

Hitler ponovno povabljen na londonsko konferenco

Anglija ugladila pot za nadaljnja pogajanja med Nemčijo in podpisnicami lokarnskega pakta. Francija še vedno vztraja pri svoji zahtevi, da mora Hitler odpoklicati oboroženo silo iz Porenja. Mednarodna ženska liga zahteva izvajanje ekonomskih in finančnih sankcij proti Nemčiji

London, 17. marca. — Nape-
tost, ki jo je ustvarila Hitlerje-
va akcija, ko je poslal svoje de-
te v demilitarizirano Porenje,
se je nekoliko polegla. Svet Lige
narodov je dal Hitlerju nadaljnjo
priliko pri reševanju evropske
krize, ko ga je obvestil, da lahko
pošlje svojo reprezentanta v Lon-
don, ki naj bi sodeloval pri pogajanjih.
Na viharni seji sveta Lige
narodov je bil sprejet sklep, da
se pošlje novo povabilo Hitlerju;
istčasno je bilo naznanjeno, da
bo svet danes razpravljal o resolu-
ciji, ki obsoja Nemčijo kot kršiteljico
versajske in lokarnske pogodbe.
Pričakuje se, da bo Hitler sprejel
povabilo in v Londonu predstavil
svojo reprezentanta v Londonu.

Povabilo, ki nudi Nemčiji
enakopravnost pri pogajanjih,
je poslal Hitlerju J. A. C. Ave-
nol, tajnik Lige narodov. On je
zaeno naglasil, da člani sveta
Lige narodov ne morejo raz-
pravljati o Hitlerjevem predlo-
gu glede sklenitve 25-letnega
mirovnega pakta med Nemčijo
in njenimi sosedji, ker to spada
v področje držav, ki so podpisale
lokarnsko pogodbo.

Odlok, naj Nemčija pošlje
svojo reprezentanta v Lon-
don, je bil sprejet na tajni seji
sveta Lige narodov, resolucija,
nanašajoča se na kršenje lo-
karnskega pakta, pa je bila
predložena na javni seji. Besedilo
te resolucije je izzvalo vi-
harno debato. Grupa, katero
so tvorili delegatje Francije,
Rusije in držav male antante
(Jugoslavija, Čehoslovaška in
Rumunija), je zahtevala, da se
Nemčija obsoji kot kršiteljica
lokarnske pogodbe, dočim so
reprezentantje Anglije vztrajali,
naj se besedilo glasi, da je
Nemčija izvršila prestop, in
so tudi zmagali.

Kakor vse kaže, se Nemčiji
ni treba bati ekonomskih in fi-
nančnih sankcij. O tem vpra-
šanju se člani sveta Lige narodov
niso mogli zediniti, poleg
tega pa so francoski delegatje
priznali, da svet ne more dolo-
čiti kazni za Nemčijo, ki je po-
gizala lokarnski pakt. Edino,
kar lahko stori, je obsoditi, da
je Hitler v resnici kršil določbe
versajske in lokarnske pogodbe
z vojaško okupacijo Porenja.
Odvizno je torej od Francije,
Anglije, Italije in Belgije, pod-
pisane lokarnske pogodbe, da
določijo kazni.

Delegatje teh držav se bodo
danes sestali na izredni seji in
razpravljali o angleškem predlo-
gu glede oživiljenja pogodbe s
Francijo in Belgijo iz l. 1919, ki
jamči varnost njunega ozemlja.
Ta naj bi bila nekakšno nado-
mestilo za zaščito, ki sta jo
Francija in Belgija izgubili z
nemško militaristično okupaci-
jo Porenja.

Nemški krogi v Londonu so
zadovoljni z izidom dosedanjih
pogajanj. Izjavili so, da bi bi-
lo nesmiselno pričakovati od
Hitlerja, da bi poslal svojo
reprezentanta v London, kjer
bi smel samo poslušati žigosanje
Nemčije, potem pa bi mu
rekli, naj se vrne v Berlin.
Francoska delegacija je na-
znanila, da ne bo umaknila svo-
je zahteve glede odpoklica nem-
ške armade iz Porenja. Ako se
bo Hitlerjev reprezentant ude-

Mussolini pograbil vse hranilne vloge

Kredit Italije odhaja po vodi

Rim, 17. marca. — Mussolini-
jeva vlada je včeraj razglasila,
da so vse privatne hranilne vlo-
ge in ostala premoženja hranil-
nic v Italiji lastnina države, ka-
tera bo porabila to premoženje
za nadaljevanje vojne v Abesini-
ji in za hujše eventualnosti v
Evropi. Podružnice tujezemskih
denarnih zavodov, ki se nahaja-
jo v Italiji, so prav tako podvr-
žene državnim regulacijam kakor
domače banke.

Mussolini je že pred več tedni
naznanil, da prihaja dekret na-
cionaliziranja bank v Italiji za-
radi pritiska sankcij Lige narodov
in vedno večjega pomanjkanja
kredita Italije.

Vladni odbor oplazil tekstilno družbo

Washington, D. C. — Federalni
delavski odbor je odločil, da
mora Atlanta Woolen Mills Co.,
Atlanta, Ga., ponovno uposliti ve-
najst delavcev, katere je vrnila
na cesto zaradi unijskih aktiv-
nosti, in izplačati mezdo za ves
čas izgube zaslужka. Dalje je
družba dobila ultimatum, da se
sme vmešavati v kampanjo uni-
jske tekstilnih delavcev in razpu-
stiti kompanijsko unijo, ki jo je
ustanovila. Prizadeti delavci so
bili odpušteni po izbruhu gene-
ralne stavke v tekstilni industriji
v septembru l. 1934. Takrat so
ustanovili krajevno unijo, nakar
je začela družba preganjati uni-
oniste.

Dva stavkarja ubita v spopadu s stavkokaži

Seaside, Ore. — Dva stavkarja
sta bila ubita in eden je bil
težko ranjen v spopadu s stavko-
kaži, katere je po izbruhu stav-
ke importirala iz drugih krajev
Crown Logging Co.

Hitler ustavil napade v listih na Rusijo

Berlin, 17. marca. — Minister
propagande je včeraj obvestil
vse liste v Nemčiji, naj prene-
hajo z vitrioličnimi napadi na
Sovjetsko unijo.

Prejemki dohodninskega davka letos porasli

Chicago. — Čikaški federalni
urad za pobiranje dohodninskega
davka je letos prejel 30%
več denarja kakor lani.

leži londonske konference, bo
nedvomno prišlo na reševanje
vprašanje, ali je Francija prva
kršila določbe lokarnskega pak-
ta, kakor trdi Hitler, ko je skle-
nila vojnoobvezni pakt s sovjet-
sko Rusijo. Ta zadeva bo pred-
ložena v razsodbo mednarod-
nemu sodišču v Haagu. Od te
razsodbe zavisijo nadaljnja po-
gajanja.

Ženeva, 17. marca. — Medna-
rodna ženska liga za mir in svo-
bodo je pozvala Ligo narodov,
naj odredi ekonomske in finan-
čne sankcije proti Nemčiji, če
ne bo ta hotela odpoklicati svo-
je oborožene sile iz Porenja v
določenem času. Opozorila je
Ligo, da ji preti polom, če bo
kapitulirala pred Nemčijo.

Domače vesti

Poroka

Cleveland. — Dne 14. t. m. sta
si objubila večno zvestobo Frank
Ile in Frances Levar. Ženin je
član SSPZ, nevesta pa članica
SNPJ (društvo 137). Obilo sre-
če!

Dve operaciji

Oglesby, Ill. — Dve dobro zna-
ni članici, žena Franka Nadev-
nika in žena Franka Megliča, sta
srečno prestali operaciji v Streatorju,
Ill. Prva je bila operirana
na vnetem slepiču in druga na
vratu. Nahajata se še v bolniš-
nici, a proti koncu tega tedna
bosta najbrže doma.

Nov grob v starem kraju

Strabane, Pa. — Alojzija Koc-
jan je prešla žalostno vest, da
je v Danah pri Sezani na Pri-
morskem umrla njena mati Ma-
rija Grmek za vodenico in v sta-
rosti 69 let. V Ameriki zapuščala
hčer, v starem kraju pa sina Jo-
žefa in drugo hčer omoženo Poč-
kar v Italiji.

Smrt dekleta

Cleveland. — Te dni je umrla
Ana Markušić, stara 22 let in
doma od Kostanjevice. V Ame-
riki je bila 15 let in tu zapuščala
starše, brata in sestro.

Jugoslovansko radio

Chicago. — V jugoslovanskem
radioprogramu, ki se oddaja vsako
nedeljo od ene do dveh po-
poldne s postaje WWAE (120 ki-
lociklov, Hammond, Ind.), bosta
prihodnje nedeljo spet vključeni
dve slovanski pesmi, kateri bo
pel Theodor Lovič, hrvaški ba-
ritonist čikaške opere. Na veli-
konočno nedeljo nastopita Lovič
in Olga Vukmirovič v posebnem
programu.

Napačno krajevno ime

Mill Iron, Mont. — V poročilu
o smrti rojakinje Magdalene Se-
tinec je bilo rečeno, da je pokoj-
nica živeła v Milltownu, kar je
pomota. Pravilno je Mill Iron,
Mont.

Aplikacije za starostno pokojnino

25,000 oseb v čikaškem okraju upravičenih do penzije

Chicago. — Joseph L. Moss,
načelnik okrajnega biroja javne
blaginje, je naznanil, da bodo
relfinski uradi in njegov biro spre-
jemali prošnje glede starostne
pokojnine na podlagi zakonov,
ki so bili sprejeti v državni zbor-
nici. Aplikacije se lahko pošlje
po pošti ali pa izročijo osebno v
relfinskih uradih.

V okraju Cook (Chicago) je
okrog 25,000 oseb, ki so upravi-
čene do penzije Med temi jih je
20,000 na relfinski listi. Državni
zakon, ki je v soglasju s federal-
nim zakonom socialne zaščite,
določa \$30 pokojnine na mesec
vsaki osebi v starosti 65 in več
let, ki nima sredstev za preživ-
ljanje. Polovico te vsote bo pri-
spevala država, drugo polovico
pa federalna vlada.

Deliš federalne vlade v pen-
zijski sklad še ni zagotovljen,
toda James H. Andrews, načel-
nik državnega departamenta sta-
rostne penzije, je obvestil C. J.
Smitha, predsednika okrajnega
odboru, da bo država že sedaj
plačevala \$15 na mesec osebam,
ki so upravičene do penzije.

Vse aplikacije za starostno
pokojnino morajo biti zapriseže-
ne pred notarjem, nakar bodo
poslane državnemu penzijskemu
uradu na 1304 Indiana ave., ki
bo odločil, ali je prošilec upra-
vičen do pokojnine ali ne.

Akcija španske vlade, da ustavi fašiste

Fašistični voditelji bodo internirani

Madrid, 17. marca. — Špan-
ska vlada se je sinoči zednila,
da okliče stanje alarma po vsej
republikli za mesec dni. Vlada u-
pa, da se v tem času poležejo
nemiri, ki jih izzivajo fašisti in
levičarski ekstremisti. Vlada se
tudi pripravlja, da polovi in in-
ternira za daljšo dobo vse fašis-
tične voditelje, med katerimi
sta Jose Antonio Primo de Ri-
vera in Gil Robles glavna.

Prvi dan zasjedanja nove
španske sobornice je potekel mi-
rno. Bivši premier Diego Marti-
nez Barrios je bil izvoljen za
predsednika sobornice, socialist
Luis Jimenez Asua, na katerega
je bil pred nekaj dnevi izvršen
brezuspешen fašistični napad, pa
za prvega podpredsednika.

Vlada je sklenila, da se pro-
ces prejšnje vlade glede jezuit-
skega premoženja popolnoma
revidira. Prejšnja reakcionarna
vlada je sklenila, da se jezui-
tom vrne zaplenjeno premože-
nje, ta sklep pa zdaj ne bo iz-
vršen.

Sindikalisti v Logronu so za-
čeli s 24-urno protestno stavko
zaradi uboja svojega pristaša,
ki je padel v isgradih.

Danes poročajo, da so komu-
nisti navallili na neko posestvo
predsednika španske republike
Niceta Alcalá Zamore, odkoder
so bili kmalu iztirani.

Velika stavkovna kriza v Akronu, O.

V New Yorku so že vedno zmešnjave

Akron, O., 17. marca. — Good-
year Tire & Rubber Co., pri ka-
teri je stavka že mesec dni, je
sklenila, da ta teden odpre svo-
je tovarne tudi s silo, če ne bo
šlo drugače. To znači nevarnost
generalne stavke. Istočasno je
družba prejela apel delavske
tajnice Perkinsove iz Washing-
tona, naj obnovi pogajanja s
stavkarji, da se ves spor izrav-
na mirno.

New York, 17. marca. — Dasi
je bila stavka hišnih nameščen-
cev včeraj formalno končana in
stavkarji so se v veliki večini
vrnili v službo, je vodstvo orga-
nizacije prejelo pritožbe, da se
nekateri lastniki poslopij brani-
je uposliti stavkarje, katere i-
majo na svoji "črni listi". Ok-
rog 3000 stavkarjem je bil za-
branjen vstop v poslopija. James
J. Bambrick, predsednik unije
hišnih nameščencev, je zagrozil
trmoglavim lastnikom z novo
stavko, če se ne bodo držali po-
godbe.

Štirideset socialistov pred sodiščem v Avstriji

Dunaj, 17. marca. — Danes
se je začel sodni proces proti 40
socialistom, ki so obtoženi ve-
ljudje zaradi tega, ker so posku-
šali oživiti socialistično stranko,
katera je prepovedana od drža-
ve. Dva glavna voditelja, Karl
Sailer in Marija Emhart, sta
med obtoženci. Vodilne obtožbe
morda zadene smrtna obsod-
ba.

Sodnik odločil: "Komunistka ni sposobna za mater"

Valparaiso, Ind. — Sodnik
Mark B. Rockwell je te dni od-
ločil, da Mary Vlahich, komu-
nistka, ni sposobna, da bi vzga-
jala svoje otroke — zato mora
izročiti svojega štiritletnega si-
na bivšemu možu, od katerega
se je ločila. Družina Vlahich je
prej živela v East Chicago, Ind.

PRESEDNIK TISKARSKARSKA UNIJE KRTAČI GREENA

Obdolžil ga je, da bi rad igral vlogo diktatorja

VPRAŠANJE ORGANIZIRANJA JEK-LARJEV

Washington, D. C. — (FP) —
Charles P. Howard, predsednik
mednarodne unije tiskarskih de-
lavcev, je podal izjavo, v kateri
naglašal, da načrt za organizira-
nje delavcev v jeklarskih indus-
triji, ki ga je nedavno objavil
William Green, predsednik A-
meriške delavske federacije, ne
bo dobil podpore, "ker predvudu-
je popolno kontrolo eksekutive
ADF nad organizatorično kam-
panjo. To bi bila diktatura in
kampanja bi se izjalovila, ker
ekskutiva nima zaupanja pri
članstvu vseh Ameriški federaci-
ji pridruženih unij."

Howardova izjava je bila od-
govor na Greenov apel, naj ti-
skarska unija pove, koliko je pri-
pravljena prispevati v sklad za
financiranje organizatorične
kampanje med jeklarskimi
delavci, katero bo federacija pod-
vela s sodelovanjem unije A-
malgamated Ass. of Iron, Steel
& Tin Workers.

Odbor za industrijsko organi-
zacijsko, čigar tajnik je Howard,
je pred nekaj tedni objavil
\$500,000, če bodo v ADF včlanje-
ne unije prispevale nadaljnji mi-
lijon dolarjev za organiziranje
jeklarjev v industrijski uniji. V
tem smislu je odbor informiral
Greena, ki je potem naznanil, da
bo stvar predložil v pretres pri-
hodnji seji eksekutive.

Howard je v svoji izjavi zagot-
vil Greena, da je njegova unija
pripravljena prispevati svoj de-
lež v organizatorični sklad na
podlagi načrta, ki ga je izdelal
Odbor za industrijsko organizaci-
cijo, "ki edini nudi upanje, da
bo kampanja uspešna". V pismu,
ki ga je Howard poslal repre-
zentantom svoje unije, on pobla-
ja Greenovo obtožnico, v kateri
naglašal, "da Ameriška delavska
federacija ne bo trpela v svoji
sredi organizaciji, ki sodelujejo
z Odborom za industrijsko orga-
nizacijsko." Howard smatra to iz-
javo za grožnjo vsem, ki ne so-
glašajo s stališčem, katerega je
zavzela eksekutiva Ameriške de-
lavske federacije.

"Mi ne bomo nikdar priznali
diktatorične oblasti, ki si jo pri-
svaja eksekutiva federacije",
pravi Howard. "Ona hoče s pri-
kritimi grožnjami prisiliti opo-
zicijo na kapitulacijo in ji vsiliti
svoje mnenje, ki je v konfliktu
z interesi organiziranega delav-
stva."

Stahanovsko gibanje se je izjalovilo

Moskva, 17. marca. — Vlad-
ni krogi so priznali, da staha-
novsko gibanje, čigar cilj je
povečanje produkcije, ni pri-
neslo zaželjenega rezultata, od-
govornost za polom pa so pri-
pisali sabotazi. Sedaj so pod-
vzeli korake proti birokraciji,
kateri so naprtili odgovornost
za neuspehe. Direktorji glav-
nih branž težke industrije ter
upravitelji tovarn in rudnikov
so se sedaj sestali v Moskvi na
konferenci, katero je sklical
Ordnodnikidze, komisar za tež-
ko industrije. Predložene so
jim bile številke, ki dokazujejo,
da produkcija ni dosegla dolo-
čene točke, temveč je celo pad-
la. Značilen zgled v tem po-
gledu so dali premogovniki v
donski kotlini, kjer se je staha-
novsko gibanje začelo. Produk-
cija premoga v zadnjih dveh
mesecih je silno padla zaradi
sabotaže.

Mehiški predsednik oplazil kritike

Kapitalisti dobili kľofuto

Mexico City, 17. marca. —
Predsednik Lazaro Cardenas je
zavzel odločno delavsko stali-
šče v svojem odgovoru na poziv
industrijskih grup, naj prepre-
či stavke in satre levičarske
tendence v mehiškem delavskem
gibanju. Te grupe silno kriti-
zirajo Cardenasa, ker ne pod-
vzame nobene akcije proti stav-
karjem, "ki ogražajo ekonomsko
in finančno varnost Mehike."

"Moje mnenje je, da vladno
zatiranje stavk ni potrebno,"
pravi Cardenas v svojem odgo-
voru. "S tako akcijo bi vlada
pogazila pravico do stavke in
izvršila nepostavni čin."

Industrialci citirajo v svojem
protestu Cardenasovo izjavo, ki
jo je izrekel na ahodu v Mon-
terreyju, "da se morajo mehiki
zakoni tolmačiti v revolucio-
narnem smislu." Dalje pobla-
jajo drugo predsednikovo izjavo,
"naj delodajalci, ki so se na-
veličali socialne borbe, izročijo
svoja podjetja delavcem ali pa
vladi."

"Tega ne bomo storili, ker u-
stava priznava lastninske pravice,"
naglašajo industrialci v
svojem protestu. "Pokorili se
bomo zakonom, saeno pa zahte-
vamo, da jih tudi vladne avto-
ritete in delavci upoštevajo."

Cardenas v svojem odgovoru
pobla argumente magnatov, v
katerih poudarjajo, da so vedno
pripravljeni kooperirati s
vlado. Opozoril jih je, da je
saman pričakoval sodelovanja s
strani industrijskih, trkovskih
in bančnih krogov v teku sad-
njih delavskih nemirov. "Pesi-
mistično stališče in alarmistične
deklaracije teh krogov niso
dokaz kooperacije s vlado,"
pravi Cardenas.

