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## Sredi poletja

Visoko poletje, ki nas obdaja, ima za nas mnogo minknosti in inspiracij. V prvi vrsti smo se iznebili tistega občutka tesnobe, ki nas je obdajal v zimskih dneh, ko je bilo treba preživeti večino časa v ozkih, zaprtih prostorih. Ves širni svet se nam je zazdel sposoben za bivališče, ker je pač neprimerno bolj gostoljuben kot je bil pozimi. To nas napravlja bolj širokodušne in manj razdražljive, vsed tega boljše prijatelje in boljše člane človeške družbe sploh.

V poletju imamo tudi priliko opazovati moč narave včinoma v konstruktivnem smislu. Dolgi in vroči dnevi, včasi presekani z naglimi plohami, so zelo tipičen znak konstruktivnega poletja. Zdaj ni čas za dolgo, kisajoče se deževje, kot je čas spomladni, ko se delo še ni prav pričelo, in v jeseni, ko je večinoma dovršeno. Nagel dež, potem pa zopet solnce in gorkota, da rastejo sadeži polj, vrtov, sadovnjakov in vinogradov! Zdrava in močna rast nas pozdravlja od vse-povsod ter je jasen kontrast poznojesenskijetični bledici. Tudi to je dober stimulant zaupanja v našo moč in uspešnost naših podvzetij. Kar pomislimo kdaj imamo več korajže in upanja za dober uspeh kakšnega podvzetja: meglenega in deževnega jesenskega dne, ali v jasnem, gorkem poletnem jutru!

Poletje nam tudi kaže, da ne smemo počivati in lenuhiti, kadar so časi in prilike za delati. Mnoga dela imajo dočeno sezono, bodisi v letu ali življenju, in kar takrat zasmidimo, navadno ne moremo nikdar nadomestiti.

Pomnimo, da se nahajamo že v drugi polovici leta, in če hočemo, da bodo naša društva in potom njih J. S. K. Jednota kazali konci leta napredki, ne smemo preveč odlašati tudi v agitaciji. Piknikov, ki se vršijo v tej sezoni, se v prvi vrsti udeležujemo zaradi razvedrila, ki nam je tudi potrebno, toda pri takih prilikah moremo včasi pridobiti tudi kakšnega novega člana, če se pobrigamo. Če ne moremo pridobiti novih članov v odraslih skupinah, nagovoriti tega ali onega prijatelja, da vpiše svoje otroke v mladinski oddelki naše organizacije. Ne pozabimo, da se lahko sprejemajo v mladinski oddelki J. S. K. Jednota tudi otroci nečlanov.

Bratje in sestre, naša J. S. K. Jednota se nahaja danes v čvrsti in zdravi poletni dobi, ko še raste in se razvija. Od naše lojalnosti in agilnosti pa je odvisno, da to dobo zdrave rasti raztegnemo v nedoglednost. Ne pustimo, da bi šla nazaj! Naprej mora, nevzdržema naprej!

## ODLOMEK IZ "AMERIKANCEV"

Vživelj smo se v nove čase . . . Proslavljamo rodu vrline, A ko na zemljo dahme noč krasoto rodnega svetja, in z bajno nas močjo objame, da v mlademu zarodu ostala nam duh, v mladostna leta zrče, pozdravlja ljubo domovino, — da iskra našega duha, — kjer v solnčnem bregu grozd zori, — da dveh svetov sokovi močni kjer vetr v zlato klasje ziblje, — da v narodov domovju novem živeljo naše bo ime. — kjer slavec v tiso noč žgoli.

(Iz knjige Ivana Zormanja: "Pota Ljubezni").

*Ali so že vpisani vaši in vaših sorodnikov v prijateljev otroci v mladinski oddelki J. S. K. Jednote? Ako še niso, zakaj bi jih ne vpisali takoj na prihodnji seji! Asenčment znaša samo 15 centov na mesec.*

## VSESTRANSKA KORIST!

Kako koristiti sebi, društvu in J. S. K. Jednoti? Katera društva in člani bodo deležni nagrad iz svote

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katero ima na razpolago J. S. K. Jednota za nove člane odraslega in mladinskega oddelka?

Poleg običajnih nagrad, ki so označene v pravilih, je glavni odbor na svoji letni seji določil še posebne nagrade, in sicer \$100 za vsakega novega člana za odrasli ali mladinski oddelki.

Te nagrade se bodo nakazale društvom koncem leta 1931, z navodilom, da jih primerno razdele med agitatorje. Kampanja se je pričela s 1. februarjem in se konča 31. decembra 1931.

## VSAK PO SVOJE

(Nadaljevanje iz 1. strani)

dem ne bo treba mnogo delati. Yes, ta doba je že skoraj tak!

Neki znanstvenik trdi, da čas ne gre naprej v ravni črti, ampak v krivuljah. To je menda vzrok, da so sedanjci časi tako zveriženi in puklasti.

Če nas bo rodna domovina sodila po nekaterih samopostavljenih reprezentantih, si bo o nas napravila čudovito sodbo. In ta sodba bo približno tako: "To niso naše gore listi, ampak naše gore drva!"

Od časa do časa se pojavi med nami kakšen Mesija, navadno povsem neprizakovano kot meteor. "In nikdo ne ve odkod in nikdo ne ve zakaj," kot pravi pesnik. Čisto navaden in neškodljiv član človeške družbe je bil morda do takrat, pa ga je nenadoma obsajalo spoznanje, da ga je višja moč odločila za odlično poslanstvo. Nenadoma spozna, da mora rešiti mili narod, kajti če ga on ne bo, bo mili narod šel po gobos, po trnji in koprivah. Pa si opaša uma svetli meč in zajaše izbrano kljuse v obliki nesrečnega časopisa. Tinta lije v potokih in hudošnikih in gromske strele bunkajo v salvah na nevenerne, ki necejo verjeti v njegovo vzvišeno poslanstvo in mu nečajo priznati, da je njegov patent reševanja naroda edino prav.

Mili narod, ki je po mnenju preroka že do vrata v mlakuhi umazani kofedri, nekaj časa posluša in striže z ušesi, nato se pomilovalno nasmehne, potem pa zaspri in sanja o stoterih krvih prerokih, ki so ga hoteli rešiti že na sto različnih načinov, pa se ni dal. To vam je scartlan in trmast ta narod, ki se tudi rešiti ne da vsakemu preroku, češ, pa že rajši gagnem, kot da bi me taki reševali.

Pretek nato postane glas vpijočega v puščavi, nato pa uglašena laterna pod mernikom, katero morda še nekaj časa izdaja edino kadeči se in smrdči stenj. Mili narod pa je zopet srečen, dokler se ne pojavi nov prerok. — A. J. T.

## DRUŠTVE IN DRUGE SLOVENESKE VESTI

(Nadaljevanje s prve strani)

Članica omenjenega društva je tudi Mrs. Anna Kus, ki je bila operirana za golšo. Operacija se povoljno zdravi. — Za žolene kamene je bila operirana Mrs. Antonia Kotnik; upati je, da bo mogla kmalu zapustiti bolnico.

V Kemmerer-ju, Wyo., so dne

19. julija položili k večnemu počitku rojaka in sobrata Johna Stremfela, ki ga je pri delu v rovu ubil električni tok. Pojnik je bil član društva št. 27 JSKJ, neozenjen, star 44 let in doma nekje iz okolice Škofje Loke.

Iz bolnice se je vrnil v Chicago Mr. John Vogrič, glavni blagajnik SNPJ in tudi dolgletni član JSKJ. Podvrci se je bil moral operaciji radi akutnega vnetja slepiča. Njegovi mnogoštevilni prijatelji želijo, da kmalu popolnoma okreva.

## TAKA SMOLA!

V mestu Atlanta, Georgia, je tamkajšnji policijski departement postavil svojo lastno radio-odajno postajo. Prva žrtve, ki je bila aretirana po informacijah s te postaje, pa je bil baš tisti črnec, voznik tovornega avtomobilja, ki je bil pripeljal dotični stroj na policijski departement.

KOLIKO JE DENARJA?

V Zedinjenih državah je v cirkulaciji toliko denarja, da bi prišlo na osebo \$40, če bi se enako razdelil na vse prebivalstvo te dežele.

## RAZNO IZ AMERIKE IN INOZEMSTVA

(Nadaljevanje iz 1. strani)

strого cenzuro za časopise. Listi, ki v tej krizi "ogrožajo javno varnost" s strašljivimi poročili o gospodarski in finančni situaciji, se morejo zapleniti. Vlada tudi lahko diktira časopisom, da priobčajo gotova naznalan in pojasnila vlade, na določenih prostorih in v določeni velikosti tiska.

PETDNEVNI "moratorij" z ozirom na ženitve stopi v državi Ohio v veljavno dne 23. julija. Po teh novih postavki morata ženin in nevesta čakati pet dni na poroko, šteto od datuma, ko sta vzelata poročno dovoljenje.

PETCENTNA vožnja cestnih in podečnih železnic v New Yorku ostane. Tako je odločilo sodišče v tožbi med mestom in Interborough Rapid Transit Co. Zanimivo bi bilo vedeti, koliko mest v Ameriki ima danes še petcentno cestnoželezniško vožnjo.

ZASTOPNIKI Zedinjenih držav na konferenci v Londonu bodo priporočili posojilo Nemčiji, toda podajali se ne bodo v nikakršnem pogajanja glede garancij za ohranitev sedanjih državnih mej v Evropi. Francija hoče imeti take garancije kot pogoj za posojilo Nemčiji.

SPOR med papežem in fašistično vlado Italije, po sedanjih razmerah soditi, ne bo še tako hitro rešen. Na papeževi ineklikko z dne 4. julija odgovarja vlada, da vsebuje "laži" z ozirom na fašistično organizacijo. Kadarsa vlada v diplomatičnih odgovorih poslužuje takih izrazov, je gotovo, da so razmere tako napete.

