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VELIKA RUSKA OFENZIVA NA BERLINSKI FRONTI!

Tri ameriške armade zavojevane v bitkah z Nemci na vzhodni strani reke Elbe. Enote Pattonove armade oblegajo Chemnitz. Bitka za kontrolo Porurja, središča nemških industrij, bo kmalu zaključena. Zavezniki ujeli 176,000 nemških vojakov in častnikov.—Štiri ruske armade pripravljene za naval proti Berlinu. Hitler ukazal ustrelitev častnikov, ki bi se skušali umakniti ali podati. Rusi drobno odpor Nemcev v bližini Gradca.—Ameriški letalci uničili 1674 japonskih letal

LONDON, 17. apr.—Nacijski vojaški krogi poročajo o veliki ruski ofenzivi na berlinski fronti. Ruske armade so prodrle pet milj daleč in so zdaj zavojevane v ljutih bitkah z Nemci pri Eberswaldu, 17 milj od Berlina.

Druge sovjetske sile so prebile nemške linije ob reki Neisse, 75 milj južozapadno od Berlina in 43 milj severovzhodno od Dresdena, glavnega mesta Saksonske, proti kateremu prodirajo kolone tretje ameriške armade. Na severni strani nemške prestolnice so ruske napadalne čete prekoračile reko Oder v bližini Zehdena in ustanovile mostišča.

Pariz, 17. apr.—Tri ameriške armade so zavojevane v bitkah z Nemci na ozemlju, ki je oddaljeno 85 milj od ruskih linij, in na vzhodni strani reke Elbe. Leipzig, trdnjavo mesto, je obkroženo. Ameriške sile so zabile tudi zagozdo v nemške bojne črte v kraju, ki leži 30 milj od Dresdena, glavnega mesta Saksonske.

Enote sedme ameriške armade na južnem koncu zapadne fronte so udrele v Nuernberg, nacijsko svetišče, 90 milj severno od Monakova. Nuernberg je alpinska trdnjava, kjer bodo najbrže oddani zadnji strelji v evropski vojni.

(Ameriška radiopostaja ABSIE je sinoči naznanila okupacijo Nuernberga.) Nuernberg je bil tarča bombardiranja iz zraka, preden so ameriške čete udrele v mesto. Poročilo pravi, da je v razvalinah in plamenih.

Kolone devete ameriške armade so prodrle pet milj daleč od reke Elbe in ustanovile nova mostišča v kraju, ki leži 52 milj južozapadno od Berlina. Nepotrjena vest pravi, da so prekoračile Elbo pri Havelbergu, 45 milj severozapadno od Berlina in 85 milj od ruskih linij.

Tanki prve ameriške armade so pridrveli v Wurzen, 12 milj vzhodno od Leipziga, petega največjega nemškega mesta. Številno prebivalcev se je po navalu beguncev v Leipzig povečalo na milijon. V mestu je močna nemška vojaška posadka. Pehotne in oklopne kolone prve armade so se približale Dessauju, ki leži 52 milj južozapadno od Berlina.

Enote tretje ameriške armade oblegajo Chemnitz. Zasedle so osmeje, ki leži sedem milj od čehoslovaške meje in 30 milj od Dresdena. Nepotrjena vest pravi, da so se čete tretje armade združile z ruskimi silami v dolini ob reki Elbi na južni strani Dresdena. Tretja armada je prečkala vse ceste in železnice, ki spajajo južno Nemčijo s severnimi pokrajinami.

Bitka za kontrolo Porurja, središča nemških industrij, bo kmalu zaključena. Zavezniki so ujeli 176,000 nemških vojakov in častnikov. Med ujetniki so trije nemški generali. Vsa industrijska mesta v Porurju z izjemo Dueseldorfa so pod kontrolo zaveznikov sil.

Britske in kanadske čete ogražajo Bremen, Hamburg in Emden, nemška pristanišča mesta. Ostanke nemških sil v zapadni Holandiji so v pasti in nevarnosti uničenja.

Reprezentacija Poljakov na konferenci

Sovjetska vlada ponovila zahtevo

London, 17. apr.—Radio Moskva je naznanil, da bo sovjetska vlada vztrajala pri zahtevi, da mora poljska začasna vlada dobiti pravico predstavnosti na konferenci Združenih narodov v San Franciscu, Cal.

Moskva je izjavila, da je dobila negativen odgovor iz Londona in Washingtona glede reprezentacije začasne poljske vlade na konferenci. Stalin je dal koncesije zapadnim veselilam, ko je naznanil, da je bil zunanji komisar Molotov imenovan za načelnika sovjetske delegacije. Poljski režim v Lublinu in poljska ubežna vlada še nista bila povabljena, naj pošljeta reprezentante na konferenco. Na sestanku "velike trojice" v Jalti na Krimu je bil sklenjen dogovor glede ustanovitve nove poljske vlade narodne enotnosti.

Poljska ubežna vlada v Londonu, katere predsednik je socialist Tomasz Arciszewski, je napadla Stanislava Mikolajczyka, bivšega premierja, zaradi izjave, da se strinja z zaključkom konference "velike trojice" o bodočnosti Poljske. On je v izjavi naglasil, da je za prijateljstvo s sovjetsko Rusijo.

Moskva je sinoči naznanila, da bo Molotov obiskal novega ameriškega predsednika Trumana v Beli hiši, ko bo na svoji poti v San Franciscu, kjer se bo udeležil konference Združenih narodov.

Hitler zahteva odločno borbo

Obsedno stanje oklicano v Berlinu

London, 17. apr.—Adolf Hitler je v histeričnem povelju dneva ukazal nemškim vojskam na vzhodni fronti, naj vodijo odločno borbo in utope boljševike v morju krvi. Povelje je bilo objavljeno v momentu, ko se ameriške in ruske sile pripravljajo za naval proti Berlinu.

"Ako bo sleherni nemški vojak na vzhodni fronti izpolnil svojo dolžnost, tedaj bo zadnji azijski napad zdrobljen," pravi Hitler. "Prav tako se bo izjalovila invazija naših sovražnikov na zapadu kljub vsemu." Hitler je omenil predsednika Roosevelta v svojem povelju. "V trenutku, ko je usoda odstranila s sveta enega največjih vojnih zločincev vseh časov, se bo odločil potek vojne," je dejal. Hitler je dal razumeti, da se bodo on in drugi vodilni naciji borili do konca.

Poučeni vojaški krogi v Londonu so uverjeni, da se bodo bitke nadaljevale v Nemčiji po padcu Berlina. Možnost je, da bodo trajale več tednov v posameznih nemških sektorjih. Nemški voditelji so razdvojili državo na dve coni, severno in južno. V Londonu dospelo poročilo pravi, da je bilo v Berlinu oklicano obsedno stanje. Diplomati zunanjih držav ne smejo zapustiti mesta. Civilisti so bili mobilizirani za gradnjo trdnjav in utrdb v Berlinu.

General Dwight D. Eisenhower je dejal, da zmaga v Evropi ne bo naznanjena, dokler ne bodo vsi ostanke nemških sil zdrobljeni. Zmaga pride, ko bo vsa Nemčija pod zavezniško vojaško okupacijo.

UJETI NEMŠKI GENERALI VIDJO KONEC VOJNE

Velika bojazen pred sovjetsko Rusijo

STRATEGIČNE REZERVE IZCRPANE

Hannover, Nemčija, 17. apr.—Trije nemški generali, med temi brat feldmaršala Ewalda von Kleista, katere je ujela ameriška divizija, so izjavili, da je konec vojne blizu. Vkrakanje zaveznikov v Berlin je še potrebno za uradno naznanilo poraza Nemčije.

Ujeti generali so izrazili zaskrbljenost zaradi ruskih teženj v Nemčiji, kakor tudi bojazen pred Rusi. Izjavili so, da popolnoma zaupajo Veliki Britaniji in Ameriki, da bosta predložili Nemčiji zmerne mirovne pogoje.

General Adolf von Kleist, ki je bil vojaški guverner v Varšavi, ko je bila pod nemško vojaško okupacijo, ni hotel govoriti o svojem bratu, katerega je Hitler ponižal, in ne o Hitlerjevih grožnji o represalijah. On je opravičeval feldmaršala Kesselringa, poveljnika nemških sil na zapadni fronti, ker vodi odpor proti zaveznikom, čeprav bo ta odpor zlomljen. Dejal je, da je Kesselring prisegel zvestobo Hitlerju. Hindenburg in Ludendorff sta lahko kapitulirala pred zavezniki v prvi svetovni vojni, ker ju je abdikacija cesarja Viljema razbremenila prisoge.

"Imel sem položkečo z voditelji nacistične stranke," je rekel Kleist. "Oni ne vedo, kako je treba občevati z ljudmi plemenitega rodu. Atentata na Hitlerja, ki je bil izvršen v juliju preteklega leta in se je ponarečil, ne odobravam. Zavezniške armade bodo prekoračile Elbo in vse bo končano. Nemčija je izčrpala strateške rezerve in se ne bo mogla dolgo boriti. Nemško ljudstvo se je naveličalo vojne in zaveda se, da je nadaljevanje odpora brezplodno, toda ne more si pomagati."

General Lohning, poveljnik vojaške posadke v Hannoverju, je opravičil izgubo mesta. "Nihče ne more pretvoriti mesta v trdnjavo, če ne razpolaga z zadostno silo," je dejal. "Motorna mašina ne more funkcionirati, ker nima gasolina."

Odbor bo potrdil rudarsko pogodbo

Operatorji pojasnili svoje stališče

Washington, D. C., 17. apr.—Izgleda, da bo vojni delavski odbor potrdil novo pogodbo, katero je sklenila rudarska unija UMWA z operatorji, z modifikacijami ta teden. John L. Lewis, predsednik unije, je pred dvema tednoma pristal na podaljšanje stare pogodbe do konca tega meseca.

Pojavile so se nove potežkoče, ki bodo morda rezultirale v odložitvi odločitve. Odbor bo praviljal glede odobritve provizij nove pogodbe. Ena določa sedem ur dela na dan in 35 ur v tednu ter plačo rudarjem za čas, ki ga potrebujejo, ko grejo na delo in odhajajo z dela. Povprečno zvišanje plače rudarjem bo na podlagi pogodbe znašalo \$1.30 na dan. Pogodba krije okrog 400,000 rudarjev, uposlenih v rovih mehkega premoga.

Operatorji bodo zahtevali zvišanje cene premogu za 25 centov na tono. Pojasnili so, da se bodo stroški kompanij; ker so bile plače rudarjem zvišane, povečali za okrog \$150,000,000 letno. Vojni delavski odbor bo odločil le glede zvišanja plač rudarjem.

Novi ameriški predsednik



HARRY S. TRUMAN

Jugoslovanski delegati v New Yorku

Nova vlada v osvobojeni Hrvaški

New York, 17. apr.—Jugoslovanska delegacija, ki se bo udeležila konference Združenih narodov v San Franciscu, Cal., ki se prične 25. aprila, je dospela v New York.

Načelnik delegacije je dr. Ivan Subašić, zunanji ministar. Drugi člani delegacije so general Sreten Zujevič-Črni, finančni ministar; Stanoje Simić, ki je bil imenovan za poslanika v Washingtonu; polkovnik Vladimir Dedić, publicistični ataše, in Stane Krašovec, direktor državne komisije za rekonstrukcijo Jugoslavije.

Belgrad, Jugoslavija, 17. apr.—Nova vlada je bila ustanovljena v hrvaških in slavonških krajih, katere so osvobodili partizani. Ustanovila je protifašistična skupščina za osvoboditev Hrvaške na izredni seji, ki se je vrnila na otoku Splitu pri Dalmaciji. Seje se je udeležilo več članov federalne jugoslovanske vlade.

Za predsednika nove vlade je bil izbran dr. Vladimir Bakarić, komunist in tajnik protifašistične skupščine. Pomožna predsednika sta Franjo Gazi, bivši član hrvaške kmečke stranke, in dr. Rade Pribičević, bivši član neodvisne demokratske stranke. Za notranjega ministra je bil imenovan Vinko Krstulović, bivši član kmečke stranke.

Vsi člani nove vlade so se borili v gorah in gozdovih proti Nemcem in kvizlingom. Premier Bakarić je dejal, da je ustanovitev nove hrvaške vlade korak naprej v gibanju, čigar cilj je formiranje federativne Jugoslavije. On je naglasil potrebo previdnosti v akcijah, katerih cilj je uresničenje ideala demokratične federacije.

Roosevelt zapustil premoženje ženi

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., 17. apr.—Predsednik Roosevelt je zapustil skoro vse svoje premoženje, katero vključuje tudi posestvo v Hyde Parku, svoji ženi. Oporoka je bila sestavljena po smrti Rooseveltove matere, ki je umrla 12. novembra 1. 1941. Ta določa, da se premoženje po smrti mrs. Roosevelt enakopravno razdeli med otroke in vnuke. Sodi se, da znaša vrednost premoženja čez milijon dolarjev.

Domače vesti

Ranjen v vojni

Chicago. — Antonia Berce je bila obveščena od vojnega departamenta, da je bil njen sin Stanley Kuznik, star 18 let, dne 5. aprila težko ranjen v Nemčiji. Mati in sin sta dolgoletna člana društva 102 SNPJ. Stanley je bil tudi prvi predsednik mladinskega krožka 26 SNPJ.

Pogrešan v vojni

McMechen, W. Va. — Družina Nick Bilich je bila obveščena, da je na filipinskem otoku Luzonu od 2. marca pogrešan njen sin Nick, star 20 let. V vojni se nahaja čez dve leti in je član SNPJ od mladih let.

Glas iz ujetništva

Bingham Canon, Utah. — Iz nemškega ujetništva se je z dopisnicke zglasil Raymond Kopesec, o katerem je bila mati Anna Kopesec prvotno obveščena, da je pogrešan od 16. dec. Star je 19 let, pri vojakih od marca 1944 in preko morja od oktobra.

Is Traunika

Traunik, Mich. — V vojni je 4. marca padel John Zbašnik, sin Johna in Mary Zbašnik, Billy Debeljak, sin družine Frank Debeljak pa je pogrešan od prošlega decembra.

Padel v vojni

Milwaukee. — Na zapadni fronti je padel 19. jan. John Starich, član društva 747 SNPJ, star 23 let. Pri vojakih je bil od septembra 1942 in udeležil se je invazije Francije. Zapušča starše, pet bratov, sestro in več drugih sorodnikov.

Na obisku

Broughton, Pa. — Tu se je nahajal na obisku pri svojih prijateljih in znancih Joseph Vrbic iz Joliet, Ill.

Is Clevelanda

Cleveland. — Družina Joseph Drobnic je bila obveščena, da je 26. marca padel v Nemčiji njen sin Sgt. Frank Drobnic, star 24 let. Poleg staršev zapušča brata (v vojni v Indiji) in sestro. V armadi je bil od decembra 1943 in preko morja od zadnjega novembra. Služil je v sedmi armadi. — Mary Čekada je prejela uradno vest, da je bil 22. febr. ubit na japonskem otoku Iwu njen sin Cpl. Felix Čekada, star 24 let. Služil je pri mornarici od avgusta 1941, zadnje leto pa je bil pri padalcih. Poleg matere zapušča brata (v armadi) in sestro. — Poročila sta se Pvt. Joseph Merhar, ki je že služil sedem mesecev na fronti in bil ranjen, in Josephine Rugar. — Irma Love, hčerka družine Michael Telich, je bila obveščena, da je njen mož Lt. Robert E. Love pogrešan v Nemčiji od 23. marca.

TRUMAN ORISAL CILJE SVOJE ADMINISTRACIJE

Ustanovitev svetovne organizacije in kaznovanje zločincev

APEL NA KONGRES ZA SODELOVANJE

Washington, D. C., 17. apr.—Novi predsednik Harry C. Truman je v svojem govoru na skupni seji obeh kongresnih zbornic orisal cilje svoje administracije. Iz govora sta odsevali toplota in prijateljska ponižnost.