Sekira že pada po socialni zaščiti

Brezposelnostno zavarovanje neustavno v New Yorku

Albany, N. Y., 17. marca. —
Državni vrhovni sodnik Pierce
H. Russell je včeraj odločil, da
je državni zakon zavarovanja
zoper brezposelnost v državi
New Yorku neustaven. Sodnik
je utemeljil svoj odlok, da v
smislu ustave ne more nihče
prisiliti delodajalca k prispeva-
nju v sklad brezposelnostnega
zavarovanja, kajti to prispeva-
nje bi bilo "arbitrarno transfe-
riranje lastnine", kar znači kr-
šitev klavzule glede zakonitega
procesa v ustavi.

Sodnik je imel pred seboj pe-
ticijo za injunkcijo, katero za-
hteva Zveza industrialcev v državi
New Yorku, toda Injunk-
cije še ni izdal, češ, da mora še
državno apelatno sodišče izreči
končno besedo o veljavnosti za-
kona o zavarovanju proti brez-
poselnosti.

Oblačilni trgovci v Bostonu se pričeli podajati

Boston. — Prvo znamenje
zmage 4000 krojaških delavcev
je prišlo, ko se je podala Mat-
thews & Kadetky kompanija,
ki je bila doslej striktno open-
šaperska. Z unijo ILGW je pod-
pisala pogodbo, ki določa "strik-
tno unijske in NRA-ske pogoje"
za 200 delavcev — zaprtje delav-
nico, unijsko lestvico in 35-urni
tednik. Tudi ena podjetniška
zveza, katere člani uposlujejo
1800 delavcev, je že naznanila,
da se je pripravljena podati pod
slinčnimi pogoji.

GUFFEYJEV ZAKON PRED VRHOVNIM SODIŠČEM

Zakon branijo operatorji, UMW in poleg zvezne tudi dve državni vladi

ZVEZNI KONTROLOR NAPRAVIL LUKNJO

Washington. — Pred zveznim
sodiščem se je te dni pričel boj
o ustavnosti tako zvanega Guf-
feyjevega premogovnega zakona,
kateremu so še mnogi napoveda-
li, da mu bo vrhovno sodišče od-
sekalo glavo. Isid tega procesa
bo za deželo vsekakor velikega
pomena, pa bil tak ali tak.

V obrambo tega zakona so
zvezni vladi prikočile na pomoč
tudi državi Indiana in Nova
Mehika, nadalje rudarska unija
UMW in 612 operatorjev in 16
držav. Ti operatorji so poslali
vrhovnemu sodišču formalno
spomenico, v kateri ga urgirajo,
naj zakon prinaša za ustavnega.
Ostale stranke pa so vložile svo-
je "brieve" ali legalne sagovore.

Justični tajnik države Indiana
Philip Lutz prvi v svojem sa-
govoru, da je ta država še en-
krat sprejela zakon za regulira-
nje premogovne industrije, to-
da radi "meddržavnega sncanja
trgovine s premogom" zakona ni
bilo mogoče izvajati. "Vsaka na-
daljnja akcija s strani države v
tej smeri bi bila brez pomena in
bi je še poslabšala obstoječe po-
tekušče te industrije v Indiani,"
poudarja Lutz.

Zagovor Nove Mehike, kate-
rega je priredil državni generalni
pravdnik Frank H. Patton, od-
prto pravi, da je omenjena drža-
va "legalno in praktično ne-
kompetentna" stabilizirati pre-
mogovno industrijo v svojih me-
jah.

Stališče obeh držav v tej sa-
devi se smatra za važno, ker ga
vrhovno sodišče po mnenju za-
govornikov zakona ne bo moglo
ignorirati.

In med tem, ko justični de-
partment brani ta zakon pred
najvišjim tribunalom, je zvezni
kontrolor napravil v njem več-
ko luknjo. Odredil je namreč,
da zvezna vlada ne more siliti
kontraktorjev, ki imajo vladna
dela, da bi kupovali le premog, ki
je produciran v soglasju z Guf-
feyjevim zakonom. Po njegovi
interpretaciji je zakon obvesen
le za one kontraktorje, ki kupu-
jejo premog direktno od opera-
torjev in ne od premogovnih tr-
govcev.

Razstava znamenitih slikarskih del v Chicagu

Chicago. — V Tománovi po-
družnici javne knjižnice na oglu
27. ulice in Crawford ave. je ta
teden razstava znamenitih sli-
karskih del Roberta Lee Eck-
ridgeja v vodnih barvah. Te sli-
ke, ki predstavljajo življenje na
Južnem morju, so bile že raz-
stavljene v čikaškem umetnost-
nem muzeju in tudi v Parizu.
Prihodnji petek zvečer bo v ome-
njeni knjižnici navzoč tudi umet-
nik sam, ki bo predeval. Vstop k
razstavi je prost.

Delavski kandidatje nominirani v St. Paulu

St. Paul, Minn. — Zadnji to-
rek so bile primarne volitve v
St. Paulu in kandidatje na de-
lavsko-progresivni listi so bili
nominirani deloma z večino in
na drugem ali nadaljnjih me-
stih. Delavski kandidat za župa-
na William Mahoney je izšel iz
boja na prvem mestu; prejel je
24,904 glasove, njegov nasprot-
nik, sedanji župan Mark Gehan,
je pa dobil 22,549 glasov. Voli-
tve so v aprilu.

Uradne vesti druŝtev SNPJ

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Matt Anzele, član druŝtva 43.

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Frank Perniahek, član.

Masonova, Pa.—Na zadnji seji druŝtva 570 smo razpravljali o vprašanju svobodnomiselne šole in prišli do zaključka, da smo proti tej ideji, ker se bi bole obdruževale in v velikih ali večjih mestih. Male in oddaljene naselbine ne bi imele od tega nobene koristi, doklade pa bi morali plačevati gotovo vsi enako. Po našem prepričanju bi to več škodovalo SNPJ kot koristilo. To je mnenje druŝtva 570. — Anton Valenčič, tajnik.

Raton, New Mex.—Naznanjam članom druŝtva Zveza 297, da so bili na marčni seji izvoljeni sledeči novi uradniki: Tony Srok, podpredsednik, Jack Starcevič, tajnik (Box 186), Louis Kopriva, blagajnik. Ti trije novi odborniki prevzamejo svoje urade meseca aprila. Dalje opozarjam vse člane, posebno one, ki se ne udeležajo druŝtvenih sej ni enkrat v dveh letih, da se udeležijo sedaj. V slučaju bolezni vedo za društvene odbornike, drugače pa se ne brigajo za druŝtvo. Toliko v vednost in opomin.

Joe Radosevič, 297.

Harmarville, Pa.—Druŝtvo 472 je na redni seji 8. marca sklenilo, da priredi piknik na 14. junija na prostoru Oak Hill Garden. Sosednja druŝtva se prosijo, da ne prirejajo svojih veselje ali piknikov na isti dan. Naše druŝtvo vas še sedaj vabi, da nas posetite na našem pikniku. V slučaju vašega piknika pa vam bomo tudi mi na razpolago. Podrobnosti o pikniku pozneje.

Joseph Fliaz, tajnik.

Milwaukee, Wis.—Druŝtvo 234 je na svoji redni seji vzel v pretes inicijativo druŝtva 584 in komentar gl. upravnega odeska. Prišlo je do sledečega zaključka: Inicijativa, kot predložena, pomeni iste koristi za člane na pasivni listi, kakor so jih imeli do zadnje konvencije. V slučaju sprejetja bi ostala točka 4 v 32. členu vedno v veljavi; dodala jo je zadnja konvencija v zvezi s tem, da je ustavila skoro vsa izplačila umrlim članom na pasivni listi. Kajti v smislu tiste točke mora vsak član plačati vse assessment za smrtino za ves čas svoje pasivnosti, ako hoče zapustiti aktiven član. Zato se nam res sdi čudno, kako je mogel gl. upravni odesek v svojem komentarju zapisati, da sprejetje omenjene iniciative pomeni večjo izgubo za jednoto? Valed teh razlogov je naše druŝtvo soglasno zaključilo, da podpira inicijativo druŝtva 584 in apelira tudi na ostala druŝtva, da store isto.

Josephine Schiretz, tajnica.

Clinton, Ind.—Druŝtvo Skala št. 50 bo slavilo svojo 30 letnico na 28. junija s piknikom, na katerem bo nastopil kot glavni govornik br. Vincent Cainkar, gl. predsednik. Podrobnosti o tej praznovi bodo prihodnje pozneje.

Frank Bregar, tajnik.

Superior, Wyo.—Druŝtvo 134 je na seji 1. marca sklenilo, da priredi svojo običajno letno plesno zabavo v prid svoje blaginje na 28. marca zvečer v Union halli. Začetek ob 9. zvečer. Člani in članice se vabijo, da se udeležijo ter s tem pomagajo, da ste pripravljene podpreti društveno blaginjo, obenem pa tudi to, da ste res bratje in sestere našega druŝtva in jednote. Na prošni seji je bilo sklenjeno, da vsak član in članica plača vstopnino, če se za havo udeleži ali ne. Člani in članice plačajo vstopnino s assessmentom meseca aprila pri druŝtvenemu tajniku. Toraj ne pozabite na 28. marca bodoče ne pozabite v gotovini, ter več potom pošne nakaznice ali po

Kirkland Lake, Ont.—Članom druŝtva 619 naznanjam, da se redno seje našega druŝtva vršajo v stanovanju druŝtvenega tajnika na 77 Main st. vsako 2. nedeljo v mesecu. Članstvo se poziva, da se gotovo udeležijo sej. Člani, ki so oddaljeni od druŝtvenega sedeža in pošiljajo svoj assessment po pošti, se opozarjajo, da pošljejo svoj assessment bolj zgodaj, tako da bo tajnik prejel vso pošiljko najkasneje do desete ure na 26. v mesecu, kajti ob tem času in na ta datum tajnik odda poštne assessmente na gl. urad. Za sigurnost, da ne boste suspendirani, je treba oddati assessment 10. ali 15. v mesecu druŝtvenemu tajniku. Pomenite tudi to, da bodoče ne pošiljate v gotovini, ter več potom pošne nakaznice ali po

White Valley, Pa.—Druŝtvo 232 je razmotrivalo o inicijativnem predlogu druŝtva 584 in sklenilo, da ga ne podpira. Upošteva pa komentar upravnega odeska, da se počaka do prihodnje konvencije, ki ni več daleč.

Andrew Bogatay, tajnik.

Lloydell, Pa.—Druŝtvo št. 60 je razpravljalo o inicijativi druŝtva 584 in zaključilo, da se stvar zavre. Blizu se konvencija, ki naj ta problem reši, ako je potrebno. Naše druŝtvo nima pasivnih članov. Radi hočejo biti stvar težavna. Kjer je velika pasivnost in veliko mladine, naj si jo umislijo, ako so prepričani, da bodo uspevali. Težavno pa je za manjše naselbine. Poglavitna stvar so denarna sredstva. Dobro je treba premisliti, kako se bo vse vzdrževalo, ker sedaj ne drži več beseda "hvala lepa". Le da pokažeš dolar, to je vse.

Za druŝtvo 60,
Johana Meden.

Powhatan Point, O.—Na redni seji druŝtva 536 v februarju smo razpravljali o svobodnomiselni šoli ter prišli do zaključka, da se vsa stvar prepusti, da vidimo, kaj bo zadevni odbor ukrenil. Drugo je tudi to, da se bliža konvencija, katere naj to stvar reši. Na seji 8. marca je naše druŝtvo sklenilo, da priredi piknik na 9. maja. Naprošajo se vsa okolišna druŝtva, da ne bi prirejala svojih veselje na isti dan.

John Kroll, 536.

Cleveland, O.—Druŝtvo Slovence Sokolice št. 442 ljudno pozivam na veliko udeležbo prihodnje redne mesečne seje dne 6. aprila. To pa radi več nužnih zadev. Med drugimi jednotna kampanja za mladinski odelček, naša, splošna, priprave za praznovo 30 letnico in drugo. Priznavam, da mi grede članice na roko v težavnem poslu tajništva po splošni nevlitvi svetovne vojne in nje naslednje depresije. S pomočjo tajnika Vidra sem spravila v red knjige, ki so bile zelo pomankljive in v mnogih slučajih nemogoča kontrola glede poslovanja v vseh štirih straneh Clevelanda. Assessment pobira (tako bi moralo biti) in odpošila na glavni urad samo tajnik druŝtva. Člani naj upoštevajo odgovornost tajnika s tem, da dobe potrdilo od slednjega. Ne čakajte, da vas slednji išče na domu, ker v tem slučaju ne zadostuje njih "honorar" za vožnjo ali čevlje. Vem, da gotovo vsaka izmed nas, vsaj enkrat v mesecu obišče naše centralno SN dom na St. Clairju. Jas pa tudi stanujem blizu St. Clairja, to je 827 E. 93rd st., vrata 4. Prinesite prodane in neprodane listke v svrhu dvignjenja. Ko peljate nove člane k zdravniku dr. F. J. Keru, jih pošljite če le mogote k meni, da izpolnim prošnje pred sejo.

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Isto želim o bolniških nakaznicah. Vsak bolnik bi rad takoj podporo ko zbolj, da plača zdravnik, ker so mnogi tudi podvrženi depresiji.

Mary Peteria, tajnica.

Chicago, Ill.—Članice druŝtva Na- da 102 se opozarjajo na prihodnjo redno sejo, katere se vrši v četrtki dne 19. marca. Imamo več važnih poročil, od tajnice, veseliniške odbora in odbora federacije glede kampanje naš mladine. Prošnje so članice, da poravnajo vstopne sadnje priredbe, one pa, ki pošiljajo assessment po pošti, se prosijo, da upoštevajo sklej januarne seje, namreč, da vsaka članica plača za eno vstopnino. Na prošni seji smo se tudi izrekli za idejo svobodnomiselne šole, in kadar bo izdelan načrt, se bo ponovno razpravljalo o tem. Na februarjski seji je bilo tudi sklenjeno, da se po marčni seji vrši zabava. Zato ste prošene, da se točno in v velikem številu udeležite.

Minka Aleah, tajnica.

Ramsey, O.—Druŝtvo 279 je na svoji seji 8. marca razmotrivalo o inicijativi druŝtva 584 in sklenilo, da je ne podpira iz razloga, ker bo kmalu konvencija, na kateri se ta zadeva lahko uredi. Naše druŝtvo je mnenja, da dotične točke sploh ni treba popravljati, da je tako dobro kot je sedaj. — Obenem opozarjam članstvo našega druŝtva, da se malo bolj udeležuje sej. Dalje vas tudi opozarjam, da pravočasno plačate assessment. Jas ne bom za nikogar zakladal. Kdor ne bo pravočasno plačal, se bo suspendiral, da ne bo potem rekel, da ga je tajnik suspendiral. Kdor bo suspendiran, bo po lastni krivdi. Prosim, da to upoštevate.

Joe Kosenika, tajnik.

Akron, O.—Druŝtvo 170 je na svoji redni seji dne 1. marca razpravljalo o inicijativi druŝtva 584 in sklenilo, da se ne strinja s njo, kajti konvencija ni več daleč proč in bo treba dotično točko še bolj popraviti, da bo boljše odgovarjala vsem prirediteljem. Dalje je naše druŝtvo razpravljalo se na januarjski seji o svobodnomiselni šoli in se izrekli proti. Poročali nismo, ker se nismo hoteli zameriti onim, ki mislijo, če nisi za, bodi tiho, kar je seveda napačno mnenje. Vsaaka naj se izrazi o vseh stvareh kakor se mu zdi prav. To naj bo svobodno. Kdor misli drugače, v resnici potrebuje svobodnomiselnega poduka. Naše druŝtvo je mnenja, da denar, ki se bi porabil za šolo, naj se bi dal tistim druŝtvom, ki delajo za SNPJ in pridobivajo nove člane. Kajti kdor dobi sedaj nove člane, mora biti svobodnomiseln, drugače jih

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Martja Klarič, tajnik.

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stvo druŝtva 139 SNPJ in zbora Cvet. Pričakuje se velika udeležba. Pridite tudi vi! Igralci so se zavzeli, da svoje vloge dobro izvršijo. Ker smo odvisni eden od drugega, moramo eden z drugim sodelovati in pomagati naše prireditve. (Zbor Cvet priredi pomladanski koncert 19. aprila ob 6.30 zvečer v SDD na Prince ave. Njegovi člani so večinoma člani SNPJ.) Na svidenje v nedeljo pri "Treh tikih"!"

Rose Vatovec, 139.

Akron, O.—Naznanjam članstvu druŝtva 585, da se bo prihodnja redna seja vršila dne 4. aprila ob 7. zvečer. To vabijo samo za to sejo. Naše druŝtvo je na svoji seji dne 9. marca vzel v pretes inicijativo druŝtva 584 in vršilo do zaključka, da se s to stvarjo počaka do konvencije.

John Mialtigh, tajnik.

Aurora, Minn.—Pozivam vse članice druŝtva 43, da se v velikem številu udeležite prihodnje seje v nedeljo 5. aprila. Na dnevnem redu bodo važne stvari, katere moramo rešiti. Na sejni seji je druŝtvo sklenilo, da bomo obhajali druŝtveno 30 letnico prvo nedeljo v maju. Ker pa se še ni vse sklenilo, kaj in kako bomo slavili ta druŝtveni jubilej, tako da bo vsem bolj po volji, je druŝtvo sklenilo, da se povsodijo vsi člani na prihodnjo sejo. Na ta način nam bo močno vse zadevne stvari urediti za proslavo 30 letnice druŝtva Aurora 48 SNPJ. Prosim, vai sa sejo 5. aprila!

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John Pungartnik, zač. tajnik.

Niles, O.—Naznanjam članom in članicam druŝtva Združeni Slovenci 461, da se bodo naše seje oddajale prej vršile na Scott ave. pri Janju Pajnicu. Prva seja se bo tam vršila dne 5. aprila ob 2. popoldne. Prosim, da to upoštevate ter da se seje udeležite. Obenem prošim vse člane in članice, da malo prej plačate svoje assessment, vsaj do 27. v mesecu, tako da ga bomo lahko pravočasno oddali v gl. urad, da mi ne bo treba čakati do zadnjega dne za assessment, zato pa vam priti še suspenzija. Nihče ne ve, kje ga čaka suspenzija. Zato pa prosim, da to upoštevate in plačate pravočasno!

John Vrečar, tajnik.

POPRAVEK

V naznanilu in zahvali za pokojno (Mary) Rožanc, priobčenem v listu Prosveta z dne 4. marca t. l. i. ki se moralo glasiti med drugim tudi: Zupca sina Josipa in lepa hvala na darovanih venci tudi družini St. J. d. d. Prosim, da vzamete to za znanje in nam oprostite. Mr. Anton Rožanc, Houston, Pa.

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Predavanje o načelih SNPJ

Cleveland, O. — V soboto, 7. marca je priredila clevelandška federacija SNPJ v SND predavanje o načelih SNPJ. Predavala sta Frank Barbič od društva v boji št. 53, glavni porotnik SNPJ in Otto Tekautz Jr. od društva Comrades št. 566. Prvi v slovenski, slednji v angleščini.

Zborovanje je otvoril tajnik federacije br. Jos. F. Terbižan s primernim nagovorom. Prvi predavatelj br. Barbič je predaval sledeče:

Načela in principi SNPJ
Bratje in sestre SNPJ! Deset mesecev sem prišel prej v Ameriko kot je bila ustanovljena Slovenska narodna podpora. In niti sanjalo se mi ni taktat, da bo ustanovljena tako velika organizacija med slovenskim narodom v tej deželi, še manj pa, da bi jaz kdaj govoril pred njenimi člani, ampak vse je mejno. In zgodilo se je tudi to. In naj vam malo povem, kako se je zgodilo!

