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RUSKE KOLONE IN VADIRALE PRED- MESTJA VARŠAVE!

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000 Nemcev v Nor-
mandiji

INVAZIJA HOLAND- SKE NOVE Gvineje

Moskva, 1. avg.—Ruske oklopne, topniške in pehotne kolone so danes udrije v predmestja Varšave, poljskega glavnega mesta. Invasija je sledila bombardiranju nemških utrdov iz zraka in kopnega. Ruski letalci so počeli s silnih eksplozijah v središču mesta. Izvestja, glasilo sovjetske vlade, trdijo, da Nemci požigajo poslopja v Varšavi.

Londra, 1. avg.—Ruske armade so izvojevale nove zmage in so zdaj zavojevane v dveh važnih bitkah z nemško oboroženo silo—za Vzhodno Prusijo in Varšavo, poljsko prestolnico. Prve kolone armade, katere povojnik je general Ivan Černihovski, so udrije na ozemlje, ki je oddaljeno samo deset milij od meje predvojne Vzhodne Prusije. Več tisoč nemških vojakov je ta armada potisnila v past na severu po okupaciji Jelgave, železniškega križišča v Latviji.

Berlin pravi, da Rusi naskakujo Prago, predmestje Varšave, vrhovno poveljstvo nemške sile pa je priznalo izgubo Kovna, glavnega mesta Litve. Moskva poroča le, da so Rusi zavojevani v bitkah z Nemci na cestah tega mesta. Prej je naznana, da so sovjetske čete zasedle čez 500 mest, vasi in naselbine na vzhodni strani Varšave. Med tem so Wolomin, Otwock in Radzymin.

Tri druge nemške trdnjave je okupirala armada maršala Rokosovskega. Te so Minsk-Mazowiecki, 21 milij vzhodno od Varšave; Siedlce, 29 milij vzhodno od Varšave, in Lukow, 20 milij južno od Siedlca. Premier Stalin je naznani, da je armada generala Černihovskega prebila nemške linije na 143 milij dolgi fronti. Sovjetska sila na vseh frontah je včeraj okupirala 2144 vasi in naselbine, največje število od začetka rekordne ofenzive.

Zvezniški stan v Normandiji, 1. avg.—Američki oklopne in pehotne kolone so začele po okupaciji Avranches, obrežnega mesta v Normandiji, prodrijeti proti jugu, da si utrejo pot v osrčje Francije. Prve so dosegale do vrat Bretonskega polotoka in Bresta, mornarične baze, ki leži 160 milij zapadno od Pariza. Operacija ameriške sile na kopnem podpirajo bojna letala.

V zadnjih 24 urah so Američani ujeli 4500 sovražnikov, od začetka ofenzive pa čez 11.000.

Rim, 1. avg.—Osma britska armada je naletela na močan odpor Nemcem pred Florencem, komunikacijskim centrom in umetniškim svetiščem, se glasi komuniški. Izgleda, da bodo Nemci odločno branili to mesto, da uverejo Hitlerja o svoji lojalnosti.

Položaj pri Pizi, zgodovinsku mestu, se ni izpremenil. Ameriške čete in topničarske enote so zbrane ob reki Arni. Slednje še niso začele bombardirati poslopji v mestu.

Zvezniški stan, Nova Gvineja, 1. avg.—Glavni stan generala Douglass MacArthurja poroča, da so se ameriške čete pomaknile 200 milij bližje Filipinskim otokom z invazijo konice holandske Nove Gvineje. Japonska vojaška posadka okrog 15.000 mož je izolirana in v nevarnosti uničenja.

Pearl Harbor, Havaji, 1. avg.—Ameriški pomorski so okupirali južno polovico Guama, otoka v Marijanski grupi, in Agano, glavno mesto, poroča glavni stan admirala Chesterja W. Nimitza. Otok je bil prese-

Čikaški Pionirji—prvo društvo S tisoč članii!

Dolgo let je bil Naprek št. 5 v Clevelandu največje društvo SNPJ. Pred nekaj leti ga je angleško posluječe društvo Pioneer št. 558 v Chicagu potisnilo na drugo mesto. V tej jubilejni kampanji pa so čikaški Pionirji dosegli nov rekord v sgodovini jednotnih društev in prekosili število TISOČ članov v obeh oddelkih! Vsekakor lepo število za vsako podporno organizacijo!

Tem marljivim Pionirjem, ki so pod večim in dinamičnim vodstvom braha Donalda J. Lotricha skozi vso bogato sgodovino tega društva, Prosveta iskreno čestita!

To društvo bo prihodnjo soboto popoldne in zvečer imelo svoj letni piknik v lepem Pilanova parku na 26. ulici in Albany ave. Prejšnja leta so Pionirji imeli svoje letne piknike izven mesta. Bili so vedno velika privlačnost za mladino in odrasle. Njih letniški piknik je še toliko bolj privlačen, ker se vrli v srcu mesta v krasnem Pilanova parku.

Čikaški in okoliški člani in članice SNPJ bomo marljivim in energičnim Pionirjem dali najlepše priznanje za njih slajnji rekord s tem, da se prihodnjo soboto udeležimo njih priredbe v največjem številu. Vsi jednotarji na plani!

Berlin priznal kritično situacijo

Sovražnik pred
pragom Nemčije

London, 1. avg.—Vojaški komentator Hans Liebscher je v svojem govoru na berlinski radiostopaj priznal, "da bi bil zlonič, ako bi zanikal kritično situacijo na frontah in v Nemčiji." Govor je bil oddajan nemškim četam na bojiščih.

"Nemčija ne sme posnemati politiko noja in držati glave v pesku v momentu, ko se razvijajo važni dogodki," je rekel Liebscher. "Sovražnik je že na pragu Nemčije, toda udri bo v deseto le preko naših mrtvih trupov. V tem kritičnem času moramo mobilizirati vse razpoložljive sile za vojne napore in poraz sovražnika."

Drugi govorniki so tudi opozarjali nemško ljudstvo na kritično situacijo. Goebbels, minister nacijske propagande, ki je bil zadnji teden imenovan za direktorja mobilizacije za totalno vojno, je pojasnil Nemcem nove odredbe in dekrete. Poučal je, da bodo vsa dela, ki niso direktno povezana z vojnimi napiromi, ustavljeni.

"Včeraj je bil pokopan v Tannenbergu general Guenther Korten, ki je podlegel poškodbam, katere je dobil, ko je eksplodirala bomba v glavnem stanu diktatorja Hitlerja 20. julija. Državni maršal Hermann Göring je poveličeval Kortena in naglasil, "da je Tannenberg simbol strategije, ki je bila že demonstrirana, da se mogičen sovražnik lahko porazi po manjši sili, če ta pokaže odločnost, pogum in zaupanje v akciji."

Kongresnica Luce bo kandidirala

Greenwich, Conn., 1. avg.—Kongresnica Clare Boothe Luce, republikanka, je naznala, da bo ponovno kandidirala, zaenpa je naglasila, da je popolnoma uverjena, da bo zmaga. Ona je osmešila poročila, da se boji "čistke" s strani odbora za politično akcijo Kongresa industrijskih organizacij, kateremu načeluje Sidney Hillman, predsednik unije Amalgamated Clothing Workers.

