

**SILOVE OŠTAN-**  
**KE RAZBITE NEM-**  
**KE ARMADE**  
Hitlerjeve kolone vrže  
desetnajst milj nazaj

**INVAZIJA NORVE-**  
**SKIH OTOKOV**

9. sept.—Sovjetske  
na centralni fronti so za pe-  
ostankov nemške oborože-  
okrog sto tisoč mož, ki je  
poražena v bitkah na fronti  
Smolensku. Danes objavlje-  
poročilo pravi, da so bile na-  
čete pogane nazaj 16  
v zadnjih dveh dneh in da  
reokupirali ozemlje v  
150 kvadratnih milj in  
50 mest in vasi.

9. sept.—Hitlerjeve ko-  
so dosepe do reke Neve po  
trdnjave Schlus-  
vzhodno od Leningrada,  
vrhovno poveljstvo. Le-  
je tarča topniškega bom-  
ranja, ki se je pričelo pred  
dnevi.

Nemške bombe so razdejale  
nemško progno, ki spaja Lenin-  
Murmanskom, sovjetsko  
od Arktiku, v več krajih in  
medicini je ustavitve dovoza  
živila in živeža sovjetskim  
kanalno omrežje med  
jezerom in Baltičkim  
je bilo deloma razdeja-

Poročilo iz Moskve, da so so-  
čete reokupirale Gomel, je  
nacija zanikali. To ukrajin-  
mesto je še v nemških ro-  
Naciji so priznali, da so raz-  
in zaigalne bombe,  
metali Angležji na Ber-  
pozročile veliko škodo.  
hiš v rezidenčnih distrik-  
je bilo porušeni in teku  
berdanja. Bombe so ubile  
civilistov in ranile veliko šte-  
prebivalcev. Nacijski tisk  
letalsko silo, naj se ma-  
nad Angležji za napad na

9. sept.—Sovjetske če-  
začele protiofenzivo na  
koncih fronte, ki se razte-  
od Ode in Kijeve na jugu  
Leningrada na severu. Mar-  
Timosenko je odredil protiof-  
zvo, da zmanjša pritisk  
in finskih čet na Lenin-

Delavci so se pridružili voja-  
y obrambi Leningrada in  
da se bodo borili proti  
nacijski. Vojaški krogi so pri-  
da je položaj kritičen, ne  
obupen.

Sovjetski letalci so včeraj me-  
bombe na Bukarešto, glav-  
rumunsko mesto, na nemške  
koncentracije v ozadju  
in letalske. Bombe so po-  
več vojskih naprav.

9. sept.—Kanadske,  
in norveške čete so  
izvede ekspedicijo preko  
do norveških otokov v  
Spitzbergen ob arktičnem  
in nazaj ter razdejale več  
govornikov. Čete niso nale-  
na odpor na poti v daljavi

Angleški parniki so odpeljali  
tisoč norveških rudarjev  
in članov njihovih družin v An-  
kjer so se rudarji takoj  
norveški oboroženi si-  
Kaj se je zgodilo z  
rudarji, ki so bili upo-  
in norveških premogovni-  
poročilo ne omenja.

**Dva bivša unijska**  
**radnika obtožena**  
9. sept.—Dva biv-  
krajevne unije med-  
bratovščine električar-  
bila obtožena po okrajni  
ponevrebte vsote \$28.  
iz unijske blagajne. Obto-  
sta William J. Martin in  
E. Scott. Prvi je bil  
unije, drugi pa taj-

## Pozdravljeni delegatje dveh organizacij!

Prihodnjo soboto se snidejo v Pittsburghu, Pa., delegatje in delegatkinje ter glavni odborniki Slovenske narodne podporne jednote in Slovenske svobodomselne podporne zveze na združitveni konvenciji.

Samo en dan, to je prvi dan, dne 13. septembra, bosta obe organizaciji zborovali vsaka zase z edinim namenom, da delegatje in gl. odborniki SNPJ in SSPZ sprejmejo ali zavrnejo združitveno pogodbo. Naše trdno pričakovanje je, da bo združitvena pogodba sprejeta s potrebno zakonito dvestretjinsko večino navzočih zborovalcev. S tem bo združitveni SNPJ in SSPZ formalno izvršena; s tem postaneta SNPJ in SSPZ ena organizacija in delegatje ter gl. odborniki in združitveni odborniki postanejo avtomatično delegatje konvencije SNPJ.

V ponedeljek, dne 15. septembra, zjutraj ob devetih se začne v hotelu Fort Pittu redno zborovanje obeh delegacij oziroma dvanajsta redna konvencija SNPJ. Šele takrat se bo konvencija konstituirala, to je izvolila svoje odbornike in odseke in šele takrat se konvencija poda na delo, pri katerem bodo z enakimi pravicami in dolžnostmi sodelovali delegatje in gl. odborniki SNPJ kakor delegatje in odborniki bivše SSPZ.

Pričakujemo, da se večina delegatov in delegatkinj obeh organizacij zaveda velike naloge, ki jo čaka na tej konvenciji.

To ni navadna konvencija v normalnem času—to je zborovanje v zelo izrednem, zelo kritičnem času, ko največji hurikan vojne in socialnih preobratov v zgodovini tuli po vsem svetu in ko je Amerika, naša nova domovina, prav na robu tega hurikana.

Na tej izredno važni konvenciji bo treba govoriti in sklepiti ne samo o tem, kako se naj izboljša in poveča naša združena organizacija, da bo še boljša in še večja kot sta bili dolejši SNPJ in SSPZ skupaj—pač pa bo treba za nekaj hipov resno pogledati na situacijo zunaj naše organizacije, na veliko krizo, v kateri se nahaja ameriška demokracija, ki jamči svobodo našim podpornim organizacijam in našemu življenju v tej deželi sploh, in pogledati bo treba tudi na situacijo v naši nesrečni stari domovini in kako bi mogli nesrečnikom v starem kraju posušiti nekaj solz, ki jim potokoma lijejo že nekaj mesecev.

Ta konvencija bo lahko velikega zgodovinskega pomena—če hočemo: v mejah naših razmer in močnosti lahko izvršimo velike naloge, ki bodo še po našim rodovom pričale, da so se v septembru 1941 zbrali v Pittsburghu slovenski delavci, resni možje, ki se razumeli svoj čas in potrebe tega časa. Vse to je mogoče—če hočemo, če imamo voljo in razumevanje.

Če hočemo in če smo možje, bomo upoštevali le velike potrebe in velike naloge, prezrili pa bomo malenkosti, ki so sicer na mestu v mirnem in normalnem času, brez pomena pa so v dobi velike krize, kakršna divja danes po svetu.

Prpravimo se za velike dogodke, ki niso več daleč. Prpravimo se, da bomo s pomočjo naše podporne organizacije, katere je sad našega truda, zavarovani ne samo proti svojim individualnim stiskam kot člani, temveč ob čvrsti kooperaciji z vsemi ostalimi, ki verujejo v demokracijo, tudi proti veliki nevarnosti, katere kolektivno ogroža z nami vred vsa Ameriška.

Upamo, da se bratje in sestre obeh organizacij, ki se snidejo prihodnjo soboto v Pittsburghu, zavedajo vsega tega in so pripravljene na velike naloge.

Izredno pozdravljeni bratje delegati in sestre delegatkinje SNPJ in SSPZ!

Pozdravljeni na veliki združitveni konvenciji!

## Večina za akcijo proti Japonski Gallup Poll objavil rezultat glasovanja

Princeton, N. J., 9. sept.—Po petih tednih poostre napetosti med Združenimi državami in Japonsko—v času, ko so japonske čete udrele v francosko Indokino in je bila ameriška topničarka bombardirana po japonskih letalcih, ko se nahajala na reki Jangtse—je glasovanje pod vodstvom Zavoda za javno mnenje (Gallup Poll) dokazalo, da je večina Amerikanov za odločno akcijo proti Japonski.

Izid kaže, da je 70 odstotkov za to, da mora Amerika storiti korake proti Japonski, čeprav s tem riskira vojno z njo, da se ustavi raztegnitev njenega vpliva na Daljnem vzhodu. Osemnajst odstotkov volilcev se je izreklo proti riskiranju vojne, dvanajst odstotkov pa se ni moglo odločiti.

Analiza glasovanja kaže, da večina Amerikanov smatra japonsko ekspanzijo na južni Pacifik za nevarno položaju Amerike na Pacifiku na splošno. Tako ekspanzija bi ogrožala tudi vire, iz katerih Združene države dobivajo kavčuk, pločevino in drug material. Rezultat glasovanja je nadaljnji dokaz, da večina Amerikanov podpira politiko Rooseveltove administracije na Pacifiku.

## Naciji izgnali žide iz stanovanj

Hanover, Nemčija, 9. sept.—Oblasti so poglone vse žide na tujakajno židovsko pokopališče potem, ko jih je policija na županov ukaz izgnala iz stanovanj. Župan je odredil tudi konfiskacijo njihovega premoženja. Odredba navaja kot vzrok 'izgona knjigo, katero je spisal Theodore Kaufmann, židovski pisatelj v New Yorku, v kateri priporoča steriliziranje vseh Nemcev in uposilitev nemških vojakov kot kuljev v inozemstvu.

## Vojvoda Windsor obišče Washington

Washington, D. C., 9. sept.—Vojvoda Windsor, bivši angleški kralj, ki se je odpovedal prestolu, bo došel v Washington s svojo v Ameriki rojeno ženo 25. septembra. Naznanilo o obisku je objavilo angleško poslaništvo. To pravi med drugim, da bo vojvoda ostal v Washingtonu dva dni kot gost predsednika Roosevelta.

## Perzijska vlada objavi mirovne pogoje

Teheran, Perzija, 9. sept.—Vlada je sklicala izredno zasedanje parlamenta, ki se prične danes, in izjavila, da bo objavila angleško-ruske mirovne pogoje. Eden glavnih pogojev je, da morajo vsi Nemci, Italijani in državljani po osišču Rim-Berlin dominiranih dežel zapustiti Perzijo.

## Domače vesti

**Konvencija vest**  
Naslov za brzojavke in pošto na konvencijo SNPJ je: SNPJ Convention, Fort Pitt Hotel, Penn Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa.

**Peruškovske slike na konvenciji**  
Pittsburgh, Pa.—Slike našega pokojnega umetnika Peruška bodo med konvencijo razstavljene v hotelu Fort Pittu. Vsakdo je povabljen, da si jih ogleda.

**Pomočinski odbor v Chicagu**  
Chicago.—John Gottlieb poziva v današnji Prosveti odbornike vseh slovenskih podpornih društev, klubov in drugih organizacij v Chicagu, naj pridejo na sejo za ustanovitev lokalnega pomožnega odbora SS, JPO. Seje vrši v dvorani Sv. Stefana, 22nd Place in Wolcott Ave., v petek, dne 12. septembra, ob osmih zvečer. Pridejo naj vsaj predsednik, tajnik in blagajnik vsakega društva.

**Detroitška vest**  
Detroit, Mich.—Dne 23. avgusta sta bila poročena John Benik in France Škerjanc. Ženin je član društva Wolverine, SNPJ. Obilo sreče!

**Nova Adamičeva knjiga**  
New York.—V nekaj dneh izide v založbi Harper & Bros. nova knjiga Louise Adamiča z naslovom "Two-Way Passage," katere šteje okrog 300 strani. Pisatelj razlaga v tej knjigi svojo idejo, kako bi združene države v kratkem času in z majhnimi stroški končale današnjo vojno v Evropi in odprle novo dobo za ves svet. Knjiga vsebuje tudi poglavje o ameriških Slovincih in drugo o Jugoslaviji, vključivši sedanji nacijski teror na Slovenskem. Cena knjige je \$2.50. Kdor pošlje takoj naročilo z denarjem vred direktno na pisatelja (naslov: Louis Adamic, Milford, New Jersey), dobi knjigo s pisateljevim podpisom.

**Clevelandške vesti**  
Cleveland.—Sodnik Lausche, slovenski kandidat za župana, je prejel pri prvem poskusnem glasovanju največ glasov med vsemi kandidati.—Dne 6. t. m. je v bolnišnici umrl Anton Brinovec, 39 let, samski in rojen tu. Zapuščena starša in tri brate.—Pri delu v skladišču je bil 6. sept. ubit Frank Zupan, star 62 let in rojen v Studencu pri Sv. Križu. V Ameriki je bil 35 let in tu zapuščena žena in devet otrok. Bil je član društva 257 SNPJ.—Dne 7. t. m. je umrla Josephine Živoder, stara 46 let in rojena v Razdrtju pri Zagorju. Tu zapuščena moža, sina in sestro.—Dalje je umrl Frank Bradač, star 55 let in doma iz Loške vasi pri Novem mestu. V Ameriki je bil 40 let in tu zapuščena žena, sina, šest hčera, brata in sestro.

**iz Minnesote**  
Virginia, Minn.—Pred dnevi je na bližnji farmi umrl Matt Novak, star 71 let. V Ameriki je živel 50 let in tu zapuščena žena, šest sinov in hčer, ki je omožena v Flintu, Mich.

**Obiski**  
Chicago.—Gl. urad SNPJ in uredništvo Prosvete so obiskali 9. t. m. Urban in Katarina Jelovšek (delegat SNPJ) iz Rock Springs, Wyo., John in Ana Fernel iz Rentona, Wash., Lucas Debeljak iz Seattle, Wash., in Andro Bartulovich iz Richmonda, Cal.

## Izgnani nemški konzul v Braziliji

Rio de Janeiro, Brazilija, 9. sept.—Stotnik Fritz Wiedemann, bivši nemški generalni konzul v San Franciscu, je došel sem z italijanskim letalom. Reporterjem je povedal, da bo odletel v Buenos Aires, Argentino, in pa hotel dati informacijo o namenu svoje misije. Wiedemann je Hitlerjev intimni prijatelj in je bil eden med nemškimi in italijanskimi konzuli, ki so bili izgnani iz Amerike v juliju tega leta.

## Bogat medkonvenčni program v Pittsburghu

Dve dramski predstavi, mnogo pevskih zborov in posameznih solistov ter solistin, dijaški tamburaški zbor, mladinski krožki, voditelji unij kot govorniki, polurni radioprogram

Med konvencijo SNPJ v Pittsburghu, Pa., bo izjavan bogat program kulturnih točk in zabave, ki se bo vršil šest večerov. Prvi dan konvencije v soboto zvečer, dne 13. septembra, bo v Slovenskem domu, 57th & Butler, nastop mladinskih krožkov SNPJ iz Sharona pod vodstvom Frances Novak in iz Midwaya pod vodstvom Mary Janeshek. Otroci bodo izvajali petje, godbo in enodejansko komedijo.

V nedeljo, dne 14. septembra, popoldne ob 2:30 uprizori dramsko društvo Ivan Cankar iz Clevelanda dramo "Norec" tudi na odru Slovenskega doma, po igri bo pa ples ob godbi Joe Koraciča.—Prihodnja plesna zabava v istih prostorih bo v torek, dne 16. septembra.

Slovenski pevski zbor Prešeren iz Pittsburgha priredi v četrtek, dne 18. septembra, ob osmih zvečer enodejansko komedijo "Hlačni gumbi." Obenem bo petje in plesna zabava.

Glavna točka medkonvenčnega programa se pa vrši v soboto, dne 20. septembra, ob šestih zvečer v hotelu Fort Pittu, in sicer banket v počast delegatov. Slavnostni večerji bo predsedoval Mihael R. Kumer. Tam nastopijo pevke Sophie Turkman, Josephine Turk, Mamie Triller, Emma Jean Rozanc, Ann Zarnik in Antoinette Gačnik; dalje muzikantje dijaškega tamburaškega zbora pod vodstvom Matka Govžeta in godba na akordione pod vodstvom Antona Rožanca.

Ob tej priliki bo tudi radioprogram, oddajen s pittsburske radiopostaje KDKA od 10:30 do 11:00 (pittsburski lokalni čas, ki je eno uro prej kakor vzhodni standardni čas). Na radioprogramu bo petje, godba in govor gl. predsednika Vincenta Cankarja.

Zaključna točka medkonvenčnega programa bo v nedeljo, dne 21. septembra, ob 2:30 popoldne v Slovenskem domu. Nastopijo tri pevska društva: Prešeren iz Pittsburgha, Bled iz Libraryja in Rožmarin iz Ambridgeja; zraven bodo muzikalne koncertne točke in ples.

## Angleški poslanik zapustil Finsko

## Izmenjava diplomatov v Lizboni

Helinski, Finska, 9. sept.—Zveza med Veliko Britanijo in Rusijo, angleška blokada Finske, zaseda finskih parnikov in prelo-m diplomatičnih odnosov—vse to je dobilo zdaj odmev v razsulu angleške kolonije na Finskem.

Gordon Verecker, angleški poslanik, in grupa 61 drugih Angležev, med temi člani poslaniškega štaba, je včeraj odpotovala iz Helsinka. 112 članov angleške kolonije se je odločilo za nadaljnje bivanje na Finskem. Nekateri otroci teh članov, ki so bili rojeni in vzgojeni na Finskem, so dobili finske državljanstvo in se zdaj bore proti Rusom na strani finske armade.

Verecker in člani njegovega štaba so odpotovali v Turku, kjer se bodo ukrcali na finski parnik Oihonna, ki jih odpelje v Stockholm, Švedska. Od tam bodo odleteli v Lizbono, Portugalska, kjer bo izmenjava med njimi in člani finskega poslaništva, ki pridejo tja iz Londona. Angleški trgovci po imenu Atkinson bo dodeljen ameriškemu poslaništvu v Helsinku in on bo skrbel za zaščito angleških interesov na Finskem.

## MASNE ARETACIJE ŽIDOV V PARI- ŠKEM DISTRIKTU

Bivši justični minister med aretiranci

## ODPOR PROTI NA- CIJEM NARASCA

Vichy, Francija, 9. sept.—Čez sto židov, med temi bivši justični minister Pierre Masse in bivši poslanec Valensi, je bilo aretiranih v Parizu in okolici po nacijskih avtoritetah. Vsi so bili pridržani kot talci v novih represalijah, ki so jih odredile te avtoritete, da potlačijo demonstracije in odpor proti nemški okupacijski sili.

Petaiova vlada odprto priznava resnost situacije in naraščajočega odpora v okupirani Franciji, ki ga nacijske avtoritete z represalijami še bolj bolj podžigajo. "Lahko pričakujemo pomnožitev incidentov," pravi glasilo Petaiove vlade. "Križa se je poostrihala in borba v Parizu se nadaljuje kljub strogim ukrepom okupacijske oblasti."

Vladni krogi v Vichyju vztrajajo pri trditvi, da so demonstracije, izgrede, streljanje in sabotaža delo komunističnih zornikov, ki dobivajo navodila iz Moskve. Komunisti hočejo, da Hitler odpokliče več vojskih divizij z ruskih front in jih pošlje v Francijo, da bi tam pomagali pri zatiranju odpora.

Obdolžitve, da so aretirani židje komunisti, niso bile izrečene. Masse, ki je bil justični minister v Poincaréjevem kabinetu l. 1922, in Valensi, sta znana kot pristaša zmernega političnega krila. Masse je bil član demokratske zveze, kateri je načeloval Pierre Etienne Flandin.

Au Pilory, protišidovski list, ki izhaja v Parizu, poroča, da je bilo več drugih prominentnih židov aretiranih v pariškem distriktu, katerih imena pa niso bila objavljena. Imena treh talcev, ki so bili postavljeni ob zid in ustreljeni zadnjo soboto po napadu na nekoga nemškega podčastnika, niso bila omenjena. Rečeno je bilo le, da so bili komunisti.

Nadaljnji Francoz je bil ustreljen na obtožbo, da je omogočil beg vojnim ujetnikom v zasedeno Francijo. Obsodbo je izreklo nemško vojno sodišče.

## Klavniška kompanija podpisala pogodbo

Chicago, 9. sept.—Armour & Co. je včeraj podpisala pogodbo z unijo klavniških delavcev CIO, ki krije vse delavce, uposlene v njenih klavnicah v Chicagu in drugih mestih. Unija je izvajala višje mezd, umaknila pa je zahtevo glede zaprtje delavnice in odbijanja unijskih prispevkov po kompaniji. Kompanija in unija sta se sporazumeli v smislu priporočil federalnega delavskega odbora, ki je posegel v spor potem, ko je unija zaprtja zahtevala glede sklenitve nove pogodbe.

