

DRUŠTVENE VESTI

POJASNILO GLEDE VOLITEV

Kot je bilo že parkrat uradno pojasnjeno, določajo jednotljiv pravila glede volitev delegatov sledče:

1. Društva volijo delegate v februarju in marec na svojih sejih.

2. Skupnega delegata voli vsako društvo SAMO na svoji seji ISTI dan kot ostala pridružena društva.

Deput., III.—Pozivam vse članice, da se udeležite prihodnje redne seje dne 19. feb. ob 2. pop. Ker smo se združili z društvom 311 in 740, bomo volili skupnega delegata na eden in isti dan in vsako društvo zase.

Frank Vogrich, tajnik.

Chewick, Pa.—Društvi 586 in 419 prizedita skupno maškeradno veselico dne 18. feb. na Harwicku, Pa. Igrali bo izvrstni orkester. Ulijudno se vabijo vse člani in vsa sosedna društva, da se vse udeležite. Za dobro veselstransko posrežbo in zabavo bo skrbel pripravljalni odbor. Torej na veselo svetovanje dne 18. feb. na Harwicku! Fran Drab, tajnik.

Detroit, Mich.—Volitev delegatov so tu. Člani in članice društva 121, pažite, da boste volili tak, ki bodo zastopali interese SNPJ in njeno članstvo. Nikar ne nasledite na limanice takim, ki delajo zahrtno, sklicujejo tajno seje, pisarjo pisma in dajejo navodila, da tega in tega ne voliti. Kajti tak nimač poštenih namenov, ampak le osebne ambicije. Ako bodo na prihodnji konvenciji vsi delegati in delegatice taki kot sta Barbč in Jontes, bo konvencija kratka in delo dobro izvršeno, to je v korist SNPJ in njenega članstva. Pozivam vse člane, ki so že prej časa na počitnicah, da stopijo v vrsto boriteljev za SNPJ, ker var potrebuje. Reakcija je že na delu, da bo vzel kolikor bo največ mogoče iz blagajne, v katero vse z žrtvami prispevamo. Zato pa vse iskreni člani na delu! Sedaj je čas za to, da se ne bomo po konvenciji kesali. Mary Bernick, članica.

Morgan, Pa.—Vse člane in članice društva št. 6 vabim, da se udeležite prihodnje redne seje na 6. marca, ker bo na dnevnem redu ved vaših zadev in tudi volitev za delegata. Vsed tega je vašno, da se vse udeležite, da ne bo potem oporekan.

10. konvencija bo vredna, da se bo vrlila v največji krizi.

Zato pa je nata dolžnost, da izvolimo delegata, o katerem ste prepričani, da bo delal za koristi društva in jednotne. Deseta konvencija bo zelo važna pomena radi postojčnih razmer. Prinesite na prihodnjo sejo dobre nasvetne za prihodnje pravila. Čase za razprave je še par mesecov in priporočljivo je, da se za to zanima vse članstvo. Časi so resni. Treba je resnega premičanja, dobrih priporočil in dobrega zastopnika, kateremu lahko zaupate, da bo delal samo za koristi društva in jednotne. Če se ne motim, se bo ta konvencija vrlila v najbolj kritičnih časih njenega obstoja in imela bo pred seboj tako težke probleme, katero morata rešiti. Pridite na sejo dne 6. marca vse! Omenim naj tudi, da je naše društvo naročilo dnevnika Prosvečto za eno letoto. Kdor nima dnevnika Prosvečte, ker ga ne more naročiti in ga želi čitati, naj gre v društveno dvoran, kjer ga boste dobili vsek dan. Obenem naznanjam, da naše društvo predi veselico dne 30. maja na Decoration day, kot je bilo poročano po naših zastopnikih na dveh federalnih sejah. Ker bo to prva veselica društva št. 6 v korist društvene blagajne v zadnjih treh letih, zato se pričakuje velika udeležba. Vršile so se druge veselice raznih organizacij, toda naše društvo ni imelo od teh veselic nobenega dohodka, razen za odškodnino dvorane. Zato apeliramo na vse okoliške društva, da sodelujejo z našim društrom ter da ne priprejajo na isti dan svojih veselic. Več o tem pozneje.

Jacob Dermota, tajnik.

Canton, O.—Prosim vse aktivne člane društva 315, da se gotovo vse udeležite redne mesecne seje na 19. feb. ob 2. popoldne. Kajti ta seja bo zelo vašnega pomena.

Volili bomo skupnega delegata, ki bo zastopal štiri pridružena društva. Pri društvu 316 Fanny Gerbec, pri društvu št. 73 Mike Janesh, pri društvu 456 Vincent Zure in pri društvu 556 pa Vincent Zure in Martin Bolha. Bratje in sestre, vse na sejo! Dobro premislite koga boste volili. Razume se, da bo 10. konvencija ena najbolj vašnih v jednotini zgodovini. Zato pa je dolžnost vseh nas, da poslujemo na ta vašen obrh človeka, ki so mu res pri arcu jednotini principi in društveni interes. Kdor misli le na visoke dnevnice, naj rajš kar lepo doma ostane. Dobro bi tudi bilo, da se bi članstvo svedalo sedanjih težkih časov. Treba je dobroh priporočiti društvo in jednotno. Obenem prosim našnove člane, kateri delajo, da se javijo aktiwnim pri tajniku. Upam, da boste to upoštevali, vse, da se bomo spet enkrat skupaj videli v velikem strelju na društveni seji.

Frank Gunz, tajnik.

Clinton, Ind.—Naznanjam vsem članom in članicam društva 290, da se bilo na redni seji dne 5. feb. sklenjeno, da vsek član in članica pravično v društveno blagajno za mesec marca 25. v društveno blagajno za mesec aprila. Društvo je tudi zaključilo, da vsek član in članica počasa redno na društvene seje. Kdor se ne bo udeležil najmanj enkrat v treh mesecih, bomo z njim postopali po upravnih.

postali skupnega delegata na konvencijo, vsake teh društva pa mora na isti dan samo na svoji seji voliti skupnega delegata. Člani in članice, ne pozabite na sejo 5. marca!

Peter Skof, tajnik.

Clinton, Ind.—Naznanjam članom in članicam društva št. 59, da se vrati izredna seja na 19. feb. ob 2. popoldne v Paasventovi dvorani na 7. glici. Na tej seji bo volitev delegata za 10. konvencijo. Naše društvo se je združilo v svrhu izvolitve delegata z društvom 213, 221, 305, 461 in 474. Vsi člani našega društva so vabjeni, da se udeležite seje 19. feb. in izvolite delegata, ki bo po vaši volji.

Frank Bregar, tajnik.

Fredericktown, Pa.—Pozivam vse sestare in sestre društva 288, da pridejo na izredno sejo dne 19. februarja, na kateri bomo volili skupnega delegata za prihodnjo konvencijo. Prosim, da se v obilnem številu udeležite. Naše društvo se je na izvolitve delegata združilo z društvom 562, 484, 425 in 640.

Nick Glogovček, tajnik.

Cleveland, O.—Društvo Naprej št. 5 SNPJ je na svoji redni mesecni seji 5. februarja razpravljalo tudi o protestu društva 126, pričebenjem v glasilu 1. februarja—proti Ameriški Domovini, ter je soglasno sklenilo, da se naše društvo pridruži temu protestu in da se ta sklep v glasilu pričebi. Za SNPJ, njen glasilu in dnevnik Prosvečto naj se zanimajo le oni, ki so tej organizaciji tudi v resnicu naklonjeni; oni, ki so ji nasprotni, naj se po lotju drugih v njih vodročijo spajajočih problemov.

L. Medvesek, tajnik.

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Razprave o pravilih

simulacija, bolniki, zdravniki in pasivnost

Detroit, Mich.—Ko se točka v razvih sprejmejo, so navidezne, ali nedostatki se pokažejo, ko hitro stopijo v veljavno, ne to ne bodo nikdar popolna, saj jih bo izpopolnjevati kot do razmere zahtevala. Pravila merodajna za vse enako; ako se vsi enako po njih ravnali, marsikatero razočaranje izobliko. Ko je bila točka o bolniški podpori sprejeta po splošnem usovjanju, smo mislili, da so nedostatki odstranjeni, ali izrazili v razpravi o pravilih so nam pokazali vse nekaj drugega. Tako na primer ni bratsko ne demokratično, da se plača bolniški podpora tistim, ki gredo v bolnišnico, ali če so pri delu pošljeni, za prvi dan. Plačujemo enako. Torej zakaj ta izjema? Ako se brat ali sestra pošlje pri delu, jih ščiti zakon poškodb in dobijo zdravniško oskrbo in bolnišnico brezplačno. Torej so na boljšem kot oni, ki zbijajo radi drugih oči. Zato je potrebno, da se nedostatek popravi na bodoči konvenciji (vsi enako plačevati vse enako prejemati). Odtejanje bolniške podpore za prvi 15 in 20 dni se mi tudi ne vi demokratično! Zakaj ta razlika med \$1, \$2 in \$3 bolniške podpore? Saj plačajo toliko več asesmenta. Bratstvo in DEMOCRACIJO oznanjevati v podpornih organizacijah je nesmiselno, kadar smo zavarovani po razreših. Torej bi bilo priporočljivo, se ustanoviti in bolniški sklad samo en smrtniški, če hočemo, da bomo enakopravni, in ne kot \$10 tedenske bolniške podpore in \$1000 vrnitnine.

Mnogo se razpravlja tudi o simulaciji. Priporočajo se razne medure za to "bolezen" (radomem, če tudi simulant priporočajo kakšna zdravila za odraženo simulacije, ker oni bi lahko dali najboljše sugestije za odraženo simulacijo). Po mojem prepričanju je to trd oreh; sam ed seboj ga bomo težko razščili, smo preveč mehkočutni, upram eden drugemu (imamo "weak spot") in preveč radi eno oko zamižimo, pogostotrat še na obe, imamo preveč ratske rahločutnosti, ki je treba izredni asesment plačevati, se jezimo. Tukaj bo brez zdravilne pomoči ali kooperacije tako priti v okom temu problemu. Kako zdravnike zaintereseti, da bodo delali v prid našej organizaciji in v prid članom obse. Po sedanjem sistemu zdravniku še na misel ne pride, da bi člana hitro ozdravil, ker je več za \$ kot za ubogega člana zdravje, pa pusti, da član mulira, če prav dobro ve, da je možen za delo. Tu igra \$ spet veliko ulogo. Da se zdravniki tako malo zanimajo za dobrobit podpornih organizacij, smo sami največ krivi. Društveni zdravnik je samo figura, poslužujemo ga samo pri sprejemanju noih članov, imamo ga zato, ker življa tako zahtevajo, v bolezih se pa malo članov obrača na ruštenega zdravnika. Izjemno samo tam, kjer si ne moremo zdravnike izbirati. To se dogaja malih naselbinah, kjer je kvenčeno po eden ali dva zdravnika. V Prosvetu sem čital že par priporočil, da bi se zdravnike stavilo po okrožjih. Ne vem, koliko bi to koristilo, ali bolje bilo kot je sedaj. Najboljše pa bilo, ako bi si mi člani sami plačevali zdravnike, vsak razvod naj bi si izbral najboljšega zdravnika v naselbini. Plačati se mu po dogovoru iz družbenih blagajn, člani bi pa tisto soto povrnili nazaj v društveno lagajno v obliki društvenih pravilkov. V slučaju bolezni bi jiheli prosto bolniško oskrbo. V teh mestih, kjer je več družev in precejšnje število članov, lahko imeli zdravnika samo za ednotine člane. Taki zdravniki bi bili dobro seznanjeni z jednotnimi pravili (najbolje bi bilo, da bi bili člani jednote), gledali za dobrobit organizacije in tujenih članov. Vedeli bi, ako jih bo bolezen ali je v resničnosti bolan. V slučaju, da član ne bo pravilne oskrbe, bi mu bilo zmeraj odprtlo se poslužiti rugača zdravnika v prisotnosti ruštenega odbora ali zato izvoljenega odbora.