Kompanija mora pri- stati na zahteve unije

Chicago, 1. avg.—Vojni delavski odbor je odredil, da mora Western Foundry Co. pristati na zahteve unije jeklarskih delavcev, včlanjene v Kongresu industrijskih organizacij. Podpisati mora pogodbo s provizijo o unijskih delavcih. Kompanija je izzvala stavko, ker se je upiral zahtevam unije.

kan na dvoje zadnjo nedeljo. V bitkah z Američani na tem otoku je padlo čez 6200 Japoncev.

BOLGARIJA SE BI RADA ODCEPILA OD NEMČIJE

Apel za odpoklic nacijskih divizij iz
desela

PONOVNO TIPANJE ZA MIR

London, 1. avg.—Zdaj, ko se Turčija pripravlja za prelom diplomatskih in ekonomskih odnosa z Nemčijo, se bi tudi Bolgarija rada iznebila vloga, ki jo igra kot satelit Nemčije. Bolgari vidi pisanje na steni, da je poraz Hitlerjeve vojne mašine blizu. Razpokane nacijske vojske v skromnem oklepnu so se že pokazale.

V Istanbul, Turčija, so prispevali, da je bolgarska vlada apelirala na Hitlerja, naj potegne nemške divizije iz Bolgarije, ker ne pomagajo delželi, temveč so jih le v nadlegu, poleg tega pa je navzočnost teh odgovorna za zavezniške bombe napade na bolgarske mesta.

Gotovo je, da Hitler ne bo upošteval apele iz bojazni, da bi drugi satelitne države sledile Bolgariji. Prestiž Nemčije je že omajan v teh državah.

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Nemčija je priznala, da se odnosi med njo in Turčijo ohladili. Izgleda, da bo zamejnila svojo neutralnost za tesnejšo zvezo z zavezniški. Franz von Papen, nemški poslanik v Ankari, skuta preprečiti prelom zavezniškega miru z zavezniški.

Premier Churchill bo jutri nastopil pred poslanci v parlamentu in jim orisal potek vojnih operacij proti sovražniku na vseh frontah. Možnost je, da bo Turčija odločila za prelom z Nemčijo pred nastopom Churchilla pred poslanci.

Odbori bodo
pomagali veteranom

Milijarde dolarjev za povojsna dela

Washington, D. C., 1. avg.—Klub načrtom, ki so pred kongresom, in vladnim odredbam bodo vojni veterani, ki se vrnejo v civilno življenje, dobili pomagti s strani krajjevih nabornih uradov. To je razvidno iz izjave generala Lewisa B. Hersheyja, direktorja federalne naborne administracije.

"Odgovornost federalne naborne administracije ne preneha z dobavljanjem moških oboroženih sil," je rekel Hershey. "Ta bo moral vratišči tudi druge funkcije. Skrbeti bo moral predvsem, da vojaki, ki se vrnejo v civilno življenje, dobi priliko in poslovitev in zasluga v industriji."

Hershey je naznani, da so krajjevi naborni odbori že dobili zadevne instrukcije.

Newyorški župan F. H. La Guardia je, ko je nastopil pred članji posebnega kongresnega odseka za javna dela, priporočal, naj kongres določi najmanj štiri deset milijard dolarjev za finančiranje gradnje javnih projektor v povojni dobi. Izjavil je, da bo same mesto New York potrošilo milijardo dolarjev za gradnjo projektov po zaključenju sedanjih sestanov.

Crowley je dejal, da se padec produkcije olja očituje na bojiščih. Hitlerjeva motorna vojna mašina ne more več učinkovito funkcionirati. Biči belgijski minister umorjen

London, 1. avg.—Po nacijih kontrolirana pariška radiostacija je citirala poročilo iz Bruslja, da je bil Jules Hiernaux, predsednik unije v belgijski vladi 1. 1935, umorjen. Napadli in umorili so ga belgijski "teroristi". Hiernaux je bil star 66 let.

Domače vesti

Obiski

Chicago, 1. avg.—Dne 29. jul. so obiskali gl. urad jednotne in Prosvete Andrew Ferjancich in žena iz Benlida, Ill., in Nick Arden iz Chicaga.

Padel v Franciji

Dunlo, Pa.—Družina Martin Volčjak je bila obveščena po vojnem departmantu, da je padel v Franciji njih sin Sgt. Karol Volčjak. Star je bil 30 let. On je prvi padli član društva 274 SNPJ.

Is Sheboygan

Sheboygan, Wis.—Družina Joseph Gorenc je prejela obvestilo od vojnega departmanta, da je njih sin Joe pogrešan od prvega dneva invazije Francije. Služil je pri padalcih—Rosie Jelen, članica društva 344 SNPJ. se nahaja v Mayovi kliniki v Rochesterju, Minn., kjer je sredno prestala prvo operacijo, toda podvrate se bo morala še drugi operaciji.

Nov grob v Minnesota

New Duluth, Minn.—Dne 10. jul. je tukaj umrl Frank Makovich, star 73 let in rojen v drugi satelitni državi sledile Bolgariji. Prestiž Nemčije je že omajan v teh državah.

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Is Cleveland

Cleveland.—Dne 27. jul. je umrla Sophie Russ, starca 65 let. Doma je bila iz Loga pri Kočevju in v Ameriki 47 let. Zapušča moža, dva sina in štiri poročene hčere.—Helena Nagode je umrla 26. jul., je bila starca 72 let in doma iz Borovnice pri Ljubljani, odkoder je prišla v Ameriko pred 24 leti. Zapušča dve poročeni hčeri, pet vnukov in dva pravnuka.—Na italijanski fronti je bil 9. jul. ranjen Pfc. George Starešič, star 29 let.—Na francoski fronti je bil ranjen v obe nogi saržent Joseph A. Maušer ml., star 25 let.—Saržent Chester V. Hudec, topnjar na bombniku Liberator in star 21 let, je pogrešan od 14. jun. ko se je podal z bombno misijo nad Francijo. — Družina John Starman je prejela poročilo vojnega departmanta, da je bil njen sin Tony težko ranjen dne 30. jun. v Burmi.—V žensko bolnišnico se je podala mrs. F. Christy, kjer je prestala težko operacijo.

Nov grob na farmi

Geneva, O.—Dne 28. jul. je v tukajšnji bolnišnici umrl slovenski farmer Michael Jaločev, ki ga je prejšnjo pedeljno zadeval kap in se ni več zavedel. Star je bil 59 let in doma iz vasi Sutna, fara Sv. Križ pri Konstanjicu in v Ameriki od 1. 1909. Zpusča ženo, sina, tri hčere, vnuke in več sorodnikov.

Smith nominiran za predsedniškega kandidata

Detroit, Mich., 1. avg.—Stranka America First je na svoji konverciji imenovala Geraldia L. K. Smitha za predsedniškega kandidata, o h i j s k e g a s g o v e r n e rja

IZ URADA Slovenskega ameriškega narodnega sveta

3935 W. 26th Street, Chicago, Ill.

Meseca julija in avgusta se vršijo volitve delegatov za SAN-Sovo konvencijo, ki se bo vršila v Clevelandu 2. in 2. septembra. Iz poročil, ki že prihajajo v naš urad, in iz dopisov v naših listih je razvidno, da vlada med našimi rojaki veliko zanimanje za to konvencijo. Večina podružnic, ki so kvalificirale za enega ali več delegatov, jih bo poslala. Negativno je reagiralo le malo naših postojank. To znači, da bo konvencija resnično reprezentativna in bo sestala iz onih ptičnih rojakov in rojakinj, ki so s svojim pozrtvovalnim delom za boljšo bodočnost stare domovine pomagali zgraditi našo organizacijo.