Truman je dal zagotovilo kongresu in ameriškemu ljudstvu, da bo podpiral in branil ideale umrlega predsednika Roosevelta, da se bo držal formule brezpogojne kapitulacije za Nemčijo in Japonsko, da se bo vojna nadaljevala brezobzirno do popolne zmage, da ne bo nobene spremembe v poveljstvu ameriških oboroženih sil, da bo delal za ustanovitev svetovne organizacije in trajni mir ter skrbel, da bodo vojni zločinci dobili zasluženo kazen.

Svoj govor je zaključil z apalom na kongresnike in senatorje, svoje bivše kolege, naj kooperirajo z njim, "da bo lahko dovrnil največjo nalogo, ki je bila kdaj poverjena služabniku ljudstva." Truman je izrekel svečano objubo, da bo sveto služil ameriškemu ljudstvu.

Oboji, demokrati in republikanci, so toplo podprvali Trumanov govor. Pohvalili so odkritost predsednika in naglasili, da se bodo odzvali apelu za kooperacijo, da se pospeši poraz Nemčije in Japonske.

Govor je dal kongresu in ameriškemu ljudstvu prvo priliko za ocenitev osebnosti novega predsednika. Truman je bil deležen viharnega aplavza, ko je prišel v kongresno zbornico. Tam so bili poleg kongresnikov in senatorjev zbrani člani kabineta, vrhovnega sodišča in zunanjih diplomatovih zborov.

Trumanova deklaracija, da ne bo nobene spremembe v poveljstvu oboroženih sil, je bila navdušeno sprejeta. Na diplomatski galeriji sta bila poleg drugih diplomatov britski zunanji minister Anthony Eden in ruski poslanik Gromyko.

Telefonski operatorji za oklic stavke

New York, 17. apr.—Telefonski operatorji v New Yorku in okolici so z veliko večino odglasovali za oklic stavke v znak protesta proti vojnemu delavskemu odboru, ki je odbil zahtevo glede zvišanja plače za pet dolarjev na teden. Operatorji so člani dveh unij.

Brazilska delegacija odpotovala v San Francisco

Rio de Janeiro, Brazilija, 17. apr.—Brazilska delegacija je odpotovala v San Franciscu, Cal., kjer se bo vrnila konferenca Združenih narodov. Načelnik delegacije je zunanji minister Pedro Leao Velloso.

Trije vojni poročevalci osvobodjeni

Brunswick, Nemčija, 17. apr.—Ameriške čete so osvobodile tri vojne poročevalce iz nemške taborišča v bližini tega mesta. Ti so John Talbot, John Smyth in William Kimmond.

Splošne volitve v Kanadi naznanjene

Ottawa, Kanada, 17. aprila.—Premier King je naznanil, da se bodo splošne volitve vršile 11. junija. Kanadski parlament je bil sinoči razpuščen.

In Memoriam

Franklinu Delanu Rooseveltu

Ko sem v SANSovem uradu 12. aprila dobil telefonsko poročilo o nenadni katastrofi, se mi je zdelo kot da je svet podrl. Vedel sem, da je predsednik bolan, dasiravno je bilo v javnosti poročano, da je pri najboljšem zdravju. Videl sem slike konference v Jalti in zabelo me je pri srcu, ko sem opazil, kako zelo se je moč postaral v zadnjih par mesecih.

Med "velikih treh" je bil najmlajši, toda zdel se je najstarejši. Vojni problemi Amerike in načrti za trajni mir mu niso izpustili umske sile, izsesali pa iz življenja njegovega paralizirane telesa in pustili le sivo senco, ki je polagoma bledela in končno izgubila.

Ameriški tisk danes slavi veličino človeka, ki je dal zatiranim in zaslužnjim narodom sveta upanje, da svobodno sonce na vedno zatonilo ter da kmalu pride čas, ko bo zasvetilo v vsem svojem veličanstvu in lilo blagohotno toploto na izžrpano in svobodoljubno človeštvo. Slavi ga vse svet, njegovi prijatelji in nasprotniki. In v tem je ironija in tragedija, kajti mnogi tistih, ki sedaj pojejo aleluju njegovemu spominu, so dosledno pripomogli, da je človekoljubni mož za večno zatisnil oči.

Meni se zdi, da Roosevelt ni umrl — da je bil ubit, umorjen. In ta zločin so storili tisti političarji in njegovi osebni sovražniki, ki so ga zlasti zadnje čase nesramno napadali: zanje je bil izdajalec in diktator — vse drugo, samo človek ne. Moral se je boriti bolj proti domači in importirani reakciji v Ameriki, da izpolni svoje obljube o izkoreninjenju fašizma in nacizma, kakor pa s problemi, da bo izvojevana popolna zmaga. Zavedal se je, da se stare razmere ne smejo povrniti v povojni svet, ako želimo živeti v miru in zadovoljstvu. Zavedal se je, da je vsemu svetu potreben "new deal" ter da bo mir zagotovljen le tedaj, če demokratični narodi sveta strnjijo svoje vrste in si zgradijo tako organizacijo, ki bo res iskreno in pošteno štela narode, male in velike, pred zapostavljanjem in likvidiranjem. Reakcija je uvidela, da ji bide zadnja ura, ako se ta načrt uresniči, zato je napela vse sile, da ustvari med ljudstvom nezadovoljstvo in odpor, da širi neslogo in sumničenje napram našim zavezniškim ter da jih razdvoji.

Vse nazadnjaške sile so se združile in zarotile proti Rooseveltu. Ker je skušal doseči trajno prijateljstvo in sodelovanje med Ameriko in Rusijo, dve najjačiji svetovni sili, je bil imenovan za "komunista." Zadnji poizkus proti njemu je bil,

da se ponesreči delo mednarodne zavezniške konference v San Franciscu in podere vsa zgradba, ki je bila postavljena za dosego njegovih demokratičnih idealov.

Tako sta želela tudi Hitler in Hirohito. Šele nekaj tednov je minilo, ko je SANS prejel iz Bele hiše pismo od predsednikovega tajnika Hassetta: "... Your word of confidence is most pleasing to him and he is indeed glad to know that you and your associates approve his report to the Congress on Crimea Conference."

Predsednik si je želel takih pism, v katerih je dobival moralno oporo od raznih narodnostnih skupin v Ameriki. To so bila zdravila njegovi razočarani duši. Prejel pa je tudi pisma, ki so vplivala na njega kakor strup. Baš par tednov pred konferenco se je vsa reakcija z vsemi svojimi silami spravila nad njega, da bi ob času skoraj vidne zmage spremenil svoje stališče in se odpovedal tistim velikim idealom, ki so ga napravili prijatelja vsega sveta. Roosevelt se ni uklonil. Uklonila pa se je njegova narava. Za njega je bilo bitke konec.

Njegov tajnik Hassett je naznanil v četrtek popoldne, da je predsednik za večno zaspal ob 3:35 popoldne. Slovenski narod je izgubil v predsedniku Rooseveltu velikega prijatelja. Izgubili so ga vsi svobodoljubni narodi, ki so verovali v Atlantski čarter in štiri svobodščine; ki so verovali v principe demokracije in pričakovali od demokratičnih narodov, da jim pripomorejo do lastne svobode in demokracije. Zanje je predsednikova smrt najhujši udarec.

Slovenski ameriški narodni svet je v svojem zadnjem pismu izrazil predsedniku Rooseveltu svoje zaupanje v njegovo delo in nadaljnjo udanost. Bil je vesel tega! Naj bo ta udanost sedaj posvečena njegovemu spominu. Njegovemu nedokončanemu delu, ki ga bodo odslej vršili drugi.

Ali bo novi mir po vojni tak, kot si ga je zamisljal Franklin Delano Roosevelt? Odgovor je umrl z MOŽEM. Slava mu!

Mirko G. Kuhel.

Rojaki in rojakinje so v ljudno vabljani, da se sigurno udeležijo. Ves dobiček gre za pomoč NASHIM V STARI DOMOVINI. — Za publicistijski odsek — Anthony Kastelic.

VAŽNO ZA MILWAUČANE

Milwaukee, Wis. — Seje podružnice SANSa se vršijo redno vsako četrto nedeljo pri Šoštaricu — in mimogrede povedano — te seje so po navadi dobro obiskane. Ta mesec bo pa izjema; seja se ne bo vršila četrto nedeljo, ampak peto, to je 29. aprila. Dne 22. aprila — četrto nedeljo — bo namreč SANSova kartna zabava. Pričakujemo velike udeležbe, ker Milwaučani kaj radi podpirajo vsako dobro stvar. Priredba bo v rokah SANSovih članic. Že to nam jamči, da bo cela reč uspešna. Naše ženske, katere pri hiši tri vogle podpirajo, še vedno najdejo dovolj časa, da pri SANSovih priredbah podprejo vse štiri.

Poleg izvrstne zabave pripravljajo za ta dan izvrstno večerjo, ki bo stala samo 35 centov za osebo. Vsakdo je v ljudno vabljeno, da pride dne 22. aprila v Šoštaricevo dvorano. Prišlo se bo ob dveh popoldne.

Pozabiti pa pri vsem tem ne smemo na sejo podružnice SANSa, ki se bo vršila teden pozneje v prav istem prostoru. Pričela se bo ob pol tih popoldne. Pridite na sejo in se prepričajte, koliko je resnice na tem, kar trobijo v svet tisti, ki radi ribarijo v kalnih vodah...

France Puncer.

VAŽNO NAZANILLO
Bridgeport, O. — Radi smrti predsednika Roosevelta so bile preklicane vse priredbe in zabave, ki so se imele vršiti 13. in 14. aprila. Dne 12. aprila je pripravljani odbor postojanke št. 33 SANSa imel izredno sejo in zaključil, da se priredbo za jugoslovanski relief, ki se je imela vršiti 14. aprila, preloži na soboto zvečer, 28. aprila, in sicer v istem prostoru, kakor je bilo prvotno odločeno. V Društveni dvorani na Boydsvillu.

Takoj po tej odločbi smo poslali Mirku G. Kuhlu, tajniku SANSa, telegram in ga obvestili o preložitvi priredbe. Kuhel bo namreč nastopil na priredbi kot glavni govornik.

Priredbo nam je bilo nerodno preložiti, toda ni bilo druge poti. Ako bi jo imeli vseeno, ne bi napravili dobrega vtisa pri Američanih, poleg tega pa ne smemo pozabiti, da je predsednik Roosevelt veliko delal in se trudil za osvoboditev narodov, kar mu je prineslo prerano smrt.

Torej priredba se bo vršila 28. aprila. Vstopnice so iste veljavne. Prosim rojake in rojakinje, da to spremembo upoštevate.

Medtem časom pa agitirajte, da bo priredba dne 28. aprila najboljše izpadla. Naj še izrazim, da bi milijoni in milijoni po vsem svetu rajši videli, da se ne bi zgodila nesreča, da bi predsednik Roosevelt vsaj dočakal poraz sovražnikov, ampak usoda mu je prekrizala račune.

Za odbor št. 33 SANSa: Joseph Snoy, predsednik, John Vitez, taj.-blagajnik, Karolina Stefanich, zapisničarica, Frances Gričar, Peter Krollich, odbornika.

POBIRANJE OBLEKE ZA STARI KRAJ
Chicago, Ill. — Z nabiranjem še porabične obleke smo v Chicagu za kratak čas prenehali. Toda sedaj, ko je bilo objavljeno, da je prva pošiljatev srečno dospela v Jugoslavijo in ker se pričakuje vsak čas popolna osvoboditev Jugoslavije s Slovenijo vred, smo imeli seje in sklenili, da zopet pričnemo z nabiranjem stare, a še uporabne obleke in sicer na 1901 West Cermak road, v hiši dr. Uršiča. Lokal bo odprt vsak torek in vsak četrtek od 7. do 9. ure zvečer. Kdor koli ima čas in ga hoče žrtvovati v ta plemeniti namen, je pošen, da pride pomagat. Potrebujemo moške in ženske.

Slovinci in Slovenke v Chicagu in okolici. Rojaki in starem kraju so skoro brez vsake obleke in obuvala. O tem ste lahko čitali v naših listih in mi ni treba ponavljati. Mi v Ameriki pa imamo še vedno vsega dovolj in gotov sem, da bomo tudi nadalje imeli vsega, kar potrebujemo. Sedaj na spomlad se vrši čiščenje v hišah in marsikaj boste našli, kar prav lahko pogrešate ali pa vam je celo samo na potu. Povežite vse to in prinesite na zgoraj imenovani naslov in ob napovedanem času. S tem boste storili veliko in dobro delo, zakar vam bodo gotovo hvaležni. Nikar ne recite: "Ja, pa bo morebiti dobil moje obleke kdo drugega prepričanja kot sem jaz." Dobrodelnost ne sme poznati nobenega prepričanja, nobene politike. Vsi, brez razlike političnega prepričanja, moramo pomagati!

Narod v starem kraju potrebuje pomoči in ima v prvi vrsti pred očmi osvoboditev. Politično prepričanje mnogih pa se zna po osvoboditvi obrniti prav na isto stran, od katere bodo dobili največ pomoči. To imejte pred očmi in darujte! Kdor nima primerne obleke, lahko daruje v denarju, kar se bo porabilo za prevozino v New York, za nakup obleke ali drugega materiala.

Rodoljubni pozdrav, John Gotlib.

kongresu, kateri se je vršil v Češki dvorani na Broadway ave. Kongres prosa, da ne bi nobeno slovensko društvo prirejalo veselice na dan 22. junija. Pri št. 147 so pridobili enega novega člana v mladinski oddelek. Članstvo je mnenja, da bi se odgodilo konvencijo. Pri št. 312 so izgubili enega člana. Dne 14. aprila bodo priredili veselico v Slovenskem domu na Holmes ave. Polovica dobička bo šla za društveno blagajno, polovica pa za Jugoslavijo. Pri društvu 604 so pridobili štiri nove člane v odrasli oddelek. Pri vrstu št. 38 so pridobili štiri nove člane in delajo načrte za bazar.

Vsi zastopniki so prošeni, da pridobijo na njih društevni seji delavce za koncert mladinskega krožka SNPJ in prinesejo njih imena na prihodnjo federacijsko sejo. Zastopniki in člani so tudi prošeni, da prinesejo na prihodnjo federacijsko sejo "tekočino," ako je imajo kaj na rok. Prihodnja seja se bo vršila 28. aprila.

Brat Petrovich pojasnjuje glede konvencije. Pove, da je transportacijski odbor odgovoril, da se konvencija ne more vršiti, toda zaeno ni bila prepovedana. Ako bo država Illinois sprejela moratorij na konvencije, potem se ne bo vršila naša konvencija, medtem časom pa se bodo vršile volitve delegatov kot po navadi. Po dolgi debati zastopniki pridejo do prepričanja, da glavni odbor postopa pravilno v tej zadevi, naker se debata zaključuje.

Zastopana so sledeča društva: št. 5, 26, 28, 53, 126, 135, 137, 142, 147, 158, 185, 312, 442, 450, 477, 544, 566 in Atletična Liga. Od gl. odbornikov je navzoč br. Petrovich.

Zaključek seje ob 9:30 zvečer. Carl J. Samanich, zapisnikar.

SEJA MILWAUŠKE FEDERACIJE
Milwaukee, Wis. — Seja federacije društev SNPJ se bo vršila v nedeljo, 29. aprila, ob pol tih popoldne pri br. Sostariču, 539 So. 6th st. Poleg zastopnikov in zastopnic so vabljene tudi drugi člani in članice SNPJ. Vsak dobro stoječ član ima pravico priti na sejo.

Bodite točni, kajti po federacijski seji se bo vršila seja podružnice SANSa v isti dvorani. Frank Primosich, tajnik.