Vem, da si bodo nekateri mislili: "No, ta sugestija je pa le-

pa! Ze sedaj ne moremo zmagovali asesmenta, pa bomo še posebej plačevali zdravnika." Poleg se to neumno vidi zdravemu človeku, plačevati, ker ne ve, če bo kdaj rabil zdravnikovo oskrbo ali ne. Ali danes, ko se svet suče 30-40 milijonov hitreje na uro kot se je pred 25 ali 30 leti, tudi človek ne ve kje in kdaj ga čaka nesreča. Zato bi bilo za nas boljše, plačati 10-15c na mesec in v slučaju bolezni ali nesreče imeti brezplačno zdravniško oskrbo. Tisti, ki so imeli opravka z zdravniki in so jim moralni mastno plačevati, se bodo gotovo strinjali s tem načrtom. Za nas delavce bi bilo najboljše, ako bi bila zdravniška veda socializirana, ali do tega smo še daleč. Priporočam, da člani vzamejo to v pretres na društvenih sejah, izvolijo naj v to svrhu odbor in ta naj stopi v dotiku z zdravnikom, da ga o stvari bolj od bližu seznaniti.

Pasivnost. Odkar jednota obstoji, ni bila točka pasivnosti toliko rabljena kot je sedaj v tej krizi. Zato tudi ni bilo povoda, da bi se jo izboljšalo, ali vse kaže, da je pomanjkljiva in potrebuje par besed sprememb v točki 4. Kriza je prisilila naše bratre in sestre, da so šli na pasivno listo. 4. točka zahteva: "... ko član začne delati, se mora takoj javiti tajniku in še isti mesec plačati asesment." Vsak član, ki je bil že več mesecov brezposeln in so mu pošli vse prihanki (ako jih je kaj imel), pa se mu posreči, da začne delati, bi moral takoj plačati asesment še za isti mesec. Kaj pa če član začne delati koncem meseca, nesimo 20. v tekočem mesecu, plačilo pa bo že v 30. dneh, mu bo gotovo težko plačati asesment za isti mesec. Zato naj bi se 4. točka v toliko popravila, da bi se glasila: "Ce tak pasiven član začne delati, se mora takoj javiti tajniku, da postane spet aktiven in v teku 80 dni poravnava redni asesment. Ako tega ne storí, ga mora tajnik takoj črtati."

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Joe Korsic, društvo 518.

Odseki niso bloki

Barberton, O.—Problem gleda dnevnika Prosvete in bližajoča se konvencija dela veliko dela dopisnikom. Vsakovrstni nasveti, mnogi pa so brez vsakega potrebnega. Dopisnik J. J. Zeleni priporoča manj zabave za delegate, oziroma manj prireditve v mestu, kjer se vrši konvencija. Da ali kaj je vzrok, da konvencija traja dva tedna? Dnevnic, to je edina zavora, da se konvencija ne more končati v času, v katerem bi se lahko.

Citatelji Prosvete oziroma da-

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Anton Yakich, društvo 48.

Pripomba uredništva. — Br. Jakich se moti, če misli, da so odseki in bloki vseeno. Zborovanje po odsekih pomeni, da se vsa delegacija organizira v odseke in vse odseki zborujejo separatno. Vsak odsek ima gotovo nalogu. Na ta način bi odseki rešili vse naloge hkrati in zborovanje bi bilo lahko končano v treh ali štirih dneh. Razume se, da bi morali odseki imeti moč, da sklepajo veljavno v imenu konvencije, ne pa tako, da bi moral vsi sklepi biti ponovno rešetani pred vso delegacijo. Na splošnih (plenarnih) sejah bi se reševala le tista vprašanja, glede katerih so odseki približno enako razdeljeni. Vsak delegat bi imel pravico iti pred vsak odsek in tam zagovarjati kakšno stvar.

Pasivnost, odškodnina itd.

Rillton, Pa.—Pasivnost. Priporočam, da se plačuje smrtnina za umrili pasivnim članom po zavarovalnini, ne pa vsem enako. Ena tretjina ali četrta smrtnine od zavarovalnine naj se jim izplača. Obenem priporočam, da ni treba biti prestreglo s plačevanjem asesmenta v času pasivnosti. Zadevna določba naj bi se glasila: "Ce tak pasiven član začne delati, se mora takoj javiti tajniku, da postane spet aktiven in v teku 80 dni poravnava redni asesment. Ako tega ne storí, ga mora tajnik takoj črtati."

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John Srebrnak, društvo 63.

Stari in mladi člani

Milwaukee, Wis. — Deseta redna konvencija SNPJ se bliža. Razmere se naglo spremenijo in na tej konvenciji bodo razmerek zelo drugačne kot v prejšnjih letih. Člani, ki so vredni jednoti v prejšnjih letih, so bili priseljeni iz stare domovine. Danes imamo pri jednoti odraščeno mladino, rojeno v Ameriki, ki je po mišljenu na precej drugačni poti kot njeni starši.

Naj bodoči konvenciji se lahko napravi veliko nasprotva, ker stari element je vedno bolj konservativ in idealisti, mladina pa je bolj radikalna.

Ako hoče jednota napredovati v bodočem, je treba marsikaj spremeniti v pravilih. V teh ozih se bo izplačalo, ako se bo skušalo poslušati mladino, da se je ne vzame za kakšno malenkost za to, ker so mladi člani še v mladih letih. Od mladine bo prišla marsikatera dobra in konstruktivna ideja. V mladini je način bi odseki in bloki vseeno. Zborovanje po odsekih (blokih), se bo zgubilo veliko več časa, nego če delegacija dobro premisli in pusti vse odseke (bloke) na stran ter zboruje tretno in le v korist članstva in jednote, ne za stvari, katere sploh ne spadajo v delokrog konvencije. Zato priporočam, da predno društva izvolijo delegata, naj dobro premislijo, da si izvolijo zastopnika, ki bo v resnici zastopal in deloval po naročilu društva in v korist SNPJ.

Frank Schneider, predsednik društva 584.

Več distriktnih zastopnikov

Rock Spring, Wyo. — Ker so sedanja pravila SNPJ že itak preobčina, priporočam, da se bodoča pravila tiskajo samo v dveh jezikih, v slovenskem in angleškem, v hrvatskem pa naj se ne tiskajo. To iz razloga, ker bratje Hrvati večinoma razumejo slovenski, kar je mladih pa angleški.

Nadalje bi bilo dobro, da se spremeni XI. člen pod črko "K" v toliko, da se da večja naloga distriktnim zastopnikom kot jo imajo sedaj. Besedilo ostane kot je, doda pa se mu še "in imajo pravico posečati društvene seje in paziti, da ne zaide kakšno dodeljeno vredno".

J. Matekovich, društvo 728.

Bolniški skladi in operacije

Akron, O. — Ako se hočemo iznebiti večnih doklad, je potrebno, da se odpravita dva bolniška razreda, in sicer razreda za dva in tri dol. bolniške podpore. Ostanek naj en dolar bolniške podpore.

Operacije so se zelo pomnožile. Tudi pri tem bi se dalo za-

stopnike porabiti, da bi bolniški obiskovali v slučaju zdravnikovega nasvetova, da se bolnik podvrže operaciji. Zastopnik bi preiskal in ugotovil, da je operacija resnično potrebna. Poleg tega bi bili distriktni zastopniki jednotni organizatorji. Pridobil bi nove člane in ustavljati nova društva. Po takem sistemu bi seveda bilo treba več zastopnikov, kar pa bi bilo v večjo korist jednoti. Na zapadu ima jednota enega zastopnika za 12 držav. To ni zadostno in ne praktično. Zapadne države so večje po obsegu kot vzhodne in vsled tega nastanejo potovni stroški večji. Zato pa je priporočljivo, da bi jednota imela po enega distriktnega zastopnika v vsaki državi, kjer so njena društva. V državi Wyoming so njeni društva bolj v zapadnem delu države. V južnem delu je osem društev. V severnem delu, kjer jih ni toliko, bi pa lahko nadzoroval zastopnik iz Montane.

Dobro bi tudi bilo, da se na konvenciji preuredi sistem zastopstva na konvencijah. Sedaj je sistem, da se sedanje razmere predrag. Okrog 500 tisoč potrošnikov Prosveti, tako da ga spet postavimo na noge. Ne pa da bi

Napravijo naj se distrikti in vsak distrikter bi posiljal po enega delegata.

Lawrence Demshar, društvo 10.

Bodoča pravila

Gowanda, N. Y. — Člen XII, točka 6 se glasi: "Uradno glasilo morajo prejemati vse člani in članice jednote in plačati po \$1.20 letne naročnine" itd

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Tajni sestanki v Detroitu

Detroit, Mich. — Tu so spet v teku nekakšne seje, ki se vrše skrivajo, toda pod imenom SNPJ. Na seje so povabljeni le člani "levega krila" ali "progresivnega" člani in seje so sklicane z dopisnicami ali telefonično. Kdo je vodja ali sklicej teh sej, menda še sami ne vedo, ker ni nihče podpisana na dopisnicah. Izdali so tudi nekakšne letake v hrvaški slovenščini, ki so jih prejeli iz Chicaga. Tiskani so bili tam, kjer se tiska komunistični Radnik. Tudi v teh letakih ni nobenega podpisa, priporočajo pa, da je treba pri SNPJ uničiti vse, kar je naprednega. Dnevnik Prosvečenja je treba uničiti in nadomestiti s tednikom, ki mora biti pisan komunistično itd.

Kaj bodo člani odgovorili na to početje? Ali naj se vse uniči, kar je članstvo zgradilo v 30 letih? Članstvo je dvignilo jednotno na dobro finančno podlogo, dalo ji je dobre principe in jo razvilo v eno najboljših in najsigurnejših jugoslovenskih podpornih organizacij v Ameriki. Ali so naši jednoti potrebeni kakšna krila ali bloki? Ne!

Ako bi imeli doličniki, ki rujejo v skrivališčih, dobre in poštene namene, bi se pokazali v javnosti, kdo so. Tako pa, ker rovarijo zaplotno, je to dokaz, da jim ni za koristi in napredek SNPJ. Najbolj jim je vodstvo jednote na poti. Ce je vodstvo jednote krilo pravila, dajte to članstvu vedeti na odprt in pošten način. Toda dokazov nima nobenih. Upam, da članstvo dobro pozna te zahrbneče, ki spletkarijo za kulisami in podpihkom komunizma. Vselej, ko se bliža konvencija SNPJ, bi radi člane zbegali in nablušati proti odboru in delegatom. Na zadnjih dveh konvencijah smo imeli nekaj takih demagogov, ki zapravljajo čas z raznimi "pitanji". Taka "pitanja" pa stanejo jednoto lep denar, ker se konvencija zaviječe za dva ali več dni.