Ze prej je bilo omenjeno, da so do zastopstva na konvenciji upravičene le one podružnice, ki so prispevale za našo politično akcijo \$50 ali več, poleg članov izvršnega v širšega odbora ter zastopnikov nekaterih prispevajočih organizacij in ustanov. Vsem postojankam pa je bila dana prilika do 1. avgusta, da dosegnejo minimalno kvoto in kvalificirajo do zastopstva.

Pri odločevanju števila delegatov, do katerih je vsaka podružnica upravičena, smo upoštevali le vsote, katere so bile poslane za SANS direktno za naše politično gibanje. Nekatere podružnice so skozi naš urad prispevale tudi večje ali manjše vso za Jugoslovanski pomožni odbor (JPO-SS). Ti prispevki niso bili upoštevani pri odmerjanju zastopstva na konvenciji. Ravn tako niso upoštevani razni prispevki za SANS, ki so bili poslani drugim organizacijam in potem izročeni SANSU. V takih slučajih, ako SANSu niso specjalno bila izročena imena prispevateljev, ima naš urad vknjiženo le skupno izročeno vso. In vsled tega smo že večkrat apelirali in apeliramo ponovno ob tej priliki, da se vse za SANS namenjene vso pošljemo naravnost v naš urad.

Mirko G. Kuhel, izvršni tajnik.

vest je povest o siromaku betežnem, ki vstaja, vstati pa ne more. Kolikor je kotlin in dolin pot lepih dežel, ne držale bi vse tiste krv, ki je bila tod prekrita. In koliko jo bo še prelite! Komaj si stopil na svet, si bil, ki narod sužnjev, sužen med narodi. Otok si bil, pa že sužen. Psotka ti je nauk delila, palica ti ga je vteplala. Suvali so te od vseh strani, očmi in mače, bori tri in botrice. Časih si zajokal, časih si omahnih, časih pa si tudi planil. Ali komaj si planil, so te podrli na tla, zvezali so te še tesneje in celo usta so ti zaklenili. V curkih je tekla kri iz tvojih žil, napojila je zemljo več klapfer globoko; zato je ta zemlja rodila. In kadar si jedel sužnji kruh, si jedel sam svoje meso in svojo kri. Močan si, o slovenški narod! Tisoč in petsto let krvavi, izkravavel nisi. Narod mehkužnik bi dušo izdihnil, še sveče bi mu ne zgali, še bil bi ne peli-ti pa, tisočrat ralen, v trpljenju utrjen, ti komaj zmaješ z rameni pod težko sovražno pestjo in pravili: Nička, ta burka je stara že tisoč let! .

Koliko časa je romal Kristus na Golgoto? Pač ne trikrat petsto let! Trikrat se je zgrudil na kolena—kolikokrat si se zgrudil, narod sužen in kolikokrat si vstal vdan, ukazu božjemu poslušen ter si zadel križe na ranjene rame? Kristusu je pomagal mož iz Cirene, kdo je pomagal tebi, kadar si ležal na obrazu in je bilo trpljenje večje od tvoje moči? —Kje je začetek twoje poti in kdaj ti je bila sodba govorjena? Kje je konec tega strašnega romanja in kdaj bo sodba določljena?

Kaj je že minila polnoč? Kaj je čas in ura, da se izpolni to trudno tisočletno hrepenje? Glej oko, razveseli se in upajali se ne dramati zarja na vzhodu?"

Frank Vrataric.

PIKNIK ZDRAŽENEGA ODBORA

Wilkes Barre, Pa.—Tukajšnja postojanka Zdrženega odbora južnoslovenskih Amerikancev priredila piknik, kateri se bo vršil v soboto 5. avgusta in v nedeljo 6. avgusta.

Piknik se vrši na koncu Walnut St., Rosehill, Luzerne, Pa. Tistim, ki žive izven Luzernske, ne bo težko najti pikniškega prostora. Walnut St. leži med North in Bennett St. Ako prideš po North St., tedaj se pri ovinku obrnite na desno, če pa prideš po Bennett St., pa zavijte pri ovinku na levo.

Na pikniku bomo vsem najlepše postregli. Zabave ne bo manjkal. Pekli bomo na ražnju tudi prašička in jagnje. Torej, prideš na piknik, kjer se boste nekaj ur prav prijetno zabavali.

Ves čisti dobike veselice je namenjen za pomoč trpečemu jugoslovanskemu narodu. Torej, Jugoslovani, na gotovo svidenje 5. in 6. avgusta!

Frank Vrataric.

MALO ODGOVORA

Barberton, O.—V mojem dosigu, ki je bil priobčen v Prospektu dne 5. julija, sem pisal o dobrih in slabih predlogih, ki so bili sprejeti na zadnji konvenciji SNPJ.

Toda resnica v oči bode, kajti dva sta se že oglašila in me malo kritizirata. Toda to nič ne stori, ako malo podebatiramo o storjenih napakah, kajti debate človeka-uče.

Tukaj bom opozoril na napako, ki jo je storila zadnja konvencija. Sprejet je bil predlog, da se plača delegatom in glavnim odbornikom bivše SSPZ dnevnicu iz konvenčnega skladu SNPJ. Toda v konvenčni sklad SNPJ smo plačali samo člani SNPJ. Zveza ni imela nobenega konvenčnega skladu, zato ni bilo denarja za delegate, toda denar bi lahko transferiral iz kašnega drugega skladu za dnevnice delegatov SSPZ. Po mojem mnenju se to napako lahko še popravi. Denar naj bi se

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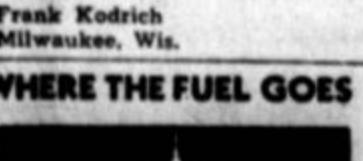
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kot je potrebno za agitatorja. Res je škoda, da nima vsaka naselbina vsaj enega sposobnega člana, ki bi bil dober za pridobivanje novih članov naši jednoti. No, pa saj ni treba Klariču skrbeti glede prihodnje konvencije. Se boste že kako združili s kakim društvom in takoj poslali delegata na konvencijo.

Alois Ocepak. 48.

O POWHATANSKI NESREČI

Powhatan Point, O.—Danes (28. julija) je poteklo 23 dni, od kar je nastal požar v premogovniku Powhatan in pokončal 66 premogarjev, ki se bili večno ozemljeni. Kdaj bodo končno dokopali do trupelj ponesrečenih, ni mogoče nič določnega reči, kajti delo gre zelo počasno od rok, dasiravno delajo dan in noč štirje štirje. Sedaj imajo izkopalci še 900 čevljev, da pridejo do njih.

Izmed ponesrečencev sta dva člena društva št. 436 SNPJ, in sicer: Bale Munor in Charles Kožer (Košer?). Eden je pravoslavni Hrvat, drugi pa Slovac.

Opozorjam brate in sestre društva št. 536, ko pridejo do njih, da bomo imeli takoj izredno sejo. Sejo bomo imeli tisti večer ob sedmih, v običajnem prostoru.

Naznanjam tudi, da se vrši naša redna seja kot običajno, in sicer drugo nedeljo v mesecu ob desetih dopoldne.

John Kroll, tajnik št. 536.

PRISPEVKI ZA SANS

Detroit, Mich.—Društvo št. 518 SNPJ je priredilo predvo, na katerem se je pojasnjevalo o delovanju in boju, ki ga danes vrše jugoslovanski partizani v Jugoslaviji.