Pred letom 1903 sta že bili dve slovenski jednote. Ampak njihova načela so bila verskega značaja. Radi tega so pa mnogi slovenski naseljenici posebno rokodelci, odklanjali ti dve že ustanovljeni jednote. V tem letu sta se pa preselila v Chicago M. V. Konda in Frank Medica iz Pueblo, Colo. in ker sta že tam izdajala list Glas Svobode, je došel ta časopis v njima. List je bil pisan na svobodnomiselni podlagi in tako se je z dopisovanjem malih skupin in diskuzij med naprednim slovenskim delavstvom porodila misel za ustanovitev nove podpornice jednote. Posebno pa se po konvenciji Jugoslovanske katoliške jednote, ki se je vršila v letu 1903, ker je vedno po tej konvenciji ostalo v pravilih, da podpirajo vero in cerkev. Bilo je tudi dosti privatnega dopisovanja in vsa ta gibanja so pospešila misel za ustanovitev podporna organizacije, ki bi slonela na načelih svobodnomiselnosti.

Seve je bilo tudi treba študij, kakšna naj bo podlaga in katera tujezična podporna organizacija bi bila približno najbolj prikladna, da bi jo vzeli za primer. Nekateri so proučevali češke svobodnomiselne in napredne, drugi nemške, kot Workmen's Sickness and Death Benefit Fund of the United States; zopet tretji so proučevali Ancient Order of United Workers. Tako se je gradila osnova, dokler ni dne 17. julija 1903 v št. 25 Glas Svobode izšel poziv, da se osnuje nova podporna organizacija, ki bi se popolnoma ločila po svojem delu, načelih in cilju od že obstoječih slovenskih podpornih organizacij. Za ta pripravljali odbor je podpisal poziv kot tajnik Anton Mladič.

Še redno pa je izšel ta poziv, so se že vršile agitacije za ustanovitev društev, ki se bodo združila pozneje v celoto. Glavna agitacija je prihajala iz Chicaga. Propaganda za ustanovitev ni bila tako lahka kot bi si mi mislili, ker je pa bila volja, je bilo delo v teku in šlo je.

Torej iz vsega tega je razvidno tole: Da je bil princip prej takaj kot pa jednota. In to je važno, da si zapomnimo. Kakor so oni, ki so delovali na tem, da si Slovenci ustanove razne domove, najprej gledali za načrti, po katerih se bodo poslojala postavljal, prav tako so pionirji Slovenske narodne podporna jednote prinesli naprej načela, na katera se bo jednota opirala. In o hoteli kreniti s "podporna jednota na novo pot napredka in razvoja". V letu 1904, 6. aprila, se je zbrala na prvi ustanovni konvenciji delegacija, ki je reprezentirala devet društev. In eno teh društev je bilo tudi iz Chicaga, društvo Naprej št. 5 SNPJ. Vseh teh devet društev je šlo skupaj komaj 206 članov. In o tej konvenciji je pisal Glas Naroda, Saksarjev list v New Yorku, da se je rodilo mrtvo dete v Chicagu. Ker pa je sed bil prebit in nova pot začrtana, se je to "mrtvo dete" razvilo v pravega orjaka. Ker načela deteta, ki se je rodilo, so kličala Slovence: Ne brigam se, h kateri veri pripadate in na kakšen način molite Boga ali če ga sploh ne molite, ampak v mojih vrstah so dobrodošli vsi po-

šteti in značajni rojaki, ki so pri volji delati za uresničenje načel svobode, enakosti in bratstva! —

Torej prvi princip, svobodna misel, je bil sprejet na tretji redni konvenciji v La Salle, Ill., leta 1907 in sicer soglasno. Kako se ta princip razvija in kaj vam jamči?

Svobodna misel je naziranje, ki ne prizna nobene avtoritete v verskih zadevah in kritično obdelava vsa verska vprašanja, kolikor se dotika teh vprašanj. Svobodna misel zahteva, da naj bo vera strogo privatna zadeva posameznika. In radi tega pride mo v konflikte z versko-cerkvenimi avtoritetami, ker te nečejo priznati načel privatne vere; oni hočejo, da vam zapovedujejo, kaj smete in česa ne smete opravljati pri družtvih kot člani. In ker prihajajo ti spori iz duhovščine, je ta odgovorna za vse spore, ki nastanejo iz tega razmerja.

Posamezni člani pri Slovenski narodni podporni jednoti imajo popolno osebno svobodo, da lahko verujejo kar hočejo, ali pa nič, ampak to velja le za posameznika izven društva in jednote. Nikakor pa ne za društva, jednote in društvene ali pa jednotne publikacije. To moramo strogo ločiti in vedeti razliko. Na primer: Noben član nima pravice predlagati, da se daruje iz društvene blaginje kakšni verski sekti, lahko pa o sam daruje kolikor hoče in nihče izmed članov ali društev mu ne more braniti. Ameriški javni uradniki, recimo župan, guvernir ali pa predsednik lahko veruje kar hoče, lahko gre k spovedi, ako je katoličan, ali pa k procesiji po cerkvenem ozemlju — ne more pa drugim javnim uradnikom ukazovati isto ali pa od vlade zahtevati, naj se udeležujejo verskih ceremonij. In na tem principu stoni naša jednota.

Imamo pa še drugi princip, ki je bil sprejet na milwauski konvenciji v letu 1912. To načelo, ki ga je SNPJ osvojila, je delavski princip socialne demokracije, ki se docela ujela z našim prvim principom svobodnomiselnosti. Da je bil ta princip sprejet, je vzrok ta, kar vam že razum veleva, da sama svobodnomiselnost še ne zadostuje za delavca, ker ta se bolj tiče znanosti, etike in svobodne kritike, ne pokriva pa ekonomskih in socialnih problemov, ki so vsakemu zavednemu in izobraženemu delavcu prva in glavna. In 6. redna konvencija je osvojila še ta socialni ideal, ko je sklenila, da glasilo SNPJ piše v smislu socialne demokracije ali socializma. Ta princip se omejuje le na kulturno stran jednote in na naše publikacije. Prosveta in Mladinski list morata biti pisana v smislu svobodne misli in socialne demokracije. Kakor vidimo iz obeh naših glasil, se v njima najbolj zrceli teoretična, znanstvena plat vseh vprašanj, ki spadajo v okvir svobodne misli in socialne demokracije. In tega se tudi večina našega članstva zaveda, ker le potom naših jednotnih publikacij je naše delavsko članstvo doseglo višjo, delavstvu potrebno izobrazbo in v gotovih ozirih prekaša tudi tukaj rojene, posebno kar se tiče strokovnih unij.

Vse to je dokaz, ako bi Slovenska narodna podpora jednota ne posedovala teh dveh principov, bi bila mrtva ali navađen biznis oziroma insurance družba. Zato je tudi naša jednota morala takoj pri ustanovitvi postati svobodnomiselna, ker sta že bili dve katoliški jednote. Ker pa naši rojaki niso hoteli pristopiti k tem dvema jednotama, zato so ustanovili SNPJ s svobodnomiselnimi načeli. Če bi jim bilo le za podporo, bi bili lahko pristopali k prejšnjim dvema, ampak oni so hoteli imeti svojo jednota s svojimi principi. Ravno radi teh principov je SNPJ rasil in prerasil vse druge slovenske podporna organizacije.

Naj vam povem le eden slučaj iz slovenske naselbine Moxham, Pa. Dne 26. decembra 1907 se je tam zbralo večje število Slovencev, da si ustanove svoje podporna društvo. Navzočih je bilo dvajset rojakov in ko je prišlo pred zborovske vprašanje, h kateri jednoti naj se priključijo in

ko je nekdo predlagal k JSKJ, je nekdo drugi povedal, da tam zahtevajo spoved (sedaj pri JSKJ ni več prisilne spovedi), je drugi dejal: "Deset let že nisem bil pri spovedi, pa se tudi sedaj ne dam siliti." Sklenili so, da h katoliški jednoti ne. Potem jim je tretji povedal, da je v Chicagu SNPJ, ki ne sili nikogar k spovedi, a tega tudi nikomur ne prepoveduje. Sklenjeno je bilo, da se poizve. Potem je to društvo pristopilo k SNPJ in dobilo št. 82.

Vi dobite pri SNPJ več svobode, oziroma osebne svobode, kot člani kakor pa pri katoliški organizaciji. Vi greste lahko v cerkev, če se vam ljubi in greste tudi lahko k spovedi, ako imate grehe; lahko se date po katoliški pokopati po smrti, in če se sami ne marate dati, vas navadno dajo vaši sorodniki. Lahko se cerkveno poročite, ali pa vam ni treba z vero imeti nobenega opravka.

Pri KSKJ ste pa prisiljeni hoditi k spovedi saj enkrat na leto, morate se izkazati z listkom. Poročiti morate biti po cerkvenih obredih in ako mož prepečeno, se ona ne sme ločiti od njega, pač pa mora prenašati udar-

Edward Branisel, št. 126.

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Okolica, v kateri se rodi, živi in umira, naravno izvaja velike vplive na razvoj narodnega karakterja. Na našo slovensko pesem, pa naj bo narodna ali bolj klasična, dela lepota kraja globoko vtis. Poetičnim motivom mogočnih gora, lepih holmov in vabljivih goric se naši pesniki in skladatelji pač niso mogli izogniti. Sploh so jim ti motivi dajali največje inspiracije. In kakor vsak narod imamo tudi mi lepo število ljubavnih pesmic, ker je ljubezen pač universalna in last vsakega bitja.

Razmeroma nov pojav je delavski pesem. Vstala je iz aspiracij in bojev graditeljev bogastva — večinoma za druge. In ker je moderno delavsko gibanje še razmeroma mlado, sega njegova pesem le tako daleč kakor njegovo kulturno gibanje. V industrijski Ameriki se na primer ni pojavil še noben delavski skladatelj, ker ameriški organizirano delavstvo pač še ni spoznalo vrednost in pomen, da bi gojilo svojo pesem v zori. Šele zadnjih leta vidimo nekatere bolj napredne unije, ki so pričele gojiti tudi petje. Teh je seveda še malo. Angleške delavske pesmi, večinoma "woblyjske", poje enoglasno po kakem starem znanem napevu.

Priseljenci smo v tem oziru na boljsem, ker si naši delavski pevski zbori lahko pomagajo z "importiranimi" delavskimi pesmami. Teh je razvilo največ nemško delavsko gibanje, toda najdemo jih tudi v pevskih arhivih drugih evropskih dežel. Še celo delavsko gibanje v mali Sloveniji jih je nekaj razvilo, še več pa si jih je "izposodilo" od tujih skladateljev in pesnikov.

Namen delavske pesni je seveda klicanje delavske mase k ustajenju in v borbo za osvoboditev. Isti cilj mora imeti tudi vsak resnično delavski pevski zbor. To seveda še ne pomeni, da ti zbori goje le delavske pesmi. Prvič tega ne morejo, ker je arhiv teh pesmi zelo omejen, drugič pa se tudi delavski zbori ne morejo izogniti, niti ni to njih dolžnost, narodnim in umetniškim skladbam. Glavno vprašanje je a tem v zvezi je, kakšnemu namenu služijo: napredni ali nazadnjaški stvari. Nekateri "kulturni" sicer vztrajajo, da je umetnost "nepriestranska", kar je seveda le fikcija. V razredni družbi ne more biti ničesar nepriestransko. Vsaka stvar služi tem ali drugim nazorom, dasi je

ce, drugače bo izključena. Torej sami vidite, kje je več svobode. In SNPJ je ista, ki vam jo nudi.

Navzočih je bilo lepo število starejših in tudi mlajših članov SNPJ, ki so z zanimanjem sledili temu predavanju. Sledila so razna vprašanja in odgovori ter pojasnila, katera so navzoči pazno in z zanimanjem zasledovala.

Nato je predaval v angleščini br. Otto Tekautz, ki je obdelaval isti predmet — principe SNPJ ter istotako kot prvi govornik žel priznanje. O tem govoru bo v angleščini poročal br. L. Jartz.

Po končanem predavanju je br. Terbižan zaključil zborovanje in je pozival navzoče, da se udeležijo prihodnjega predavanja, ki se vrši v Slovenskem domu na Holmes ave. v petek, 20. marca, pod avspicijlo društev SNPJ št. 142, 312 in angleško poslujočega društva št. 590.

Po zaključku se je vrnila prijazna domača zabava s plesom, pri katerem je igral poskočne komade Frank Barbič Jr. in vse je bilo veselo in dobro razpoloženo. Taka predavanja so vseskor priporočljiva.

Edward Branisel, št. 126.

skupina ali umetnik lahko še bolj "nepriestranski." Pevski zbor Sava, ki bo imel svoj sezonski koncert v nedeljo popoldne dne 12. aprila, ni nepriestranski zbor, marveč delavski. Kot odsek kluba 1 JSZ posluje že približno devet let, prej pa je bil samostojen. Zadnja leta se je pod vodstvom učitelja Jakoba Muhe razvil v dober zbor. Kaj vse bomo peli na tem spomladanskem koncertu, bomo poročali pozneje. Za enkrat vas le ugrigamo, da si rezervirate velikončno nedeljo popoldan za ta Savin koncert. — A. G.

"Trije tički" v Chicagu

Cleveland, O. — V nedeljo 22. marca priredijo člani društva Na jutroven št. 477 SNPJ znano šaloigro "Trije tički" na odru SDD na Prince ave. Pričetek ob 3. popoldne. Vloge so v dobrih rokah. Gašper Segulin ima vlogo gostilničarja, kar je porok, da bo obilo smeha. Isto velja za gostilničarjevo ženo, ki jo bo igrala Jennie Bartol. (Dobro bi bilo, če a seboj prinesete vrečo, da boste vanjo spravili smeh, ker ga bo izredno dosti.) Vloge treh tičkov pa imajo sledeči: Max Traven, Ciril Traven in Louis Počka. Rešili jih bodo dobro. Mike Ludvik bo sodnik, ki bo dobro sodil, Mirko Bubnič pa bo njegov sel in Peter Segulin bo stražnik.

Igralsko osobje je torej dobro izbrano. Smeha bo dovolj za vse. Vi se pa odločite, da pridete v nedeljo ob 3. popoldne v dvorano SDD in se pošteno nasmejete šaljivim prizorom.

To pa še ni vse! Smo v letu kampanje in naša dolžnost je, da podpiramo našo mladino, da jo pridobivamo v naša društva. V ta namen bomo imeli govornika na našem programu. Za nas starejša bo govoril znani rojak Frank Somrak, prvi gl. podpredsednik SNPJ, govornika za mladino pa nam bo preskrbel tajnik clevelandške federacije društev SNPJ br. J. Terbižan. Objubil je, da nam bo poslal dobrega govornika. Po končanem programu bo prosta zabava in ples. Na razpolago bo dobra postrežba. Pridite vsi!

Naše društvo bo priredilo svoj piknik dne 31. maja pri Zornu. Na svidenje v nedeljo 22. marca v SDD! Posebno se vabljenost društve 139 in 667 SNPJ. Vstopnina je jako nizka, zato upamo, da bo udeležba velika.

Peter Segulin, predsednik.

"Razkrinkana morala" v Penni

Canonsburg, Pa. — Naš dramski klub Soča uprizoni na velikončno nedeljo, dne 12. aprila, zanimivo Moškričevo tridejansko komedijo "Razkrinkana morala". Na programu bo sodeloval tudi pevski zbor Ilirija pod vodstvom Antona Rožanca ml. Pričetek programa točno ob 2. popoldne. V tej komediji nam Jože Moškrič, avtor slovite socialne drame "Rdeče rože", spretno podaja

in opisuje v razumljivem tonu skupino ljudi, ošabnih in skrajno nemoralnih, ki se nazunaj delajo čednostne, da, krepostne, v resnici pa so prvovrstni zahrbtenci. (Prečitajte opis te igre v večerjanski Prosveti.)

Rojaki in rojakinje tukaj in v vseh bližnjih in oddaljenih naselbinah se vabijo, da gotovo pridejo na velikončno nedeljo pogledat "Razkrinkano moralo" k nam. Kljub dolgotrajni krizi se naša kulturna društva mučijo in borijo za svoj obstoj s tem, da še naprej uprizarjajo igre in prirejalje koncerte. Pri nas to delo vršita pevski zbor Ilirija in dramski klub Soča. Zavedata se, da brez delavske kulture ni napredka. Delavska kultura in izobrazba nam sta potrebni, ker dvigata delavca do samozavesti, da postane pravi boritelj proti krivicam, katere mu zadaja sedanjí krivični sistem. Zato apeliram na našo splošno publiko, da pride na 12. aprila k našemu programu ter pomaga do boljšega uspeha!

Za dramski klub Soča, John Kobilich.

Zarjin koncert s spevoigro

Cleveland, O. — V nedeljo 5. aprila priredi svoj pomladanski koncert soc. pevski zbor Zarja v SND na St. Clair ave. ob 3. popoldne. Tudi sedaj bo Zarja podala nekaj novega, in sicer opereto "Čevljar baron", vrhu tega pa tudi koncertni spored s izbranimi pesmimi. V spevoigri ali opereti bodo sodelovale znane močeli — Eppich, Trebec, Lazar in drugi, ki so rojakom znani kot dobri igralci-pevci. To nam je tudi porok, da bo ta prireditev uspešna.

Vsebinsko spevoigro ne bom tu navajal; o tem bomo poročali pravočasno. Nabavite si vstopnice že v predprodaji, da ne boste valed gneče čakali pri blagajni na dan uprizaritve. Dobite jih pri vseh pevcih in pevkah. Cena je 40 centov, kar je veljavno tudi zvečer za ples in prosto zabavo.

Naš umetnik G. Perušek nam je podaril dve lepi sliki, ki predstavljata trpina-delavca. To sta dva lesoreza, pravo mojstrsko delo, ki bosta oddana na koncertu Zarje 5. aprila dvema osebam, ki bosta "bolj pridni". Zato pa ne pozabite na 5. aprila in na našo delavsko kulturno organizacijo, ki že 20 let deluje na delavskem kulturnem polju za povdvig delavskega razreda!

J. Krebel.

Pletelnica Slavca

Detroit, Mich. — V soboto večer, dne 21. marca, bo pevski in dramski zbor Slavca slavil svojo pletelnico z zanimivim programom in plesom. Zbor bo pel slovenske in angleške pesmi, poleg tega pa bo cela vrsta drugih zanimivih točk na sporedu, vokalnih in na razne instrumente. Pevske točke bo spremljala na piano Miss J. Stular. Vse to se bo vršilo v prostorih SDD na 437 S. Livernois ave. Vabljeni ste vsi, kajti obeta se resnično lep program.

Pričetek programa ob 8. zvečer. Vstopnina za program 40c, po programu 25c. V gornji dvorani bo igral Foxov orkester, v spodnji pa trio. (Ob tej priliki prošim mrs. Mary Rant, da mi oprostí pomoto, ki se mi je vrnila v mojem poročilu v tem listu z dne 3. marca. Glasiti se bi moralo mrs. Mary Rant, namesto mrs. Anžicek.)

Na svidenje v soboto 21. marca zvečer! Mary Obed, 518.

LISTNICA UREDNIŠTVA

Windbar, Pa., T. D. — Prvi papir izgubljen veljavno, ko je star sedem let. Vložite takoj prošnjo za drugi papir.