Moj namen ni kritizirati odkritih in poštenih članov, bil pa sem vedno in bom proti vsaki zahrbni demagogiji, zato svaram člane, naj se ne puste nablušati od nobenih "blokašev" ali "levokrilašev". — Anton Jurca, društvo 121.

Beseda pionirja

Lyons, Ill. — Nerad jemljem prostor stalnim dopisnikom v Prosvečenju, ki je zdaj manjša, ali včasi se morsamo tudi stari pionirji in ustanovitelji SNPJ oglašati, da pokažemo, da smo še živi. Malo me je pogrelo, ko sem čital, kaj br. Martin Smoljanik piše in priporoča društvo, namreč, da volijo take delegate za prfhodno konvencijo, da se ne bodo dali zapeljati gl. odbornikom kakor je Eva Adama.

Bil sem že na mnogih konvencijah naše jednote, a do zdaj še nisem opazil, da bi gl. odborniki kaj usili delegatom, česar niso hoteli. Iz svoje izkušnje pa vem, da imajo gl. odborniki več vpogleda v jednotino delo in gospodarstvo kakor povprečni delegati. To je fakt. Bil sem pred mnogimi leti sam v odboru in imam izkušnje.

Dalje omenja salunarje. Menim, da se boji, da bodo salunarji igrali neko vlogo na konvenciji in morda koga z "munasajnom" opanali. Cuden strah. Ne vem, kakšne predsediske imata. Smoljanik proti salunarem, res pa je, da so tudi salunari nekaj naradili za našo jednoto, kar sta rejši člani lahko vedo. Mnogo članov so pridobili. Salunari tudi niso krivi današnje "prosperitete", ampak 18. amendement, ki je pozri \$34,565,109. Za to vso bi se lahko kučilo precej kruha in piva.

prišel na sled neki neresniči izjavni, ki je bila skovana v Tiongi, Wis., in poslana na gl. porotni odsek glede žene br. Johna Marinčiča, podpisana pa po nekem "bečlarju" druge narodnosti.

Drugače pa naš mož ni v zadrugi za notarske izjave. Ako mu doli v Chicagu oblikujete, da mu izplačate \$28, vam pošlje notarsko izjavo, da v Willardu žori žito in grozje meseca januarja; ako mu pridaste še \$1, vam pošlje izjavo, da sta društveni predsednik J. S. in tajnik M. K. cerkvena cekmoštva in člana cerkvenega pevskega zboru, ostali člani in članice društva št. 198 pa so menihi in nune.

Na svoje hribovske in neresnične trditve bo pa moral odgovarjati gl. porotnemu odsek.

Jos Slemec,
predsednik društva 198.

Razprave o pravilih

(Nadaljevanje s 3. strani.)
zornega odbora \$10, ostali \$5. Pred. porotnega odseka \$25, ostali \$5. Okrožni zastopniki \$5 na leto. Gospodarski odbor: Predsednik, ako se nastavi stalno v gl. urad, \$37.50 na teden, ostala odbornika \$15 na mesec. Vrhovni zdravnik \$75 na mesec.

Razredi. Clen 22. Razred bolniške podpore za \$3 naj se popolnoma odpravi.

Peter Benedict, predsednik.
Daniel Obed, tajnik.

Moja priporočila

Detroit, Mich. — Priporočila detroitske federacije za bodoča pravila SNPJ sem podpisal kot odbornik federacije, osebno se pa ne strinjam z vsemi sklepki federacije. Zato bom povedal svoje osebno mnenje o bolj važnih točkah.

Vodstvo jednote (a). Upravni odsek naj sestoji iz sledečih odbornikov: gl. pred., gl. tajnik, tajnik boln., oddelka, gl. blagajnik, predsednik gospodarskega odbora, urednik in upravnik Prosvečenja. Da priporočam še enega stalnega odbornika, je danes pred nami eden najbolj važnih problemov: imovina jednote. Zato je treba upoštevati gospodarski odsek najbolj važnem. Jednota ima izterjati čez štiri milijone dolarjev in bo veliko pozornosti in točnosti, kar je pa nemogoče brez stalno nastavljene odgovorne osebe.

Vem, da se bo članstvo oglašalo: "Pa še več izdatkov za bodoč!" Zapomnimo si tole: v tako važnem uradu se mogoče prihraniti, da se dolci, da dnevnice znašajo \$5. To bi zadostovalo za sedanje razmere. Pod nobenim pogojem pa bi dnevnice ne smeli biti več kot \$6.

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Sem tudi za to, da se spremeni sedanj sistem volitev delegatov,

da bi se volili po okrožjih, tako da bo prišel na vsakih 500 članov po en delegat. Društvo, ki šteje 500 članov, bi lahko samo volilo svojega delegata brez združenja. To bi bilo mnogo boljše. Izbralo bi se lahko zmožnega delegata iz tolke mnozice članov in prihranilo bi se mnogo denarja in časa, kajti čas na konvenciji je tudi denar.

Gledate prevečilka števila gl.

odbornikov bo treba tudi nekaj ukreniti z oziroma na sedanje ekonomike razmerje. Gl. odborniki so v smislu pravil avtomatično na konvenciji. Teh je okrog 25.

Da so vsi navzoči na konvenciji, je velika potrata po nepotrebem. Vsak gl. odbornik bi lahko poslal pismeno poročilo na konvencijo, katero bi prebral konvenčni predsednik. Razume pa se, da morajo biti navzoči na konvenciji, gl. predsednik, gl. tajnik, gl. blagajnik, gl. bolniški tajnik, urednik glasila in predsednik vseh odborov. Ni pa potrebo, da bi prišli vsi ostali člani odborov na konvencijo, kajti, če bo sprejet predlog, da se voli delegati na vsakih 500 članov po enega, potem bi imeli gl. odborniki skoro večino. Ves gl. odbor pa naj se voli s splošnim glasovanjem.

Frank Urbančič, društvo 89.

Prosvečenje, pojasnilo pa v Prosvečenju št. 2.)

Stalne plače in dnevnice. Plače stalno nastavljenih uradnikov in uslužencev naj se znižajo vsem enako—25% (vstevši že znižanje 10%). Stalnim gl. odbornikom naj se zniža 10% do 15% (vstevši že znižanje 10%). Priporočila za znižanje plač gl. odbornikom detroitske federacije so pretirana. Skrajšanje časa pri referendumu tudi ni priporočljivo. Ni bilo nobenih utemeljenih dokazov, da bi lahko koristili. Obratno bi pa gotovo skodovalo, ker društvo bi imelo samo eno sejo v dotedni dobi, ali pa se ene ne.

Peter Benedict, društvo 121.

Dnevnice in reprezentacija

Midway, Pa. — Najprej apeliram na vse članstvo, da se bolj zanima za razprave o pravilih ter da sedaj pride na dan z naštetil, da se o njihovih načrtih razpravlja že pred konvencijo. S tem bi se lahko prihranilo mnogo stroškov konvencije, ker bi bila krajska. Vsaka ura, ki se jo prihrani na konvenciji, znaša par stotakov težko zasluženega denarja. Imamo mnogo skladov, ki se potrebnii finančne pomoči. Kaj ce se bi bodoči delegati zavzeli na konvenciji, da prihranijo članstvu SNPJ, recimo, vsoto \$1,000? Ce se ne motim, imamo v konvenčnem skladu okrog \$60,000, kar ne pomeni, da mora biti ta vsota do zadnjega centa izčrpana. Ako bi se dalo v tem pogledu kaj prihraniti, bi bilo članstvu najbolj na varnem, če tudi nosijo najnižje obresti. Na investiranih vsotah še si obrestne mere zelo navskriž, ne kot jih je podal Olip. Vprašanje pa je, katere so bolj sigurne in zanesljive. Bili smo že večkrat podučeni potom Prosvečenja, da naj tam vlagamo svoj kapital, kjer je najbolj na varnem. Priporočljivo bi bilo, da se tega oprime tudi jednota, posebno v teh časih. Člani, ki lastujejo posestva, na katera bi se radi zadolžili, naj to izposlujejo pri lokalnih bankah. Ako pa lokalne banke nečo posoditi, naj ne posodi tudi jednota, kajti gotovo ni nekaj v redu.

Najbolj bi bilo, da bi rekli takole: "Kar smo dali, smo dali in ob kar smo, smo." In bi tja vlagali jednotino vsote, kjer bodo najbolj na varnem, če tudi nosijo najnižje obresti. Na investiranih vsotah še si obrestne mere zelo navskriž, ne kot jih je podal Olip. Vprašanje pa je, katere so bolj sigurne in zanesljive. Bili smo že večkrat podučeni potom Prosvečenja, da naj tam vlagamo svoj kapital, kjer je najbolj na varnem. Priporočljivo bi bilo, da se tega oprime tudi jednota, posebno v teh časih. Člani, ki lastujejo posestva, na katera bi se radi zadolžili, naj to izposlujejo pri lokalnih bankah. Ako pa lokalne banke nečo posoditi, naj ne posodi tudi jednota, kajti gotovo ni nekaj v redu.

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Sedaj pa bi rada vprašala, obstojejo kje kakšna podpora in organizacija, da ni zgubila niti nihče, da so bile še večje razmerne kompanije, ki so prispevale v bankrot. Mislim, da ni v Ameriki niti ene organizacije, ki prispevale ali kakake druge doma in ne bi izgubila več ali manj kot oni načini. Moje mnenje je, da je naša SNPJ dosedaj dosegla do gospodarila in je še v dobrem gospodarskem stanju, ako se primerja s podpornimi organizacijami drugih narodov, ki mnogo večji po številu kot nas je izgubila.

Priporočam, da prihodna konvencija zniža obrestno mesto 6% na 4% članom vsaj za težko časa, da se razmere menjajo.

Kajti s tem bi članom precej pomagano. To bilo res bolj bratsko. Mnogo nov je, da si morajo od ust potrgati, da zamorejo spravljaj skupaj za obresti, nekateri pa sploh ne morejo.

Mnogo je tudi takih, če prav delajo, da ne znižajo, ker imajo tako množične znižanja, ker imajo tako množične plače, da je jedva za bodočno življenje. Saj še za asesmentom gre težko; še tega manj kateri ne zmore, kar pa ni čisto.

Katie Krausz, društvo 111.

Jednotino investiranje

Detroit, Mich. — Čitala sem članek, ki ga je napisal sobrat Vider, gl. tajnik. Ne trdim, da nima prav v nekaterih oznikih konvencije, da ima jednota stroške in sitnosti radi posojil, ki jih je dajala svojim članom na prve vrnjnine.

Torej, pod zgoraj omenjenim sistemom bi se lahko poslužili enakopravnih članov jednotine posojila, ne kot sedaj. Seveda, lahko kdo reče:

"Kako bomo takemu posodili, ki mu nimamo na kaj?" Dejstvo je pa, da so tudi oni solastniki kapitala, ki se ga posojujejo onim, ki jih lastujejo.

Mihail Lenardčič, društvo 31.

LISTNICA UREDNIŠTVA

L. Gradišek, Chicago, Ill. — Počakajte, da pride na vrsto.

S. Yalich, Struthers, O. — Vaše naznanko, ki ste ga odposlali 6. feb., smo prepoznovali in da bi ga priobčili v glasilu 8. feb.

F. Močnik, Moon Run, Pa. — V par tednih pride tudi vas prispevek na vrsto. Prečitajte zadevno posojilno na prvi strani današnje izdaje.

