer na podlagi od 25-30 let včlanjenja in 60 ali več let starosti, toda ne glede na certifikate.

Za dokazovanje važnosti kakor tudi možnosti izpeljave takega načrta pri državnem aktuarju ali drugih državnih oblastih, se odbor lahko sklicuje n. pr., da je federalno zakonita določba splošnega upokojstva 65 let, in da so za gospodarske razmere, ki odredajo možnosti raznim obligacijam, odgovorni vsi faktorji in vsi državljani v deželi in ne le bratske podporne organizacije. Lahko bi se dostavilo, da je SNPJ kooperativna bratska podporna organizacija, ki se upravlja demokratično. Če se vzame v poštev vse najvažnejše faktorje, tedaj državne oblasti ne bo težko prepričati, da je taka "novost" izpeljiva brez bojzani na finančna protislovja ali riziko za zavarovance, dokler člani to hočejo.

Poleg tega ne smemo pozabiti, da koncem konca apelne sodne instance — kamor se take neugodnosti lahko dotirajo — dopuščajo vzlic protipriškokom raznih inšuren kompanij — raznim bratskim podpornim organizacijam še vedno gotovo mero avtonomije, če se je pravilno zavedajo in zahtevajo svoje ustavno zajamčene pravice. Toda za te korake je treba iniciative iz gl. urada, kjer so za to viri.

Ne le grmadenje kapitala, da se z njim ponasamo na zunaj, marveč gojenje ideologije, ki gre za tem, da se ustvari iz fraternalizma pravo, živo medsebojno pomoč članov in članic — ne s stališča darežljivosti ali miloščine (niti slemopšenja, ki ga omenja br. Kuhel), ampak iz globokega čustva do samospoštovanja in upoštevanja enakoverdnih v ožjem okvirju, kakor v družbi sploh. To je bilo geslo pionirjev SNPJ, geslo, pod katerim so mnogi danes že mrtvi, a mnogi že živeči stari člani žrtvovali svoj čas in denar (in mnogi progresivni mladi in idealni pionirji delajo to še danes, da je SNPJ zrasla in se razvila do svoje današnje moralne in gospodarske sile med ameriškimi Slovenci.

Frank Patrich, 743.

Komentar gl. blagajnika:

Brat Petrich mi je osebno nepoznan. Znano pa mi je, da je bil on eden izmed pionirjev jednote in našega naprednega gibanja, vsled česar se zanima za jednotine sedanje probleme in vprašanja. Znano nam je vsem, ali vsaj moralo bi biti znano, da se razne zavarovalnine in podpore plačujejo iz "nagradnega kapitala" in ne iz ideologije.

Moj odgovor na dopis brata Tometa je bil dvojen in ne samo, da si lahko vsakdo posamezno pomaga, ako spremeni certifikat. Sprememba certifikata bi obvarovala stare člane, da v slučaju neplačevanja assessmenta ostanejo vseeno zavarovani za posmrtnino. Naglašal sem tudi, da obstoja možnost ustanovitve starostnega sklada, oziroma da je mogoče pomagati ostarelim članom v večji meri kot sedaj le, ako se

zvišajo članski prispevki v sklad izrednih podpor. Argument, da je mnogim članom radi visoke starosti nemogoče spremeniti svojega certifikata, bi držal, ako bi bivša SSPZ ne imela iste problema in ako bi istega ne rešila baš na ta način. In v poprečni starosti članov bivše SSPZ in jednote ni razlika.

Kaj pa je pravzaprav razlika, ako prejema član prost assessment, ali pa malo mesečno vsoto v obliki čeka za plačitev assessmenta? Imenujemo tako podporo lahko "penzijo", starostno podporo ali kar že hočemo. Namein in pomen je isti.

Važnejše pa je vprašanje brata Petricha, ki se glasi: Kakšna stvarna, matematična gospodarska razlika bi bila za jednoto, če ne prejema — na primer — za 1000 članov mesečnega assessmenta, ampak le črta isto vsoto obveznosti letno? Ali obstaja nevarnost za solventnost in obveznost odgovornost napram zavarovancem?

Brat Petrich smatra, da ne obstaja razlika, če bi pa obstajala nevarnost glede solventnosti, tedaj bi "to bilo potrebno pojasniti". Zelo enostavno, kaj ne?

Matematične razlike bi ne bilo nobene, ako bi se tudi jednotina obveznost znižala za določeno vsoto in ako bi jednota prejela določene obresti od določene vsote iz kakega vira. Odkod prejemati obresti od denarja, ki ga nekdo ne prejme in ne investira, ostane še nerešeno vprašanje. — Ako pa bi se prišlo do določene vsote, bi bilo 1000 članov imelo "prost" assessment, da bi še nadalje bili upravičeni do vseh podpor kot dosedaj, njih dediči pa do posmrtnine — brez kakega odbitka, tedaj se pa bojim, da bi nastala letno precej velika "matematično-gospodarska razlika". Le če bi ostali člani prispevali razliko z višjim assessmentom, bi ne bilo treba drugega pojasnila.

Vprašanje nas vodi k problemu, o katerem sem razpravljaval v Prosveti že prej, namreč: Ali more jednota dati več podpor za sedanje prispevke kot jih daje? Da je nemogoče dati več podpor, je bilo že večkrat povedano. In ker je tudi "prost assessment" faktična podpora, tedaj se ne moremo izogniti "matematični razliki".

Dne 31. decembra so bili jednotlivi člani zavarovani za \$41,140,824.00, priznana premoženje smrtninskih skladov pa je znašalo \$6,633,876.06. Pročelna vrednost zavarovalnih certifikatov je torej petkrat tolika kot pa znaša premoženje smrtninskega sklada. Razlika bomo člani plačali z bodočimi assessmenti, deloma pa bo križta z obrestmi, ki jih ima prinašati to premoženje. Jednosta ima v tem oziru veliko obveznost, katero more izpolniti le, dokler bo poslovala na zdravje gospodarski bazi in ne na kakvi utopijski skemi. In to nima ničesar opraviti z jednotno ideologijo!

Glede "avtonomije" bratskih podpornih organizacij ne bom razpravljaval. Vsaka organizacija ima pravico do nje v okviru državnih zakonov. Ta avtonomija preneha, čim se naše želje in zahtevke križajo s postavami. V gospodarskih in finančnih ozirih se te postavbe enake za vse, ki se bavijo z zavarovalnino in to vključuje inšurne kompanije in bratske podporne organizacije.

Mirko G. Kuhel.

Delavec se zahvaljuje

So. Chicago, Ill.—Društvo Delavec št. 8 SNPJ je imelo domačo zabavo v soboto, 14. februarja, ki je zelo povoljno izpadla. Vreme ni bilo najboljšo, snežilo je ves dan in zvečer, vendar pa smo imeli dobro udeležbo. Jože Kosich mi je drugi dan pohvalno rekel: "Fant, tako se še izplača imeti veselico; dobra in vesela udeležba v resnici človeka razveseli, pa tudi naš trud ni zastonj." Ako se odbor muči in pripravlja, nazadnje pa slaba udeležba, zgubi vso voljo do dela. Zahvala za poset in udeležbo gre sledečim društvom: St. 690, 610, Trail Blazers, Pioneer in Integrity. Imeli smo precej zanimivih gostov in glavnih odbornikov: Prvi podpredsednik Mike Kumer (Universal, Pa.), distriktni podpredsednik James Maglich (Imperial, Pa.), Ray Trav-

nik (Detroit, Mich), gl. zdravnik Arch (Pittsburgh, Pa.), Mirko, Kuhel, gl. blagajnik, Michael Vrhovnik, direktor mladine. V družbi je bil tudi Joseph Brtovic iz Universal, Pa. Žal, da ni bil navzoč distriktni podpredsednik John Spiller iz St. Louis, Mo. On je dobil prvo nagrado in sicer zelo lep radio. Hvala tudi našemu članstvu, obrtnikom in splošno vsem udeležencem, ki so na ta ali drugi način pripomogli do dobrega uspeha.

Na isti večer je posegla v našo sredo tudi neizogibna smrt. Njena žrtev je bil dobro znani član Michael Juracic. Zadel ga je srčna kap ob 5:30 zvečer. Pogreb je bil v sredo, dne 18. februarja. Prizadeti družini naše sožalje!

Frank Kosic, 8.

Vprašanje združenja društev

Milwaukee, Wis.—Članstvo društva Balkan 255 se opominja, da redno poseja seje in pomaga reševati društvene zadeve. Po naročilu društva naj vsem tistim članom, ki ste brezbrilni ali ki se radi tehtnega vzroka niste udeležili zadnje seje, razložimo važno vprašanje, kateremu smo posvetili večino časa na zadnji seji. In o tem vprašanju, ki se tiče združenja nekaterih tukajšnjih društev, bomo še razpravljali in je torej vaša prisotnost na sejah važna in potrebna.

Na prvi letošnji seji smo razpravljali in potem izvolili odbor, ki naj delujejo za združenje našega društva, Vijolice in Bratoljuba v eno društvo. Vršila se je seja tega odbora in napravili smo kratak zapisnik. Od društva Vijolice smo že prejeli pismo in njihov odgovor je precej povoljen. Društvo Bratoljub (kakor nam je bilo povedano) je pa važnost tega združenja vzelo zelo enostransko in hladno. Menda se jim ni zdelo niti vredno razpravljati o tem, da bi se članstvo vseh omenjenih društev združilo v eno močno postojanko, kjer bi bili vsi enakopravni v vsem in kar bi dvignilo moralo članstva za složno kooperacijo v delu za društvo in jednoto. Seje združevalnega odbora se je udeležil le en član Bratoljuba kot posameznik in še on se je izrazil v takem tonu, da je bilo razvidno, da je sovražen ideji zblizanja in združenja.

To stališče društva Bratoljuba nas je zelo presenetilo. Niso zadovoljni, da bi nastopali vsi skupaj, "en mass", le nas posamezne člane so pripravljali vzeti v njih društvo, drugače je pa vsak razgovor izključen. Ker se pa zanašamo, da bodo člani Bratoljuba tolačili našo ponudbo bratsko in pravilno, zato še enkrat apeliramo na njih dobro voljo in razodnost. Saj za združenje vendar ni nobenih posebnih zaprek in zadržkov. Na skupnem delu sloni sploh vsa bodočnost ameriških Slovencev in naših podpornih organizacij.

Razlogi, ki silijo naše društvo Balkan na združenje, so v glavnem v tem, ker se je s prestopom dobrih članov, ki so bili člani obeh organizacij, SSPZ in SNPJ, skrečilo skoraj na polovico. Z združenjem bi pa člani vseh društev prihranili na plačih uradnikov, pri dvoranah in drugih stroških. Združenje bi prineslo samo dobiček pri pridobitvi in drugače, kar bi koristilo tudi posameznim članom. Kar se tiče vašega premoženja, ga nečemo niti centa. Toliko v pojasnilo, da ne bo kakšne bojzani ali izgovora glede te točke.