SPANSKI PARLAMENT se je sešel k rednemu zasedanju. Večinoma vsi poslanci so novinci; samo 14 jih je že kdaj sedejo v parlamentu. Glavno delo parlamenta bo sestava in sprejem ustava za špansko republiko.

## ODMEVI IZ RODNIH KRAJEV

(Nadaljevanje iz 1. strani)

priplazi tako golazen bližu hiše. Pa se je dogodilo pred dnevi to tudi v Rajhenburgu. Na dvorišču zdravnika g. dr. Miroslava Škofa se je priplazil gad, katerega je zapazil petelin, ki mu pa čudni gost ni bil po gochu, zato ga je pograbil z kljunom ter ga po doljšem boju raztrgal in še končno pohlastal. Zanimivo je pa vsekakor pri tem to, da se petelinčku ni zgodilo nič in mu gad ni mogel doživega.

Ivan Cankar v nemškem tisku. Berlinški časopis "Der Buecherkreis" je objavil v največji številki članek Hilarija Berga "Slovenische Literatur." Pod tem mnogo obetajočim naslovom najdemo samo ugotovitev, da so Nemci hvaležni Hermannu Wendlu, ker jim je odkril doslej popolnoma neznan slovensko književnost, obsežnejših podatkov o slovenski literaturi pa žal ni. S tem večjo pozornostjo se je pisec omejil na Cankarjevega "Hlapca Jerneja," ki ga pozna v prevodu ga Jirku in v katerem vidi eno največjih del v socialni literaturi. Berg podrobno navaja vnosne povesti, in imenovan list pa je ta članek izpopolnil z odlokom iz "Hlapca Jerneja" (zadnje strani povesti), ki je izšel s tremi prav posrečenimi ilustracijami.

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## KAR TAKO . . .

Zivljenje ima toliko različnih regulacij, da si povprečen človek večkrat, četudi le nekako podzavestno zaželi, da bi slišal začasno spati vsi živi in neživi, resnični in namišljeni politični, iblajtarji in paragrafi. Vsaka regulacija je veriga, ki se zajeda v dušo. Vsi vemo, kajpak, da so gotove regulacije potrebne, kljub temu pa so nam bolj ali manj neljube, in če moremo, se jih vsaj začasno odresem.

Kdor nastopa kot javni govornik, ve, da se mora držati nekakega reda in gotove smernice. Ta zavest ga drži v nekakih ojnicah, zato mu je govor navadno trdo delo, včasi pa na ravnost muka. Vse drugače pa je s pogovori in debatami v prijateljski družbi. Tam ni dnevnega reda, regulacij in predpisov, vsak lahko govor, kar mu je drag, in predmeti se menjajo poljubno. Zato se pri takih pogovorih lahko brez greha preide s kislega mleka, čespljevega močnika in pehtranovih štrukljiv na predsednika Zedinjenih držav, od tam na kobilice in komarje, na nemško vojno odskodnino, na kugo na parkljih in gobcih, na piknike, na razporoke v mestu Reno, na politiko, stenice in hot-dogs! S takimi pogovori in govorji se si cer ne reši domovine (kot se je tudi z drugačnimi ne), toda družba se kratkočasi in zabava, kar končno tudi nekaj steje.

Pisati resne razprave je trdo delo, ker je treba mnogo misliti in pretehati vsako besedo. Poleg tega se je treba držati govorja predmeta in smernice, kar je utrudljivo za čitatelje, še bolj pa za pisca samega. Zato si marsikdo, ki si s pisanjem služi vsakdanji kruh, večkrat zaželi, da ne bi bilo sitnih regulacij, ampak da bi mogel pisati po načinu pogovorov v prijateljski družbi, brez točnega naslova in opredeljenih vsebine, sploh kar tako . . .

Pikniki so lepe navade ali institucije ali karkoli so že. Pripravljalni odbor obljuži dovolj zabave za vse, toda poiskati si jo mora vsak posetnik sam. Zabave so kot sladke črešnje in jagode: nihče ti jih ne prinese v cajnici, ampak plezati ali plaziti se moraš za njimi sam. Komarji niso nikoli oficijelno povabljeni na piknik, toda udeležijo se vselej polnoštevilno.

Slovenski časopisi v tej dejeli prinašajo zadnje čase zelo številna poročila o rojakih, ki odhajajo v večna lovišča v starosti med 40. in 45. letom, torej kar več desetletij prezgodaj. Ali je kriv temu preporno delo, ali je kriv temu "lemeniti eksperiment" prohibicije in strupenja brozga, ki jo hinavška prohibicija razliva po deželi že dve desetletji? In kaj tira toliko številno rojakov, da se prosto voli v poljubno mesto potom radija tako, da leta na trdo kuhanja jajca in še bolj "na trdo" pečeni steaki kar iz "loud speakerja" naravnost v poslušalčeva usta in potem naprej v njegov želodec, ki takoj prične z zgoraj omenjeno kemično transformacijo . . .

Pa zopet drugi čitatelji, ki nimajo časa čitati te storije, bodo brezvomno prisli do začljučka, da je Marconi izumil aparat, po katerem se zamore brezčimben potom posiljati obede in večerje na poljubne naslove, kakor se pri nas pošilja vence in cvetlice onim državam. Gorak vetrč pritajeno šumi v vrhovih javorov in platan, iz obširnih travnatih poljan in dobrav pa odmeva nepretrgana, drobna, pa vendar glasna pesem življenga, hrepenenja, sreče in bogzna kaj

# New Era

ENGLISH SECTION OF  
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AMPLIFYING THE VOICE OF THE ENGLISH SPEAKING MEMBERS

## Current Thought.

### NEW MEMBERS

Enroll new members in your lodge. Much has been written in the past concerning the increase in membership, some of which has taken effect judging by the various membership campaigns conducted by English-speaking units. It is hoped that this editorial will bring out the dormant groups and interest them into securing candidates for the lodge. A lodge represents a unit of people organized for a common good who gather at regular intervals to discuss ways and means toward improving such a group. Sometimes it is a social gathering where the husbands and wives, boys and girls see in it an opportunity for entertainment. Our South Slavonic Catholic Union is composed of local lodges situated in various states of the Union and a few provinces of Canada.

The object of our South Slavonic Catholic Union can best be illustrated by repeating Article 3 of the Articles of Incorporation contained in our By-Laws and Constitution as follows:

"The object of the corporation is to unite fraternally male and female persons of the Caucasian race between 16 and 50 years of age, of sound bodily health and good moral character, for their social, intellectual and moral welfare, and to provide death, funeral, sick, accident and disability benefits for its members and their beneficiaries, which said benefits are to be paid from assessments to be levied and collected from its members as provided for in the By-Laws of this corporation."

Years ago, when lodges were first organized, members made a point to interest their friends, relatives and outsiders in general who might make good candidates, into the fraternal organization. It was of supreme importance that they solicit the interest of all associates, for the success of a national fraternal organization depends upon new members for continued existence. Members worked harder, took great pride in our Union, and did everything humanly possible to spread the good work.

When a picnic was held by a local lodge, members of surrounding towns would make a special effort to be on hand and give the local unit a boost. Some of our local lodges still follow this practice. Success is theirs, for nothing gladdens the hearts of members more than to gather for an affair like a picnic, dance (plesna veselica), and the like. Outsiders soon grasp the spirit of the situation and before long a number of new members have been enrolled.

It is a pity that our English-conducted lodges do not support the activities of lodges situated in the neighboring towns. What they miss by being isolated in their activities can best be realized by attending lodge picnics sponsored by senior groups.

But let us get back to the membership campaign. Our Union offers \$1 to members for securing candidates that are successfully admitted into the fold. For the year 1931 the Supreme Executive Committee decided to award \$2 for each new member enrolled in the senior division and \$1 for each juvenile admitted.

### Lest We Forget

### INDIAN SHORTS

Johnstown, Pa.—National Star Lodge will hold a real polka dance at the Moxham Slovenian Hall Saturday, Aug. 29. Broadcasting Frank Kozlowski will furnish the music. In this depression 25 cents admission is reasonable. We would like to see Friendly City, Flood City and other lodges attend. An added attraction is the \$10 piece to be given away.

National Stars are ready for the Pennsylvania SSCU base ball elimination series, beginning the first week in August. Tentative dates have been sent to Jefferson Collegians, No. 205, SSCU, and Export Majestics, No. 218, SSCU. Schedule should be completed before July 31 in Pennsylvania.

Members should attend meetings more regular. Many meetings made outside of the meetings. These were brought up at the meetings, perhaps they should be a great benefit to the

Bro. William (Stub) Hellwig went to one of Chicago's finest beaches with nothing but a bathing suit and came home with a swimming suit and trenchfoot. Who says times are hard? Hellwig got something for nothing.

Are you planning on going to one of the best picnics of the year? Yes, the Indians are giving their first annual picnic on Sunday, Aug. 2, at Spring Forest, Willow Springs, Ill., and for only 25 cents.

We welcome as new members to our lodge Irene Husarik and James G. Srbeny.

Bro. Edward Pacek is one member who can be counted on to do our lodge's sign painting. And what a sign painter he is. Good work, Ed, keep it up.

Oh, where is that smiling little miss, Lillian Gaba by name, and where is she on Thursday evenings when the Indians meet?

Did you notice the Eric Von Stroheim haircut one of our members has? Cute, isn't it?