Vozniški taksi je zmagal

Oakland, Cal. — Po štirimečnih stavki so se organizirani vozniški taksi vrnili na delo, ko je kompanija pristala na njihove zahteve. Pred stavko so vozniški prejemali \$3 na dan poleg provizije 40 odstotkov. Družba jim je hotela odbiti provizijo in posledica je bila stavka, ki je rezultirala v zmagi.

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JOSEPH BRATKOVICH, četrto okrožje... R. R. 5, Pittsburgh, Kans.
FRANK KLOPCIČ, peto okrožje... Star Rt. 4, Box 21, Cle Elum, Wash.

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POMEMBNO! Korrespondence z glavnimi člani, ki stojijo v gl. uradu, se vrati takole:
VSA PISMA: Ki se nimačajo na posebni ali predsedništvu, naj se naslovne na predsedništvo.
VSE DEPARNI posiljave in stvari, ki se nista v gl. upravnega odbora in jednoti vobče, naj se pošljajo na gl. tajnik.

Vse zadeve, nujne za bolinske podporo, naj se pošljajo na bol. tajnik.

Vse zadeve v zvezi z blagajništvom pod. naj se pošljajo na blagajnik.

VSE PRITOŽBE glede ponavljanja v gl. upravnemu odboru naj se pošljajo Frank Zajcu, predsednik nadzornega odbora.

VSI PRIHIZI V gl. porotni odbor se naj pošljajo na John Goršek, predsednika porotnega odbora.

VRI DOPIS! Je drugi spis. naspranila, ogled naravnina in slike, kar je v zvezi

z jednoto, naj se pošlja na "PROSVETO". 2657 S. Lawndale Ave., Chicago, Ill.

NOTE: Correspondence for the supreme president should be addressed to him.

All remittances for money and business concerning lodges and members other than sick benefit should be addressed to the assistant secretary.

Matters of sick benefit should be addressed to the treasurer's office.

Business matters under the jurisdiction of the treasurer's office should be taken up with him.

Complaints concerning the work of the executive board should be addressed to Frank Zaitz, chairman of the Board of Supervisors.

POROČILO O NAKAZANI BOLNIŠKI PODPORI

Nakazani dne 26. januarja 1932

1 Josephine Starcovic \$50.
2 Joseph Klopac \$45. Joseph Stilinovich \$37.
3 Matt Shefer \$34. Andrew Palcich \$22. Mildred Goldman \$15.
4 Rose Logsdon \$15.
5 Frank Mack \$32.
6 Frank Luketic \$27.
7 Frank Ilijas \$15.
8 Joseph J. Korosec \$16.
9 Anna Menjednik \$16. Rudolph Reidel \$11. Mathias Rauker \$29. Frank Molla \$65.
10 Matt Pejnik \$16.
11 Bronis Wasilewski \$5.
12 Joseph Meden, Jr. \$15.
13 Matt Chopp \$27. Mike Vlachich \$14. Matt Brua \$14. John Mukavec \$14. John Lammu \$14. Jacob Mihelic \$14.50. Matthew Pasich \$22.

14 John Contenti \$28.
15 Joseph Arh \$12. Helene Ulepic \$14. Jasica Bogataj \$36. Adam Losik \$62. Frank Tersek \$60. Andrew Okroglio \$42.
16 August Krumberger \$14. Anson Jakopac \$14. Fred Krumberger \$56.
17 Joseph Grifberg \$21.
18 Annie Mladenich \$24. Martin Jasinek \$16.
19 Bill Mihaljevic \$14.
20 John Usnik \$18.50. Matt Kovac \$14.50. Frank Starcevich \$43.50. Spirko Radunovic \$12. John Jakopac \$84.
21 Matthew Janulovic \$24. Anton Krivajna \$28. George Pavlich \$10. Benedicta Kos \$15. John Kopre \$37.
22 John Celar \$15.
23 Anton Kropusek \$14. Sava Segan \$12. Stefanie Cirar \$22. Anton Pelliars \$22. Mary Belovics \$9. Frank Pejko \$24.50.
24 Mary Zgomec \$22. Mary Poljanec \$20. Jo-
hanna Somrak \$26.
25 Frances Tanko \$20. Mary Krulich \$24.
26 Lou Michelic \$9. Frances Barbosek \$15.
27 George Delman \$28.
28 Anna Repnik \$28. Albert Holik \$27. John Kose \$14.
29 John Marinoc \$14. John Maynarich \$24. Elizabeth Bartenic \$28.
30 Agnes Soule \$14. Frances Sonich \$14. Mary Podesta \$28. Lazo Manevici \$57. Bertha Cuprovich \$65. Stevo Bilic \$42.
31 Joseph Marold \$44. Anna Sturis \$19.
32 Michael Palenec \$14. Josephine Mari-
ni \$12.50. Joseph Zigon \$42.
33 Frank Delak \$2. Manda Rakavina \$126. Andrew Marinic \$43. Joseph Turkovich \$48. John Tomljanovich \$57.
34 Ante Ofner \$27. Julia Frank \$17.50. Jessie Ofner \$16.50. Frank Budic \$21. Louis Novak \$28. Anton Jerman \$28.
35 Anna Koprta \$18. Mary Staudohar \$46.
36 Albert Hlincek \$71.
37 Katie Janka \$6. Mary Tercek \$15. Mary Retzel \$14.50. Matt Ahacic \$32. Frank Kmet \$36. Frank Midor \$44. Frank Kobar \$20. Frank Hlabe \$18. Martin Morovic \$18. Anton Lustrik \$27. Steve Bla-
zic \$19. Anton Seljak \$24. Ivana Tomasic \$20. Martin Valcovec \$28.
38 Matt Puskarek \$19. Mildred Marovic \$20.
39 Jacob Skerjanc \$18.50. Joseph Nangier \$17.50. Maria Merlikar \$13.50. John Grancic \$14. Anton Stefanec \$22. Frank Spilar \$22. Josephine Spilar \$22. An-
ton Klobucar \$20. Frank Kosec \$20. John Klobucar \$15.50. Anton Strindjer \$24. Mary Novak \$34. Anton Sosed \$36. Anton Cudjak \$60. Louis Zupanic \$72. Mildred Tomasic \$42. Frank Pejko \$14.
40 Mary Miller \$24.
41 Mary Rajcev \$21. Joseph Rupena \$22. Mary Kucar \$25. John Klemenc \$25.
42 Paul Puskarek \$22. Anton Vidmar \$22. Martin Klobucar \$28. Frank Progar \$22.
43 Paul Faikovich \$17.50. Joseph Gregorec \$22.
44 Joseph Majcen \$24. Joseph Zoraj \$12.
45 Louis Domjanic \$22. Tom Kralj \$25.50. Katherine Nemeth \$18.
46 John Strah \$99.
47 Michael Makaravcic \$28. Michael Makaravcic \$28. Michael Kowinchuk \$29.
48 John Shkar \$14. Rose Mario \$24. Paul Matichuk \$16. Michael Klemenc \$25.
49 Mary Zader \$27.50. Paul Toma \$20.
50 Mary Arko \$14.
51 James Quigley \$14.50. Sophie Zupan \$15.

IZKAZ
drustev, katerih asesment ni bil pravočasno poslan v gl. urad:

Dr. st. 80, 194, 327, 519, 624, 655, 672, 675.

Po pravilih, člen 23, točka 5, mora biti asesment drustev v gl. uradu najkasnejše zadnjega v mesecu!

Fred A. Vider, gl. tajnik.

Federacije SNPJ

Severovzhodna ohajska federacija

Barberton, O.—Podpisani so v imenu severovzhodne ohajske federacije drustev SNPJ izkreno zahvaljujejo vsem, ki so posetili federacijsko veselico dne 28. januarja. Posebna zahvala gre psvkemu zboru Javornik in zboru v Kenmoru za njihovo sodelovanje in pomoč pri uspehu. Dalje se zahvaljujemo Tomičevemu orkestru in Skuljevemu orkestru, vsem, ki so pomagali na veselicu, končno pa tudi tistim, ki se bi lahko odzvali, pa jih ni bilo. Ne mislite, da je federacija samo za družvene zastopnike. Večno, da je v sedanjih časih mnogim težko denar skupaj spraviti, ali ravno zato bi se morali bolj udeleževati federacijskih veselic, kajti federacija zaklada asesment za najbolj potrebone člane pri njenih društih. Zato pa je lečeti, da član bolj delujejo za skupino na napredku.

Odbor za pronajdbo cen pri pogrebnih poroča, da je John L. Topolosky dal najbolj primerno ceno. Federacija priporoča družtvom, katera spadajo k S. V. O. Federaciji, da se v vsakem slučaju obrnejo na pogrebnika John L. Topoloskyja, 908 Wooster road, W. Barberton, Ohio, telefon Sherwood 4823. Družstva so prošena, da na prihodnji seji poročajo federacijskemu tajniku, koliko članov je njih društvo imelo v mesecu jan. Družstva bodo plačevala tajnik federacije po 1c na člana mesečno. (Stjetje članov v jan. ste dobrodošli.)

Vsi društveni zastopniki se uljudno vabijo na federacijsko sejo, ki bo dne 26. feb. ob 8. dopoldne v klubovih prostorih v Kenmoru, O. Na dnevnem redu bo več vašnih zadev. Pričite vsi zastopniki in tudi drugi člani ste dobrodošli. Ni svidenje!

John Yankovich.

Pripis. Izkrena zahvala klubu Slovenskega doma v Kenmoru, O. Na brezplačne prostore za federacijske seje društveni zastopniki in tudi drugi člani ste dobrodošli. (Nadzorni odbor.)

Federacija zapadne Pensylvanije Pittsburgh, Pa.—Izčrpel zapisnika federacijske seje z dne 22. januarja v Pittsburghu, Pa. Zastopanih 28 društev s 63 delegati. Predsednik poroča za upravljeni odbor in se zavbabi v predstavnikom za sodelovanje v prid federaciji ter se oprosti, ake je kaj zadržal, ker vsak, kateri je aktiven, lahko napake naredi. Poročilo sprejeto.

Tajnik poroča: dohodki \$429.05, izdatki \$51.25, ostane \$377.80. Brat

Zigmaj poroča o veselicah na Syganu,

katero so priredile tri federacije slovenskih podprtih društva v zapadni Penni. Dohodki \$404, stroški \$306.97, ostane \$188.03, katera vsota se je razdelila na tri dele. Sklenjeno, da se odboru da zaupnica za delovanje v korist federacije ter da se zavbabi št. 6 na njihovo pomoč, da se je veselica tako dobro obnesla.

Brat Pleske poroča, da se je udeležil seje angleške federacije SNPJ.

Priporočil je in razmotrivalo se je c

zavrnjeni in konvencijski točkami, katere

so bile na razpravi in je protestiral,

nakar so ga nekateri člani napadli. Delegat angleške federacije brat Kresaj da pojasmnil, da se je brata Pleseta pozvalo k redu, ker se ni držal dnevnega reda. Kar se tiče razmotrivanja o pravilih, misli, da imajo

za to pravico in da ne žele, da brat Pleske pride na njihove seje in jim diktira, kaj in kako naj razpravlja na njihovi seji.

Brat Trčelj poroča, da bi društva

kaj ukrenila na dnevnik Prosveta, da

je njihovo društvo dal \$10 v ta na-

men. Brat Ambrožič priporoča, da bi

se društva naročila na dnevnik, kjer

je to mogoče.

Sledete prošnje se odobre: št. 365

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Declaration of Principles,
SNPJ By-laws.