Pripravljeni smo in se zavedamo odgovornosti in dolžnosti do društva in organizacije, v kar nas tudi vežejo pravila. Če imate še kakšne druge pomisleke, želimo, da jih navedete. Naše mnenje je, da ni in tudi ne sme biti nobenih zadržkov za zblizanja in združenje.

Naj pri tem omenim, da je bilo naše društvo Balkan ustanovljeno leta 1906 kot samostojna podporna organizacija in leta 1908 se je pridružilo SSPZ. Znano je, da je vzelo veliko dela in truda, ki je končno prineslo združenje SNPJ in SSPZ. Ime Balkan je zvezano s tistim delom zemlje, kjer se je razvijala zgodovina in življenje Slovencev in drugih južnih Slovanov. Sovražnik je raztrgal Slovence in uničil slovenske kraje v stari domovini. Ameriški Slovenci

mo seme in del tistega naroda, ki se je razvijal na Balkanu. Naša naloga je, da začasno ohranimo jezik, šege in tradicije tega naroda in da pomagamo zasnovenim svojcem, da jim spet zasije solnce svobode in pravice.

Če hočemo, da bodo naši otroci, naša mlada generacija spoštovala slovenski narod, jim moramo dati dober vzgled, da nas bodo pravilno sodili in nam sledili. Jugoslovanske čete se junsko bore proti fašističnim zadrževalcem tam na Balkanu. Njihova junška borba je prinesla spoštovanje in ugled vsem Jugoslovanom in tudi mi društveniki smo nanje ponosni.

Tesnejše sodelovanje nam pridiga govorniki vsak dan po radiu. In tesnejše sodelovanje ni potrebno samo nam Slovence, ki smo majhen narod, marveč vsemu svetu, če hočemo, da odvrnemo od sebe nevarnost zasužnjeja. Iz davne temnine vstajajo osvobodilci, ki korakajo po stopinjah Huna, Atile, Gengis Kana. Če se bomo še naprej pričakali za oslovo senco in razne malenkosti, se zna zgoditi, da se bomo plazili pod pritlikavimi Japonci. Aleksander Veliki in Napoleon sta bila pritlikavca napram temu, kar se dogajava danes. Vojni plameni že obližujejo tudi meje naše nove domovine Amerike.

Slovinci, zavedni delavci! Zavedajmo se svojih dolžnosti do svojega naroda, do dežele, v kateri živimo. Spominjajmo se gesla, da v slogi je moč. Brez združenja pa ne more biti sloge. Torej naprej za združenje in slogo! — Za društvo Balkan 255 SNPJ —

Anton C. Ermenc.

Naše pomožno gibanje

Chicago, Ill.—Skupno zbiranje denarnih sredstev za pomoč, ki je namenjena podjarmljenim Slovincem v stari domovini in ki jim bo poslana, brž ko brž bo to mogoče, je nujno potrebno in vse hvale vredno; zato bodo imeli čikaški Slovenci, kakor je to že znano, v ta namen velike prireditve s pestrim vzporedom in izvrstno godbo dne 2. maja letos v prostrani Ameriški češki dvorani na 18. cesti.

Seje "krajevne" pomožnega odbora in zastopništva vseh slovenskih organizacij v Chicagu se vršijo zdaj pa zdaj, da se pripravijo za tisto veliko prireditev nadaljujejo in izpopolnjujejo. In tako je bila seja tudi dne 18. t. m. v Tomaževih prostorih na 22. cesti. Udeležba je bila ob danih okoliščinah zadovoljiva, dasi bi bila lahko še boljša. Na seji se je nam povedalo, da je sedaj dvorana že zbirana, s vstopnice pa da se bodo dale tiskati v teku enega tedna, nakar se bo sklicala zopetna seja, na kateri se bodo razdelile vstopnice med odbornike, zastopnike, zastopnice in druge ljudi, ki so jih pripravili prodajati po naselbini. Obenem se bo ukrenilo vse potrebno glede izdatnega nabiranja oglasov za program knjižico. Zato je želeli, da se udeležijo prihodnje seje, ki se bo vršila v prostorih Slovenske narodne podporne jednote na 2857 S. Lawndale Ave., poleg celotnega odbora in celokupnega zastopništva naših organizacij tudi kar največje število drugih ljudi, ki jim je kaj za popoln uspeh naše nameravane skupne manifestacije.

Med čikaškimi slovenskimi listi je bil to pot zastopan edinoletni Proleterec. Upati je, da bodo na prihodnjem našem sestanku zastopani vsi. — Za odbor: Zvonko A. Novak.

Pred dvajsetimi leti

(Iz Prosvete, 25. februarja 1922)

Domache vesti. V Manorju, Pa. je umrl John Terbovc, član SNPJ.

Zadeve SNPJ. Gl. tajnik poročila o ustanovitvi nadaljnjih štirih novih društev SNPJ v mesecu januarju 1922.

Delavske vesti. Med rudarji se vrši splošno glasovanje o stavki.

Inozemstvo. V Indiji se pojavlja upor v indijski armadi.

Sovjetska Rusija. Trocki je objavil na shodu, da se usoda Rusije odloči na genovski konferenci.

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IZVODNI ODBOR
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Izvršni: Frank Zaitz, Frank Barbič

Podpredsedniki: Frank Zaitz, Frank Barbič
Člani: Frank Zaitz, Frank Barbič

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January, 1942
Umrli: Matt Dvornic, c. 28721.
Umrli: Jacob Drmota, c. 1440.
Črtani: Steve Andretich, c. 8024.

St. dr. Lodge No.
699 Črtani zopet sprejeti: George Maletich, c. 83406, Josephine Maletich, c. 83470, William Stiglich, c. 88676, Mary Rabovsky, c. 98866.

Glasovi iz naselbin

Akcija za pomoč Ameriki
Detroit. — Odkar je Japonska zahrbtno napadla Ameriko, se je svetovna situacija docela spremenila.

manjši dar jim bo blažil bedo in revščino, v katero so bili pahnjeni po krvoločnem Hitlerju in njegovem "puru" Mussoliniju.
Razpravljali bomo tudi, ako nam bo kot narodni skupini mogoče prodajati obrambne bonde, da kot celota dobimo priznanje.

Ustanovitelj in drugi začetniki so napravili pravila, po katerih naj bi se ravnali. Ampak ni tako dobre stvari, da ne bi imela nekoliko hib. In tako so se pravila od konvencije do konvencije izboljšavala, tako da danes moramo priznati, da so pravila precej dobra.

Naši začetniki so imeli nekatere stvari v vidiku, niso pa mislili na nekaj, kar je danes. Danes se pa to mudi. Če bi se bilo že takrat nekaj ukrenilo za stare dni, bi danes ne bilo te kritike, kje se po denar dobil.

Namenil sem se napraviti nekakšen načrt, kako bi se ta stvar spjalala. Iz nič ni nič in bilanca ostane nič. Če bi bili v splošnem bolj bratski, bi se dalo marsikaj storiti.

Ta stvar je veliko zakažila, je pa še vedno izpeljiva. Če se pomisli, da bi plačali samo 15 ali 16 centov na mesec, je to malenkostna vsota za tako dobro delo.

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Zadeva društva št. 188
Društvo št. 186 SNPJ v Grantvillu, Ill. je obtožilo pri prvotnem odseku brata Andreja Mahnete, čes da je oškodovano jednoko za vsoto \$105.00 s tem, da je bil na bolniški listi dalj kot je bilo treba in da ni sporočil društvu do meseca decembra lanskega leta, ko se mu je očitalo, da opravlja razna domača dela, da mu je njegov zdravnik naročil

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Zdravniki navadno v podobnih slučajih po gotovem času zdravljenja priporočajo bolniku gibanje in rabo udov kot del zdravljenja in kar naj prepričljivejše. In to je zdravnik priporočal tudi br. Mahnetu.
Gl. porotni osek je prišel do soglasnega zaključka, da br. Andrej Mahne ni krivil pravil in torej se ga oprsti.
Anton Shular, predsednik, Frank Vratarič, Frank Barbič, Andrew Vidrič, Josephine Mociak.

To Members of Military Age and Local Lodge Officers

Recently we received several inquiries from members of military age and their beneficiaries with reference to their insurance. Judging from the contents of their letters, it is obvious that the great majority of members have misinterpreted the "Soldiers and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940". We, therefore, again reprint "Article IV—Insurance," as enacted by the 76th Congress. This "Soldiers and Sailors' Act" was already published in our official organ November 27, 1940, under the heading of "Our Members of Military Age", but apparently most of our members have already forgotten about it. Members, as well as lodge officers, are requested to read this law, applying to our members who are in the armed forces, very carefully in order to fully understand same.

ARTICLE IV—INSURANCE

SEC. 400. In this article the term "policy" shall include any contract of life insurance on the level premium or legal reserve plan. It shall also include any benefit in the nature of life insurance arising out of membership in any fraternal or beneficial association; the term "premium" shall include membership dues or assessments in such association, and the date of issuance of policy as herein limited shall refer to the date of admission to membership in such association; the term "insured" shall include any person who is the holder of a policy as defined in this article; the term "insurer" shall include any corporation, partnership, or other form of association which secures or provides insurance under any policy as defined in this article.

SEC. 401. (1) The benefits of this article shall apply to any person in military service who is the holder of a policy of life insurance, when such holder shall apply for such benefits on a form prepared in accordance with regulations which shall be prescribed by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs. Such form shall set forth particularly that the application therein made is a consent to such modification of the terms of the original contract of insurance as are made necessary by the provisions of this article and by receiving and filing the same the insurer shall be deemed to have assented thereto, to the extent, if any, to which the policy on which the application is made is within the provisions of this article. The original of such application shall be sent by the insured to the insurer, and a copy thereof to the Veterans' Administration.

(2) The Veterans' Administration shall issue through suitable military and naval channels a notice for distribution by appropriate military and naval authorities to persons in the military service explaining the provisions of this article and shall furnish forms to be distributed to those desiring to make application for its benefits.

SEC. 402. The benefits of this Act shall be available to any person in military service in respect of contracts of insurance in force under their terms up to but not exceeding a face value of \$5,000, irrespective of the number of policies held by such person whether in one or more companies, when such contracts were made and a premium was paid thereon before the date of approval of this Act or not less than thirty days before entry into the military service; but in no event shall the provisions of this article apply to any policy on which premiums are due and unpaid for a period of more than one year at the time when application for the benefits of this article is made or in respect of any policy on which there is outstanding a policy loan or other indebtedness equal to or greater than 50 per centum of the cash surrender value of the policy.

SEC. 403. The Veterans' Administration shall, subject to regulations, which shall be prescribed by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, compile and maintain a list of such persons in military service as have made application for the benefits of this article, and shall (1) reject any application for such benefits made by persons who are not persons in military service; (2) reject any applications for such benefits in excess of the amount permitted by section 402; and (3) reject any applications in respect of contracts of insurance otherwise not entitled to the benefits of this article. Said Administration shall immediately notify the insurer and the insured in writing of every rejection or approval.