The sales contest in the men's division for picnic tickets is a rather close one. Felix Kozlowski sold 30 tickets to date, while Al Spolar sold just as many, if not a few more. In the women's division I think it

### COMMENTATOR

#### NEW YORK CITY

In population New York is the largest city in the world, and is divided into five boroughs. Manhattan Island, which is New York proper, has probably more office buildings per square foot than any other city in the world. Sixty, seventy and eighty-story structures are numerous, with one, the Empire State Building, topping them all, hovering 104 stories into the sky. It is a mammoth structure and a sight to behold. Observation towers are provided for on the 86th and 102d stories, and are open to the general public. Price of admission is \$1.

Subways, elevated and surface vehicles attract the newcomer. A sore neck is nothing out of the ordinary for sky gazers, who can walk on street after street and admire the tall buildings. Broadway with its shows, illuminated at night, is a spectacle to behold. One theater in particular, the Roxy, seating capacity 6,200 people, is the largest in the world. An orchestra composed of 120 musicians, together with other performers that sometimes number as many as 250, forms but part of the program. A talkie is also on the list of entertainment.

Trans-Lux, the modern theater, with one side showing only newsreels, and the other side, separated by a wall, shows the regular attractions. One must pay two admissions to see the entire performance. Legitimate theaters are plentiful and demand high prices for seats. Zigfeld Follies require fancy pocketbooks for accommodation, but who cares only for a musical comedy.

Yet New York, with all its magnificence, falls into the background when compared with a smaller city beautifully situated, wide streets—in short, where a person has elbow room and can enjoy the sunlight. But New York cannot be blamed entirely for some of the conditions existing within its folds. Crowded conditions mean inconvenience to all. Subways are the wonder of the present age; they are also hot and stuffy in the summer and lack fresh air.

Pity the tenement dwellers of east New York, where seven-story apartments lack elevators, where people must hang out their washing across on the fifth, sixth, or whatever floor they reside, and where children lack playgrounds. The wonder of it is that people continue to exist under such conditions.

### ENGAGED

A surprise engagement was announced recently when Miss Christine Brezovar became betrothed to Mr. Frank Glavan, both of Cleveland, O.

Miss Brezovar distinguished herself on the Sokol's champion basketball team for two years and was known for her masterful playing. Mr. Glavan has been a member of the George Washington, No. 180, SSCU, bowling and baseball teams. Both are members of G. W.'s.

The fellow who burns his money in his youth always spends his old age sifting the ashes.

will be close all around. Remember, a prize goes to the one selling the most tickets in each division.

Leo W. Moore.

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### BRIEFS

**Indian Lodge, No. 220, SSCU,** of Chicago will hold a picnic Aug. 2 at Spring Forest, Willow Springs. Many novelties are planned for the occasion.

**Baseball managers** of teams entered in the Inter-Lodge League of Cleveland will meet Friday, July 24, at 8:15 p. m. in the St. Clair Bathhouse, with Bro. Heinie Martin (Antonic), president of the circuit, presiding. Final discussions for the coming picnic to be held Aug. 23 at Specko's farm will be considered. Mr. Martin is superintendent of the bathhouse and a member of George Washington Lodge, No. 180, SSCU.

**St. Paul University** has recently appointed Mr. Peter Rotter as dean of the college. Mr. Rotter is a Slovener, having received his earlier education in what is now Jugoslavia. Later he migrated to America and continued his studies at Western Reserve University, where he received the Bachelor of Arts degree, and later attended Harvard University, where he was awarded the Master of Arts degree. (Reported by the Cleveland Journal.)

**The opening night** of the open-air grand opera held in Cleveland's new municipal stadium between July 28 and Aug. 2 will be dedicated to the Slovenes and will be known as Slovener night. A few other nationalities will also be honored the same evening. The Cleveland Press is sponsoring the mammoth spectacle that will have 1,800 actors participating in "Aida," the opening number. Proceeds of the opera will be used for Cleveland's milk fund, providing milk for needy children. Reserved seats may be obtained at Mrs. Kushlan's candy kitchen in the Slovener National Home on St. Clair Ave. Prices range from 25c up to \$2.

**Bro. F. J. Kress** of Pittsburgh, Pa., chairman of National Athletic Board, SSCU, is vacationing in Cleveland, and is staying with Mr. and Mrs. Setina.

**Miss Jeanette Perdan**, concert vocalist, receives favorable comment in Jugoslav newspapers. She is continuing her musical education in Ljubljana under Prof. Hubad. Miss Perdan is the daughter of Mr. Rudolf Perdan, chairman Supreme Board of Trustees.

**Representatives of the Federation of SSCU Lodges in Pennsylvania** will hold a meeting Sunday, Aug. 30, at Claridge, Pa. Originally it was planned to meet on Aug. 23.

A MURAD  
Irate Father (to son he has caught smoking): Smoking, hey!  
Son (nonchalantly): No, sir, tobacco.

### G. W.'s Win Opener

#### Take Elimination Series Opener

Cleveland, O.—Tuesday, July 14, a large crowd gathered at Gordon Park to witness the George Washingtons beat the S. Y. M. C. for the second time, 7 to 3. The George Washingtons, with "Wieners" Kubilus on the mound and Manager "Red" Biliz behind the bat, proved that their first win over the S. Y. M. C. was no put-up. Kubilus allowed ten hits and these were pretty well scattered.

In the fourth inning Kubilus singled to right and scored on a wild pitch. Kostelic popped out to short. Skufca singled to right; Scheller walked; Biliz singled to left, scoring Skufca and Scheller. In the fifth inning Marinic grounded out. Brezovar walked and advanced to third on two errors. Vessel singled to center, scoring Brezovar. In the sixth Kubilus was safe at first. Kostelic hit an easy grounder to third, which was fielded by Lausche and fumbled, putting Kostelic on first and Kubilus on second. Skufca struck out. Kubilus and Kostelic scored on wild pitches. In the eighth inning Vessel flied out to right short; Opalek singled to center; Kubilus singled to left; Kostelic popped to first and Skufca walked. Kubilus was thrown out at home.

In the fourth inning the S. Y. M. C. scored one run, and again scored one in the eighth and one in the ninth.

The boys certainly played the best game of the season, and am sure that those who witnessed the game never saw the G. W.'s play the way they did. You know, they want that Inter-Lodge cup, so here's hoping. Am almost certain that nothing else would please Mr. and Mrs. Glavan of the Lyon Dairy more than to see the boys in the final play-off, and their pleasure would and will be much greater as will the George Washington Lodge's if they come home with the bacon. Let's go after it, boys!

R. H. E.  
Geo. Wash. .... 00031201\*—7 7 2  
SYMC ..... 000100011—3 10 4  
"Lefty" Jaklich,  
No. 180, SSCU.

### Price of Popularity

When a girl is popular it may seem to the other girls that she is one of the lucky ones to whom the gods have given "It." Sometimes it is. Oftener it is because she has been willing to pay the price. It is because she has endured bores patiently. It is because she has labored like a coal heaver to make conversation with dullards. It is because she has flattered egotists and stood for senile grandpas and callow boys. It is because she has nailed the smile that won't come off on her face while she was inwardly yawning her head off.

If you can listen while other people tell you all about themselves without retaliating by ever telling anything about yourself, your popularity is assured, and you can snap your fingers in the face of the girl who babbles about herself and her own interests, no matter how much sex appeal she has.

Johnny's Ma: Johnny, there were three pieces of cake in the pantry, and now there is only one. How did that happen?

Johnny: Well, it was so dark in there I didn't see the other piece.

### Takes High Honor in "County Night" Contest

Again another Slovener comes to the front in the person of Miss Vida A. Kumse of Lorain, O., attending Kent State Normal College. The Lorain County Committee, of which she is chairman, was awarded first prize for its part in the "County Night" program presented at Kent campus July 9. Every year Kent College sponsors "County Night," in which various groups representing different counties vie for honors. Lorain group presented a parody on pioneer days, featuring a program of old-fashioned square dances mixed with modern steps.

To the readers of New Era Miss Kumse is no stranger, as a number of articles bearing her signature have been published that dealt with college life in particular. She is the daughter of Mr. John Kumse, member of the Supreme Board of Trustees, SSCU.

Out of a field of participants anxious to take first honors, Miss Kumse distinguished herself in her role of chairman in charge. The editorial staff of the New Era wishes to extend her congratulations. As a member of St. Aloysius' Lodge, No. 6, SSCU, we can feel justly proud to know that one of our members has distinguished herself so nobly.

### INDIANS IN GREAT UPRISING

Chicago, Ill.—Reports issued Thursday, July 16, from the West Side of the Windy City indicated that an uprising of the tribe of the Indian Lodge, No. 220, SSCU, was already in progress. However, no militia will be sent to the district, since no warlike intentions have been demonstrated.

On further investigation it was shown that the only battle being staged is among the Indians themselves. The motive being the honor of being the seller of most tickets for the gala picnic and dance to be held Aug. 2 at Spring Forest, Willow Springs.

At a special meeting on July 16 it was revealed that the members present were doing their share of ticket selling up nice and brown. As an added stimulus the ticket committee announced that a suitable and valuable award will be received by the one selling most tickets.

A program has been made and everyone who has experience in this line has been asked to improve it, but having seen it they declare that there isn't anything that can prevent the Indians and their friends from having one grand and glorious time.

Contests! What kind? Boy, just wait. The joy of participating in them should be worth the price alone, saying nothing of the marvellous prizes to be awarded the winners. These contests have been arranged in such a manner that competitors whether old or young will have opportunities to demonstrate their talents.

And you dance lovers—what a time awaits you under the spell cast by the tuneful music of the Wil-Fred Night Owls.

Now, don't wait for an Indian attack, just go hunting for those Indians and offer your 25 cents for a ticket, guaranteed to furnish you with one full day's ideal enjoyment.

Edmund Kubik, Rec. Sec.