Unija, ki ima okrog tri tisoč članov, zahteva zvišanje plače za 20 odstotkov.

Atlanta, Ga., 9. sept.—Čez 40 trgovin Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co. v tem mestu in predmestjih je moralo zapreti vrata zaradi stavke v njenih pekarnah in skladiščih. Unija Bakers & Confectionery Workers je oklicala stavko, ko je kompanija zavrnila zahtevo glede sklenitve nove pogodbe.

## Nemčija noče konflikta z Ameriko

Berlin, 9. sept.—Predstavnik vlade je ponovil trditve, da je bila nemška podmornica napadena po ameriškem rušilcu Greer in je šele potem izstrelila dve torpedi proti rušilcu, zaeno pa je naglasil, da Nemčija noče konflikta z Ameriko. Kolikor se tiče Nemčije, se incident lahko pozabi.

## Hitlerjev agent aretiran v Columbiji

Bogota, Colombija, 9. sept.—Hitlerjev agent je bil aretiran po navalu na njegovo stanovanje, v katerem je policija našla zalogo ročnih granat. Ime agenta in drugi detajli niso bili objavljeni.

9. sept.—Sovjetske čete so se pridružili vojaški obrambi Leningrada in se bodo borili proti nacijski. Vojaški krogi so pričeli da je položaj kritičen, ne obupen.

# Iz predkonvenčne torbe

Razen drobiž in zaključek

V prejšnjem dopisu sem omenil, da bom vir dohodkov za plače pokrajinskih tajnikov in voditeljem krožkov ter nagrade za različne kontribute v Mladinskem listu navedel pozneje. V mislih sem imel upeljavo "pogojnega ali začasnega" zavarovanja, takozvanega "First Year Term", za vse nove člane. Po tem načrtu gre celotni assessment vseh novih članov prvo leto v upravnih sklad, kateri je v zameno dolžan izplačati posmrtnine za slučaj, da član umrje v prvem letu pristopa. Razlika v assessmentu je tako majhna, da je ni vredno imenovati. Upravni sklad pa bo s tem imel lepe dohodke, katere bo potreboval.

Ko sem jaz izlagal iz svoje torbe, so izlagali tudi drugi in med temi sem opazil mnogo, s čemur se strinjam in bom zagovarjal. Med temi so lestvica dvadrolarskega bolniškega razreda, da ostane pri sedanjem načinu namestnikov gl. odbora, da se upeljuje "20 Year Endowment" in da pridejo plače gl. odborikov v pravilo.

Zagovarjal bom tudi omejitve pošiljanja govornikov, kar se je zadnja leta vse preveč razpaslo. Dobro je, da se pošlje govornik tu in tam na važne proslave in dneve, ali da bi na vsako malo društveno veselico zahtevali govornika iz gl. urada, je pa malo preveč. Jaz se včasih čudim, kako morejo naši gl. uradniki vršiti svoje delo, ko so tolikokrat iz urada. Če po bodo društva le vztrajala, da jih vsako leto nekdo obišče iz gl. urada, potem naj bi trpela tudi del stroškov.

Sicer bodo gotovo prišle pred delegacijo razne resolucije o tem in onem, kakor je na naših konvencijah navada, da z njimi ne skoparajo. Veliko teh sprejetih resolucij ostane samo v konvencijem zapisniku. Bolje je, da jih sprejmemo manj in tiste izvajamo, kajti nič slabšega ni, kakor sprejeti in zapisani predlog, najsi v resoluciji ali pravilih, pa nikdar izvajati.

Tu in tam slišamo, da naše konvencije predolgo trajajo, da je preveč ponavljanja in debatanja. Za zgled se navajajo razne ameriške konvencije, zborujoče po osekah in ki imajo zborovanje bolj za parade in razne neumnosti kot za kaj drugega. Ako bi naše konvencije naredile tako malo kot naredijo one, potem bi tudi mi lahko šli že drugi dan domov. One ne obrnejo vseh pravil kot jih obrnemo mi, niti ne dajo časa posameznemu delegatu, da bi neomejano govoril kakor lahko govori na naših. Sicer pa se nimajo Američani nad našimi konvencijami kaj spotikati, ker sestojijo iz čisto navadnih in preprostih delavcev, ki hočejo o vseh naših stvareh, o katerih se sklepa, vedeti vsi, ne samo majhen krožek, pa kljub temu omlatijo v tednu ali nekaj dni več in posekajo razne zakonodaje, kongrese in senate, ki zborujejo brez konca in kraja, pa ne slišimo drugega o njih kakor o nalaganju novih davkov. Od inteligence in raznih odvetnikov, iz katerih sestojijo te zbornice, bi človek pričakoval, da ni nobena beseda izgovorjena zaman, pa mlatio veliko bolj prazno slamo kot mi in so v primeri z delom, katerega izvršijo oni, naše konvencije pravi "steam rollerji".

Nekoč sem čital o neki naši podporni organizaciji, ki se je bahala, da je svojo konvencijo končala v rekordnem času. Radoval sem bil, če so tudi kaj naredili, ali so ali samo za tem, da napravijo rekord kratkega zborovanja. Ko sem pozneje čital njih zapisnik, v katerem je bilo samo "klanjanje častim", kimanje na desno in levo in potrjevanje vsega, kar je bilo predloženo od zgoraj, sem prišel do prepračanja, da so še predlogo zborovali. Samo za kimanje in hvalisanje drug drugega/bi bilo dovolj en dan in ne ves teden. Tisto, da bi nekdo nekaj kar prečital, drugi pa kimali in potrjevali brez vsake razprave in debate, ni pri meni nobena konvencija.

Nekoč je nekoč svetloval, da bi na naših konvencijah imeli za prvo točko dnevnega reda volitev glavnega odbora. Prihranili bi na času in se ognili raznemu

mešetarjenju! Vse bi se bolj prosto in odkrito gibalo, ako ne bi visela ves čas zborovanja nad njimi mora negotovosti, kdo bo izvoljen in če bo izvoljen.

Uvedba takega sistema bi imela dobro in slabo stran. Dobro, ker se bi delegatje res lažje posvetili konstruktivnemu delu, slabo pa, ker ne bi bilo nobene prilike spoznanja kandidatov, kateri ne pridejo na konvencijo kot kandidati. Mešetarjenja ali "malih konvencij" zunaj konvencijne dvorane ali celo v dvorani med odmorom, pri bari, na poti domov in doma prav do postelje pa ne bi odpravili. Ako za to ne bi bilo prostora na konvencijah, bi ga pa našli pred konvencijo in posebno bi trpelo glasilo. Zakaj brez tega ne gre na naših konvencijah, ne vem. Sodiim, da se nas nekaj drži iz starega kraja. Saj se spominjate sejmov, kako prav bi prišel tisti petak kmetu, katerega je mogel odšteti mešetarju za prodano kravo, a ker je verjel v mešetarja, je morala biti tudi mešetarina. Nekaj smo se pa naučili od raznih "politikanov" v volilnih kampanjah starih kapitalističnih strank. Slednji so se posebni mojstri. Nikoli prej nisi slišal tistega imena, kar naenkrat se pa zblešči v javnosti, nakar ga napihujejo in hvalijo, da napravijo iz najbolj reakcionarnega kandidata najbolj naprednega človeka, ki se kar topi same dobrotljivosti do delavcev. Kdo bi dvomil o njem, če ga hvalijo politični veljaki,

kdo bi vprašal, kje je bil in kaj je delal poprej. Čudno je res, da moramo vedno iti za nekom in zakaj ne odloča naš prosti razum in lastna razsodnost.

S tem je v glavnem moja torba izpraznjena. Imam še nekaj raznih popravkov k pravilom, za katere pa sedaj ni več časa, kajti, ko bo to tiskano, bo že mnogo delegatov sedelo v vlakcu, busu ali avtu na poti s svojimi torbami na naš kongres v Pittsburghu. V svojih člankih sem povedal odkrito, kar mislim, da bi bilo v korist naši veliki delavski organizaciji. Vsem nisoem mogel niti nistem imel namena, ustreči. Če bi hotel to storiti, bi moral molčati ali pa se spretno izogniti vseh perečih vprašanj, katere čakajo rešitve. Dvanajsta redna konvencija SNPJ je zame mnogo več, nego so bile druge redne konvencije. Je združena konvencija in izpolnitev tistega, kar sem propagiral in agitiral dolga leta. Tistim, ki so zasledovali vso stvar od konca do danes, ni treba tolmачenja. Marsikatera ostrina in pikra je padla na obeh straneh, a na to sedaj pozabimo. Ko se bomo v ponoredele vsuli v konvencijo dvorane v hotelu Fort Pitt, bratje in sestre od SNPJ in SSPZ, in se bomo zili v eno telo, moramo obrniti popolnoma nov in čisto prazen list v knjigi življenja naše velike organizacije. Pozdravljeni! Da bi naše skupno delo bilo plodovito in rodilo bogate sadove! A. Žalica, 8.

# Zapisnik sej gospodarskega odseka

Na seji 12. julija so bili navzoči vsi odborniki razen blagajnika. Zapisnik junijske seje se sprejme.

Petrovič poroča, da uprava hotelske družbe Epplly nabavlja obveznice po nižini ceni, da je nastal primanjkljaj in da znašajo neoparvane zadolžnice prve vknjižbe nekoliko nad \$1.200.000. Sklenjeno, da se te zadolžnice ne prodajo pod vrednoto.

Tajnik Vider poroča, da je bilo 1. julija plačanih za \$30.000 zadolžnice mesta Conrada, Mont. Istega dne so bile plačane arkanaske zadolžnice v vsoti \$27.000. Izvršila se je sodna prodaja zadolžnic trga City Hall. Zadolžnice okraja Brevard v znesku \$20.000 po 6% potečejo dne 1. avgusta.

Posojilo št. 27, ki je prvotno znašalo \$2500 in je poteklo 25. junija s sedanjo bilanco le \$425, se podaljšek dovoli. Ker znaša sedanja bilanca posojila št. 74-A še \$1348, čigar glavnica v prvotni vsoti \$2000 je potekla 10. junija, ima tajnik nalogo, da dolžnika obvesti, naj svoje obveznosti poravnava. Glavnica posojila št. 75, ki je poteklo 2. julija, je znašala \$2500, neplačana bilanca pa znaša \$1900. Petrovič ima nalogo, da to zadevo preišče, obenem se vpraša za odplačila na glavnico.

Na posojilo št. 79 ni bilo vpisanih nadaljnjih odplačil. Posojilo št. 21-J, ki poteče 26. avg., je prvotno znašalo \$2500, bilanca je \$1000 in podaljšek se dovoli. Posojilo št. 27-J, ki je poteklo 24. aprila in je prvotno znašalo \$1000 ter ima bilanco \$775, se podaljšek tudi dovoli. Istotako se dovoli podaljšek odplačil posojilu št. 29-J, ki je poteklo 17. aprila, čigar glavnica je znašala \$1.500, bilanca pa znaša \$750.

Glavnica posojila št. 30-J, čigar rok poteče 1. avg., je bila \$2000, bilanca je \$1100; odplačila se dovolje po tekočem redu. Podaljšek posojilu št. 67-J, čigar rok je potekel 17. aprila, ni potreben; glavnica je bila \$2000, bilanca znaša \$881. V temu je sodna prodaja posebne izdaje zadolžnic Westchesterja; zadevnega zaslišanja se udeležita Lotrič in Zupan.

Firma Illinois Bond Collection Agency svetuje prodajo tessvillskih zadolžnic. Predsednik Cainkar ima nalogo, da zadevo preišče in ugotovi, ali je založnica prevzela vas Lincolnwood ali je obveznost odplačil omejena le na gotovo okolico.

St. Clairsko hranilno in posojilno društvo želi spremeniti točko 2 poslovnega dogovora s jednoto, da se izogne prenosu skladov bonidnih odplačil na poseben čekovni račun, čemur pa odsek ne more ustreči. Isto društvo poroča, da posojili J. Pettija št. 46 in E. G. Warnerja št. 33 sta zaostali s plačili za dobo od februarja vključivši junij. To za-

devo preišče Petrovič in o rezultatu poroča na prihodnji seji.

Posredovalna pogodba z Jugoslovanskim hranilnim in posojilnim društvom je potekla 30. junija. Soglasno sklenjeno, da vsled blagajnikove bolezni in priprav za konvencijo imenovano društvo nadaljuje zadevno poslovnanje vsaj še par mesecev.

Na razpolago za nove vloge je vsota \$120.000.

Soglasno sklenjeno, da vsota \$10.000 se vloži v zadolžnice mestnega vodovoda v Galvestonu, Tex., po 2%, dozorelost 1960, donos 2.05 po redu A, potom firme Doyle, O'Connor & Co.

Sklenjeno s petimi proti enemu glasu, da vsota \$25.000 se vloži v zadolžnice mestnega vodovoda v Miamiju, Fla., po 2 1/2%, dozorelost 1966, donos 2.75 po redu A, potom tvrdke Channer. Za so glasovali Cainkar, Lotrič, Olip, Petrovič, Vider, proti pa Zupan.

Soglasno sklenjeno, da vsota \$25.000 se vloži v zadolžnice mesta Yonkers, N. Y., po 2.40, dozorelost 1960, donos 2.50 po redu Baa, potom firme E. H. Rollins.

Dalje je soglasno sklenjeno, da vsota \$25.000 se vloži v vladne zadolžnice po 2 1/2%, dozorelost 1958-56, donos 2.13 in po ceni okrog 104.18.

Sklenjeno s štirimi proti dvema glasovoma, da vsota \$25.000 se vloži v zadolžnice mesta Detroita po 2 1/4%, dozorelost 1961-62, donos 2.50 po redu Baa, potom firme M. B. Vick & Co. Za so glasovali Cainkar, Lotrič, Olip, Petrovič, proti pa Vider in Zupan.

Soglasno sklenjeno, da vsota \$10.000 za mladinski oddelek se vloži v dve zajemčeni hranilni in posojilni društvi.

Sledi razprava o zadevah, ki se nanašajo na varnost vlog in tržne cene ter poslovanje odseka sploh. Zaključek seje ob 1.30 popoldne.

Mati Petrovič, predsednik, F. A. Vider, tajnik, D. J. Lotrič, zapisnikar.

# Federacije SNPJ

Zapisnik konemaške federacije Johnstova, Pa. — Sledече je zapisnik seje konemaške federacije SNPJ, ki se je vršila v dvorani društva 289 na Tire Hillu (Kelsu) dne 31. avgusta popoldne. Predsednik Frank Kaučič je otvoril ob 2:15, nakar po kratkem nagovoru pjasni, da tajnik br. A. Vidrih ni navzoč, ker je šel kot govornik na proslavo federacije na koksovem polju in k društvu 106 v Imperial. Pozove zastopnike, naj izvolijo enega, ki bo nadomestil tajnika na današnji seji. Izvoljen je Langerholt.

Navzoči so vsi odborniki razen Vidriha in Podboja. Prečitani je zapisnik prejšnje seje. Zastopana so sledeča društva: St. 3, 60, 82, 168, 190, 247, 254, 274, 289, 389, 310, 448, 503, 600, 684, 712. Skupaj 16 društev s 30 zastopniki. Poročilo odbora: Predsednik nima posebnega. Prečita se tajnikovo pismo, v katerem se opravičuje radi odsotnosti. Priporočila, naj seja ukrene vse potrebno za dober uspeh piknika. Omenja, da je v sporazumu z odborom dal oglas v spominsko konvencijno knjižico za \$9. Priloženo je tudi pismo br. M. Kumerja, predsednika konvencijnega pripravljalnega odbora. On piše Vidrihu kot tajniku federacije, da ni pravilno, ker konemaška federacija prireja piknik na 14. septembra in vabi delegate na to priredbo, ne da bi se prej dogovorili z odborom za konvencijne priredbe. V pismu pravi, ko sta z Vidrihom govorila na sestanku meseca junija, da on ni govoril uradno, to je za konvencijni pripravljalni odbor, niti ni mislil, da Vidrih zastopa federacijo. Vse skupaj, kar sta govorila takrat, je on smatral za osebni poimenek. Objašnjuje, da je postal ta nesporazum, ker sedaj imamo dve priredbi za delegate omenjeni dan. Odbor za konvencijne priredbe je namreč določil omenjeni dan, 14. september, za igro, ki se vrši v Slovenskem domu v Pittsburghu. Priložen je tudi tajnikov (Vidrihov) odgovor br. M. Kumerju in se glasi, da naša federacija je ne bo oficijelno vabila delegate na to priredbo. (To je v direktnem nadstropstvu s federacijskim zapisnikom. — Opomba zapisnikarja.) On upa, da igra v Pittsburghu ne bo trpela radi našega piknika. Tajnikova korespondenca se vzame na znanje. Blagajnik poroča o dohodkih in izdatkih federacije. V blagajni še ostane \$32.83. Poročilo pikniškega odbora. Poroča Langerholt, da je odbor imel tri sestanke, na katerih je ukrenil vse potrebno. Odbor je bil na podlagi tajnikovega poročila na prejšnji seji ves čas pod vtisom, da se piknik naše federacije vrši pretežno radi konvencije SNPJ v bližnjem Pittsburghu, oziroma radi delegatov in glavnih odborikov. Sedaj so nastale težave radi nesporazuma med br. M. Kumerjem in tajnikom te federacije. Kot že rečeno, so priprave za piknik v teku in torej ne mislimo na umik. Upamo, da bo priredba uspešna in nas bo veselilo, ako nas kljub temu nesporazumu obiščejo delegatje in glavni odborniki v obilnem številu. Poročilo vzeto na znanje. Poročila zastopnikov so bila večinoma lokalnega pomena. Bilo je podanih nekaj nasvetov delegatov prihodnje konvencije. Razno: Br. Groznik govori o pomožni akciji za stari kraj. Je mnenja, da smo "zarpani". Pomoč je potrebna. Želi, da bi federacija podvzela prvi korak in sklicala skupni sestanek vseh društev in odborikov, ki bi bili pripravljeni sodelovati. Langerholt se strinja. Predsednik Kaučič je mnenja, da se ne mudi in lahko počakamo prihodnje seje. Oreskovich je istega mnenja. Na predlog sestre Dimic je zaključeno, da se stvar odloži do prihodnje seje 30. novembra. Za prihodnjo sejo je St. Michael dobil večino glasov. Prihodnja seja federacije se torej vrši 30. novembra v St. Michaelu. Br. Cvetan od društva 289 pjasni, da bo po seji za zastopnika nekaj prigrizka in obenem pomenek delegatov prihodnje konvencije. Predsednik Kaučič se zahvali društvu 289 za postrežbo in ugrisa navzočim, naj agitirajo za čim boljše udeležbo na našem pikniku, ki se vrši v nedeljo, 14. septembra, na Dolganovi farmi na Tire Hillu ali Kelsu. Seja zaključena ob 4:45. Frank Kaučič, predsednik, John Langerholt, zapisnikar.

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Na priredbo "BANKET" v hotelu Fort Pittu. Vse kaže, da ne bo manjkalo razvedrila delegatom in glavnim odbornikom SNPJ in SSPZ. Na svidenje!

Zadnjič sem bil po dolgem su zopet v kinematografu smo imenovali "picture show" starem kraju. Na platnu je brzela neka sentimentalna zgodba, v kateri ni bilo nič realne podlage. Čudalci so bili ganjeni do solz. Se je vsekovalo in solzilo. Ljudmi sem zagledal tudi čezal, ki sem ga slučajno dobil znan. Po licih so mu drseli kor lešniki debele solze. Silebil ganjen. Kar pa je mene nimalo pri tem, je, da je isti vek skoro ugonobil svojega jateljca in njegovo družino, prijatelj ni hotel tako plekajkor je on hotel. Bolje bi bilo da bi bili ljudje tako mehki srca v realnem življenju, kakor so v kinu.

Najzanesljivejša dnevna delavske vesti so v dnevniku "svetli". Ali jih citate vsak dan?