SEC. 404. When one or more applicants are made under this article by any person in military service in respect of insurance exceeding a total face value of \$5,000, whether on one or more policies or in one or more companies, and the insured shall not in his application indicate an order of preference, the Veterans' Administration shall reject such policies as have the inferior cash surrender value, so as to reduce the total benefits conferred within the face value of \$5,000, and where necessary for this purpose shall direct the insurer to divide any policy into two separate policies. The said Administration shall immediately notify the insurer and the insured in writing of such selection.

SEC. 405. No policy which has not lapsed for the nonpayment of premium before the commencement of the period of military service of the insured, and which has been brought within the benefits of this article, shall lapse or be forfeited for the nonpayment of premium during the period of such service or during one year after the expiration of such period: Provided, That in no case shall this prohibition extend for more than one year after the date when this Act ceases to be in force.

SEC. 406. Within the first fifteen days of each calendar month after the date of approval of this Act until the expiration of one year after the date when this Act ceases to be in force every insurance corporation or association to which application has been made as herein provided, for the benefits of this article, shall render to the Veterans' Administration a report, duly verified, setting forth the following facts:

First. The names of the persons who have applied for such benefits, and the face value of the policies in respect of which such benefits have been applied for by such persons, during the preceding calendar month.

Second. A list as far as practicable of the premiums in respect of policies entitled to the benefits of this article, which remain unpaid on the last day of the preceding calendar month, which day is at least thirty-one days after the due date of the premiums, provided such premiums have not previously been so reported as in default.

Third. A list of premiums which, having been previously reported as in default, have been paid by the policyholder or someone on his behalf in whole or in part during the preceding calendar month.

Fourth. A computation of the difference between the total amount of defaulted premiums therein reported and the total amount of premiums paid as therein reported, after having been previously reported as in default. From this sum shall be deducted the total sum of any premiums previously reported as in default, upon policies in respect of which the Veterans' Administration has, since the date of such report, rejected an application for the benefits of this article. The final sum so arrived at shall be denominated the monthly difference.

SEC. 407. The Administrator of Veterans' Affairs shall verify the computation of monthly difference reported by each insurer and shall, within ten days thereafter, deliver each month to the proper officer of such insurer, a certificate in the amount of the monthly difference certified in respect of each insurer. Such certificate shall be signed by said Administrator in the name of the United States, shall be in such form as the Administrator shall determine, shall be payable to the insurer within sixty days after the approval of the statement of account, as provided in section 411 hereof, and shall bear interest at a rate to be prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury, payable with the principal. Such certificate shall not be transferred except with the approval of said Administrator and shall remain with the insurer until settlement is made in accordance with this article.

SEC. 408. The certificate so delivered shall be held by the respective insurers as security for the payment of the defaulted premiums with interest. To indemnify it against loss the United States shall have a first lien upon any policy receiving the benefits of this article, subject only to any lien existing at the time the policy became subject to this Act, and no loan or settlement or payment of dividend shall be made by the insurer on such policy which may prejudice the security of such lien. Before any dividend is paid or any loan or settlement is made the written consent of the Veterans' Administration must be obtained.

SEC. 409. In the event that the military service of any person being the holder of a policy receiving the benefits of this article shall be

Friendly City News

JOHNSTOWN, PA.—Since the Friendly City Reporters aren't on the job, we felt that we should furnish information regarding the activities of the Friendly City, to our Prosveta readers.

We are still on our toes, in bowling, in the first half. Irene Vidrick carried the honors for one game, 181; also for three games, 280. Frank (Percy) Bombach carried the men in high scores, 208 one game, 512 for three games. So far in the second half, Anne Briceley is leading the girls in high scores, one game 148, three games 401. Men's division: Joe Culkar 186, Frank Bombach 452. These scores can be beaten; we think the persons who hold the title now will have to do better to keep it.

We think it's high time that Mr. and Mrs. Nick DePolo receive congratulations on the birth of their son, Charles John, born Dec. 19, 1941. Sister DePolo was the former Stella Sudonick, who for the past five years had held the office of treasurer in our lodge. She has been re-elected for 1942.

Our member Marg Ukmar Ritko has pulled a fast one on us. Instead of getting married in the spring, she and Emil said their "I do's" Jan. 24. Congratulations!

Some of our members, namely, Gen. Irene, and Mitzi visited with the Veronians Jan. 24 and attended their dance. By the impression they gave us they had a super-colossal time. They speak well of the Veronian hospitality. Thanks to Mary and Larry Cassol for putting them up over night.

Attend your Friendly City meeting each second Sunday of the month at the Cambria City Slovene Hall. ANNE & RENEE, 684.

Sygan SNPJers Sponsor Dance Sat., Feb. 28

SYGAN, PA.—The merger of the two local SNPJ lodges, Jolly Juniors No. 669 and Bratstvo No. 6, has been successfully completed. After ironing out a few minor problems that were discussed at length at the first two meetings of the year, everything seems to be going along very well. These meetings, lengthy and busy, consequently proved interesting. Those not in attendance should make it their business to be at the next meeting and see for themselves what interesting sessions we have. With the capable leadership of President George Usenick, who really has a hard job of translating every transaction, I am sure that the end of 1942 will find lodge Bratstvo at the head of the active list.

In keeping with our program of a dance a month, we plan a very interesting evening on Saturday, Feb. 28, at the SNPJ Hall, Sygan Hill. For this dance we have engaged Joe Koracin and his orchestra who are capable of satisfying all dance lovers. For those who care not to dance our bowling alleys will surely interest you; for those that neither dance or bowl, surely you will find our grill room most inviting. Be sure to be with us Saturday evening. ERNEST KVARTICH, 6.

terminated by death, the amount of any unpaid premiums, with interest at the rate provided for in the policy for policy loans, shall be deducted from the proceeds of the policy and shall be included in the next monthly report of the insurer as premiums paid.

SEC. 410. If the insured does not within one year after the termination of his period of military service pay to the insurer all past due premiums with interest thereon from their several due dates at the rate provided in the policy for policy loans, the policy shall at the end of such year immediately lapse and become void, and the insurer shall thereupon become liable to pay the cash surrender value thereof, if any: PROVIDED, That if the insured is in the military service when this Act ceases to be in force, such lapse shall occur and surrender value be payable at the expiration of one year after the date when this Act ceases to be in force.

SEC. 411. At the expiration of one year after the date when this Act ceases to be in force there shall be an account stated between each insurer and the United States, in which there shall be credited to the insurer the total amount of the certificates held as security under this article, together with accrued interest to the date of the account, and in which there shall be credited to the United States the amount of the cash surrender value of each policy lapsed or forfeited as provided in section 410, but not in any case a greater amount on any policy than the total of the unpaid premiums with interest thereon at the rate provided for in the policy for policy loans.

SEC. 412. The balance in favor of the insurer in each case shall be certified by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to the Secretary of the Treasury, who shall pay to the insurer the amount thereof, which is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, upon the surrender by the insurer of the certificates delivered to it from time to time by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs under the provisions of this article.

SEC. 413. This article shall not apply to any policy which is void or which may at the option of the insured be voidable, if the insured is in military service, either in this country or abroad, nor to any policy which as a result of being in military service, either in this country or abroad, provides for the payment of any sum less than the face thereof or for the payment of an additional amount as premium.

SEC. 414. This article shall apply only to insurance companies or associations which are required by the law under which they are organized or doing business to maintain a reserve, or which if not so required, have made or shall make provision for the collection from all those insured in such insurer of a premium to cover the special war risk of those insured persons who are in military service.

The above law is clear and specific; that is, that the Federal Government takes only temporary responsibility for the dues or assessments, but eventually the members themselves must reimburse same in one way or another.

Comrades Spring Dance Feb. 28

CLEVELAND.—Comrades spring dance will be held Saturday Feb. 28, at the Slovene Home on 65th and St. Clair. Johnny Pecop's popular orchestra will furnish the music for all dance lovers. Refreshments will be served in the annex. Men in uniform will be admitted free.

At our Feb. meeting Anton Kerze's name was drawn for the two dollar award and Frances Preseren got the dollar award. Too bad Anton wasn't at the meeting. Next month's awards are one and three dollars.

Our Vice Pres. Joseph Koren resigned. He says Uncle Sam needs him in the very near future. Lots of luck to you, Joe. Our new Vice Pres. Pauline Spik was drafted. Roman Tomele takes her place as chairman of the auditing committee. That will give Roman the chance to see how the Comrades (girls) spend the money.

We gained one new adult member, Helen Bonac. I am sure Helen doesn't need much introduction. Most of the members thought she was our member. Maybe Helen Bonac and Mary Grmek would bowl with the girls. No excuses now that Helen is one of us. A new juvenile, Roger Sebenik, we hope will be as active as his mother and uncle Frank Loushan.

All bowlers interested in bowling in the Eastern Invitational Tournament get in touch with Joseph Fifolt (En. 4737) or Jean Beljan (En. 08868). The Comrade lodge will pay all team entries for our bowlers. There will be double and single entries also. The tournament on March 14 and 15 at Linsa Recreation. Entries must be in by the first. The dance will be March 14 at Slovene Home on 65th and St. Clair.

It's not too early to plan for the National Tournament. Members wishing to attend be on hand at our March meeting.

We are sorry to hear Albina Vehar will be laid up for some time with her broken ankle. We all wish you a speedy recovery, Albina. Just heard Stella Zadel was injured at work. "Hurry" and get well both of you.

The Commodore dance may be in the past but it was nice to see so many old friends. The Commodore can chalk up another successful event.

Let's not forget our Dance Feb. 28. Pauline Spik, our dance chairman, has all workers scheduled, so—Jean Beljan, Mollie Koren, Joseph Koren, John Smoke, Edward Grum, Ed Stefanic, Pauline Rosa, Antoinette and Rose Skok, Frances Spik, Mary Kozrajsek, Roman Tomele, Mary Grmek, Helen Bonac, John and Josephine Vehar and Joseph Fifolt get in touch with Pauline. The kitchen will be well taken care off by Marie Zak and Mary Krizmanic. The bar will be tended by Ivan Babnik, Mr. Potodnik and Joe Stefanic with our boys' assistance.

MARIE J. STEFANIC, Sec'y-Treas.

Badgerland News

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—Only eight (8) weeks are left and our National SNPJ Bowling Tournament will be here—on April 24-25-26 at Bessinger's Alleys at 27th and Wells streets.

Entry blanks, including other relative information, have already been sent out to various lodges and should be in their hands this week. In case any lodge has been missed by error, write to Michael Vrhovnik, athletic director, at the Main Office in Chicago, or the writer, Leo Schweiger, 618 S. 6th st., Milwaukee, Wis.

Plan now to attend. Arrange your teams and have your entry blanks in on or before midnight of April 10. It is only with everybody's cooperation that we can make the tournament a success as it should be.

Pioneer Tourney
The Pioneers of Chicago can expect a 100% support at their Invitational Handicap Bowling tournament to be held on March 15 in Chicago. In connection with this journey, a meeting of all our bowlers, both men and women, will be held this Sunday at 2 p. m. March 1st, at Remic's Alleys, 814 S. 5th st. All Badgers please attend and form teams and give the Pioneers the support that they deserve.