### Saying It With Comrades

Frank "Heavy" Repp Slightly Improved; Baseball Nine Splits Twin Bill

Waukegan, Ill.—Frank "Heavy" Repp, manager of the Comrades' baseball aggregation, who is seriously ill at the St. Theresa Hospital with spinal meningitis, has slightly improved. Although still unconscious for the past 10 days, attending physicians stated that he will pull through and that he will completely recover. Relatives and friends are not permitted to make any visits at the hospital.

Behind the steady hurling of Frank "Frosty" Petrovic, the Comrades' baseball nine defeated the P. N. A. White Eagles in a twilight tilt by a 10 to 6 decision.

Petrovic allowed the losers seven safe bingles, but kept them well scattered, while his teammates pounded the losing hurlers for 10 blows, including home runs by Johnny "Bing" Bartel and Charley (The Great) Pabst. In the fifth frame Pabst connected for a home run with the bases loaded. Brilliant fielding at third base by Bruno "Bryan" Kaires was the feature of the game.

On Sunday the Comrades bowed to the strong SNPJ Snaps, the winners pounding Charles "Chuck" Burke for 16 hits to a 13 to 6 victory. Johnny Bartel led the stick work for the Comrades with a triple and two singles at five trips to the plate. Troha topped the batting honors for the Snaps with three solid blows at four times at bat.

Next Sunday, July 26, the Comrades will hook up with the strong Y. M. C. A. outfit at Lake Forest, Ill. Game will get under way promptly at 3 o'clock.

Scores by innings:  
Comrades ..... 201150100—10 10 4  
Eagles ..... 210030000—6 7 2  
Snaps ..... 100060600—13 16 4  
Comrades ..... 001013001—6 10 1  
John Petrovic,  
Business and Publicity Mgr.

### OFFICERS

East Palestine, O.—Every lodge must have its officials. Usually it is the custom of the membership to elect the most capable men in the organizations to carry out the official duties of the various offices, which is as it should be. Sometimes a man isn't properly fitted for an office to which he has been elected. A mistake that can't be helped—we all make them. In many cases a man is capable, but isn't living up to his ability. And all the while we think that he isn't good enough to handle the job.

One official will consider his position as one of honor and trust, and that it is his duty to carry out the policies of the lodge with vim and vigor. He's ever a hard worker. It's a pleasure to know him, to work with him and to be a member of his lodge. Another official will work in a half-hearted manner and act as if some heavy burden had been placed upon his shoulders. He works with that I-don't-care frame of mind. And you can't go places that way.

Joe Golicic,  
No. 41, SSCU.

### Inter-Lodge League Schedule

July 26th, Gordon Park  
Boosters vs. Betsy Ross, at 10:30 a. m.

## BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE

Cleveland, O.—The fraternal juvenile movement is of especial importance at this time to all lodges and the Union. Now is the time to provide for future leadership. Who are going to be those leaders? They are going to be the children that you and I at this period of time are privileged to gather into our lodge and teach them the lessons of fraternity.

We have begun the building of a firm foundation upon which our future lodge must stand, and splendid juvenile progress had been made in the past, but we are continually seeking to strengthen that foundation, and this brings us to the precise reason for waging an adult and juvenile campaign at this time. An active adult movement is now on foot in the SSCU, the purpose of which is to lend support toward junior progress, and in order that such a movement may be properly conducted, every adult who is a member of the SSCU is being awakened to the trend of this time which is bent on increased membership. We are confidently depending upon, and sincerely urging the closest co-operation of every adult and junior member in this campaign.

Let us reach out for all the children in families of our members, get after your friends, tell them that the SSCU is one of the best fraternal organizations known; tell them of the benefits that one derives, and above all tell them that the SSCU has a Sport Fund, enabling the English-conducted lodges to enter into sports. There are many angles from which we may work and the active member is alive to all of them. Time and effort, however, are two essential requisites in bringing the SSCU membership campaign to a successful issue.

As a fraternal organization, the SSCU is interested in children. We must realize that these juveniles are the future citizens, and seek opportunities for the juveniles which will improve and strengthen them in fraternal work as well as lay a foundation upon which they may stand when the increasing years bring their varied and complicated experiences. Fraternal work helps train initiative and develops resourcefulness.

There is no time like the present to start gathering new material, both adult and juvenile members. We must remember that the day is coming when one of us must take the helm of the SSCU, and when we are gray and old the juveniles must succeed us. The work of fraternalism is never finished. What the pioneer members of the SSCU have built until now must be continually constructed of material so that nothing can tear it down, and that work is ours. Let's get together and start working; now is the time to provide for future leadership of the SSCU. Wouldn't you feel proud if a member whom you brought into the SSCU would some day be at the helm of the SSCU? You bet, you would. Start now and build for the future of the SSCU.

"Lefty" Jaklich,  
No. 180, SSCU.

### MOST COUNTIES

Texas leads all the states in the number of counties—254. Delaware, with only three, has the smallest number. Georgia, with 161, has the second largest, and Rhode Island, with five, the second smallest number.

"Say," one neighbor asked another, excitedly, "do you know a fellow down your way with one leg named Wilson?"

"I don't know," returned the other doubtfully, "what's the name of the other leg?"

## SAP ACTION IN TREES

How sap rises in trees is a question yet to be definitely settled. The water absorbed from the soil by the roots ultimately escapes from the leaves in the form of vapor. This water in the living plant, with certain substances in solution, is popularly known as sap. Some trees grow more than 300 feet high, and a single specimen may lose many gallons of water daily through transpiration. What mechanism in the tree is capable of raising that much water to so great a height?

Several theories have been advanced to explain this apparent contradiction of the law of gravity. It was formerly believed that water was raised in trees by the force of capillarity; the sap, it was supposed, rose in a stem much as oil rises in a wick through the natural tendency of liquids to climb up in narrow tubes and crevices. It is now known, however, that capillary attraction cannot raise water high enough or fast enough to explain the rapid loss of water through evaporation. The theory of atmospheric pressure is open to a similar objection; this force could raise the water to heights of only about 30 feet. Nor is there sufficient root pressure for the purpose; besides, root pressure is most active in the spring while transpiration is most active in the summer, and experiments show that water will rise in tall trees even after being severed at the base.

According to another theory, certain cells in the wood exert a continuous pumping action, taking water from a lower vessel and raising it to a higher one. But experimental data and the known structure of wood have compelled the abandonment of this so-called vital theory of the ascent of sap. Obviously, if there is no pumping mechanism in the wood itself, and the sap is not pushed from below, the liquid must be pulled from above. Therefore the cohesive theory, which is comparatively new, is now accepted as the most tenable explanation of the phenomenon.

This theory holds that the liquid is drawn up by a pulling force resulting from evaporation on the leaves. Experiments show that a leafy shoot will exert a considerable pull even after being cut. Air confined in the vessels of a dead tree forms a single connected system just as the sap does in the living tree. Ordinarily we think of a stream of water as being unstable as a rope of sand. But it is known that a liquid like water in a tube where it cannot change its form has a peculiar tensile strength or cohesive property, due to the attraction of the particles for one another. When air is excluded from the tube the water can support a remarkably heavy strain. The fine fibers in living wood are relatively slender tubes in which water is carried but from which all air is excluded. Thus it is supposed that the water threads in the airless tissues are able to transmit any pull exerted on them from above and that their tensile strength is sufficient to pull water to the tallest tree tops.

Of course, there may be subsidiary factors. The dendrograph proves that the trunk of a tree contracts when the leaves are open and transpiration is taking place, and expands when the leaves are closed at night. A change in pressure in one part of the tree is quickly transmitted to others. Fifteen minutes after the sun strikes the leaves the trunk begins to contract.—Pathfinder.

Johnny: What was your sister angry with you about?

Wifie: She sent me to the drug store to get some cold cream, and I got ice cream.

## No Greater Opportunity Has Ever-Been Offered to Members and Lodges to

### HELP BUILD OUR SOCIETY

#### AND RECEIVE HANDSOME PROFITS

The Supreme Executive Committee at its last Annual Board Meeting appropriated \$2,500 to be distributed to members with the view of increasing the membership during the campaign drive, which opened Feb. 1 and will close Dec. 31, 1931. Many are eager to join with us if visited and talked to. We anticipated the enthusiastic support and co-operation of our entire membership in this effort of ours in increasing the number of our membership, thereby putting our society on a more stable and sound foundation for future advancement.

#### WHY NOT GO TO SEE THEM?

#### A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO BUILD THE

#### SOUTH SLAVONIC CATHOLIC UNION

The S.S.C.U. Athletic Board

F. J. Kress, Chairman.

## THE ROYAL COLOR

Tyrian purple, which is really a deep crimson, was the most famous of all dyed colors known to ancients. According to a legend, this color was discovered near Tyre in Phoenicia when a man named Hercules saw his dog bite into a shellfish and stain his mouth. At any rate, the ancients ascribed the discovery of purple to the Phoenicians and it was probably the first dyed color to be fixed on wool and linen.

It was obtained from the small cysts near the head of the Mediterranean mollusk known to the Romans as "purpura," from which the word "purple" is supposed to be derived. Shells of this species have been found in the vicinity of ancient dye works at Athens and Pompeii. Each shellfish, or purple-fish as it was also called, yielded only a minute quantity of dye, and by reason of this fact the color was very costly and consequently highly prized by kings and persons of wealth.

In the Old Testament purple frequently occurs as the symbol of wealth, grandeur and high rank. A pound of wool dyed with Tyrian purple was worth nearly \$200 in the time of Julius Caesar.

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By the way, Betsy Ross Lodge extend their wishes of a happy and long married life to Louis M. Kolar (English editor of New Era) and his wife.