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Od časa do časa komentira in poroča Milan Medvešek

Anton Epich, naš priznani cleveandski kulturni delavec, bo koncertiral v nedeljo, 28. septembra, v Delavskem domu na Waterloo Rd. Koncert se bo vršil pod avspiciji Zveze kulturnih društev Delavskega doma. Vse priznanje temu odboru, ki se je zavzel za Epichov koncert!

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Tone ni nikoli odklonil sodelovanja pri naših naprednih kulturnih organizacijah, zato bomo 28. septembra vsi pohiteli v Delavski dom in pokazali, da cenimo njegovo nesebično kulturno delo, ki ga vrši že toliko let med nami! Torej na gotovo svidenje na Epichovem koncertu!

Epich bo 14. septembra igral tudi v drami "Norec", ki bo uprizorjena v nedeljo, 14. septembra, v Slovenskem domu v Pittsburghu.

Dobročinstvo in dareljivost biti na račun drugih je zelo lahko!

Lump ne gre nikoli sam po košanju v žerjavico, temveč vedno najde kakšnega bedaka, ki zanj stegne roko v ogenj. Pisec je bil že večkrat tak bedak.

Is Kumerjevih poročil o konvencijem programu je razvidno, da se je odbor posrečilo aranzirati lepe priredbe. V soboto, to je prvi dan konvencije, bodo nastopili naši mladi od krožkov iz Midwayja in Sharona, Pa. Oba krožka sta dobro poznana. Prvega vodi sestra Mary Janeshek, drugega pa Frances Novak. Prireditev se bo vršila v Slovenskem domu na 57. cesti in Butler St.

V nedeljo, 14. septembra, po dramsko društvo Ivan Cankar iz Cleveandla siljajno dramo "Norec". Med dejanji nastopijo razni drugi talenti. Pričetek igre je ob 2:30 popoldne v Slovenskem domu na 57. cesti in Butler St.

Isti dan se vrši tudi piknik federacije društev SNPJ iz Johnstova, Pa., in okolice. To pot bo na konvenciji veliko število delegatov in glavnih odborikov in gotovo je, da bosta obe priredbi dobro obiskani. V Johnstovu bodo pohiteli zlasti oni, ki imajo tam znanje in prijatelje ali pa oni, ki so pred časom sami tam živeli.

V torek, 16. sept., bo ples v Slovenskem domu na Butler St.

V sredo, 17. sept., bo shod Prosvetne matice in JSZ v Slovenskem domu na Butler St.

V četrtek, 18. sept., bo uprizorjena komedija "Hlače brez gumbov", ki jo bodo igrali člani pevškega zbora France Prešeren iz Pittsburgha. Priredba se vrši v Slovenskem domu na Butler St.

V soboto, 20. sept., pa bo glavni koncert.

Kar se tiče zbiranja prispevkov za pomoč rojakom v stari domovini, je zaključeno, da se začasno počaka s pripomoči, naj se Jugoslovanski pomožni odbor reorganizira po vzorcu Čehov, tako da ne deloval tudi za svobodo, demokracijo in pravico zatiranih in zasužnjenih rojakov v stari domovini.

Nato br. Snoy poroča, da se vrši konferenca društev in klubov. Prosvetne matice JSZ pri br. Skoffu blizu Bartona dne 28. septembra, pričetek ob 10. dopoldne. Dalje je bilo sklenjeno, da se vrši prihodnja seja federacije, ki bo glavna, dne 29. decembra v društveni dvorani na Boyds-villu. Ker je dnevi red izčrpan, predsednik zaključil sejo s priporočilom, da gremo vsi na delo za tretji ohijski dan SNPJ in da delujemo v korist federacije, članstva in jednote.

Frank Kolenc, predsednik, Mary Krollich, zapisnikarica.

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# Društvene prireditve

**Vesela gospodinskega odseka**  
 Harwick, Pa. — V soboto zvečer, 13. septembra, priredi tujski gospodinski odsek veselico. Pričetek ob 7:30 zvečer. Članice se dobro pripravljajo za priredbo, da bodo dobro pozna predlobo z okusnim prigrizkom. Seveda, tudi pijače ne bo manjkalo. Torej ste vabljeni na to veselico, da od blizu in daleč, pridete vsi od korajže za božjo. Vabljeni so tudi člani drugih društev, ki bodo prispevali do uspešne priredbe v soboto zvečer. Na svidenje v soboto zvečer v tiskarni dvoranah v Harwicku.  
 Martin Prasnikar, tajnik društva 419.

**Igra "Norec" v Pittsburghu**  
 Dramsko društvo Ivan Cankarjevo priredi v nedeljo, 14. septembra, izmorno dramo "Norec" v dvoranah Slovenskega doma v Pittsburghu, Pa. Začetek predstave je ob 2:30 popoldne. Dramo bo podala v počast gl. odborov in delegatov 12. redne konvencije SNPJ, kakor tudi za javnost. Med dejanjih nastopov razni talenti iz Pennsylvanije. Na basirna na resnični dogodbi. Režiser je Fedor Gradišnik. Režiserja Joseph Skuk. Društva Naprej št. 5 SNPJ.



**Na sliko vidite Berto Eršto**  
 ki igra v drami "Norec" vlogi Anice Dobravčeve. Miss Erste priznana igralka v Clevelandu. Odlikovala se je v igrah kot Aniceva nevesta, v drami "Norec" nastopi v vlogi Jele, ljubice "norca" Leona. Miss Marn je članica Comrades 566 SNPJ.



**Na sliko predstavlja mr. Rudeta**  
 Widmar je eden izmed Clevelandskih prvih igralcev. Zlasti se odlikuje v ljubimih vlogah. V drami "Naš gospod župnik" je igral grofa Sankarja, v "Lepi Vidi" princa Janka, v Finčarjevem "Divjem lovcu" vlogo Janeza. Rudy igra v zadnjih letih tudi več drugih vlog. V drami "Norec" nastopi kot Dr. Hugon Koc.



**Na sliko predstavlja Milana Med**  
 SNPJ pri farmi SNPJ, pri ustanovi klubov št. 12. Vabljeni so tudi člani drugih društev, ki bodo prispevali do uspešne priredbe v soboto zvečer. Na svidenje v soboto zvečer v tiskarni dvoranah v Harwicku.

Cankarjevem "Kralju na Betajnovi" v vlogi Makse, v Molkovem "Nevtralnem Amorju" v vlogi Kozoglavca itd. Medvešek igra v drami "Norec" naslovno vlogo. On je član društva Naprej št. 5 SNPJ in član gl. nadzornega odseka SNPJ.



**Slika predstavlja Anico Čebulovc**  
 Anica je nov talent na clevelandskem slovenskem odru. Sicer je najmlajša izmed igralcev, a obeta postati neprekosljiva. Ze s svojim prvim nastopom v igri "Domšljavka" je zadivila občinstvo. Ko pa je nastopila v Finčarjevem "Divjem lovcu" v vlogi Majde, je dokazala, da je kos še tako težkim vlogam. V drami "Norec" igra Dobravčev hčer Emo. Anica je zelo aktivna članica SNPJ pri društvu Naprednih Slovencev št. 137 in pomožna svetovalka pri krožku št. 2 SNPJ.

**Igrala bo tudi Olga Marnova**  
 Olga je še mlado dekle, a je preigrala že zelo veliko glavnih vlog. Nastopila je tudi v vseh igrah, ki jih je pred leti v Clevelandu režisiral Etbin Kristan. Posebno se je odlikovala v drami "Naš gospod župnik", v Kristanovem "Gospodarju", v Cankarjevi igri "Za narodni blagor" in drugih igrah. V drami "Norec" nastopi v vlogi Jele, ljubice "norca" Leona. Miss Marn je članica Comrades 566 SNPJ.

**Poleg teh igralcev nastopita v drami "Norec" Anton Epich in Frances Tavčerjova**, toda nimamo njunih slik na razpolago. Oba sta člana društva Naprej št. 5 SNPJ.

**O Antonu Epichu ni potrebno dosti pisati**, kajti pozna ga širša slovenska javnost kot enega izmed prvih igralcev. Zlasti se odlikuje v komičnih igrah in kupletih. Tudi v Penni ga pozna. Pred časom je dvakrat gostoval s Cankarjevo ustanovo v Strabanu, Pa., in lansko leto v Detroitu. Epich je pionir na našem odru in igral je že več kot sto glavnih vlog. V drami "Norec" igra vlogo Antona Dobravca.

**Naj nihče ne zamudi krasne drame "Norec"**, kajti tako lepe igre in tako lepega igranja ne bo prilike tako kmalu videti!

**Vesela gospodinskega kluba Sygan, Pa.** — Gospodinski odsek društva 6 SNPJ priredi plesno veselico v soboto zvečer, 13. septembra, v društveni dvorani. Vabljeni ste vsi od blizu in daleč. Ker ni daleč od Pittsburgha, koma 12 milj, vabimo tudi delegate naše jednote. Imeli bomo izvrstno godbo Jovea Kramarja. Da ne bo manjkalo prigrizka in žlahtne kapljice, se razume. Prihite boste imeli, da si ogledate naš dom. Torej na svidenje v soboto zvečer na naši veselici.  
 Mary Vlsnikar.

**Vesela društva 13 Bridgeport, O.** — Članstvu društva 13 SNPJ se naznanja, kot tudi ostalemu občinstvu, da priredimo veliko plesno veselico v soboto zvečer, 25. oktobra, v Društveni dvorani na Boydsville. Društvo je sklenilo na seji 3. avgusta, da v oktobru plača vsak član in članica 25c v blagajno, v zameno pa dobi prosto vstopnico na to priredbo. Izvzeti so samo člani v armadi. Ker društvo že pet let ni imelo nobene doklade za svojo blagajno, ker stroški so vedno in smo tudi imeli več smrtnih slučajev, s katerimi so stroški, in ker se je društvena blagajna ves ta čas vzdrževala s pri-

redbami, za katere so vedno delali le eni in isti člani ter se žrtvovali finančno in drugače, je društvo prišlo do zaključka, da je že čas, da se enkrat v petih letih vsi malo žrtvuemo v korist svoje organizacije. Članstvo naj upošteva, da je to izredni assement in ne kaka diktatura, da se mora vsakdo veselice udeležiti. Ampak pri vsem tem: bi bilo lepo, če bi se vsi udeležili, seveda z izjemo bolnikov in fantov, ki služijo v armadi. Ker društvo šteje 141 članov, bi že sami lahko napolnili dvorano. Kot je že znano, bomo imeli izvrstno godbo pod vodstvom Franka Barbiča iz Clevelanda. Torej pokazimo, da smo lojalni člani SNPJ.  
 Joseph Snoy, tajnik.

**Vesela društva 60 Loydell, Pa.** — Na zadnji seji je članstvo našega društva 60 S. N. P. J. sklenilo, da priredimo veselico v našem Slovenskem domu dne 20. septembra. Vabimo vse članstvo in posamezna društva na to našo priredbo, ki bo zadnja v tem letu. Igral bo izvrsten orkester Martina Serrera, odbor pa bo skrbel za potrežbo.  
 Ralph Jerman.

## Glasovi iz naselbin

### Akcija za pomoč revnim v stari domovini

**Waukegan-No. Chicago, Ill.** — V tej nasebini so se združila vsa slovenska društva, samostojna in v skupino, ki bo delovala za nabiranje sklada v pomoč po vojni prizadetim v Jugoslaviji. Slovenci v tej nasebini se zavedajo položaja revnih in stari domovini. Naš namen je, da jim po svoji moči pomagamo z zbiranjem prispevkov, ki bodo poslani v narodni sklad slovenske sekcije Jugoslovanskega pomožnega odbora za prizadete od vojne v Jugoslaviji.

Kakor je vsem znano, so voditelji JPO glavni uradniki naših jednot in zvez in se lahko zanesemo, da bodo storili vse v svoji moči, da se po njih zbrani denar v kraje, kjer bo pomagal onim revnim in našim bližnjim v Jugoslaviji. Ako jim zaupamo v jednotlivih zadevah, jim moramo zaupati tudi v tej zadevi. Danes je velika potreba, da se kaj napravi za naš revni narod v starem kraju, ker ni nobenega dvoma, da je njih potreba velika. In v ta namen bomo v imenu vseh revnih prosili vaše pomoči. Z zbiranjem prispevkov bomo pričeli, kakor hitro naša društva izdelajo načrt. Upamo, da se bo narod v naši nasebini odzval in prispeval po svoji zmoglosti.

Naš lokalni odbor je dobil št. 9 slovenske sekcije Jugoslovanskega pomožnega odbora, ki je v Washingtonu dobil od vlade dovoljenje št. 478, ki mu daje pravico za zbiranje prispevkov vojnim žrtvam v Jugoslaviji. Carter smo prejeli zednji teden od tajnika SS Josepha Zalarja, naš predsednik Antona Kobal pa bo vas poklical na prihodnjo važno sejo.

V odbor za to delo v Waukeganu-No. Chicagu so bili na seji 12. avgusta 31. avgusta izvoljeni sledeči: Anton Kobal, predsednik; Jennie Keber, podpredsednica; Joseph Zorc, tajnik; Frank Nagode, blagajnik; Matvež Slana st., John Miks in Louis Kosir, nadzorniki.

**Stalni organizatorji Cleveland, O.** — Večkrat se je že priporočalo, da bi jednota poslala nekaj stalnih organizatorjev, a vedno smo nakleli na razne zapreke, ki so bile v stanu preprečiti izvedenje ideje. Stalni nastavljeni organizatorji bi gotovo bili koristni jednoti, kot so koristni in se izplačajo brat-skim organizacijam, katere jih imajo. Kot glavno zapreko se največkrat omenjajo stroški brez zagotovila, da bi se isti kri-li z doprinosom v jednoto. Zdej nam tudi lahko predba-civajo, da smo to že poskusili, a se ni izkazalo uspešno — mogoče res ne — a zakaj ne? Za poskusnjo nastavljeni organizatorji

se je pritoževal, da ni imel potrebne kooperacije od glavnega urada. Zadnji konvenciji je bil hotel podati poročilo o uspehih, a mu je bilo odsvetovano, češ če bo konvencija hotela, ga bo lahko pozvala. Izgleda, da so oni, ki so imeli opraviti s stvarjo, zadevo ignorirali — mogoče je zato, da so konvenciji prihranili nekaj časa — drugača pa ni bilo, ki bi se za stvar pognal.

Brat A. Zajc omenja, da federacije vodijo v končno omogočenje organizatorjev. Da, vodijo v to in pa v konsolidacije društev. Prihodnja konvencija lahko veliko pripomore h konsolidacijam društev po večjih nasebinah s tem, da določi velikim društvom proporcno večje zastopstvo na konvencijah, kot na primer priporoča društvo št. 126. To društvo ima izkušnje v tem, ker je že skušalo združiti več društev, a se je izjalovilo največ vseh tega, ker bi si s tem zastopstvo na konvenciji znatno znižali po sedanjih pravilih.

V Clevelandu bi se dalo nekaj društev združiti, tako da bi imeli vsaj dve (eno v st. clairski in eno v collinwoodski okolici) tako močni društvi, da bi mogla vzdrževati stalno zaposlene tajnike z zadostno plačo (brez kakšnih nadaljnjih stroškov za društvo ali jednoto), da bi se jim ne bilo treba ukvarjati s kakšnim drugim delom. Ves čas bi porabili za društva in jednote. Društva imajo nekaj vzornih tajnikov, ki so sposobni in bi gotovo bili pripravljene posvetiti ves čas tajniškemu in organizatoričnemu delu. Na ta način bi Cleveland sam zase rešil zadevo, če jednota dovoli le malenkostno spremembo, da ne bodo konsolidirana društva, vseh njihovih stremeljenja po uspešnem delovanju v korist jednote, prikrajšana na zastopstvu. V mestih, kjer se združenje društev ne more izvesti v tolikem obsegu, bi pa seveda mogel glavni urad delno subvencionirati tako podvzete.

Velika društva že zdaj niso proporcno zastopana v primeri z malimi društvi. Če vzamemo dve društvi, eno z okrog 500 člani in drugo z okrog 350, je teh 850 članov zastopanih po 4 delegatih. Na drugi strani pa je 8 društev, ki štejejo po nekoliko nad 100 članov, skupno 850, kateri so zastopani po osmih delegatih, eli še enkrat toliko. Ako se oba velika društva združita, bi bila v tem oziru še na slabšem, kajti isto število članov bi izgubilo dva od štirih delegatov in ostala bi le dva proti osmim za enako število članov pri malih društvih.

Prepričan sem, da je precej društev v večjih nasebinah, ki bi se rada združila s sosednjimi društvi. Ker vemo, da bi bilo to v korist jednote, je potrebno, da konvencija odpravi ovire. Če konvencija osvoji priporočilo društva št. 126 glede zastopstva na konvencijah in bi društva ostala kot so, bi se število članov konvencije zvišalo k večjemu za 5; a kadar se izvede konsolidacija, kjer bi prišla v poštev velika in mala društva, bi se zastopstvo v celoti znižalo na sedanje število, ali pa celo na nižje. Vred tega pravim temu "malenkostna sprememba", ki bi prinesla veliko koristi, posebno ko so tu izgledi, da to privede do stalnih organizatorjev v nekaterih nasebinah brez kakšnih stroškov za jednoto.

**Blas Novak, 126.**  
**Tudi priporočilo Sygan, Pa.** — Večkrat čitam v Prosveti, ko pravi ta ali oni, da raje čita kot piše. Tudi pri meni je tako. O delu ne bom pisal, ker se dela s polno paro kot povsod. Naše društvo Bratstvo je še vedno na delu z izboljšanjem svojega doma. Preledan je že tako, da bi ga več ne poznali.

Pisalo se je že veliko o starih članih. Upam, da bo konvencija napravila najboljše, kar se bo dalo napraviti za nas stare člane. Tudi o združenju se veliko govori. To bi bil velik korak za nas vse člane, pa bili stari ali mladi. Mi smo za združenje sto odstotno. Tukaj bi dal nasvet, dasi ne vem, če bo upoštevan ali ne. In to je, da bi jednota zopet pričela izdajati žepne koledarčke, kot ga je na primer izdala leta 1930. Jaz ga še sedaj hranim. Ti koledarčki bi bili zelo na mestu in potrebni, posebno pa mladim članom, ki tako rekoč žive na

avtomobilih noč in dan in bi jih lahko vedno nosili pri sebi. V tem koledarčku naj bi bile razne informacije o jednoti in lahko tudi drugi zanimivi podatki, kar bi bilo koristno za naše članstvo posebno v sedanjih razmerah. Jaz bi bil pripravljen plačati koledarček, kot plačam tudi druge.

Se nekaj. Ko se je pred 25 leti vršila konvencija naše jednote v Pittsburghu, je naše društvo Bratstvo povabilo vso delegacijo na Sygan. Ko je delegacija sprejela povabilo, smo najeli poseben vlak iz Pittsburgha, ki je pripeljal delegate na postajo v Morgan, kjer jih je naše društvo sprejelo. To je bilo nekaj posebnega. Tudi delegaciji 12. redne konvencije se naše društvo prijzno priporoča, da nas obiščete, ker ni daleč, zlasti pa onim, ki so že kdaj živeli v naši bližini. Pripeljte s seboj tudi svoje prijatelje in prijateljice. Naj še povem, da je syganska nasebina zelo izboljšana, posebno pa naš Društveni dom.

V imenu društva Bratstvo 6 pozdravljam prihodnjo konvencijo SNPJ, ki se bo pričela 13. septembra v hotelu Pitt v Pittsburghu.  
 Lorenz Kaucic.

### Zahvala se izgubila

**Benid, Ill.** — Pred par tedni sem poslala Prosveti zahvalo, v kateri se sestre Antonija Raukar, Johana Maako in Kutie Sesišč zahvaljujejo za denarno pomoč iz sklada izrednih podpor. Moralo bi že biti priobčeno v Prosveti, kar se pa še ni zgodilo in tako me člani "kikajo", ker mislijo, da nisem poslala. Zeto bi rada, da priobčite, da jih še po pakljici ne dobim. (Vaša zahvala se je morala izgubiti, ker je nisimo prejeli.—Ured.)