Slovene Home
By the time the Nat'l SNPJ Pin Tourney rolls around, we believe that SST Hall will be known as the Slovene National Home of Milwaukee! We have a total of \$10,000 to raise. Of this amount we already have \$6,000, or well past the halfway mark. Our option has been extended from Feb. 23 to March 23 in which time we must raise the remaining sum of \$4,000. So we have another month to raise the total amount of \$10,000 required to complete the job.

Let's put our shoulder to the wheel and put in our mighty effort and put our objective over. With the full cooperation of our businessmen—it CAN and WILL be put over!

Ex-Miners' Club
The members of the Ex-Miners' Club will meet at Kramer's Tavern, 525 S. 5th st., this Friday, Feb. 27, at 7 p. m. to arrange a benefit card party for the Slovene Home. All members are asked to attend. LEO SCHWEIGER, 584.

Loyalites News

CLEVELAND.—Easter Sunday, April 5, will be another red letter day on the Loyalites Social calendar. On that day the Loyalites will introduce a new way of entertaining their numerous friends. A "jam" session! Dancing to the music of popular Frank Yankovich and his orchestra. The admission! Only 35c. The committee in charge is planning more surprises, so watch future articles for more news.

Although most of our good bowlers are with Uncle Sam, the Loyalites will still be in there pitching at the Eastern Invitational Tournament, March 14 and 15, at the Lins' Rec. in Cleveland. The Loyalites will be represented by at least four men's teams and two girls' teams. These tournaments have always been interesting in the past, this one promises to be more so as the prize money will go further down the list. Any Loyalite member wishing to bowl in this tournament contact Brothers Chellogy, Paul, Zupan or Yankovich before Feb. 28.

The Loyalites League, which rolls on Sunday afternoons at E. 152nd St. Rec., is really a hot fight all the way. De Bums have occupied first place practically all season, but the Yankees and the Indians keep pushing them for first place money, while the Tigers are acting in the role of "spoilers." How about some "rooters"?

With such members as Brothers Chellogy and Yankovich holding the key positions of President and Secretary, the Loyalites surely can go places. Through these articles you will read of new Loyalite functions and you will know that these fellows can really make things "hum."

Don't forget the Invitational Tournament and the Loyalite Easter celebration!

"DOC" GREGORCIC, 590.

Lodges 87-613 to Hold Joint Meeting March 1

HERMINE, PA.—All members of SNPJ lodge 87 are urged to attend the next meeting Sunday, March 1, at 1 p. m. This will be a joint meeting with ES lodge 613, following which the two lodges will meet separately. The main discussion at this meeting will be the question of local dues, but there is other important business to be transacted, also. Therefore, all members of both lodges are asked to be present.

MARIE ZORNIK, Sec'y #7.

Join the "SNPJ Victory Campaign"

A nation-wide membership drive, one that is expected will involve, eventually, every Lodge and Juvenile Circle, and every member of the Society, was approved by the Supreme Board at its recent meeting. This extensive drive for enrollment of new members, effecting both the Adult and Juvenile Departments, will be known as the SNPJ VICTORY CAMPAIGN. It will begin, officially, on March 1, 1942, and reach its conclusion on the last day of February, 1943.

Heading the SNPJ VICTORY CAMPAIGN, rules of which appear in today's issue of the Prosveta, are Supreme President Vincent Cankar and Juvenile Director Michael Vrhovnik, as National Chairman and Director, respectively. Each District of the Society, of which there are six, will have for its leader a District Vice-President of the Supreme Board. They are: Joseph Culkar, James Maglich, Raymond Travnik, John Spiller, Ursula Ambrosich and Edward Tomalc. Following them come the main forces, from which all good results of the campaign are expected, namely, the officers and members of Lodges and Juvenile Circles; and over this entire set-up is the Supreme Board, exercising full authority as provided in the by-laws, with each member cooperating and assisting to the very best of his ability to bring success and victory to the SNPJ.

Every campaign of this kind has one or more objectives. This one has at least two and these are well-emphasized by the slogan: HELP DEFEND AMERICA BY ENROLLING NEW MEMBERS IN THE SNPJ! How do we propose to defend America by enrolling new members, one might be tempted to inquire. The answer is, United States Defense Savings Bonds and Stamps will be awarded by the Society as prizes for new members. That we maintain, will help protect our liberties on the battlefields of the current war against the enemies of America. Since we are equally interested in defending and protecting our liberties on the "home front" against aggressors of all types, we maintain, further, that every new member enrolled in the SNPJ VICTORY CAMPAIGN will mean another "pillar of fraternal strength" added towards the defense of an organization that, from its very beginning, has struggled for the liberties over which, to a large degree, the present war is being waged.

The slogan of the VICTORY CAMPAIGN can better be understood if we think of our country in terms of a nation founded upon freedom of thought, press, religion, political affiliation, etc. Liberties guaranteed to us in the Constitution, particularly those in the Bill of Rights—liberties upon which the principles of the SNPJ are based and upon which the structure of our whole lodge system is built. The present day foundation of American Democracy might well be said to have its roots deeply implanted in the fraternal organizations of the country, all of which are cooperative institutions practicing and maintaining democratic forms of government. By preserving them, we help to preserve America as we have known her, the land of free-thinking and freedom-loving people. There is where the important connection comes between America and SNPJ; one is attached to the other, inseparable. Definitely, we are a progressive part of the American way of life. BY ENROLLING NEW MEMBERS IN THE SNPJ, WE MOST CERTAINLY HELP DEFEND AMERICA AND THE LIBERTIES FOR WHICH SHE STANDS!

We wish to remind our members that in the closing months of 1941, the merger of the SSPZ with the SNPJ became a reality, this after more than twenty long years of effort. Through this merger, the SNPJ gained more than 7000 members and over a million dollars in assets, and through it, on the other hand, the same members, automatically, gained equal rights and privileges to participate in the management and ownership of an organization totaling more than 60,000 members, having over ten million dollars in sound securities, and rich, also, in ideals, principles and traditions. Both groups of members benefited, thereby. Both gained a great victory. We can point with pride that we are able to start the SNPJ VICTORY CAMPAIGN with an important victory already in the "bag", aiding two strong forces, united as one, to achieve common objectives. The result of the VICTORY CAMPAIGN is a foregone conclusion; it will be VICTORY for the SNPJ and U. S. A.

These are critical times and we fully realize it. We want you to know that we have weighed the possibilities of this membership drive, quite thoroughly, and have come to the conclusion that an aggressive policy, even in times like these, is best for the organization. We must not wait for the War's end before we start rebuilding our ranks, but the work of rebuilding should begin at once and continue indefinitely. Every member lost through participation in the armed services of the nation, through lapation or termination of one kind or other, should be replaced by a new member. That is the best way to keep our ranks from becoming depleted and to maintain a good measure of progress. That is why the Supreme Board, especially the District Vice-Presidents and other youthful members, supported and approved the VICTORY CAMPAIGN and gave the signal to proceed at once to achieve the goal.

The support of every Lodge, Juvenile Circle and member is needed to achieve victory in this campaign. It is the fraternal and patriotic duty of every Lodge to enroll at least one new adult or juvenile member during the opening month of the campaign and every month thereafter. Every Lodge and member attaining this goal will win a deserving place on the honor roll and will be so recognized by the Society. EVERY LODGE, JUVENILE CIRCLE AND MEMBER IS ELIGIBLE TO ENTER THE SNPJ VICTORY CAMPAIGN! THIS CAN BE DONE BY MERELY NOTIFYING THE NATIONAL OFFICE OF THEIR DECISION AND SENDING ALONG WITH THE NOTICE ONE OR MORE APPLICATIONS ENROLLING AS MANY NEW MEMBERS. HELP DEFEND AMERICA BY ENROLLING NEW MEMBERS IN THE SNPJ!

Vincent Cankar, Supreme President.
Michael Vrhovnik, Juvenile Director.

This Week

By Louis Beniger

The Allied forces opened this week by delivering a severe blow to the Japanese in the Far East and by checking their advance to the west. It is hoped that such needed reinforcements will soon enable the Allied armies to hold the enemy at bay. Nevertheless, the successes thus far achieved by the enemy have postponed the day of our victory by many months.

While no one has any means of telling how long the war is going to last, it is safe to say that a long conflict lies ahead of us. This means that we will all be affected in many ways and that suffering humanity everywhere is being driven to travel a long and thorny road to travel before it will reach the point of liberation. Nothing but firm determination in a final victory can lighten the suffering.

Meanwhile, we in the "safety zone" back home can do much to relieve the misery of the wounded and hungry by giving generously to those agencies which exist solely for the purpose of administering to the unfortunate ones at home and abroad. The most effective agency in this field is the Red Cross with its world-wide organization and facilities. Other organizations with similar missions are the various war relief agencies.

We have our own Yugoslav War Relief organization with its Slovene Relief doing creditable work by collecting funds which will be used for our people in Yugoslavia and Slovenia as soon as conditions will permit. In many of our communities there are local relief committees which are sponsoring programs and meetings to raise funds. Here in Chicago, on May 24, a huge rally will be held by the Slovene section of Yugoslav relief. And on Sunday, March 1, at 3 p. m., the Chicago Symphonic Choir and Zlatko Balaban will appear at Orchestra Hall for the Yugoslav Fund Association.

Last Sunday I attended the mammoth Russian War Relief rally at the Chicago Stadium which has a capacity of 25,000. About 20,000 people were present to listen to an impressive and long program. Among the many speakers were Joseph E. Davies, former American ambassador to Moscow and author of the best-seller, "Mission to Moscow"; and Mme. Litvinov, wife of Maxim Litvinov, Russian ambassador to Washington.

Others on the program for Russian War Relief included the Chicago Ukrainian dancing group, which performed masterfully; Connie Moore, Constance Bennett and her husband Gilbert Roland and Cedric Belfrage from Hollywood, and Katy Carlisle of radio and stage. The collection at this rally ran into the thousands (\$40,000). Various organizations and individuals donated large sums, firmly convinced that the fight which Russia is waging today against the Nazi-Fascists is our fight as well.

Little Fort Lodge News

WAUKEGAN, ILL.—A very large crowd attended the movies of Jugoslavians shown at the Slovene Hall last Saturday. All attending enjoyed these movies very much and were grateful to Supreme officer Michael Vrhovnik for showing them. These movies brought back to the older folks many memories of past days and showed the younger folks those scenes and places which their parents so often talked about.

Juvenile applicants for membership accepted at the regular monthly meeting the past Thursday are Virginia Bennett, Marianne Denton, Edward Mihovec, and Patricia Ann Lipnicka. Adult applicant accepted is Mrs. Marjorie Denton, wife of Tony Zainer, now in California. Welcome to Little Fort Lodge!

A very novel idea was introduced at the meeting which turned out to be quite successful. Each member present at the meeting deposited ten cents in the pot—for this coin he received a slip of paper on which to write his name, then placing the slip in a hat. The name drawn received half of the money, and the other half. The money is to be spent for defense stamps.