Milwaukee ima najmanjšo umrljivost

Washington, D. C. — Milwaukee, Wis., je najbolj zdravo mesto v Združenih državah na podlagi poročila, ki ga je pravkar objavil federalni cenzusni biro. Umrljivost na vsakih tisoč ljudi v Milwaukeeju je 7.8. Najslabše zdravstvene razmere so v Memphisu, Tenn., kjer znaša umrljivost na vsakih tisoč prebivalcev 24. Povprečna umrljivost v Ameriki je 14.2 na vsakih tisoč prebivalcev.

Iniciativa društva št. 584

Društvo št. 584 predlaga, da se spremeni 6. točka 32. člena pravil v veljavi od 1. julija 1933, nanašajoča se na izplačila onim članom, ki so na pasivni listi in katera se sedaj glasi:

V slučaju smrti pasivnega člana plača jednota iz smrtinskega sklada za pogrebne stroške, in sicer po naslednji lestvici:

Članova doba	Zavarovalnina
od 3 do 5 let	10 000 1500 200 40 80
od 5 do 10 let	20 000 3000 400 80 160
od 10 do 15 let	30 000 4500 600 120 240
od 15 do 20 let	40 000 6000 800 160 320
od 20 let dalje	50 000 7500 1000 200 400

OPOMBA: — Za pasivnimi člani, ki so zavarovani v izrednih smrtinskih razredih, se plača za pogrebne stroške sorazmerno na podlagi lestvice.

Nova točka 6. 32. člena pravil naj se glasi:

V slučaju smrti pasivnega člana jednota plača iz smrtinskega sklada vsoto dvestopetdeset dolarjev (\$250.00) za pogrebne stroške, odštevali, kar je tak član dolgoval na assessmentu v smrtinski sklad; v slučaju, da je bil tak pasivni član zavarovan za manj kot dvestopetdeset dolarjev smrtinske, se ne izplača več kot je bil zavarovan, odštevali, kar je član dolgoval na assessmentu v smrtinski sklad.

Društvo "Badgers", št. 584 v Milwaukeeju, Wis., veruje, da SNPJ ne bo trpela škode v finančnem oziru, ako je ta iniciativni predlog sprejet s splošnim glasovanjem. Dejstvo, da ves zaostali dolg na assessmentu v smrtinski sklad se plača iz vsake podpore, do katere je bil umrl pasivni član upravičen, upravičuje zvišanje do najvišje vsote kot določeno v gornjem iniciativnem predlogu.

Predlagana sprememba v pravilih je v neprecenljivo koristno potrebni in nesrečnim članom naše organizacije. Člani, ki so bili prikljeni ne po svoji lastni krivdi poslušati se privilegija pasivnosti in so bili že dolgoletni člani jednote, so gotovo upravičeni do kake podpore.

Po našem mnenju sedaj določena podpora ni pravična za stare člane. Zahtevati od članov, ki bosta "bolj pridni". Zato pa ne pozabite na 5. aprila in na našo delavsko kulturno organizacijo, ki že 20 let deluje na delavskem kulturnem polju za povdvig delavskega razreda!

J. Krebel.

John Ohluk, predsednik, Leo Schweiger, tajnik, Edw. Jereb, blagajnik.

Komentar upravnega odseka:

Upravni odsek amatra, da je sprememba gori imenovane točke pravil nepotrebna in brez vsakega interesa za splošno članstvo ali jednota iz naslednjih razlogov:

1. Jednota ima sklad izrednih podpor, kateri je namenjen za pomoč onim, ki so v potrebi in tudi za posejevanje assessmenta.

2. Načrt "B" in "C" smrtinskega zavarovanja, katerega je sprejela zadnja konvencija, dovoljuje članom potrebno rezervo, iz katere si sme vsak član izposoditi za assessment in v kateri načrt lahko prestopijo oni člani, ki so sedaj zavarovani v načrtu "A".

3. Sprejete nove točke, kakor priporočila imenovano društvo, pomeni, da bi se pasivnim članom v slučaju smrti dovolilo \$50.00 več za pogrebne stroške kakor rednim, kar ni v skladu pravil in principov bratske podporna organizacije.

4. Ker do sedaj ni bilo posebnih pritožb glede imenovane točke pravil, lahko z isto potrjimo do prihodnje konvencije, katera ni več daleč in denar, ki bi ga imeli potrošiti za to glasovanje, lahko obrnemo v boljše namene.

Na podlagi navedenih razlogov ni nobenemu članu v naši jednoti treba postati pasiven, ker si lahko izposodi za assessment iz izrednega sklada ali pa prestopi v novo zavarovanje in kolikor mu certifikat posojila ne pokrije, si tudi iz izrednega sklada ostalo lahko izposodi. Dalje naj bo omenjeno, da je danes na pasivni listi tako nizko

število članov, da je taka sprememba neopravičena. Da bi pa sami spodbujali članstvo k pasivnosti — katera se je izkazala več v splošno škodo kot korist — bi pa tudi ne bilo pravilno od nas. Vsed navedenih razlogov in pojasnil upravní odsek ne more članstvu priporočati, da podpre in odobri predloženo iniciativo, ker časi so prenesni, da bi delali prevelike izgube, priporočamo pa, da se vsi oni, ki so zavarovani v načrtu "A", poslužijo novega zavarovanja načrta "B" ali "C", katero jim nudi posojilno vrednost na certifikat.

Pojasnilo gl. tajništva članstvu glede glasovanja o iniciativi

V smislu 3. točke II. člena pravil mora v teku devetdesetih dni od datuma objave iniciativnega predloga istega podprati toliko društev, da v skupnem reprezentirajo najmanj 20% članov jednote. Ako predlog v teku imenovane dobe ne dobi zadostne podpore, ne gre na splošno glasovanje.

Da je podpora predloga od strani društva, ki zanj glasuje, veljavna, morata zanj glasovati dve tretjini na seji navzočih članov, kar pomeni, če je na seji 21 članov, jih mora za iniciativni predlog glasovati 14, da je veljavno, kar naj blagovolijo člani in društveni uradniki upoštevati.

Razprava o predlogu prične 15. januarja in konča 13. aprila 1936.

Društvo, ki bo predlog podpiralo, naj uradno sporoči v gl. urad na društvenem uradnem papirju in to poročilo kot potrdilo morajo podpisati predsednik, tajnik in blagajnik društva ter pritisnjen mora biti društveni pečat. Poročilo mora tudi izkazovati, koliko članov je bilo na seji in koliko jih je glasovalo za predlog, kar mora biti tudi vneseno v društveni zapisnik.

F. A. Vider, gl. tajnik.

Bojkotiranje Hearstovega tiska se širi

Stavkarji v Milwaukeeju izvojevali zmago na sodišču

Milwaukee, Wis. — (FP) — Stavkovni odbor organiziranih časopisnih delavcev, ki so zastavkali proti Hearstovemu listu "Wisconsin News", so apelirali na unioniste v drugih mestih, naj bojkotirajo Hearstovo časopisje in odzivi so ugodni. Hearstovi listi že občutijo posledice bojkotiranja.

John Block, glavni upravitelj lista "Wisconsin News", bi rad poravnal stavko, toda Hearst je naznanil, da rajši vidi, da list propade, kakor da bi pristal na zahteve stavkarjev. Stavkovni odbor je na to odgovoril, da Hearst ne bo mogel dolgo vzdržati bojkotiranja svojega časopisja in magazinov, med katerimi so "Good Housekeeping", "Cosmopolitan" in drugi. "Če bodo v vseh mestih vodili tako agresivno kampanjo proti Hearstovemu časopisju kakor jo vodimo v Milwaukeeju, bo časopisni magnet kmalu priznal unijo časopisnih delavcev", pravi stavkovni odbor.

Unija časopisnih delavcev je izvojevala veliko zmago na o-krožnem sodišču, ki je dovolilo, da lahko neomejeno število ljudi piketira milwauske trgovine, ki še oglašajo v Hearstovem časopisju. Dve največji trgovini v tem mestu sta se že ustrašili pritiska javnega mnenja in prenehali oglaševati v Hearstovem listu.

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Detroit. — V zapisniku seje glavnega odbora SNPJ sem čital sklep, da sme gospodarski odsek v bodoče kupovati tudi municipalne bonde. Kako investirati članski denar, je za glavni odbor res težko vprašanje. Iz preteklih finančnih poročil nam je znano, da ima naša jednota že lepo vsoto denarja investiranega v municipalnih bondih, od katerih so mnogi prišli v default in nekateri teh so tudi dvomljive vrednosti. V Detroitu, kjer je bilo zadnjih par let nekaj življenja, so tovarne zopet pričele počasi zapirati vrata.

In kakor izgleda bo večina velemest po Ameriki imela ogromno breme v zvezi s preživljanjem brezposelnih. Mestne blagajne nimajo potrebne denarja. Vraščanje, kje vzeti denar za nujne potrebe v pomoč revnega prebivalstva, je torej pereče. In vsa velika mesta izjemši Milwaukeeja so zadoležna do vrata. To je resnica o Detroitu, ki je zadolženo 72.5% svoje vrednosti. To dni bo na javni dražbi prodalo nad tisoč hiš in nad dva tisoč stavbišč radi neplačanih davkov. Na isti stopnji ali pa še slabši je Chicago, New York, Cleveland in druga velemesta.

Iz teh razlogov sem prepričan, da so municipalni bondi nevarni in gospodarskemu odseku SNPJ priporočam, naj jih ne kupuje. Boljši se mi vidijo federalni bondi. V kratkem pridejo na trg veteranski bonusni bondi, ki bodo nosili 3% obresti in dozoreli 1945. Dobri se mi vidijo tudi federalni "Baby" bondi. Meni bi se videlo bolje, če bi jednota kupovala take bonde. Mogoče sem v zmoti in je lahko moja filozofija o investiranju denarja brez pomena. Vseeno pa si pridržujem pravico, da svoje mnenje odkrito povem.

Zadnja konvencija je zaključila, da jednota ne sme več investirati nobenega kapitala v privatne hiše in narodne domove. Tudi je bila situacija res opasna. Posebno se je za to prizadeval gl. tajnik Vider, ki je poudarjal naj jednota več ne posojuje na hiše ali domove. Danes pa imamo dokaze, da je na hišah in domovih jednota najmanj izgubila. In ako bi jednota izgubila vse investicije, ki jih ima na posestvih, bi to ne znašalo toliko, kolikor znašajo defaultirani bondi, pri katerih je ali pa bo več ali manj izgubila. Konvencija je lahko najvišja oblast, mogoče je tudi, da je bolj zmorna in previdna kakor pa članstvo, ki ga reprezentira. Ni pa rečeno, da je brez napak in da so vsi zaključki dobri. Trditelj kaj takega bi bilo zmotno. Jaz sem vedno trdil in še danes poudarjam, da delegacija vedno vede roke glavnemu odboru glede investicij in drugih gospodarskih funkcij, katere bi glavni odbor izvršil, če bi imel proste roke.

Kolkor je zdaj razvidno, so vse gospodarske ustanove še vedno na ničli. Edino zemljišča in hiše so dobila nazaj vrednost iz normalnih časov. To se posebno opaža tu v Detroitu.

Leta 1932 smo detroitski Slovenci, ki smo naseljeni v okolici 6 Mile Road, imeli v načrtu, da si zgradimo svoj dom, ki bi bil shajališče društvom SNPJ in kulturnim ustanovam in posebno še tu rojeni mladini. Naš cilj je bil, da mladino čim bolj pritegnemo v svoj krog in jo obvarujemo pred zatonom v tako zvanem — amerikanizmu, to je, da je ne zajame val brezbriznosti. Naš cilj je bil naš narod bolj zblížiti in dvigniti števílo članstva SNPJ, ker polje je veliko in obširno v tej metropoli.

Vse to bi bili lahko izvršili, če bi naša bila naša jednota razumela in imela več pogleda za bodočnost naše mladine kakor tudi za svoj lastni obstoj v tej naselbini. Ako nam bi bila jednota dala potrebni kapital, bi zdaj imeli tukaj dom, ki bi bil nam vsem v ponos in simbol dobrega in koristnega dela SNPJ. SND ima zemljišče v takem kraju in v taki okolici, da vrednost stalno narašča. Tri milje daleč ni nobene plesne dvorane. Tako poslojpe ne more nikdar propasti, ker bi ne bilo navezano sa-

mo na naš narod, marveč bi ga pomagale vzdrževati tudi druge narodnosti. Hrvati, Srbi in Slovenci so v tej okolici naseljeni v velikem številu, nimajo pa nobenega doma. Najbližji hrvaški in srbski domovi so oddaljeni štiri milje in pol od okolice 6 Mile, do SDD pa je deset milj.

Ako bi glavni odbor ne imel vezanih rok, bi se gotovo tudi zanimal za take pogoje kot sem jih navedel in dal posojilo. Koristi bi imela predvsem jednota in njeno članstvo. In ker je ves denar prišel iz članskih žepov, zakaj ne bi torej imeli prednost člani v korist skupni stvari?

Mogoče bo kdo rekel, da narodni domovi po naselbinah propadajo in da so jednotina posojila v nevarnosti v več krajih. To se ne da zanikati. Toda to je resnica le v tistih naselbinah, ki so gospodarsko preživele in so industrijsko na poti umiranja. To je predvsem resnica, kar se tiče premogarskih naselbin in v manjših mestih, kjer so odvisni od ene industrije. To tudi več ali manj drži za slabe velemestne predele. Toda v večjih mestih so naši rojaki večinoma naseljeni v boljših rezidenčnih distriktih. Od tovarn so lahko oddaljeni, toda to ne šteje v današnji dobi avtomobilov in dobre transportacije.

Ako pogledamo v Detroit, je slovenska naselbina vsako leto večja. Raste najbolj v okolici 6 Mile. Zadnje čase je prišlo v to mesto več malih tovarn, U. S. Steel korporacija pa namerava zgraditi veliko tovarno za pločevino, ki se rabi za avtna ogrodja. Detroit ima torej še veliko industrijsko bodočnost.

Naša jednota ima še vedno priliko, da se zainteresira in izrabi ugodnost. Če bi nam omogočila zgraditev lastnega doma, bi bilo to v ponos članstvu in jednoti. Taka investicija bi bila tudi bolj sigurna kakor vsi bondi. Sigurna bi bila, čeprav bi prišlo do preobrata in bi vlada uvedla popolno socialno zavarovanje za delovno ljudstvo, kar bi odpravilo potrebo za podporne društva in privatne zavarovalnice. Dom, katerega bi jednota pomagala zgraditi, bi nam pa vendar ostal.

V zapisniku seje glavnega odbora sem tudi čital, da jednota namerava preurediti ali povečati svoj glavni urad. Na seji se je govorilo tudi o nakupu Bergerjevega poslojpa, katerega je ponudil za \$38.000. Jaz sem proti nakupu tega posestva; in sicer prvič, ker vprašanje, o katerem je razpravljala waukeganška konvencija, še ni pozabljeno in drugič, ker bi predelava najbrž zvišala to vsoto na \$50.000 ali celo na \$60.000. Za tako vsoto bi se pa že postavilo moderno stavbo. Z gospodarskega stališča bi bilo bolj pametno sedanjo stavbo prodati za primerno ceno. Čital sem tudi načrt A. Gardna. Meni ni znano, ali je bil načrt na mestu ali ne, vseeno pa smatram, da bi ga moral glavni odbor upoštevati, če je izvedljiv ali ne.

Ni moj namen diktirati glavnemu odboru, smatram pa, da ima članstvo vedno pravico, da pove svoje miselnje. Iz več sugestij in več priporočil je vedno lahko posneti dobre nasvete. Nikjer ni zapisano, da morajo biti do pike upoštevani. Moj namen je s tem dopisom koristiti interesom SNPJ, katere član sem že 30 let. In brez vsake zamere ali pa velikih komentirjev.

Anton Jurca, 121.

Odgovor nasprotnikom šole Milwaukee. — Ker je že precejšnji del članstva SNPJ podprl korak, da jednota ustanovi svobodnomiselno šolo za mladino in je to idejo odobril tudi gl. odbor na zadnjem zborovanju, skoraj ni več potrebno o njej pisati. Ne morem pa, da ne bi odgovoril nasprotnikom te prekoristne ustanove, ker se mi zdi, da ne nasprotujejo iz svoje preudarnosti, marveč vsled tega, ker jim je od nekod ukazano, da bi drugače ne bili dobri kristjani.

Nekateri so mnenja, da šola ni potrebna, ker imajo stari naloge, da uče otroke kakor vedo in

znajo najbolje. Res je, da vsaki starši želijo svojim otrokom najboljše. Priznam tudi, da vsaki starši uče svoje otroke kakor vedo in znajo najbolje, toda v večini slučajih ni to prav nič podoben svobodnomiselnosti. Za otroke je v današnji dobi, ko stojimo na razpotju med socializmom in kapitalizmom, največji dar, če so vzgojeni v svobodnomiselnem duhu. Tega pa otrokom sami starši ne morejo dati. Prvič jih pri tem ovira vsakdanje delo, drugič so pa otroci prepojeni s patriotizmom že v otroškem vrtcu. Iz tega je razvidno, da starši ne morejo učiti svojih otrok po svoji volji, še manj pa svobodnomiselnosti.

Drugi so mnenja, da sta za naše otroke najboljša šola Prosveta in Mladinski List. Priznam, da sta oba lista dobra učitelja za vsakega, kdor ju hoče čitati in pravilno razumeti. Nista pa tako dobra za otroke kakor šola, ker otroci so tukaj rojeni in razposajeni in jim je materni jezik malo manj kot tuj. Koliko pa je otrok, ki komaj za silo čitajo slovenski? In v tisku pride vedno nekaj besed, ki jih še stari ne razumejo, kako naj jih otroci.

Nadalje nasprotniki tudi kriče, da bi vzdrževanje šole stalo eno veliko denarja, katerega pa nima na razpolgo. Valed tega bi bila primorana uvesti izredni asessment, v današnjih časih pa je še rednega težko plačevati. Zopet drugi so proti šoli, ker bi ne dosegla malih in oddaljenih naselbin. Tudi ta ugovor je brez podlage, ker pri naši jednoti imamo val pri vsem enake pravice, bodisi bližnje ali oddaljene naselbine, male ali velike. Prav tako jih bomo imeli pri šoli. Nikomur se ni treba bati, da bi moral plačevati za nekaj, česar bi ne bil deležen. Poleg tega se sliši iz glavnega urada, da ne bo treba zvišati asessmenta za vzdrževanje šole. Torej čemu nasprotstvo?

Vsaka mati je ponosna na svojega otroka, če mladega sprejmejo v šolo. Brž se pohvali pri sosedi: "Naša Mici (ali Johnny) še ni izpolnila pet let, pa že hodi v šolo." Tedaj pa premisli, zakaj so tako mladega sprejeli v šolo. Gotovo zato, ker se zavedajo resnice, da kamor upogneš šibo, v tisto smer bo rasla. Prav tako otrok. Kar mu učitelj utepe v glavo, mu navadno ostane v njej vse življenje. V sedanjih ljudskih šolah jim utepejo v glavo lojalnost do obstoječega družabnega reda, do kapitalizma, kar imenujejo "patriotizem", ker pač znajo, da prežeti s "patriotizmom" ne bodo nevarni njih interesom pozneje, ko dorastejo. In če hočemo mi delavci svojim otrokom dobro, jih moramo učiti v svobodnem mišljenju in razredni zavednosti, s katero bodo odstranili sedanji krivični kapitalistični sistem in uvedli takega, v katerem bodo lahko meli udobno življenje.

Joseph Ule, 16.