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transferiralo iz upravnega in izrednega skladu v konvenčni sklad, tako da bomo imeli dovolj na razpolago za prihodnjo konvencijo. Sem pa proti, da bi razpisali izredni asesment, kajti mnogi člani neradi plačajo celo redni asesment. Zato bi bilo najboljše, da se denar prenesete ali pa posodi iz omenjenih skladov. Prihodnja konvencija pa naj tako uredi, da bomo imeli dovolj denarja za konvencijo.

Se malo odgovora bratu Martinu Klariču. On mi ponuja službo, namreč da bi šel na agitacijo in pridobil nove člane za njegovo društvo. Za vsakega člana mi ponuja nagrado. Pa ne bo nič s to službo. Službe ne morem sprejeti, kajti nisem več mlad in ne znam tako govoriti

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Spre

Razprave o iniciativi društva 21

ZA ZASTOPSTVO PO OKROŽJAH

Chicago.—Društvo Nada 102 SNPJ je na svoji zadnji seji 20. julija razpravljalo o predloženi iniciativi društva 21 in sklenilo, da je ne podpira, ker bi ne rešila finančnega vprašanja prihodnje konvencije in prizadeta bi bila največ društva s sto do 150 članov.

Vzele pa smo v pretes nasvet in priporočilo društva 747 in se z njim popolnoma strinjam, to je, da bi bila najboljša reprezentacija za jednotno in društvo, ako bi se volili delegati po distriktilih. Po tem sistemu bi bila društva enakopravna in bi imela manjša društva enake prilike kot velika.—Za društvo Nada 102 SNPJ:

Minka Alesh. tajnica.

SE NE STRINJAJO Z INICIATIVO

Chicago.—Društvo 86 SNPJ je na seji 18. junija razmotrivalo o iniciativnem predlogu društva 21 za znižanje delegacije in stroškov prihodnje konvencije. Prepričani smo, da ima društvo 21 dober namen, ali po našem mnenju ta predlog ne odgovarja sedanjim razmeram in potrebnim organizacijam.

Ako gre ta predlog na glasovanje, bodo še stroški, delegacija pa ne bo znižana toliko kot bi bilo potrebno. Ce bi se predlog glasil, da bi se na primer volil delegat na 500 članov po okrožjih, bi bilo to enakopravno za vse člane, bodisi malih ali velikih društev.

Ako bi bil ta predlog sprejet, bi bilo prizadetih veliko društev, kar bi pomenilo še veliko več razprtij na konvenciji. To nam je znano iz izkušenj. Take zadeve vzamejo tudi veliko časa konvenciji, kar zopet stane veliko denarja. Iz teh razlogov naše društvo ne podpira tega predloga.

Po našem mnenju naj se prihodnja konvencija vrši kot je določeno in z dodatkom, da naše društvo apelira na glavni odbor in vse člane konvencije, naj se zboruje po odsekih. O tem se lahko pogovorimo v našem glasilu in na društvenih sejah, brez kakršne razprave na konvenciji. Glavni urad naj že vnaprej naredi načrt za tako zborovanje.

Sedanja pravila, skoro bi rekli, v celoti odgovarjajo našim potrebam. Tisto suhoperarno čitajne pravil od začetka do konca, kar je le tratenje časa, naj se opusti. Tudi to stane tisočake, vsi pa vemo, da ni potrebno. Ako je potrebna kaka mala spremembra te ali one točke, se o tem lahko pogovorimo v glasilu, konvencija pa lahko hitro odloči z glasovanjem.

Dnevnicne članom konvencije naj se določijo že pred volitvami delegatov, ali pa naj vsako društvo zaključi, za kakšne dnevnice naj glasuje njihov delegat, in to pred volitvami delegata.

Sporne zadeve, kot na primer prejšnjega urednika, ako stvar pride pred konvencijo, naj se izroče tozadnemu odseku, ki poda zborinicu svoje poročilo ali odklop v zbornici ne sme za to porabiti več kot eno uro časa. Tak sklep naj naredi konvencija že prej predno pride kaka morebitna sporna zadeva na dnevni red.

Da omenjamo to, je vrok, ker več članov razpravlja vsak po svoje v dopisih in nekateri že sedaj pravijo, da mora ta zadeva priti pred konvencijo. Ker pa nam je znano, koliko dragega časa se porabi na konvencijah o spornih zadevah, zato podajamo ta nasvet.

Za društvo 86 SNPJ:
Ludvik Katz. predsednik,
John Mors. tajnik,
Louis Volk. blagajnik.

DRUŠTVO ŠT. 238 PROTI INICIATIVI

Mansfield, O.—Društvo št. 238 v Mansfieldu, O., je na svoji redni seji dne 16. julija razpravljalo o iniciativi, ki jo je predložilo članstvo društva št. 21. Po temeljitem pojasnjevanju smo prišli do zaključka, da ne podpi-

drugih tiskovin, ki so v zvezi s splošnim glasovanjem, pa tudi stane denar.

Priporočilo brata glavnega tajnika, ki je bilo priobčeno v Prosvetu, je bilo na seji prečitano, toda ni vplivalo na članstvo.

Naj se omenim, da smo namevali prirediti piknik v korist društvene blagajne in v korist članov vojakov, katerih imamo 37 v službi Strica Sama, toda enkrat smo to namesto opustili, kajti dandanes je zelo težko dobiti stvari, k iso v zvezi s piknikom. Vojake po navadi obdarimo enkrat na leto, tako da vedo, da si jih spominjamo.

Clini našega društva so mnemna, da bi bilo priporočljivo, da bi izvolili na vsakih 400 članov enega delegata. Delegacija bi bila še vedno dovolj velika, obenem pa tudi učinkovita.

Za društvo št. 238 SNPJ:
Terezija Zgela. predsednica,
Pavel Benick. tajnik,
Joseph Keck. blagajnik.

ramo iniciative, in sicer iz razloga, ker ne bi zmanjšali zadostni delegacijski.

Izvršni odbor SNPJ, ki vodi posile SNPJ, sproti uvideva, katero točke v pravilih je potrebno izpolnitvati in popraviti.

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PROTI INICIATIVI

Joliet, Ill.—Na julijski seji društva št. 115 SNPJ smo razpravljali o iniciativi, ki jo je predložilo članstvo društva št. 21 SNPJ, in prišli smo do zaključka, da ne bi veliko prihranili jednoti, ako jo sprejmemmo, zato smo glasovali proti.

Naše mnenje je, da bi z znižanjem delegacije najbolj škodovali afgeško govorečim društvom, kar bi koncem konca škodovalo jednoti.

Ozirimo se malo po premogarskih naselbinah, kjer je več društev, katera stejejo po 20 ali 30 članov. Društvo, ki ima 50 članov, je že veliko društvo. Ako bi bila iniciativa sprejeta, bi delegacijo znižali za zelo skromno število. Tiskanje glasovnic in

tovim premogarjem, toda ne bodo prišli do njih pred 20. avgustom. Poročilo ne omenja, kako so se pogodili glede plače 13 delavcev, ki včeraj niso hoteli iti na delo, ako se jim ne plača \$3 na uru.

In Prosvetu se veliko čita in razmotri glede iniciative, ki jo je članstvo predložilo društvo št. 21.

Poročal sem že, da naše društvo št. 13 ne podpira iniciative, razen ako bi se predlog glasil, da se izvoli enega delegata na vseh 500 članov, namesto 150 članov.