PROSVETA

ENGLISH SECTION

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FOR MEMBERS OF SLOVENE NATIONAL BENEFIT SOCIETY AND AMERICAN SLOVENES

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 15.

Annual Session of The Supreme Board

The regular annual session of the Supreme Board was held at the Main Office of the SNPJ in Chicago, February 6—10, 1932. This was the last meeting of the present Supreme Board members before the 10th Regular Convention which shall be held in Chicago next May. That this session was very important will be evidenced from the minutes and from the following excerpts:

Substantial increase in financial strength was indicated from the Supreme Secretary's report. The increase in assets for the second half of the past year shows a net gain of \$190,910.45; total assets of the SNPJ on Dec. 31, 1932, were \$5,534,702.41.

On December 31, 1932, there were 32,797 active members in the Adult Department and 15,498 in the Juvenile Department. Passive members—7,271 in Adult Department and 606 in Juvenile Department. Total membership of the SNPJ at the beginning of this year—48,295.

The disability fund is in deficit. Last year the sum of \$121,083.24 was paid from this fund, while the corresponding income was only \$74,464.66 or \$46,618.68 less than the total assessment paid into this fund. On these bases the assessment for the disability fund was 12 cents below the actual payments.

On the other hand the sick benefit fund showed a surplus of \$85,268.20 at the end of the year. The emergency fund, however, is completely exhausted. The Supreme Board decided that loans for assessments shall be granted only for death and sick benefit, the latter up to one dollar sick benefit, and not more than for a period of three months in one year. This becomes effective March 1.

Assessment for the Juvenile members will be suspended for the month of April and May.

Two plans to readjust the sick benefit system and two for the disability class were submitted for consideration.

A strong sentiment prevailed among the Supreme Board officers to make the daily Prosveseta an official members' paper, and the Administrative Committee was instructed to formulate a concrete plan to that affect, to be published in the near future.

Instructing the Financial Committee to invest the Society's money only in good municipal, state and federal bonds, members of this important committee agreed to buy only federal bonds. In this connection it was decided that the Financial Committee with the help of the Supreme Treasurer prepare a detailed itemized report on all the bonds and loans which the Society has in its possession, and to present the report to the delegates of the coming convention.

The next convention shall meet and convene as of old—in plenary sessions. A plan to the contrary—to meet in committees—was defeated.

Suggestions for the convention by the Supreme Board members shall be in the hands of the Supreme President not later than March 15. The President then prepares their plans for publication in booklet form; in it will be found also important facts in English.

Two special committees were named to investigate various disputes and charges. Two Athletic Board members were found guilty of embezzlement. The sum involved was about

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Milwaukee News

Milwaukee, Wis.—Our meeting was held last Friday in spite of the biting cold, although the attendance was meager and those that did come heard no sizzling from the radiators, as a result we all sat around with our heavy coats on. The session, nevertheless, lasted longer than usual and brought forth a lively discussion on several topics which helped to warm up the atmosphere somewhat.

Because of the smaller attendance the election of delegate was postponed one month in order that more members can participate in the election. The committee on revision of by-laws made its report and furnished considerable material for thought.

In going over the Slovene section of the Prosveseta I note that there are several contributors who favor a reduction of salaries for supreme officers. Because of such ideas I want to present my own viewpoint for what it may be worth.

Each and every member should bear in mind that we are no longer a small or mediocre organization, but the largest Slovene organization of its kind, with a membership in the neighborhood of 50,000, and with funds aggregating several millions of dollars. The fulfillment of the executive duties entailed thereto in an expedite manner is by no means a minor performance, but requires officers of good executive caliber who not only possess a knowledge of technical details but are also men of good judgement, a significant factor not to be ignored.

The doctrine expounded by the SNPJ has always been to pay the laborer in full for the product of his toil, and yet here and there we see an article in the Prosveseta which advocates a reduction of salaries which would put the salaries far below that paid by that opponent, the capitalist, which they so emphatically denounce and criticize for withholding a share of the product of one's toil. I ask you, my dear brothers and sisters, can it be that we do not practice what we preach, or is it because some of our members are not aware of the responsibilities that burden our supreme officers?

I believe that it would be extremely detrimental to decrease salaries and I cannot stress too strongly the fallacy of such a procedure. In the course of my experience I have seen such action to be a loss to an organi-

Silver Stars of Yukon

Yukon, Pa.—Last Sunday the Yukon Silver Stars held their second meeting at which the membership heard just what the local made at their 2nd Anniversary, January 23. Each and every one of them that didn't know beforehand was quite surprised that we took in such an immense profit in times like these. It just goes to show that whatever the Silver Stars attempt to do, it is done and done right, and others know that we give them their money's worth, that is why we see them back time and time again.

Do Your Bit

You can do your bit to help the daily Prosveseta. At our last meeting some members said, "Why should we buy the Prosveseta when we can't read the Slovene language?" That is no attitude to take towards the Prosveseta. You shall know, if you don't, that the Prosveseta belongs and is published by the SNPJ. And to save our Society we must help it in any way we can. Even if a person cannot read his mother tongue, then it is time he or she should. By reading such articles (Slovene) daily you will acquire the knowledge of reading Slovene quite easily and there's nothing better than to know how to read, write and speak your mother language.

Supreme Board Reports

The Supreme Board met on Feb. 6 for the last time before the coming convention. From July to January a total of 4580 active members has been lost including passive, deceased, expelled members. Juvenile membership dropped 625. A total of 16,408 of these Juveniles belong to the SNPJ today; 7271 members retired on the

passive list lowering the total of active membership to 48,295. That is the report of the membership and you can readily see that something must be done at the next convention. (For other reports of the board refer to Feb. 8 edition of the Prosveseta on the front page.)

Select a Delegate

The four English Speaking lodges of Westmoreland Co. have merged to produce enough membership to enable them to send a delegate to Chicago this coming May. Latrobe has already nominated theirs, as well as Herminie and Yukon. We've yet to hear from West Newton.

Action Galore

The Silver Stars have been in quite a bit of action in basketball since the last report, but a sad report is made, only one game has been won out of the last five, but the team played first class teams like Herminie Eureka, Mt. Pleasant News and Scottsdale Waverly being defeated by a scant margin in each game. More co-operation is needed by some members of the team; some players just sit at home and wait to be taken to a game. More reports next week.

Weather Forecast

Out from Chicago, Lindy sends a message that it's colder than Alaska. New low temperatures were reached in the West while out here in the East, especially in New York and Boston, new highs were reached for Feb. 8 with 56° and 68° above, respectively. Getting back to Lindy, he announces that the Strugglers will celebrate their 6th Birthday on April 22 and 23. You will get a treat if you attend. So long!

Herman Preseren.

The Reveliers' Column

Ambridge, Pa.—On Feb. 17 the Reveliers will hold their monthly meeting. President Grandovic will open the meeting promptly at 7:30 p.m. In addition to the usual routine a delegate for the May convention will be elected. Every member is expected to attend.

Those members who are in need of financial aid to pay their assessments must come to the meeting personally to make application. Chairman Gaul's entertainment committee has something new to spring on the members for the post-meeting fun. Local entertainers will be on hand.

Every Revelier is invited, as are members from the Nas Dom lodges and Excelsiors.

Things are quiet locally. The elderly folks are working part-time; the young folks are still on furlough. With time on their hands one may wonder what they do. Cards are a favorite pastime. A few are jig-saw fans. Some of the lads kick a soccer ball around the lot, zero weather notwithstanding. Basketball has a few Rev followers. And almost nightly there is the usual gathering at Rocky's doing plenty of chinning.

ALL THAT SORT OF THING. Two Cleveland lads, Leo Perusek and Max Traven, have already won a delegate's distinction. The best of luck, my lads, the best of luck. Cupid is idle in Rev ranks lately; very,

very, and very idle. . . . A. D. of the Badgers, I wouldn't mind. . . . Mary Podboy of the Strabane Pioneers writes that her lodge has already selected Dec. 26 for the lodge's social date, which continues a Pioneer tradition. Verona has plans for Dec. 31. . . . Such early planning ought to make folks notice that Pennsy E. S. lodges are in the activity group to stay. . . . A comprehensive study of SNPJ finances are bound to be had at the coming convention. Data on this important subject should be printed in these pages. Gradual study of all SNPJ matters is better than trying to cram into a too short space a multitude of subjects. And May is only a few months away. . . .

At times this column will contain things that may not appeal to some, but don't get the impression that it will be the bellowing of a depraved mind. These things may be along lines that others are touchy about, and they'll deal with SNPJ by-laws, etc. But I ask you: Why a convention unless changes and improvements are expected?? In reading a periodical published in 1916 I came upon the following lines: "Democracy in politics came first, and Socialism is only the extension of democracy in politics" and "Inequality is the fact in human society however regarded."

. . . Most of Bro. Baribe's spurious interest me very little. . . . Strings ought to be heard in these pages again. . . . Until again, so long. . . . Louis Koscela.



FLASHERS

By Incognito

We are all set for a big meeting Friday, February 17, 1932, Pioneers. Every member should manage to attend and help in the selection of our delegates for the May convention. From advance indications it looks as if a lot of interest has been centered on these elections. And rightly so. It is an important event, one that is offered us only once every four years. Sandwiches and other refreshments shall be served and the usual drawing shall be for \$2.00.

At Friday's meeting we shall also determine the winner in the Pioneer tax warrant sales contest. The 58 assessors are requested to be at the meeting and to bring with them all of the sold and unsold tax warrants. Donald Lotrich is leading in the total sales with 133. Frances and Katherine Zupan are next in line with 115. A complete list of the assessors and sales shall be listed immediately after the close of the contest.

There wasn't anything doing in basketball this past week. Our boys will have played off the first game of a two game series to determine the winner of the Donat League on Tuesday, Feb. 14, and the other game either Monday or Tuesday, Feb. 21 or 22. These games will be thrillers. You should see them.

The Pioneers are anxious to play a post season basketball game with either the Loyalties or the Young Americans. Can such a game or perhaps such a series of games be arranged?

Incidentally, the Supreme Board convened last week and passed upon many vital problems for the Society.

All of the tickets for the Pioneer Post Valentine Dance have been distributed. Members seeking more should get them from their fellow-members. We have hopes that the attendance shall be the largest we have ever had for a Valentine dance. But let each of us give it another boost this week. Nothing like making sure that the job is well done.

Because of the severe weather the Dance Committee cancelled last Tues-

day's meeting. It shall be held this week to check up on the various functions and to secure reliable and dependable servants. There is a reawakening. At least so it seems. That spirit and interest must prevail Saturday, Feb. 18. Frankie Gradišek and his Melody Monarchs are going to keep it there if you members can bring it with you.

An unemployed local of the Workers Committee on Unemployment was organized last Monday night, at the SNPJ Hall. Some 40 signed applications. The call for such an organization was issued by the Chicago District Federation of SNPJ in order to secure for our needy proper rations and relief from Chicago's Charities. Another meeting is called for Wednesday, Feb. 22, at the SNPJ Hall. Every SNPJ member employed or unemployed may join, for the stronger the organization the greater the influence.

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Some more dope for individualism. The Postoffice system in Great Britain, also operating the telephone and telegraph services, has had the largest income in its history. While Uncle Sam's postoffice system lost money last year the British system gained 2.01% on its surplus profit for 1932. Then they tell us government ownership and collectivism break down individual initiative. To the contrary, the breakdown of private initiative forces government control. Private initiative has gone to the "doges". Give it another kick by demanding government ownership.