## Betsy Ross Down Progressives

#### Earn First Victory in Elimination Series

Cleveland, O.—In the first clash for the Class B championship of the Inter-Lodge League, Betsy Ross, No. 186, SSCU, playground baseball team came to the front and downed Progressives, 9 to 2. A surprise victory if ever there was one, for it must be remembered that the Flagmakers were not given an outside chance to win due to faulty errors made in other contests that robbed them of victories on numerous occasions.

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Matthew Molk,  
No. 186, SSCU.

Editor's Note: As was predicted, Betsy Ross came to the front with all glory. Keep up the good work, members. Thank you for the good wishes.

Husband: Did you ever notice, my dear, that a loud talker is generally an ignorant person?

Wife: Well, you needn't shout so; I'm not deaf.

## NEW MEMBERS

### Did You Know—

That our Union awards two dollars for each new member enrolled in the adult department?

That our Union awards one dollar for each new juvenile member enrolled in the juvenile department?

That this special offer holds good for the year 1931?

That an arbitrary sum of \$2,500 has been set aside for this purpose by the Supreme Executive Committee of our Union?

That many of our English-conducted lodges are conducting a membership campaign?

Is your lodge making any arrangement for contests between members of opposite sex to see who can enroll the largest number of new candidates?

Why not interest your friends into becoming members?

## FAMILY PROTECTION

Cleveland, O.—Our SSCU as an association is protecting the whole family. It is an ideal arrangement, satisfactory and successful because it is a sensible, natural one. Women were created to aid and comfort men. Our children are given us as a solace of hope and support in declining years. We rear them to take our places. We expect them to step into our shoes when we pass on. We amass our fortunes and leave them to our children to manage.

Wake up, you George Washingtons. See the far-flung battle lines of the SSCU and prepare to storm the trenches of the unprotected. We have only just begun the great work before us. There are scores of men, women and children all around us who are carrying no insurance protection, and who, both for their families and themselves, need to affiliate with "the order that's right." Let us redouble our efforts. This is a timely admonition for lodge officers and co-workers. The intelligent lodge officer and the trained co-worker are more needed today than ever before. We must not forget that the enemies of fraternal co-operation are as well educated as we, and fully as alert to their opportunities.

The matter of family protection is too large and vital to the welfare and happiness of thousands of men, women and children to be treated lightly by anyone. It is not a thing of today, but a far-reaching influence that has seriously to do with all the future of many who are now in youth.

The war is on, go out and secure a regiment of new members, both adult and juvenile, the structure of the SSCU must not fall. We are members of the SSCU, we are the soldiers who must not let this structure go to ruin. The supreme officers are our commanders, local lodge officers are the captains, and we are the sturdy soldiers upon whom falls the work of those who are not yet members of the SSCU; get one new member and you have the entire family in the protection of the SSCU. The war is on and we must win. The fight of the SSCU is our fight, and we must give a hand.

Joseph Jaklich, Pres.,  
No. 180, SSCU.

### Movies

Will Hays, Mussolini of the movies, is more optimistic than the movie critics. Better days and better pictures are coming in the movies during 1931, he declares. The output of the motion picture industry is of distinctly higher quality and many pictures of true merit are produced and are actually successful.

Mr. Hays foresees a revolt against the excess and the crudity of the jazz age. He is convinced the era of sex, jazz, crime and the morbid in general, is fast passing.

This is cheering news, but the movies still have some distance to travel to get away from vulgarity and sensationalism.

It may be true that such pictures increase box office receipts. But it is quite as likely to be true that if pictures were commonly less objectionable, an even larger element of the population would visit motion picture theaters often, instead of rarely.

Pictures known to be good prove this.

## THE BUSY LITTLE SILKWORM

Chinese silk-growing industry goes back 1,000 years before Moses and was jealously guarded for centuries.

The silk industry has existed in China from a very early period. Natives guarded secret knowledge for centuries and no one outside knew where the fine silken fibers came from, whether plant or animal. In the early part of the 18th century, however, knowledge of silkworm reached Korea. Four Chinese girls were brought to Japan who taught people the art of weaving the fine threads. Long after the industry was established in Japan it spread to India. From there the worm business traveled to Central Asia.

In the sixth century the man emperor Justinian contracted with two Persian masters to bring him from China a tubeful of the precious worms. From the emperor's palace in Constantinople the silk spread to Syria and Greece, North Africa, Spain and Portugal; then to Italy, and finally to France. In the 13th century the necessary supply of raw silk was still the only big silk producing regions outside of Central Asia.

In England silk manufacturing was introduced in the 15th century; in 1522 sericulture was imported into New Mexico, but the industry died out there before the end of the century. In 1619 Virginia settlers were acquainted with the "purple" industry of silk cultivation. All kinds of bonuses and rewards were offered to encourage the industry. American colonies at various times before the Revolution boasted a flourishing silk industry, but in every case it was eventually crowded out by more profitable activities.

In 1838 a speculative man for the cultivation of mulberry trees, the leaves of which are used to feed worms, were sold at high prices. When, in 1845, a blight destroyed most of the trees the industry vanished scarcely any instance having attempt to stimulate silk culture by artificial means proved a success. Raw silk can be profitably brought to market where there is a demand and very cheap. This is proved by the fact that in 1845 China, Japan, Bengal, and the Levant, abounding in cheap labor, are principal producing centers.

In the making of silk however, America leads the world. Eighty per cent of raw silk comes from American mills weave 50,000,000 pounds of raw silk annually. Japan receives \$300,000,000 from this country alone for its yearly production of silk. This is proved by the fact that in 1845 China, Japan, Bengal, and the Levant, abounding in cheap labor, are principal producing centers.

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### MAJESTIC PICNIC

Export, Pa.—Majestic No. 218, SSCU, will sponsor a picnic on Saturday, July 21, at Locust Grove, right on the Saltzburg road. Plenty of entertainment will be on Center Ramblers, Jefferson Legionaries, National Star and neighboring lodges are invited to attend.

Julia Nagoda, Rec. Sec.

### PAIR IN FLIGHT

The U. S. Biological Survey says that "both the chimney swift and the white-throated swift pair in flight." The Britannica Encyclopedia states that further observation has led to confirm the assertion that they actually mate in mid-air.

About one-fifth of the diet of the white-throated swift is composed of insects, including destructive insect pests.

## DOPISI

Pittsburgh, Pa.

Clanji in članice JSKJ in drugi prijatelji pevskega društva "Prešeren" v Pittsburghu so vladno vabljeni, da se udeležejo na "basket-pikniku," ki ga je pevsko društvo "Prešeren" priredilo v nedeljo 26. julija na znani "najstni farmi." Poskrbljeno bo, da vse delenčem ne bo treba same poteziti, in za priboljšek bomo vse druge jestvine pa naj poznatniki s seboj prinesejmo. Vstopni znesek na "našo farmo" ne bo več zrak, gozdno zelenje, hladilna stanica in lepa slovenska pesem vtorijo dovolj vabljenosti za tiste, ki so vožnjo tja in nazaj.

"Prešeren" ne prireja tega leta zaradi dobička, ampak za pozabava svoje člane in prijatelje v prosti naravi. Sveti vrstnički tudi vsak mora sam do skrbeti za transportacijo, to je za vožnjo tja in nazaj.

Soudan, Minn. Tem potom uradno naznam članom in članicam društva sv. Barbare, št. 5 JSKJ, da je bilo na zadnji redni seji dne 20. junija sklenjeno premeniti čas naših sej. Dosedaj so se seje obdržavale vsako četrto nedeljo v mesecu, v bodoče pa se bodo naše seje vršile vsako ČETRTU SOBOTO v mesecu, in sicer ob sedmih zvečer. To velja za nedoločen čas.

Prosim člane, da vpoštevajo obvestilo, kajti tajnik ne more vsakega posebej opozarjati na to, da tudi ni njegova dolžnost. Prosim člane, da redno in polnoštevilno zahajajo na seje, ker predsednik in tajnik nista celo društvo in ne more delati zaključkov, ki spadajo v delokrog društvnih sej. Nihče naj se tudi preveč ne zanaša, da bo kateri drugi član plačal zanje, ako ga ne bo k seji. Zdaj se nahajamo v slabih časih in marsikdo še zase težko plača, kako bo potem za koga drugega. Članji so tem potom opozorjeni, in tajnik ne bo odgovoren za nikake posledice v slajcu suspendacije. — In ne pozabiti priti na redno sejo v soboto 25. julija ob sedmih zvečer!

Za društvo sv. Barbare št. 5 JSKJ:  
John Dragovan, tajnik.

Indianapolis, Ind. Na zadnji mesečni seji društva sv. Józefa, št. 45 JSKJ je bilo sklenjeno, da društvo priredi piknik na dan 2. avgusta. Piknik se bo vršil na 48. Kesler Blvd. Sklenjeno je bilo, da se pozovemo na piknik vsi društveni člani in članice. Kdor se ne udeleži, plača en dolar v društveno blagajno. Torej, bratje in sestre, pridite na piknik vsi. — Prosim tudi sobrate in sestre, ki so zaostali z asesmenti, da pravočasno plačajo, da ne bodo imeli neprilik. Vsak več, kdaj mora biti asesment plačan.

Slovensko občinstvo v tem mestu je vladno vabljeno, da nas poseti na našem pikniku v nedeljo 2. avgusta. Za dobrabavo in postrežbo bo preskrbljeno. Za društvo št. 45 J. S. K. Jednote:  
Anton Ule, tajnik.

Herminie, Pa. Članstvo društva "Veseli slavček," št. 154 JSKJ obveščam, da se bo v nedeljo 26. julija vršil skupni piknik podpornih društev v tem kraju. Piknik predstavlja skupno sledča društva: "Veseli slavček," št. 154 JSKJ; društvo št. 142 HBZ; društvo št. 87 in 613 SNPJ in društvo št. 80 SSPZ. Člani društva "Veseli slavček," št. 154 JSKJ so vladno vabljeni, da polnoštevilno posetijo ta naš skupni piknik. Igrala bo tamburaška godba, na raznih sejih se bodo vrteli okusne dobre, in poskrbljeno bo tudi, da nikomur ne bo treba žeje trpeti. Na svidenje torej na skupnem pikniku v nedeljo 26. julija!