Cer pa ne bomo imeli piknika, bomo imeli posebno naklado, da si opomoremo v tako zvanem vojaškem skladu. A tudi tu smo naleteli na težkoče. Med nami so člani, ki verujejo v bratstvo le tedaj, če to koristi njim samim.

Fred Ferlin. predsednik,
Helen Strniša. tajnica,
John Gerl. blagajnik.



vila naročnina. Obnovila jo je zato, ker ji list zelo ugaja.

Hočeš ali nočeš, vsakdo, če si malo pobrsko po svoji vesti, bo priznal, da ga polemike v časopisu zanimajo. Takoj bo odpremo Prosveto, pogledamo, če je kdo koga omatlji. Ako pa ni v listu nobene polemike, se nekateri našrnjejo, češ, saj ni nič. Če pa jo najdejo, se pa veselo nasmehnejo.

Torej, perses v roke! Seveda, vsakdo, ki javno nastopi, je podvržen kritiki, in če je ta stvarna, potem je nam v korist, če pa ni, se lahko nazaj oteplijemo, ker pri listu imamo vse enake pravice, poleg tega pa je tudi Amerika še vedno svobodna dežela.

Rose Radovich.

ZA INICIATIVO

Bridgeport, O.—Na zadnji društveni seji št. 74 SNPJ je članstvo razpravljalo o predloženi iniciativi društva št. 21 SNPJ za znižanje delegacije za prihodnjo konvencijo SNPJ.

Po daljši razpravi je članstvo zaključilo, da iniciativo podpira v celoti.

Inicijativa morda ne bi znižala delegacije v velikem številu, a če bo sprejeta, bo znižan deficit v konvenčnem skladu in imeli bomo tudi boljšo delegacijo.

Za društvo št. 74 SNPJ:
Frank Reven. predsednik,
Frank Ilersich. tajnik,
Eli Kavčič. blagajničarka.

RAZNE VESTI

Bridgesport, O.—Od društva št. 13 je šel nadaljnji član v službo Strica Sama. Prostovoljno se je vpisal Philip J. Snay v tako zvani V. 12 ali mornarično častniško šolo. Poklican je bil 1. julija na univerzo Minneapolis, Minn. On je graduiral dveletni tečaj inženirske šole v Flintu, Mich. Nekaj mesecov pred njim pa je bil poklican v armado Joseph Bradač. On ima tudi brata Edwarda v armadi.

Društvo št. 13 SNPJ ima sedaj 26 članov pri vojakih, članica Vera Hribenik pa je pri ženski pomogni vojni organizaciji WACS. Ona se že dolgo časa nahaja v Angliji. Mogoče je sedaj v Franciji.

Dosedaj sta se glede Molkove zadeve oglasila samo dva glavna odbornika.

Bolan je tudi Mike Pogorelec, eden izmed prvih naših članov. Ko se je javil bolnim, je na vprašanje, kaj naj zapisem, da ga boli, rekel: "Kar zapisi, da vse." Njegovemu odgovoru se nišem nič čudila, kajti Mike je prejadril čez vse krize in težave do 81. leta.

V avtomobilski nesreči pa je poškodoval roko Tone Medved. Navzliec temu, da mu ruka se ni zdrava, se je javil že zdravega zadnjega meseca. Operiran je bila tudi Josephine Babnik, kateri pa se tudi obrača na bolejno. Za revmatizem pa je bolehalo Angela Kenik.

Naglioma je umrla v bolnišnici žena našega člena Jacova Zadela. Po napadu želodčnega krka je bila pripeljana v bolnišnico, kjer pa je podlegla pljučnici. Bilo ji je komaj 33 let. Poleg moža zapušča starše, dve sestri, tri brate in štiri nedorašne otroke, kateri so vsi člani našega društva. Članstvo št. 21 SNPJ izreka na tem mestu vsem predsedateljim globoko sožalje.

V bolnišnici se je nahajal hudo bolan Frank Brayda. Frank je neutrudljiv delavec za SANS in za Jugoslovanski pomožni odbor. Stanje se mu izboljšuje.

K našemu društvu je prestolno društvo št. 296 družina Valentina Udovicha, in sicer dva v odrasli oddelki in pet v mladinskim oddelku pa imamo 144 članov, torej šest manj kot 150. Ali ne bi bilo več kot prav, če bi vsi zavzeli in dobili vsaj toliko članov, da bi prišli do teh okroglih številk? Meni bi te številke prav ugajale, kaj pa, vam članom, kateri ste še in kateri ste bili aktivni? Pokažimo, da stojimo za društvo, h katerega spadamo, kakov tudi za SNPJ.

Nekateri so še vedno v konfuziji radi sej. Seje imamo vsako drugo soboto v mesecu zvezcer. Ako vzamemo v poštev današnje razmere, člani še pravilno posečajo seje. In da se je zanimive, zato skrbe zavetni člani, katerih ima naše društvo precejšnje število. Lepo bi bilo videti na sejah tudi tiste, kateri so včasih zahajali, a zdaj pa imajo svoj izgovor, češ, da ne more, da ni časa in podobno.

Bolnikov imamo precej. Bolni so: Jennine Kovacic, Peter O'Kiech, Frank Stark, mlajši, Margaret Kochavar in Nick Radovich. Slednjemu se stanje izboljšuje, čeprav zelo počasi. Od dela iz jeklarne so v bolnišnico odpeljali Johana Strumbia, kjer je bil operiran na želodcu; nekaj časa pa je bil v hospitalu Tončko Skufco, ki je imela korajzo povedati v listu, kar ji je predsedalo. Neke dobrovoljne, sem pozabil, kateri so bili zajeti. To delo opravljajo izvezbeni premogarji, ki jih klicajo "helmet crew." Njih plača znaša \$1.50 na uro. To je državna plača in ne zvezna. Delo, ki ga opravljajo, je zelo nevarno. Oni zležejo v rovi in odprevo ali pa zabarikadirajo vhode. Seveda, v njih je polno plina ali pa mogoče tleč ogenj. Dne 27. julija so imeli ti omenjeni delavci v rov, toda so odklonili in zahtevali \$3 na uro. Ponudili so jim \$2 na uro, toda so odklonili. In danes, ko to pišem, pravijo novine, da delo ni zaostalo in da je riziko od dveh strani proti mi-

tivim premogarjem, toda ne bodo prišli do njih pred 20. avgustom. Poročilo ne omenja, kako so se pogodili glede plače 13 delavcev.

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Znano je, da se moramo vse organizacije podvrači zakonom države, v kateri so inkorporirane.

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Pred nekaj tedni je vojna uprava za civilno uporabo reducirala kakovost goriva, v časopisu pa je bilo tudi poročano, da je letos vojni odbor radijskega in transportnega pomažal preložiti konvencije 70 različnih organizacij. Torej, kdor danes trdi, da se morajo vršiti konvencije, ne stoji preveč na trdnih tleh. Ako Illinoiski zavarovalni departement forsira, da se konvencija mora vršiti, potem kljubuje vojnemu departmantu ali pa zvezni administraciji. In ker je ta vojna za osvojitev narodov, vsaj tako pravijo, ne pa v prid demokratični republikanski stranki, potem bi se naša konvencija lahko preložila, samo če bi zavarovalnički departement hotel malo operirati. Ako so lahko preložile omenjene organizacije svoje konvencije, potem bi jo lahko tudi naša organizacija.

Dosedaj sta se glede Molkove zadeve oglasila samo dva glavna odbornika, tudi kakor druga društva tako je tudi naše kupovalo vojne bonde in danes je naša blagajna izčrpana. Prvotno smo namevali prirediti kakšno veselico, da bi tako ojačali društveno blagajno, toda zaradi razmer sedaj ne moremo imeti veselice.