A committee was selected to write letters to Little Fort members in service, enclosing in these letters some money. The committee is composed of Chris Stritar, Dorothy Kratic, Lorraine Miller and Edith Dolanek. (At present there are eleven members in service.)

Even Sinter replaced yours truly as recording secretary. We feel quite sure she'll fill the duties of that office quite capably. The attendance at the monthly meeting was a surprise, indeed. If the members only knew how the officers and regular participants appreciate their attendance at meetings, they'd keep on attending. Keep the fine attendance of the past meeting (which was fine compared to other meetings but which could not be surpassed). Little Fort's 10th Anniversary dance was held on Saturday, March 22. The date is not far away.

Rules of the "SNPJ Victory Campaign"

The SNPJ VICTORY CAMPAIGN shall be a fraternal and patriotic drive for greater expansion and security, having for its main objectives the twofold purpose of building up the membership of the Society and the defenses of the U. S. A.

This campaign shall be conducted in both departments of the Society, beginning with the first day of March, 1942, and ending with the last day of February, 1943.

It shall be open to all lodges and members of the SNPJ and shall be conducted on a national scale with states grouped according to the Society's six Vice-Presidential Districts, each of which in turn shall be divided into states composing them, thus forming three continents in all, national, district and state.

The National Directors of the VICTORY CAMPAIGN shall be VINCENT CANKAR, Chairman, and MICHAEL VRHOVNIK, Director, and under them, filling the role of regional directors, shall come the District Vice-Presidents of the Supreme Board, and under them the local lodge secretaries and members. The duties of all concerned shall be to publicize, promote and organize ways and means of increasing the membership, Lodges, Circles and activities of the Society.

The national, district and state campaign winners shall be decided on the following plan: The Lodge enrolling the highest number of new members in the Society shall be declared the National SNPJ Victory Campaign Winner; the Lodge enrolling the highest number of new members in its District shall be an SNPJ District Campaign Winner; and the Lodge enrolling the highest number of new members in a state, having five (5) or more lodges, shall be a State SNPJ Victory Campaign Winner. Likewise, a similar set-up shall apply to all individual members, each to be rewarded as provided in subsequent rules.

All campaign awards shall be paid in form of United States Defense Savings Stamps and Bonds of various denominations as described in the schedule of prizes immediately following:

	Lodge	Individual
National Victory Campaign Winner.....	\$100.00	\$50.00
District Victory Campaign Winner.....	50.00	50.00
State Victory Campaign Winner.....	25.00	25.00
Nat'l Circle Victory Campaign Winner.....	25.00	

In addition to the foregoing list of SPECIAL prizes, the Society shall also pay the following REGULAR prizes to individual contestants and non-contestants, who are responsible for enrolling new members:

For each juvenile member—any plan.....	\$1.00
For each adult insured for \$250.00.....	1.00
For each adult insured for \$500.00.....	2.00
For each adult insured for \$1000.00 or more.....	4.00

The minimum quota of new members required to be enrolled by a lodge or individual member in order to be eligible for a state, district, or the national VICTORY CAMPAIGN prize is twenty-five (25) members, juveniles and adults combined.

No credit shall be allowed for members transferring from the Juvenile to the Adult Department if the amount of mortuary insurance is \$500 or less, but full credit shall be given for any amount in excess of \$500 and members, in all such cases, shall be counted as new members gained. Every increase of mortuary insurance shall be treated as a member gained and the credit given to the lodge and individual responsible for the execution of the membership application.

The regular campaign prizes shall be awarded after three assessments have been paid for the new members, such awards to be made at intervals decided by the Supreme Executive Committee. The national, district and state prizes shall be awarded three months after the conclusion of the Victory Campaign.

Medical examination fees for new members shall be paid by the Society in amounts up to \$2.00 for adults and 50 cents for juveniles. No medical examinations, however, are required for juveniles except in the state of Ohio.

Lodges and individual members, who desire to participate in the VICTORY CAMPAIGN, are required to file an entry on forms provided by the National Campaign Director. Each entry, in order to qualify, must be accompanied by an application for a new member. Members of either Department of the Society are eligible as contestants.

Individual contestants must enroll new members into the lodges of the District in which they reside; otherwise, no credit shall be given. Credit for new members is not transferable once it has been received and filed by the Supreme Office.

It shall be the duty of every Lodge Secretary to furnish the Supreme Office with the name and address of each contestant for whom credit for new members is intended, this information to accompany the membership applications.

Every contestant and new member will be entitled to an SNPJ VICTORY CAMPAIGN pin.

The slogan of the SNPJ VICTORY CAMPAIGN shall be: Help defend America by enrolling new members in the SNPJ!

West Newton SH Stage Mask Ball Saturday

WEST NEWTON, PA.—The annual masquerade of the Slovene Home will be held Saturday, Feb. 28, at the Slovene Hall (Collinsburg) near West Newton. Music will be furnished by the ever-popular Joe Kramer and his orchestra whose rhythmic tunes will keep both young and old stepping. Dancing will begin at 8. Come masked in your favorite costume. Three prizes will be awarded, the best of refreshments will be served including kranjake klobase. Let's make it a date and attend.—Quite a number of our local boys have been called to the colors and we wish them the best of luck and health. FRANK ZORKO, Rec. Sec. SH.

SNPJ Keystoneers

SHARON, PA.—I wonder how any true SNPJ member can stay away from attending the monthly meetings, especially if the meetings are as interesting as the Keystoneers meetings are, or as many other active lodge meetings.

Remember, Keystoneers, attend the March meeting, and if lucky, win a dollar. If not present, then the dollar will be added to the April bank account. The regular meeting will be held Sunday, March 1, at 2:30 p. m.

FRANCES NOVAK, 755.

Lodge No. 9 Red Cross Benefit Dance Feb. 28

YALE, KANS.—SNPJ lodge No. 9 will sponsor a dance for the benefit of the Red Cross, Saturday evening, Feb. 28, at the Lodge Hall. All members and friends are cordially invited to attend as the entire sum realized at this affair will be given to the Red Cross. It is our duty to support this humanitarian organization which offers help to our boys in the armed forces as well as those who may need it in the present conflict. ANTON ADAMIC, JOHN PECAR, CH. LENASL, FR. KLJUCEVSEK.

Juvenile Circles

Juvenile Stars' Party is Huge Success: Will Meet Mar. 8

STRABANE, PA.—The Juvenile Stars, Circle No. 19, held their regular meeting on Feb. 6 with a fairly large group present. At this meeting the new officers were installed and plans were made for a "Get Acquainted" party so that our new members may become better acquainted with us.

The party was held on Feb. 13 at the SNPJ Hall. Various games and contests took place during the evening. Those who like to dance had a nice time dancing to recorded music. Later in the evening we had refreshments which were enjoyed to the utmost.

After the party broke up several of the older girls stayed to help clean up the room. Club Steward Max Chesnic gave instructions and we proceeded with our task. Olga De Lost and Agnes Koklich were the mop dept. The mop dept. included "Dukla" Verchek, "Ginny" Chesnic, Bertha Koklich, Frances Zele and yours truly. Also giving us a helping hand was Adviser Mary Ann Okleson and helping with the buckets was Louise Chesnic.

In behalf of the Circle I wish to thank the Koklich sisters for the use of their recording machine, which did a great deal towards making our party a success. I wish to remind our members that March 6 is the date for our next meeting. Please don't forget. VERONICA BARBIC, Pres.

The SNPJ Wolverines

DETROIT, MICH.—Last winter they missed the boat—this time the train. I am talking about Jo Klari and Bertha who were late for the Snow Train to Grayling. Fortunately the Wolverines car was on the first section of the train, and the girls caught the second edition, joining the rest of the gang at Grayling. The rest of us were really worried about them, especially inasmuch as they had the lunch basket!

Among our guests were Marjorie Rovsek, Mrs. Potocnik and Mimi, and Virginia Ocepsek. They, together with Ruth Clark and Millie provided their share of entertainment with outbursts of singing. Found Frances Rovsek when we alighted from the train; she had spent her vacation in the north country, and made the return trip with us, during which she put on quite a "spiel" with her fortune telling.

The short stay at Grayling allowed time for some tobogganing, ice skating, and of course, snow fights. The party became quite rough for a while as the hard folks pushed one another into snow banks and threw football blocks. Then the inevitable stop at Spike's Keg of Nails for a replenishing supply of refreshments.

The past Saturday was the big day in the lives of Bob and Lillian (used-to-be Grum) Travnik. The wedding reception, well attended by many friends, was a lively one, and drew old friends from Chicago. This included our own Julia Bogaty, who was escorted by Luke Groser and Lefty Lotrich, who insisted he would dispose of at least three books in Detroit.

Just when Frank Rezek was about ready to give up his bachelorhood, the army beckons. Wolverines will have a party at the Liverpool hall on Saturday, March 7, and Rezek had better be there to get a good sendoff. Yes, France! This is a threat!

One of our best bowlers has been omitted from our listing of averages. Joe Makstall, with a 181 average is third among Wolverines, being surpassed only by Pop Larry Berbeck and Al Macconi. Larry, by the way, swears that he'll make it four in a row.

Besides buying defense bonds we can each do something constructive in helping the nation in its war effort—become blood donors. On behalf of the Detroit Junior Board of Commerce, which is helping the Red Cross, I'd like to urge everyone who can to give some blood. Application blanks can be secured from the Red Cross, or from me. I'd be glad to supply more information to anyone interested.

The party will be a triple killing. First of all, members are notified that the March meeting has been moved up and will be held the same evening as the party. Secondly, the party will renew the old Wolverine spirit, and the third point re-visits an old custom. In the past, any Wolverine entering wedlock was obliged to set up a keg for the mutual enjoyment of all. Also, any bachelor attaining the age of 22 was subject to the same rule. This party will take the place of about eight or nine of these setups. LADDIE ZINDAR, 677.

EDITOR'S NOTE PITTSBURGH, PA., J. U. Will appear in next week's issue. —For Victory: Buy Bonds—

Off the President's Bat

By J. F. Fijolt, Lodge 566

CLEVELAND, O.—Here before we know it will be the next social event, Comrades' Spring Dance, Feb. 28, with music by Johnny Peacock. Proceeds will go towards the purchase of additional defense bonds as well as funds for the Milwaukee bowling tournament.

All of the girls on the women bowling teams to be on hand to help out Johnny Smole, Turk, Pirnat, Vohar, Alden, Kushman, Stritof are also expected. Mary Zak will be in charge of the kitchen, assisted by Mary Krizmanic. Mary Stefanic in the cage with the Vice Chairman in complete charge.

Letters from Serg. Kernz and Privates Tushar and Azman were received thanking the lodge for its remembrance at Christmas.

Joe Koren, Vice President elected at the December meeting, has found it necessary to resign. Prospect of immediate service in the army was the reason. After appealing to the ladies of the lodge and telling them in no uncertain terms that they will be expected to carry on in the future even to a greater extent than in the past, Pauline Spik consented to duplicate her previous successful years' efforts as Vice President. She immediately swung into the lining up of our Spring Dance.