VABILO NA SEJO
Windsor Heights, W. Va. — Opozarjam vsa društva, ki so včlanjena pri federaciji SNPJ, da gotovo pošljejo svoje zastopnike na federacijsko sejo, ki se bo vršila 22. aprila ob dveh popoldne v Društveni dvorani na Boydsvillu.

Seja bo zelo važna, kajti razpravljali bomo o konvenčnih zadevah. Fr. Kolenc, predsednik.

POZIV NA SEJO
Farrell, Pa. — Naznanjam vsem društvom federacije za vzhodni Ohio in Penno, da se bo vršila federacijska seja 29. aprila ob dveh popoldne v Slovenskem domu v Sharonu, Pa.

Tajnik federacije Rezek je že dvakrat v Prosveti poročal, da se bo seja vršila 22. aprila, ker pa ima na ta dan važno sejo Slovenski dom, se je seja federacije preložila teden pozneje, zato prosim, da federacijski zastopniki in uradniki vzamejo na znanje to spremembo.

Udeležite se seje polnoštevilno. Po seji bomo imeli tudi malo prigrižka in ječmenoveca in druge pižake, katero bodo preskrbela tukajšnja tri društva federacijskem zastopnikom. Tudi potice ne bo manjkalo. Na svidenje 29. aprila. Joseph Garm, predsednik.

V Prosveti so dnevne svetovne in delavske vesti. Ali jih želite vsak dan?

SEZNAM PRIREDB DRUŠTEV
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PRIREDITVE FEDERACIJE DRUŠTEV SNPJ ZAPADNE PENNSYLVANIE
DRUŠTVO ŠT. 186 SNPJ priredi veselico v korist društvene blagajne dne 12. maja 1945 v svojih dvorani v Prosto Penna. Vabi se na obilno udeležbo.

Društva naj prijavijo svoje prireditve na naslov: JACOB AMBROZIC, R.D. No. 1, McKees Rocks, Pa.

Sedaj, ko gre h koncu nemški militarizem, nemška ošabnost in krutost, kakršne ne pozna zgodovina, sedaj, ko se formira nova demokratična Jugoslavija, za katere prepored je drago plačalo tudi naše slovensko ljudstvo onkraj morja — sedaj bo marsikateri med onimi, ki so še večeraj obsojali partizane kot komunistično svoloč, ali sedeli na plotu in čakali, v katero smer se zasueče vojna sreča, pričeli spreminjati plašč svojega prepričanja. Ampak bratje in sestre, ne pozabimo "prijateljev," ki so se v času najhujše preizkušnje za delavski narod istemu izneverili!

Nam ni prijetno posegati v preteklost, posebno še, ker smo sami kolikor toliko prizadeti, toda poslednji dogodki nas silijo, da spregovorimo nekaj besed, s katerimi ne bo škodilo obuditi nekaj spominov onim, ki se prizadevajo, da bi bili isti čimpreje pozabljeni.

Dejstvo je, katerega ne bo mogla utajiti zgodovina, da so bili ameriški Slovenci tisti — predvsem napredno in socialistično orientirani — če tudi najmanjša narodna skupina tu in onkraj morja med Jugoslavlani, ki so se najbolj prizadevali v prvi in sedanjih svetovni vojni, da bi tamošnje jugoslovansko ljudstvo prišlo do prave demokratične republike.

Ideja za politično akcijo v pomoč demokratični Jugoslaviji v tej vojni se je porodila v Slovenski narodni podporni jednoti, iz katere je bil tudi izdan apel na vse ameriške rojake za skupno akcijo v tem smislu, zavedajoč se, da v boju z nazadnjaškimi silami, ki reprezentirajo pohlepne privatne interese, je treba več kot pomožno akcijo, ako nismo hoteli prepustiti naroda svoji usodi.

Na prvem Slovenskem kongresu v Clevelandu, ki se je vršil v mesecu decembru 1942, so bile tam res zastopane struje raznih političnih prepričanj in duhovščina, ampak kdor ni tedaj mogel razumeti namena priustojanja Zveze slovenskih župnij, ta je moral do sedaj vendar priti do spoznanja o njihovih motivih. Nekateri slovenski župniki so že pred imenovanim kongresom veliko več in boljše znali, kaj se je v Jugoslaviji tedaj godilo, kakor kdorkoli na kongresu; zato so si tudi silno prizadevali dobiti kontrolo nad našim političnim gibanjem, kar bi se jim bilo brez dvoma posrečilo, da nismo bili na straži oni, kateri smo razumeli njihove načrte. Njihova dejanja bodo sodniki njihovih namenov.

Članstvo Slovenske narodne podporne jednote v veliki večini in drugi liberalno misleči rojaki so takoj podprli partizansko gibanje v Jugoslaviji, kakor hitro se je tu zaznalo, da tako gibanje tam obstoji. Zasluga, da je novica o partizanih predrta debelo politično zagrnjalo cenzure, gre največ pisatelju in bratu Louisu Adamiču, kateri je pogumno odkrival resnico o tamošnjih dogodkih, s katerim činom se je mnogim slovenskim župnikom tukaj in klerikalcem vobče tako silno zameril, da mu najbrže nikdar ne odpustijo.

One čase, ko je jugoslovansko ljudstvo najbolj krvavelo, obdano povsod od sovražnikov, tujih in domačih, ko je iskalo prijateljev, tolažbe, gmotne in moralne opore, je glavni odbor, izvršni odsek in članstvo SNPJ odločno podprlo partizansko gibanje, branilo osvobodilno vojsko v člankih ter dopisih in pobijalo z argumenti njene nasprotnike. Da ni bila od naše strani pravočasno podvzeta zadrževna akcija, je vprašanje, koliko zaslobe bi danes imela med ameriški Jugoslavlani Titova vlada.

Med ono plastjo Srbov, ki bi bili za odpravo monarhije in vzpostavitev ljudovlade, ni bilo skoraj nikogar, ki kaj šteje med njimi v javnem življenju tukaj, da bi se bil zavzel za kakšno tako akcijo.

Tudi med Hrvatmi ni bilo mnogo boljše. Dasi bi bili hrvatski delavci brez dvoma davetdesetodotno podprli partizansko gibanje, če bi bila med njimi podvzeta kakšna akcija, ni bilo nikogar med voditelji, ki bi bil hotel prevzeti tako nalogo. Med njimi je bil Maček še vedno nekakšen mesija, na katerega so računali, da odreši Hrvatsko. Rusi pa smatrajo Mačka za — izdajalca hrvatskega naroda in

SEZNANJENJE Z RESNICO

F. A. Vider, gl. tajnik

Slovinci smo demokratičen in pohleven narod, preveč pohleven v gotovih časih ali trenutkih, kar agresivni elementi izrabljajo v svojo osebno korist. Dasi ne zahtevamo in tudi ne vprašamo narod v domovini, kateremu smo v resni uri stali čvrsto ob strani v njegovi pravični borbi za pravico, za kakšno odškodnino, nagrado ali kaj podobnega, vendar mislimo, da ne bo nič pretirano izraziti željo, da narod v domovini izve, kdo mu je največ pomagal materialno ali moralno v časih njegove največje krize, ker čutimo, da se hoče prikriti.

Stotine članov Slovenske narodne podporne jednote je delovalo, prispevalo in žrtvovalo čas za jugoslovansko pomožno akcijo, nabiralo ter darovalo obleke, organizacija kot taka je pa tudi prispevala precej tisočakov ravno tako je to članstvo moralno veliko pripomoglo skozi politično akcijo v oporo novemu gibanju v domovini. Naša skromna in upamo, da ne pretirana želja je, da narod v domovini to zve, namreč, da smo mu pomagali zato, ker so naši bratje in sestre po krvi ter delavci in delavke po razredu, in ker želimo, ne samo jugoslovanskemu narodu, ampak človeštvu vobče, nov družinski red, sloneč na pravici, demokraciji in pravi bratski vzajemnosti.

glasovi iz naselbin
VABILO NA PRIREDBO IN SEJO

Chicago, Ill. — Poročano je že bilo, da bodo tukajšnje podružnice SANSa in št. 8 JPO-SS skupno priredile veliko veselico, katere prebitek je namenjen za pomoč Jugoslaviji. Priredba se bo vršila v nedeljo, dne 29. aprila, v Češki dvorani, 1438 W. 18th st. Program bo poleg igre "Mati" vseboval različne točke. Prične se proizvajati točno ob tretji uri popoldne, zato se opozarja posetnike, da so že pred tretjo uro v dvorani.

Ker se vrši ta priredba za pomoč trpečemu jugoslovanskemu ljudstvu, je dolžnost Slovencev in ostalih Jugoslovancev, da posetijo priredbo in s tem dokažejo, da se zavedajo svoje narodne dolžnosti ter so pripravljeni pomagati trpečim bratom in sestram v domovini. Izgovori danes več na veljajo! Sedaj je prišel čas, da se lahko pošilja v staro domovino in Jugoslovanski pomožni odbor je že odposlal raznega blaga v vrednosti malo manj kot sedemsto tisoč dolarjev, kar je vse premal, ker vemo v kako veliki potrebi je tamkajšnje ljudstvo.

Vemo, da so v tej deželi razni koristolovci in zgargarji, katerih naloga je delati razdor med nami. Njim so vse pomožne akcije podpora komunizmu. Ako je res tam narod postal komunističen, je zato imel vzrok, kar pa vsak trezno misleč Slovenec ali Slovenka dvomi. Najbrže je ta "komunizem" zapodena v tem, da se jugoslovanski narod po tej vojni namerava otresti raznih zajedalcev, zato je toliko kričanja in bojazni za vero.

Na člane št. 25 SANSa apelirana da se udeležijo prihodnje seje, katere se bo vršila v četrtek, 26. aprila, ob osmih zvečer v dvorani SNPJ. Seja bo važna že radi priredbe same, za katero potrebujemo vaše pomoči. Zato je vaša članska dolžnost, da se odzovete vabilu in doprinesete svoj delež za uspeh priredbe.

Frank Alosh.

iz gibanja SANSa in JPO-SS

GLAS IZ SAN FRANCISCA

San Francisco, Calif. — Konference tukajšnje podružnice War Relief Fund of South Slavic Americans z dne 18. marca, na kateri so bila zastopana deloma vsa tukajšnja jugoslovanska društva, je dobro uspela. Med važnimi zaključki se je tudi določilo, da od sedaj naprej se poleg obleke in denarja nabirajo tudi potrebne živež in nova obleka za otroke v Jugoslaviji.

V ta namen je odbor podružnice naročil vočje število papirnatih zabojev, kateri se lahko dobijo na sledečih naslovih: Pericie Grocery, 1901 Balboa st., Louis & Co., 1217 Mission st., International Book Store, 1400 Market st., Adriatic Cafe, 1318 Polk st., J. Franulovich, 264 Missouri st., Peter Kurnick, 514 Utah st., in pri L. P. Nettoff, 1701 Carmelita ave., Burlington.

Vsak posameznik lahko daruje pet funtov živeža ali nove otroke obleke v vsakem zabojčku. Živež ali hrana mora biti tako kakovosti, da se ne pokvari v teku pošiljave. Lahko se daje tudi konzervirane mleko, različna žitna jedila, kakao, čokolada ribje olje (tablets) in razna druga konzervirana otroška jedila. Ne pozabite staviti v zabojček šivank in suncanca, ker v njih ni mogoče dobiti v Jugoslaviji. Več informacij glede stvari, katere se lahko pošljejo in katere ne, dobite na zgoraj omenjenih naslovih, kjer se vrne

napolnjen zaboj za odpošiljatev. Nadalje na konferenci se je tudi določilo, da za leto 1945 se stavi vsota \$20,000.00 kot delež od nas za pomoč našim v stari domovini. Približno ena petina te vsote je že nabrana, toda da dosežemo cilj, je potrebno, da gremo vsi na delo ter da darujemo kar največ mogoče. Ako bi vsaka jugoslovanska družina v našem mestu darovala po pet funtov živeža in po deset dolarjev v gotovini, bi bil naš cilj dosežen. Res je, dosti je tistih, ki so dali več kot desetkrat toliko, toda dosti je tudi onih, ki niso dali še nič. Nekateri niso dali, ker nimajo, drugi niso dali, ker spijo spanje brezbriznosti. Tistih ni nikdar okoli.

Banket z dne 7. aprila, ki je bil prirejen za pomoč našim v starem kraju, se je dobro obnesel. Dvorana je bila napolnjena. Kolekta v kuvertah je prinesla \$2,042.00. Odbor podružnice se vsem darovalcem iskreno zahvaljuje. Njih imena bodo objavljena v spominski knjigi podružnice, katera izide še to leto, in v tukajšnjem jugoslovanskem Glasniku.

V nedeljo dne 13. maja priredi tukajšnji Odbor južnoslovanskih Amerikancev veliko slavnostno priredbo v čast jugoslovanskim delegatom konference Združenih narodov. Program, kateri bo vseboval delegate-govornike, se prične ob dveh popoldne. Gotovo bodo imeli kaj zanimivega povedati. Prireditev bo v Scottish Tide Auditoriumu, 1290 Sutter st., San Francisco. Vstopnina za popoldanski program in za ples skupno je en dolar za osebo.

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Franklin D. Roosevelt

Zadnji četrtki popoldne je pretresla deželo in svet tragična vest o nenadni smrti predsednika Roosevelta.

Milijoni delavcev in liberalno mislečih ljudi so pokojnega predsednika naravnost oboževali vsled njegovih liberalnih nazorov.

Poleg nesmrtnega Lincolna in preprostega ter bojevitega Jacksona, ki je mrzil bogataše, posebno bankirje, ni bil do danes še noben ameriški predsednik bližje širokim ljudskim masam kot Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Vsa Rooseveltova veličina se je pokazala v tistih temnih dneh, ko je nastopil svoj prvi termin. Od velike krize, ki se je do takrat vlekla že tri leta, je bilo paralizirano skoraj vse gospodarstvo dežele.

Roosevelt, ki v predsedniški kampanji 1932 ni pokazal nobenih izrednih sposobnosti ali inspiracij, je takoj ob svojem ustoličenju elektriziral deželo s svojo bojevito in duhovito poslanico, v kateri je naznanil "New Deal" z velikimi črkami in izrekel značilne besede, naj se ameriško ljudstvo "ne boji drugega kot le strahu."

Zdravilo za strah in obup je našel v novih reformah, ki so jih v bistvu socialisti propagirali že leta in leta prej; sicer ne vseh, sigurno pa vse v zvezi s socialno in delavsko zakonodajo.

Tega seveda ni storil, ker je s svojimi svetovalci vred veroval v ozdravljenje kapitalizma. Sploh so bile vse "newdealske" reforme zamišljene za dosedo tega cilja.

Prvih par let so reforme kar deževalo in v deželi je zavladal nov duh. Delavske mase so prvič od časa Lincolna začutile, da imajo dobrega prijatelja v Beli hiši.

Proti koncu svojega drugega termina je začel precej popuščati, zadnja leta pa se je zopet na vsej črti sprizajnil in pobotal z "ekonomskimi rojalisti" in "menjalci denarja".

Slava njegovemu idealizmu in človekoljubnemu duhu!

Glasovski iz naselebin

PADEL ZA DOMOVINO

Rock Springs, Wyo. — Prva vojna žrtev društva Trdnjava, št. 10 SNPJ je postal naš mladi član Robert F. Zaversnik, kateri je dal svoje mlado življenje za domovino 11. marca v Franciji, blizu mesta Truchterheim.



FR. ROBERT ZAVERSNIK

Po obvestilu vojnega obvestilnega urada njegovi materi Mary Zaversnik, 1314 Lowell st., je Robert postal žrtev nesreče, ko se je vozilo, katerega je na vozilu, preobrnilo v jarek tako nesrečno, da je bil pri priči mrtev. Pokojnik je služil pri 14 diviziji sedme armade.