Tajnik vas prosi, da se ne obotavljate plačati naklade. Kdor ne bi hotel plačati te naklade, ne bom od njega vzel rednega asesmenta.

J. Shaffer, tajnik št. 537.

Društvene vesti

Johnstown, Pa.—Na zadnjem seji društva št. 3 SNPJ je bilo sklenjeno, da povabimo vse člane na prihodnjo sejo, katera se vrši 13. avgusta ob dveh popoldne v društveni prostorih.

Na dnevnem redu bomo imeli zelo važno zadevo, ki jo je treba rešiti v splošno zadovoljstvo vsega članstva. Naj nihče ne izostane! Sploh pa se bi moral članstvo malo bolj zanimati za seje. Na zadnji seji se je nekdo oglasil in dejal, da članstvo ne prihaja na seje zaradi odbora in da je odbor pristranski. To ni resnica. Le pridite na sejo in videli boste, kako lepo in harmonično posluje odbor. Nam je vsakdo brat ali sestra, pa naj bo katere koli narodnosti. Podtiski odborov stvari, ki

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Kakšna naj bo reprezentacija

Najbolj idealen, vsaj pa preprost sistem reprezentacije na konvenciji bi bil, da bi imelo vsako društvo pravico do svojega delegata. Ta sistem je bil tudi v veljavni prvi leta jednotne, ko so bila društva maloštevilna, mlada in po velikosti tudi več ali manj enaka. Za prvih par konvencij je imelo vsako društvo pravico do delegata, potem na vseh 25 članov ved nadaljnje delegata. To število je bilo potem zvišano na 50 članov enega delegata.

Ko se je jednota pricela bolj naglo razvijati in so nova društva rasla "kot gobe po dežju", kakor se tudi večala po članstvu posebno v večjih naselbinah, je bil spremenjen tudi sistem reprezentacije na konvenciji. Prvič je bilo treba omejiti delegacijo radi stroškov, drugič pa postaviti novo bazo za bolj reprezentativno zastopstvo.

In tako je bil uveden sistem, da so se morala manjša društva zdržati, da so za izvolitev delegata dosegla predpisano število članstva. Velika društva pa so dobila pravico tudi do več delegatov. Ta pravica je bila na springfieldski konvenciji omejena, tako da ni bilo nobeno društvo upravičeno do več kot dveh delegatov. Zadnja konvencija je to število zopet zvišala na tri delegata za društva, ki imajo več kot 500 članov v odraslem oddelku.

Sedanji sistem združevanja manjših društev v svrhu reprezentacije, ki je v veljavni že blizu 30 let—od prve pittsburghske konvencije—je za pretežno večino društev precej nekonvenčionalen. Toda ni drugega izhoda, dokler članstvo ali konvencija ne osvoji kakega novega, boljšega sistema. Potreba organizacije je, da sedanji sistem reprezentacije še bolj razširimo, če hočemo zmanjšati konvencijo in konvenčne stroške, ali pa moramo osvojiti nov sistem—volutive delegatov po okrožjih. Ampak za slednje je sedaj najbrže prepozno, kar se tiče prihodnosti konvencije.

Preostaja torej inicijativa društva 21, ki je sedaj pred članstvom. Po mnenju mnogih društev ta inicijativa ne gre dovolj daleč, ker bi znižala delegacijo le za okrog 40 do 50 glav. Toda po našem mnenju je tudi to bolje kot nič. Onih društev, ki se morajo že po sedanjih pravilih združiti, če hočejo biti zastopana na konvenciji, ta inicijativa bistveno nič ne prizadeva; prav tako tudi ne društva, ki imajo več kot predpisano število (150) članov. Prizadeta bi bila društva, po številu okrog 75, ki imajo 100 do 150 članov, in pa manjša število društev z več kot 500 članimi, ki bi bila po inicijativi omejena na dva delegata.

Nekaj društev je sugestiralo, da bi omejili reprezentacijo po enega delegata na 300, 400, 500 ali celo tisoč članov. Ampak s tem bi šli veliko predaleč. Reprezentacija po en delegat na 400 ali 500 članov po sedanjem sistemu—da ne govorimo o tisoči—pa pomenilo manj kot sto delegatov; na vsakega glavnega odbornika dva, tri delegate. Toda to bi ne bilo v interesu organizacije, ker bi konvencijo dominiral glavni odbor. Toda na konvenciji mora imeti suvereno besedo članstvo po svojih zastopnikih. Ampak kjer imata majhno delegacijo in velik glavni odbor—ali pa veliko konvencijo, kjer je potrebna "mašina", da gre zborovanje bolj gladko naprej—tam bo prišla suverenost članstva bolj malo do veljave.

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40th Anniversary of SNPJ
Largest, Safest
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We All Have an Equal Interest...

The Slovene National Benefit Society is a workers' cooperative benefit organization—it is a mutual society in which we, as members, all have an equal interest.

Our Society is essentially a partnership, and as partners we are responsible for its success. Therefore, a vital interest should lead all of us to exert our utmost ability to make it a progressive, live institution, to which we must keep adding new life constantly. We must recognize the fact that no society is progressing unless it has a continual flow of new applicants. No society can carry on without members, so it is well to keep before us the fact that without members we have no society.

There are many who need the protection our Society can furnish, and if we canvass our respective communities, even under present conditions brought about by the war, we can find those who are willing to listen to what we have to offer. There is no more opportune time to do this than the present time. Our Society is in the midst of its 40th anniversary membership campaign. The awards offered to the campaigners are attractive enough, and the protection our Society offers to its members is the best possible in the fraternal field.

Recently, the insurance commissioner of Pennsylvania said that "insurance is a business of service, and not of price," and that it has served the country well.

He added: "After all, has anyone dreamed of buying a cornerstone that would crumble away? Strength and solvency is what we still need in this cornerstone... price is not the all important question."

Price may not be the "all important" question for those who do not depend for their livelihood on wages, but it is the all important question for the great majority of our people. That's why our Society offers the type of insurance that is suitable to the wage earners—to workers and their families.

Of course, the SNPJ is a solvent organization and as all reports indicate, has a sound background of solvency. Yet, the Society cannot rest on its past and present record if it wants to forge onward and upward. Only a steadily growing membership coupled with solvency indicates a progressive society built to endure.

We can all aid in its upbuilding by enrolling new adult and juvenile members. It is the bringing in of new members that counts.

When you meet an individual who doesn't believe in fraternal insurance, you ought to be able to reach him with this idea:

If he is the least ambitious as he should be, he should want to preserve that which he already has. Tell him that the death hazard affects existing property just as fire does. The striking power of the death hazard, even during the working period of life, is thirty times as great as the striking power of fire, and the average fire loss is only ten per cent of the value of the property affected.

Thus, the death hazard even during the working period of life, is thirty times as great as fire in its striking power, and when it strikes, the loss to the property on the average amounts to about twenty-five per cent of the property.

By taking advantage of the current campaign awards we can enroll many new members during the remaining four months of the drive. Let's make the second half of the campaign an eloquent testimonial of our Society's anniversary by bringing in all insurable adult and juvenile prospects.

Strabane Pioneers

STRABANE, PA.—Four years ago Strabane played host to the many SNPJ members and their friends who came here to help celebrate the National SNPJ Day. This year the combined Lodges 136 and 589 will hold a celebration over the same weekend in honor of the fortieth anniversary of the SNPJ.