Sis. Kristoff, Recording Secretary, formerly Popotnik, missed the January meeting but showed up for the last one. She and Kristoff decided to see if two can live as cheap as one the latter part of January. We wish them luck.

At the January meeting Sis. Alice Popotnik walked home with the \$6 award and was glad to have been present. At the February meeting Alice Kerz missed the \$2 draw but Frances Perseren was there for the \$1 bill.

The girls finally did it. With Pauline Spik accepting the post of Vice President, it left a vacancy on the Auditing Committee. Before one could say "Jack Robinson" friend Roman Tomek, man about town, was nominated, accepted and sworn in on the Auditing Board. He is a welcomed addition to the official family.

John Alden reported on a meeting he attended of the Norwood Community Council, with headquarters at the Library on E. 65th and Superior. His report was complete and pointed out what could be done thru community effort. He was elected to represent the lodge at the next meeting. We also went on record as favoring financial support to the movement.

Beacon Highlights

CLEVELAND, O.—Unforeseen circumstances prevented several Beaconites from attending the Morning Stars dance in Pittsburgh, last Saturday night. I sincerely hope the MS's recorded another success and am anticipating invading Pittsburgh in the near future.

The social held after our last meeting was a grand success. Credit for this affair is due our charming, blonde new secretary, Miss Helen Hovecar, who invited a host of friends and with the aid of her sister, Pearl Cultrona, managed to save three quarters of the crowd, people who responded to their invitation. Fine work, girls; a little more cooperation in this respect from some of our other members would certainly be in order.

Our Beacon soldier, Pvt. Mirko Bubic is still stationed at Fort Knox, Ky., and I'm sure he'd appreciate a letter or card from some of our members and friends, especially now since he is convalescing, suffering a broken leg during maneuvers a few weeks ago. (You can get his address from yours truly or his parents.) Beacons wish Mirko a speedy recovery!

THIS 'N' THAT.—Our own Hermine Mezger managed the refreshment department the social nite and concocted a special formula of "hot-dogs" that really went over big. Congrats Hermine, we'll remember "you did it before, and you can do it again."—And say, what a fine prospective member we have in the ambitious gentleman, who answers to Bill Chevins. Though only a prospective member, he did all the so-called "dirty work" preparing the liquid dispensers and then did a "a la" job of serving. May his name soon be added to Beacons' list.

Why don't we see the Segulin brothers at our meetings any more? With the New Year our former secy, Miss Durieko, took over the treasurer's position and Miss Victoria Mezger, the former treasurer, that of an auditor. Taking turns at the different posts. The only holdout, our Mitze Hovecar, who refused to take even "the smallest most minor office." Could it be that "Cupid occupies too much of her time? Vic Mezger and Marie Durieko, faithful Beacon standbys, were considering purchasing a car (not exactly new), nevertheless just then came that rationing tires into effect and then no retreading

S. Chicago's Column

SO. CHICAGO.—The Sentinels' February meeting was a short session. Sec'y Frances Kosic reported gaining two new prospects. Bro. Malnarich Sr. has likewise a few prospects that he may bring into the lodge. Sentinels have now three members in Uncle Sam's military forces: Steve Malnarich Jr., Harold Sarver and Joe Spellich. Sister Angelina Kuhel and Bro. Emil Kuhel were authorized to again form a men's and women's team to enter the Pioneers' Invitational Handicap tournament.

The recent social held by Lodge Delavey in South Chicago's Croatian Hall drew representatives from all South Chicago lodges. The Pioneers and Integrity were also present. That South Chicago's Trailblazers, members of 400 and Sentinels were so much in evidence holds a continuation of that promise that our southside lodges will cooperate with one another.

The attendees at the dance by our visiting Supreme Board members was noticeable. Our southside members had the opportunity of meeting and talking with Dr. Arch of Pittsburgh, Mike Kumer of Universal, Ray Travnik of Detroit and Jim Maglich of Imperial. Our Supreme board members Mirko Kuhel and Mike Vrhovnik also were a part of the gathering that attended Delavey's dance.

ALL THAT SORT OF THING. The recent meeting of the Society's supreme board will receive much attention throughout our Society. As they embark on their duties and assume their responsibilities, all of our members wish them success and progress. Much is expected. Nadja's dinner to the Board members received praise. Many of our Chicago members, that same evening, came to the SNPJ hall to become acquainted with the Society's officers.

Steve Malnarich Jr. wrote in to say hello to all of the Sentinels. Alex and Eleanor Ladere are now the proud parents of a baby boy. And, it means another Sentinel has come to join. Our Sentinels are still active in the Trailblazers' bowling league. Emil Kuhel continues to be one of the leading bowlers. Ladi Kuhel has rolled some of the league's high marks. Just recently Boris Bruce joined with Richard Kuhel to bowl in the league. These fellows, with Carl Boisch, should form the 1943 edition of the Sentinels' team to be entered in the Pioneer tournament.

An old friend, Joe Bertovic of Universal (now with Uncle Sam) was a welcome visitor. Frank Groser and Oscar Godina were the lads that brought our visitors to South Chicago on Feb. 14. Dorothy Ambrozic of Eveleth had an evening at the Chicago theater and dinner at Stoner's with Jennie Kosele. So long, until again. LOUIS KOSELE, 610.

Integrity Broadcasts

CHICAGO.—The regular monthly meeting was fairly attended. Bro. Julius Abram was the lucky winner for the \$1 award which is given away to the lucky member who attends the monthly meeting. This will be given each month until further notice. We would like to see more members present at our regular meetings.

Victory May Dance Our May Dance will be held on May 9 at the Northwest Hall. For this dance we will give one ticket free for every 5 that any member will dispose of. We hope that all members will try to dispose 5 or more tickets. For this Victory Dance, the following members have taken tickets: Sister Helen Kon, 40; Bro. Martin Abram, 25; Al Roycht, 25; Sister Mejach, 10; Florancic brothers, 10. We hope other members will follow in such number of tickets.

Bro. Edward Florancic has joined Uncle Sam's colors. We wish him lots of luck. MICHAEL R. FLEISCHACKER, Secretary.

Zarja's Development; Spring Concert March 1

CLEVELAND, O. For twenty-six years we have worked toward this show. While developing this group we've seen gladness and we've welcomed new members as they've joined in our group. To share all alike—to stretch or to stoop. We've watched members leave us; much to our sorrow, but have hoped that they'd join us upon the tomorrow.

Our chorus may not sound "professional-like"—Such as opera stars in front of a "mike". But we strive and we toil to make it expand. For we wish it to be the best in the land. As a singer I know that it can be done—We can work towards our goal and still have our fun.

The thing that comes to my mind is the goal! We work like ants who are stranded in a hole And climb and try so hard to reach the top. But they're never discouraged; they never stop; Words cannot tell what we've done in a year, Come and see for yourself and enjoy our good cheer!

And so you'll see by our chorus and the show we've in store, Yes—we worked, and we toiled, but we'll continue some more! We try to be different and please with variety, And work out our problems with fun and anxiety, So join us good people to see the show we have planned— I know you'll enjoy it, so heed my command!

MARIAN SPEHAR P. S.: Date: March 1. Program: 6 p. m. Price: 40c beforehand and 50c at the door. Dance: 9 p. m. Price: 35c. Place: Slovene National Home on St. Clair.

SNPJ Bowling

SNPJ National Bowling Tournament News

Entry blanks for the SNPJ NATIONAL BOWLING TOURNAMENT and a limited number of hotel reservation cards have been mailed to some ninety or more lodges, covering an area extending as far east as Washington, D. C., and westward to Denver, Colorado, and Butte, Montana. It is quite possible that a number of lodges, desiring to be represented in the tournament, were not included in the mailing list; if this is so, we wish to state that they were left out, unintentionally, and that entry blanks and other necessary information will be gladly furnished if requests are mailed to the Secretary of the National Bowling Tournament Committee, Leo Schweiger, 618 S. 6th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

You are reminded that on the back side of each entry blank are printed important rules and information about the bowling tournament; these you are asked to read carefully. Note that the ENTRY DEADLINE IS MIDNIGHT, APRIL 10, and that all returns, including fees, should be in the hands of the tournament Secretary on or prior to that date.

It was reported in this column last week that several changes were made in last year's rules. They are as follows:

Bowling Rules

1. The entry fee, which also includes cost of bowling, has been increased from \$1.25 to \$1.50 per bowler for each event.

2. All prize money derived from entry fees and other sources shall be divided into two (2) funds in the following manner: After bowling fees have been deducted, an amount equivalent to 70% of the prize money shall be set aside as the REGULAR PRIZE FUND from which awards shall be made for GOOD BOWLING; the balance or 30% shall be placed into what shall be known as the GOODFELLOWSHIP PRIZE FUND. Teams and individual bowlers, who do not bowl high enough to place among the winners of the regular (good bowling) prizes, shall automatically qualify for the GRAND DRAWING OF GOODFELLOWSHIP PRIZES.

3. Transferred members must belong to the new lodge at least ninety days preceding the tournament. Formerly the rule called for sixty days. Exception shall be made in cases involving transfer of former SSPZ members.

4. Team or individual bowlers will not be permitted to bowl more than once in any one event.

5. Team captains shall be required to report their line-ups thirty (30) minutes before time to bowl. This also applies to all two-men (women) teams and individual entrants.

With each entry fee stepped up 25 cents, it is expected that the prize fund this year will be the largest in the history of SNPJ National Bowling Tournaments. On top of that, the inauguration of GOODFELLOWSHIP, or CONSOLATION AWARDS as they may be called, consisting of 30% of all prize money, is definitely a step in the right direction and is certain to leave a good moral effect on the average bowler. Under this method of distribution, both the good, medium, and poor bowlers are taken into consideration for all have a fair chance of making up a part of their expenses, either on their ability or good luck. Remember, the dates of the National Bowling Tournament are April 24-25-26, and the place is Bensinger's Recreation, Milwaukee, Wis.

While the National Tournament is looming in the distance, two other bowling events are receiving their due share of publicity and both deserve your support and entry. One is the Eastern Invitational Bowling Tournament at Cleveland, sponsored by the local SNPJ Athletic League, scheduled for March 14-15, and the other is the Pioneers' Lodge No. 559 Invitational Team Handicap Bowling Tournament, to be held on Sunday, March 15. Help make them successful.

MICHAEL VRHOVNIK, Athletic Director.

Pioneer Pin Tourney

CHICAGO—A record entry is expected for the Pioneer Invitational Handicap Tournament, which takes place Sunday, March 15, at the ABE Arcade Alley, 2816 W. 26th St., Chicago. Since there are only 16 alleys and the first squad starts at 10 a. m., it will be necessary to have three shifts. Therefore, lodges and teams are requested to get their entries in at once and have a choice of bowling time.

Mike Fleischacker asked for more entry blanks and stated that integrity expects to enter 6 teams. Lefty and Luke were in Detroit over the weekend and reported that the YA's are planning to again enter the tournament. The boys went to get two active and popular YA's set married namely, Bob Travnik and Lillian Gram. Lefty sold four more subscription books giving him a total of seven sold.