Za društvo "Veseli slavček," št. 154 JSKJ:  
Ilija Suman, tajnik.

Strabane, Pa. JZ URADA ZVEZE DRUŠTVA J. S. K. JEDNOTE V PENNSYLVANII. — Vsem cjenjenim društvom, ki pripadajo Zvezni društvu JSKJ v Pensylvaniji, naznam, da je prisodjeni pristopiti dokler je organizacija zdrav, če hoče, da bo en teden. Vršila se bo 30. avgusta in ne 24., kajti je bilo

## OBEDI IN VEČERJE NA POTOVANJU

(Nadaljevanje z 2. strani) kritikom jedil, s katerimi sem moral toliko vrsto let zavživati svoje večerje in obede—kritikom epikurične kakovosti, ki potujejo po vsem svetu in ki vihteč vilice in nože, prokljinajo kuharice in kuharje vseh narodov našega sveta. Te vrste ljudje store vse, kar je v njihovih močeh, da pokvarijo potujočemu človeku tek; da prežene naravno lažoto in da je človek potem, ko se jih iznebi ne popisno lačen. Te vrste ljudi je najti povsod; sestal sem se z njimi pri stoterih večerjih in moral sem govoriti z njimi v tišočerih krajih.

Pri zajutru v jedilnem vozu na vlaku med New Yorkom in Bostonom, mi je dejal: "Čemu ste naročili favorov sirup medu za vaše ajdove palacinke?"

"Med mi ne ugaja."

"Pótem gotovo ne veste kakor izborne so te vrste palacinke. Sirup, ki ga sedaj prodajajo je ponarejen in baš v New Yorku ga izdelujejo iz glukoze mnogo boljše, nego v Nemčiji.

In ker ga nisem hotel žaliti, mu tudi nisem povedal, da nemške klobase niso izdelane iz pasjega mesa . . .

Potoval sem na parobrodu po reki Ohio. Odpulji smo o polnoči iz Cincinnati proti iztoku. Za zajutrk sem si naročil pečeno ribo. In moj sosed pri mizi, katerega nisem nikdar prej videl v svojem življenju, mi je sosed, ki je sedel pri moji mizi. "Pri nas v Angliji ne speko divje race, ako ne visi vsaj teden dni v hladilnicu; pravzaprav, divja raca mora viseti toliko časa privezana za vrat, dokler jej vrat ne odgnije—šele potem je dobra za večerjo ali obed."

Dejal sem mu, da pred stoleti, ko še niso železni, ustreljena raca ni zamogla priti iz močvirje severne Anglije v London v drugačem, nego v "smrdljivem" stanju. Dejal sem tudi, da vsled tega so postale smrdljive race v Londonu moderne tako, da ako račje in drugo meso ni vsled starosti smrdelo, sploh ni bilo za teden "moderne" ljudi vžitno.

Toda preprati ga nisem zasmogel—in tudi tukaj pri nas se staro Armourjevo meso bolj spoštuje, kakor sveže meso . . .

"Obžalujem, toda ta gentleman (pokazal je na me) je naročil zadnjo ribo."

"Ko bodo vjeli naslednjino ribo," dejal sem mu, da ga potovno poročano. Vzrok za prestavo se bo naveden na seji. Vsa prizadeta društva so prošena, da bo obvestilo vpoštevajo in poštejo svoje zastopnike na sejo Zveze v Claridge, Pa., na dan 30. avgusta. Seja se bo pričela ob desetih dopoldne. Bratski pozdrav!

Za Zvezo društva JSKJ v Pensylvaniji:  
John Žigman, tajnik.

Sheboygan, Wis.

Članstvo društva sv. Janeza Krstnika, št. 82 JSKJ uradno naznam, da je na seji dne 19. julija podal svojo resignacijo dosedanji tajnik sobrat John Mervar. Na izpraznjeno tajniško mesto je bil soglasno izvoljen sobrat Joseph Goličnik. V

Vseh zadevah, ki se tičejo tajniškega posla, naj se člani v bo dobre obračajo na naslov: "Joseph Goličnik, 1026 Kentucky Ave., Sheboygan, Wis."

Nadalje opozarjam člane na sklep glavne letne seje, ki določa, da član, kateri ne more plačati mesečnih prispevkov, naj pride na društveno sejo in naj se tam opraviči. Kdor tega ne bo storil, mora vedeti, da se bo postopal z njim v smislu pravil Jednote. Ni zadost, da se nadleguje samo tajnika, ker on ne more in ne sme iz društvene blagajne zakladati za nobenega člana, ako ni pooblaščen za to na seji. V upanju, da boste navedeno vpoštevali, ostajam z bratskim pozdravom,

Mihail Ortar,  
preds. dr. št. 82 JSKJ.

lažim, "bo vaša, in ta bo še bolj sveža."

Potom si je naročil "well-done steak."

Pri mizi na desno od mene, sedel je nek star gospod, ki nama je dejal: "Doma sem iz Kansasa, pa vse do svojega dvajsetega leta nisem vedel, da vičteč vilice iz morja, kajti prepričan sem bil, da jih izdelujejo v tovarnah."

Ko me je vladva poslala v Nemčijo, imel sem smolo, da sem se sestal s povsem novo vrsto kritikov, kateri vsi so mi "garantirali pod 'častno besedo'" kaj je najboljše v Nemčiji.

Tako se spominjam človeka, ki je bil prišel v Nemčijo iz Zedinjenih držav in s katerim sva se slučajno sestala v restavrantu, kjer sva naročila "dujnajske klobasice." Pa mi je dejal, da se te vrste klobase dobe tudi na Dyckman St. in Broadway v New Yorku, in da so newyorske dunajske klobase mnogo boljše, nego v Nemčiji.

Neumne so mi zdale te vraže. Namesto te bajne nočne moči sem si želel, da bi imel raje jaz takoj noč, da bi vpravšal te vrbe, kaj vse so videle pod svojimi večjimi, ko so bile mlade. Da bi mi povedale o rodu Indijancev, ki so tod bivali, lovili divjadičino in rive v potoku pod njimi.

Ravnod sedaj je blizu tam velik stroj (dredge), ki dela strugo proti sredi velikega močvirja (Copley swamp), katerega mislimo vsaj delno osušiti. Stroj odkriva razne spominke na te prvotne prebivalce teh krajev. Na dan prinaša kamenite konice puščic in drugo orodje.

Močvirje samo je bilo enkrat velika trdnjava Indijancev. Le domaći bojevniki so vedeli za skrivno stezo, ki je držala do sredine močvirja, kjer je bila trdnja zemlja in naselbina. Več belih ljudi v spominu se sedaj tutkaj živečih, se je že v tem močvirju izgubilo, kjer so bili potem pogoljni v globoko blato. Pred menoj miloj daleč se je komaj videl Opazovalni hrib (Look-out-Mountain). Iz tega hriba se ob čistem zraku vidi na 70 milj daleč. Ta hrib so Indijanci rabili za opazovanje, kakor im pove. Na njem so zazigali po potrebni tudi takozvane signalne ognje.

Prišel pa je pred nekako stoleti bel človek in prepolil te ljudi. Ako niso hoteli iti, jih je pomoril, in si tam naredil farme. Na tem hribu se vidi še par nagrobnih kamnov v razpadajočem stanju, kjer so imeli pionirji svoje pokopališče. V tem prenovejjanju nisem niti najmanje slutil ali se nadeljal, da bom tudi jaz okusil moč noči, in sicer na način, ko taka moč vsled prestrašenja povzroča mrzel pot, ježenje las, slabost v kolennih ali kakov že. Naproti po železniškem tiru je prihajala moška postava, v kateri sem, ko je prišla bližje, spoznal pokojnega Johna B. Hodil je nekam čudno, nekam, rekel bi tajinstveno. Pred več meseci svetna debla ob eni in isti tovarni. Bil je zelo prijazen človek in nikdar kislega obrazu, vedno z nasmehom na ustnicah. Bil je že prijeten pečlar. Bila sva prijateljica. Ko ga nisem več dini zaporedoma videl v tovarni, vprašam sodelavca, kaj je vendar z Johnom, da ga ni več delati. Ta me pogleda debelo in reče:

"Ali ne veš? Ali res ne veš, da je John-a ravno danes teden ubil avtomobil, ko je šel iz debla?"

Odgovorim mu, da sem slišal, da je nekoga ubilo, ne pa John-a. Ta novica me je užalostila in do me je bilo, ker nisem John-a videl nazadnje vsaj na mrtvahškem odru, predno so ga odnesli v grob. "No," mislim sem si, "sedaj ga bom videl drugače!"

Nikdar nisem še slišal, da bi bil mrtvi koga pojedel in menda tudi mene ne bo. "Ko sva prišla že prav skupaj, je tudi on mene spoznal in na obrazu se mu je

## NOČNO SREČANJE

Bilo je lansko leto, meseca junija. Noč je bila jasna in topla. Nad zemljoi par čevljev je visela bela megla ali ne zadosti gosta, da bi zakrivala leno tekoči Volčji potok (Wolf Creek) na moji levici, in resne, krije in visoke stoltnote vrbe ob bregu pravotne struge tega potoka na moji desnici. Mahal sem jo počasi z ribolovno palico na ramu in z več posodami polnimi raznih črvov in glist po stranskem žezniškem tiru par milj severno od našega mestja Barberton.

No, ali si gluhi?" je zopet začel.