**Annie Widmar, 356.**

### Proti spremembi imena

**Racine, Wis.** — Veliko čitam v Prosveti glede spremembe imena SNPJ. Nikakor mi ne gre v glavo, zakaj bi delali nepotrebne stroške. Mislim, da ima naša organizacija lepo ime. Ko se otrok rodi, dobi ime, s katerim tudi umre. Če je pa koga sram, da je Slovenec, naj se predstavi pa za kako drugo narodnost, saj je v "free country" in lahko pakradira pod kakršnokoli narodnostjo hoče. Prihodnji konvenciji želim veliko uspeha v vseh ozirih, toda nisem za spremembo imena: S tem se strinja tudi naše društvo.

Naj omenim še naše bolnike, ki so na bolniški listi. Prvi je Matt Marinac, moj soprog, ki se zdravi v bolnišnici. Drugi je Frank Jelenc, ki je na bolniški listi že približno eno leto in je v domači zdravniški uskrbi. Želim jima hitrega okrevanja. Po zdrav delegatom 12. redne konvencije in živelo ime SNPJ!  
 Mary Marinac, 68.

## Društvene vesti

**Cleveland.** — Seja društva Svobode 748 SNPJ se vrši v petek, 12. septembra, ob pol osmih zvečer v navadnih prostorih. Članice so uljudno vabljenje, da se v polnem številu udeležijo.

### Tajnica.

**Anacosta, Mont.** — Članstvu društva Postojna 308 SNPJ naznanjam, da se vrši naša prihodnja seja 19. septembra v Hrvatskem domu na 816 East Third st. Prosim vse člane in članice, da se v čim večjem številu udeležijo te seje, da ukrenemo vse potrebno za praznovanje 25-letnice našega društva.  
 Tom Pavlick, tajnik.

**Lyons, Ill.** — Članom društva George Washington 270 SNPJ naznanjam, da se po sklepu zadnje seje vrši prihodnja seja 28. septembra in ne 14., ker bom jaz na konvenciji kot delegat št. 270 in 707 iz Summita. Prosim vas, da se za časa odsotnosti obrnete na mojo ženo glede plačevanja asessanta, prijave bolnikov in sploh v vseh društvenih zadevah.

Obenem naznanjam, da smo odstavili društvenega predsednika Alberta Rudmana, ker se ni udeleževal sej. Na njegovo mesto je bil izvoljen podpredsednik Martin Mlekus, za podpredsednika pa John Simonich. Toliko v naznanilo in vas prosim, da to upoštevate.  
 Frank Vidmar, tajnik.

# Osnutek prvega celotnega filma

K. Z. LUVOD

Dragi čitatelj in čitateljica, najbrž še ni nikdar videl ali videla od blizu modernega filma. Seveda ga vam tu ne moremo pokazati, skušali pa ga bomo na kratko opisati.

Govoreči film dejansko obstoji iz dveh trakov; prvi trak je zaporedna vrsta slik, ki se na srebrnem platnu tako hitro — 16 v sekundi — vrstijo druga za drugo, da vas oko potegne za nos, to je, da se vam zdi, da se obe ir drugo tam gori na platnu dejansko giblje. Na robu filma pa je drug, mnogo ožji trak — rekordirani in v črte spremljenji glas, ki ga projekcijski aparat zopet spremeni nazaj v glas.

Ta osnutek je seveda znatno skrajšan — izpuščena so vsa imena in mnogi manjvažni podatki. In samo v začetku navajam oba traka: to je spored slik, kot jih je v celoti in podrobno sceniral Jacob Zupan, in pa spremljajoči glas. Kmalu pa popolnoma opustimo tehnični del, kajti pri čitanju si od tam naprej morate predstavljati, da gledate na srebrnem platnu vse to, kar slišate (to je, berete).

SNPJ znak: roki stisnjeni v brat-skem pozdravu.

V ozadju plapolala ameriška zastava.

Sivolas član postoji pred glavnim stanom SNPJ. Za roko drži mlado članico.

Pokaže na trinadstropno, moderno stavbo.

Nekako s ponosom govori.

Zelod ... mlado drevce ... mogočen hrast.

Glavni stan: kakršen je bil sprva

Glavni stan: kakršen je bil po-zneje

Glavni stan: kakršen je bil danes.

Prime dekletce za roko, polagoma odkorakata in se zgubita v daljavi.

Bili so različni vzroki, da se je naš človek v svojih mladih letih dvignil in odšel v tujino — predvsem v Ameriko — iskat si novih prilik za življenje. Mnogi se je vrnil, še več pa je bilo tujih, ki so se ameriškim razmeram privadili in prilagodili in se ustalili. Tuja zemlja jim je bila z vsakim letom manj tuja.

Vendar se ta prilagoditev ni vršila povsem na lahek in gladek način. Marsikateri v jasn dan zaljubljeni, kmetkega delavajni fant je moral stiliti zobe, da ga ni prevzelo trpko čustvo, ko je moral na poziv sirene lezti globoko v zemljo, da si je iz črne skale izkresal kruh in obatanek.

Marsikatero dekle si je na skrivaj otrlo solzo, ko se je dan za dnem k pranju in kuhi in pospravljanju priklenjeno, spomnilo si petjem in smehom prepletenega dela po vinogradih, njivah in senožetih. Tisočeri stroji po jeklarnah, livarnah in tovarnah so poleg potnih srag usarkali v svoje brnenje in bučanje tudi marsikatero slovensko kletvico in vzdih. O, ni bilo lahko.

Toda odločnost in volja, volja ki prestavlja tudi gore, če treba, je zmagala. Amerika je nudila veliko, pa tudi njene zahteve so bile ogromne. Nobenega obzira ni imela za priseljenca, ki je oslabiljen, bolan ali poškodovan običal za strojem, v rovu ali kjerkoli. Ameriški tempo ne pozna zastoja.

"Nesreča ga je zadel, še preden si je utegnil kaj prihraniti..."

"Brez beliča je ostala družina..."

"Kaj bo z otročiji? Naša kri so..."

"Bolaj je. Treba mu je zdravnika in zdravil. Pa ni denarja!"

"Danes ali jutri se lahko podobno primeri nam..."

Tako so se zaskrbljeno razgovarjali rojaki in dobilo se jih je med njimi nekaj, ki so imeli oko za bodočnost in dovolj poguma v srcu, da so položili temelj organizaciji, ki je posilnal nudila svojim članom gmotno in moralno pomoč v sili in potrebi.

Kakor se iz primeroma drobnega želoda in navkljub viharjem razvijemo močan hrast, tako se je iz male skupine svobodo ljubčih, zavednih ljudi razrasla naša SNPJ v orjakinj, ki ima svoje postojanke povsod, koder se sliši naša beseda.

Slovenska narodna podporna jednota je ponosna, da vam s tem predstavi starega člana, ki bo mladi članci in vam razkazal glavni stan SNPJ ter tudi na kratko posegel nekoliko v zgodovino in delovanje naše jednote.

"VIDIŠ, tole je glavni urad in tiskarna ter dvorana Slovenske narodne podporne jednote. Kaj ne, lepo posloplje!"

Toda nekoč je bil glavni stan mnogo manjši. Kakor zraste mogočen hrast iz drobnega želoda, je rasla in naša jednota iz male skupine zavednih rojakov — in z njo vred se je večal i glavni urad.

Ta fotografija kaže prvotno posloplje, ki je postalo premajhno, pa ga je bilo treba predelati in povečati.

Zopet premajhno — dodati je bilo treba še eno nadstropje.

Pa dovolj, dekletce, da te popeljem pol stoletja ali več nazaj...

prilčno lepa moderno urejena zgradba in kot taka vsemu članstvu v ponos.

Ta skromna kmetaka hiša nam je dala prvega predsednika, ki je svojo 'visoko' šolo opravil z nekaj razredi ljudske šole v Črnomlju.

A ne samo Belokrajinci od Črnomlja in Metlike, marveč tudi podjetni in zavedni rojaki od Novega mesta, Kranja, Vrhnike, Trsta, Kamnika — krepki sinovi Gorenjske od Bohinja in Bleda, žilavi Kraševci, delavsko orientirani in v borbi trenirani Trbovljani — ter Ljubljana s svojimi okolišani; vsi ti in stoteri drugi so pomagali naši jednoti v prvih letih njenega razvoja in pozneje do njenega mogočnega razmah.

Ko postojimo tu ob slikovitem Bohinjskem jezeru, se spomnimo Franceta Prešerna, ki je zapel: "Bohinjsko jezero stoji pokojno, sledu ni več vuna-njega viharja..."

Se stoji pokojno lepo jezero, toda tuja peta tlači: "Ječe pod težkim jarmom sinu Slavne."

Komu se ni srce krčilo, ko je v Ameriko namenjen stopal po Južnem kolodvoru v Ljubljani? In ko ga je naposled ladja iztresa na tuja tla in mu je na ušesa zadonela tuja govornica, se mu ni krčilo samo srce, marveč i upanje v njem.

Res je. Mnogege naših prvih izseljencev je tujina takorekoč brez sledu pogoltnila. Toda odkar se je bratska vez naših organizacij razširila po vsem širnem ameriškem ozemlju, je bila za mnogege našega človeka kakor rešilni pas. Prihodnost za posameznika ni bila več tako brezupno temna, odkar so se začeli kazati dobri sadovi podporne organizacije. Poleg drugih ugodnosti je popustil tudi strah zapuščenosti in osamljenosti v primeru nezgode in bolezn.

Bratske ustanove s tisoči in tisoči člani niso bile več le pena na valovih ameriškega življenja, marveč so pomenile in pomenijo še zmerom neko ekonomsko osamosvojitve, kar daje podlago samozavesti in pogoj podjetnosti in vsestranskemu napredku.

Tako srečujemo naše člane na vseh mogočih poljih in panogah ameriškega gospodarskega obrata.

Mnogi se je izvežbal za šoferja.

Dosti jih je odprlo gostilne. Naši peki so uvedli na ameriško mizo med drugim našo po-tico.

Ta je raztegnil svojo delavnico v tovarno.

(Nadaljevanje prihodnje sredo)

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20, 1941), poleg vsakega imena na naslovu  
pomeni, da vna je s tem datumom poteka  
in naročnina. Ponovito jo prevodimo,  
da se vam liti ne ustavi.Urednikove  
pripombeBOLJE ČEZ 20 LET  
KAKOR NIKOLI—Ta teden obhajamo pomenlji-  
vo dvajsetletnico.Dne 12. septembra poteče  
dvajset let, kar se je v Clevelan-  
du začela izredna ali združiteljna  
konvencija SNPJ in SDPZ  
(Slovenska delavska podporna  
zveza). Navzočih je bilo 193 de-  
legatov in gl. odbornikov obeh  
organizacij in konvencija je traja-  
la enajst dni. Zaključena je bila  
23. septembra 1921.Pred dvajsetimi leti se je pri-  
pravljala združitev treh organi-  
zаций, toda Slovenska svobodomo-  
miselna podporna zveza je iz  
znanih vzrokov izostala z ome-  
njene clevelandske konvencije  
in združili sta se le dve organi-  
zaciji. (S Slovensko delavsko  
podporno zvezo sta se malo prej  
združila Društvo sv. Barbare in  
Slovenska penzijska družba, obe  
organizaciji iz Pennsylvanije,  
vzled česar so se na clevelandski  
konvenciji faktično združile štiri  
organizacije.)Ta teden—natančno do enega  
dneva po dvajsetih letih—se zač-  
ne v Pittsburghu, Pa., konven-  
cija, katera bo spet združiteljna.  
Slovenska svobodomiselna pod-  
porna zveza bo po 20 letih po-  
pravila svojo zamudo—in Slo-  
venska narodna podporna jedno-  
ta ji poda roko z enakim brats-  
kim občutjem kakor bi bila to  
storila pred dvajsetimi leti ali  
kdaj koli v tem času.Prva združitev dveh oziroma  
petih organizacij pred dvajseti-  
mi leti je danes že pozabljena;  
člani organizacij, ki so se zdru-  
žile s SNPJ, so že davno pozabi-  
li, da so kdaj bili člani druge  
organizacije. Danes so vsi veli-  
ka družina, ki se imenuje SNPJ.  
Prav tako bo z brati in sestrami  
SSPZ, ki se ta teden združijo  
in s brati in sestrami SNPJ. Čez  
nekaj let, kdor bo še živ in zdrav,  
mu še na misel ne pride, da je  
bil enkrat član druge bratske  
organizacije. Čas najbolje po-  
pravi vse razlike.Sorodne organizacije z istimi  
nameni in načeli gravitirajo  
skupaj—in najsorodnejša med  
vsemi je naši jednoti Slovenska  
svobodomiselna podporna zveza.  
Slovenska narodna podporna  
jednota, ki je na levici oralna le-  
dino, je bila matica vseh. Na  
njenem polju so druge črpalce  
svoje članstvo, iz njenih konven-  
cij in pravil so se učile, iz njenih  
resolucij so jemale jedro za svo-  
je resolucije, splošji iz njenega  
studena so pile. Zato je natu-  
rno in pravilno, da se vse te so-  
rodne enkrat strnejo skupaj,  
povežejo skupaj svoje gnotne in  
idejne sile—in tako prerone in  
pozivljene, pomlajene in pokrep-  
čane nadaljujejo enotno življe-  
nje v enem telesu.Ta proces bo prej ali slej za-  
jel vse naše bratske organizacije  
v Ameriki—in če se le igramo  
preroke, se lahko osmelimo reči,  
da na koncu, ob zatonu sloven-  
skega življenja v Ameriki bomo  
imeli samo dve organizaciji.Kakor je bila združiteljna kon-  
vencija pred dvajsetimi leti v  
Clevelandu zgodovinskega po-  
mena za naše življenje v Ame-  
riki, tako bo tudi ta združiteljna  
konvencija v Pittsburghu, kate-  
ra se začne prihodnjo soboto.  
Odprija bo novo poglavje naše  
oče zgodovine.Zgodovino delajo ljudje, ki jih  
življenjske razmere vržejo na  
površje—ampak ljudje zavestno  
in največkrat namenoma obliku-  
jejo te razmere. Brez ljudi ne bi  
bilo zgodovine.Bratje in sestre dveh organi-  
zаций, ki pridejo skupaj v Pitts-  
burghu, imajo pred seboj zgo-  
dovinsko nalogo. Da bi se le do-  
bro zavedali te svoje velike na-  
logo!"DENITE NA STRAN  
NEKAJ DOLARJEV — — —V pismu iz stare domovine,  
katero je bilo napisano meseca  
julija tega leta in ki je bilo pred  
nekaj dnevi poslano Prosveti v  
priobčitev, lahko čitate tudi sle-  
deče besede:"Denite na stran nekaj dolar-  
jev, da nam jih pošljete, ko jih  
bomo radi vzeli . . ."Te besede so bile seveda na-  
pisane ožjim sorodnikom, amp-  
pak faktično veljajo vsem ame-  
riškimi Slovincem. Nesrečna  
ženska, ki je to zapisala in kate-  
ra je v svoji preprostosti poku-  
šala na vse načine povedati med  
vrsticami, kako danes trpi—in  
kako z njo vred trpi vse sloven-  
sko ljudstvo v stari domovini—  
nam je lahko simbol vse Slove-  
nije, katera apelira na nas, Ame-  
rikance:Mi vemo, da zdaj nam ne mo-  
rete pomagati, toda prosimo vas,  
ne pozabite na nas! Prosimo vas,  
denite na stran nekaj dolarjev,  
pritrčajte si kolikor si morete  
in zberite fond, ki nam ga pošlje-  
te, ko boste mogli! Med tem, ko  
čakate na konec vojne, da se od-  
pro naše meje, zbirajte! Mi bo-  
mo med tem umirali lakote,  
mraza in od fašističnega terorja,  
vi ne boste, zato zbirajte! Toda  
vsi ne bomo umrli, nekaj nas  
ostane živih in tem bo vaša po-  
moč potrebna, zato zbirajte  
zdaj! . . .Tako nas prosil ženska, simbol  
trpeče stare domovine, med  
vrsticami svojega pisma. Ne po-  
zabimo, da je ta simbol danes po-  
vod v starem kraju, kjer se na-  
hajajo Slovenci: na Primorskem  
in Goriškem kakor na Kranjskem  
in Štajerskem, povsod.Ali jo pošlamo? Ako imamo  
človeško srce v prsih, se ne bo-  
mo delali gluhe in bomo se od-  
zvali temu klicu, tej prošnji.Na delo, bratje in sestre! Or-  
ganizirajte lokalne pomožne od-  
bore iz zastopnikov vseh sloven-  
skih podpornih društev in pri-  
ključite jih slovenski sekciji Ju-  
goslovenskega pomožnega od-  
bora!"Denite na stran nekaj dolar-  
jev!"TUDI REAKCIONARJI  
STOJE DANES NA SLAVIZakrknjeni reakcionarni listi  
v Ameriki, ki so vedno bili proti  
vsaki večji politični reformi in  
proti vsaki socialni in ekonom-  
ski reformi, danes pišejo, naj  
Amerika uvede svobodo doma,  
predno jo poskuša priboriti z  
orožjem po ostalem svetu. Ame-  
rika potrebuje svobodo doma!Kakšno svobodo? Ekonomsko  
svobodo in socialno pravico?  
Ne! Ameriški reakcionarji se  
upirajo temu z vsemi štirimi.  
Kakšno svobodo torej hočejo?Nobene! Kajti oni že imajo svo  
svobodo—imajo pa strah, da to  
svojo svobodo izgube, če se Ame-  
rika zaplete v vojno za uničenje  
totalitarskega barbarizma. Nobe-  
ne svobode nočejo za ameriško  
ljudstvo, kljub temu kriče, da  
Amerika potrebuje svobodo do-  
ma . . . Razumite jih če jih mo-  
rete!PRIPOMBE GREDO  
NA POČITNICEPrihodnje tri srede ne bo  
urednikovih pripomb v Prosveti.  
Urednik gre na konvencijo in to  
bodo letos njegove "počitnice."

## Društvene vesti

Johnstown, Pa. — Članstvu  
društva Triglav 82 SNPJ nazna-  
njam, da se bo naša prihodnja  
seja vršila v nedeljo, 14. septem-  
bra, ob 10. dopoldne. Obenem  
vam sporočam, da bom assessment  
pobiral samo na seji, ne bom ga  
pa pobiral med konvencijo. Pro-  
sim, upoštevajte to.  
Frank Chuchek, tajnik.Glasovi iz  
naselbin

Pomožna akcija v Chisholmu

Chisholm, Minn.—Vsa tukaj-  
šnja slovenska društva so po  
svojih zastopnikih ustanovila  
podružnico Jugoslovenskega po-  
možnega odbora, ki ima vladno  
dovoljenje za zbiranje prispev-  
kov za pomoč bednim in zatira-  
nim v starem kraju. Na redni  
seji 23. avgusta je bilo sklenje-  
no, da pričemo z zbiranjem  
prostovoljnih prispevkov mese-  
ca septembra. Oblakani bodo vsi  
Slovenci v Chisholmu in okolici.Bratje in sestre, čujte glas  
vojnih sirot v stari domovini in  
odprite svoje srce. Stara domo-  
vina, raztrgana in poteptana,  
vas kliče na pomoč. Bratje in  
sestre, zavedajte se svoje narode-  
ne dolžnosti napram zatiranim  
sirotam v vaših rodnih krajih.  
Ne izgovarjajte se, češ kadar bo  
odprto, bom že poslal svojim.  
To je vse lepo in hvale vredno,  
ampak pomislite, kaj pa sirote,  
ki so izgubile starše, brate in  
sestre ter druge sorodnike in ni-  
majo nikogar v Ameriki, da bi  
jim pomagal. Bratje in sestre,  
tudi oni so naše krvi, tudi oni  
so naši bratje in sestre, tudi oni  
potrebujejo naše pomoči.Apeliramo torej na vas, kadar  
vas obišče odbor, darujte vsak  
po svoji moči. Imena darovalcev  
bodo priobčena v slovenskih li-  
stih. Nabrana vsota bo šla iz-  
ključno našim vojnikom, ki stra-  
dajo in umirajo v Sloveniji kot  
žrtve fašizma.