A Sallie Mohawks have promised to enter two teams, so we're expecting Lud Vogrich and Frank Vidgar

to be with the gang. Louis Kosele said his gang would have one team and the Trailblazers, new to our tournament, have promised to be present as will our neighboring Victorians. The Badgers and Little Forts always well represented, are expected to have their share of entries.

The tournament is open to only five-person teams, either men or women. Lodges can enter as many teams as they want. All members of each team must be from the same lodge; exceptions to this will be made by the Committee, but no bowler will be eligible to compete with more than one team. Lodges that did not receive blanks or those that want additional ones, can get them by writing D. J. Lotrich, 2634 S. Lawndale, FRANK GROSER, 559 Temp. Sec.

Midwest Meeting

CHICAGO—All SNPJ lodges in the Midwest are invited to attend a meeting of the SNPJ Midwest Athletic League, Sunday, March 15, at 2 p. m. at the Slovene Labor Center, 2301 S. Lawndale. Each lodge is entitled to two delegates. Election of officers and plans for the coming softball season will be discussed. FRANK GROSER, Temp. Sec.

With the SNPJ Ladies at SWH Recreation

CLEVELAND, OHIO.—It was a fine jolly Sunday. What with the girls all expressing themselves in songs, it was hard to tell whether we had a concert recital or a bowling session. Let's have more of them. We'll probably bowl better scores and judging from the audience everyone seemed to enjoy it. Rose Kopina surprised everyone by taking matters into her own hands and leading the team with a 430 series. That was the best for Rose thus far. Fran Spik led the group with a 508 score, followed by 496 and 494 by Zedel and Beljan respectively. The honor of a high 195 game went to Zedel.

By the way, the song celebration was probably in honor of Theresa Dolzak's sparkler. (Did you see the shining reflection in her eyes? Chuck is the lucky young man.)

Let's not forget last week's high scores. With two of our more distant stars suddenly coming into prominence, it behooves us to tell the world about it. Lucille Jeram's 508 series included such games as 171-152-185 and Helen Hrovat's 198-148-160 games. Both girls had had their first five hundred series.

The league pacers, Comrades No. 2, were tut down another notch by Comrades No. 3. Both teams were handicapped by a blind. Albina Vehar who had a very unfortunate accident a week ago, is laid up indefinitely with a broken leg. You have our sympathy, Albina, especially when we know how you feel about the coming tournaments.

Perhaps the modern age of medical science will perform a miracle and you will be able to participate. At any rate we hope so for your sake. MOLLIE KOREN, Sec'y.

SNPJ Eastern Invit'l Tournament Mar. 14-15

CLEVELAND, OHIO.—The committee of the above mentioned tournament, to be held March 14 and 15, would like to take this opportunity to inform all those who intend to participate that the plans for same are shaping up in good order.

The fees for this coming event are \$10 for team event \$4 for doubles and \$2 for singles. Out of the entry fee for each person per event, 75c will go to the alleys, the rest will be put in the prize list. There also will be consolation prizes for those who fail to place in any event.

The trophies which are to be presented to champions of each division were donated by the SNPJ Supreme Board, Cleveland Federation and Lodge Utopians 604. All additional money from these donations will go in the prize list.

We would also like to comment that the Linz Recreation, scene of this Eastern classic, is established in the heart of downtown Cleveland. This is one of the largest establishments of its type in the country. It houses eighty-two alleys, a large restaurant, and a spacious cocktail lounge. Carl Linz, the proprietor, has assured us complete cooperation in making this tournament a huge success. So get your entries and come to Cleveland for two days of competition and social activities with the Utopians as your host.

JOSEPH MATTHEWS, 604.

SNPJ Trail Blazers Bowling League

SO CHICAGO—On Chicago's far Southside, last Sunday the bowlers of the Trail Blazers League swept through another series of engagements which in the end netted as many victories as defeats.

The Red Wings moved into a tie for first place by walloping the little Rangers thrice in as many games. Louis Kosele was again in great form, crashing the maples to the tune of 552, including games of 196-197, as he led the Wings to victory.

Runner-up honors in this contest went to Frank Sodez, who shot a 514 series.

The Blackhawks gave warning once more that they have regained their early season stride as they tripped the Bruins three in a row, and as a result elevated themselves into third place over their latest victims. For the Blackhawks, John Sodez, the "little man" who is usually there when a few extra pins are needed, dumped the "wood" for a handsome total of 531, including a 205 game, high for the day. Edwin Orazem, who combined games of 160-163-194 for his best score of the current season, was the standout performer for the Bruins.

After dropping the opening game, the Eagles came right back to administer a sound drubbing to the Maple Leafs in the second and final games. Louis Twardy was again high man for the Eagles with a score of 491, while Stanley Tisol hung up a 473 for top honors on the losing team.

PIN-TAPS: Sophie Brolick, who sports one of the lowest averages in the TB League, picked off the difficult 5-7-10 split last Sunday. To prove, again, how uncertain is this game of bowling, Tony Ue rolled an even 100 pins in the opener and then followed with 166 and 174. Another individual star was Anthony Jaksa, who carries an average of 120; his games of 137-133-173 helped the Blackhawks to their second consecutive sweep. Two weeks ago, something happened that we read about but seldom see: Stanley Tome had five pins standing on alley number 11 as he let go of his second shot. The pins were struck with such force and accuracy that he not only negotiated a spare on his own alley, but one of the pins bounced across alleys 9 and 10 knocking down the remaining pin on alley 8, thus completing two spares with one shot.

A large representation of Trail Blazers bowlers will see action in the Pioneers' Invitational Bowling Tournament on March 15. The Bowling Committee voted to suspend league bowling for the week of the tournament, this in order to give everyone an opportunity to participate in the Invitational event. . . . Trying to smoke a pipe and enjoy it at the same time is quite a job for most people any time, but Louis Kosele manages to combine pipe-smoking with bowling and the results speak for themselves. In the first two games last Sunday, he had one miss, that coming in the fourteenth frame, and wound up the day's chores with a 552 series. His preceding series was 566, etc. Rumors are that Victor Tome, who was transferred by his company to Butler, Pa., to help lay out plans for a defense job, will soon return to Chicago. That's mighty good news to all Trail Blazers and his many friends. . . . Latest to join the ranks of the League is Boris Beyce of the Calumet Sentinels, and judging by his opening scores and form, he has all the makings of a fine bowler. . . . Among the women keglers, Amelia Stonich topped total score honors with a 407, while Sophie Brolick's 156 was good enough for high game.

Team Standings: Red Wings 32-22, Eagles 32-22, Blackhawks 29-25, Bruins 27-27, Maple Leafs 23-31, Rangers 19-35. M. T. V., 100.

Utopian Falcons Upset Lunder Adamic

CLEVELAND, OHIO.—With Spilar setting a new record for three and single game high, the Utopian Falcons upset the fighting Lunder-Adamic Five in two contests. Spilar blasted out a 681 series with a high 205 and 206 game. The Falcons also had a 1000 game which took third place in the standings. Jerse followed with a 544 series and a 203 game. Spehar a 516 series and E. Benedict a 506 series. The Lunders also proved to be tough customers as all five men had 500 series. Birk had 548, Prime 521-545, Poklar 213-542, Simic 527 and Svigel 516.

The Utopian Cubs taking advantage of the Falcons' upsets, increased their lead to three games in walloping the Utopian bombers in all three games. Bohine starred for the Cubs smashing out a 601 series with a 236 game, followed by Matthews with a 564 series and a 237 game. Vrh a 552 series and Francec a 513 series. Emil Marash who came in time to roll two games had a 212 and 209 game for the Bombers. Congratulations are in order for Emil and wife who presented him with a baby girl.

Spartan II team made the second clean sweep of the day by blanketing the Spartan I crew. For the former J. Zorman had a 559 series and Boika a 552 series with a 200 game. Lube with 555 series and a 212 game and Dietz with a 510 series were high for the latter.

The Zdruleni Brati took two games from the Concordians. Zarec with a 668 series and a 207 game and Debeljak with a 564 series and a 212 game were high for the Brati. Kodramas with a 550 series and a 244 game was tops for the Concordians.

Rolling off the postponed series from last week the Zdruleni Brati swept two games from the Spartan II team. For the winners Joe Leskovec had a neat 622 series on 243 and 200. John Leskovec had a 557 series and a 203 game and Debeljak a 528 series. For the losers Boika had a 550 series, Glavic a 519 series, Gabrenja a 500 series and J. Zorman a 301 game.

JOHN J. SPILAR, 404.

Echoes from Minnesota

EVELETH, MINN.—I will attempt to outline the activities of our three local SNPJ lodges—namely, the men's lodge Napredok 69, the women's lodge Eveleth 130, and the ESL Young Americans 650. Our total membership is 700. We own our own lodge home, the SNPJ Hall, of which we are very proud. I am happy to say that our members are very willing workers for the benefit of our Society and its members.

Soon after our national convention, the above-mentioned lodges sponsored a banquet and program. On this occasion the former SSPZ members merged with our lodges and from that day on we are one united SNPJ group.

As usual, we also arranged a combined Christmas party of our juvenile members on Dec. 22. Movies were shown, the juveniles staged a program and Santa gave each juvenile a box of very best chocolates. Do the juveniles ever look forward to our Christmas party!

On Dec. 31, we celebrated New Year's eve in a good old-fashioned way. The committee in charge of arrangements are to be complimented for their splendid work. The crowd was in good humor, singing and dancing all night. Never will this event be forgotten! And how the former SSPZ members did sing!

Our SNPJ Hall

On Feb. 1, the annual meeting of the SNPJ Hall was held. Various reports were made and a remarkable financial progress was made. The sum of \$1,400 was available which was paid out for shares to shareholders. Our liabilities at present are a fraction over \$2000. Credit is due our faithful and hard working members. The new officers are: Frank Cerrar, pres.; Josephine Frontar, vice-pres.; Jacob Ambrozich, sec'y; Louis Lesar, treas. Building committee: Ursula Ambrozich, chairman; Anna Kerze, Mike Kobal, Anton Gornik, Mary Peterka, Frances Kaucich, Agnes Krall, Johana Ozanich, Fr. Strukel, Josephine Primozich, John Benchina and Jake Longar. Trustees: Rode Poznanovich, chairman; Matilda Rebetz, Joseph Indihar Sr., Philip Peritz, Anton Gornik and Fr. Perusek. The meeting dates of these committees are the third Sunday of each month at the SNPJ Hall.

Not to forget a worthy action, our Women's Lodge 130 remembered all the SNPJ members of our city who are serving our country, and to each we sent a Christmas greeting card with a \$2 postal money order and a note which read: "Our dear SNPJ member. With the enclosed buy yourself a real good Christmas cheer, with the thought in your mind that we, the members at home, have not forgotten you."