Robert F. Zaversnik je bil rojen 16. maja 1922 v mestu Green River, Wyo., katero se nahaja 15 milj od Rock Springsa. Svoje šolanje pa je dovršil v Rock Springsu. Bil je 22 let star. Pred odhodom k vojakim je bil zaposlen pri železniški družbi Union Pacific.

K vojakom je bil poklican 8. decembra 1942 in je bil poslan v Francijo v septembru 1944, kjer je bil tudi ranjen v januarju t.l., za kar je prejel odlikovanje "Purple Heart," toda je po nekaj tednih okreval in bil zopet poslan nazaj v bojno linijo.

Pokojnik zapuša svojo žalujčo mater, dve sestri, Mrs. Menapace, Grand Junction, Colo. in Mrs. Ira, Green River, Wyo. ter štiri brate, od katerih dva, Cpl. Frank Zaversnik in Cpl. Philip Zaversnik, služita v prvi ameriški armadi v Nemčiji, tukaj v Rock Springsu pa brata Lewisa in Antona.

Sorodnikom izrekamo naše iskreno sožalje, pokojnemu bratu pa mirno počivanje v tuji zemlji!

Rose K. Omeyc, tajnica št. 10.

O KONVENCIJI

Duluth, Minn. — V Prosveti z dne 4. aprila je mnogo konstruktivnih in podučljivih dopisov, med njimi tudi Hočevarjev iz Puebla, Colo. Strinjamo sem, da ne bi imeli prevelike delegacije na konvenciji.

Brat Jože Hočevar pravi, da bi zadovoljal en delegat za 500 članov. Tudi jaz mislim tako: znižati bi delegacijo in zaeno konvencije stroške. Bil sem že na mnogih konvencijah kot opazovalec, ne pa zaradi kakšnih svojih interesov, in prišel sem do zaključka, da je nad polovico delegatov in delegatinj preveč.

temu, da je predsednik nekoč rekel, da v tej vojni ne bo nihče delal profita, ga danes zanjejo veliki in mali "ekonomski rojalisti" kot ga niso še nikdar želi.

In kljub temu, da je bilo organizirano delavstvo potisnjeno v zadnji klop in ima danes le malo besede v Washingtonu, mu je ves čas ostalo zvesto. In zvesto mu je ostalo največ vsled tega, ker je v njem instinktivno videlo velikega moža, velikega Američana, ki je potegnil deželo iz njenih najtemnejših dni, ko je bila izgubila tudi svojo vero v sebe.

Kljub temu, da se zadnja leta nismo mnogokrat strinjali z njegovim zunanjo in notranjo politiko, posebno ne z njegovo tajno diplomacijo, ker je po našem prepričanju vodila in tudi še vodi v zgrešeno smer, se bomo Franklina D. Roosevelta spominjali z globokim spoštovanjem kot velikega moža, ki se je v najtemnejših dneh dežele dvignil visoko in jo s svojim idealizmom in globokim socialnim čutom vsaj začasno popeljal iz Sahare.

Na neki konvenciji smo precej časa čakali na delagata ali delegatino, ko smo se dali siliti. Seveda, čakali smo na stroške organizacije. Čakali pa smo zato, ker je bil dotični delegat interesantna osebnost, neka delegatinja pa se je še šminkala v lepotični sobi in smo tudi na njo čakali.

Pri neki jednoti so se tri društva združila, da so izvolila delegatino. Ko pa je bila izvoljena, je baje govorila, da ne bo imela nobenega dobička, ker si je morala kupiti tri nove obleke, konvencija pa ne bo trajala več kot štiri dni, kakor je gl. odbor razglasil pred konvencijo.

Ako se bo letos vršila konvencija SNPJ v Evelethu, Minn., bi bilo primerno in koristno za organizacijo določiti dnevnice, in sicer ne višje kot \$10 na dan, za čezurno delo pa bi plačali poseben bonus, ne pa za tratenje časa. Komur je blaginja jednote pri srcu, bi bil s tem zadovoljen in nepotrebno prekanje bi odpadlo.

Še tole: Na neki federacijski seji sem opazil, da je dobilo nekaj oseb priznanje za delo, ki ga faktično niso izvršile. Nekdo je dobil priznanje, da je bil njegov predlog sprejet na konvenciji, a v zapisniku je stalo zapisano, da je on še enkrat predlagal isti predlog, ki je bil že poprej sprejet, samo za to, da je dobil čast v javnosti.

Bratstvo ne bi smelo imeti dva obraza.

Matija Pogorelec.

VELIKO ZANIMANJE ZA RELIFNO PRIREDITEV V NEDELJO 29. APRILA

Chicago, Ill. — Vsej čikaški slovenski javnosti je znano, da se vrši velika prireditev v korist našim ljudem v Jugoslaviji v nedeljo, 29. aprila, v Česko-ameriški dvorani na 1438 W. 18th St. Kakor je razvidno iz poslanih oglasov, ki so jih prispevala društva vseh prepičanih, je med članstvom za to priredbo veliko zanimanje.

Če Southsideci in v stari slovenski naselebin se dela na vse kriplje za uspeh te priredbe, ki se bo vršila v naši sredini. Glede programa naj rečem to, da bo bogat in privlačen. Nastopila bosta dva pevka zbora in sicer ženski zbor Slovenske ženske zveze in moški zbor Prešeren. Posebna atrakcija pa bo Možinov trio. Kdor jih je že slišal, jih hoče še in še. Glede igre "Mati" naj omenim le toliko, da imajo vloge izkušeni igralci, kot Mrs. Kušar, Milan Medvešek, Anton Krapanec.

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Društvene zadeve. Joseph Durn, tajnik našega društva št. 53 SNPJ, je že pobiral asessment na zadnji seji. Fant je še precej mlad in žilica mu ne da miru. Menda pa se mu smili tudi njegova žena Mary, ker je

Alice Kosmerl in Jos. Oblak. Govornik pa bo, kot je bilo že poročano, starosta vseh govornikov Etbina Kristana, predsednik SANSa. Morda bomo imeli tudi govornika iz starega kraja, ker bodo tisti čas tu kot delegatje na svetovni konferenci. Program se prične točno ob tretji uri popoldne. Po programu bo pa prosta zabava, jestvine, pijača in ples.

Torej ne pozabite nedelje, 29. aprila. Pridite vsi! Ker to mora biti prava solidarna demonstracija čikaških in okoliških Slovencev v korist našim ljudem v stari domovini.

Na svidenje!

Louis Zorko.

DELNIČARSKA SEJA

Detroit, Mich. — Delničarjem Slovenskega narodnega donia naznanjam, da se bo vršila delničarska seja v nedeljo, 22. aprila. Pričetek bo ob dveh popoldne. Želeti je, da se seje udeležijo vsi delničarji in delničarke, dasiravno nimamo kaj posebnega na dnevnemu redu, vendar pa se moramo malo pobrigati za bodočnost, kajti vojna ne bo vedno trajala.

Ako hočemo kdaj zgraditi boljši dom, moramo pričeti sedaj razmišljati o načrtih in možnostih. V finančnem oziru dobro napredujemo, seveda drugih aktivnosti pa sedaj ni veliko, kajti vsi smo zaposleni v tovarnah. Moram pa reči, da je ženski klub vedno na delu in skrbi, da imamo od časa do časa kakšno zabavo. Zbrale bodo skupaj nekaj denarja, da bodo lahko postregle našim sinovom, ko se povrnejo domov. Upajmo, da se bo večina povrnila, nekaj pa jih je že padlo.

V ta namen bodo zopet privedile zabavo v soboto, 21. aprila, zvečer in naša dolžnost je, da se zabave udeležimo in delujemo za skupno blaginjo nas vseh.

A. Naprudnik, tajnik.

DRUŠTVENE VESTI IN DRUGO

Cleveland, O. — Danes popoldne (12. aprila) smo na Public Squareju izložili zadnje potnike, nakar vstopijo novi, ki se peljajo po St. Clair ave. na vzhodno stran mesta. Eden potnikov me je vprašal, če sem še slišal žalostno vest. "Kak'no vest?" sem vprašal. "Roosevelt je mrtev!" mi je odgovoril.

Ta strašna novica me je tako hudo pretresla, kakor pred letom dni, ko so polagali moje ženo k zadnjemu počitku. Se nikoli poprej nisem volil ne republikanskega in ne demokratskega predsednika, Roosevelta pa sem. Čital sem, poslušal in videl, kako je čislojse velikih magnatov obrnilo hrbet največjemu možu, kateri je bil kos svoji nalogi v največji vojni v zgodovini sveta. Naša vojska je razdeljena na dva velika dela v Evropi in po vsem južnem in severnem Pacifiku je razpredena ameriška armada in mornarica. Kar naenkrat pa so ameriške vojaške sile izgubile svojega glavnega poveljnika. Naravna sila mu je zapovedala: "Storil si svojo dolžnost kot velik mož in Tvoja pot je dokončana!"

Za nas nisi mrtev, med nami boš živel, dočim bodo oni, ki so te gnali v prerano smrt še živi pozabljeni. Toliko za danes. Dne 10. aprila sem prejel pismo od Frances Vreček, v katerem mi je sporočila žalostno vest, da sta Mary in George Bates, 2245 W. 3rd st., Chicago, Ill., izgubila svojega sina Rogersa, ki je bil poročnik v letalskem koru. Kje se je zgodila nesreča, poročilo ne pove.

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bila preveč obložena z delom. Tudi njegov sin Raymond je prišel na dopust. Jože in Mary sta ponosna nanj, ker imata mladega sina v armadi.

John Sorc je nam poročal, da bo treba novo plesno dvorano na farmi SNPJ, katero je lanski sneg podrl, prav tako kakor cikelkono v Samsuli, kjer žive naši gostoljubni rojaki iz vseh delov Zedinjenih držav. Menda je postal kapitalist celo Jerry Hafner, kateri sedaj prodaja južno sadje in sočivje. Menda tudi sok iz "grapefruita." S tem sokom bi meni veliko volj ustregel kot z "ohajčanom" ali "špirom." V Samsuli so zgradili novo dvorano in prav tako jo bomo morali zgraditi na farmi SNPJ. Kdo bo pa plačal? Nace je dejal, da ima društvo št. 53 SNPJ dosti denarja. Saj ga zmeraj posujejo, pa naj plača!

Moji asistent brat Sorc je bil oni dan v Exportu, Pa., kjer je umrl sorodnik njegove žene Elizabete. Radi tega je mene delegiral, da sem pobiral vstopnice pri vratih na veselici društva Svobode št. 748 SNPJ. Laska mi verjamete, da sem bi zelo zaposlen in tudi moja koleginja Josephine Vesel. Društvo je zelo obilen uspeh. Mi, ki smo ga pomagali ustanoviti, želimo, kaj tudi brat Hauptman iz Wita, Ill., da bi bilo tudi malo več svobode v Chicagu. Oh, saj veste kje.

Well, vsaj ena oseba je bila zainteresirana v preslico in ji jo sedaj pošiljam, da bo videla, kakšna je. Ampak jih nimam nič več, zato mi ne pišite zanjo. Na kratko vam bom opisal to rastlino. Dolga je približno osem palcev in podobna smrečici. Kadar je posušena, je podobna pšenicevemu klasu. Raste med divjimi rastlinami na močvirnatih travnikih. Dobi se jo v maju in oktobru.

Da ne pozabim, na seji smo razpravljali tudi o konvenciji. Kaj bo s konvencijo? Well, bratje, v Chicagu so vas zagotovili, da se bo vršila, ker tako zahteval postava. Washington pa je zmešal štreno Chicagu in Illinoisu in sedaj nihče, nič ne ve, ali bo ali ne bo, medtem časom pa se vi kar pripravljajte na konvencijo, čeprav je ne bo. Včasih pa se spomnite name in prišli boste do zaključka, da nisem res tako zabit, kakor bi me nekateri bratje radi prikazali. Povedal bi vam več, toda je vojaška tajnost in zato moram molčati, bogami!

Frank Barbič.

PRISPEVAJMO ZA STARO DOMOVINO!

Conemaugh, Pa. — Na seji poručnice št. 28 SANSa v Conemaughu, Pa., katero se je vršila 8. aprila, je bilo sklenjeno, da pričnemo v našem okrožju zopet pobirati prispevke za Slovence v stari domovini.

Za to delo so bili pooblašteni sledeči: za Conemaugh Mrs. Mrak in Joseph Turk, za Bon Air Mrs. Skedel in Anthony Dolence, za Franklin Mrs. Benčina in Mrs. Okiecki, za Park Hill Mrs. Zabrc in Mrs. Mele, za Woodvale Heights pa John Brezovec. Kampanja se bo pričela 1. maja in bo trajala do 31. maja.

Dragi rojaki! Očitno je, da se vojna v Evropi naglo približuje koncu. Vojne bo konec, ne pa grozot, lakote, boleznin in pomanjkanja. Gotovo, ljudstvo se bo pomagalo samo pomagalo iz te strašne mizerije, toda brez prve pomoči, ki jo pričakuje od nekod, mu bo skoro nemogoče pričeti normalno človeško življenje.

Res je, da pomlad, ki s svojo krasno naravo, z lepim, duhtečim cvetjem dreves, z zelenimi travniki in gozdovi, z žvrkoljenjem ptic in z bliščicami gorskimi sončnimi žarki, nekako oživi in razveseli človeški čut. Toda tega smo menda deležni le tukaj v naši novi domovini. Predstavljajmo si sliko narodov, ki so prizadeti od strašnih vojnih grozot! Predstavljajmo si našo nekdanjo ubogo Jugoslavijo. Kateri so naši krvni bratje vključeni, kateri so šli skozi najkrvoločnejše čase!

Da, dragi rojaki, njih src ne bo obudila krasna narava pomladi. Oni se ozirajo potrti in z žalostnimi očmi na svoje domove, a pred seboj vidijo le osmojene razvaline. Ozirajo se na sadno drevje, češnje in jablane, ki so še nedavno s svojim duhtečim spomladanskim cvet-

jem tako veselo oznanjevale radost pomladi, a vidijo le obžalovane veje, ki molijo proti nebu, kakor da bi prazile pomoči. Ozirajo se po razvalinah, da bi zagledali svoje drage: očeta, mater, sestro, hčerko ali sina, ali oni so odšli za vedno. Pokončala jih je kruta sovražna roka. Na njih obrazih se čita grozota, lakota, žalost in bolezen. Za njih ni nikjer, nikjer tolažbe!

Dragi rojaki! Ali niso to žalostni prizori! Ali niso naše matere, očetje in drugi krvni bratje toliko vredni, da jim nudimo takojšnjo pomoč? Ali nismo toliko inteligentni, da bi si znali predstavljati sliko grozot dejstva in mizerije, v kateri naš narod? Ameriški Slovenci smo tisti, ki jim lahko nudimo pomoč in tolažbo. Mi, ameriški Slovenci, smo tisti, ki lahko vsaj nekoliko nadomestimo pomladno naravo s koščkom kruha, riža, kave ali s kako ponošeno obleko. Izkazali ste se že večkrat kot dobrosrčni in usmiljeni ter pomagali našemu ubogemu narodu v stari domovini. Maršikatera ženica, deček ali deklica se vam že zahvaljuje za pomoč, ki so jo prejeli od ameriških Slovencev.

Prva pošiljka je dospela v Jugoslavijo v januarju, druga je odplula iz New Yorka 21. marca. Skupna tonaza je bila 550 ton v vrednosti \$694,675. Poslanega je bilo precej živeža, obleke, obuvaj, zdravil in nekaj šivalnih strojev. To je bila prva pošiljka, katero so prejeli v Jugoslaviji in za katero smo tudi ameriški Slovenci prispevali.