Many old faces will be missing, some overseas, some in the United States, serving in the armed forces or doing defense work, but to those of us who remain at home, this will be the opportunity to display to the absent ones that there still is present the spark of cooperation and fraternalism that was here when they left.

On Sunday afternoon at the local hall, a program of speaking, music and entertainment is being planned. A complete program will be published in the next article. Sunday evening a dance will be held at Drenik's Park featuring the music of the ever-popular Jackie Martincic and his orchestra.

Labor Day there will be dancing at the hall to the music of Jackie Martincic. The hall will be the place for all of you who enjoy polkas. The jitterbugs will hold sway at Drenik's Park where a local orchestra will play. For a really enjoyable time plan to spend September 3 and 4 at Strabane.

The Pioneers' regular monthly meeting will be held August 6 at the local hall at six-thirty. We hope to see more than the usual dozen there. Now is the time to plan for all the fall and winter activities. So get busy and come to the meeting prepared to discuss activities for the coming months.

Publicity Committee,
DOROTHY PODBOY, 589.

Matches Banned from Sea Transportation

The Post Office Department announces that matches are not only prohibited transmission in the mails to all foreign countries, but also when addressed to any domestic destination where sea transit is involved and to Alaska overland, whether for civilians or members of the armed forces. This includes matches of every description.

Elizabeth Lodge

Will Meet Aug. 13

ELIZABETH, N. J.—Lodge 540 held its last meeting on Sunday, July 9, with a fair attendance. The 20 year anniversary lodge party which was held June 11 was discussed at this meeting. The expenses and other matters had to be cleared away.

All members who attended this meeting discussed another party to be held some time in Sept. This will just be a get-together for all members who care to come to Skarri residence and will have nothing to do with lodge's treasury. All who attend will chip in for refreshments.

All members who are interested are asked to be sure to attend the next meeting, Sunday, Aug. 13, at 2 p. m. so all plans can be made.

On our sick list we had Pres. Anthony Pezzire who had an operation. He is well on the road to recovery and back on his job.

Best of luck to the Pasarich family who have recently purchased a home. Fin. See'y Pasarich would like all members to take notice of his new address, 2021 Ingalls Ave., Linden, N. J., one block from entrance to Warinanco Park. After Aug. 1st that will be his new address.

Service News:—A few of our boys made some changes. Joseph Pasarich is now in Fresno, Calif., with a service group. Tony and Frank Skarri are on their way overseas. Good luck, fellows. Tony, who is a rear gunner, flew over in a bomber with the rest of his crew. Frank Pasarich and Theodore Cipoth are still in the Pacific area. John Pasarich, Mediterranean area; George Cerne, Normandy front; Louis Bettas, England, and John Bratnik, Colorado. Good luck to all of you always.

Please pay your dues on time always. Let's make the next meeting a well attended one on Sunday, Aug. 13.

Publicity Committee,
MARY PEZZIRE, 540.

Bro. Frank J. Serro Awarded Air Medal

The War Department, through Headquarters of the Mediterranean Allied Air Forces, announces that the coveted Air Medal was recently awarded to S/Sgt. Frank J. Serro, member of SNPJ Lodge 613 and son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Serro, Box 184, Herminie, Pa., "for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy," and also the Good Conduct Medal "for exemplary behavior, efficiency and fidelity."

Sgt. Serro is a radio-gunner with a B-24 Liberator Bomb Group, 15th Army Air Force, somewhere in Italy. He is a graduate of Sewickley Township High School, class of 1941. Before his induction in Jan. 1943 he was with Reliance Steel Products. He received his technical training at Sioux Falls Radio School and Fort Myers Gunnery School.

Prior to his induction, Bro. Serro was a band leader and his orchestra was a favorite among our English Speaking Lodges in western Pennsylvania. Congratulations and best wishes all along the line, Bro. Serro.

Prisoner of War



Pvt. Michael Koricic

Pvt. Micheal Koricic, member of SNPJ lodge 64 and son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Koricic, West Newton, Pa., who has been reported missing on Feb. 14, 1943, in Tunisia, has been reported German war prisoner May 1, 1943. Pvt. Koricic entered service July 8, 1941. He also has three brothers in the service.

Veronian News

VERONA, PA.—Important dates to be remembered for the month of August by all Veronians:

Date Number One

August 12, the Saturday night dance, at the Veronian Club, featuring the Polish Aristocrats. This is one dance you don't want to miss. Why? Because you will want to hear and dance to this orchestra that is so popular throughout Penna. Yes, it's just a week from tomorrow when the gang will be together having another one of those gala, good times.

Date Number Two

August 27, the Sunday Penna SNPJ Day that will be held at Sygan by our Western Penna Federation Lodges. Marty Kuk and His Musical Group, as well as countless other entertainments, will keep you folks preoccupied during your stay at this affair. The committee has been hard at work to make this celebration a success, so let's not disappoint them by being absent.

Date Number Three

is every day in the drive for new members in our SNPJ lodges. Looking through the Prosveta one can easily see that the better portion of the lodges have been lax in getting their share for their respective lodge. It's really tough getting that new member, but what isn't these days? So you can see for yourselves that it's up to us to keep plugging and keeping our eyes open for that prospective new member. One sure way to get new members to join your lodge is to keep activities normal.

MICHAEL LIPESKY, 680.

Victorian News

CHICAGO.—The next regular monthly meeting of the Victorians, SNPJ lodge 632, will be held Thursday, Aug. 3, at Berger's Hall, 2653 S. Lawndale Ave. All members are urged to attend, and don't forget your dues.

Victorians, please visit Sister Katherine Pouhe at the Garfield Park Community Hospital, 3821 W. Washington Blvd. We all wish Katherine a speedy recovery.

All Victorian members are reminded not to forget the Pioneer picnic Saturday, Aug. 5, at Pilson Park, 26th st. and Albany ave. Streetcar to the door. Blue Island Ave. car is the one you take. So—let's go. But I myself will be there later, due to the national convention of the Masso-Therapists Ass' which will be held at the Morrison Hotel Aug. 5-6. Will see you all later.

Don't forget to visit the Slovene Center, 2301 S. Lawndale, which is a very nice place and there is always someone there playing balina. And don't forget the meeting Aug. 3 and your dues.

MARY E. NOVAK.

United Slovenes

ST. MARYS, PA.—To help put the 5th war bond drive over the top, our SNPJ Lodge No. 581 authorized the treasurer to purchase two \$100 war bonds.

In order that we can have our next meeting out in the open air the lodge has accepted the hospitality of the Burdick family and will use their lawn. Following the meeting refreshments (beer and pop) and lunch will be served.

The first Slovene reported killed (from Elk County) in this war was Cpl. Joseph Sterbank of Portland Mills, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sterbank. Mr. and Mrs. Stanko Horvat also received word a few days ago that their son, John, was killed in France. Our sincere sympathy to both families. Pvt. John Knouse was reported wounded in France. He was awarded the Purple Heart.

Joseph Hrvatin of Lewis Run, passed away on July 26 after a brief illness. Our sincere sympathy to his family.

Congratulations are extended to Frances and Joe Muhitch on the birth of a daughter.

Be seeing you all at our next meeting Aug. 20 at Burdick's.

GABRIEL ULJON, Secy.

Attention, Members of SNPJ Lodge No. 537!