Razno iz Clevelanda
Cleveland, O. — Prej bi človek menda dobil loterijo, če bi bila v veljavi in če bi vanjo stavlil, kakor delo. Naša "dušna pastirja" Jager in Slaje ne občutita posledic brezdelja in se ne brigata za existenco delavcev. Toliko bolj pa ju briga naša dobra organizacija SNPJ in njeno glasilo Prosveta. Torej se brigata za stvari, od katerih bi morala držati roke proč. Le naj butata, mi pa bomo šli z agitacijo za SNPJ naprej, pri čemer nam bosta pomagala tudi onadva.

Naša federacija je aranžirala več predavanj o vprašanih SNPJ. Dosedaj sta se vršili že dve predavanji. Na prvem je govoril br. Petrovič v slovenskem, br. Traven pa v angleškem. Na drugem predavanju sta govorila br. F. Barbič in br. O. Tekautz. Prihodnje predavanje se bo vršilo 20. marca v petek ob 8. zvečer v SND na Holmes ave. Aranžirala so ga društva Vipavski raj 312, Mir 142 in Loyalties 590. Apeliram na članstvo vseh treh društev, da se udeležijo v velikem številu. Po predavanju bo prosta domača zabava. Ker je isti večer seja društva Vipavski raj, se bo ta pričela eno uro prej.

V soboto 29. feb. sva z br. J. Terbizanom posetila naselbino Girard. O. Ustavila sva se v Slov. domu, ki pa ni več to, kar

je bil. Živahnost in veselje sta izgubila. Dom so spremenili, tako da izgleda kot nekakšen samostan. "Ronajo" ga "narodni" može. Dalje sva obiskala br. J. Bogataja. Napravili so nama tak sprejem, da sva se počutila kot doma. Pogovarjali smo se o federacijah in drugih koristnih stvarih naše SNPJ. Hvala vsem za postrzebo in naklonjenost.

Sla sva naprej v Farrell, Pa., kjer se je vršila prva veselica nove federacije društev SNPJ. Obiskana je bila dobro in bilo je mnogozanimanja. Pozvana sva bila, da tudi midva izpregovoriva par besed, dasi nisva bila na to pripravljena; Po končanem programu smo se zabavali v spodnjih prostorih z rojaki iz raznih bližnjih krajev. Preočila pa sva v Girardu pri Bogatajevih. Izkrena hvala vsem skupaj za prijaznost.

Po dolgi in mučni bolezni je preminil pionir in ustanovitelj več društev br. Mike Mastnak v starosti 66 let. Doma je bil iz Spodnjega Stajerskega. Tu zapuščila ženo in tri omožene hčere. Bil je član društva Vodnikov venec SNPJ ter naprednega mišljenja do zadnega. Zeleni si je cilvilni pogreb, kar mu je bilo ustreženo. Bodi mu lahka ameriška gruda, prizadetim pa naše sozolja! Andrew Božič, 312.

Seja brezposelnih

Chicago, Ill. — Ker depresija še ni prenehala in problem brezposelnosti je še vedno zelo važen, bolj važen ko kdaj prej, podpora brezposelnim pa čimdalje manjša, je potrebno, da se zanimamo za organizacijo brezposelnih.

Slovenski klub brezposelnih št. 61 IWA bo imel svojo sejo v četrtek 19. marca ob 8. zvečer na 2239 So. Damen ave. Na dnevnem redu bodo važna vprašanja, kakor tudi volitev delegata za konferenco v Washingtonu. Člani kluba, posebno tisti, ki zadnje čase ne posejajo redno sejo, so vabljeni, da se udeležijo te seje. Po seji bo govoril Vincent Cainkar, gl. predsednik SNPJ, po govoru pa se bodo servirala prosta okrepčila. Torej vsi na sejo za dobro stvar!

Vinko Ločnikar.

Federacije SNPJ

Clevelandška federacija

Predavanje v Collinwoodu
Cleveland, Ohio. — V petek večer 20. marca se vrši predavanje v S. D. na Holmes ave. Pravila so ga društva 142, 312 in 590. Opozarja se vse članstvo, da se predavanju udeleži, ker bo zanimivo in jako poučljivo. Predmet: "Načelna izjava SNPJ, Cenzura pri Prosveti in svobodnomiselna šola". Posebno zadnje je jako važno vprašanje, ako pomislimo na razmere, v katerih živimo.

Morda bo kateri rekel, "Kaj pa nam more pomagati svobodnomiselna šola?" Ako si hočemo pravilno pojasnjevati, je prvi pogoj napredka, ako se osvobodimo raznih predsodkov, dogem, klečeplazva itd. Ko se enkrat tega osvobodimo, potem smo v stanu sami zase misliti in sami zase nekaj ustvariti v dobrobit nas vseh ter uživati te sadove, dokler še živimo.

Predavanje je prosto vstopnine ter se vabi občinstvo, da se udeleži. Po predavanju se bo vršila prosta zabava. Ne pozabite na 20. marca v S. D. na Holmes ave. ob 8. zvečer!

V nedeljo 22. marca bosta gl. odbornika SNPJ v Newburghu na Prince ave. v SDD ob priliki prireditve društva 477 pred programom spregovorila nekaj važnih besed ter članstvu dala vzpodbudo za aktivnejše delovanje za SNPJ. Članstvo je vabljeno, da se udeleži te prireditve.

Na 22. marca se vrši seja clevelandške federacije ob določeni uri in v navadnih prostorih. Pozivajo se zastopniki, da se v velikem številu udeležijo seje. Na tej seji se bo pričelo razmotrivati pravila SNPJ, tako da bodo zastopniki lahko poročali, katere točke naj se spremenijo, ako se bodo. Razlog, da se bo pričelo že sedaj, je, da se bo dala prilika, da bodo društva lahko sledila priporočilom federacije ali pa obratno. Je še tudi več drugih važnih zadev, da se rešijo, zato apeliram na vse zastopnike in zastopnice, da se udeležijo te seje.

J. F. Terbizan, tajnik.

Brisbanizmi

Pozor Brisbančiči! Vaš vzor-učenjaj Brisbane je — v sijajno potrdilo naših prejšnjih ugotovitev — zadnji teden spet nekaj napisal, kar lahko vtaknete med svoja "dokazila". Ker pa slutimo, da boste vželi le polovico tega, smo se potrudili, da tu registriramo obe polovici, namreč kar je v prilog nam in proti vam.

V svojem komentarju, da se bo novi angleški kralj moral oženiti predvsem iz razloga, da pusti naslednika za svoj tron, je Brisbane zapisal tudi tole:

"Teško bi bilo verjetno, da ne bi hotel kralj Edward nadaljevati svoje (rodovne) linije in s tem ustvariti zase na angleškem prestolu, kolikor časa bo pač mogoče, edino neumrjnost, o kateri je človek prepričan, da je. (It would be difficult to believe King Edward not eager to perpetuate his line, creating himself on the throne of England as long as it may last the only kind of immortality of which man can be sure!)"

Malo nižje — da bo Brisbančičem zadobeno! — pa Brisbane piše:

"Boj z vero se rad začne z veliko silo, konča se pa s slabostjo. Vladarji in vlade prihajajo in odhajajo, toda religija, ki se izpreminja od stoletja do stoletja, živi vedno. Nič ni bolj resničnega kakor Voltairjev izrek: Če ne bi bilo Boga, bi ga bilo treba narediti. Ljudje morajo imeti nekakšen odgovor okraj svoje glave razuma in vera je edina, ki daje ta odgovor. (A fight against religion often starts violently, to wind up feebly. Rulers and governments rise and fall; religion, modified from century to century, goes on forever. Nothing more true than Voltair's statement: 'If there had not been a God, it would have been necessary to invent one.' Men must have some answer to questions beyond their intelligence, and religion alone supplies it.")

"Beyond their intelligence" is right! Otroki vprašuje mamo, kdo ga je prinesel, vsakor nima razuma — in zato mu zastoduje odgovor: štorjaka! Kako se pa to strinja z "vijim razumom", katerega posedujejo gg. Slaje, Trunk etetera???

Čuvajte se jedilnih kapric in lažilekov

Piše dr. John L. Rice, zdravstveni komisar mesta New York

Razne kaprice v prehrani, nasvet šušmarjev in raba vse-zdravečih patentnih lekov so več pokvarili zdravje Amerikancev kot katero drugo trojih stvari, ki jih medicinska veda pozna. Kadar se bo vsakdo zavedal, da njegovo telo ni povsem isto kakor telo njegovega bližnjega, bo veliko dosegeno na polju ljudske prosvete o zdravilstvu. Nekateri jedi, ki se Petru podajo, se ne podajo Pavlu, pa ravno zato družinski zdravnik ne predpisuje iste medicine za vsakega pacienta, tudi če trpi na isti bolezni. Zdravnik preiskuje bolezen, proučava naše telo in potem predpisuje one leke, prehrano in drugo lečenje, ki je primerno v tem posebnem slučaju.

Izdelovatelji nekaterih patentnih lekov razpečavajo svoje blago ter vas zagotavljajo, da bo vam pomagalo, pa naj vas boli to ali ono. Na lepo opremljenih steklenicah najdete najbolj smešne obljube, pa morda je v teh patentnih lekih ravno nekaj, kar vam utegne biti na škodo. Ako ste bolni, najcenejši in najbolj sigurni način je, da vprašate zdravnika za nasvet.

Kaprice v dieti, posebna jedila za osušenje in vse to ni za vsakega človeka. Res je, morda je vaš sosed izgubil nekoliko funtov masti, ker se je ravnal po tem ali onem receptu, ali na enega človeka, ki je imel kako korist, je mogoče dvajset drugih trpelo škodo. Skoro vsak zdravnik vam utegne potrditi staro rečnico, da so mnogi pacienti prišli za nasvet, v jako kritičnem stanju, ker so sledili nasvetu kakega šušmarja ali so jemali kake posebne jedi po kakem receptu.

Bodite previdni. Izogibajte se patentnim lekem in raznim kapricam. Ravnajte se po nasvetu svojega zdravnika.

Španske volitve

V neki vasi so morali volilci, če so hoteli na volišče, čez dvorišče vsakega "caciqua". Cacique je v španščini ljudski izraz za najuglednejšo na hkratu navadno tudi najbolj osvetljeno osebo na vasi (župan, župnik ali veleposelnik), ki "dela" volitve.

Volilci so morali torej — recimo po nake — čez načelnikovo dvorišče. Dvorišče je bilo pa ograjeno z visokim zidom. In glej: vsi volilci so neovirano prišli na volišče, pred opozicionalci se je pa zdajci prikazal togoten bleda so jo s strahom popihali.

Načelnik je bil dal namreč zvrzati v sil luknjico in skozi jo opazoval prihajajoče. Njegov ljudje so pa privezali bitka za rep. Če je bil volilcev obraz načelniku po godu, so njim hlapci potegnili bika nazaj; kadar je načelnik zagledal opozicionalca, so pa bika opustili nadenj.

Tako vsaj beremo v zlobni "Marianni". So non e vero e ben trovato... vsekako pa poročljivo za tiste, ki "delajo" volitve.

(Dolge iz prve kolone.)

Močna organizacija vodi do zmage v oblasti, nato pa prideta blaginja in svoboda. To je edina pot navzgor iz jame ignorance in sužnosti!

Znanost je edina cesta, ki vodi navzgor

Največja razlika med današnjo dobo in prejšnjimi dobami je vedno večje posploševanje znanosti. Ves resnični napredek v današnji dobi izvira iz znanosti. Čim več veš tem več veljaš! Čim bolj bo pozitivna znanost posplošena tem prej pridejo najrevnejši ljudje do blagostanja in svobode.

Kajti brez znanosti ne more biti prave demokracije, ne more biti socialnega in ekonomskega blagostanja, ne more biti svobode in prave civilizacije.

V starih dobah je bila znanost — kolikor se je smela tako imenovati — privilegij le majhnega števila ljudi, aristokracije in vladarjev. Kmet in delavec sta smela vedeti le ono, kar sta cerkev in plemstvo hotela. Kmet, ki je s svojimi rokami hranil in oblačil vse armade človeških parazitov, je smel samo moliti; to je bila poleg ogromne kopice drugega, gorostasnega praznovanja vsa njegova "znanost". Zato je pa bil suženj, hlapec, tlačan; zato je bil njegov življenjski standard enak živinskemu standardu; zato so ga neprenehoma "klate" kužne bolezni. V mnogih krajih sveta je še danes tako, kjerkoli prevladuje praznovanje in kjer ni sluha ne duha o moderni izobrazbi. Še danes bi bilo povsod tako — Evropa in Amerika bi bili še danes v štadiju agrarnega fevdalizma — če se ne bi bila znanost oprostila plemiške in cerkvene nadvlade in začela korakati svojo samostojno pot.

Sproščena znanost je uničila fevdalizem (vlado plemstva in cerkve ter tlačanstvo kmeta), ustvarila je industrije in razvila kapitalizem. Kapitalizem je bolj kot je bil fevdalizem, ker je dal ljudstvu politično demokracijo in svobodo izobrazbe, ali ista sila znanosti uničuje tudi kapitalizem in pripravlja tla kolektivizmu — novi človeški družbi, ki bo veliko bolj kot je kapitalizem.

Današnji medni delavec je izpostavljen velikim negotovostim, pomanjkanju in brutalnim bojem za obstoj, ali kljub vsemu temu je veliko na boljem kot je bil tlačanski kmet. Današnji delavec, naj si bo v industrijah ali na polju, ima eno dragoceno prilžnost, katere kmet-tlačan ni nikdar imel. To je izobrazba — ključ do vsezmagajoče znanosti!

Naj bo današnji delavec še tako preganjan, natezan in bličan pri vsakem koraku — izobrazbo si lahko pridobi, samo če ima zmožnost in voljo; izobrazbo si lahko pridobi z majhnim trudom in ko si jo enkrat pridobi — mu ne more nihče vzeti. Izobrazba je delavcu njegovo največje bogastvo, katerega mu ne more nihče ukrasti ali uropati, dokler je živ in zdrav na možganih!

Danes zna vsak delavec čitati in pisati, kar je glavni pripomoček do učenja. Včasih je bil pismen delavec ali kmet velika izjema; danes je naš narobe: nepismeni med njimi je izjema. Danes so obvezne šole, česar pod srednjeveškimi režimi cerkve in plemstva ni bilo; danes je močno razširjen tisk, časopisi in knjige, česar v fevdalni družbi tudi ni bilo. To so neprecenljive ugodnosti, ki jih je moderna znanost, predvsem tehnična ali aplikirana znanost, dala človestvu.

Najmanjšega razloga torej ni za vsakega zdravega in normalnega človeka, ki ima vse te prilžnosti na razpolgo, da se jih ne bi poslužil in si nabral znanja, katero je lahko zanj neizmerno koristno.

Delavec navadno toži in tarna o slabih razmerah in slabem življenju. Res so slabe ekonomske razmere in krize, toda delavska masa po vsem svetu bi morala vedeti, da je v glavnem sama odgovorna za svoje trpljenje. Zakaj se ne zdrami in ne poizve za temeljne vzroke svoje mizerije? Zakaj se zanaša na nekoga drugega, zlasti na neke bajne sile izven tega sveta, o katerih pozitivna znanost ničesar ne ve? Zakaj bedna delavska masa ne zavzre starih idej, starega praznovanja, katero ni še nikdar nič pomagalo revnemu človeku?

Da, delavska masa si je v največji meri sama kriva, da živi v tako slabih razmerah. Kajti, če bi se oklenila znanstvene izobrazbe in se v tem smislu organizirala, bi kmalu našla ključ do rešitve iz mizerije. Kajti čim bolj je delavec izobražen tem manj se pusti izkoriščati in tem bolj ga izkoriščevalci upoštevajo! Za bedaka se nihče ne zmeni.

Edina pot iz ekonomske in socialne mizerije je izobrazba. Za izobrazbo pride organizacija. (Dolge iz zadnji koloni.)

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NOVOPRISTOPIJI ČLANI NEW MEMBERS. Lodge No. Name. Death Bene. Sick Ben. Table listing new members and their details.

POROČILO O NAKAZANI BOLNIŠKO PODPORI Nakazana dne 4. marca 1936. REPORT OF SICK BENEFIT PAYMENT Payments of March 4, 1936. Table with columns: Član, Vredn. Amount.

Federacije SNPJ Prvi uspeh. Udeležba je bila velika. Člani društva iz Warrena, O., so se pripeljali v posebnem busu, Girardanje so isto tako imeli nartpan bus in posebne kare. V svojih karah so prišli člani iz Power Pointa, Salema, Youngstowna. Med nami sta bila tudi odbornika clevelandске federacije br. Božič in br. Terbižan, ki sta tudi nastopila kot govornika in udeležencem oertala pomen in delo federacije. Naj na tem mestu izročem vao zahvalo v imenu federacije zastopnikom društva 262 za ureditve veselice, kakor tudi delničarjem doma za brezplačno dvorano in njegovemu gospodinskemu odesku, ki je preskrbel vse potrebno za tiste, ki so želeli okusno večerjo ali vložke. Nadalje vsem zastopnikom in članom, ki so na en ali drug način pomagali pri delu ali prodajanju vstopnic, katerih je bilo prodanih nekaj nad tri sto. Pridružnja seja federacije so bila dne 29. marca v Litvinski dvorani v Youngstownu, O., ob 2. popoldne. Litvinski dvorana se nahaja na Franklin ave. na zapadni strani mesta. Vsi tisti zastopniki, ki ne vedo, ali bi mislili, da bi ne bilo mogoče najti dvorane, naj pridejo malo prej v Girard, da potem oide-mo skupaj. Priporoča se še par ostalim društvom, ki še niso vključena, da pošljejo zastopnike ali opazovalce na to sejo. Posebno iz Bessemerja lahko pridejo, ki so v neposredni bližini. Tukajanje anglosko poslujoče društvo Golden Eagles št. 643 SNPJ, ki je tudi član federacije in aktivno, prideli veliko veselico dne 25. aprila v Ukrajinski dvorani na Rayen ave. v Youngstownu, O. Na omenjeni dan, to je na 25. aprila, obhaja 25 letnico društva št. 262 SNPJ v Sharon-Farrellu, Pa., ki je tudi član federacije. Za obe prireditvi vlada veliko zanimanje. John Tancek, tajnik.

Editorial Notes

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Beginning with this issue, the minutes of the Supreme Board of the SNPJ will continue to occupy the entire Eighth Page of the paper for a period of four weeks. Therefore, condensed lodge reports and articles will correspondingly be in order as the only way to accommodate all concerned.

TWO ANNIVERSARIES

Next month, two English speaking lodges—the COMRADES in Cleveland and the MOHAWKS in La Salle—will celebrate their Tenth Anniversary events. They are in the midst of vigorous preparations and deserve every cooperation as well as assistance we can give them in the paper and in all other respects. They are entitled to every available space in the organ to promote their affairs and bring them to a successful moral and material conclusion.

THE JUVENILE CAMPAIGN

The time of the campaign for new members of the Juvenile Department is here. Local lodges, federations and individuals writing to these pages should devote at least part of their articles to this all-important drive, eliminating frivolous lines and instead urging your brothers and sisters to bring into your lodge every eligible youngster in your community.

THE INITIATIVE MOTION

Pursuant to the by-laws, lodge initiatives must appear in the organ three consecutive times. In today's issue the initiative of Lodge 584 is published the third and last time.

4th Anniversary Dance

Burgettstown, Pa.—Persistent efforts of the members are at last bringing forth the first outstanding event of the year. This elegant event, commemorating the Cavaliers' 4th anniversary, is to be held on the 18th of April. It is to be celebrated by a dance at the SNPJ hall, beginning promptly at 7 o'clock.

Through the members' untiring efforts in planning, the Cavaliers are in readiness to give each and every one present an enjoyable evening. The Cavaliers are busy at work making double assurance of no slip-ups and, shall I say, "dress up the hall for this big dance."