Nikdar še ni bilo tako potrebno in važno, da posežemo malo globlje v žep, kakor je prav sedaj, ko se vojna bliža koncu. Radi tega ste prošni, bodite naklonjeni in dobrosrčni, kadar vas obiščejo gori omenjeni pobiraleci. Ako boste storili, boste zadostili narodni dolžnosti, ki bo za vselej zapisana v zgodovini in zaeno boste tolažili sirote, ki tako obupno čakajo pomoči in tolažbe.

Joseph Turk, predsednik št. 28 SANSa.

RAZNOTEROSTI

Albia, Ia. — Ker vidim v Prosveti, kako se mnogi zanimajo za naše uboge ljudi v stari domovini, sem se tudi jaz namenila, da poskusim svojo srečo in sem šla nabirat prispevke.

Darovali so: Frank in Ludvik Kristof \$10, Frank Bregar in žena \$6.20, Jakob Vidmar in žena \$5, Anton Pirnat \$5, dve osebi po dva dolarja, ena pa \$1. Med domačimi pa sem dobila \$4.25, od prej pa sem imela 71 centov, tako da je znašala skupna vsota \$37.16, katero sem poslala gl. predsedniku Vincentu Cankarju. Dvakrat pa sem poslala obnošeno obleko, ki je tehtala vsakokrat 48 funtov. Poština je znašala \$5.42, katero je krilo naše društvo. Vsem darovalcem se najlepše zahvaljujem. S tem pa ni rečeno, da ne bom več pobirala obleke. Ako ima kateri družina kaj obleke na rokahnaj mi jo prinese ali pa pošlje.

Se nekaj. Starši naj opozorijo svoje otroke, da mora biti društveni asessment plačan do zadnjega v mesecu. Saj ste čitali v Prosveti, ko je gl. tajnik pisal, da nekatera društva pošiljajo asessment v glavni urad prepozno in da so radi tega sitnosti in več dela. Točnost velja tudi za člane in ne samo za tajnike, kajti ne more poslati denarja ob pravem času v gl. urad, ako mu člani ne plačajo pravočasno. Kadar pa je član bolan, pa ne bo rekel, naj tajnica vzame denar in da mu ga bo že prihodnjič dala.

Nekaj besed o konvenciji. Majhna društva nimajo zastopstva na konvencijah, kljub temu da plačujejo prav tako v konvencijski sklad. Mnenja sem, da bi bilo najbolj pametno, da bi imelo vsako društvo samo enega delegata, pa naj šteje sto ali pa tisoč članov.

Končam, prihodnjič bom pa zopet poročala, ako bom imela kaj sreče s prispevki za staro domovino.

Helena Kristof, taj. 163 SNPJ.



Tribute to a Truly Great Man

It is indeed fitting and proper at this time that we pay tribute to the memory and achievements of a truly great American—Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

The suddenness of President Roosevelt's death last week recalls a situation somewhat similar to that of 80 years ago when President Lincoln died at the end of a great civil conflict. While Lincoln lived to see the end of that conflict that resulted so victoriously for the cause of humanity, Roosevelt fell in line of duty on the very eve of a victorious end of a great global conflict.

President Roosevelt was a dynamic leader and a master politician. But he was much more. His magnetic personality, his wide knowledge of domestic and world problems, and his understanding of the needs of the common people put him far above any other public man.

Millions of people remember his fireside chats. The artistry with which he spoke surpassed the oratory of all known orators. Through his speeches he came so close to the masses that millions of listeners trusted him.

At the end of his first inaugural speech in those dark days of 1933, Roosevelt said: "The only thing we have to fear is fear itself—nameless, unreasoning, unjustifiable terror which paralyzes needed efforts to convert retreat into advance."

It is truly said that although Roosevelt was a man who couldn't walk he went farther than any other American ever went on two legs. He was four times President of the world's most powerful nation. Roosevelt was the only President since Lincoln whose repeated elections were all won without the vote of any solid section, political or geographic.

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In spite of his physical affliction, Franklin D. Roosevelt was good-natured, confident, social, companionable. In short, he was something new in the world of American politics.

It would be wrong to think that Roosevelt was a saint, for no politician can be one no matter to what party he may belong, and particularly if he is at the head of a capitalist political party. As such he erred often, his mistakes were many.

In spite of that, Franklin Roosevelt did much for the common people. His social security program is but one of the many achievements to his credit. He hadn't done all he had hoped to do. Many of his proposals were defeated by the reactionary forces in Congress.

No, Roosevelt hadn't done all he had hoped to do, neither on the domestic front nor on the international front. He said he knew he hadn't reached perfectionism, and no one ever will. But no one can deny the fact that he had done his best to achieve the beginnings of a better world in which to live.

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On the international front, Roosevelt was one of the few far-sighted individuals who saw the danger coming from the east and west, from the aggressor nations.

He had warned the nation to quarantine the aggressors and to prepare for the great struggle at a time when others were laughing at him saying that the two oceans give us ample protection against any invader.

Roosevelt did his best to achieve "the beginning of a permanent structure of peace upon which we can build that better world in which our children and grandchildren—the children and grandchildren of the whole world—must live."

When he returned from his recent trip to Yalta, he began his report to Congress: "It is good to be home. It has been a long journey. I hope you will agree that it was a fruitful one." He knew he hadn't done all he hoped to do, for he had had to compromise.

More than any other world leader of our time, President Roosevelt will be remembered as a great man. As such he is mourned not only by his own people but by the freedom-loving peoples the world over.

Forward, Loyalites!

CLEVELAND, O.—Yes, it's been quite some time since a column like this has appeared but we hope that we may start to keep it up from now on. (How about it, Dot?)

Yes, it's been a long, long time also since the Loyalites have held a dance but now we wish to announce that on April 21 the Loyalites are again sponsoring a dance with the Vadnal orchestra giving out with the sweet and low waltzes and polkas and what not, so how about making a point to pay us a visit and let's make it a hot time in Cleveland once again. (There are quite a few SNPJ lodges that owe us a visit so now is the time.)

The dance is being held at the newly decorated hall on Holmes ave. and will start at 7 p. m. sharp. So come one and come all, young and old. The date again is April 21, the place Slovene Hall on Holmes ave., the sponsors Loyalites. The profits from this dance will be sent to all our servicemen, so let's make it a good showing. We'll be looking for you, Barberton, Pinsky and all our Cleveland sister lodges.

Over one-fourth of our lodge membership is in service and so we'll give a little news about the boys. Frank Yankovich, owner of the new and modern Yankovich Nite Club, is now in England. Stan Zupun was wounded overseas but is now in the states recuperating. Vic and Stan Sustarsic are at present enjoying a furlough at home from overseas duties. Tony (Schmoltz) Fortuna is stationed in Chico, Calif., and we understand that "a bundle from heaven" is on the way. Shorty Zadell is spending his time with the New Guinea people, while A. J. (Tony) Kastelic is sailing out on the South Pacific (we hear he has raised a honey of a mustache). Frank (Hank) Anzlovar has gone and got married to a West Virginia gal where he is stationed. Red Zaman is down in Pearl Harbor at present. Patsy Krall is also stationed down in the South Pacific.

Rumors have it that Cheligoj and Zadell have deserted our neck of the woods for the Hts. where they have opened up a restaurant business. Good luck, boys. If you happen to stop on the corner of E. 158th and Waterloo gas station you will probably be met by the new proprietor, none other than Doc Gregoric.

With all the Loyalite babies we won't be surprised if we have a Juvenile Circle soon. As we have not been in print for so long we will now list our new arrivals. The Yankovichs now are parents of a girl and a boy, Zadell a boy and a girl, Cheligoj a boy, Berchie Kromar a boy, Doc Gregoric a girl, the Sitters two boys, and Pavsek a boy.

Louise (Beany) Zupan went for a vacation to California and enjoyed it so much there that she hasn't returned yet, and it's over a year. What's the attraction up there, Beanie?

We close now and hope that we'll be seeing all those familiar faces this Saturday at the Loyalite Dance. So till next week we bid you all good by.

ROSE MARY (ROSSA) RAINES,
Loyalites Lodge 590.

Cavaliers Mark Anniversary

BURGETTSTOWN, PA.—Last minute reminder to all of you friends and neighboring lodges of our 12th anniversary dance on April 21. Music by the well-known Jake Martinec and his orchestra, hours 8 to 11 p. m. in order to abide by the midnight curfew.

The committee has been selected and all have worked hard to make this a success and a hearty welcome is extended to all, who in the past have helped us make our anniversary dances the most successful events of the year.

A brief review of our lodge up to the present time is as follows: The Cavaliers Lodge 741 of Burgettstown was started by the late Joseph Pompe in 1933 and we owe all our successes to him and Hanna Pompe Vietmec, wife of our late founder, who has made many donations and helped in every way possible. We, the Cavaliers, wish to express our heartiest thanks and will try hard to continue our great program.

EMMA KOROSK, Sec'y.

he graduated and the class had dinner at the Como Inn. Ann Sannemann received her certificate in Chicago Authors of Children's Books, a course given by P.T.A. Their class dined at Y.M.C.A. Ann Sannemann had her picture in West Side News recently in connection with Millard Avenue Women's Club which accepted her as a member. John Rak spent the weekend in Gary gardening. Norman Sodnik is at home with the mumps. Mary Andrea is one of the hostesses at the P.T.A. this week at a luncheon party.



EDITH DOBNIKAR
Lodge 568
Waukegan, Ill.

The Waukegan Tournament Secretary is none other than Edith Dobnikar, Little Fort member, who for many years has been active in SNPJ bowling circles.

Of Our Community

Juvenile Activity

WAUKEGAN, ILL.—For some time there has been gathering in the Co-op office a stack of pamphlets from various universities and Department of Labor, both national and state. Suggestions for organized recreation for pre-school and for teen-age people; for indoor play and for outdoor play; for things to make by hand at little cost, and for activities to engage in which provide fun and income for young and old.

All these idea-pamphlets will be turned over to the Juvenile Guidance Board of our local Circle No. 24 of SNPJ. No more will it need be said by leaders that they can not help because they do not have the "know-how". There is contained in these papers and bulletins those kinds of suggestions which can be useful for Juvenile Circle leaders. Come on, Waukegan-North Chicago, let's go!

Our Co-op

Not enough shares were represented to make a quorum at the annual meeting of the Waukegan and North Chicago Co-operative Association. Because of this, the Board of Directors postponed the meeting to Saturday, April 21, at the Slovene Hall.

However, movies, from Co-op League, were shown which helped in bringing before the members a picture of the activities of other co-operative groups. In addition, Bill Torma, of the Council for Cooperative Development and specialist in store arrangements, presented his recommendations for the remodeling of the main store.

Notices will be sent to all members of the Co-op and there will be other publicity calling attention to the meeting. There are few cooperative societies which equal the financial position and efficiency in operation of our cooperative; but there are many, many cooperative organizations where there is greater member participation and member activity. It is sincerely hoped that a large portion of the 496 members who have \$25,750 invested in the organization will attend the next meeting.

Credit Union

Plans are now being readied by the Board of Directors of the North Chicago Cooperative Credit Union to conduct a survey in conjunction with the distribution of patronage refunds by the Co-op. Information to be asked of all patrons will include an attempt to determine the need for new household appliances and the need for repairs of present household equipment, number of members in the family, whether or not co-op members are members of credit unions organized at their places of work, and how extensive and complete are the plans being made by members in regard to home building and in regard to purchasing of new cars.

The results of the survey will enable our Credit Union and the Co-op to determine to what extent expansion into other lines would be advantageous to our community. Some suggestions have already come in which indicate to some extent the thinking of a few members. A burial society, coal and heating fuel organization, the organization of a clinic, dry cleaning and laundry service, and a Co-op book and reading room have been put on the list of "things to do some day".

A. K., CO-OP MAN.

JZJ's Bright Spots

LIBRARY, PA.—The J. Z. Jrs.' annual Spring Dance is this Sunday, April 22, at the Slovene Hall in Library. Jackie Martinec and his orchestra will provide the music for the evening. Dancing begins at 8 p. m. and ends at 11:45 p. m. See you on Sunday night.

DANCE COMMITTEE, 662.

Badgerland News

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—Just another week and our regular monthly meeting will be on hand. With warmer weather in the offing, and bowling on the wane, we should have some new faces showing up. So let's make it a date and attend the April meeting. Some new subjects will be discussed and old matters will be cleared up. Also a report will be given on the National SNPJ telegraphic bowling meet, which will be bowled the same weekend. We haven't seen old Zup for a long time. What say you surprise us by attending this meeting. Bro. Frank Schneider is 'way overdue. And Teddy, where are you keeping yourself?

Dates and News

Our regular monthly meeting on Friday, April 27. The usual place, Sostarich Hall, S. 6th and W. Bruce St.

The benefit card party to be staged by the local chapter of SANC. This will also be held at Sostarich Hall. The date is Sunday, April 22. Attend this worthwhile affair as the proceeds are going for a worthy cause.

Mr. and Mrs. Matt Pink spent a few days in Detroit recently.—Mr. and Mrs. John Smanz spent the Easter holidays in Muskegon, Mich., where they visited the parents and sisters of Mrs. Smanz.

Bowling Taps

The Remic Mixed league wound up the session with no worthwhile scores being shot. In the All-star wheel which functions twice a week we find Rudy Pugel shooting consistently, slapping a neat 635 on Tuesday and coming back on Thursday with another fine score of 636. Out West Milwaukee way on the Kuglitch Lanes our Prexy Tony Verbič finished up the season with a good total of 623. With the cooperation of all local lodges the local section of the SNPJ national telegraphic is assured of a good entry. Close to 15 teams and the doubles and singles will be bowled on the Silver City Lanes, 3730 W. National Ave. The general proprietors, Louis Evarich and Frankie Verbič who are both SNPJs, will be on hand to make an official greeting to all the bowlers. All you none bowlers are invited to come up and root for your favorites. Plans are rapidly taking shape and with your cooperation we are assured by the committee that everything will run along smoothly. Gathering from our Athletic Director's writings in the Prosveta, the affair should be a grand success. Our championship girls' doubles team of Josephine Smanz and Mitze Schuller will be on hand to defend their laurels.

Members in Service

Many letters have been received by our members from the boys in the service thanking them for writing to them. The committee is doing a splendid job. That should be an example for all of us to bear down and write to these boys and girls. Being thousands of miles away from home is a tough ordeal for a lot of these young boys who are probably away from home for the first time. And a letter from some source from home will go a long way to make things just a little easier for them. So again I say, write and keep on writing. Let us not forget them while they are gone and they will not forget us when they come home. The addresses for this week are: A/c Robert Perko, 36839767, Group E. AAFPS-SAACC, San Antonio, Texas.—Cpl. John J. Vodnik, 907895, M.W.S.S. 4 P.C.—W.C., M.C.A.D. Miramar, San Diego 45, Calif.—Sgt. James V. Santilli, 1620 S.U. Hq. Co. Bond. Bks. 1829, Camp McCoy, Wis. SALTY, 584.

Utopian Notice

CLEVELAND, O.—The regular monthly business meeting of the Utopians will be held promptly at 3 p. m. Sunday, April 22, to take place in the SWH on Waterloo Rd. It is very important that we get a good attendance due to business matters that have arisen concerning every Utopian.

After the meeting is adjourned we are to have another of our super colossal socials, with food, refreshments and music. Joe France will give out with ear tingling music, the kind that makes you glad to be around.

So don't forget this important date, Sunday, April 22, at 3 p. m. I state again, the business on hand is really your concern, so don't fail to attend!

GEORGE JELINEK, Pres.

To All Members of SNPJ Lodge No. 700

ROUNDUP, MONT.—All members of SNPJ Lodge 700 are kindly asked to be present at the next meeting on Sunday, May 13, at 2 p. m. at the hall, as the matter of a new meeting place is to be brought up.

FRANCES STOLCUP, Sec'y.