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For a high fever, sponging with water as cool as can be borne, or alcohol and water, is usually sufficient. The bowels should be kept open with epsom salts. Where there is fluid between the chest wall and membrane of the lungs, a needle is usually inserted by the doctor to draw out the fluid.

As soon as the fever subsides and the tongue clears, a more liberal diet may be allowed, such as fish, chicken, red meat, etc. To restore the patient's general health and nerve tone, first—suitable hygienic and dietary measures should be followed and proper tonics should be taken. Second—proper stimulation to strengthen the action of the heart by heart stimulants and tonics is necessary. Third—it is necessary to promote free action of the bowels and kidneys. Fourth—administer such internal remedies as are useful for promoting absorption of inflammatory products or fluids of the chest and lung wall.

John J. Zavertnik, M. D.

Health Talks

PLEURISY

Pleurisy is an inflammation of the pleura (membrane enveloping the lungs and lining the walls of the chest cavity). It may be acute or chronic. The causes of pleurisy are: First—exposure to cold and wet. Second—to inflammatory diseases of adjacent structures of the lungs, such as pneumonia or tuberculosis of the lung. Third—processes that lessen tissue and body resistance, such as fevers, cancer, Bright's disease, etc. Fourth—injuries to the chest. Fifth—tuberculosis.

In most instances, an attack of pleurisy sets in with slight shivering, followed by fever, pain in the side of the chest and coughing. The pain is stabbing, localized and increased by deep breathing and coughing. There may be headache and a general feeling of discomfort. There is also loss of appetite. In children the chill is usually replaced by vomiting, sometimes, by convulsions.

The cases of simple pleurisy due to infection and the result of exposure, regularly recover. The recovery is usually complete in from four to six weeks. In other cases, usually tuberculosis, it may take months before recovery is made. In children and young adults pleurisy is rarely fatal. In advanced age pleurisy is more fatal.

In many instances of mild pleurisy, unaccompanied by a pronounced symptom, spontaneous recovery doubtless occurs,—possibly with slight adhesions of the chest wall and lungs remaining as a consequence. In all more pronounced cases, however, rest in bed is necessary, and should be continued until acute symptoms stop. The patient should be kept in a room about 65° to 70° F. with plenty of fresh air and sunshine, and also be protected against drafts. The patient should be cared for amid pleasant surroundings, his mind kept at ease, and a hopeful mental attitude maintained.

The diet should consist of milk and milk foods, soups, meat extracts, beaten eggs, etc. The patient should have plenty of water, lemonade, orange juice and other fruit juices. Tonics, such as cod liver oil, viosterol, iron, liver and malt preparations, are a great value to a quick recovery.

To the localized painful area in the chest various forms of hot applications should be applied, such as poultices, wet dressings, or a hot water bag, electric pad, warm camphor oil can be applied. Heat applied by means of a therapeutic lamp is helpful. Violet ray treatments are the Akron Zippers articles?

By Oh

Barberton, O.—The Buckeye girls spent an enjoyable evening at the home of Sister Alice Janesh, Thursday, while stringing cotton for our dance. Friday was also an evening spent well down at the hall by helping with decoration. We wish to thank every one who came out to help.

I'll tell you all about how successful our dance was next Thursday.

Some of the feminine members missed Bro. Joe Znidarsic and wondered where he could have gone on the night of our last meeting and decoration nights.

Incognito wrote a nice article. The "Two Beacon Bachelorettes" are certainly anxious to meet Saint and Sinner. (Did you meet the "Ideal Man"? What happened to "Jay" who writes the Akron Zippers articles?)

Spirit-O-Grams

By Whoosit

St. Louis, Mo.—Altho' it was zero weather "We" had a very good attendance at our recent meeting, which was the best for some time,—hoping "We" ditto the March meeting and after have a good old-fashioned "Koffee Klatch," eh?

Bro. John Matosich from Lodge 679 was present at our meeting and spoke in regards of the coming SNPJ convention, to which he is a candidate for delegate.—No doubt you have previously read that the Spirits have merged with lodges 309, 679, 389, 591 and 301. There are three candidates for delegate—Bro. Matosich from 679, Bro. Starman of 301 and Bro. John Spiller from Spirit of St. Louis. Let the best and most capable man win for a bigger and better SNPJ.

Our "Lotto" has been postponed until Fall, and plans for a Jubilee dance—boat excursions and outings are to go underway soon.

An invitation has been received from Gorska Vila 309 and Granitoid (CFU) to attend their joint entertainment and dance Feb. 26 held at the Crystal Ballroom, 13th and Madison ave., Madison, Ill. What do you say? "Spirits," let's get together and return some co-operation to these two lodges who have always attended our affairs.

The program will consist of a 3-act play ("Three in One"), vocal and musical numbers, and the famous Ukrainian Dancers will feature the program. Joe Ladd and his orchestra (9 pieces) will render the musical dance selections. The admission is

As I See It

By Agebe

I wonder how the lady in the bakery shop who told me very seriously last week that it was so terribly cold because there was so much snow reconciles the fact that while there is still so much snow, it is so warm today.

The ugly aftermath of a beautiful though cold blizzard is upon us. The snow is sooty, the roofs are fringed with dripping water; the streets are like muddy country roads, and the stockings of the ladies are bespattered as they slosh along in their galoshes.

Right here, if anywhere, is a better reason than any Marlene Dietrich has given, to adopt mere man's attire.

Yearly Meeting

At SNPJ Hall last week the Supreme officers were in session, and did they have cold feet! I mean literally, of course. It got so cold, they were forced to move from center front to the sheltered north wall and the radiators, where, presumably, it was so comfortable that they stayed until Friday.

It was an important meeting, the last before the convention in May, and much business was transacted.

Convention

This month and next will see all our delegates elected.

There seems to be a mad scramble among candidates everywhere, and already some interesting results are known. It's going to be momentous convention, and none can be blamed for wanting to take part, but since everyone can't win, let's hope that he who does is the best man in every case.

Music in the Air

When the time comes for me to teach a little girl I know how to listen to music, I shall see that she hears "Flight of the Bumble Bee" by Rimski-Korsakov. As I heard it just now on the radio, I could see a garden flooded with sunlight, bright nasturtiums, tall hollyhocks . . . and fat bumble bee circling above.

Household Hints Dept.

This is so good, you'll thank me for passing it on: Raisins and pecan halves, mixed, make a delicious chewy tid-bit to serve your bridge playing guests.

Wolverine Lodge

Detroit.—We are not going to ask you if you were there. We are not going to tell you that you missed a good time. By now you ought to know it yourself. But here's what we are telling you: The Wolverine Sports Club is holding another DANCE featuring AMBASSADORS with BILLY MUNROE, the hot-chu boy. The date is Friday, FEBRUARY 17, 1933, and the place is the Slovene Hall, corner of Livernois and South Streets. Dancing from 8 till—? The admission is 25c. As one old sage said, "Be ye here that were not there."

SNOWBALLS! SNOWBALLS! and more SNOWBALLS. The snow is going to fly, and how! This is going to be SNOWBALL DANCE with hot-chu Billy giving you a taste of hot, rhythmic music that will make you forget that there was ever such a thing as cold. Come and find out if you still have good aim with SNOWBALLS. 'Course, these are going to be artificial, what did you think? Don't sneak any real ones in.

Girls! Did you know that there were fifty men at our last dance before there was a girl in the place? But when they started, it seemed as if the girls would never stop coming. Oh, this depression.

Although we had a large crowd at our last dance, we expect to see a much larger crowd at this dance. Wolverines, Young Americans, and their friends, we want to see especially. Don't disappoint us. You are sure of a good time.

Publicity Committee.

Detroit News

The Detroit SNPJ Federation met on Jan. 20, 27, and Feb. 3, to discuss the SNPJ By-Laws. The following are some changes recommended by the federation:

Convention.—That not more than one Supreme board officer can be elected to any convention committee; that the \$3 a day sick benefit be discontinued; that applicants and members between the ages of 35 and 45 can only insure for \$1 a day sick benefit; that applicants and members between the ages of 45 and 50 can only insure for \$250 death benefit, no sick benefit. Should a shortage occur in the sick benefit fund, the Supreme board or the Administrative committee may reduce the sick benefit payments to 25 per cent during the shortage.

That initiation fees to be reduced from \$1 to 50¢ in all funds, assessments into the sick benefit fund to be changed as recommended by the Yugoslav Brotherhood Federation. Other assessments to be reduced if possible. The Sick benefits, Disability benefits and the Compensation for operations to be changed as recommended by J. B. F. Sick members to be visited twice a week instead of three times. Change Funeral expenses to not exceed \$200 instead of \$250. Expelled member who dies within 30 days the Society shall pay \$150 death benefit instead of \$250.

Any member punished with expulsion for any criminal act may, after payment of a penalty for said offense, be reinstated by the Branch with the authority of the Administrative committee. That members accepting a position piloting airplanes must become passive; members passive on account of employment as a shot firer in hazardous mine, armed watchman, enlisting in army or navy or as pilot, the Society shall pay not more than \$100. Passiveness of such member shall continue not longer than one year. Member passive on account of suspension of employment, the Society shall pay death benefit of not less than \$150, for members who are in the Society more than three months and less than two years prior to their passiveness, an additional \$10 a year shall be added for every year after the two year period, the amount not to exceed the total death benefit the member was insured for.

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Beacon Highlights

Newburgh, O.—The date for our next gala affair has finally been set. Our Confetti Dance is scheduled for May 7 at the Slovene Labor Auditorium. We beg our neighboring lodges to reserve this date for us.

We wish to welcome Sister Anna Traven into our midst. Sister Anna Traven transferred from the senior lodge "Na Jutroven."

A Beacon quartet attended Strugger's Annual Valentine Dance and reported a wonderful time. The Beacons who attended this social event brought back to Newburgh an extra heart. As far as Strugger hospitality is concerned, we refer you to Bro. Aynik.

We'll be with the New Era on Feb. 25, to sample some more of your delicious kranjske klobase. We still bear in mind the Sampling Banquet of 1932.

In last week's article we mentioned that Max F. Traven was elected delegate, but forgot to tell you that Frank Stemberger, member of Lodge Tabor No. 139, was elected alternate.

The exhibit at the Slovene Home on St. Clair avenue turned out to be a great success. Crowds attended the exhibit throughout. All who took part in the program given performed their parts exceptionally well. We were glad to see many young people take interest in it and attend.

The entertainment committee for the Cleveland Federation gigantic event to take place March 12, is working hard, trying to make this program one of the best ever sponsored. Since the admission is reasonable every one should make an effort to attend. Two Beacon Bachelorettes.

Loyalite News

Cleveland.—In the feature game at the St. Clair bathhouse last Wednesday the Loyalites lost to the Clarendonians. Kasimir Nerkowski, former East high school star forward, strengthened the Loyalite offence which could not hold the stellar work of Zalokar and Peck. Blazinski made some spectacular one-handed shots which fairly brought the crowd to its feet. "Maxie" Malavasic played his usual hard game. The score was 29-27.

The Comrades are due an apology for the write-up last week in reference to the Comrades being on and the Loyalites off in the recent clash between the two teams. "Grange" Laurich brought this to my attention at the last game and I take this means of extending my most sincere apologies to those concerned. O. K., Grange?