The 4th anniversary dance permits an extraordinary opportunity for all Slovenes in and around Burgettstown to enjoy what is anticipated to be the Cavaliers' most colorful social event of the year.

Oh yes, and the musicians! Well, the Cavaliers took much time in debating on whom should furnish the music. Orchestras with high offers and low offers were considered until a motion was made to select an orchestra of high musical quality. And that is what the Cavaliers did—selected the ever popular orchestra from Weirton, W. Va., none other than Eddy Bugnone and his Cavaliers. Many of you who have stepped to his tunes know of his quality and those of you who haven't are to see for yourselves.

Since this is not an ordinary dance but one of great importance to the Cavaliers, they want the best. Well, you can see why an invitation is extended to all surrounding SNPJ members and their friends to take a part in this event.

Take this as a tip and come to Burgettstown to spend a gala evening with the Cavaliers. Remember the date—April 18—and the place is the SNPJ hall in Burgettstown, Pa. Stephen M. Benn, Lodge 741.

Badgerland News

Milwaukee, Wis.—The date of our athletic dance has been changed to March 28 at Sostarich's hall. Matt Pink will furnish the music. Tickets may be obtained from the committee or the secretary. To those planning to take part in athletics this summer, remember we can only go as far as our funds will permit—so let's get busy on those tickets immediately.

Because of their past experience in the athletic field I had expected to see Lotrich or Groser on the athletic board, and I agree with Lotrich that Lokar should have represented the Supreme board, and another member from Michigan be added. But let's get busy and get something started.

The reporters, photographers and editors of the Wisconsin News are still waging their gallant battle against high handed W. E. Hearst. There is only one way in which we can help them and that is to forget buying the Wis. News. It has come to my attention that there are still Badgers having this paper delivered regularly to their homes. To those I will say that you are working hand in hand with this Hitler of America and are doing your part to add another notch to Hearst's forty five. This strike has the attention of newspaper men throughout the country

and if it is lost may mean the Waterloo of the American Newspaper Guild as far as fighting to better their working conditions is concerned. Two thousand pickets were lined solidly around the News building Saturday and later paraded down Wisconsin avenue while thousands lined the avenue and cheered them on. It is a strange paradox indeed that while these men and women are out on strike, the printers' and typographers' unions have issued statements to the public that they should continue to buy the Wisconsin News. These men and women are fighting for what the printers and typographers' unions now have—a contract. And it is a sad state of affairs that exists when one union urges the public to help break a strike waged by another union. The strikers need your help.—Don't fail them.

After tagging along on the heels of the Novak butchers most of the season the Badgerbowling team has finally pulled up on even terms, and are now in a tie for first place. With only four weeks of league rolling remaining the Badgers will have to strut their stuff in their best style to remain on top. Pioneers, how about a match game in April? Don't forget the meeting Friday. Frank Oblack, Lodge 584.

FLASHES

Chicago.—We're calling the Pioneers to assemble on Friday, March 20, at the SNPJ hall for their regular monthly official confab and to pass upon such business which needs our attention. You will hear the report of the special investigating committee, plans for the Moonlight Picnic of June 6, etc. The entertainment committee has promised to prepare something new and the lecture committee will start their initial 1936 program. A full program is in store. Starting time, 8 p. m.

St. and Blue Island ave.—Our sick list has grown to nine. Recent additions are Anton Shragel who is at the Passavant hospital, James Jachino, 2727 S. Crawford ave., and Christine Nadvsek, Cook County hospital.—Our member, Prof. Maynard C. Krueger, is booked to debate on Fascism for our Social Study Club Friday, April 10.—Louise Dickman writes us her views on religion. We suggested a get-together to clear any misunderstandings.—The boys surprised Frank Lotrich for his birthday last Saturday.—The cast of "God and Country" on March 8 at the SNPJ hall was all Pioneer.

Kansas AC dance Sat., March 21, at SNPJ hall.

Milwaukee's citizens will go to the polls next month to decide whether or not they want a municipal power plant. We urge and highly recommend that all SNPJ members of Milwaukee who are voters go to the polls and help win a municipal plant because by doing that they will help themselves in reducing rates and taxes. D. J. Lotrich, Lodge 569.

Strabane Pioneers

Canonsburg, Pa.—One week goes by and another, but no sign of our publicity committee. I guess we can join the "Lone Eagle" in his lost column of publicity committees. Can't be that there isn't anything to write about, because the Pioneers are coming, going and planning as fast as you can keep up with them.

The largest coming event is the Tenth Anniversary of the lodge Pioneers on the 4th and 5th of July. The affair being in hands of good committee I can assure one and all that everything will be well taken care of. Though the plans and arrangements are wonderful, so just watch the papers for further developments.

The Pioneers will hold a dance on May 16 at the SNPJ hall in Strabane. A well known orchestra will be on hand to furnish the music. Of course I need not tell you to come if you want to enjoy yourself; as everyone knows, you ALWAYS have a good time in Canonsburg.

The Girls' Club's supper on March 8 was an unusual affair and turned out very successfully. Everyone seemed to enjoy the meal and most of all that pleased the girls was a request for a similar affair. Thanks to all who helped in any way and again I can say that the Boys' Club were present 100%. Here I can show some appreciation by trying to help them advertise their Easter dance which will be held at Podboy's hall on Easter Sunday. Good luck, boys!

Sorry the girls had to lose the game of bowling in Aliquippa but, nevertheless, they were good sports and will try again on March 20, when they will meet in Canonsburg. Mary Tamazine, Lodge 589.

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Mohawks

La Salle, Ill.—Can you imagine! A decade has already passed since the establishing of our branch of the SNPJ. How many of you can remember that far back? How many of you remember the nite Bro. Spitzmiller opened the first meeting? How many of you remember who the charter members were? Little did we realize at that time or little did we dream of the successes we were to experience in the following 10 years. At that time we were entirely concerned with the present—the future did not enter into our minds until we were well on our way and now—ten years after that eventful nite we are planning to celebrate the 10th anniversary of our lodge.

I will not endeavor to recall some of our most successful ventures, but I will say that in the field of entertainment we have excelled beyond our fondest hopes. We have, during this decade, given our fathers and mothers many a proud moment. Do you remember, Mothers, the time you sat in at one of our plays listening to your own Mika or Janes rattling off lines in some hilarious comedy, and do you remember turning to your friend next to you and saying, "Pogelj nelega zaneta, ali ni britten?" And probably your friend retaliated with, "Ampak pogelj nako Micko, ali ni luštna?" Sure, you remember and believe me, we were repaid a thousand times over and over for the many tedious hours we put into the dramatical productions.

To give our folks a nite where they could see the fruits of their labors ripening, was always foremost in our minds. We honestly hope we have succeeded just a little in that direction and let us hope we will continue along this path perpetuating a sentiment that is old as human life itself.

And so we have come to this time when we can once more have the ex-

traneous pleasure of celebrating an anniversary of one of the oldest and grandest English Speaking branches of the SNPJ. The committee has been hard at work making and re-making and coming to final conclusions as to what we're going to do. What entertainment we're going to have, who's going to do this and who's going to do that, etc. To understand the extent of the responsibilities placed on the shoulders of the committee one must be a member of a committee past or present. But oh, the fun, the feeling of satisfaction to see your plans unfold before your very eyes and see your ideas grow from an embryo to the real thing. Yes, I'd give anything to be one of the engineers.

So far, the date, the play, the cast and the principal speaker have been chosen. Ticket selling campaigns are beginning to gain momentum and as usual a race is on between the girls and boys. Well, girls, go out and show that you really do know to sell. Let's make the boys treat us one more. The beer and sandwiches and all around good time that we've treated to last time should be enough of an incentive for us to enter into this campaign with the same old "gusto" and the "up and at 'em" spirit.

Another thing before I leave and this is the older members who have been more or less assuming the attitude of "laissez faire" toward the younger members. You are not invited, but requested to take full part in all activities. What do you old timers say to that?

Come one, come all. This anniversary is scheduled to be the biggest, "bestest" and most cherished remembrance of all our lodge doings, and don't forget our next meeting April 6. First Monday in April. Be there! Mildred Vogrich, Lodge 574.

The Reveliers' Column

Ambridge, Pa.—There is interest and competition in the Reveliers' duck-pin bowling league. Each Friday night at 10 o'clock the four teams go into their battles of the alleys. Rosenberger's team is leading the league at present with 15 wins and 6 losses. Matyko's follow with 12 and 9 games; Svegel's come in third with 10 and 11; Burke's trail with a 5 and 16 standing. The second half will continue until April 17; weekly matches rolled at the Ambridge Club alleys.

Last Friday, the 13th, proved highly successful to some of the rollers. Although Rudy Kubel has the record of 588 for three games for the season, Matyko came close with a total of 584. Bill Towcimak bowled a high score of 518 for three games; George Maletich rolled a three game total of 549; Dan Obed finished three games with a mark of 505. There were some great single game scores rolled: Matyko's 233 established a new high for the present half. Other single game results were Towcimak's 236, Obed's 205, Kosela's 199 and Maletich's 198.

And now a bit of attention to the next Revelier meeting. Friday evening, March 20, the members are invited to attend the monthly session. The business of the meeting will be short. A report of the last dance will be submitted. The committee to study plans for the organization of an Ambridge inter-club association of young groups will present their work thus far. Discussions of ways and means to draw meeting response and attendance will be had. Initiation of two new adults will take place. After the meeting, the entertainment board will present their program.

Here and There With Comrades

Cleveland.—At this time I once more appeal to all fraternal organizations to join with us Comrades on our 10th Anniversary celebration. It is with an eager and inspiring spirit that our members are looking forward to this great two-day event which will be celebrated April 18 and 19. The Comrade members are doing their utmost in trying to fulfill their duties at this time and I extend my greetings to them and hope that in future years they continue with this spirit of fraternalism and sponsor many more successful affairs.

We head this celebration with a Dinner at Eight, on Saturday, April 18. While the pretty Comrade girls are busy serving you this delicious dinner we will have some speakers address you, followed by a duet, sung by Rose Sumrada and Frank Elersich, John Alich will act as toastmaster. A dance will follow and everyone can enjoy their fox-trots and polkas in real Slovene style until the wee hours of the morning. We then bid you adieu until the following afternoon when the Comrade Lodge present their wonderful program.

The second day we begin with a variety program consisting of songs, speakers, comic skit, musicians, and play entitled "He" presented by the Little Theater players. The following speakers will address you: Fred A. Vider, supreme secretary of the SNPJ; Dr. F. J. Kern, Vatro Grill, Matt Petrovich, and charter members of lodge Comrades. A table will also be presented by Comrade members—March of Time. Ed Lisch, active member in the Comrade Lodge, also active in the SNPJ will act as program director. In the evening you will be able to dance to the melodious tunes of Mickey Katz and his Little Theater orchestra, well known here in the city.

Every member is urged to attend the meeting. In addition, each member is asked to participate in the discussions to take place. In particular those members that are in the club rooms of the local "Down" night of the meeting are requested to give their assistance and attendance to the meeting.

All that sort of thing. Christie Holman is recuperating at home from illness. . . Rudy Peltz will seem to be hearty as ever, after resting at home from an appendix operation. . . Pete Svegel rolled the high three game mark in the largest duck-pin league in Ambridge. . . Some of the Revs who use a girlie around the basketball courts during school days, took a 71-37 lacing recently. . . The local Kay Jays did the victory-ing. . . The Revs should consider a Cleveland trip on April 18-19, when the Comrades are celebrating in the better style. . . Or, if long distance are a hindrance, the Universal Comets' Spring Dance should attract. . . The Western Penna. E. S. Federation has a big program this year. All Pennsylvanias should assist in promoting each affair. . . Cecilia Larrick has given birth to a baby. . . There are five Rosenbergers in town who play basketball for a local team. All played, yet no brothers. There are a number of Koselas, all brothers. Most of the latter do not play basketball. And a recent cage-carrier ended with the Rosenbergers winning a 37-24 score. . . Dave Stunby and Matt Matakovich are nasoolvich and Matt Matakovich are An-2 Revs who will play for the Ambridge team in the National Series basketball meet in Cleveland. . . So long, Until again. . .

Louis Kosela, Lodge 699.

Comrade Column

COMRADES HISTORY

(Continued)

Cleveland.—We now come to the fourth year in the history of Lodge Comrades, and find that the following held office: Joseph Fifolt, President, John Alich, Vice-president; Celia Stritof, Secretary; Mary Zakrajsek, Treasurer; Auditing Committee, A. R. Kushlan, J. Krizman, A. Azman.

Our lodge has been successful in the past; and this has been due primarily, to the splendid co-operation given us by the members themselves, and our sister lodges.

It has been our policy to stage at least two dances each season, and at intervals, various forms of entertainment for the benefit of members and friends.

The Comrades Lodge is proud of having been instrumental in the organization of several sister lodges—namely, Loyalties, Strugglers, Beacons, Crusaders and Progressives.

OUR PREPARATIONS

The Comrades are busily engaged in the preparation for our Tenth Year Anniversary Celebration. We have committees working splendidly on the various duties required in such an undertaking. Frank Truden is chairman of the general committee, ably assisted by Pauline Spik, chairman of our entertainment committee. John Alich is arranging the program; and Mary Zakrajsek is managing the kitchen—and she knows how! Grange Laurich, our athletic manager, is boss of the bar. John Vehar, our president, is the housing director. Otto Tekautz, is business manager, and your writer is editor of the Souvenir Booklet.

Send any contributions or suggestions, for our book, to the Slovene National Home, 6409 St. Clair ave.

OUR OFFICE

The Comrades have rented an office at the Slovene National Home, Room 5.

Mary Krizmanic has arranged to have a member take care of any exigency, between the hours of 6:00 and 8:00, every evening. Another milestone for us — our own business office!

Gain Victory

Comrades won a victory over the Loyalties, in a return bowling match March 8.

Adolph Tekautz bowled a 245 game. That's certainly going some! The following were also on the team and did their share, in bringing about this victory, admirably: Frank and Stanley Laurich and Frank Truden.

Open Forum

Though the second Open Forum, sponsored by the Federation Saturday, March 7, received a lesser attendance than the preceding one, it was a success. Brother Barbic and Otto Tekautz lead the discussion on the "SNPJ Declaration of Principles" and the Milwaukee resolution. The response from the floor was varied, yet in agreement with the policies of the SNPJ.

Brother Barbic began with the history of our Society. He outlined the growth from a small group of nine independent societies to the largest Slovene Benefit Society in America. The Glas Svobode, Barbic went on to say, edited by Medica and Konda, proposed a free thought fraternal society. At that time there were only stringent catholic Slovene societies, which were not receptive to

the ideas of many Slovene immigrants. The small pioneering groups, of which Lodge Naprej was one, met with many difficulties. The Glas Narod, at that time, wrote of this movement as a "still-born child." However, once getting a hold, the SNPJ began to out-number the older societies, proving that the policies of the SNPJ were, and are, right.

Brother Otto Tekautz also described the birth and growth of our fraternal movement. He pointed out that the first Slovene fraternal group was organized in Calumet, Michigan, in 1882. Other organizations sprung up with European and militaristic rituals, carried over from the ideas of the Austrian empire.

The SNPJ was founded April 9, 1904, on a new basis. The authorities of the church attacked it. It was incumbent of the society to defend itself.

Brother Tekautz went on to say that the Prosveta is dedicated to promote the cause of social and industrial democracy. He appealed to contributors to avoid personal abuses in articles to the organ, rather, we should fight the serious problems before us.

The discussion following elaborated the SNPJ Principles.

Brothers Somrak, Abram, Poljsak, Petrovich, Franceskin and your writer made comments.

Brother Terbizan, acting as chairman, asked the assemblage if they desired anymore forums. It was proposed that we have an open forum Friday, April 17, the night before Comrades Big Tenth Year Anniversary Celebration. "Politics in the SNPJ" was considered a good subject. Capable speakers would be selected to present all points of view.

A social followed the forum, with Bro. Frank Barbic Jr. furnishing the music.

Visitors

Present at the Workers' Song Fest, held Sunday, March 8, were Brothers Max and Mike Kumer, and Henry Prevec, from Universal, Pa. They promised to attend our Tenth Year Anniversary Celebration Sunday, April 18. Max informed us that Bro. Louis Kosela worked hard to alter the meeting of their Federation, to avoid conflict with our program. (Thanks, Lou, and we hope to see you with us on that important day.)

Brother Anton Zornik from Herminie, also attended with the Universal group. Our visitors were impressed by our large and beautiful National Home. They appreciated the fact that such a huge cooperative establishment existed among the Slovenes. And didn't we point with pride to this—and that—and that!

Louis Jartz, Lodge Comrades 506.

Zipper

Akron, O.—We are announcing our eighth anniversary dance to take place May 2. Tickets will be sold in advance and many surprises will be in store for you. Details will be found in your next weekly newspaper.

The attendance of our March meeting must be complimented. We certainly had a large number of members present and the meeting was held with great interest. Let's make every meeting like this one.

Friendly City News

Johnstown, Pa.—As secretary of Friendly City Lodge I wish to inform all members that I will collect assessment dues March 25 at the Cosmograph hall from 7:30 until 8:30. I am wanting to thank the many members for the interest and promptness shown in paying their assessments. Despite the fact that we have had such a hard winter, you members sure are holding out as far as sickness is concerned. Keep it up.

Don't forget your next monthly meeting held April 9. A motion was made that there be a door prize awarded at our next meeting. It was finally decided that the person holding the lucky number will have his or her assessments paid for one month. As a clever suggestion I'm hoping that all you members will take advantage of it. On the other hand, there are some important matters to be discussed at this meeting, so please make arrangements to get there around 7:30 o'clock.

Hoping to see you all April 9.

Reenie (Bombatch) Jacoby,

Sec'y., Lodge 084.

Golden Eagles

Girard, Ohio.—As the music goes "round and 'round so do we members of the Golden Eagles Lodge 643, SNPJ, because we are sponsoring our 8th anniversary dance on April 25 at the Ukrainian hall in Youngstown, Ohio. The hall is sure big and plenty of places to dance. (Notice to polka dancers: Young and old, here's your room enough for those fancy polkas.) We are going to serve lots of refreshments.

Friends from Barberton, please take notice. We had a lovely time at your last dance, now come to our dance and see the good time you all will have. Also our notice to the out-of-towners—Niles, Warren, Farrell, Struthers, Bessemer, also our home-towners of Girard. Come one, come all, young and old, and enjoy yourselves and dance to the snappy music which will be furnished by the popular radio orchestra, Jolly Five of Barberton, Ohio.

The admission is 30 cents if you buy the tickets from some of our good-looking ticket sellers; and 35 cents at the door.

Edward Prevec, Lodge 643.

Our bunco party turned out successfully with a few Buckeyes present and Louis Valant and Johnny Palovich winning the lucky prizes. Louis and his accordion furnished the music. We served a little punch here, a little punch there. We danced a few polkas and ended up by escorting the Buckeyes home.

A few of us are planning to attend the Golden Eagles' dance April 25. Name and Ann.

Gowanda Boosters

Gowanda, N. Y. — A nice crowd of over 50 members turned out for Boosters meeting on March 10. We discussed a number of important subjects at length, and the tickets selling report was given by members and committee. The Baseball club now has over \$100 to spend for the season. The Comrades letter was read, also cards of thanks from members that were sick for flowers which we sent them. Also the Juvenile Campaign was discussed. After the meeting we had some sandwiches and cakes. A Universal gas range was given away to our new member, Edward Corbett. (I wonder where is my luck all these years?) It certainly was a fine attendance and great meeting.