FLASHES

By DONALD J. LOTRICH

CHICAGO.—The next meeting of the Pioneers is scheduled for Friday, April 20, at the SNPJ hall. All members are urged to be present. A report on the entries for the national bowling tourney will be made. The federation committee will report also, as will the officers of the Pioneer league. Stephanie Rodman, Anne Beniger, and Wilma Gratchner will prepare the refreshments. We understand that it will be strudel and coffee. The usual monthly cash awards will be made. Let's have a good attendance!

We have lost our Chief. There isn't any question that his death at this time is a serious blow to the people of this country. Much has been done under his administration to help the capitalist system on its feet, to give work to the people and to increase the profits for business. It was the foresight of the Roosevelt administration which prepared this country for the present war so that we can now speak of a victorious war, soon. President Roosevelt had things pretty much his own way when he was first elected and when the country was down and out with more than twelve million unemployed and more than twenty million on relief. It was to his credit that he carried thru radical social reforms and thus enabled the country to get back on its feet. It was his administration which gave a great impetus to labor to organize its unions and establish minimum wages and hours. Yes, he has shown the way democratic forces in America can eventually take over the industries and the commerce of this country and operate them for the well-being of all the people. There isn't any doubt but that he added much to the progress and development of better relations between employer and employee. He will live long, even after death, therefore. Naturally, the people of this country will miss him. We want to add our few words of comfort in his passing.

Mary Hochevar was recently operated upon but is now at home at 3113 S. Sunnyside in Brookfield and feeling better. Others added to the sick list include Helen Sollar, 2110 Seminary Ave., and Verne Podpechan, 4341 W. 26th st. The other sick members are Mary Boecinsky, 4319 S. Ridgeway, Dorothy Kaczynski, 7548 S. Carpenter st., and Lillian Zasadil, 2641 S. Millard.—George Ratkovich has stopped in to see us. He's home on a 23-day furlough and looking fine as ever.—The other day, John Alic, Leonard Alper, and Frank Lotrich made a trip to Detroit to watch Rudy Pugel bowl and to visit with their friends. Rudy did a pretty good job in Detroit, but his squad was licked by the Strohs.—Mike Reading writes that everything is nice and green and in bloom with all kinds of flowers. He follows the Pioneers in service thru the Pioneer Bulletin.

Since the last report, we want to add Joseph and Frances Omerza as donating \$20 to the Yugoslav War Relief and \$5 for the Russian War Relief which is hereby gratefully acknowledged.—Our members mustn't forget to get the April 29 Yugoslav War Relief Benefit tickets from the Pioneer Secretary.—If you want to attend the opera on May 2nd and 5th and hear Zinka Milanov, order your tickets at once from the Chicago Civic Opera. The tickets run from \$2.40 up.—La Follette's Magazine reported recently about the tremendous profits made by the numerous munitions makers. Some of them made profits which exceeded an increase of 5000%. It is terrible to think that our boys are out there fighting this war while the firms are making such tremendous profits. We've said before and we repeat that no one should make any profit out of war, that the government should manufacture all of its necessities and war supplies at cost. The sooner this is done, that much sooner the wars will be eliminated.

ALBINA L. FURLAN, 568.

Who flatters is, of all mankind, the lowest, save he who courts the flattery.

Our Members in U. S. Forces Fight for Human Rights

TWENTY-NINTH REPORT

- 59—Joe Grlc.
- 108—Leonard M. Perushek; August Seliskar.
- 138—Anton Lovrich.
- 381—Audrey Alt; Frank Sutey.
- 407—Joseph Tominak.
- 581—Silvio Cillardi; John A. Ershak.

TOTAL WITH THIS REPORT—5,118.

Lodge secretaries are requested to send the names of members in U. S. Armed Forces not yet published in Prosveta to the Office of Supreme Secretary.

F. A. Vider, Secretary.

NOTATIONS

By Frances L. Rak

CHICAGO, ILL.—The news of the tragic death of our President Franklin Delano Roosevelt has made sorrow universal. The world mourns his sudden death because he was a "personal friend" to all mankind. Somehow, it makes you feel as if something big has been lost; you feel lonely; we will miss him.

It is a pity that he couldn't live to see his greatest triumphs; triumphs of the American forces he created to defend our country; and a triumph of his plan for a new organization to keep the peace of the world.

His passing signaled the end of an era of great struggles. With constant opposition, he struggled to better the life of the common man. His name will go down in history—and rightly so. Although his death was premature—and it's no wonder for he carried a heavy burden of the nation's troubles for many more years than any other president in the history of these United States—he deserves a rest.

Pioneer Meeting.—Pioneers are again urged to attend the April lodge meeting. It will be held Friday evening, April 20, at 8 o'clock in the lower SNPJ hall. Business will be as usual, and we understand—we'll have some "special" refreshments under supervision of Anne Beniger, Wilma Gratchner and Stephanie Rodman. Please come!

Perfect Circle.—On Mother's Day, May 13, in the afternoon, at the SNPJ auditorium, the Perfect Circle 26 SNPJ will present a Parents' Day Program. The title is "When Ma and Pa Were Young." Regular refreshments are being held on Wednes-

day evenings and Saturday mornings. From what we can make out, it will be something very different and a style show is being included. Ann Sannemann, Circle Manager, has been doing a lot of scouting for costumes and has had excellent results. More details will follow week by week.

Servicemen.—Cpt. Louis F. Cainkar of the U. S. M. C. is home on a furlough; he's stationed at Camp Pendleton, Calif. T/Sgt. Ernie Reven is recovering from an eye infection. George Ratkovich is having a grand time with his brother while both are furloughing here. S/Sgt. Larry Langerholc, Johnstown, Pa., was one of the few lucky G. I.'s to get home on another weekend leave from Ft. Geo. Meade, Md. A flash from West Newton, Pa. M/Sgt. Stanley Peve wrote his parents that his B-29 was hit by flak and two of his crew were hurt, but he was a lucky guy. Stanley has over a dozen missions to his credit, out Tokyo way.

All-A-Round.—Frank Gerdanc, of Cicero, had an accident at work last week; he's nursing a broken arm and other bruises; we hope for a speedy recovery. Frank Bizjak and wife Mary will be missed by Perfect Circle children. They quit their job as caretakers at SNPJ. Leo Smaga is the new caretaker, and I'm sure the children will like him equally as well. Al Bak of Gary, Ind., was in the city one day last week. The Sannemanns were busy getting certificates last week. Bob attended the Illinois College of Technology taking course in Safety Engineering.

Our Front

By Louis Beniger

The sudden death of President Roosevelt marks the end not only of his New Deal but the end of an era in which he played the main role.

Franklin D. Roosevelt was a remarkable leader and a great President of the United States. During his more than 12 years in office, Roosevelt did his best to better the conditions of the American people. In the bleak March days of 1933, when he first took office, he squared his big shoulders, cocked his long jaw and forced his spirit up to conquer the great depression, just as he conquered the crippling depression in himself years before. And with one brave sentence he announced to the nation: "The only thing we have to fear is fear itself."

As an able, dynamic political leader he came so close to the people, and so high did his spirit vault the old political barriers that millions of voters became independent.

No matter how we view the Roosevelt phenomena, the shape of history's verdict on him is already beginning to take form.

Many of us believe that Roosevelt, by his recovery acts in 1933-34, saved capitalism, that he drove off communism, and saved the American way of life by channeling the tides of revolution into the orderly spillwaters of sensible reform. He did this, and perhaps it is much better than if the nation would have been thrown into a bloody revolution. But the irony of it all is the fact that the capitalists whom he saved were his bitterest opponents. Why? Because he at the same time, through certain reforms, did not forget the underdog. That they could not forgive.

Roosevelt's magnetic smile, his wit, ease, and gaiety went a long way in putting over his program and gaining friends.

Organized and unorganized labor was for Roosevelt. In fact, it was labor which elected him in 1936, 1940, and 1944, while in 1932 he was elected by the majority of the people because of the great depression.

Last fall, when Roosevelt visited Chicago, I said then: "I wanted to see this man, who, in spite of his many mistakes and blunders, has shown that much can be accomplished if there is a will to do things. That he possesses a dynamic spirit, is well known; were it not for his spirit and courage, he could not have overcome the obstacle of a devastating physical handicap. It is true that he could have accomplished much more for the common man, but this has not been entirely his own fault."

I am indeed very happy that I had the opportunity to see and hear the late President from so close.

Questions and Answers

Question: Can I still receive Federal Social Security retirement benefits if I own my home or other property?

ANSWER: The one percent deducted from the wages of an employee is his part of the Federal tax for old-age and survivors insurance only. His employer pays a like amount. This payroll tax finances this Federal insurance which provides monthly payments for the insured worker when he retires at 65 or later; for his wife if she is 65; and in case of his death for his widow. Federal retirement benefits are therefore payable, regardless of any property owned by the retiring worker or his wife.

The other plan for payments to persons 65 or over, is old age assistance. In Illinois, such payments are designated as old-age pensions. That plan is financed from general revenues. The Federal Government shares the cost of it, but the State decides who shall get the pension and how much shall be paid to each person. The payment is based on the applicant's need, and does take into account properties and other resources.

SNPJ Lodge No. 319 To Give Dance April 29

CIDDY, PA.—Lodge 319 has permitted excessive time to elapse since the last social event but the committee once again offers you an opportunity to spend an evening's entertainment with us. It selected Sunday, April 29, as the dance entertainment night with music by Jack Gabel and his Melody Mixers. May the brief announcement be your invitation.

MOLLY, Lodge 319.

Prereren Singers Give Dance Sunday

PITTSBURGH, PA.—It's dance time again now that the lenten season is passed. The Prereren Singing Society is starting the ball rolling with one other than the genial gentleman from Warren, Ohio, Jack Perren. Gather round Sunday, April 22, for a good time at the Slovane Hall on 57th st. Your cares will whizz away after the first polka and from there on it will be fun to end. It has been a long time since we have seen our friends from out of town, so how about making this a grand reunion? We'll be looking for you.

ROSE FABEC, 655.

Universal Comets

Dates To Remember

UNIVERSAL, PA.—April 22—Regular quarterly meeting of the Slovene Federation of western Pennsylvania at the Slovane Hall, Coverdale. The local Slovene lodge in Coverdale will be the host, and they will sponsor a concert following the meeting. Matt Gouze and his Duquesne University orchestra are scheduled, and there should be a big time. There will also be a speaking program.

April 22—Annual Spring Dance by the J-Z Jrs. Lodge 682 if Library, at the Slovane hall. Jakie Martincic has been engaged to play.

April 29—National Telegraphic Tournament in conjunction with the federation tenpin tournament of the E. S. Federation at the SNPJ Hall, Strabane. Dancing will follow in the upper hall, and Jakie Martincic will entertain.

May 26—Dance by Lodge Comets 715 at the Slovane Hall, Universal. Les Faulk and his orchestra will be featured.

Comet's News

The Comet's Lodge began the 1944-1945 bowling season quite late, not having begun bowling as a group until after the middle of February. But once they started they showed that they meant business. Each Friday finds them at the bowling alleys in Verona with from 14 to 20 bowlers. At present the fellows and girls are bowling tenpins in preparation for the national telegraphic tournament.

Comets had three teams entered in the duckpin tournament, and in all there were 20 members who participated in the various events. Only one lodge had more bowlers entered, and that was Sygan Lodge No. 6. The lodge that served as hosts. In addition, numerous Comets went to Sygan for the dance and entertainment.

At this writing the lodge has two girls' teams definitely entered in the tenpin tournament, and it is hoped that there will be a man's team. The war front is retarding the bowling activities of the men in the lodge. In any event, there will be man in the singles and doubles.

In the duckpin tournament, the girls' team placed second with 1600 pins. In the doubles event, Frank Belin and Sam Bernardi with top honors with 942 pins. Ann Yenets and everybody was happy but Elmer. His was the lone dissenting vote for this report, and so he lost again.

MICHAEL R. KUMER.

Duckpin Tourney

The recent duckpin tournament of the E. S. Federation of SNPJ Lodges of western Pennsylvania held in Sygan was a big success. In terms of teams entered, it cannot be compared with the tournaments prior to the war. But in spirit, it was excellent. Even in teams entered, it surpassed the entries of the previous year, and it is hoped that this year marks the beginning of bigger tournaments in years to follow.

There were a total of 15 teams and 31 doubles entered. The singles event was cancelled because of the pressure of time. The following gives you a brief resume of the results:

Team Event, Men's Division, Veronians Lodge 600, 2184 pins, Sygan Lodge 6, 2084 pins, Ladies' Division, Imperial Lodge 716, 1651 pins, Universal Comets 715, 1600 pins. Doubles Event, Men's Division, Universal Comets 715, 942 pins Frank Belin-Sam Bernardi; Imperial Lucky Stars 716, 896 pins (A. Trusnovic-W. Trusnovic). Ladies' Division, Beading Lodge 172, 747 pins (F. Selan-A. Racki); Sygan Lodge 6, 704 pins (A. Visneker-C. Kvarthic); High Score Single Game, Men's, J. F. Baker, Sygan, No. 6, 222 pins, J. Yugovich, Veronians, 216 pins, Ladies, Ann Yenets, Comets 715, 170 pins, A. Racki, Beading 172, 154 pins.

The dance following the bowling was a big success. The crowd was enormous and happy, and everyone had a good time. Jakie Martincic performed very well, and it is expected that a big crowd will come to the federation tourney and dance of the national telegraphic tournament in Strabane to dance to his music. The Federation Athletic Committee did a good job in promoting and managing the tournament, and the Sygan Lodge 6 made very good hosts for the occasion. The Federation expresses its gratefulness to committees for the splendid cooperation and for the good affair.

Telegraphic Tourney

By this date the entries for the National Telegraphic Tournament should be known. Those in western Pennsylvania will probably be quite modest; even in normal times we could not expect a big entry from this section because only one lodge bowls tens. Yet, the tenpin tournament scheduled in Strabane on April 29 will be some contribution to the national manifestation.

It is not known at this writing the number of teams that will be entered here. We do know that the Comet's Lodge will have two, and possibly three, teams entered. Strabane Pioneers Lodge 589, the only lodge in this section that bowls tens, should have numerous teams. In addition to being vitally interested in tenpins it is a big lodge, it has its own alleys, and the tournament will be held in their SNPJ hall. We

Spirit-o-Grams

By Whoosht

ST. LOUIS, MO.—Although it was Friday the 13th, our regular monthly meeting proved to be lucky as we had good attendance and we welcomed into our midst a fine young gentleman, Bro. John Laster-ni of the Chicago Victorians. John seemed to have enjoyed our company and we believe he will be active as he already volunteered to work at our May 5 dance.

Tickets and donation books were distributed at the meeting by the committee for our annual May 5 dance, and those not present will receive their quota by mail. Given away at the dance will be ten dollars cash, ham, slab of bacon, five dollars cash, and a carton of cigarettes. We have contracted the popular Joe Falsetti's orchestra. They play polkas and popular dance numbers. All we ask of you members is to dispose of your quota of tickets and books.

The local SANC dance April 7 was a success, but we regret to say that still many of our local Slovenes do not realize what our people in Yugoslavia are going through. The majority of you have forgotten your relatives and friends in war torn Europe. The SANC meeting date has been changed for the summer months to the second Tuesday of the month instead of Sunday, at Riez Hall, 2290 S. 7th st.

Sincere thanks to the Louis Susan Market for donating the ham and for their grand cooperation; the Kacin's store for their donation; to Sis, Anna Hovevar for her donation of a hand made afgan won by John Gregoric, and to Pete Dolenz for his carton of cigarettes won by Mary Jakopovic who also won the five dollars, half of which she donated to the SANC, and the cigarettes she'll send to her two sons in service. Mrs. Jakopovas is the sister of our own Julia Krall. We were glad to see the Starman family from Belleville, Ill., attend the relief dance. They never fail us. Thanks to Frank Sayovec for his generous donation of two dollars. We only wish we had more SANC members like him.

The next SANC meeting will be Tuesday, May 14.