John Komidar, tajnik.

## Pred konvencijo

Girard, O. — Še nekaj dni in  
12. redna konvencija SNPJ bo  
pričela zborovati. Važno vpra-  
šanje bo združenje s SSPZ. Dru-  
go važno vprašanje, kot razvi-  
dim med delegati, posebno med  
mlajšo generacijo, bo izvolitev  
glavnega odbora. Seveda, neke-  
teri dopisniki in glavni odbor-  
niki tudi pravijo, da je važno vpra-  
šanje, kaj bo konvencija storila  
za stare člane. Glavni tajnik je  
pojasnil, če bi hoteli dati kak pe-  
tak na mesec starih članom, bi  
moral biti assessment povšan ka-  
kih 50c na člana, kar pa bi član-  
stvo ne sprejelo. Včasih se je  
res treba pokazati za dobrotni-  
ka, da bolj vleče pri starih in tu-  
di pri nekaterih mladih.Kar se tiče pomoči starih in  
tudi mladim, je najboljši ta si-  
stem kot ga imamo. Nadalje  
imamo federacije s precej debe-  
limi blagajnami, vsaj tukaj v O-  
hiu vem, da so. Torej kdor je  
lakrno za pomoč starih članom  
in ve, da so taki člani v okrožju  
njegove federacije, naj deluje na  
to, da se jim pomaga iz teh bla-  
gajn. Zato so menda tudi fede-  
racijske blagajne. Vem pa, da so  
nekatere za pomoč starih članom  
samo na jeziku—in zato, da se  
lepeše sliši. Ampak če bi bila  
prilika, bi pa tudi starega člana  
porinili s stolca na cesto, da bi  
se sami vsedli nanj.Kar se imena tiče, je br. Gar-  
den popolnoma na mestu s svo-  
jim izvajanjem. Prav nič se nam  
ni treba pačiti s preuredbo ime-  
na.Čitali smo tudi več razprav ra-  
di žensk, da bi dobile svoje me-  
sto v glavnem odboru. Joe Snoy  
je pravilno raztolmačil to vpra-  
šanje. Ko pridejo na konvencijo,  
imajo iste pravice in privilegije,  
biti izvoljene v glavni odbor,  
kot delegati moškega spola. To-  
da, da bi ženske zadovoljili, kaj  
pa če bi napravili štiri mesta za-  
nje, kot jih imamo na primer  
zdaj za štiri podpredsednike iz  
mlajše generacije na podlagi "ne  
pisane postavbe." Moje osebno  
mnenje seveda je, da se za distri-  
ktnega podpredsednika lahko iz-  
voli vsakega delegata iz dotične-  
ga okrožja, če je ali če ni član  
angleško poslujočega društva in  
čeprev na zna igрати žoge.Nimam nikakih predpostavk  
proti sedanjim distriktnim pod-  
predsednikom, ampak naj lahko  
vsakdo kandidira, tudi ženske.  
Dosti je starejših članov, ki so  
se že veliko žrtvovali in delajo  
za SNPJ in bi bili upravičeni do  
mandatov, katerim je kaj na  
mestu. Seveda boste rekli: Mora  
biti tudi mladina zastopana. Se-  
veda, ampak vem tudi to, da se  
še sedaj čika na to, ko bo mladi-  
na kontrolirala konvencijo, o-  
na ne bo rekla: Tukaj je društ-  
vo starejših članov in mora imeti  
zastopstvo v glavnem odboru.  
Ona bo šla svojo pot kot gre zdaj  
kolikor mogoče daleč. Seveda  
so izjeme.Skupina mladih je tudi jako  
napeta proti glavnemu odboru,  
ker jim ni dal vsega, kar bi ra-  
di. Vseled tega bi jih na konven-  
ciji najraje pomotali s stolčkovi.Poučen sem tudi, da se na se-  
jah glavnega odbora nekaj "spi-  
onira", potem pa raznaša okrog  
in šušlja delegatom, kako je kdo  
glasoval. Na ta način se skuša  
naštevati nekatere delegate, da  
je treba pomesti z nekaterimi  
glavnimi odborniki. Ampak ne  
vidijo toliko daleč, da bi vedeli,  
s-kom jih bodo nadomestili.Če se ne motim, je precej na-  
petosti proti glavnemu odboru v  
Pennsylvaniji radi tistega Fort  
Pitt hotela, dasi bi lahko prizna-  
li, da pittburški Slovenci dom-  
ne more dati ugodnosti, ki so po-  
trebne konvenciji. Pred par te-  
dni je šel naš krožek v spre-  
stvu svojega vodja Franka Re-  
zeka in par drugih članov v  
Pittsburgh. Obiskali so tudi tam-  
kajšnji Slovenski dom in slišali  
od nekaterih vsakojake predso-  
dke, češ glavni odborniki so dik-  
tatorji in je treba z njimi pome-  
stati. Zares čudno. Meni se pa  
vidi, da je pri vsaki drugi sloven-  
ski organizaciji več diktature kot  
jo je pri SNPJ. Glavnim od-  
bornikom rečem tole: Bolje je  
biti poražen s principom kot bi-  
ti brez vsakega načela.

John Tancsek, 49.

S proslav SNPJ v Penni na  
Labor dayJohnstown, Pa.—Nedvomno je  
tisoče naših članov, ki bi se bili  
radi udeležili splošnega dneva  
SNPJ v Chicago za Labor day,  
toda daljava in zaposlenost sta  
to mnogim preprečila. Da pa si  
dajo duška na ta dan, prirede po  
svojih federacijah shode in za-  
bave v svoji bližini, kjer so na-  
vadno dobro posečene.Na željo federacije SNPJ za  
okraja Fayette in Green in po  
naročilu gl. upravnega odseka  
sem se udeležil proslave te fe-  
deracije, ki se je vršila kar dva  
dni, to je 30. in 31. avgusta v  
malem mestecu Republicu, ki je  
oddaljeno kakih 10 milj od  
Uniontowna. Proslava se je vrši-  
la v lepem novem poslopju, v  
katerem je lepa dvorana, precej  
obširna knjižnica in druge sobe,  
v pritličju pa obširna kuhinja,  
moderen bufet, hladilna shram-  
ba in velik prostor za serviranje  
ljudem. Poslopje je bolj podobno  
moderni mestni hiši, nekaj po-  
sebnega za tako mestce ali vas  
kot je Republic; kjer je v krogu  
zgrajenih kakih osem hiš, v sre-  
dini pa "trg" ali majhen park,  
kjer stoji kamenita spomenika  
Edisona in Marconijsa.Mislim sem, da je to poslopje  
last bratske organizacije, toda  
sem bil informiran, da je vse to  
in še več svojina nekoga starega  
Italijana De Gregorija, ki naj-  
brže kontrolira to malo premo-  
garsko mestce. Pojasnili so mi,  
da ga on vedno rad da v najem  
po zelo nizki ceni vsakemu dru-  
stvu katerekoli narodnosti. In res  
so za dva dni proslave, ki je  
trajala noč in dan in za obširen  
prostor za avte plačali le \$30, kar  
uključuje luč, kurjavo in čišče-  
nje. Čudil sem se, kako je to  
mogoče. Tudi pennsylvanski su-  
hačev ni bilo na ogled, ker ta  
kraj je privatno mestce samo  
zase. Toda k proslavi.Po dobrih vijugastih cestah  
smo z novo limozino strica To-  
neta Vidriha in v družbi zna-  
nega farmarja Andreja Dolgana  
dospeli v Republic okrog polno-  
ce. Tam smo posiskali dom br. Ma-  
jka Uneticha, ki nas je že čakal  
na verandi in tam tudi prenoče-  
vali. Mike je pravi čudodelec: iz  
stare podrtje je napravil moder-  
nen dom z modernimi pritlikli-  
nami, da bi kdo mislil, da je vse  
to novo. Hvala za postrežbo,  
Mike!Program v nedeljo popoldne je  
bil precej obširen. Igralci iz  
Monessena so podali dve šalo-  
igriv v hrvaščini, glasbo pa je pro-  
izvajal tamburaški zbor Sloge  
tudi iz Monessena. Akrobatske  
vaje sta zelo dobro podala mlado  
dekle in deček, tudi dva mlada  
domača godbenika sta uspešno  
prispevala k programu. Na go-  
vorniški listi je bilo mnogo do-  
mačih zastopnikov, ki so vsi pri-  
poročali slovo in za čim večji  
uspeh federacij in porast SNPJ.  
Zadnji je bil na programu pod-  
pisani, ki je podal nekoliko zgo-  
dovine našega gibanja in potre-  
bo našega skupnega dela.Kjer imajo obširen program,  
bi priporočal, naj ne stavijo  
glavnih govornikov na koncu  
programa, ker do tedaj se mno-  
go ljudi naveliča sedeti in mno-gi se odstrane predno je pro-  
gram končan.Po programu se je pričela do-  
mača zabava z domačim petjem.  
V kuhinji je bilo na pečeh nalo-  
ženega toliko raznovrstnega me-  
sa, da sem mislil, da bo dovolj  
za ves teden. Menda kar 12 pe-  
čenih kostruhov in prašičkov je  
čakalo napada lačnih žolodcev,  
toda ob osmih zvečer že ni bilo  
ništa više. Tudi velika shramba,  
do vrha založena z zaboji piva,  
je bila že pred polnočjo iz-  
praznjena. Skratka: vse je izgle-  
dalo tako kot sedaj izgleda naša  
stara domovina, odkar sta jo  
Hitler in njegov trabant Musso-  
lini oropala do kosti. Razlika je  
ta, da so naši ljudje, ki so za-  
sedli te prostore, vse pošteno  
plačali, med tem ko Hitler-Mus-  
solinijeve roparske bande ne bo-  
do nikdar poravnale škodo, ki so  
jo napravile, ker ne bodo imele  
s čim.V ponedeljek zjutraj smo se  
prijazno poslovili od ondodnih  
naših bratov in se odpravili proti  
Pittsburghu. Okrog desetih do-  
poldne, ko je bilo sonce že vi-  
soko, smo se ustavili v Strabnu,  
toda pri domu društva 138  
SNPJ še nikjer žive duše, le  
pridna žena, ki je čistila prosto-  
re. Ona nam je povedala, da še  
vsi spijo. Kmalu potem se odpro  
vrata, da smo dobili nekoliko  
okrepčila v obliki "železno".Gremo k Johnu Podboju st.,  
ki ima gostilno na voglu. Kje je  
oče? Še spi, je bil odgovor mlaj-  
šega sina, ki je bil že pokonci  
in nam pojasnil, da v nedeljo  
tam ljudje vstajajo opoldne. Ta-  
ko torej. Hajdi naprej na farmo  
mojega bratranca Franka Obre-  
ze v Traveskin. On je ravno  
prejznen večer dospel domov z  
obiski v Akronu, ampak Anna  
je kmalu nanesla na mizo raz-  
nih dobrot, ki spadajo k dobre-  
mu kosilu. Predme je postavila  
tudi velik lonc mleka (to bi se  
Barbi obiloval). Kako me je  
potem ta pijava preganjala, ne  
povem nikomur, marveč ostane  
moja tajnost.Od tam smo okrog ene ure po-  
poldne odšli proti Imperialu na  
25-letnico njih društvenega do-  
ma. V pol uri smo bili na me-  
stu. Pri Augustinovi je br. Vi-  
der ravno poslušal predsednika  
Roosevelta. Kmalu so pričele  
prihajati trume ljudi od vseh  
strani. Vse je bilo namnož zapo-  
sleno. Natakariji — John Gode-  
ša, Kirin in drugi — so bili mo-  
kri od dela, da so se mi kar smi-  
lili.Kmalu se je začel program, ki  
ga je vodil br. Augustin. Štiri  
ljubke deklice so zapele več slo-  
venskih in angleških pesmi pri  
otvoritvi in med govori. Br. Ma-  
glic je kot zastopnik angleško  
poslujoče federacije SNPJ spod-  
bujal mladino v angleščini in če-  
stitalo društvu k 25-letnici otvo-  
ritve njih doma. V istem smislu  
je govoril br. Ambrozich, tajnik  
slovenske federacije. Br. Zornik  
je priporočal "možganske medi-  
cine" in jamčil vsakemu, ki bo  
segel po njih, da bo postal naj-  
manj profesor. Za njim je nasto-  
pil podpisani, zadnji govornik pa  
je bil br. Vider, ki je precej ob-  
širno govoril o zadevah SNPJ  
v obeh jezikih. S tem je bil kon-  
čan program, ki je bil zelo do-  
ber moralen uspeh. Občinstvo je  
bilo zelo mirno, kar znači, da  
postaja inteligentnejše v takih  
primerih.Prijetno je bilo v Imperialu,  
ampak to milj dolga vojna in  
velik promet na delavski dan  
sta nas silila, da smo se poslovili  
in odkurili nazaj proti domu.Andrej Vidrih,  
podpredsednik SNPJ.Seja za pomožno akcijo  
v ChicagoChicago, Ill.—Vsem uradni-  
kom slovenskih društev, klubov  
in organizacij se naznanja, da se  
bo vršila v petek, dne 12. septem-  
bra ob 8. uri zvečer seja  
uradnikov ali zastopnikov vseh  
slovenskih društev v Chicago, v  
cerkveni dvorani sv. Štefana,  
22nd Place & Wolcott avenues.Namen te seje je, da se izbe-  
re odbor, ki bo vodil zbiranje  
prispevkov in darov za trpečo  
stara domovino. Ako imajo ka-  
tera društva v ta namen že iz-  
brana zastopstva, so vabljeni  
ta, ako ne, tedaj prosimo in va-  
bimo, da se te seje gotovo ude-  
ležijo vsaj predsednik, tajnik in  
blagajnik vsakega društva, klju-  
ba ali organizacije. Zadeva je  
nujna, zato prosimo, da nihče  
tega naznanila ne preze.Po vseh drugih naselbinah so  
že na delu za ta namen. Mi smoimeli dosedaj na rokah izlete in  
druge zadeve. Zdej je pa napočil  
čas, da storimo kar se stori da  
za ta namen. Ne bilo bi lepo, da  
bi bili mi Chikazažnji zadnji. Še  
vedno smo se izkazali častno v  
takih slučajih in upeti je, da se  
bomo tudi sedaj. Zato še enkrat:  
uradniki društev in drugi, ki se  
za to zanimate, pridite gotovo na  
sejo v petek, 12. septembra ob  
8. uri zvečer.Da se prihrani čas in stroške,  
se ne razpošilja posebna vabi-  
la in vsakdo naj vzame to vabilo  
na znanje.John Gottlieb, tajnik  
krajnega pripravjal-  
nega odbora za JPO, SS,  
poslovnica št. 8.

## O pikniku in konvenciji

Akron, O. — Nekaj neverjet-  
nega se je zgodilo pri nas oziroma  
v Mogadorju na skupnem  
pikniku našega društva 170 in  
društva 456 SNPJ, ki se je vrši-  
l 24. avgusta. Piknik je bil namreč  
tako dobro obiskan kot sloven-  
ski dan. Ne vem, ali so se  
zmenili ali kaj.Ko sem vabil na piknik, sem  
omelil, da je pri nas zmeraj do-  
bra postrežba. Na tem pikniku  
pa je bilo toliko ljudi pri bari, da  
se nisva mogla z bratom Mattom  
niti minute oddahniti. Prav ta-  
ko je bilo tudi z br. Mattom Pe-  
klajem od št. 456. Prosim, da  
nam oprostite, ker nisimo prič-  
kovali tako velike udeležbe.Zahvaliti se moram tudi člani-  
cam društva 456, ki so tako prid-  
no delale; prav tako tudi hvala  
članicama Mary Erzen in Ani  
Grgam od društva 170. Vsa čast  
jim. Pa naj še kdo reče, da jih  
ne spoštujemo.Od društva 535 se jih je veliko  
udeležilo. Navzoča sta bila tudi  
ustanovitelja našega društva  
Vincent Zurec in Blaž Odar s so-  
progo iz Cantona, iz Barbortona  
pa br. Jakich. Lepa hvala vsem  
prijateljem. Ne zamerite, ker ni-  
smo imeli časa, da bi z vami kaj  
govorili. Vaša naklonjenost ne  
bo pozabljena pri našem društvu.  
Vi ste pripomogli, da se je  
luknja zakrpal.Opozarjam člane in delegate,  
naj bodo previdni, kaj bodo pod-  
pirali na prihodnji konvenciji.  
Zdej ni leto 1904, ampak leto  
1941. Spremeniti je treba veli-  
ko važnih točk v pravilih. Glav-  
ni odbor sicer predlaga nekaj  
sprememb, toda ne vseh potreb-  
nih. Ampak se tudi ni treba po-  
vsem zanašati na glavni odbor,  
zato so konvencije in vsaka osea  
bena kaj ve. Če boste glavne-  
mu odboru vse pustili, potem ni  
treba konvencij.Zakaj tudi toliko kritike proti  
ženskam? Vsaka je toliko zmog-  
na, da bo dvignila roko. Jaz se  
strinjam, da bi bila kakšna zmo-  
žna ženska izvoljena v glavni  
odbor, ker vem, da bi ne bila ni-  
kdar toliko nevoščljiva moškemu,  
da bi prišel v glavni urad ali  
glavni odbor, kot so moški žen-  
skam. To bi bilo dobro in v ko-  
rist naši jednoti. Tudi ne bi ško-  
dilo, če bi jednota dobila ame-  
rikanako ime, ker bo potem mor-  
da več napredka.Vsem delegatom in delegati-  
njam želim srečo in da bi delali  
za korist naše jednote.

Martin Klaric, 170.

## Malo odgovora

Detroit, Mich.—Sestra Mose-  
ley je brez potrebe porabila pol-  
drugo kolono v Prosveti dne 3.  
septembra. Vse skupaj bi bila  
lahko napisala s par besedami  
nekako takole: Sestra Bernik je  
vse življenje hodila po rožah,  
zato tudi ne ve, da se nam člani-  
cam godi krivica pri SNPJ, ona  
pa je coklja in zavira našo pot  
do enakopravnosti.Rečem naj, da na poti mojega  
življenja je bilo mnogo več tr-  
nja kot rož, zato natančno vi-  
dim, kje se nam godi krivica in  
kje nismo enakopravne. Miselno  
sem toliko napredovala, da vi-  
dim levo in desno. Kadar bo to-  
liko enakopravnosti na desni in  
levi kot jo je pri SNPJ, potem  
bo tudi sestra Moseley lahko po-  
čivala brez skrbi. Zato pa le na  
delo, sestra Moseley, polje je  
ogromno na levi in desni in član-  
stvo SNPJ bo z vami.Tudi ni treba točke v pravilih,  
ki bi določala, koliko mora biti  
članov na seji, kadar so volitve  
delegatov. Saj imamo kvorum za  
seje. Ako je bilo samo deset članov  
na seji dotičnega društva,  
ni krivda delegata, ampak član-  
stvo prizadetega društva. Ako  
se članstvo ne zanima, tudi kvo-  
ta ali kvorum nič ne pomaga.

Mary Bernik, 121.

SREDA, 10. SEPTEMBRA

## Odobrava zavetišče

North Jackson, O.—Rad bi  
tal Prosveto vsak dan, pa mi  
še ni mogoče sedaj; zato prej  
čitam tednik bolj slastno in po-  
vse razprave in nasvete priho-  
dne konvenciji. Kar se mene  
če, nimam posebnih nasvetov  
rad pa bi podal pripombo  
Charles Kramarjevemu dopi-  
su.

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in August, 1941

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DEATH CLAIMS PAID

in August, 1941

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POROČILO O NAKAZANI

BOLNIŠKI PODPORI

Nakazana dne 26. avgusta 1941

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REPORT OF SICK BENEFIT PAYMENTS

Payment of September 4, 1941

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Društvene vesti

Harwick, Pa. - Društvo 419 SNPJ bo imelo svojo redno sejo v nedeljo, 14. sept., ob 1. popoldne, stari čas, v Slovenskem domu na Acmyju.