Lately I have been passing out many bouquets to Booster members through my articles. Today I will call their attention to the Society as a whole not only to local lodges. Members are little neglecting the Society's business and working only for the lodge. From now on we must know, at least should know, that for every Booster member, what is going on in the Society as a whole. First: The Supreme board would like to rebuild our headquarters, claiming that the present building is too small, or sell the place and build a new building. The Cleveland Federation of the SNPJ opposing the expenditure of any money for the building of any addition to the present headquarters at the proposed cost of some \$50,000. At our next meeting we will have to discuss that, members.

Second: Our Daily Prosveta will be twenty years old on July 1 and on the same day a Jubilee Campaign will be launched for the Daily Prosveta. Few years ago our printing department discontinued Saturday issues because of lack of funds. Now, when more of our members work, they are asking for Saturday issues. Because older members like to read the paper on Sunday which is printed in their own language. Our publicity manager would rather see

that the members as a whole receive the Prosveta, when necessary and financial conditions permit, twice a week. Let me say that before anything like that is put in effect, that our Administrative committee study a little and see what affect would that have on this new Jubilee Campaign for Prosveta. Personally, I believe if we would receive our paper twice a week we will not be able to get many new subscribers to our daily paper which we must uphold for our older members. I suggest that when necessary that members receive their paper once per week with some additional pages, if we are to have any success with the campaign for the daily paper.

Third: From time to time we read articles from our sister lodges that we need more knowledge about our by-laws. Some lodges having 20 minutes classes after their meetings and members are studying by-laws. That is one thing we need in our Boostersland also. We all like sports, dances, parties, etc., after our meetings, but when it comes to anything about the laws in the lodge and the Society, then the Sec'y alone must do the explaining. I don't blame our new members, but members who're in the lodge for years should know at least to explain to new members all about our by-laws. Every one knows how to read better than I do, and no one knows them from memory. That is why I would like to have our members to take their time when necessary and explain what it should be explained, not to burden the Secretary with everything. These things will be discussed at our next meeting and I hope that members present take them into consideration before we go to skating party after the meeting on lodge expense.

During the month of March 10 Boosters members will celebrate their birthday. Sam Panepinto, Angelina Staklaza, Stanley Bonk, Carl Nagel, Floyd Barnes, Albert Baker, Gerald Mlaker, Josephine Andolsek, Leona Mayers and Vera Kozak. Many happy returns!
John Matekovich, Lodge 728.

I wish to remind our members of the Juvenile Membership Campaign. Haven't you any little brothers or sisters or little friends you could enroll? Bring your senior member candidates to the meeting Friday. Let's increase our membership quota like all the other lodges are doing.
Marian E. Koschan, 742.

JOLLY ALLIES

West Allis, Wis.—What a meeting! Those who missed it certainly have something to regret. Comment the next day was that we should always have one like it. We finished all the business in fine shape and after the meeting, did we celebrate! Congratulations on your birthday, Tony.

Here's a reminder to Federation delegates. Don't forget the meeting Sunday, March 22, at the Turn hall. It is also very important that all members settle up with Federation tickets, so that each lodge in turn can settle up with the Federation by the above date.

The date to save for us is May 9 when we will celebrate our May Day Dance at Labor hall.

The Old Man of the Mountain.

L-I-N-K-S

Springfield, Ill.—Recently one of our members who had in the past been known as an ardent and effective worker in our lodge, but who of late appeared to have lost all interest regarding activities, upon being asked for the seeming indifference replied: "Many of the duties that I performed for my lodge were actuated by necessity. I was glad to help, and while I deplored the lack of interest on the part of other members, that was not the real reason why I became discouraged. It was the lack of fraternal spirit, the mean jealousies displayed by some of the senior members who had taken the same obligation as myself, but whose selfishness shows that they are in the Society only for what they can get out of it.

They want everything, but are unwilling to do their share for the general good of the Society. They find fault with everything that the unselfish members do, usually under cover, and destroy the good fellowship and friendship that should and would exist among the members were it not for them and those like them. I could not endure it, so decided to stay away."

Just what happened in this case was not disclosed, but it sounds so much like that which so frequently happens that one is led to speculate upon how great are the losses sustained by different lodges because of such tactics displayed, especially by those who are expected to set good examples for others to emulate.

Unfortunately, it is never the disturber who becomes discouraged. It always is the one whose efforts the lodge can least afford to lose.

Due to a proposed increase in hall rent the next regular meeting of the Lincolnites Friday, March 20, will be held on the second floor of Redmen's hall. Let's all be there to discuss plans concerning membership drives and our coming summer activities.
Frank Zebert, Lodge 567.

FLOOD CITY

Johnstown, Pa.—After an absence of some weeks, Flood City is again in print. During that time we have been rather busy with a social and preparing for our Sixth Anniversary which will take place on April 25.

The social was held in the Moxham Slovane hall. It was an enjoyable and successful affair and all had a good time. Frank Seibert came all the way from South Fork and brought his accordion with him. Rudy Kobal and Dominick Glavach also played and between them they kept the dance rhythms going. All refreshments were donated by members of the Lodge. In behalf of the Flood City lodges I wish to thank the musicians, those who donated refreshments and all others who helped to make this affair a grand success.

Bro. Otto Kaushek is on the sick list, the result of an operation. Sis. Mary Pavlovich was visited by the stork last month. Our last meeting was well attended. Keep it up! The next meeting of the Federation of SNPJ lodges of the Conemaugh Valley will be held in St. Michael on March 29. Ernest Vidmar transferred to our Lodge last month. Thanks for the invitation, Keystoneans, we'll be seeing you!
John Lauerzholz, Jr., Lodge 712.

Lucky Stars

Imperial, Pa.—The winter is over, so I guess it's time for all of us to get together again by attending each other's social affairs. The Lucky Stars are having a dance on Saturday, April 18. One of the best Orchestras in Western Pennsylvania has been obtained for this dance. So please be sure and come.

Notice to Lucky Stars members—the meeting dates have been changed to every second Friday of the month at 7:30.—The Lucky Stars are coming out with a first class mull-bull team this season—so look out, Ambridge!
L. L. Zupancic, Lodge 716.

Initiative of Lodge 584

Lodge 584 does hereby move to amend section 6 of article 32 of the by-laws in force since July 1, 1933, which section reads:

"In case of death of any passive member, the Society shall pay funeral expenses from the mortuary fund and according to the following scale:

Period of membership years	Death Benefit Insurance
from 2 to 5...	\$250 \$500 \$1000 \$1500 \$2000
from 5 to 10...	500 1000 1500 2000 2500
from 10 to 15...	1000 1500 2000 2500 3000
from 15 to 20...	1500 2000 2500 3000 3500
from 20 and over...	2000 2500 3000 3500 4000

NOTE: For passive members insured in special classes of death benefit, the Society shall pay funeral expenses proportionately according to the classes in the above scale.

Newly amended section 6 of the article 32 by the referendum should read as follows:

"In case of death of a member while on the passive list an amount not exceeding two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00), less the amount in arrears with assessment into the mortuary fund, shall be paid towards funeral expenses of such member; and in case the member is insured for less than two hundred fifty dollars death benefit, then a sum not exceeding the amount of insurance, less the amount in arrears with his assessment into the mortuary fund shall be paid."

Lodge 584 believes enactment of this initiative motion through referendum vote will in no way be detrimental to the finances of the S. N. P. J. The fact that arrears in assessments are payable into the mortuary fund from any benefits the deceased passive member is entitled to is enough justification to increase such benefits to the maximum called for in this initiative motion.

This will be of invaluable help to needy unfortunate members of our organization. Members, through no fault of their own, who are forced to resort to the privilege of passivity, with long years of good standing behind them, are certainly entitled to some benefits.

We feel that the present benefits granted are unjust, especially to our older members. To ask members who are in dire financial straits to transfer to class B or C isn't going to solve the problems.

The SNPJ in the future may find itself without need of a passivity clause, but for the sake of our needy members and unfortunate dependents of deceased passive members, we feel that this initiative motion should be adopted.

(Lodge Seal)
John Obluck, President;
Leo Schweiger, Secretary;
Edw. Jereb, Treasurer.
Badger Lodge 584, SNPJ, Milwaukee, Wis.

Comments of the Administrative Committee

The administrative committee is of the opinion that a change in the above captioned section of the by-laws is unnecessary, and would be of no good interest to the membership in general or to the organization, for the following reasons:

1. The Society has a special benefit fund for the purpose of assisting those in dire need, as well as for making loans for assessment.
2. Plans "B" and "C" of insurance, which were adopted by the last convention, grant members a necessary reserve from which they may borrow for their assessment and into which classes any member, who is insured in class "A," may transfer.
3. The adoption of a new section, as recommended by the above Lodge, would mean that passive members, in case of death, would be entitled to \$50 more in funeral expenses than regular active members, which is in contradiction with the principle of equal rights and the by-laws of a fraternal benefit society.
4. As no complaint of any serious nature was ever made against the above mentioned section of the by-laws, we can easily postpone this amendment until the next convention which is not very far from us now, and the money which would be expended for this balloting can be utilized for better purposes.

In view of the above mentioned facts, it is not necessary for any member in our Society to become passive, because any one may borrow for assessment from the special benefit fund, or may transfer into a new class of insurance. If the loan on the certificate does not provide an amount sufficient to cover the entire amount of assessment, one may borrow from the special benefit fund to make up the difference. Furthermore, the number of passive members is so small, that a change of this kind would not justify this action, and we certainly could not encourage our members to become passive in greater numbers, for passivity proved more harmful than beneficial to our organization. Therefore, in view of the above reasons and explanations, the Administrative committee cannot recommend that members avail themselves of the opportunity afforded them, and transfer into Class "B" or "C" of insurance instead, upon which certificates they may borrow for their assessment.

Instructions from Supreme Secretary to Members for Voting on the Initiative

In accordance with Sec. 3 of Art. 2 of the by-laws, the initiative motion must receive, within 90 days from the date it is published, the support of as many lodges as will represent; in an aggregate number, not less than 20% of the total membership of the Society. If the motion does not receive the required support within the period specified, it shall not be submitted to referendum.

In order that the support given the initiative shall be valid, it is necessary that a two-thirds majority of the members present at the lodge meeting shall vote in its favor; i. e., if there are 21 members present at the meeting, 14 must vote for the initiative to make it valid. The membership as well as the local lodge officers are requested to take this into consideration.

Discussion on the motion shall begin Jan. 15 and end April 13, 1936.

The lodges which shall support the motion shall officially notify the Supreme Office on regular lodge letter-heads; such notification to be sanctioned and signed by the president, the secretary, and the treasurer, with the lodge seal affixed to same. The report must also designate the attendance at the meeting, and must state the number of members voted for the motion; this should also be officially recorded in the lodge minutes.

F. A. Vider, Supreme Sec'y.

CLUB "SLAVEC"

Detroit, Mich.—Club "Slavec" is a singing and dramatic group whose chief aim, as I understand it, is to promote teachings of songs and drama among the Slovaks. At the present it is composed mostly of the older folks. They have made many attempts to induce the young people to join, but so far they have been unsuccessful, due to the fact that we young people "just do not have the time." In spite of that the club has progressed well and on March 21 will celebrate its 5th anniversary with a variety program and dance which will follow. The program, varied and interesting, will start at 8 p. m. sharp and at about 9:30 dancing will start in the upper and lower hall of the SWH on 487 S. Livernois where the entire affair will be held. Admission to the program and dance, 40c; to dance alone, 25c. See you one and all on March 21.

Albin Obad.

VERONIANS

Verona, Pa.—The sale of tickets for the Veronian Athletic Club dance, to be held March 28 at the Slovane Home on Arch st., is going along very smoothly. At the rate we are traveling, they should be sold by Friday, the 20th, as predicted. Mary Aleskha has already sold her seventh book and the rest are following. Therefore the drawing should be a successful one. The music will be furnished by the radio starring Scranpino's All-Girls orchestra. With this feature an enjoyable time should be had by all. The mullball team marches on!

Albert Jakovac, Lodge 680.

Bulletin

MUSKETEERS' SPRING DANCE
MOON RUN, PA.—You no doubt know that April 25 was selected for the Musketeers' Spring Dance, first affair of the year, and a gigantic crowd is expected to attend this gala event. The well-known orchestra, Joe Bartek and his band, has been engaged, which can be heard over KQV on Sunday afternoons.—The JSP will hold its conference at the Slovane hall in Presto Sunday, March 29. Young folks are invited to attend also.
ELIZABETH M. AMBROZICH, Lodge 706.

AFTER-MEETING PARTY

DETROIT, MICH.—The Wolverine Lodge 677, SNPJ, is sponsoring another party of the sort held after the February meeting, this one to be held on April 4 after the regular meeting. The meeting will begin at 8 and the party at about 9:30 p. m. The tax on the gentlemen will be \$1; ladies will be again admitted free. (Bring as many as you wish.) The charge of \$1 includes free dancing to good music, all the beer you want and all the food you can eat. There is no reason why we should not have a 100% Wolverine attendance and also a majority of the Young Americans. The place is the SWH at 437 S. Livernois.
ALBIN OBED, Sec'y., Lodge 677.

KEYSTONIANS' BIG DANCE

HERMINE, PA.—The Keystonean Merry-makers are again holding a big dance on March 25. The popular Martin Serron and his Slovane orchestra will furnish the music. They are heard every Monday and Wednesday at 4:15 over WHJB, Greensburg. All neighboring and distant lodges are invited to attend this affair. Come once and you'll always come. Will be seeing you March 25.
A MERRYMAKER, Lodge 613.

Secure New Subscribers for the "PROSVETA"

Where Others Left Off

Chicago.—At the Nov. 2 ESL conference, some of the delegates spoke of the severe competition they are subjected to by the old line insurance organizations. It was briefly stated by one of the delegates, that young people are keenly interested in the advantages so conspicuously enumerated by the representatives of—old line insurances. Young people are more apt to listen to the jingle of the dollar than to the grand deeds of fraternalism. Of course, that is not true of all young people. But the old line insurances have well trained representatives who know when and where not to say things as well as when to say them. Their training gives them every advantage over our average untrained officers. Hence, they are able to sell insurance even to people who give it little consideration and who don't even want it.

In the years gone by insurance was a good racket. That is no secret. Everyone knows how the Americans used to fleece the foreigners by selling them unknown policies and by collecting premiums without properly entering them. Some of the boys from school got into the insurance game and they used to brag about how they "gipped" so and so, because she was an elderly woman and didn't understand what it was all about. Any number of Jugoslavs were good "suckers." At any rate, a smooth tongued salesman could "swing" a deal by making all sorts of exorbitant promises and our people would "bite" and "fall" for that stuff.

As a general rule, that is not happening today. Our people have become Americanized and demand to know what's what and watch the premium markers with eagle eyes and see that the entries are made properly.

However, some of our people are still paying the penalty of believing everything that was told them by insurance agents years ago. One such case is that of the Rain family. They are all nice people; sometimes over-anxious to obtain things the "easy way." The family is Slovane but for the sake of our story we'll call them the Rains.

Convinced by the smooth talk of the promising agent a policy was taken out on one of the children with the Royal Life Ins. Co. of Chicago on June 15, 1914, when the child was only one and a half years old. It was an endowment policy worth \$100 in cash when matured, for which the premium was 11c per week or 44c per month. Maturity age, 21 years.

Came the time of maturity, June 15, 1935. Naturally, there was rejoicing because they were going to cash in the \$100 on this policy.

(Continued next Wed.)
Donald J. Lotrich, Lodge 559.

Excelsiors' Extra

Alliquippa, Pa.—The Juvenile Membership Campaign is on its way, with every SNPJ member, no doubt, aware of it and its importance. Commencing April 1, 1936, this drive for new juvenile members will continue for a period of nine months, ending December 31, 1936. Soliciting juvenile members should not be such a hard task, as there are many prospects available. A number of awards holding good during the nine-month campaign period are being offered. These awards alone should be highly influential. With these preparations of the Supreme board, "success" should be the keyword of this campaign. Go to it, SNPJ members. Onward to a larger Juvenile Department. Remember, the juveniles are our greatest asset.

June will soon be here, and so will it's fourteenth day, June 14th is "celebration day" for the Western Pennsylvania SNPJ E. S. Federation and its associate lodges. Taking another step to success, an outing at Youngstown's Idora park has been planned for that day. It is hoped this affair is topmost in the minds of all SNPJ members and their friends. Details will, doubtless to say, be announced at a later date by the committee.

How To Get New Members and Old

"A little bit of quality
Will always make them smile,
A little bit of courtesy
Will bring 'em in a mile,
A little bit of friendliness
Will tickle 'em 'tis plain,
And a little bit of service
Will bring 'em back again."

Jeanne Smrekar, Lodge 721.

Especially were they happy since none of the family were employed and the child now grown up and married, with a baby girl of his own, also hunting for a job. As is customary, they planned where the money would be spent and what it was to be spent for. That is nothing new. Everybody figures ahead, at times, where and for what the money which they still have coming is to be used. And it generally happens that in the toughest spots, when you need the money most, something happens and you don't get it. I repeat, that isn't always the case, but it does happen frequently to some people and to others occasionally.

Anyway, our good people inquired for the \$100 and, to their surprise, they didn't even receive a response at first. "That's funny," they said, "before, when it was time to collect the premiums, we never had any difficulty in contacting them, but now, when it is time to pay us the \$100, these sons-of-a-bitch just keep quiet as a mouse." So, naturally, they solicited the assistance of a friend who thought he could reach the perpetrators of this would-be crime.

And, sure enough, the first letter brought a response that the policy would not mature until June 15, 1936. A second letter told that the policy was reinsured into this Company (American Life and Accident Insurance Co.) on May 20, 1932, subject to \$83 indebtedness, 100% Reserve Lien, plus \$15.85 interest at the rate of 8% compounded annually, making a total indebtedness of \$98.85, leaving a difference due the insured on maturity of \$1.15.

"How come?" inquired Mr. Rain. "Haven't we paid the premium regularly for 21 years? I demand my money!—There must be some misunderstanding somewhere. Surely, you don't mean to say that after paying \$120.12 I am offered only \$1.15? But I have a contract!"

Well, that's what they said and that's what they meant, so what can a poor fellow do about it? Exactly nothing! Why? Because further correspondence brought out the following sordid facts: I quote The American Life and Accident Insurance Co.: "It is surprising to us that neither you nor the insured knew about the failure of the Peoples Life Insurance Co. of Chicago, to which the policy belonged, and was reinsured into the Mississippi Valley Life subject to a lien calculated to December 31, 1935, equal to 92% of the Reserve value—the Mississippi Valley Life having received a settlement from the Receivers equal to 8% of the Reserve."

(Continued next Wed.)
Donald J. Lotrich, Lodge 559.

Buckeyes' Bits

By Stephanie and Mary
Barberton, O.—At our last meeting an entertainment committee (Bertha Mesek, Frank Platner, Joe Mesek, M. Janesh and yours truly) was appointed who promise to do their utmost in the way of diversified entertainment. The chairman is calling a meeting of this committee to be held at the Janesh residence, Thursday evening, March 19.

The Buckeyes, a whole busload, will attend the Golden Eagles dance in Youngstown April 25. — "Little Snits" Zoldarsic will soon be in our midst again.

This department attended the Akron Zippers' luncheon party held recently. By the way, where were all the other Buckeyes who promised to attend this affair?

The Zippers will be celebrating their 8th anniversary with a dance May 2. All you Buckeyes keep the date open and let's help the Zippers make a success of their dance.

Integrity Broadcast

Chicago, Ill.—The \$15 Integrity cash prize drawing will be held at our regular monthly meeting Wednesday, March 18. All the books should be turned in at the meeting. Bro. Ray McCarthy is still in the hospital. His condition is improving.—Sister Mary Roycht cut her foot on broken glass when she was out with the bunch on a target shooting.—We wonder what became of Bro. William Dapner. (Leap year?)