"Nisem gluhi ne, ali ustrashiš pa ste me prav zelo. Slišal sem, da vas je ubil avtomobil, ko ste šli s delu, in mislite sem, da ste duh."

"Kaj, me-nne? Meni ubilo? Hk, hk, ha, ha, ha! Meene, hk, veselega, vrlrega starega fantu ubilo? Be-be-ži no!"

Povedal mi je, da se mu še nič ne mudri umreti, posebno še zato, ker se ni nikdo na njim žaloval in nikdo nosil žalne oblike. Voščila sva si lahko noč in ko sem se ozrl nazaj, sem videl John-a, kajko je počasi koračil in včasih tudi meril, kako je široko med tračnicami. Tako torej je bilo moje prvo in upam tudi zadnje srečanje "mrtvega človeka."

pokazal znani smehljaj. Ustavil se je in rekel:

"No, kaj me pa tako debele gledaš? Ali me-e-e-a v-v-več ne poznaš?" Govorica ga je izdala, da je precej natrkan. Takoj sem bil gotov, da John na vse zadnje ni nikak mrtvec, ampak živo meso, krije in kosti s prejšnjo mero tekotinje v telesu.

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Anton Okolish.

## PREVEC NEZGOD

Iz poročila National Safety Council za leto 1930 je razvidno, da število smerti radi nezgod je v tem letu znašalo 99,000. To je strašno število in najvišje izmed vseh prejšnjih let.

Avtomobil je odgovoren za 33,000 življenj, drugi visoki rekord, namreč 5 odstotkov več kot v prejšnjem letu. Poleg teh smrtnih nezgod bilo je v cestnem prometu poškodovanih kakih 1,000,000 ljudi. Prevelika brzina je bila vzrok za 19 odstotkov poškodovanj in 29 odstotkov smrtnih nezgod. Tri deset odstotkov voznikov, zapestenih v smrtnih nezgod, je bilo pod starostjo 25 let. Da so ženske bolj skrbne voznice, je bilo v preteklosti 10 milijonov ženskih ljudi, ki so povzročili nezgod. Trideset odstotkov voznikov, zapestenih v smrtnih nezgod, je bilo na tretjem mestu kot vzrok smrtnih nezgod je bilo moškego voznika.

Vrhlo je število nezgod v hiši vsled padcev, opekljin, eksplozij, zadušenja itd. Te domače nezgode so lani povzročile 30,000 smrtni in skoraj 4,000,000 poškod. Največ smrtni je bilo radi padcev; opekljine in eksplozije so bile druge na vrsti in zadušenje je bilo na tretjem mestu kot vzrok smrtnih nezgod radi padcev v lastnem stanovanju.

Kar se tiče industrijskih nezgod, jih je bilo nekoliko manj kot leta 1930. Vendar je bilo še vedno 19,000 smrtnih nezgod in kakih 2,500,000 industrijskih nezgod, ki so povzročili le poškodbe.

Zato je šla z materjo brez strahu, čeprav še ni bila nikoli več dni od doma. Mogoče ji bo lepo in dobro, in tisti gospodje bodo prijazni ž njo, in ženska ji bo kupila naglavno ruto, rumeno ali belo, kakor jih nosijo že velika dekleta. In potem pride domov, kadar bo semenj, in vsi jo bodo gledali in se ji čudili, da je že tako zrasla in je tako lepo oblečena. Tudi tisti pastir jo bo vredil, od daleč se mu bo nasmejnil, na skrivaj mu kupi srček, in kadar bo pojde mimo njega, se bosta oba zasmajala.

"Kako si že velika," je bo rekel.

"Pa kako si bila majhna, ko si šla v mesto

Rado Murnik:

# JARI JUNAKI

PRIJATELJ PERUTNINE

(Konec.)

Presrečnim troletnikom so se topila srca ob tej presladki godbi . . . Toliko dolgih, dolgih mesecov, toliko let so hrepeli po tem čarodejnem znamenju prostosti! Tedne so šteli in dneve do tega rešilnega trenutka in čakali, čakali . . . Doslužili so dejanjsko službo vojaško—ali tudi tri dragocena leta najlepše dobe človeškega življenja so ubežala za zmeraj . . . Toda—zdat se vrnejo fantje domov, domov—v domačo vasicu, k materi in ljubici in sestram, k očetu in prijateljem in bratom! Nič več se jim ne bo bati slab volje vsakojakih mogočnikov, nič več nobenega reporta, nič več kazni zaradi vsake malenkosti! "Najlepše bukvice," dopustne knjižice, oproste začarane sužnje vkratkem, jih razčarajo in izpreneme zaklete titularne osle in bike, kozle in mulce, opice in jazbeci, hororoge in dromedarie v pametna bitja, pravemu človeku čudovito podobna.

Take in enake sladke misli so opajale tretjeletnike. Veselili so se pa tudi rezervisti, drugoletniki in novinci. Tuštam je kdo hudo zamežikal, da bi utajil izdajalno solzo blaženje radosti. Tupatam je kdo zajukal sramežljivo skrit v koruzi.

Ali takoj je iztegnil svoj vrat hudočni Apis, stotnije zlobni oča.

"Tijo!" je z razlučenim, zavidnim obrazom poluglasno sviril fante. "Kdor zauka, ne pojde na dopust, ampak nekam drugam!"

Po slavnih zmagah in po oceni završnih vaj je krenila dolgoravnstva vojska proti Celju, "pešaki s telečaki; konjeniki in topniki; vozatajci in stražniki; zemljerovi, konjekovi; strelni mladi, golo-bradi; ropotači in piskači". Ob potu je bilo vse črno rádogledevanje občinstva. Dame s pisanimi solnčniki, v pestrobojnih oblekah, so sedele in stale v kočijah in se živahnograzgovarjale s svojimi kavalirji, glasna dečad se je drevila pred godbo.

Ob ovinku dolge ceste so se ustavile prasne vrste sedemnajstega polka. Godba je udarila in zasvirala burno koračnico. V odliko za izborni naskok je defiliral polk pred cesarjem. Zadovoljno je ta motril korenjaške velikane; zagledavši pa majčnega častnika vštiri samih orjakov, se je nasmehljal polkovniku: "Le gleje, gospod polkovnik, da medpotoma ne izgubite onegale malega nadlajtnanta!"

V žgoči vročini je korakal polk dalje. Gospod-Morova stotnija se je ustavila na trati pred čedno vasjo. Že so uspehani vojaki postavili puške v piramide in odložili težke nahrbnike, že so obrnili častniki, da bi odšli, ko se je oglasil iz vrste prvega voda vesel klic: "Kikiriki!"

Ali takoj se je zopet okrenil gospod Mora, stotnije hrabri poglavari.

"To je bil petelin!" je ugenil duhoviti poročnik Knickebein "Kdo vrha ima petelina s sabo?"

"Narednik, preiščite mahe in tarniste!" je ukazal stotnik Mora.

Kurja polt je izpreleeta Cociancich, ko je privlekel Apis zadavljenega petelina iz njegovega telečjaka na svetlo.

Prostaki so se tihomuzali, gospodje pa so gledali vse začuden zdaj petelina zdaj Italijana. Stotnije skrbna majka, možljasti Hudournik, pa je spriči take, izprijenosti klavno majala glavo in iz ust mu je ušel žalosten samoglasnik.

"Gorak je še, gospod stotnik!" je tihohohnjal prebrisani ladjnant Knickebein in dostavil bistroumno: "V tornistru je pel svojo labdijo pesem!"

"Kaj? Kaj?" je zakričal skoraj obenem stotnik Mora nad Cociancicem in izbuljil oči, da so se mu videle nabrekle rdeče žilice na beločnici. "Petelin? Ha—petelin! Petelin v tornistru! Narednik, zaplenite ga! Da ga ne vidim več! Zakopljite ga! Cociancich, danes k reportu!"

Kmalu po menaži je bila kurjematu tatu ura povračila. Trdovratni grešnik se je zagovarjal in trdil, da je našel petelina za plotom.

"Ne govorite mi tako neumno!" je razgrajal stotnik. Prihko so mu blisnile oči in se jele sukati, kakor bi jih nevidni duh nedolženo umorjenega petelinčka jezno potezal na nitkah. "Kaj mi hočete nastvesti?"

"Ma ga je bil . . . giam morto! Ma ga je pel Tratar. Tratar ga žna bolje peti ko dešet petelin, si, si!"

"Drugega bi rad spravil v neserco?" je kričal stotnik. "Jaz vam že pomagam! Tudi mrtvega petelina ne bi smeli vzeti! Ali ste prišli zato na velike manevre, da bi se vojskovali s kuretnino?"

Ali se spodobi vojaku, da prenaša mrtvega petelina v telečjaku? In ravno pri moji kompaniji se mora zgoditi tak kega! Prihodnjic si privoščite poln kurnik, kaj? Ne boste tako snedeni!

Predpisi velevajo, da mora vojak izhajati z menažom in s plačo. Pečenke in šampanje mu ne ponujajo nikjer v nobeni armadi. Ali hočete nemara vi uesti drugo naredbę? Za to bi imeli drugačnih glav dosti. Fej, požeruh! Dolgo sem že pri vojakih, ali kaj takega nisem doživel se nikdar! Če pa dobom kakšno ovadbo, se pogledava še drugač! Najrajsi bi vas spravil v trdnjavol! Sram vas bodi! Pet dni strogega zapora! Tudi se ne smete nocoj z drugimi dopustniki po želesnici peljati domov, ampak pes pojdete z mlajšim moštvom, ki ostane pri kompaniji. Odstopite!"

"Zastonj se je tržaški gospod veseli pojedine!" je preudarjal Tratar. "Zastonj je pofulil petelina in ga v potu svojega obrazu po hribih in dolinah prenašal v košu! Tri dni bo ubogi romar krevsal v najhujši vročini proti Ljubljani, pet dni bo poštenjak stokal na dilici . . ."