The St. Louis telegraphic tourney will be held April 29 at the Du-Bowl Lanes, 3663 Gravois, exact time to be published next week. For information phone John Yurgee St. 3027 or Anne Spiller Hu. 2959. All bowlers entered in the tourney will meet at the Du-Bowl Lanes, Sunday, April 22, at 7 p. m.

All Washed Up?

Conditions seem about the same all over. A Briton complains to his favorite newspaper that the laundry returns the right buttons but he can't find the shirt.

SNPJ Executive Committee Meeting of Feb 13

President calls meeting to order at 2 p. m. Present are all executive officers except juvenile director who is absent because of his work. Minutes of the previous meeting are approved as read.

Discussion on by-laws in preparation for the coming convention in accordance with supreme board decision at its last semi-annual meeting that the executive committee should prepare necessary changes before the annual supreme board meeting.

Supreme secretary's recommendation that sections 9 (g), 33, 40, 44, 47, 83 and 85 of the by-laws be amended is approved with minor corrections.

Secretary of the sick benefit department submits recommendation that sections 67, 70, 72, 77 and 78 of the by-laws be amended; approved with minor changes.

Secretary submits applications for assessment loan and special benefit which are approved (details in Slovene minutes).

Meeting adjourned at 4 p. m.

Meeting of Feb. 21

President calls meeting to order at 1 p. m. in presence of all executive officers. Minutes of the previous meeting are approved as read.

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Discussion on by-laws in preparation for the coming convention in accordance with supreme board decision at its last semi-annual meeting that the executive committee should prepare necessary changes before the annual supreme board meeting.

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Chairman Petrovich reports on Parma (O.) bonds in amount of \$15,000. Assessed valuation of city in 1942 was \$22,677,390, bonded debt \$3,628,499, market price 100%. Unanimously decided to sell these bonds at best price obtainable.

The annual report to the supreme board was approved; it was later also approved by the board at its annual meeting Feb. 15-17 and published in the minutes.

Sec'y Vider reports that due to his illness he was unable to take care of committee matters and later advised the chairman there was insufficient amount of money available to hold a meeting.

The following transactions have been made since the last meeting in accordance with previous decision: The Society invested \$400,000 in the Sixth War Loan and \$10,000 for printing, a total of \$410,000.

The following FHA mortgages were paid off: Loan 67, \$338.86; loan 21, \$2,927.43; loan 5, \$2,505.59; loan 42, \$474.34; loan 112, \$2,774.15; total \$9,020.37. Also two regular mortgages (adult dept.), loan 182, \$150 and loan 114, \$1,049.09, total \$1,199.09, and loan 58 (juvenile dept.) \$325.33.

The following bonds were recalled: U. S. treasury 4% in amounts of \$40,000, \$50,000, \$5,000 and \$10,000; also Rock Island 4% bonds \$25,000; Moorhouse Parish 5% \$10,000; Birmingham 3 1/4% \$25,000; Cook County Veteran 5% \$2,000 and matured bonds of Republic Steel Corp. \$5,000. Total \$172,000.

The following building and loan association deposits in Illinois towns have been withdrawn because interest was decreased to 2%: Peru, Wilmette, Chicago and Sterling, also in Tulsa, Okla., St. Clair Savings & Loan Co., Cleveland, and in Pueblo, Colo., while one association (Boston) has not yet sent its check.

On inquiry of the auditing committee into the Warner property, the chairman is instructed to explain the matter to the said committee.

It was unanimously decided to surrender the Wilkey bonds in amount of \$18,000 of the total of \$33,000 called in Nov. 1943, along with coupons, for payment at par less interest. The property at 255-57 W. 103rd st. in Chicago was sold for \$22,000, and present balance is about \$17,000. Cainkar and Kuhel explain the situation. Unanimously decided that the matter be thoroughly investigated and action be taken at the next meeting; if urgent, the vote should be by mail.

It was unanimously decided to sell the Tarpon Springs (Fla.) bonds at the best price obtainable.

It was unanimously decided that beginning with April, meetings will be held on the second Saturday of each month.

The amount of \$115,000 is available for investment in the adult department, \$15,000 in the juvenile department and \$5,000 in the minors fund; in addition, \$15,000 will be realized for Parma (O.) bonds; also, \$2,000 must be reinvested for matured Chicago Park District bonds and \$35,000 Park Ridge (Ill.) school district bonds.

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Meeting adjourned at 12:15 p. m. MATT PETROVICH, Chairman F. A. VIDER, Secretary JACOB ZUPAN, Rec. Sec'y.

Up-to-Date Definitions

Oleomargarine: The food of people who have seen butter days.

Highbrow: One who likes a thing so long as he's sure you don't like it, too.

Divorcee: A woman who gets richer by decrees.

Cynic: One who looks down on those above him.

However, the best individual performance was by Chet Kaminski of Circle 27 whose high single of 241 and three game total of 531 was the best effort of the evening. Joe Sedmak of Circle 19 had the second best effort with a total of 476 pins. Biggest surprise was little Henry Tomasic of Circle 19 who came through with a 450 total. Another match between the two Circles is in the offing.

Here are the complete facts and figures. Circle 27: G. Houston, 120-96-128, 344. B. Kesnowski, 136-139-157, 434. L. Houston, 120-167-137, 424. J. Podboy, 126-150-135, 411. C. Kaminski, 137-241-155, 531. Total, 641-793-710, 2144. Circle 19: J. Kern, 153-137-115, 405. H. Tomasic, 143-138-169, 450. H. Barbish, 162-127-137, 426. J. Sedmak, 182-122-172, 476. J. Kocian, 155-130-171, 456. Total, 795-654-764, 2213.

PUB. COM., Circle 27.

John Yurgee

Lodge 559
St. Louis, Mo.

The "Spirits of St. Louis" picked John Yurgee, active member of the lodge, as the secretary of its local Telegraphic tournament on April 29.

This and That

Henry George and The Single Tax

In the last few weeks up here in the legislature has been a great deal of discussion on taxes, and the ways and means of imposing new taxes in certain cities on the already heavily burdened people.

Our private conversations on taxes are always enlivened by Mr. William N. McNair, now a member of the legislature, a former mayor of Pittsburgh, and a stormy petrel of Pittsburgh politics. Mr. McNair is an ardent advocate of the Single Tax.

The single tax idea is based on the philosophy of Henry George, as it was advocated by his now famous "Progress and Poverty" book.

Historically, the beliefs of Henry George go back to Spinoza, the Dutch-Jewish philosopher of the middle ages. Spinoza in his treatise called "Tacitus Politicus" came to the conclusion, "that the land should be owned by the state, and let to the people at an annual rental, and except in time of war there should be no taxes".

That in brief is the philosophy of Henry George and the single tax. They argue that the unearned increment derived by title-holders of lands should be taxed by the community, as in the long run the community or society creates the value of this land.

By doing this, they argue, the heavy burden of taxes that are now imposed on industry and individuals would be relieved, and consequently by removing this burden there would be an impetus for the expansion of Commerce and Industry, and of Buildings.

The single tax has never been put into practice, and there is a question as to its results.

The city of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, has a graded tax which is along the lines of the Single Tax. In the graded tax plan, the rate of taxes is twice as high on land value as on property value. In other words the millage rate on land and property is based on a two to one ratio. This tax has been proved beneficial to the small property owners and to the industries of Pittsburgh. Whereas, the title-holders of the choice lots in the downtown section have to pay a higher rate of taxes.

There are merits to the Single Tax idea, and everyone can profit by reading Henry George's "Progress and Poverty".

Groser Writes From Hospital

SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE, April 3.—I am writing again after over a month's rest and leading an easy life, ready to leave the hospital. I have been very fortunate through the cooperation of my wife and have already received the March 7 and 14 issues of Prosveta and the March issue of the Pioneer Bulletin. Of course, I am anxiously awaiting many back issues, but they will have to come through the slow process of GI mail.

I heard from Jimmy Jachino who is only 40 miles from here, but his letter took about 16 days, while I've been getting airmails from the states as fast as eight days. The mail addressed to my outfit hasn't arrived here yet and will have to follow me through the Reinforcement Depots. This week I've received two letters from my wife—written last August.

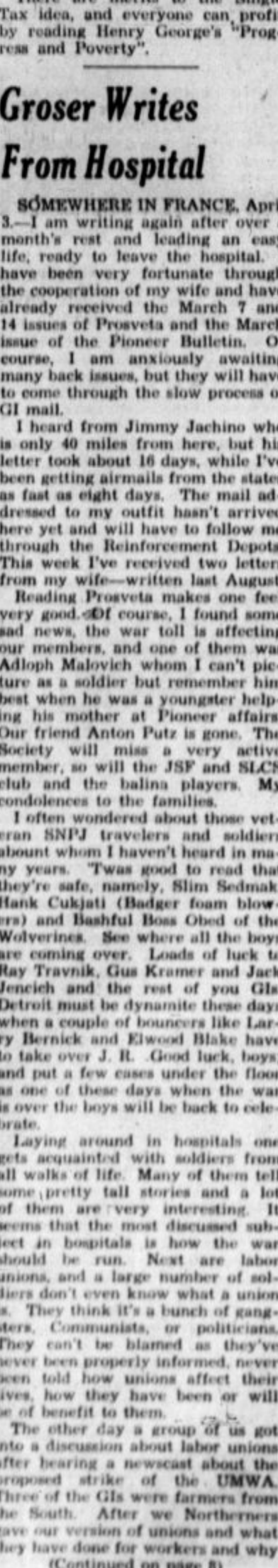
Reading Prosveta makes one feel very good. Of course, I found some sad news, the war toll is affecting our members, and one of them was Adolph Malovich whom I can't picture as a soldier but remember him best when he was a youngster helping his mother at Pioneer affairs. Our friend Anton Putz is gone. The Society will miss a very active member, so will the JSF and SLCS club and the ballina players. My condolences to the families.

I often wondered about those veteran SNPJ travelers and soldiers about whom I haven't heard in many years. 'Twas good to read that they're safe, namely, Slim Sedmak, Hank Cukjati (Badger foam blower) and Bashful Boss Obed of the Wolverines. See where all the boys are coming over. Loads of luck to Ray Travnik, Gus Kramer and Jack Jenich and the rest of you GIs. Detroit must be dynamite these days when a couple of bouncers like Larry Bernick and Elwood Blake have to take over J. R. Good luck, boys; and put a few cases under the floor as one of these days when the war is over the boys will be back to celebrate.

Laying around in hospitals one gets acquainted with soldiers from all walks of life. Many of them tell some pretty tall stories and a lot of them are very interesting. It seems that the most discussed subject in hospitals is how the war should be run. Next are labor unions, and a large number of soldiers don't even know what a union is. They think it's a bunch of gangsters, Communists, or politicians. They can't be blamed as they've never been properly informed, never been told how unions affect their lives, how they have been or will be of benefit to them.

The other day a group of us got into a discussion about labor unions after hearing a newscast about the proposed strike of the UMWA. Three of the GIs were farmers from the South. After we Northerners gave our version of unions and what they have done for workers and why

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SNPJ SPORTS



NEWS FROM THE TELEGRAPHIC BOWLING FRONTS

As this report of the National SNPJ Telegraphic Bowling Tournament is being prepared, just three days before the deadline date, entries are being awaited from ten local tournaments in seven different states. All indications point to a record-breaking entry exceeding the 100 mark anywhere from ten to twenty-five teams. Tournaments reported up to this date are as follows:

City or Town	Bowling Place	Lodge in Charge
Chicago, Ill.	Arbanas' So.-west Alleys	Integrity Lodge 631
Cleveland, Ohio	Slov. Workmen's Home	Cleveland Athletic League
Detroit, Mich.	Palmer Park Recreation	Y. Am. 564 & Wolverines 677
Girard, Ohio	(Not reported)	Golden Eagles 643
Indianapolis, Ind.	(Not reported)	Hoosier Pals 575
Milwaukee, Wis.	Silver City Recreation	Badger Lodge 584
Muskegon, Mich.	Michigan Bowling Center	Lodge No. 266
Strabane, Pa.	SNPJ Hall Alleys	Penna E. S. Federation
St. Louis, Mo.	Du-Bowl-Lanes	Spirit of St. Louis 659
Waukegan, Ill.	Bowlerium Alleys	Little Fort 568

Reports were received in the past week from Marco Shappeck, member of the National Athletic Board representing the 5th District, and Anton Verbiek, Secretary of the Milwaukee local "telegraphic" tournament. Both members have worked hard for the past six or more weeks in an effort to round up as many teams as possible for this tournament, and the latest information reveals that they have succeeded in achieving splendid results. Fifteen teams are expected to participate in this tournament, with no less than eleven squads furnished by the Badgers, and the remaining four or more coming from Jolly Allis (686), Sloga (16) and the juveniles. All bowling will take place on Sunday, April 29, at the well known Silver City Recreation Alleys, 3730 W. National Avenue.

The rules further provide... The entries in each local tournament must roll all their games on alleys certified by the American Bowling Congress. Each event shall be rolled across two alleys and no two events shall be rolled on the same alleys by the same bowler(s), unless there are less than six alleys in the bowling establishment.

Any one participating in an event under an assumed name, or is otherwise ineligible, shall be expelled from the tournament and scores forfeited. If it is a team event, other members or member shall forfeit prizes in said event. Any member guilty of falsification of the records of a tournament may be barred from all SNPJ sports activities for an indefinite period.

Upon conclusion of the events and verification and approval of scores, the secretary of each local tournament shall telegraph the name(s) and scores of the winners only in each event to the Athletic Director, and shall mail him a complete report, along with the official sheets, each signed by the tournament secretary and proprietor or manager of the alleys, not later than May 1, 1945.

Joseph Golia, writing from Detroit, Mich., informs us that all is in readiness there for the Telegraphic tournament. According to his letter, the Young Americans (564) will be represented by six teams, three in each class with a possible fourth in the men's division, while the Wolverines (677), with Larry Bernick in charge of lining up the teams, are sure of four squads divided equally between the men and the women. The tournament will be conducted on both days at the Palmer Park Recreation Alleys, with doubles and singles events being rolled on Saturday afternoon and evening and the team event on Sunday afternoon. Following the bowling activities there will be a social get-together for all who wish to attend at the SND, and sometime during this affair it is planned to announce the results of the local tournament.

The secretary of the Waukegan Telegraphic tournament, Edith Dobnikar, reported some time ago that eighteen teams had been organized up to that time, these representing Sloga (14), Enakopravnost (119), Little Fort (568) and the Jolly Jrs. Circle 24, with the possibilities bright for several additional teams. This promises to be one of the standout local tournaments. In conjunction with it, a social affair will be held at the Slovene National Home on Sunday to which everyone is invited. The tournament here will take place both on Saturday and Sunday, April 28 and 29, with all bowling arrangements handled by Little Fort Lodge, while the dance, supper, etc., will be in the competent hands of members of Sloga and Enakopravnost. A grand time is expected.

Good news in the form of a letter from Frances Gradiher, member of Lodge 266, Muskegon Heights, Mich., was received last week stating that plans were all but completed for a tournament in that city. She writes that even though they realize the entry will be small in comparison with other tournaments, they just couldn't resist the opportunity of participating in the first SNPJ Telegraphic tournament. That's the kind of spirit we like to see you show. Every little counts and you can bet that your bit will go a long way in helping to make this tournament a huge success. Many thanks for entering and may your luck be good, Muskegon Heights SNPJ!

IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS... The rules provide that the bowlers shall be notified by the local tournament secretary of the time and the alleys on which they are scheduled to bowl. The alleys, on which the bowlers shall roll their games in each event, shall be decided by drawings. If the bowling establishment has more alleys than are needed for your tournament, decide first of all which group or section of alleys you will use, starting with one of the end alleys. The drawings can be conducted by the simple method of writing the number of each alley on separate slips of paper and depositing same into a container. List the entries in each event on a sheet of paper and then proceed with the drawings. The first num-

TOURNAMENT PRIZE LIST... The complete prize list for the first National SNPJ Telegraphic Bowling Tournament will be published in next week's issue of the Prosveta. MICHAEL VRHOVNIK, Athletic Director.