A big surprise or rather the Loyalite entertainment committee hopes it will be, in the big March affair we are planning. Full particulars are forthcoming in a succeeding issue of the Prosveta.

Charles Gorup, former President of Loyalites, broke his wrist recently and has been on the shelf since.

Mary Bokal, daughter of the former sec'y. of Lodge "Mir," was stricken with "flu" and was ill for several weeks. She is now recovered and is well as ever.

Max Malavasic, former "Strugger," has shown great form on the Loyalite basketball team. At present he is playing at guard and is doing a bang up job of it. Just a big, good-natured, witty ladies' man is Maxie.

Many Gornik is seen attending all our games and is an ardent Loyalite fan. We wish more of the members would attend the games and give us a helping hand.

Some of the old-timers ought to come active again and give us a helping hand. We need a few more members to help us make our next affair a success in view of the fact that the last two affairs were failures financially.

August Prusnick.

Keystonian Shavings

Herminie, Pa.—The Keystonians at their regular Feb. meeting elected Martin Urana, Sec'y., as candidate for delegate to the 10th Regular Convention. Due to the depression and economic conditions of the day this convention will be the most important since the Society's time. A big task awaits each and every delegate who's sincere duty it will be to faithfully represent his lodge and members and Society as a whole. One whose mind should never be occupied by anything else but the interests of his Society. The Society is confronted by various obstacles which the convention shall have to remedy somewhat, if it wishes to thrive much longer.

Reports show that June, 1932, the number of active members was 37,000 and July 1 to Dec. 30 the members dropped to 32,000. This shows a drop of 5,000 members in 6 months. The number of passive members is steadily increasing, making it very urgent that something should be done to prevent members from becoming passive and dropping out.

The disability fund is most drastically hit, where reports show that in 1932 \$121,000.00 was paid out for disability, where, on the other hand only \$74,000.00 was paid into the fund. This shows that the Society slipped in the hole for \$46,000.00 in the previous year.

The sick benefit fund at the close of 1932 still had a little lead of \$85,000.00. Practically all funds are exhausted and the critical danger is creeping upon us.

I wish to state that lodges who haven't yet elected delegates to select the ones who are real workers in this fraternal world of ours. One who understands the principles of the SNPJ (and how they function) and capable to present his opinion of those he represents. One who has the interest of the lodge and Society at heart.

Martin Urana, Secretary.

Muskeeters' Musings

Moon Run, Pa.—The dance that was held by the Muskeeters Feb. 4 was a great success. Even though the weather was against us, we had a very nice crowd. Among the SNPJ lodges represented were the Excelsior, Lucky Stars and a lone Silver Star, Miss Jennie Zaloker. I wish to thank those who attended the dance. I also wish to thank the girls for their splendid co-operation in helping to make this a success.

"Lost" or "Stranded"

Prexy Urunker who came to the dance just in time to close it. What's the matter, Prexy? Couldn't you find your way in the snow storm?

The \$250 gold piece was "given away" at the dance instead of the Federation meeting as all of the tickets were not sold at the meeting. The winner was Wm. Bogatay. Congrats.

The monthly meeting was very well attended. After the meeting we had a little entertainment and a good time was had by all. The next monthly meeting will be held Thurs. eve, March 2. Please attend. Auditing committee please make it your business to audit the books at the March meeting.

The Secretary wishes to remind the members to pay their lodge dues on time. Please do not make it necessary for her to remind you each month. Co-operation on the part of each member will be appreciated.

Anniversary Dance

The Muskeeters' Third Anniversary Dance will be held May 30. Please keep this date open. Remember to have a good time May 30. You must get there and make merry with the Muskeeters.

If you aren't doing anything special Sat. eve, Feb. 25, attend the Mask Ball which one of our Senior lodges is holding in the Moon Run Slovene Hall.

F. Arch.

SNPJ Convention 1933

Pittsburgh, Pa.—Just a few more months and the eyes of the entire SNPJ membership will be directed to the city of Chicago, where the delegates from the lodges will gather in the quadrennial meeting to deliberate and mutually discuss matters which are vital to the best interests of the Society. The delegates from the lodges will gather in the quadrennial meeting to deliberate and mutually discuss matters which are vital to the best interests of the Society. The delegates from the lodges will gather in the quadrennial meeting to deliberate and mutually discuss matters which are vital to the best interests of the Society. The delegates from the lodges will gather in the quadrennial meeting to deliberate and mutually discuss matters which are vital to the best interests of the Society. The delegates from the lodges will gather in the quadrennial meeting to deliberate and mutually discuss matters which are vital to the best interests of the Society.

The Comrades are due an apology for the write-up last week in reference to the Comrades being on and the Loyalites off in the recent clash between the two teams. "Grange" Laurich brought this to my attention at the last game and I take this means of extending my most sincere apologies to those concerned. O. K., Grange?

A big surprise or rather the Loyalite entertainment committee hopes it will be, in the big March affair we are planning. Full particulars are forthcoming in a succeeding issue of the Prosveta.

Charles Gorup, former President of Loyalites, broke his wrist recently and has been on the shelf since.

Mary Bokal, daughter of the former sec'y. of Lodge "Mir," was stricken with "flu" and was ill for several weeks. She is now recovered and is well as ever.

Max Malavasic, former "Strugger," has shown great form on the Loyalite basketball team. At present he is playing at guard and is doing a bang up job of it. Just a big, good-natured, witty ladies' man is Maxie.

Many Gornik is seen attending all our games and is an ardent Loyalite fan. We wish more of the members would attend the games and give us a helping hand.

Some of the old-timers ought to come active again and give us a helping hand. We need a few more members to help us make our next affair a success in view of the fact that the last two affairs were failures financially.

August Prusnick.

years. Let the delegates bear this in mind when they meet in Chicago.

Let us not be awayed by emotion or impulse of the moment to act against our usual good judgement, but let us keep the one thought in mind—that we meet to promote the future interest of the Society and to safeguard our members and those dependent on them.

If the delegates all come prepared to do this, and if they have a mutual desire to devote their efforts for the welfare of all members and the entire Society, then we can be happy with the thought that the Convention will go down in history as one of progress and public evidence of the spirit of the true Fraternalism.

F. J. Kress.

Integrity News

Chicago.—Writing an article is like working a jigsaw puzzle . . . you don't know just where to begin. However, once started it has an uncanny way of working out by itself. I often wonder where our feature writers get all of their ideas to write week after week with such apparent ease and brilliance. Perhaps it's all in their natural or acquired ability and my lacking.

As a sort of final resume of our Fifth Anniversary, I wish to extend the heartiest best wishes and congratulations to all who participated either as part of the audience or performers to the cast "Spooky Tavern," who so ably presented their various parts. A. Grilz, as Willie, the timorous and stuttering Frenchman, had the audience reeling with laughter, and A. Heidenreich, as Bedelia had 'em all howling; and that frightful medium, Lucy, played by J. Wittic, had many a person gasping with fright . . . and Lou, played by J. Abram, with his brutal and snarling disposition, had practically all wishing they were at home and safe; it remained for the ghost woman played by A. Grilz, to wipe away all resistance and fortitude that they had left . . . and the tough pseudo gingers portrayed by A. Knez and E. Heidenreich, well, we're glad that they are respectable citizens . . . Cookies as Joyce, was indeed sweet and delightful—many a masculine heart beat faster. Betty Loska as Flora was as sweet as any girl could be (oh, were I but triplital) . . . And the two boys, Terry and Ralph, played by Joe Schweiger and Andy Podlesnik, had all the feminine hearts tumbling with ecstasy.

Each of us have been endowed with a certain amount of mental and physical equipment. Through education we have increased our knowledge and ability and perfected it thru practice. Such a development brings out the latent power of an individual. Unless you put it to use, such power remains dormant and of no benefit to you or yours. One of the best ways to make use of your power is TO USE IT FOR THE PROMOTION OF YOUR LODGE ACTIVITIES.

Many men and women have discovered that they have ability and power

THRU THEIR LODGE ACTIVITIES.

Have some of you Pioneers,

ever asked yourself whether your faculties are dormant?

Lodge News Notes

MASK BALL

Presto, Pa.—Where are you going on Saturday, Feb. 25? Why not attend a good old Masquerade Dance? Such a dance is being planned by SNPJ Lodge No. 186 and will be held in the Barbara's Hall here. A good orchestra (The Royal Pennsylvanians) composed of young members of this Lodge, will be engaged for the evening from 8 to 12 o'clock. The admission is only 40c for the gents and 25c for the ladies. Prizes will be given to the prettiest and to the most comic of the masqueraders. Come all and have a good time.

Clarence Widmar.

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Just Commenting

Chicago.—Friday, Feb. 17, the Pioneers shall decide who will be our two delegates, and there will be some refreshments and entertainment. It is very important that all who have the right to cast a ballot should be present. Pioneers, the most important thing following the election of delegates is our Post-Valentine Dance which falls on the next day. Times are hard, and your entertainment committee tries to make an interesting affair after each meeting in order to have our membership always in a good spirit. It is helping many of us who are broke to be able to have a good time. If we wish to carry on our work, we must have support for this dance. We have always had lots of fun, and I am sure we want more. We must help ourselves.

Our lodge is the only English Speaking lodge to have the right of two delegates, and at the last convention this was true, too. We shall have five Pioneers on the convention floor, and they are: Dr. John J. Zavertnik, Supreme Medical Examiner; Donald J. Lotrich, Second Vice-President of the SNPJ; John Olip, of the Financial Committee; and two delegates. It is interesting to know according to the financial list printed in last week's Prosveseta that our lodge is the sixth largest lodge in the SNPJ. Another thing to be noted, and it is shocking, is the fact that there is a very great percentage of English Speaking lodges with less than twenty-five members. This is really a deplorable condition.

I see Waukegan Little Forts will have a delegate, whereas at the last convention they were not able to make the grade, although they were close. This is fine, but another lodge in Cleveland has fallen. The Pioneers, Young Americans, Comrades, Badgers, and Strugglers have held their ground since the last convention. The Sunflowers of Arma, Kansas, have ninety-four, but I feel sure that they must have gotten at least six to fix things up. I acknowledge the fact that it was worth while to try. Here's hoping that they have, for at the last convention they sent the well-liked Frank Leksha who was later accidentally killed in the mine. How many E. S. delegates will there really be? Will we have twenty present? I have grave doubts.

When a lodge has two opposing factions, or two men who do not like each other who bitterly fight one another compelling the membership to take sides, they should stop. The general membership, when approached, will be found to oppose quarreling. No one loves a meeting where bitter debates occur, and that statement is a law as hard as granite. Lodges grow because the membership is active and enjoyable. The leaders who oppose each other should step aside for a new man who gives not one damn for either side. The lodge will grow better than it did before, or it will at least hold its ground. These lines are written for a lodge in a small town who have such a situation. The senior lodge is very strong, and the E. S. lodge is in existence for a number of years always with a small membership. This lodge by all circumstantial facts is supposed to be larger than it is. There is something wrong, and it will be corrected, or else? Always for several years when I read and study the financial report of all lodges every six months, I find this one lodge around the same darn number. Pennsylvania has not one English Speaking lodge with a membership of one hundred members. Every good SNPJ member who knows about it, or believes he does, better step up and remedy this situation. The main thing by every good member is to advance.

Oscar R. Godina,

Human Struggles

Detroit.—I just dread to contemplate of the untold sufferings among the people of this country. A country which has plenty of everything, including money which is scarce.