Zapisniki sej gl. izvršnega odseka SNPJ

Seja 13. avgusta 1941

Predsednik odpre sejo gl. izvršnega odseka SNPJ ob eni uri popoldne. Navzoči so bratje Cankar, Vidler, Gradšek, Godina in Molek.

Seja 27. avgusta 1941

Predsednik odpre sejo glavnega odseka ob eni uri popoldne. Navzoči so bratje Cankar, Vidler, Gradšek, Godina in Molek.

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da se odvetnika poblasti, da bo na roko na konvenciji za izvedbo združitvene pogodbe pri oblasteh.

Sključeno je nadalje tudi, da so uslužbeni v glavnem uradu izmenično na razpolago v teku obiskov ob priliki slavnosti dneva SNPJ v Chicagu ter se jih za to odškoduje v smislu pogodbe.

Društvene vesti

Milwaukee, Wis. - Na zadnji seji je društvo Bratoljub 234 S. N. P. J. sklenilo, da priredimo jesensko zabavo 29. novembra v dvorani Tivoli.

Želim, da bi šli vsi naši člani in članice na roko moji nametnici, ki me bo zastopala za časa 12. konvencije SNPJ.

Končno zopet apeliram na naše člane, da se malo bolj zanimajo za društvene stvari. Vsi dobro veste, da društvo ne more obstajati brez članstva.

Braddock, Pa. - Pozivam vse članstvo društva 300 SNPJ, da se udeležite prihodnje seje v nedeljo, 14. septembra, ob 10. zjutraj.

Cleveland. - Članstvu društva v boji 53 SNPJ se naznanja, da se je vrnil iz bolnišnice br. Andrej Mele.

Z bolnišnico smo tudi uredili, da so poslali zdravniški izkaz o Meletovi poškodbi njegovemu nekdanju F. Meletu.

Dr. John J. Zavertnik PHYSICIAN & SURGEON OFFICE HOURS AT 3724 W. 25th Street

- A. Heidenreich Chicago, Illinois
Katy Zupan Chicago, Illinois
Joseph Musser La Salle, Illinois
Jos. Benica Oglesby, Illinois
Rudy Humer Girard, Kansas
Joseph Miklar Lorain, Ohio
Jos. Marovich Brownsville, Penna.
Jennie Shamro Harrick Center, Pa.
Luka Zaubi Nemacolin, Pa.
Anton Radisek Paryopolis, Pa.
John Kocac Helper, Utah
Joe Zagore Sheboygan, Wis.

The 12th Regular Convention of SNPJ

The 1941 convention of the Slovene National Benefit Society—the largest of all our fraternal—will open Saturday morning, September 13, at the Fort Pitt Hotel in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

This will be the twelfth quadrennial convention of our Society.

Approximately 260 delegates and executives are expected to attend the convention, and about 30 of these will be delegates of the English Speaking lodges. The latter will represent the younger generation of our Society who will gather with the older generation at the convention when it is called to order.

In addition, if the pending merger with the SSPZ is formally approved by both organizations, the convention body as a whole, including 82 delegates and executives of the SSPZ, will number about 340 members who will assume the responsibility of acting for the entire membership.

(It is to be noted that the delegates and executives of both organizations will meet simultaneously, in separate sessions, for the express purpose of voting on the question of merger.)

Foremost on the list of things to be done at the convention will come the following problems:

Merger—The first day of the convention will be taken up by the question of merger with SSPZ.

Insurance—Sick benefit and old members, both of which are very important matters.

Membership—How to attract youth into our organization, with special emphasis on the juvenile membership, circle promotion, and athletics.

Investments—How to invest the organization's funds in future.

Policy—Society's principles and the policy of its publications.

These and many other exigencies will come up before the delegates for their deliberation and decision.

Let us hope that every delegate and executive is fully aware of the importance of the convention problems and of the all-important role each one will play at the Twelfth Regular Convention.

What is needed most is—sincere, level-headed and hearty cooperation for constructive ends which will be advantageous to the organization and its membership.

The local convention committee of SNPJ lodges in Pittsburgh and vicinity, will act in the capacity of official host to the delegates and supreme board members and friends. Elaborate preparations have been made and a number of programs and evening activities has been arranged for the entertainment of the assembly.

We greet the delegates and executives who will assemble at the Twelfth Regular Convention of the SNPJ. We have high hopes that they will follow the path of our pioneers who laid the cornerstone and built the foundation of this strong workers' cooperative fraternal society.

We hope that the 1941 convention of our organization will go on record in furthering the ideals and principles which were always upheld by the SNPJ and its members, many of whom went through long struggles for the right to live and think in terms of liberty and democracy!

Badgerland News

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—The 7th annual SNPJ Day is now history, and I am quite sure all those who were present from far and near had an enjoyable time. So now on to Cleveland for 1942.

I wish to take this means of thanking the Omerza and Potla families for their kind hospitality.

This 'n' That Joe Barbarich is out of the army now and is on reserve. Wm. Sem and Helen Rumpel were married on Sept. 6. Josephine Shaffer and Carl Ellis also were married in Huntington Park, Calif., where they will make their home. Mr. and Mrs. Edw. Steibenz are now proud parents of a baby girl. Congratulations to all of you.

Ed Ambros was fishing up in Lake Flambeau and got caught in a typhoon so they made their fishing trip short. Frank Klancar Sr. was visiting in Milwaukee from Livingston, Ill.

The ex-miners' picnic the past Sunday was quite a success, with the miners in full uniform, caps, lamps and dinner pails; John Spek Sr. with his kranjske klobase sandwiches. Pictures were taken of the group and the proofs will be on display at Anton Kramer's tavern, 525 S. 5th st. Anyone wishing a picture leave your order there.

Coming Events

Sept. 27—Dance given by the Fun-o-Leers at the K. P. Hall. Oct. 18—Badgers at Harmonie Hall. LEO SCHWEIGER, 584.

Comrades Give Fall Dance Sat., Sept. 13

CLEVELAND.—The Comrades, SNPJ Lodge 566, will hold their annual Fall Dance Saturday, Sept. 13, at the SND, 65th and St. Clair, featuring Johnny Pecon and his orchestra. Dancing from 8 till! Come one, come all. A good time is in store for all. MARIE STEFANIC, Sec'y.

—Buy Defense Bonds and Stamps—

All communications intended for the Twelfth Regular Convention of the SNPJ, which meets Saturday, September 13, should be forwarded to the following address:

CONVENTION HALL, SLOVENE NATIONAL BENEFIT SOCIETY FORT PITT HOTEL, PITTSBURGH, PA.

South Chicago's Column

SO, CHICAGO, ILL.—It is again convention time. The attention of the society's officers and that of the delegates is centered in the events that will occur in Pittsburgh. There is promise of excitement for all going to Pittsburgh; there is suspense; there is that tingling, nervous anxiety to get going.

Out of all this atmosphere of bustling activity let us hope that the officers and the thoughtful delegates will handle their roles to creditable personal achievement and to the well-being of the society at large. The decisions of the convention affect thousands of SNPJ members. Let us hope for, and let us have, an appreciation and response to our thousands of members by the few hundreds assembled in Pittsburgh.

Let us realize we do have a healthy, growing, democratic, fraternal organization. There is still room for continued progress. Let us know that in Pittsburgh there will be a minimum of worthless bickerings and, in its place, let us achieve a maximum degree of worthwhile work. We will exist for many years to come as a fraternal body. Let us have from this convention assurances of greater good to the future of our Slovene fraternal organization.

These following are approved instructions concerning the convention from the Calumet Sentinels lodge 610. They are, (a) Favorable action should be enacted to take care of and aid our aged members; (b) Should a change of name for the society be had, the name Slovene should be included; (c) Merger with the SSPZ is approved; (d) A continued, healthy support of athletics within the society should be had; an appropriation upwards of \$4,000 annually should be made; (e) Democratic principles of the society should be continued and fostered. There should be no extension of too much authority into the hands of any elected officers; (f) A study to create additional sick benefits for our sister members, insofar as certain operation benefits are concerned, should be undertaken; (g) The convention should insist on greater participation by supreme board members in local lodge and federation activities within their respective districts. It is evident that rank and file activity is not entered to the extent it should by our supreme board officers.

Good luck, good results and the healthiest of fraternal relationships to all at the convention.

The Sentinels were sorry to know of the death of Bro. Joseph Muhvich. Bro. Muhvich was ill a very long time and carried on bravely against insurmountable odds. He died last Saturday night at his sister's home. The body lay in state at Kompare's Funeral Parlors. The funeral was held Tuesday morning with Sentinel members participating in the final rites.

ALL THAT SORT OF THING. Next Monday, Sept. 15, the Sentinels hold their regular meeting. Be sure to come around. Congratulations to the Veronians for winning the softball title in the national SNPJ play-offs. Significant note of the SNPJ Day celebration: It is evident that many members support the SNPJ in all its activities. Wonder what leaders of our society can do about bringing more and more the SNPJ into the lives of our members? It will bring about more and more interest by members into the society. The cycle will then be completed. Too often, aside from insurance benefits, the society feels the members should support it. Isn't there a void in the interests of our members that the society can fill? The Koseles and Kuhels had their busiest of week-ends. From Ambridge came Bill and Leona Towemak. Rudy and Stella Peltz, Val Kosele, Joe Rosenberger, Jennie Heath (Barborton), Marge Peltz and Ed Rosenberger. Then, George and Josephine Maletic dropped a note saying they had stopped. South Chicago's lodges 8, 490 and 610 came out strong in working throughout the three days' SNPJ celebration. So long, until again. LOUIS KOSELE, 610.

Delegates and Supreme Board Officers

As has already been officially announced in the official organ Prosveta of July 2, 1941, the Twelfth Regular Convention of the Slovene National Benefit Society will open Saturday, September 13, promptly at 9 a. m. in Hotel Fort Pitt, Penn Avenue (near Union Station), Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

All those delegates who have received properly signed credentials from their lodge—all credentials must be brought to the Convention and given to the Credentials Committee—and Supreme Board members are requested to be present at the above stated time and place.

It should be mentioned also, that those delegates wishing to have the proposed by-laws at the Convention must see that they bring them along, as they have been sent to all the delegates and supreme board officers.

F. A. VIDER, Supreme Secretary.

Morning Stars

PITTSBURGH, PA.—This weekend our many SNPJ delegates will invade Pittsburgh, which is also known as the Steel City. We wish them a hearty WELCOME, and hope their stay will be a memorable one, as well as fruitful for our Society.

Undoubtedly the programs arranged by the convention committee will attract all the delegates to our Slovene Home on 57th and Butler sts. Welcome to the 12th regular SNPJ convention in Pittsburgh!

To the delegates: At this convention, there is work to be done. I see no need and no reason for a change of name of our Society at the present time. The name Slovene National Benefit Society (Slovenska Narodna Pôdporna Jednota) should remain unchanged.

The \$2 sick benefit. I am OPPOSED to any increase in assessment. Let's cut expenses somewhere else, and boost the \$2 class without assessing the members.

Our English section. We must solidify our youth forces; from now on our younger generation will "paddle the boat". As can be seen by the many articles in the English section of Prosveta, our young members are getting more enthusiastic and cooperative. In order to uphold the faith of their organization we must convince them of the many benefits offered by our organization. They are not to be neglected. We should start right from the Juvenile Circles, where younger blood is anxiously awaiting the day that they, too, can "steer the reins" of the SNPJ. Merely a suggestion: Another page could be added to the official organ Prosveta.

Athletics. I am of the opinion that each ESL that can field any kind of an athletic squad and can prove that they would abide by organization's rules, should be allotted some financial contribution from the athletic fund, to be used for that purpose only.

Merger. I agree with the proposed merger of SNPJ and SSPZ. This would bring more harmonious unity among our people everywhere.

Lodge Notes: We welcome Lucy Mozina as a new member, proposed by Anna Kiun. Lucy is an active and willing worker, therefore an asset to our lodge. The girls outnumbered the boys at the last meeting. The recent federation golf tourney was a real success, as was already reported a few weeks ago in Prosveta. The writer was in the foursome of the Comets and banded for an 84.

Postcards and letters: From Pvt. John Fabec, Pvt. Frank Previc, Pvt. Frank Hribar, Pvt. John Muvich, Pvt. Martin Kritchcar. Cards from the Paulenichs in Detroit, from Mella in Kansas City and points west, etc.

The writer gave his new Chevy a road test and went through Maryland and West Virginia on recent trips, with mother, sister and a friend. Many thanks to the Vidmar family of Thomas and the Prelec family of Fairmont, W. Va., for their kind hospitality. The same is awaiting you on your visit to our city.

Scribes' Supper: The National Scribes' Supper will be held on Sunday evening, Sept. 21, in the Slovene Hall, 57th and Butler, at 6 o'clock sharp. (See special article about this event in today's Prosveta.) A cordial invitation is extended to all scribes to attend.

A lodge dance will be held in the very near future. Let's attend the next meeting, Sunday, Oct. 12, at 2 p. m., in a big group. It's your duty to do so. JOHN UJCICH, 665.

Guess It Would

A man who had run out of gas on the outskirts of a country town saw a boy coming along the road carrying a large tin can.

"I hope there's gasoline in that can," he said.

"I hope there isn't," said the boy.

"It would taste pretty punk on Ma's pancakes."

2nd Annual National SNPJ Scribes' Supper

PITTSBURGH, PA.—The 2nd annual National SNPJ Scribes' Supper, scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 21, at Slovene Home on 57th and Butler at 6 p. m., promises to bring many of our Prosveta scribes together for the first time.

These scribes who so earnestly take their own time in order to bring to our many readers the firsthand information regarding our lodges and their doings; these scribes who are voluntarily doing much to keep the lodges active, never asking for any reward or recognition, but still are a "vital piece of machine" in their respective lodges; these scribes should be brought together in a body where they can better learn the identity of their fellow scribes and receive helpful information for the advancement of our ever-growing organ, the Prosveta.

Cards have been sent out to most of the scribes, and those of you who have not received them, please drop a card immediately to the writer at 5410 Carnegie St., Pittsburgh, Pa. Each scribe can bring a friend, and please see that your lodge is represented. The hall is three miles from downtown Pgh. and the streamlined trolleys marked 94-Aspinwall bring you to the front of the hall.

Welcome, SNPJ delegates, executives and scribes to Pittsburgh! JOHN UJCICH, 665.

Integrity Broadcasts

CHICAGO.—Bro. Alfred Reifler escaped death when the trailer truck in which he was riding smashed into a parked car and retaining wall in Weirton Heights, Va. He was on his vacation with Henry Lafrez who was driving the truck. The cab of the truck was smashed and both had to be removed through the roof of the cab. Bro. Reifler suffered an injury of the left shoulder and other injuries.

Sister Helen Heidenreich was operated. Sister M. Ravnarik is on the sick list. Bro. Anton Knez will be operated on his eye.

We wish all our sick members speedy recovery.

Bro. Frank Mejasch and his family spent the Labor day week-end attending the SNPJ Day celebration. (Sorry, Frank, I did not see you.) Adolph Klancnik was seen with a young lady at the SNPJ picnic. It was nice to see some of the scribes who make the Prosveta pages hungry with news.

Your secretary will be in Pittsburgh for the convention. He hopes to bring good reports for our next meeting. MICHAEL R. FLEISCHHACKER, Sec'y Lodge 631.

SNPJ Lodge 13 Dance Slated for Oct. 25

BRIDGEPORT, O.—SNPJ Lodge No. 13 decided at its Aug. 3 meeting, that each member shall pay a special assessment of twenty-five cents (25c) into the lodge treasury in the month of October. For this amount, in return, each member will receive a ticket for a dance given by the lodge at the Boydsville Hall on October 25. (Soldier-members are exempt from the special assessment.) Frank Barbic Jr.'s orchestra from Cleveland will play. As Lodge 13 always has a big crowd and a good orchestra, everyone is cordially invited to attend. JOSEPH SNOY, Secretary.

Lodge 615 Plan Grape Festival on Oct. 4th

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.—SNPJ lodge Mt. Wilson 615 is planning a Grape Festival on Oct. 4 at IWO Hall, 330 S. Ford Blvd., Los Angeles. Come and dance to Stanley's orchestra and have a good time.

All members are urged to attend the regular meeting on Sept. 21 at 10 a. m. at the usual place. We will need the cooperation of all members to make this Grape Festival a success. MARY KOTCHNIK, Sec'y.

Convention Program

Dates to Remember UNIVERSAL, PA.—1. Sept. 13—Program beginning at 8 p. m. (dst), at Slovene Hall, 57th and Butler Sts., Pgh., followed by dancing.

2. Sept. 14—Program beginning at 2:30 p. m. (dst), at Slovene Hall, 57th and Butler Sts., Pittsburgh, followed by dancing.

3. Sept. 16—Dance beginning at 8:30 p. m. (dst), at Slovene Hall, 57th and Butler Sts., Pittsburgh.

4. Sept. 18—Program beginning at 8 p. m. (dst), at Slovene Hall, 57th and Butler Sts., Pittsburgh, followed by dancing.

5. Sept. 20—Convention Banquet at 6 p. m. (dst), at Hotel Fort Pitt, Penn Ave., Pittsburgh, followed by program and dancing.

We have outlined above the dates on which programs will be sponsored by the LOCAL SNPJ CONVENTION COMMITTEE composed of members from the E. S. Federation, Slovene Speaking Federation, both of western Penna., and the Westmoreland County Federation. What follows is a brief synopsis of what will be presented on each evening.

1. "Voice of Youth" Juvenile Circle will present a one act comedy, "Be Home by Midnight," in which mother and father awaken at midnight only to discover that their son Paul and their daughter Mary, both in their teens, have not yet arrived home from their dates. Much excitement and worry follows, with a call to police headquarters and the hospitals with the thought that they had met with an accident; their anxiety is relieved, however, upon the final arrival of the two. Enuf said; it's worth seeing.

Gilbert and Josephine Hrvatin, Lodge 118, who will appear on Convention Program sept. 13.

The welcome address for this Circle will be made by Helen Prebeg; accordion solo by Donna Nagode; song by Barton Sisters; characters in the comedy are John Petach, the father; Violet Machek, the mother; Steve Turkalj, the son; Wilma Kosem, the daughter; and Donald Nagode, as Junior, the kid brother. Mary Janeshek is director of the Circle.

Sharon Juvenile Circle, under the direction of Frances Novak, will present a program of group singing, duets, tap dancing, Slovene and Spanish songs. They will include Johnnie Novak, Jr., and Eddie Cimperman, duet; Tootsie O'Korn and Nancy Luin, duet; Millie Glavan, tap dance; Eleanor and Frankie Zagar, duet; Rose Mlakar and Frances Novak, duet; Millie Novak and Richey Robick, duet; and Mitzie Anzur, accordion accompanist.

Instrumental and vocal duet by Josephine and Gilbert Hrvatin; accordion duet by Bill Skerlong and Louis Stanisha; vocal selections by Richard Skerlong accompanied by Ladi Stanisha; instrumental quartette composed of the last four named. And song by Junior Preseren Singing Society of Pittsburgh will complete the program. The evening's program will be followed by dancing to Martin Serro and his orchestra.

Ivan Cankar's Dramatic Society of Cleveland will present "No-rec" (Maniac), a drama in three acts, at 2:30 p. m. (dst), Sunday afternoon of the 14th. Read elsewhere in this issue for a synopsis of this play. It is reported that this is among the best plays presented by that Society, and we don't want you to miss it. Read the synopsis, and be present on time for more fun. The music for dancing following the play will be furnished by Joe Koracin and His Slovene Aces.

3. One of Western Pennsylvania's best Slovene orchestras has been engaged for a dance on this evening of Tuesday, September 16. Frank's Trio, popular for both Slovene and modern numbers, will keep you merry on this night. Join the crowd at the dance for a good time. Efforts are being made for additional entertainment on this evening, so you can be assured of a full evening's fun.

4. "Hlačni Gumbi" (Pants Buttons), is the name of the one act comedy that will be presented Thursday, September 18th, at 8 p. m. (dst), by Preseren Singing Society of Pittsburgh. Mary Long, one of the characters in play, gave us a summary of the plot and we can assure you you'll thoroughly amuse. There will be singing also, and the principal singer will be Mamie Triller. Dance will follow the program to Mary Kukulovich and his Slovene Manders. Don't miss this performance and dance.