Our Soldier-Members

This is the least we at home in comfort can do for our boys. Reading the letters we received from these boys expressing their appreciation, makes your heart glad. Following are two letters, one from Corp. Louis W. Lushene and one from Pvt. First Class, Thomas G. Capan:

"Dear SNPJ members, Lodge 130, Eveleth, Minn. Your Christmas greeting and most generous yule gift which I received on Dec. 22 was a true symbol of brotherhood which distinguishes SNPJ lodges from other fraternal organizations. I know that we in the armed forces appreciate this most kind gesture and are prepared to do all in our power to make the SNPJ lodge 130 of Eveleth proud of our acts and efforts in the cause of national defense. Wishing all members of SNPJ lodge 130 and sister SNPJ lodges of Eveleth a merry Christmas and a happy New Year, I remain a loyal member and a faithful supporter of SNPJ principles. Fraternally yours—Corp. Louis W. Lushene, New Orleans Coastal Defense, New Orleans, Louisiana."

"Dear Mrs. Ambrozich and SNPJ members. I am sorry that I didn't write sooner, but since we didn't have time off for Christmas and New Year's it was impossible. We are on duty away from the Fort and from the cities and didn't have the opportunity to write until now. I do wish to thank you and all the members of SNPJ lodge 130 for being so thoughtful and kind in sending the Christmas gift and greetings. I am proud and happy to be a member of the SNPJ and its lodge whose members haven't forgotten me even though thousands of miles may be between us. I also hope that some day I may be among you members again. Thanking you all again, hoping that the SNPJ continues to grow. Fraternally yours—Pvt. 1st Class Thomas G. Capan, Ft. Ord, Calif."

These are but two of the many letters we received from our boys to print all would take too much space. We hope the day is not far away when our boys will be able to return home after the aggressor are beaten and peace will once again prevail.

Our Convention

I am almost certain that majority of the delegates of our last convention must be taking aspirin tablet in order to keep their temperature normal. Left and right we are criticized how unqualified we were. They say "If I were a delegate, this or that article which was added to the by-laws, would have been killed on the convention floor."

Well, brothers and sisters, I myself am not satisfied with all the decisions made at the convention. One way of satisfying everyone would

be to send such delegates to the convention who would be able to find an extra big pot of gold to use in satisfying everybody. Yes, money, money—where to get the money?

We must be reasonable and never demand the impossible. We must all realize the fact that in order to get larger and bigger benefits in various forms for various insurance classes—there is but one solution: higher assessments! Neither the Supreme board nor convention delegates can make miracles. I do not aim to reflect on anyone, but I do feel that we should be a little more reasonable.

The other seeming headache with some members is, "How and why was Eveleth selected as the next SNPJ convention city?" They claim that it is not centrally located, that the convention expenses will be too great, etc., etc. Where there is a will, there certainly is a way. A little less talking on the part of the delegation and with proper arrangements, the duration of our convention should be only one week. However, about the convention more later. I wish to extend my fraternal greetings to all delegates and members.

URSULA AMBROZICH, 130.

Midwest SNPJ Bowling Tournament Standings

(Continued)

Singles	
Fred Imperi	588
James Jachino	562
Joseph Strukel	540
Matt Brinovec	539
Rudy Pugel	537
Joseph Martinjak	523
Stanley Gregorin	519
D. J. Lotrich	512
Adolph Yersin	507
Joseph Testen	501
Vic Komuchar	494
Stanley Sedmak	487
Anton Pirman	487
William Zahrastrnik	483
Jule Abram	480
Ed Hudale	477
Val Videgar	474
Ed Zelesnik	473
George Shields	469
Ed Jakse	466
Joseph Hudale	456
Lee Gratchner	454
Martin Abram	445
Harry Uhle	442
Louis Lonkner	442
Frank Lotrich	431
August Kramer	427
Frank Vodnik	424
Frank Jereb	418
John Vertnik	415
Frank Vertnik	410
Len Alpern	409
Frank Kerzic	384
Luke Groser	367

All Events	
Rudy Pugel	1634
Matt Brinovec	1605
Fred Imperi	1605
Joseph Martinjak	1576
Stanley Gregorin	1539
Joseph Strukel	1533
James Jachino	1531
Ed Hudale	1513
Jule Abram	1485
George Shields	1462
Val Videgar	1460
Joseph Testen	1467
D. J. Lotrich	1451
Vic Komuchar	1432
Anton Pirman	1401
William Zahrastrnik	1400
Martin Abram	1388
Ed Jakse	1385
Stanley Sedmak	1380
Louis Lonkner	1377
Frank Lotrich	1340
Frank Vodnik	1339
Ed Zelesnik	1331
Joseph Hudale	1312
Frank Jereb	1303
Harry Uhle	1302
August Kramer	1300
Leo Gratchner	1261
John Vertnik	1246
Frank Vertnik	1230
Frank Kerzic	1204
Luke Groser	1153

WOMEN Singles

Marge Kochevar	453
Edith Dobnikar	439
Mary Jakse	427
Christine Stritar	415
Agnes Kastigar	411
Mitzi Chernich	399
Marie Greiwe	381
Frances Jereb	381
Ann Claudine	375
Ann Lokar	375
rma Vertnik	350
Olga Knapih	326
Jale Strukel	320
Tillie Peklay	318

All Events

Mary Jakse	1327
Marie Greiwe	1327
Mitzi Chernich	1266
Christine Stritar	1243
Edith Dobnikar	1238
Marge Kochevar	1159
Agnes Kastigar	1155
Frances Jereb	1150
Ann Lokar	1128
Jale Strukel	1078
rma Vertnik	1076
Tillie Peklay	1070

WOMEN Teams

Mohawks	1974
Pioneers No. 1	1875
Little Fort	1855
Pioneers No. 3	1486
Megrity	1410
Pioneer No. 2	1321

Doubles	
Marie Greiwe, Marge Kochevar	915
Frances Jereb, Edith Dobnikar	811
Christine Stritar, Tillie Peklay	811
Mary Jakse, Ursula Brejc	806
Bertha Hudale, Mitzi Chernich	785
Agnes Kastigar, Jale Strukel	782
Irma Vertnik, Ann Lokar	777
Julia Bob, Helen Nadvesnic	736
Heleen Winters, Julia Skocir	714

JOHN BREJC, 573.

FLASHES

By DONALD J. LOTRICH

CHICAGO, ILL.—An even half dozen new members were taken in by the Pioneers at the meeting last Friday night, five of them juvenile and one adult. This brings the total new members for January and February to NINE and may be only an indication of what CAN be expected during the next twelve months while the Victory Membership Campaign is in progress. The Pioneer membership committee has been increased and they promise to go to work immediately and hammer away until they have surpassed their last record. The meeting Friday night was another good one, short and sweet and to the point. Another contribution was made to the Workers' Defense League in behalf of Sharecropper Odell Waller whose case is to be heard by the U. S. Supreme Court and whose case is of tremendous importance to all of the working people in the states south of the Mason-Dixon Line. Sallie Beuk was not present to receive the six dollar check. We'll have seven dollars at the next meeting. Refreshments were served.

One team has already sent in its entry for the Pioneer Invitational Handicap Bowling Tournament scheduled for March 15. It is a Pioneer squad composed of August Kramer, James Jachino, Rudy Kocivar, Louis Kramer and Donald Lotrich. Many other teams are now in the process of formation. All Pioneers wishing to bowl on one of the teams are urged to be certain to advise Frank Groser, Ed Hudale or the Pioneer Secretary. We have reasons to believe that a good many teams will send in their entries. In order to prepare the necessary schedule, bowlers are urged to get their entries in on time. Our neighboring lodges likewise, should line up their teams soon and send their entries in on time. Note that the Tournament is to be held on Sunday, March 15.

We have just learned that Mary Kochevar, a recent addition to the Pioneer family, was married on Feb. 15, to Lee Amundsen of Chicago. We wish them every happiness. While Andrew Vidrich was in Chicago for the Supreme Board meeting, he brought along a financial statement of the Slovene Savings and Loan Association of Franklin-Conemaugh, Pa., and we are glad to say that it is a good statement and that they have a large reserve of more than ten per cent of their assets. Any such reserve is assurance that the institution is under good management. A baby girl arrived in the family of Roy and Anne Carter. Because Anne was taking care of her invalid mother, Dr. Zvertnik sent the mother and Anne to the hospital and the baby was prematurely born, because of Anne's overworked condition. However, an incubator has been secured and the child will most likely live. We are also glad to learn that Anne is doing all right.

Good news comes to us from Chantue Field where Edwin Yasbec, one of our fine Pioneer lads is stationed. Ed was drafted last June but in the course of about eight months, he received three promotions and is now Sergeant Yasbec. His present position is coordinator of public relations, a sort of a news editor. Ed received his education at Morton Junior College and the YMCA College, Clearwater, Florida, where she has gone to spend a vacation and sends regards to all the Pioneers.—Last Saturday Frank Lotrich drove to

SNPJ Lodge 8 Dance Was Very Successful

SO CHICAGO, ILL.—Lodge Delavec, SNPJ No. 8, wish to thank all who attended our domaca zabava dance on Feb. 14 at the Croatian hall. I was working behind the bar, and from the reaction of our members and friends one could easily judge that everybody was having an enjoyable evening; even the bartenders were taking turns dancing. We are sure glad that our dance went over big.

Some of the supreme board members were also present, among them M. G. Kubel, treasurer; M. F. Vrhovnik, juvenile and athletic director; M. R. Kumer, 1st vice-president; James Maglich and Ray Travnik, district vice-presidents, and Dr. F. A. Arch, medical examiner. Other in attendance were Stanley Tisol, Oscar Godina, Frank Groser and many others from Lodge 559.

We also want to thank Louis Kosele of Lodge 610 for the fine boost he gave us in our organ on Feb. 11. I know he enjoyed our dance very much.

Bro. John Spiller, our supreme board member, went back to St. Louis with a new radio which was given away at the dance. Secretary Joseph Kostich increased our lodge with nine new members last month.—All of us are proud and happy to live in our beautiful U. S. A., where we have freedom and enjoy the many privileges of a free people. Let each one of us do his part in the present emergency to help win the war!

MICHAEL CHANDICK, Rec. Sec.

Detroit for the wedding of Robert Travnik, Luke Groser and Julia Bogayic were with him. They also performed some missionary work for the Pioneers.

Pioneer juvenile member number seven is Josephine Slansek, who is now more or less the adopted daughter of Frank and Agnes Gerduc. The young lady lost her parents a few years back.—Subscription sales for the defense bond under auspices of the Pioneers, are going at a pretty nice clip. Several members have already completed their full books, including Val Videgar, Fred Bisset and Frank Lotrich. The latter is now working on his fifth. Bowlers should remember that the expenses of the National Tourney in Milwaukee April 25 and 26.—Much more work is needed for the Bowlers' Dance which has been booked for Saturday, March 14, at the Lawndale Masonic Temple. Tickets have been mailed to all members and the duty of advertising it is now on the members. We hope you will work up a group to be there at that time.

The Yugoslav Savings and Loan Association has called its stockholders for the annual session this Saturday, Feb. 2