In Detroit the auto workers are beginning to wake up to the fact that they are being underpaid and have gone out on a series of strikes, but in no case have they succeeded in gaining what they set out to get, because the companies have always been able to get strike-breakers to take their places under police protection. A statement that Karl Marx brought against the capitalist system many years ago holds true today, that it creates a labor reserve at the command of the employer and thus sets up competition between workers for jobs rather than between employers for workers.

The companies know their limit better than the laborer knows either his own limit or that of the company for which he works. The employer's knowledge of his own position is sometimes shown in an effective "bluff" or "stall." And this has been the case in Detroit against a strike that was not fully organized.

Organization strengthens capitalist. Why not the workers organize to strengthen themselves against the capitalists? The capitalists have a greater capacity of waiting than have the workers. "The destruction of the poor is their poverty." The capitalists have wealth and the workers have the few crumbs which they are given by the various welfare units, which the workers have to pay for. Capitalists organize to influence public opinion to their advantage. (Why not the unemployed and poorly paid wage slaves?) A good instance of this was the enormous advertising

campaigning they put through, shortly after the war, which glorified the so-called "American plan" of individual rather than organized bargaining, of the "open" rather than the "closed" shop, which meant that the workers should not avail themselves of the same benefit of organization which the capitalists were at that moment enjoying. There are today many commercial organizations existing for the use of the capitalists in controlling labor.

The most treacherous type of organization to which the capitalists may appeal (as being the case with the Illinois Miners) is the labor detective bureau which, though no clash between employer and employee has come, will place spies among the workers or buy out the non-loyal workers; these fellows will work themselves into the union and often become union officers (like some officials of the United Mine Workers)—all the time, of course, reporting their findings to their employer. Such organizations have in the past and at present (like Kansas and Illinois miners) taken complete charge for the employers of strikes and have furnished strike-breakers and thugs, and bed and board for these within the mine or factory inclosure, with special protection to help protect them.

Would you imagine telephone girls going on strike now, when their employers could install automatic switchboards on short notice, which they are doing right along, regardless. America is right now suffering from that kind of unemployment, the supplanting of human labor by mechanical devices and not distributing the hours accordingly.

The "truck" system (which we thought was disappearing but is coming back again very rapidly) of payment in whole or in part in goods rather than in money, robs the worker of a large part of his independence, and reduces his wages. The value which the employer sets upon the goods furnished is always high; receiving his pay in goods and not in money, the want of cash keeps him from moving. Under the truck system, in the simplest form, food, clothing, and shelter may be furnished to the worker and the cost deducted from the nominal cash wage, if indeed there is any cash wage. The worker is also paid in metal checks or tokens which may be exchanged for supplies only at the employer's commissary. To think that this exists in our country today. What comes nearer to the Medieval serfdom than the "truck" system of today. Yet this type of wages is used on the Mississippi cotton plantations, in construction or lumber camps and in many mining camps all over the country.

It is time for the workers (brain and manual) to unite fraternally and politically. Use your political power to transfer the means of production to the state, where it rightfully belongs and free the wage slaves from their misery.

Will the delegates who go to the convention have in mind that "united you stand, divided you fall"? Our SNPJ is a powerful organization and will only be so if you stay united and put your shoulder against it and help it along in times of distress. Don't have a fight between yourselves, you are hurting no one else but yourself and at great expense, you have in your hands a Slovene organization and not personal glory to deal with.

Sam Kavie, Member Lodge 564.

ZIDANA MARELA"

Cleveland, O.—The Ameriška Domovina (American Home) tried with all its might to make the dance given by the Socialist Club 49 Christmas day, Dec. 25, a failure. But their plan and tricks did not succeed. The hall was filled with young and old merrymakers. Jack Nagel's Crusaders made them whirl around with dreamy fox-trots and waltzes. Once in a while they made them twirl with Slovene polkas such as "Jaz na ti zidana marea." The cop, who was also dance inspector, had never been here before. He got scared and stopped a couple, saying, they might get hurt. When the undersigned explained that this is the one step style of the old country dancing and that no one was ever hurt, he agreed to permit its being used.

We should have closed at midnight, but who wanted to go home when the next day was another Christmas. We said to the law, "Go home, and we'll have a private party." So with Jack Nagel at the piano, Tony Sernel on the sax and F. Barbi Jr. on his accordion—the trio serenaded till 3 a.m. The rooster crowed and we went home—sweet home. Everybody was happy—even a lot of Strugglers who were present. One Struggler said, "It was a d— good article on the Republican Cleveland Railway Co.", so he received a reward—a sandwich.

The Socialist dance was a moral and financial success. What has to say Mr. Pire, editor of Ameriška Domovina?

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Who are Mr. Pire and Mr. Yaka Debeve? They think they are two shrewd politicians of the Democratic party. Their paper, the American Home, supports this party and it is as changeable as the weather on Lake Erie. Today they are freethinkers and even socialists. Tomorrow they have changed again, but at the end of the week they are still Catholics and democrats.

They know how to fish for votes among the ignorant Slovenes and deliver these up to the big political bosses. They promise the poor fishes

jobs, but only a few are rewarded including, of course, Pire and Debeve. The rest are waiting, and will continue to wait.

We, who are telling this to the masses, are attacked by this reactionary sheet, its editors and their friends. They can't scare us, as they are not even democrats. They do not know what democracy is, otherwise they would not be yelling for European crowns, kings and their regimes. That is what they do, and no persons like they can teach us American history, democracy, politics, fraternalism or even religion. The true and right spirit of brotherhood is in us. So much for Mr. Pire and his sheet.

Frank Barbic.

What is this Technocracy?

Forest City, Pa.—Laurence Rogin in The New Leader writes: "The Cure-All Is Here." It took three depression years for America to develop a popular cure-all, coming from the source least expected, the engineers. But Technocracy is here, and while its "bible" has not yet been published and many of its secrets are still buried, enough has been disclosed to arouse more interest among all classes of people than any creed has in a long time. Socialists can come to some conclusions about Technocracy to see what it has value.

To the average man Technocracy cannot seem very different from Socialism. True, its conclusions may come from the engineering laboratory and not from the soap-box and the people who advocate it may be ultra-respectables rather, but certainly some of its conclusions are the same revolutionary statements that Socialists have been saying since the days of Karl Marx.

Others of its statements may be just so much nonsense but Socialists can make use of what is important without befuddling themselves with a lot of irrelevant and unimportant material.

The primary principle that the technocrats claim to have discovered is that the machine age has so developed that man no longer needs to live in poverty. They point out how technical advances have enabled one man to do many hundreds of times as much work as he could do before the industrial revolution. They have even estimated exactly how many hours would be required to give us a decent standard of living at the state of technical development now possible. We have not yet seen exactly how they arrive at these figures, but whether they are accurate to the final decimal point is not important. To

engineers engaged in the technological development here described this may be a discovery, but if they had listened to any Socialist stamp speaker in the last campaign they would have discovered that others had noticed it previously.

Another discovery of the technocrats is that this technological development is creating unemployment. Their third claim is that rapid technological change destroys the price system.

The remarks that Technocracy makes about economics, philosophy, Socialism and other aspects of life apart from engineering do nothing but show its ignorance. Where Technocracy falls down and becomes vicious is in its lack of provision for taking power. Charts may show that capitalism will collapse, but do they show that the capitalists will turn over the factories to the technologists? Such a view is Utopian. Even if the Technocratic State were something that workers should desire, and there is less chance of that than that the capitalists will make use of technology without endangering their profits, the program of the technocrats is harmful to the workers.

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Universal, Pa.—In my case, as I pointed out in my article in the Prosveseta of Jan. 11, Page 8, the transition toward the acceptance of labor philosophy was slow. What influenced me most was the writings of men like Norman Thomas, Heywood Broun and other able exponents of this philosophy, but nothing impressed me so much as an article written in the "Pittsburgh Press" about ten months ago by a "Jobless." This quotation appears word for word below. Its simple logic is so manifest that no one who can read and understand will deny the existence of conditions as he explains them, nor the solution of such conditions. It reads:

The present deplorable condition of the whole country is viewed by the majority of people as another of the periodic stagnations of trade which follow each boom of prosperity, and they are, more or less philosophical, awaiting the end of the depression and the resumption of trade.

There are, however, many factors

present in these heart-breaking times that were entirely absent in all previous depressions. Many of our most noted writers on economics are asking, "Are we witnessing the final breakdown of the profit system?"

The payrolls and salaries of all American workers never exceed the cost of production of the goods made by the workers. Wages and salaries represent the total purchasing power of the workers.

The goods produced, over and above the cost of production, represent when sold, profit.

Mills and factories cannot operate

for any considerable length of time without realizing profit.

American workers cannot buy any of the goods which when sold represent profit, because their purchasing power is limited to the buying of the goods, which when sold, cover the cost of production.

We have lost the bulk of our export sales through the imposition of tariffs and the subsequent building of hundreds of foreign branch plants by American capitalists.

Where then I ask, is the purchasing power to be found to buy the balance of the goods, the sale of which furnish the profit necessary to run the mills and factories, but remaining unsold, serve only to stop the wheels of industry, throw the workers out of employment and consequently cut off their purchasing power to buy the goods produced at cost, making the problem of disposing of profit goods an impossibility?

I fail to see any reason why mills and factories could not be run on a cost of production basis. The American worker could then, with his purchasing power, take care of the entire product. There would be no over-production and no unemployment. Such a system could be applied to every phase of activity. The necessities of the non-working owners of the plant could be taken care of without hardship to either class.

Call such a suggestion Socialism or what you care to, but the nation may shortly be forced to adopt it by sheer necessity.

I urge that we study and adopt Socialism because it would remove the cause of the present evils, which is profit. Under Socialism, profit would be expressed in human welfare and happiness, not in dollars. Socialism would give us all an abundance of the necessities which men must have before they can give their attention to the higher and more beautiful things of life.

Let us realize that a system that will no longer work must be discarded. Let us show our intelligence by

SNPJ Investments

So, Chicago, Ill.—Prior to every

convention, there is a great outcry

from a group of self-appointed econ-

omists, on the Society's investments,

stock benefit policies, special as-

sessments, etc. But most of them seem

to go off half cocked, a few giving

some constructive advice.

Taking the question of mortgages

to members, for instance, the defend-

ers of the policy of lending money

on first mortgages, point to the bad

investments in bonds that the organi-

zation has made not stopping to con-

sider that those investments were

made in so-called boom times when

everything touched seemed to turn to

gold.

Our Society not being the only one

so affected either, but some of our

leading institutions with men skilled

in the investment game being hard

hit. Let us list a few of the disad-

vantages of mortgage loans to mem-

bers.

(1) The argument is that we are

helping our members and not a capi-

talist organization with these loans.

Have the defenders of this policy

ever tried to find out how many

SNPJ members are home owners?

I'd wager the number is less than

20% and the business of the organi-

zation is to look after the interest

of all the members and not a small

minority.

(2) Did these members ever read

about the difficulties some of our

leading insurance companies are ex-

periencing with their mortgages,

declaring moratoriums on hundreds of

millions of dollars of farm property?

Do these people know that the SNPJ

must realize an income on its invest-

ments in order to be able to operate?

(3) In time to come as the SNPJ

acquires more and more homes there

will be needed extra administrative

work to manage the property. There

will be taxes, insurance, repairs, etc.,

to be paid.

(4) As there is no sign of the crisis

abating it grows worse as time goes

on. What will be the character of

these loans, will the members even

be able to make the initial payments