In zdedo se je možu osvete dosti. Pokaj bi ga še tožil? Pokaj bi se silil za prico?

Stotnik Mora je plačal moštvu velikodušno—iz menažnega prihranka—več sodčkov piva. Poraženi Cociancich se je kujavo stiskal v stran in klel: "Diavolo! Diavolo!" Radopevni fantje pa so bili židane volje in prepevali venomer: "Nobene bukvice niso tak lepe . . ." Zlasti Tratar se je radoval, kakor da so ga pravkar pritrdili v deveta nebesa. Celo godrnjavemu Apisu se je razjasnil obraz in brki so mu nekam prijazno lezli vsaksebi; v bližnji gostilnici je bil pokopal zaplenjenega petelinčka slovesno z nožem in vilicami.

Strašno grdo se je držal Cociancich, ko so se dopustniki prepevajo, ukaje in vriskajo odpeljali z dolgim vlakom. Še bolj pi-

## NJENA PRVA SLUŽBA

(Nadaljevanje iz 5. strani) cu. Tudi ji ne bo treba kidati gnoja, kakor je moral doma z materjo in bratci. Očim je šel v krčmo, poprej pa se je trdo postavil pred njo in jo zapodil v hlev.

Tako je premišljevala Katrica, in med tem sta prišli z materjo v mesto. Saj še videla niti visokih hiš, ki so šle druga za drugo, saj se je komaj izogibala vozovom, in je kar naprej pred njo ali za njo tulilo, zvončljalo, cvililo, da že ni vedela, kam bi skočila. Mati je vedela za pot in je šla tla nje. Ustavili sta se v ozki ulici pred starinsko hišo in stopili na dvorišče. Z zavilanimi rokavki je stala tista ženska na pragu, z mastnimi rdečimi rokami se je podpirala ob bok in v obraz je bila znojna.

"Ali sta prišli," ju je pozdravila.

"Oh, ravno prav, toliko imam dela, da ne vem, kje se me drži glava. Že dva dni sem sama, dekla mi je ušla, no, saj je prav. Takšna lenoba je pa bila, da je kar smrdela. Pa sedita!"

Prinesla jima je kave, mlačne in postane, in je govorila in govorila. Mati jo je poslušala vsa skromna, stiskala se je za mizo in kimala z glavo.

"To pa že rečem, da danes ne ene dekla, ki bi bila kaj prida. Vsaka bi stala pa se gledala in razmetavala denar za cunje. Pa dedci, samo dedci so jih. Oh, kaj pa je pri nas dela! Saj sama vse opravim. Nekaj črepinj je treba umiti, pa vode nanositi!"

"Seve, kadar je bil doma. Kaj pa takrat, kadar je šel po kupčiji?"

Katrica ni vedela, o čem prav

za prav govorita, vendar je vsa rdeča povesila oči. Potem sta ona dva govorila tiho med seboj, smejava sta se, in gospodinja je veselo zaklical za njim:

"Pa nikar ne pozabite, da ne bom zastonj čakala! V nedeljo vas že ni bilo! Seveda takrat si izbere gospod Šavs mlado gospodinjo pa se je obregnila nad njo:

"Kaj bi se kisala! Če misliš, da ti ne bo dobro, saj lahko greš. Saj res! Kar za malo se mi zdi!"

Katrica je hitela brisati solze in je siloma dušila jok. Mati je zaprla duri za seboj, in Katrica je ostala sama s tujo žensko.

"Kar preobleci se, vzemi predpasnik, oh, vedve ste me zmotili, da še nisem pomila. Zvezčer pridejo gospodje na večerjo, pa morava biti gotovi, drugače so hudi. Pa onikati jih boš moral, in po vino jih boš šla. Saj ne bo zastonj, oh, to so dobri gospodje, posebno eden. Tistem boš moral reči gospod doktor. No, zdaj pa steci po vole!"

In pokazala je Katrici velik škaf, da se je takoj spomnila na nejne vole v domačem hlevu.

In tako je začela Katrica služiti. Zvezčer so prišli gospodje, a seveda jih je Katrica komaj videla iz kuhinje. Le eden je prišel k ognjišču, da si je našgal cigaro.

"To je pa naša nova dekla," je dejala gospodinja, "no, Katrica, pozdravi gospoda doktorja!"

Bilo jo je sram, da bi se najrajsa skrila. Spomnila se je domača hiša, tam bi skočila na izbo, se stisnila za staro skrinjo, pa bi bilo! Zdaj pa je stala pred neznanim mladim človekom, ki ga še ni nikoli videla, in bi ga moralala že pozdraviti!

"Reci dober večer!" Katrica je komaj, slišno pozdravila, in tuji gospod se je našmehnil.

"Tako, tako, je že prav, mla- da kmečka punčika! Saj pojde,

le govoriti se moraš naučiti. Ha ha!"

In gospod je odšel pa se takoj vrnil.

"Na, mala krajcar, da boš pridna. Koliko si že stara?"

"Petnajst let."

"Ha, ha," se je zasmehnil gospod.

Katrica je zardela in jo je bilo sram, ker ni vedela, zakaj se gospod smeje. Hitela je umivali krožnik in je skrivala oči.

"Kako ste poredni nočoj, gospod Šavs! Saj veste, da je še neumna."

"O, takelo kmečke bunkice so presneto brihtne, oh, kaj vse vidijo, pa na paši, kjer se mečejo s pastirji."

"O gospod doktor Šavs, kaj bodo otroci! To je še vse neumno! Kaj pa mislite! Saj je komaj pogledala v svet! Moški si le nekaj mislite, kar ni nič. Kmečka dekleta še vedo ne, čemu so na svetu?"

"Prekleto se kmalu zbrhajo! Saj sem jih slišal, take so brusile kot starci dedci!"

"Eh, nikar ne govorite! Saj vsem po sebi. Ko sem bila stara dvajet let, se me še ni dotaknil noben moški. Mlada dekleta so neumna in nedolžna, le fantje jih skvarijo. Nikoli nisem gledala za njimi, no, potem je prisel pravje—"

"Ha, ha, kot pravi pesem: "Ko prišel bo pravji, vso twojo lepoto zastonj bo imel." — Ali ne? Potem je pa šlo hitro, koliko jih je bilo na vso prst?"

"Ni bilo tako hudo, kakor mislite. Seveda se jih nisem otevrala, svojemu sem bila pa le zvezsta, ko sva se vzelja."

"Seve, kadar je bil doma. Kaj pa takrat, kadar je šel po kupčiji?"

Katrica ni vedela, o čem prav

za prav govorita, vendar je vsa rdeča povesila oči. Potem sta ona dva govorila tiho med seboj, smejava sta se, in gospodinja je veselo zaklical za njim:

"Pa nikar ne pozabite, da ne bom zastonj čakala! V nedeljo vas že ni bilo! Seveda takrat si izbere gospod Šavs mlado gospodinjo pa se je obregnila nad njo:

"Seve, kadar je bil doma, in je zavijala vanjo, in bila jih je ljuba in gorka, kot edini spomin na domača hišo. Zazdela se je, da se tisti bledi gospodek norčič je iz nje. "Alo začnita," je nadaljeval gospod doktor. "Ena, dve, tri, hitro, gospod Lojk, ob jih je bilo srečno zaklical za njim: "Torilo ji dajte!"

"Latvico!"

"Skedo!"

"Copato!"

"Ha ha!"

Vzkliki so deževali nad njo, gospodje so se smejavili, da so se zvijali po stolih.

"Ali ji pa dajte poljub, gospod Lojk, ha ha, saj znate."

Gospod Lojk je bil majhen gospod z veliko grbo, ki je govoril in se smejal s tenkim, piskajočim glasom. Včasi se je zagledal v Katrico in ni pustil oči od nje, zato se ga je bala, čeprav je bil suh in majhen. Bil je tudi plah in ni nikoli govoril z njo. Le v družbi je rad sprejel gospod, pa se je takoj zašmejal in čakal, da se drugi z njim zasemajeta.

"Zakaj pa ne, gospodična Katrica, pa se poljubiva." Zoperno se je zasmehnila in njo je oblišča vročina. Še nikdar ji ni nihče reklo gospodična, in zdelo se je, da se tisti bledi gospodek norčič je iz nje. "Alo začnita," je nadaljeval gospod doktor. "Ena, dve, tri, hitro, gospod Lojk, ob jih je bilo srečno zaklical za njim: "Kratko po ne, gospod Lojk, ha ha, saj znate."

Katrica je hitela brisati solze in je zavijala vanjo, in bila jih je ljuba in gorka, kot edini spomin na domača hišo. Zazdela se je, da se tisti bledi gospodek norčič je iz nje. "Alo začnita," je nadaljeval gospod doktor. "Ena, dve, tri, hitro, gospod Lojk, ob jih je bilo srečno zaklical za njim: "Kratko po ne, gospod Lojk, ha ha, saj znate."

"Krstila vas je, gospod Lojk, zdaj imate že pravico do nje."

Katrica je zahitelila in se skušala izviti, ko je stopila gospodinu iz izbo.

"Kramp neroden," je zavpila nad Katrico, ko je videla, kaj se je zgodilo.

"Ne zamerite, gospod Lojk, saj vidite, da je cela kmetica."

"Imenitno ste jo skupili," se je krohotil gospod Šavs in skakal po stolu. "Te pa ne boste izlepa pozabili."

"Prosi gospoda odpuščanja," je ukazovala gospodinja. Katrica je od sramu in togote skočila v kuhinjo.

"Ali ne boš! Glej jo, kako je ošabna! Brž, če ne jih boš dobita!"

"Le pustite jo, gospoda, saj je