5. This date of September 20th 6 p. m. (dst) the Convention Banquet is scheduled. And again appeal to you to make your reservations early, by making check money order payable to Anton Cacic, treasurer, and sending it to James Maglich, R. D. 1, Oakdale, Pa. The cost is moderate—\$1.50 the exact amount Hotel Fort Pitt charging the committee. Officers and delegates will definitely have place at the banquet, and in view of limited accommodations for guests, we cannot urge too strongly the need of getting your tickets once. Your lodge secretary has tickets, so to assure yourself a place at the banquet you must send the above address for your tickets now.

A special feature on this program will be the Duquesne University Tamburitzna Orchestra with dancing, singing, and acting. A selection Isabelle Arch; Anton Rozance, professional musician and teacher, will render several selections on his accordion; Accordion Band, under the direction of the same Rozance will be presented; vocal duets by Sophie Turkman, and Josephine Turk, Mamie Triller and Emma Jean Rantz, and Ann Zarnick and Antonette Gacnik; fraternal address which will include John Kertis, President of Slovene Progress Benefit Society (SSPZ); Labor address by P. T. Fagan, President United Mine Workers of America District 5; introduction of Supreme Board members; and radio program from 10:30 to 11 p. m., Pittsburgh daylight savings time, or 9:30 to 10 p. m. eastern standard time. The radio program will appear on Duquesne University Tamburitzna Orchestra, singing by a quartet from Cleveland, and an address by Vincent Cankar, President of Slovene National Benefit Society. Dance will follow the program to Fran Yankovic and his WGAR Orchestra of Cleveland.

Radio program will be presented over Pittsburgh's Radio Station KDKA, Westinghouse pioneer station of the world, and Pittsburgh's greatest broadcasting station. Station KDKA can be reached in the states of Ohio, West Virginia and Pennsylvania, and our members and friends in those states invited to listen in for the program. Efforts are being made for a coast to coast hook-up, and if we are successful it will be announced next week's issue of Prosveta. Watch for it!

6. Sept. 21st, Sunday afternoon 2:30 (dst), our final program will be presented. It will include: Preseren Singing Society of Pittsburgh; Preseren Singing Society of America; Marin Singing Society of America; Schramm's Concert Trio, which includes Marty Schramm, national known orchestra leader and pianist Raymond Englert, outstanding Pittsburgh guitarist, vocalist, violinist, and Anton Rozance, radio artist playing the accordion and celeste; and solo by Emma Rozantz. Paul Dolinar and his orchestra will play for dancing following the programs.

There will be an art exhibit of the paintings of the late MAE VEY PRUSHECK at the Convention Hall of Hotel Fort Pitt. This is an added reason for visiting the Convention sessions. The exhibit will be in charge of MAE PRUSHECK.

Make your arrangements now attend all six programs. Arrive too, to spend some time at the convention and listen to the deliberations of the officers and delegates who will comprise the Convention. Visit the Convention sessions. Listen to those who, through expression and full use of our democratic rights in our fraternal organization, with formulate policy and decide on by-laws that will guide us in the next four years of our growth and progress. Our sessions will be an education for us, and will provide ample opportunity to meet your fellow members and officers. Our welcome is a hearty one, and we want all you to be among us.

MICHAEL R. KUMER, Chairman

# My Week

# FLASHES OFF PRESIDENT'S BAT

# Juvenile Circles

# Imprisonment and Inhuman Treatment of Slovenes by Nazis in Jugoslavia

# Urges Reconstruction of United Jugoslavia

By Louis Beniger

There is no end to events and happenings in the history-making week-end in Pittsburgh which will be the 12th convention will be dispatched and immediately published in our issue of greater importance than the assembly than the merger of SNPJ and ESL. This will be decided on the day of the convention.

There will be 257 delegates and executives at the SNPJ convention. At the same time, a special convention of the SSPZ, meeting in the same session, the 82 delegates executives of this organization will vote on but one question: to merge or not to merge.

At the event of an approval of the merger by both societies a two-thirds majority of delegates and executives present, the bodies will then meet as a single body. Thus the united convention will number 339 delegates and executives with full power to pass any measure within limits of the law.

The merger issue will be decided Friday, Sept. 13, and the convention proper goes into full swing Saturday, Sept. 15, regardless of the date of the merger problem. Members think that the merger will be approved.

The SNPJ delegates of the ESL's, contrary to popular belief, will not meet more than 30 in all. In fact of the fact that we have more than 300 delegates of the ESL's, the majority of them will not have the required number to be entitled to their delegates and merged with the lodge of lodges.

Coming from the overwhelming interest of the membership, the time to change the name of our organization presents no problem at all. There is no valid reason and no need or advantage to be gained by choosing a substitute for the present name, which is not well advertised and widely known, but for which we can never find a better and more appropriate name.

**Little Fort Lodge News**

Waukegan, Ill.—Many memories of another enjoyable SNPJ Day are being away in our minds. "Twas a renewing old acquaintances, and new ones, listening to the program Sunday afternoon, our favorite polkas to Taffelberg—first time heard in vicinity and most sincerely enjoyed.

The Waukegan Juvenile Circle traveled to Chicago to appear at the program Sunday afternoon. Although they were unable to give their original program scheduled due to lack of proper facilities, they were able to get together a program for the children, as well as many others, missed their fine time. Christine Stritar, who was unable to remain at home because of a sudden illness, I'm sure that she'll all be glad to hear of the almost well now and is back to the same routine of work.

Credit for making the Sunday afternoon program so enjoyable should be given to all the circles, speakers, etc., participating. The one feature attraction of the evening was the fact that everyone in suspense was going away of the Chevy. To many miss who won the car and congratulations although many wish we were in her place now.

At 3:30 p. m. at the Recreation Alleys when another exciting season begins. Julie Konrad is a patient in the hospital. Best wishes for a speedy recovery. Tickets for our fall Night of Entertainment will be given away at our monthly meeting, Sunday, Sept. 13. Ticket sellers, wanted, but no buyers even more so. Don't miss that dance a Harvest Festival will be crowned. Are you going for your candidate? She's waiting with the subscription books. See you all.

Do you know (if you read Stritar's article a few weeks ago) Waukegan is campaigning for the next convention. Around the city are located many points of interest to be seen, as previously mentioned. Waukegan is fully equipped with proper facilities for all conventions. So all we can say now is hoping it's on to Waukegan for the next convention!

STAND-IN, 568.

CHICAGO, ILL.—Delegates from various sections of the country are already trodding on to Pittsburgh for the Twelfth Regular Convention of the SNPJ. Before another official issue of Prosveta appears, the convention will be in full swing and the merger question will have been definitely settled. We have every reason to believe that the delegates will assemble in good spirit and that they will labor to promote the best interests of the Society and its members. We have reason to believe that the young people will be more prominent and that their reasoning will be favorably acted upon. The English speaking lodge movement in the SNPJ has passed its adolescence. Hence, what they have done will mean much in their endeavors for a better and stronger Society.

As previously announced, a special fare of \$11.75 has been secured for the round-trip to the Convention for delegates and friends out of Chicago. Already, forty-seven reservations have been made and a special air-conditioned reclining chair car is being prepared. The group will leave Chicago Friday, September 12, on the 8:30 p. m. Standard Time (9:30 p. m. Chicago time) New York Central train from the La Salle Street Station and will arrive in Pittsburgh at 7:35 a. m. Saturday, September 13. Others who wish to join this group may do so. In order to be certain of a seat in the special SNPJ car, be sure you make your reservations by calling Lawndale 2344. At the depot, and on the special train, we will have a sign which will designate that it is reserved for delegates to the SNPJ Convention. We are determined to have a pleasant journey to Pittsburgh.

A meeting of Pioneer bowlers was held last Friday evening at the Center. Plans were drawn up for the 1941-42 season. All bowlers are urged to report at the Ace Arcade Alleys Wednesday, September 10th, for a practice night. Leo Komuchar and John Alie will try to line up the teams for the start of the season. A number of new bowlers have signed up as well as many of the old ones. Several new sponsors have already been gotten. We invite all who care to bowl to get in touch with Dick Reichel, John Alie, Leo Komuchar or the Pioneer Secretary.

Many things have taken place since the last column of Flashes among the Pioneer family. Rose Looney gave birth to a baby boy. Erna Peknik likewise, gave birth to a baby boy, and a baby girl arrived in the family of Emil Selinc. Congratulations! We have every reason to believe that the Pioneers will now secure three more new members. Katherine Ziets spent her vacation on the farm in Sheldon, Wis., where her parents reside. Rudy Kranker went to Sheldon also.—A couple of weeks ago a youngster arrived in the family of August and Jennie Marolt. Best wishes—Val Videgar and his wife with Angeline Loker and Frank Rupnik made a trip to Yellowstone Park with their Studebaker sedan. They report having a fine time—Bennie and Lucille Spayer visited in Bartlesville, Okla., and spent part of their vacation in Kansas.—LeRoy Basha has left for a job with the Consolidated Aircraft Corp. in San Diego, California.

We will try to make a fairly good resume of the National SNPJ Day in one of the early columns. Today we can report that the Pioneers accounted for the sale of 975 subscription books and that Mike Pranak broke all records to win first place in the contest with the sale of 152 books. Frank Lotrich came mighty close for the runner-up position with 140 sales. Mary E. Novak was highest among the ladies with 106. Congratulations, and thanks! The ten highest among the Pioneers were as follows:

Mich. Pranak 152, Jul. Bogatay—29, F. Lotrich—140, Frank Groser—23, M. E. Novak 106, Ed. M. Pranak 18, Don. Lotrich 94, E. Dreshar—17, A. Bozicnik—90, S. Bozicnik—18, DONALD J. LOTRICH, 559.

**Defense Bond Quiz**

Q. Can Defense Savings Stamps be redeemed?  
A. Yes; they can be redeemed for cash at face value or exchanged for Defense Savings Bonds. For example, 75 of the 25-cent Stamps—total cash value \$18.75—may be exchanged for a Defense Savings Bond which in 10 years will be worth \$25.

Q. How long have Defense Savings Stamps been on sale at retail stores?  
A. Sale of Stamps at retail stores originated in the State of Michigan on July 10. The idea met with such success that it is spreading rapidly, and soon Stamps will be sold in most retail stores on a Nation-wide basis.

Note.—To buy Defense Bonds and Stamps, go to the nearest post office, bank, or savings and loan association; or write to the Treasurer of the United States, Washington, D. C.

Add Defense Savings Bonds to your investments. Serve your country and conserve your earnings.

By J. F. Fholt, Lodge 566

CLEVELAND.—Saturday, Sept. 13, will mark the official opening of the dancing season on St. Clair Ave. Comrades' 15th Fall Dance, with music by Johnny Pecon. A large crowd is expected to be on hand and we suggest you come early. Pauline Spik has various workers lined up. If any of the newer members wish to volunteer to help out, their services will be more than appreciated.

A surprise visitor at our last meeting was Art Kushlan. John Alden showed up after festivities were over. We accepted Frank and Stan Ciperlo, transferred members. Secretary read off report that the Hoyts had a blessed event. Congratulations. Our new Recording Secretary, Sis. Popotnik, performed well on her new assignment.

The writer will be away at the convention Sept. 16, night of our monthly meeting. Sis. Spik will do the honors. Incidentally, Comrades will be instituted and the lucky individual present will walk home with a couple of greenbacks. Be there for further details.

A free turkey will be the high spot of our November meeting. Understand the Hoyts who won the bird last year intend to be on hand to repeat this year. You have an equal chance if present.

Other items discussed at the meeting; Halloween Party in October at the Farm; December election meeting to be on the 3rd Saturday of December; the Bowlers' dance Nov. 29, where a ball and bag will be given away. Tickets are out and we expect everyone who intends to participate in the bowling tournament at Milwaukee, to do his or her share. It was voted that the proceeds from the drawing be divided according to sales made, while the dance proceeds to be split equally between the boys and girls who travel to Milwaukee and participate in the bowling.

The 7th annual SNPJ Day is over. The writer, Sis. Spik and Marie Stefancic represented the Comrades. Friends everywhere were present, too numerous to mention. Pvt. Eddie Azman stationed at Ft. Sheridan arranged his furlough to take in the three day celebration. He asked to be remembered to his many friends and family. Housing was one of the problems that confronted the late comers. Jimmy Trofino took care of me for which I am grateful. The Home office was all painted and recent remodeling job impressed the visitors. It was a pleasure to meet many of the workers responsible for making the wheels of our society revolve.

As in the case of any large city, transportation presented a major problem. Those who had friends who could escort them around enjoyed every minute of their stay, others were somewhat lost. The ideal set-up for any large celebration is, of course, to have all facilities within walking distance. This is not always possible. Many, including myself, have Frank Groser to thank for his tireless effort in lugging us around. The picnic facilities for the crowd were somewhat small. Understand circumstances beyond the control of the committee prevented them from securing a more desirable location. All in all, individuals responsible for the success of the affair had their hands full and did a good job.

Discussing the social program for the convention with Mike (e) Kumer, he informed me everything is all lined up and the best that Pittsburgh can offer will be on tap for delegates and friends.

As discussed at the athletic meeting the English Speaking group will request the establishments of a post (director of juvenile and athletic activity) as part of the executive board, likewise increased expenditure for athletics the coming four years.

**Spirit-o-Grams**

By Whoosil

ST. LOUIS, MO.—Salutations to the supreme board and delegates of SNPJ who will convene in Pittsburgh Sat. Sept. 13. For the betterment of the SNPJ and its membership, we hope the delegates will use their common sense, as it will be one of the most important conventions in SNPJ history.

Delegates in this vicinity plan to leave Thursday at 6 p. m. via the Pennsylvania Limited. Anyone interested to go to Pittsburgh for the banquet Sept. 20 and spend a few days in Pittsburgh to listen in on the convention proceedings, etc., can secure a reduced rate at \$18.55 round-trip (limit 20 days). For information write to Sec'y Odella Mawhoff, 3939 Randall St.

The Spirits' regular meeting will be held Friday, Sept. 12, at 13 Arsenal St. Every member is urged to be present and welcome our 120 new juveniles and several transfers.

**Publicity Director, The Jugoslav Relief Committee of America, Slovene Section)**

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cooperate in the great tasks, which Adolf Hitler desires to be accomplished by his nation.

"Therefore, everyone of you must be filled with pride and inner satisfaction that he is allowed to work in behalf of him and for him who is the greatest genius amongst the great of this world.

"Kraj Matjaž (the legendary Slovene hero, about whom they say he will conduct the nation to happiness and well-being in the future) has risen and appeared amongst us: his name is Adolf Hitler."

In the terrible drive against the Slovenes the German cultural organization (Deutscher Kulturbund) in Jugoslavia plays the ugly role of informer.

In the achievement of their principal purpose of expulsion and extermination the Germans feel they are barred mainly by the city of Ljubljana, the most important center of Slovene intellectual and economic life.

The Nazis have isolated Ljubljana on three sides (toward St. Vid-Jesenice, towards Kamnik and Ljilje) from the rest of Slovenia, so that already the first of the second railway station is occupied by them.

The Nazis starve Ljubljana simply by preventing the importation of food, and especially milk and cattle from the territory occupied by them.

They threaten even to cut off the supply of water and electricity.—Ljubljana is under constant fear of being occupied by the Germans. For this purpose the Germans propose to expel 18,000 Slovenes from the city, especially the whole Slovene intelligentsia. The main aim of the Germans is to gain unhampered control of Trieste and its hinterland.

Three hundred thousand Slovenes are to be transported by the Germans and the rest of the nation will be germanized in the most brutal manner; already now every external sign of the Slovene language is stamped out.

In this terrible situation the Slovene nation appeals for help to magnanimous and powerful America, which harbors hundreds of thousands of Slovenes who enjoy the benefits of American liberty.

**Young Americans**

DETROIT, MICH.—Once again, we ask all SNPJ delegates to the 12th National Convention in Pittsburgh and members to give their full support and vote for Detroit as the place of the 12th National SNPJ Convention.

Here we are again appealing to all our members of the various lodges to get together and each and everyone buy a share, so that, in the very near future, we may have a new home. A new SND will enable us to hold bigger, better and more successful affairs. BUY YOUR SHARE NOW.

Inviting everyone to attend our Grape Dance, "Vinska Trgatev", on Saturday, Oct. 18, at the SND, 17183 John R. Everyone is welcome to come and is urged to dress in the traditional Slovene costume, to make this dance a lively and full of old time spirit affair.

Saturday, Nov. 8, the Young Americans will sponsor one of the biggest affairs of the season. The "ALL AMERICAN FALL DANCE" featuring George Kavanagh and his orchestra, at the UAW Hall, 51 Sprout St., Detroit. Don't miss this event of events, we'll be looking for you. Tickets are available now.

Other important dates to remember are:

October 4—Wolverine Fall Dance, 437 South Livernois.

December 13—Young American-Wolverine Dance, 437 South Livernois, music by Yankovic.

January 17, 1942—Young Americans' Midwinter Dance, music by Johnny Pecon and his orchestra, 437 South Livernois.

March 14, 1942—Young Americans' Anniversary Dance, 437 South Livernois, music by Johnny Pecon.

ANNE STENGEL, Lodge 564.

**Social Center Club to Give Party Sept. 27**

CHICAGO, ILL.—Over the Labor Day week end, hundreds of out-of-town SNPJ members and friends also visited the Slovene Labor Center. Their favorable remarks made us feel good to know that the Slovene Labor Center with its Social Club serves its purpose.

Many visitors make the SLC a stopping place. It's a gathering place for people to get acquainted and feel at home. And that's the way it's going to be Saturday, Sept. 27, when the members of the SLC Social Club are going to sponsor one of their famous Nickel Nites. Refreshments will be sold for the price of five cents. We've had our dandelion suppers, fish fries, strudel affairs, but this time it's going to be roast pig nite.

Sure, there is going to be dancing and bolins games. In addition, the library room is always available for those that like to read. Join us for a pleasant evening of fun. The admission is free. JOHN RAK.

ENGLEWOOD, N. J.—The following editorial which has appeared in the Rocky Mountain News presents an excellent introduction to our subject and concisely states our obligations to the brethren and sisters who had to remain in the land of our ancestors. Quote:

"When the war that was to have ended war and saved democracy was over, the chief statesmen of the winning powers sat down to make the blueprints of a permanent peace.

"Their hands were guided by vindictiveness and jealousy, and acquiescence, and fear. And the result was the most enormous failure in the history of mankind. The sequel of their blundering is being enacted before our eyes.

"But does this failure prove that all efforts forever after to bring some logic into this disorderly world are futile? To say yes, to confess the inadequacy of all the world's wisdom, would be to condemn mankind to an eternity of self-destruction.

"It would be premature to start work now on detailed specifications for a post-war world. Nobody knows today how much of this world will be left above ground when the war is over. Any seer who undertook today to catalog the problems that will confront the architects of the next peace would be a fool or a faker.

"But it would also be foolish to give no thought at all to the future, to that far day when the cease-firing order confronts the world once more with the opportunity to mend its ways. We are glad to see that Sumner Welles, undersecretary of state, is thinking about the future.

"Mr. Welles, in his speech at Washington (July 27), blamed the failure of the League of Nations on: (1) 'The blind selfishness' of some Americans, (2) 'its utilization by certain powers primarily to advance their own political and commercial ambitions,' and (3) 'the fact it was forced to operate, by those who dominated its councils, as a means of maintaining the status quo.'

"The League," Mr. Welles said, "was never enabled to operate as its chief spokesman (Woodrow Wilson) had intended, as an elastic and impartial instrument in bringing about peaceful and equitable adjustments between nations as time and circumstances proved necessary."

"Next time," Mr. Welles continued, "some adequate instrumentality must unquestionably be found. And whatever form it may take, he said, he was convinced of the need for, (1) arms limitation under rigid international control, and (2) establishments of 'the natural rights' of all peoples to equal economic enjoyment, i. e. access by all to natural resources and raw materials.