Last call for the Integrity girls interested in sports. Give me your name and what sports you care to participate in.

The Chicago District Federation will pay \$1 for every new adult member secured this year, and the Integrity Secretary will pay 50c for every new adult member secured during April, May and June. And do not forget the Juveniles. You'll also receive handsome awards.

Congratulations to the Comrades and the Mohawks Lodges on their 10th anniversaries.

As long as the old members don't show some interest in the Integrity lodge you can't expect to get any new ones. These words are taken from Bro. John Klansnek of the Mohawks and they have a real meaning, too.

We Must Win
The Integrity Lodge should grow stronger and more rapidly now than

Commodores' Log

Cleveland.—All Commodores on deck! You are hereby notified to report for duty on Friday eve, March 20, at 7:30 prompt at St. Barbara's hall, West 15th and Denison. That's official enough—but don't be frightened, some of you timid Commodores. We have to devise some wags and means to get you to come to the meeting. We've tried all our wiles—we're getting unorthodox and asserting ourselves. Did you know that is your fraternal duty to attend meetings? Well, it is!

A Treat in Store

The Entertainment Committee has planned an interesting evening for us all. An exhibition game featuring the Commodore Girls' Basketball team vs.—? will be the major attraction. Add refreshments and that sparkling Commodore wine. What more could anyone ask for? The girls' team and the entertainment committee are working hard so that you may spend a pleasurable evening. Let's all be good sports and show them we appreciate their efforts in our behalf. May we count on you, Commodores all?

Neighboring Lodges

Comrades, Stragglers, Seacons, Loyalties, New Eras, Progressives—we hope you received the invitations sent you. We assure you that you shall be made most welcome, so come and see our team in action. And our Non-Member Friends. The

years ago. As the purposes and possibilities of fraternal co-operation in the way of protection are better understood, the people will increase their patronage. Studying the subject over and over, the people have learned further that there is much virtue in the lodge system and the fraternal provision to furnish whole life insurance protection "at cost," and these have won admiration and support. If the members of the Integrity Lodge would only look from this angle and put aside some of their selfish pride, we could "Win."

The Integrity Lodge was awarded \$25 by the SNPJ in the last year's membership campaign. So we offer our thanks to the following members for this success: Sister Agnes Mejasch, 7 adults and 7 juveniles; Bro. Martin Abram, 1 adult, 2 juveniles; Sis. Marie Fleischacker, 3 juveniles; Sister Pauline Lenessa, 1 adult, 1 juvenile; Bro. Oscar Medved, 2 juveniles; Sister Celia Skerbinek, 2 juveniles; Sister Josephine Buffetti, 1 adult; Sister Mary Roycht, 1 adult; Sister Emma Zagar, 1 adult; Sister Frances Susnik, 1 adult. (Total of 30 new members.)

I believe this is a good record for a lodge with only 100 members (at the time of the campaign.) There are not many lodges that can equal this record in their lodge. Our task is not finished. What do you say, Integrity members?

Michael Fleischacker, Sec'y., Lodge 631.

To the Comrades

Congratulations on your 10th anniversary. We're all enthused over your celebration plans. It's to be the biggest SNPJ affair in Cleveland for 1936. (How about it, "Editors of the Big Broadcast of 1935" from the Pioneers' 10th anniversary? Let's favor the Comrades with a special Edition, too.)

The good ship Commodores is sailing into port again on the 18th and 19th of April and docking at the Comrade harbor.

Have You Ever Been Lonesome? Don't be—just join the SNPJ. Ask any SNPJ member. They don't have time to be lonesome, they're too busy in their social whirl. Just look at their Social Calendar and "Places to go" for the month of April. 1. April 18 and 19—Comrades' 10th anniversary celebration, Slovane Home, St. Clair ave.; 2. April 25—New Eras' Spring Dance, JDN hall, W. 130th and McGowan; 3. April 26—Stragglers' 9th anniversary celebration, Slovane Home, Waterloo rd.; 4. April 25—Brooklyn Senior Lodge Annual Dance, Sachsenheim hall. (The Brooklyn Lodge is the oldest SNPJ Lodge on the west side.)

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

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

FIRST SESSION

Supreme President, Bro. Cainkar, called the meeting to order at 8 o'clock in the morning. In a brief welcome address he outlined the purpose of the meeting, expressing his desire that all Supreme Board members present will try to labor in the interest of the Society to the best of their ability.

Supreme Secretary, Bro. Vidler, then called the roll of the members of the Supreme Board. All members, with the exception of Brothers Podboy, Lokar and Zaitz, who had not yet arrived, were present.

It was unanimously decided that the time for sessions shall be from 8 a. m. to 12 m.; and from 1 p. m. to 5 p. m. There shall be a ten minute recess during each session.

Bro. Cainkar submitted the following for approval:

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- 1. Call to order.
2. Roll call (reading the names of Supreme Board members).
3. Fixing the time of sessions.
4. Reports of the members of the Supreme Board.
5. Discussion on reports and recommendations of the Supreme Board members.
6. General matters of the supreme office.
7. Miscellaneous.
8. Adjournment.

The proposed Order of Business was adopted. Bro. Molek inquired if a Board's decision was necessary regarding the publication of the minutes.

Bro. Cainkar ruled that the minutes of this meeting will be published in the official organ as approved by a decision of the Supreme Board, adopted on August 5, 1935.—There was no objection.

REPORTS OF THE SUPREME BOARD MEMBERS

Bro. Cainkar temporarily yielded the chair to first Vice-President, Bro. Somrak, who called on Bro. Cainkar to submit his report.

Report of the Supreme President

The Supreme President's report to the Supreme Board at this meeting should contain a detailed account of all important phases and occurrences in the business of our organization for the past year, including an account of the various activities and the results achieved, and, also, a statement of general condition of the Society at the close of the year. In view of the fact, however, that you are receiving the minutes of all meetings of the administrative committee which, in themselves, comprise a fairly complete account of what is happening; and in view of the fact, also, that other members of the board will, in their reports, present more in detail all important figures and facts about the Society's standing, I do not believe that there is any need for a detailed report from me. I will, therefore, confine my report to affairs and conditions of the Society in general.

As usual, I wish to report first about the condition of the Society, because in that we are all most keenly interested. I am pleased to state that the affairs of our organization are in a satisfactory condition. The past year has shown fairly good gains on members as well as in assets; especially in assets. The extent of the gain in the several departments and funds will be shown in the reports of the secretaries and the treasurer as well as other officers, whose reports and financial statements are to follow.

Our Juvenile department has been of great value and help to the growth of the Adult department. Each year an increasing number of juveniles reach the stage when they can be transferred to the adult department, so that we have in consequence, a dependable source of new members to replace those who have died or lapsed. It, therefore, behooves us to cultivate our Juvenile department with greatest care, and to improve and perfect it as much as possible. We ought to intensify our efforts to get children to join our organization, and should be more attentive about those maturing for the transfer from juvenile to the adult department. In the past, too many young people have been lost to our Society, because some lodges have been negligent in this respect.

As a result of our membership campaign last year many new members were admitted to our ranks. Unfortunately, there are some who object to such campaigns and resent the fact that concessions and privileges were given to the new members, which they themselves did not receive, when they enrolled. There are also some who contend that membership drives bring in many simulant and undesirable persons. There may be justifiable differences of opinion on the subject, but nevertheless, conditions nowadays are such that it is hardly possible to show a gain in membership without a special drive for the purpose. All other organizations have similar campaigns, some of them more or less continuously. Insurance companies also employ such methods; while they do not admit of conducting campaigns, they do offer all kinds of inducements for the prospects in order that they may sell more policies. Under existing conditions it is impossible for us to compete successfully, or to any appreciable extent except by special efforts, such as membership campaigns. People, nowadays, do not join organizations so much for purely idealistic reasons; but are concerned with getting as much for their money as possible.

Neither do our members work during the campaign solely for idealistic reasons as was the case in former times, but their principal inducement in solicitation of new members seems to be the prizes offered. Consequently, it is to our advantage to see to it that in every campaign attractive prizes are allotted for those who are most active.

It has also been our experience that the summer months are practically unproductive of campaign results. During hot summer months there is not much interest shown for anything, regardless of whether there is a campaign in progress or not. Interest revives somewhat in the autumn and usually reaches its peak towards the close of the year. It is my opinion, that greater results would be obtained if the campaigns lasted until February or during the entire winter.

Athletic activities, social gatherings and other well conducted celebrations of our lodges are an important means of creating interest in our membership drives and contribute much to their success. This is especially true of sport races, as for example, the races between our English speaking lodges in Cleveland, held last Labor Day. Therefore, seems advisable for the Supreme Board and for the Administrative Committee to give more assistance and greater promotion to activities of

this kind. At that event in Cleveland last year the idea was conceived of holding such races annually, and that Labor Day should also be observed as SNPJ DAY. I approve of the idea and suggest that the Supreme Board adopt it and officially proclaim Labor Day as our holiday also, that is, SNPJ DAY, and that it be celebrated as widely and as imposingly as possible. The campaign for new members and perhaps also a drive for new subscribers to the daily should start then. And since there are two holidays—Sunday and Monday—a conference of English speaking lodges could be held in this connection, as could any other conferences or meetings of a similar sort.

The first conference of English speaking lodges, which had been decided upon and approved of at the last semi-annual meeting of the Supreme Board, was held, as scheduled, on November 2, 1935. This conference was probably not all that some might have expected of it, but was worthwhile, nevertheless. Our youth exhibited considerable interest and constructive ability for organization; much more could not reasonably have been expected. The administrative committee arranged the program and other details in accordance with the wishes of the Supreme Board and conducted the meeting to the best of their ability. You entrusted me with the task of promotion and the part of leading the conference, which I carried out as well as I was able to. However, there has been some criticism of the manner in which I performed my task, and some of you might also have thought that the conference should have been carried out more successfully. It is easy to criticize and to find fault with others and to point out their mistakes after the thing has been done. But because of the limited time and because of existing conditions, I seriously doubt whether anyone else, who might have been entrusted with the arrangements, would have done better. It must not be forgotten that this was an entirely new experiment for us, and that it was the first time our youth had participated in any affair of the sort. Hence some deficiencies were to be expected.

Some time ago I suggested to the Supreme Board the appointment of organizers. I consider that to be a vital necessity and, therefore, renew my recommendation to that effect. Times and conditions change and, consequently, we must change our tactics and methods for securing new members and find means for fortification of loyalty, enthusiasm and morals in our Society. I know of places where many of our people reside and where our cause has been practically neglected. A competent organizer would certainly succeed in such localities, and he would find an appreciable field for his efforts also in places where there are prospering lodges. In short, an organizer could be of great service to us. If other organizations consider the services of paid organizers profitable for them, it ought to be worthwhile for us, too. As a matter of fact, organizations having adequately paid organizers prosper most. An able organizer might also serve as an instructor for lodge officers, who, if they were thoroughly familiar with the whole structure of our organization and methods of our business, would have more confidence in us and in themselves, and be much more useful to their lodges and the Society in general.

As you already know from the minutes of the Administrative committee, we have decided that it would be to our interest to have the necessary equipment for taking and showing motion pictures. Such pictures could be shown at lodge celebrations and entertainments of our lodges and would add much to the enjoyment and interest in their programs. Each year we have more and more anniversaries and affairs of our lodges of significant importance; many of them will soon celebrate their silver jubilee, and at such occasions our films could be shown very advantageously. Motion pictures shown at such affairs would be of propagandistic as well as educational value. I, therefore, recommend to the Supreme Board that such equipment be acquired.

A conference of the Yugoslav Brotherhoods Federation was supposed to have been held last year, but was not, because, as you know, the Croatian Fraternal Union has withdrawn its membership and also because very little interest was shown by some other organizations making up this federation. Only SNPJ and SSPZ have paid their dues. Hence, it was the opinion of the members of the supreme board of SSPZ and our Administrative Committee that the conference be postponed until such time as the other organizations manifest a greater interest for the Yugoslav Brotherhoods Federation.

Concerning our finances, and the investing of our funds, I wish to state that everything possible is being done to correct previous mistakes and improve our portfolio, both by the finance and the administrative committee. In general, our finances are greatly improving. Detailed financial reports will be submitted by the supreme treasurer and by the finance committee.

It seems that my report is rather lengthy, altho I have tried to be as brief as possible. I shall, therefore, conclude my report herewith, trusting that I will again have the opportunity to talk about such matters when they are brought up for discussion in the regular order of business. This, therefore, concludes my report for the present.

VINCENT CAINKAR.

The report of Bro. Cainkar was accepted without objection. Bro. Cainkar again took the chair and called on Bro. Somrak to submit his report.

Bro. Somrak reported:

Report of the First Vice-President

Dear Brothers:—Since the last meeting of the Supreme Board I have had a number of matters to attend to. Some of these duties have been entrusted to me by headquarters and others have come up in the usual course of the events. The case at Lodge No. 53 has been disposed of. Concerning this matter, it was mentioned at our last meeting that legal action against the Society was contemplated.—The case at Lodge No. 5 has not been settled yet.—I represented the Society at the celebration of SDZ's twenty-fifth anniversary, in Cleveland, Ohio, and also attended the celebration of the 25th anniversary of Lodge No. 137, and took part in some other events in the vicinity of Cleveland.—As you know, I was also here in Chicago during the E. S. lodge conference and for the festivities of the Pioneers' Lodge No. 589.

There are a few of the duties pertaining to the office of first vice-president, and, as may be expected, there are for me certain more or less heavy personal sacrifices in connection with such celebrations.

Co-operation with headquarters has been very good, at least insofar as my work is concerned.—The minutes of meetings of the administrative committee, which every member of the Supreme Board receives, keep us constantly informed about all important happenings and we know just what is being done at all times.

If you will allow me, I should like to make a few remarks about the Society's affairs in general.

The agitation for new members: If we will carefully study our by-laws and our business methods, we will have to admit, whether we like it or not, that our methods do not conform to the present conditions. I am certain that nearly all, who took part in the last campaign, will acknowledge this, particularly in regard to the juvenile department. The drive for new members among the young people should be continuous. I believe, too, that all larger communities should have permanent workers-organizers to promote our cause, who would be on the job every day of the year, that is 365 days—and this year, being leap year, one additional day! If we carefully examine the methods employed by insurance companies, we can see how powerfully their system operates. When I went around turning door knobs and pressing doorbells while soliciting new members for the juvenile department, I found that insurance companies had policy holders in every family. Therefore, if we want the Society to compete with insurance companies and to succeed in this respect, we must take more determined action.

The conference of English speaking lodges: As I have previously said, I was in Chicago at the time and observed how the conference was conducted and what progress was made. Of course, some differences were to be expected, but not to the extent that occurred after the conference was over. Accusations, gibes, criticisms, etc., were heard on all sides. We cannot blame our young people for having had some disagreements. The elders disagree sometimes, too. But it is regrettable that some of our elder brethren mixed up in the arguments, thereby making matters worse, at least in so far as the Society is concerned. If we expect to get and to keep our youth by such tactics, we will find out very soon that we are seriously mistaken. There are still some of our members, who believe that socialist politics come before benefits in our Society. The truth is quite the contrary. Much more might be said on the subject, but let this, what I have said, suffice for the present.

Newspaper "Prosveta": I would suggest that the Saturday issue with an English supplement be restored, provided it is financially possible to do so. From all appearances it seems that the English pages in the Wednesday issue are not sufficient. As we know, there are at present about eighty English speaking lodges, having a membership of about ten per cent of the total number of adult members in our Society. It is advisable to give this matter more attention and take proper measures.

Freethought school: The editor-in-chief of "Prosveta" started a discussion about some kind of free thought school. The idea might be good, but I do not think it feasible, for the simple reason that there is no sound foundation and it would have no general appeal. I believe I am justified in saying, that under present conditions such plans are impractical. Had such a school been started twenty years ago, it probably would have succeeded. I might state, incidentally, that I have had some experience in such matters, since we have had something similar in our Slovene National Home on St. Clair ave., which has been in existence for the past eleven years.

This is what I have to report on things in general. If it is necessary, I will make comments on any other subjects that may be submitted for discussion.—And so, for a bigger and stronger Society!

FRANK SOMRAK.

The report was accepted.

Bro. Vidler reported:

Report of the Supreme Secretary

Last year was Anniversary year for our English Speaking lodges and also devoted to our campaign for new members. The accomplishment has already been officially reported in our organ which shows 1,854 new members enrolled in our adult department and 1,091 in juvenile, a total of 2,975 new members. From the figures submitted in this report you will note that the Society has again made progress in the adult department, but the juvenile records a decrease, which means that we must devote more determined efforts in campaigns if we want to achieve better results in the juvenile department. One important reason for the loss in the juvenile department, which must not be ignored, is that many of these members have transferred to the adult department. Nevertheless, this does not sufficiently excuse our decrease since there are also others who prefer private insurance for their children before fraternal. Therefore, intensive propaganda and more capable solicitors must be employed which can successfully compete with private agents; and organizers should be more liberally remunerated for their work.

Our membership standing for 1935 was as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Department, Number of Members. Includes Adult Department (33,302 total) and Juvenile Department (16,445 total).

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At the close of the year we had 47,332 members, both departments included. This is an increase of 299 compared with December 31, 1934. While this increase is not especially impressive, it is, nevertheless, satisfactory in view of the deplorable existing economic conditions, during which the workers, in general, have been in great financial straits.

Disabilities

There were 52 cases of disability less in the second half of the year than there were in the first. Operations for appendicitis still rate the highest in number of cases; next were those for hernia, etc., as shown in the following detailed report:

Table: Operations from July 1 to December 31, 1935. Lists various medical procedures like Appendectomy, Hernia, Laparotomy, etc., with corresponding cases and amounts.

As already mentioned there has been 311 cases of death, and among these several who, due to their age, would live for years, but hard and unhealthy work to which the majority of our members are subject, extinctions their early life. The detailed report also shows that heart disease, tuberculosis, pneumonia and cancer took the heaviest toll from our membership. I may add that suicides are exceptionally high at present due to principal cause of deprivation and these miserable economic conditions, which are driving despondent members to a premature death.

Mortality Records for year 1935

Table: Mortality Records for year 1935. Lists causes of death like Heart disease, Tuberculosis, Pneumonia, etc., with cases and amounts.

Financially, the Society again shows a satisfactory gain in all its funds but the administrative. In this fund was a deficit of \$4,486.15 last year (other figures herewith refer only to the last half year). This does not mean, however, that the administrative expense fund is totally exhausted since there is still a balance of approximately over \$27,000.00. The drop in this fund was caused by several extraordinary expenses: \$2,645.00 was paid to the state auditors for their audit of our business in accordance with the law of the State which requires that each organization must pay its own cost of auditing. Out of this fund \$2,000.00 was paid for the finance committee's Moody's service. Another item of \$2,244.10 was paid to defray expenses incurred in connection with the conference of English speaking lodges; and of course, there were disbursements in connection with various loans and legal expenses. The total increase in all funds for the last six months of the past year amounts to \$245,039.63. But since a detailed financial statement is submitted herewith, it is not necessary to make any further remarks concerning them.

The financial report follows:

FINANCIAL REPORT

Table: Financial Report for July 1st to December 31st, 1935. Includes Mortuary Fund, Disability Fund, Sick benefit fund—Class 50c, Class \$1, and Class \$2.

Table: Balance Sheet for Class \$3, Special Benefit Fund, Old People's Home Fund, Building Fund, Convention's Fund, and Administrative Expense Fund. Shows assets and liabilities for various funds as of Dec 31, 1935.