Sportslants
CLEVELAND.—Now that spring is officially here, baseball is taking over where upon bowling is just about having its last fling. Washington has given the green light for baseball to some extent and spring training is in the air with the regular season starting this week. Most of us know baseball as of today, but do you know when this national pastime came into existence? Baseball had become a popular sport in the east before 1840, and in 1845 there were already teams and leagues around New York, though the game they played differed greatly from that of today. It was on its way to becoming the national sport when, in 1858, the national baseball association made up of amateurs in important cities, was organized. The rise of the game to its present popularity began with the organization in 1869 of the Red Stockings of Cincinnati, first salaried team.

One of those stay-up-at-night mathematicians bounced up with this interesting stickler: Can a bowler amass nine strikes in a game, hit less than 130 without fouling or throwing a gutter ball? Offhand it sounds puzzling, doesn't it? Well, it can be done, at least on paper. Can you figure this one out?

Telegraphic News
During the Sunday bowling session the first entries for the national telegraphic tournament were handed in. The honor for the first entries goes to the Utopian girls who have three teams. The Spartans came next with a woman's and man's team. The girls from the Strugglers put in two bids, and the Lunder-Adamc Hotshots entered their swell gang. At this writing (April 12) the Utopian men chalked up six squads. Fourteen teams entered with more on the way. The schedule for participants in this national classic will be in this column next week. Watch for it! Be prompt for time is limited the opening evening on account of the curfew. Report to your tournament secretary one half hour before bowling time.

Cleveland Ladies' League
CLEVELAND, OHIO.—With only four more weeks of bowling ahead of us it is quite evident that the Strugglers No. 1 are this year's winners. They reached the top posi-

tion in January and have retained it since. The battle for second place will be fought by four and maybe five teams, depending what Utopians No. 1 can do in weeks to come. The teams are Strugglers No. 2, Comrades No. 1, Concordians and Comrades No. 2. Last Friday's session made little change in the setup of the league. Strugglers No. 1 defeated the Strugglers No. 2 in two games, Frances Perusek leading the winners with a 202-510 series, followed by Hermine Zupancic with 474 and Mary Recher with 459. Anne Karlinger was high for the losers with 477. By virtue of a three-game forfeit by the Utopians No. 1, the Concordians moved to second place. Millie Marr lead the Concordians with 429. Fanny Svetina topped the Utopians No. 1 with 426. Cavaliers won three games from Utopians No. 2, thereby gradually overcoming the fifteen game loss at the beginning of the season. Jennie Hokes, a novice at the game, came through with 478 for the winners. Julia Kronik topped the losers with 379. Comrades No. 1 snatched two games from Comrades No. 2, one by nine pins. Frances Tomasic headed the winners with 476 with concrete support by Al Vehar and Ann Prijatelj with 465 and 443 respectively. Mollie Koren topped the individual list for the evening with 544. PAULINE ROSS, Sec'y.

Waukegan Will Have 27 Teams April 28-29
WAUKEGAN, ILL. — Waukegan will be represented in the SNPJ national bowling tournament. Twenty-seven teams, made up of 6 men's and 4 women's teams of Lodge Sloga 14; 5 men's and 5 women's teams from Little Fort Lodge 568; 2 women's teams from Moskva Enakopravnost 119, and 2 boys' and 3 girls' teams will represent Circle 24 in the juvenile section of the tournament. Bowling will be held at the North Chicago Bowlerium on Saturday evening and all day Sunday, April 28 and 29. A complete schedule of bowling will be released in next week's Prosveta, and each captain will also get notice by mail as to the schedule. Score keepers are needed, so anyone who is willing to keep score please notify Sec'y Edith Dobnikar, Maj. 2678. For bowlers who have not paid bowling and/or bowling fee, Sec'y Edith Dobnikar will be at the SNH Saturday night, April 21, from 7 to 9 (same room as secretary's collections). A delicious supper will be served by the ladies lodge at the SNH at 6 p. m. sharp on Sunday, April 29. All bowlers and friends are urged to get tickets. Dancing will follow with music by Ace Nagode's Trio. The admission to the dance will be free.

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What It's All About
CHICAGO.—In connection with this year's Pioneer invitational handicap doubles bowling tournament, which has been an annual event since 1940, 23 applied in the usual manner for an appropriation from the SNPJ Athletic Fund. We explained the need for continuing our tourney and the desirability of securing a sum which would be commensurate with the value derived. The Athletic Board appropriated only \$50. Since we didn't believe this sum to be sufficient, we asked the Executive Committee of the SNPJ to review our application and grant more money. This was done thru normal procedures, without any malicious intent or antagonism. We just didn't feel that an appropriation of \$50 was sufficient and said so. The tournament was held before a reply to our review appeal was received so we explained in polite language that the prize list was held up pending word from the SNPJ. Here are the exact words: "It is customary for the committee to distribute the prize money immediately after the bowling. This year, the prize list has been held up because of dissatisfaction in the amount appropriated from the SNPJ Athletic Fund. The matter is now going thru the process of adjustment and the prize list will be prepared as soon as this matter is settled." Nothing in these three sentences is derogatory to anyone at the SNPJ or the Athletic Board. This was simply a statement of facts. And so when Brother Michael Vrhovnik took issue with us on an assumption that we weren't telling the truth, John Alic Jr., Edward Hudale and I, who had most to do with the Pioneer tourneys in the past, had to put Brother Vrhovnik straight on the subject of the distribution of the Pioneer prize money. The fact is that: Checks were drawn immediately after every tourney, yes, the same day and were passed out at the social which followed each tourney, in the past. In the Prosveta of April 4, 1945, Brother Michael Vrhovnik tried to make this controversy appear as a personal issue. I decline to accept it as such. Furthermore, Brother Vrhovnik has a poor conception of how things should be done if he thinks that it was our duty to chase him or anyone else at the SNPJ on such official matters while we were preparing our March Bulletin. He asks what I wanted. It would be more appropriate that he interro-

gate himself because it was he who started this needless fuss by printing in Prosveta something that wasn't true. As for the Pioneer Bulletin, I want to repeat that there is absolutely nothing wrong with the quotation as reported in paragraph 3 of this article. It simply explains why the prize list hadn't been made up. That's all. Too bad that Brother Vrhovnik wants to assume some other meaning for that statement. First, he questioned us on the meaning of the word "immediately." When we proved that we knew what that word meant, he challenged our loyalty to the Society.—All along the line he throws bricks at us and challenges us.—Looks like the Pioneer Lodge has become the largest lodge of the SNPJ because it has always done the wrong thing and always challenged those in authority. That would be utter nonsense. The whole argument of Brother Vrhovnik is based on the assumption that the Athletic Board was harmed and that we're trying to "rub it in." That's only his assumption. The facts disprove it. To conclude, let me say that Brother Vrhovnik blundered in the first place by assuming something that wasn't true and that this whole argument would be unnecessary had he the correct information. Secondly, the Pioneer statements in the Bulletin and in the Prosveta of March 28 are factual and correct. Third, filling the columns of Prosveta with a lot of irrelevant wording can't possibly help the situation. Fourth, the Pioneer Bulletin has been published every month for nearly 17 years and has done a tremendous amount of good for the Pioneers and the SNPJ. Fifth, bickering don't help the situation. They tend to alienate those good workers who are not paid for their fraternalism and who devote their time, efforts and even money to keep our local units going. DONALD J. LOTRICH, 559. (Editor's Note: As each side has stated its case twice, this matter is now closed in Prosveta. Nothing but ill feeling could be generated by further argument.)

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WORLD EVENTS

By Scott Nearing

FREE WORLD for March 1945 begins its leading editorial on "The First Democratic Peace in History" as follows: "The statement issued on February 12, 1945, at the close of the Crimean Conference goes further than any previous Allied declaration. It excels in importance the Atlantic Charter, the Four Freedoms and the United Nations Declaration itself. Previous statements of the United Nations were merely affirmations of principles, while the Crimean Charter contains all of the elements of a truly diplomatic instrument, namely, basic principles, solutions to concrete problems and foundations for a permanent world organization."

I have read and re-read the Yalta statement, carefully underlining the important passages. I have read every word of Churchill's report to Commons, Feb. 27, and of Roosevelt's report to Congress, March 1. My reactions are quite opposite to those of the Free World editors. Let me begin by making four incidental points:

1. The Yalta communiqué was not a statement by the United Nations. It was a brief summary of certain decisions reached at Yalta by spokesmen of the three best-armed United Nations. Representatives of the less well armed among the United Nations, including France and China, were excluded from Yalta. 2. The Yalta communiqué does contain statements of Atlantic Charter principles, but several of them are violated by the announced Yalta decisions. 3. The Yalta communiqué does not contain "solutions to concrete problems." Rather it offers formulas, as in the case of Polish frontiers or the form of the Yugoslav government. Whether the formulas solve the problems will be decided by the course of events. 4. The Yalta communiqué does not provide "foundations for a permanent world organization" because it is premised on the Dumbarton Oaks proposals. If a sandbank was ever offered as a site for building a world organization, it was offered at Dumbarton Oaks.

Thus far I have set my conclusions over against the conclusions with which the editors of Free World began their editorial. Time will tell which point of view is correct. I agree with the Free World editors on one point—the Yalta Big Three conference was of great historic importance. But this was because (1) it laid the foundation for World War III and (2) it determined many of the rules under which the next war will be fought.

Yalta laid the foundation for World War III because it reaffirmed the principle of national sovereignty and then proceeded to carve up nations—notably Poland and Germany—without the consent of the carved. Earliest historic records report similar dismemberments and every such act of violence has been followed by consequent acts of violence. The preservation of national sovereignty in its present form is in itself a sufficient guarantee of another war. The dismemberment of nationality groups against their will makes assurance doubly sure. Had the Yalta conferees worked out some new formula for the adjustment of international relations, there might be hope, if only a forlorn one, that their decisions would lead to peace. But they went back to the time-worn axiom, Woe to the vanquished! It is upon that axiom that the announced Yalta decisions are based. Yalta policy, if followed, will lead to World War III as surely as Versailles led to World War II. Put that down on your 1955 calendar and see whether I am not on the right track.

Yalta also decided the rules under which World War III will be fought. The rules of war are not worked out by military strategists. They are determined by the procedures of the chief war-making nations. Scientists and technicians in various countries developed high explosives, artillery, the battleship, the submarine, the plane, the tank, gas and other weapons of modern warfare. It was the nature of these weapons that determined, in the first instance, the nature of mechanized, total war. "The enemy" does not bear sole responsibility for these developments. They are products of present-day technology. When the Axis bombed Guernica, Rotterdam, Warsaw and Coventry, a cry of horror went up from humanitarians the world over. Then the United Nations bombed the Low Countries, Northern France, Cologne and Berlin, eventually at the rate of 100 tons of explosives a minute. Obliteration-bombing had become one of the arts of war.

Axis submarine warfare along the Atlantic sea-lanes was denounced. United Nations submarine destruction of Japanese shipping in the Pacific made the submarine one of the decisive war weapons of the present and the future. New weapons mean new military techniques, which in turn mean new rules of war. Those new rules have been worked out during the course of World War II. They will be the rules under which World War III is fought. Yalta has placed the stamp of official approval on some of these rules: 1. Relentless physical destruction, rained from the skies upon military

forces and civilian populations alike. Through more than five terrible years physical destruction has ravaged Europe. Even granted that the Axis began it, it is noteworthy that the United Nations have bettered their instructions. 2. Unconditional surrender—the complete humiliation of the enemy. Abject abasement. Willingness to confess, "We have had enough; do with us as you will." 3. Nations that surrender, unconditionally, will be de-industrialized, dismembered, loaded with debt, and their manpower will be used for forced labor to repair war damage. This forced-labor point has not been announced, but there is reason to believe that it has been accepted in principle. Is there anything new about wholesale destruction, unconditional surrender, dismemberment, reparations and slave labor? Query the imperialists of France, Spain, Rome, Babylonia, Egypt—back through millennia during which armed violence has been employed by the rich and powerful to augment their riches and magnify their power. The terms agreed upon at Yalta propose an imperialist, victor's peace for a defeated enemy. Woe to the vanquished! Behind destruction, unconditional surrender, dismemberment, reparations and forced labor there is a well defined philosophy. This philosophy pervaded the Yalta agreement. Prime Minister Churchill embodied it in his Commons report on Yalta: "If a man is coming across the sea to kill you, do everything in your power to make sure he dies before he finishes his journey. That may be difficult and it may be painful, but at least it is simple." (Laughter) David Harum put the same principle in these words: "Do to the other fellow what you think the other fellow is going to do to you, but do it first." Under that principle the meanest, greediest, cruellest, most rapacious and most ruthless set the conduct-pattern for the entire community. What other conclusion can be drawn from World Wars I and II? If that experience is not convincing, the doubters will get their answer in World War III.

Groser Letter
(Continued from page 7)
It was important that they remain strong after the war, we convinced the two of them. Their future plan did not call for them going back to the farms; they were going to try city life and saw where unions would be of help to them. The third one was asked about his opinion and he stated that before the union came to the town where he lived his father never had any trouble with his help. But now those "damn niggers" won't stay on the plantation, and a lot of them are going to work in the war plants for 54c an hour. So all the war workers aren't making big money. By this I don't mean to reflect that all Southerners are anti-union nor No. therners pro-union. There is a large number of GIs who defend labor and labor unions; of course, there are many that don't, and one of these days it'll be quite a problem. Some of you remember the action of some of the American Legion Posts in the past. What the new organizations are like, I don't know but I imagine it won't take them very long to show what they stand for. I became well acquainted with a former musician who played with some of the big-time bands in the states. He related many interesting stories of his experiences and the life that some of the musicians live, including the using of "weeds" and the substitutes used over here. The most popular man in the army is everybody's friend, the chaplain, and here at this hospital they have two of them. I have found most army chaplains very interesting fellows, especially those of Protestant faith as I've had some very interesting discussions with them—but so far no converts. Until again best of luck to all and many thanks to all who correspond. Pfc. FRANK GROSER, 3676677, Co. E, 137th Inf., APO 35, c/o PM New York, N. Y.

Lt. John Kranz' Death Is Mourned by Many
DETROIT, MICH.—Dear friends: Your expressions of sympathy over the loss of my brother, Lt. John Kranz, who was killed in action Feb. 6 on Luzon, have been a great comfort to us. It is very gratifying to find so many friends, many of whom lost their loved ones and shared our sorrow alike. To those from afar, to our friends here and to our immediate neighbors, I want to extend my sincerest thanks in behalf of my Mother, Father, brother Stanley and myself. HELEN KRAINZ, 584. **Up and Down**
An airman had to take to his parachute because of engine trouble. On his way through space, he met an old lady floating up. "Hey!" he shouted. "Have you noticed a Spitfire going down?" "No," replied the old lady. "Have you seen a gas stove going up?"



JOSEPH GOLIA
Lodge 564
Detroit, Mich.

Detroit's SNPJ Telegraphic Bowling Tournament will be in charge of two members well known among the E. S. Lodges of the Society, Joseph Golia of the Young Americans and Larry Bernick of the Wolverines. Both members are outstanding bowlers.



MARCO SHAPPECK
Lodge 584
Milwaukee, Wis.



LARRY BERNICK
Lodge 677
Detroit, Mich.



ANTON VERBICK
Lodge 584
Milwaukee, Wis.

Here we have pictures of a couple of hard-working Badgers, Marco Shappeck, member of the National Athletic Board, and Anton Verbiek, Secretary of the Milwaukee Telegraphic Tournament and also formerly of the Athletic Board, who have taken leading roles in organizing teams for that city's tournament.