"We hope other American statesmen are also thinking about what is to happen when the shooting stops. The United States has assumed so much responsibility in this war that it cannot escape sharing in the responsibilities of the peace. And we'll be poorly equipped to accept such responsibilities unless in the meantime we have done a lot of thinking and soul-searching and debating about ways and means of helping to organize the affairs of this miserable world in a more sensible way." End quote.

We Slovenes in this free country of ours should at least agree (1) that now is the time for the presentation of individual plans and blueprints for a permanent peace which would insure liberty, equality, happiness and self-government to our brethren and sisters who had to remain in the land of our ancestors, (2) and that now is the time for debating and to formulate the ways and means of helping them to organize the affairs of their state which will guarantee them and their posterity justice, equality, liberty, peace and provide common defense against any enemy or aggressor.

The best opportunity for the Slovenes to create something constructive presents itself at the forthcoming joint convention of SNPJ and SSPZ at Pittsburgh. Surely the delegates of this convention will be able to find one evening or Sunday to devote to this problem.

It is suggested that the convention appoints a committee which would actively engage to crystallize the various ideas into one workable program which eventually will bring forth a state in which the Slovenes will be autonomous, equal and free in their pursuit of happiness and economic freedom. It may develop that the committee may have to establish a new organization which would include all the Slovenes in the United States, in Canada and in South America.

It is suggested that proper resolutions be forwarded to the President of the United States, to the Secretary of State and to the chairman of the Foreign Relations committee of the United States, also to the Premier and to the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Great Britain, stating that the Slovenes desire to be united in one State—Jugoslavia—in which they would be autonomous, equal and free in their pursuit of happiness and national, cultural and economic freedom, with the same equal rights for the Croats and Serbs.

JOSEPH ZAVERTNIK,  
(President of Lodge "Slovenia," No. 56, SNPJ.)

# Minutes of Meeting of Supreme Board of Slovene National Benefit Society

Held August 7, 8, 9, 1941, at Headquarters, 2657 S. Lawndale Ave., Chicago, Illinois

Supreme President Cankar calls meeting to order at 9 a. m. Order of business accepted:

- 1) Call to order
- 2) Roll call
- 3) Order of business
- 4) Time and period of session
- 5) Reports of supreme officers, committees, medical examiner and special committees
- 6) Discussion and decision on reports
- 7) Official business
- 8) Miscellaneous
- 9) Adjournment

Sessions shall be from 9 to 12 and 1 to 5 daily, with 15 minutes intermissions.

Roll call shows these officers not present: Supreme Treasurer John Vogrich, on account of illness, Frank Bolka, second vice-president and John Podboy, 1st district vice-president who sent no excuses. Terrell explains that Podboy cannot get leave from his employer. He should, however, notify the president that he is unable to attend.

## REPORTS OF SUPREME OFFICERS

### Supreme President's Report

As our reports to this meeting cover only the half-year period, and as the other officials must each report for his office in detail, my report will be quite brief. I want to present a review of the activities and achievements and standing of our Society as at the close of this fiscal period.

The reports of secretary and treasurer will show the actual state of the various classes and funds as well as the deficiencies and what should be improved and corrected. The financial report will show a nice gain in assets; all funds increased except the higher sick benefit funds. The \$2 sick benefit class presents the biggest difficulty, and the convention will have to make the necessary correction either by decreasing payments or increasing assessments. More on this will be reported by the secretary and assistant secretary.

We opened a juvenile membership campaign last year which is still in progress. The results are being reported in Prosveta as we go along and these have served to show the activity of the individual lodges as well as to provide an incentive to others. We reported also on the results of the adult membership campaign at its close, and additional reports will be given here. It has been proved again that campaigns are a good thing and even if they are costly, we must have them from time to time because of the strong competition. The campaign was quite successful, and would have been better if all lodges would have shown the proper interest, and if each lodge would have gone into it as wholeheartedly as some of the more successful ones did.

We know that the juvenile department has in recent years been the main source of replacing members lost by natural and other causes, and that it is thereby so tremendously important to our future. We must constantly campaign for it and work to maintain it at a high membership level. Every lodge should take full advantage of the excellent opportunities offered by our juvenile campaign now in progress.

During the first half of this year we had bowling tournaments, district SNPJ Day celebrations, and other agitational activities. Other such activities are being planned, and some will take place very soon. We have considerable expense with this, of course; at least partial financial support must be given by the supreme office if these affairs are to be successful. But they are necessary to promote activity and advertising. The district SNPJ Days sponsored by the federations have been a particularly good advertising medium, and these should be encouraged on an even larger scale in the future.

For a number of years we have had a national SNPJ Day celebration on Labor day. It is held in a different city (place) each year, and for this year Chicago was chosen. The Society's home office is located here, and many people will attend mainly for this reason. The local federation has undertaken to carry out the affair, and preparations are well under way. Members throughout the country are very interested and the attendance is sure to be large. All the supreme officers who can possibly do so, should be present.

No doubt you have read the athletic board minutes and other reports on our athletics. As already mentioned, we had bowling tournaments in the Spring; at present the young members are preparing for the contests to be held on SNPJ Day, August 31. Our financial support to lodges engaged in athletics and the various tournament expenses have been reported in the minutes and other reports. We could use much more than the amount allowed by the last convention for this purpose; there are always more applications from lodges for financial support of sports than we can possibly grant. Undoubtedly Bro. Bolka as athletic board chairman will report more on this, and we will be able to decide on further athletic activities.

I have about the same report on juvenile circles as at the last meeting. We have added two new circles this year, and we are constantly trying to interest the lodges, particularly in the large communities, in establishing juvenile circles. But it continues to be hard and slow work because we do not have enough people who would be capable and willing to take charge. However, there is a bright side also. Most of the circles we have are quite active and some take part in the programs presented by our lodges and agitate for our Society among other children.

One of the most important matters to come up in this period and which can be classed among our activities is the action for merger. As you know, we resumed negotiations with SSPZ officials soon after the beginning of the year. These negotiations presented as many serious problems as formerly, but they finally brought the desired results. With the help of the lawyers we drew up a new contract which was submitted to the state insurance department for examination and recommendations. At its suggestion, we made some changes and returned the contract which was then tentatively approved. It was approved and accepted also by the supreme boards of both societies, and it now awaits the approval of the conventions to take place next month and for which everything is prepared.

Last Spring, as you all know, the Yugoslav people across the sea were brutally and unjustly attacked and their country mercilessly broken up. Naturally, every Yugoslav in this country was deeply concerned and desired to give aid in some way to the suffering brothers and sisters in the old country who had become the innocent victims of enemy vandals and bloodthirsty dictators. There was a general opinion that our benefit societies should take hold and start a united action. Our executive committee discussed this question, and when we were invited to a conference for this purpose we accepted. The head editor and I represented the SNPJ. A relief committee was elected composed of representatives of each affiliated organization, and further necessary steps for relief work were taken. All the decisions and everything that was done in this connection has been published in the newspapers and you are doubtless familiar with this matter.

There has been no important change in our educational department or publications, except that we had a special issue to celebrate the 25th anniversary of Prosveta. The head editor will report further for this department, and the report on its administration and standing will be given by the business manager.

Deposits and investment of surplus funds have been reported in the published minutes of finance committee meetings; other business and important matters have been reported in the minutes of executive committee meetings. A separate report of finance committee will be presented here.

Our supreme treasurer Bro. Vogrich was able to resume his duties for a time last Spring after a long illness. However, his condition again became worse, and he was forced to stop work. The responsibilities of his office are carried by the supreme secretary and myself, and the work executed promptly.

VINCENT CANKAR.  
Report accepted.

### Report of Vice President

These are extraordinary times, and none of us knows what tomorrow will bring. I see a necessity for greater cooperative effort for the ideals and principles of our SNPJ dedicated to preserving democracy and freedom of speech. Not only we, but every honest, thinking citizen of this free country must work along these lines as much as possible as a safeguard against the chains of slavery which encircle so many nations, in which hundreds of millions are prisoners of cruel despotism, terrorized and tortured. In this great and free country we may still conduct our fraternal society, various labor unions and other institutions in a free, democratic way. So conducted, these are fortresses which the enemy of democracy will be unable to take.

I approve the noble task undertaken by our Slovene fraternal societies for the relief of our unfortunate brothers in the old homeland across the sea. I am convinced that this humanitarian work will be a great support to those who will survive this greatest catastrophe in history, when the light of liberty will shine once again.

In the past six months I attended four large SNPJ affairs as well as various smaller affairs held in Pennsylvania, as I reported to some extent in Prosveta. Of course, affairs held in communities where our people are compactly settled have the largest attendances, as for instance, Cleveland, Pittsburgh, and vicinities. One is able to get the best picture of the members' opinion of his Society at such affairs, and I must say, the greatest loyalty to the organization prevails among the membership. Noticeable also, has been the happy trend of SNPJ and SSPZ members attending each others' affairs. This would indicate that the merger of these two societies will become a reality.

I have some recommendations to improve transactions between the supreme office and the lodges; that is, by-laws changes concerning re-admission of cancelled members, sick benefit and operation compensation. These I received from lodge representatives to federation meetings who are mostly secretaries and other officials and are familiar with lodge business. I will present these as recommendations to the convention under that order of business.

ANDREW VIDRICH.  
Report accepted.

### Report of 2nd Vice President

Since the last meeting of the Supreme Board, which I did not attend because of circumstances beyond my control, I have attended various local lodge functions and gatherings. Most of these celebrations of our individual lodges were well attended, and helped to stimulate the spirit of the SNPJ and to advertise the Society.

During the past few months since the merger between the SNPJ and the SSPZ has been widely publicized, I have found that some of our members are very optimistic about the merger. If the merger comes about, and I hope it does, it will mean bringing our members who belong to both organizations into one organization. With the additional members derived from the merger, it will tend to make the future organization a much stronger and bigger Fraternal Society amongst the Slovenes.

Many of our members of the armed forces. I think that it would be fitting and proper that the Society do all in its power to keep in contact with these members. We want these members to feel that they are not forgotten, and we want them as good loyal members when they come back to civilian life. Some ways and means should be worked out to have local lodges keep in touch with these members, set up committees to correspond with them and keep them informed on lodge activities.

This being the meeting at which the Athletic Board members are usually appointed for the coming year, and since the convention is being held next month, the Athletic Board at its last meeting held in Detroit in conjunction with the National SNPJ Bowling tournament went on record suggesting that the present Athletic Board remain intact until after the convention. They felt that the merger of the SNPJ and the SSPZ might result in a new plan for athletics in the new organization.

The report on athletics will be made later.

FRANK BOLKA.  
Report accepted.

### Report of Vice President Second District

Bro. C. Zarnik states that he has not prepared a written report for this meeting. He did not receive any instructions or other duties from the supreme office. He was active wherever possible, attended lodge affairs and campaigned for new members. He has prepared a report of his office for the four-year term for the convention.

### Report of Vice President Third District

In this report I wish to state that during the past six months the activities were quite good. Although the campaign is always on, it seems the best one is one where the members get paid for the new members they get and the active members are rewarded.

The merger agreement was the only official business I got from the Executive Committee and I am in favor of it as already known.

In regard to athletics amongst our members in the SNPJ it seems it brought many members together in the bowling tournament in Detroit; the softball tournaments are now under way, and the interest taken in them isn't known to me. This is all I have to report now.

JOHN KLANSEK.  
Report accepted.

### Report of Vice President Fourth District

There has been little change in the West since the last meeting as far as the SNPJ is concerned. We enrolled a considerable number of new members, particularly in the juvenile department.

I was quite busy with preparations for the 25th anniversary celebration of Lodge 299, and the SNPJ Day on July 27. Both affairs were sponsored by the federation. There were smaller affairs also, and all were morally successful for the SNPJ. The juvenile circles took part in all the affairs, which proves that the young members are interested in our organization.

The decision of the last convention concerning the organization of juvenile circles did not bring the expected interest, in my opinion. I do not know what the reason for this is. Many more juvenile circles should have been organized in the last four years. I believe that the supreme board should recommend to the convention that a juvenile director be elected who would devote his time and study to the circles and work to organize them wherever this has not been done. I do not mean to say that the present director did not work, but that we imposed too heavy duties in addition to his regular work. If we have a capable juvenile director, the Society will show a big progress in the next four years. I am convinced of this, and everyone may believe me when I say that the sum expended for this purpose will be a good investment, inasmuch as the juvenile circles are our future.

EDWARD TOMSIC.  
Report accepted.

### Report of Supreme Secretary

This time I do not intend to report extensively on our business for the first six months of the current year. The only special occurrence was the agreement which was finally reached on the merger contract after many conferences with the representatives of the Slovene Progressive Benefit Society. This contract was also unanimously approved by the supreme boards of both societies, as you already know, and now everything depends on the action of the delegates of both organizations will take on our work. Our supreme board also unanimously changed the date for the opening of our convention from Monday, September 15, as originally decided, to Saturday, September 13. This has been published in the official organ.

Our youth campaign, or campaign of English-speaking lodges, closed on May 31, and as the results were published monthly, I do not see the need to restate them here.

In connection with this campaign, it is necessary to mention that the members of some English-speaking lodges were hard at work and gained almost unexpected results. In other places where it may be said that there might have been more success than was shown, there was not the necessary interest in the campaign. Some members are too apt to depend on others when it comes to work in the organization. This is wrong, since the Society is the property of all members, and all are equally obligated to work for it. Also, it must not be forgotten that in this campaign of the English-speaking lodges, members of the Slovene lodges helped a great deal, for which credit must be given them.

The actual progress in membership in this period is not so exceptional; we have increased our enrollment by 462 members, and were it not for a decrease in the juvenile department, we would have passed the 53,000 mark.

### ADULT DEPARTMENT

Membership as of Dec. 31, 1940	38,946
New admitted members	578
Transferred from Juvenile Dept.	658
<b>Total</b>	<b>40,182</b>
Deceased	180
Cancelled	330
<b>Total</b>	<b>510</b>
Membership as of June 30, 1941	39,672
Increase in six months	726

### JUVENILE DEPARTMENT

Membership as of Dec. 31, 1940	13,458
New admitted members	637
<b>Total</b>	<b>14,115</b>
Deceased	10
Transferred to Adult Dept.	658
Cancelled	253
<b>Total</b>	<b>921</b>
Membership as of June 30, 1941	13,194
Decrease in six months	264

There were 26 more cases of operations and one disability case less than in the first half of 1940. This is important information and will enable us to improve our by-laws, that is, within the limits of our income. The following report shows which operations are most numerous and amounts paid.

### OPERATIONS

Operations	No. of Cases	Benefits paid
Appendectomy	107	\$ 7,660.00
Hernia	56	4,087.50
Internal	40	2,975.00
Gall bladder	26	1,950.00
Hemorrhoids	30	1,425.00
Hysterectomy	15	1,075.00
Open reduction and plating	14	400.00
Varicose veins	14	700.00
Goiter	13	937.50
Various glands	9	197.50
Cataract of the eye	7	625.00

Osteomyelitis	7	275.00
Cancer	5	325.00
Nasal operations	5	125.00
Trephining	3	225.00
Nephrectomy	3	225.00
Caesarian	3	225.00
Removal of breast	3	225.00
Empyema	2	100.00
Laminectomy	3	225.00
Gastric ulcers	2	150.00
Mastoidectomy	1	75.00
Ascites (hydrocele)	1	35.00
Varicocele	1	35.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>370</b>	<b>\$24,327.00</b>

Disabilities:	No. of Cases	Am't of Insurance
Loss of fingers	7	\$ 250.00
Loss of eyesight	6	1,800.00
Loss of leg	2	600.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>\$ 2,650.00</b>

Total oper. & disability 385 \$26,977.50

There were 20 deaths less in the first half of 1941 than in similar period in 1940, which is a good indication.

### REPORT ON DEATHS

Causes:	No. of Cases	Am't of Insurance
Heart disease	53	\$ 33,400.00
Cancer	27	19,650.00
Tuberculosis	12	8,250.00
Pneumonia and influenza	12	9,650.00
Hemorrhage	11	7,350.00
Apoplexy	10	7,750.00
Various accidents	9	8,200.00
Gastric ulcers	6	4,300.00
Mine accidents	4	3,100.00
Automobile accidents	4	2,700.00
Emboli	4	2,400.00
Anemia	4	2,350.00
Suicide	3	1,750.00
Nephritis	3	3,250.00
Indigestion	3	2,500.00
Silicosis	2	1,250.00
Paralysis	2	2,500.00
Diabetes	2	2,000.00
Homicide	2	1,100.00
Insanity	2	2,000.00
Abdominal inflammation	1	500.00
Asthma	1	1,000.00
Infection	1	500.00
Gall stones	1	1,500.00
Epilepsy	1	600.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>\$129,550.00</b>

The Society shows good progress financially for both adult and juvenile departments, as the following financial report will show. Total gain of insurance departments is \$209,487.28; total assets are \$8,927,990.81.

### FINANCIAL REPORT for period of January 1 to June 30, 1941

#### ADULT DEPARTMENT

Mortuary Fund	Receipts	Disbursements
Balance as of Jan. 1, 1941		
Unpaid death claims Jan. 1, 1941	\$7,140,386.91	
Assessment	23,068.26	
Net income from investments	220,529.31	
Paid death claims	116,523.12	134,510.24
Paid commissarial claims		1,520.00
Transfer to expense fund		9,918.68
Unpaid death claims June 30, 1941		18,443.87
Balance as of June 30, 1941		7,336,093.91
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$7,500,487.60</b>	<b>\$7,500,487.60</b>

#### Disability Fund

Balance as of Jan. 1, 1941	\$ 140,652.60
Assessment	36,736.38
Paid oper. and disability	26,902.50
Balance as of June 30, 1941	150,486.48
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 177,388.98</b>

#### Sick Benefit Fund \$1 Class

Balance as of Jan. 1, 1941	\$ 263,247.87
Regular assessment	102,282.60
Special assessment	447.00
Returned benefit	18.50
Paid sick benefit	103,105.84
Balance as of June 30, 1941	262,890.13
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 365,995.97</b>

#### \$2 Class

Balance as of Jan. 1, 1941	\$ 88,808.82
Regular assessment	76,915.50
Special assessment	678.00
Returned benefit	138.00
Paid sick benefit	93,756.50
Balance as of June 30, 1941	72,783.82
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 166,540.32</b>

#### \$3 Class

Balance as of June 1, 1941	\$ 19,888.91
Regular assessment	10,446.30
Special assessment	18.00
Returned sick benefit	14,119.50
Balance as of June 30, 1941	16,233.71
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 30,353.21</b>

#### Special Benefit Fund

Balance as of Jan. 1, 1941	\$ 84,833.92
Assessment	13,554.30
Returned loan on assessment	2,062.32
Special benefit and assessment	7,237.51
Balance as of June 30, 1941	93,213.03
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 100,450.54</b>

#### Building Fund

Balance as of Jan. 1, 1941	\$ 72,288.85
Rentals	4,137.91

Building maintenance	
Depreciation	
Balance as of June 30, 1941	\$ 76,426.76

#### Convention Fund

Balance as of Jan. 1, 1941	\$ 51,561.23
Assessment	4,736.24
Advance expenses	
Balance as of June 30, 1941	\$ 56,297.47

#### Expense Fund

Balance as of Jan. 1, 1941	\$ 50,188.77
Assessment	28,495.99
Transfer from mortuary fund	9,918.68
Transfer from juvenile fund	5,000.00
Miscellaneous	214.23
Executive officers' salaries	
Finance committee's salaries	
Judiciary committee salaries	
Supervisory committee salaries	
Vice presidents' salaries	
Medical examiner's salary	
Salaries of employees	
Investigation of doubtful sick members	
Literature and other supplies	
Expense for investigation defaulted bonds	
Traveling expenses of supreme officers	
Expenses of various investigations	
Fees for collecting interest on loans	
Expense with FHA mortgages	
Exchange	
Insurance dep't fees	
Rent of secretary's office	
Safe Deposit Vault Rental	
Card index	
Campaign	
Subsidy to juvenile circles	
Advertisements	
Postage and express	
Telephone and telegrams	
Mladinski List	
Supplement to Prosveta	
Supreme board meeting	
Litigations	
Actuary and accountants	
Social security tax	
NFC membership dues	
Insurance premium for supreme and lodge officers	
Various subventions	