CRIVITZ, WIS.—All members of SNPJ lodge 537 are hereby notified that the lodge at its July 16 meeting decided to levy a special lodge assessment. Each member must pay 25¢ into our lodge treasury per month for September, October and November. This is the first such assessment levied by our lodge, due to the fact that we invested all our lodge funds into war bonds and there is no prospect of running an affair to raise funds to meet current expenses. Therefore, all members are kindly asked to pay the special lodge assessment along with their regular lodge dues.

JOHN SHAFFER, Secy.

Sis. A. H. Yasbec

Bond Champion

FLASHERS

BY DONALD J. LOTRICH

GIRARD, KANS.—On July 6, Miss Ann R. Yasbec, member of SNPJ lodge 225, had the honor seat in the internationally famous 6-hour Clydesdale team owned by Wilson & Co., Meat Packers of Chicago, now on tour in behalf of the U.S. Treasury Department in the interest of War Bond sales. The bond auction program was held at the Brandenburg field, Pittsburgh, Kans.

Up to date Sister Yasbec has sold \$90,000 of bonds for the fifth war loan drive alone and so far this year has sold over \$150,000 and has held championship for the state in selling bonds. She started in July 1942 and to the end of 1943 she sold over \$300,000. She is nearing the 1/2 million mark now.

Miss Yasbec's goal for the fifth war loan drive was \$100,000 and almost made it in 30 days. She spent two weeks of her vacation out trying to make her goal. Since 1942 she got an inspiration through selling bonds to write a song, to help sell war bonds. The song expresses pretty well what's in the heart of most of us these days and we cannot urge too strongly the need for buying war bonds. The title of the song is, "If You Can't Go Over, Come Across." It was published in January 1944. She was awarded a citation by Henry J. Morgenthau Jr., Secretary of the U.S. Treasury, for distinguished service in behalf of the war savings program.

Sister Ann Yasbec is proud of her work and so are all the Slovenes as she speaks the Slovene language well and feels that it has helped her a lot in selling bonds. We hope that the Slovenes will help her in the bond drive.

Miss Ann H. Yasbec is a member of the Retail Clerks Local No. 1201, Pittsburgh, Kans., is employed by the J. C. Penney Co. and has the honor of being Pittsburg's "Champion War Bond and Stamp Saleswoman." We are all proud of Miss Yasbec's remarkable record, and our best wishes go to her for continued success.

JOE GOLDIE, 225.

Lodge 319 Marks

Double Birthday

CUDDY, PA.—The passing of the weeks is rapidly drawing our affair nearer at hand. I know you will want to join us in the celebration of our 25th anniversary together with the 40th anniversary of the Society.

As previously announced the date is Sunday, September 3.

The pleasant news just reached us that Mr. and Mrs. Richard Gostigian were presented with a 7-lb. baby boy July 29. My personal congratulations and heartiest wishes from all members of Lodge 319.

A recent ten-day furlough was enjoyed by Cpl. Frank Galice Jr. A most interesting letter describing the war in Italy comes to us from Pvt. Victor Tessaro. He informs us that writings from the home town and vicinity appearing in Prosveta are the source of many pleasant moments when read by the boys there.

Mark the date on your calendar now! Sunday, September 3, at Cuddy. MOLLY, Lodge 319.

Wins Promotion



Ensign John Rock

Ensign John Rock, member of SNPJ lodge 364 of Lafferty, Ohio, and son of Mr. and Mrs. John Rock Sr., treasurer and secretary of the lodge, respectively, has just completed 18 months of training as a Naval Air Cadet and graduated from Corpus Christi, Texas, with his present rating. He is now at a new base in Sanford, Florida, completing his operational training. Ensign Rock has been a member of the SNPJ for 20 years. His sister, Miss Rose Rock, who is now working in Cleveland, is a member of SNPJ lodge 533. Heartly congratulations to Ensign Rock on his success.

The other day we reported to John Winters that he should visit Mike Reading at Ynez, Calif. Now John writes that he read the note and visited Brother Reading and that he spent a pleasant day with him. Rancho Los Amoles is a beautiful spot and has an interesting history, and Mike explained everything to our Marine. (So people do read the Flashes!)

From a hospital in England we've received a letter from Michael Kumer who is there because of some stomach disorder. He speaks

well of the Army Medical service, about Attlee's book on the labor party, is optimistic about the war in Europe and hopes to see something good turn out of this conflict. He, too, speaks about the Pioneer accomplishments and the hope of getting back soon.

Then we received a fine letter from Jimmie Jachino, also in England. He is getting along fine and is getting a chance to visit much of England. He reports on seeing one of the bombed towns and explains that the destruction is awful and wonders how the people can stand it.

The people are friendly and he hopes to get out of England soon enough so he won't have to acquire their accent.

Our friend, Frank Hribar, who is with the Coast Artillery in California, tells us about the fine job these boys are doing and how they lay mines in the bay to thwart any possibility of enemy ships coming in close to shore.

Though she took a vacation during these two weeks and visited her sister at Berea, Kentucky, Anne Groser will return on time to give help for the Pioneer picnic. Helen Muha went along with Anne. They postcard, "Havin' a good time."

Frances Tratar writes to tell us that she intends to make Los Angeles her home, so we will transfer her to Lodge 615 there.

We have heard from Kay Zietz Taylor of West Monroe, Louisiana, again. She complains about the heat. All we can add is that she should have been in Chicago during the dry spell.

This fellow, Ludwig Zore, has come to see us again after a long absence and we were glad to see him. Another visitor was this boy Joseph

Our Front

By Louis Beniger

The current number of Labor Reports, issued in the interest of labor, carries an interesting article, "Subversive 'Mothers' Groups," exposing some of these groups about which we should be more fully informed.

Most of the so-called "Mothers" groups are engaged in spreading Nazi doctrines in an attempt to undermine democracy. Most of these groups conceal the true nature of their activities under names like "American," "Patriotic," "Christian," etc. Although these groups are separate clubs, they are linked together by a common program of action. Most of them are isolationist, anti-Russian, anti-Semitic, anti-British, and anti-labor. And all of them make political capital of the very anxiety which every mother with sons in the service feels.

These "Mothers" clubs have been thoroughly investigated, most recently by the Woman's Home Companion, which printed a revealing article in its July issue, entitled "The Mother Racket."

Six of the "Mothers" clubs were found to be the most influential. These are as follows:

"The Mothers of Sons Forum," founded in Cincinnati in 1939, to keep America out of the war. The present leader is Mrs. Lucinda Benge, rabidly isolationist, more worried about what she calls the "Russian menace" and the motives of our Allies than enemy ideologies. Then there is "We, the Mothers, Mobilize for America" group, of Chicago, led by Mrs. Lyri C. Van Hynig, who sees her followers as "rather stupid" women who "will work hard for me, and that's what is important." Typical is the letter sent to parents of the boys who died when the Reuben James was sunk off Newfoundland. It urged that "the real murderers, the men who violated the Constitution" be called to account.

"American Mothers" in Detroit is distributing various hate leaflets, among them the pamphlets of Gerald L. K. Smith, while in Flint, Mich., the "Loyal American Mothers" follows the Coughlin-Smith line.

Philadelphia is blessed with two "Mothers" groups, the "National Blue Star Mothers of America," and "Mothers and Daughters of Pennsylvania."

The former is violently anti-Russian, anti-Semitic and anti-British, while the latter functions mainly through a news letter edited by Irene Murphy, former Coughlinite and secretary of America First.

Some of these groups are represented before congressional committees in Washington by Mrs. Agnes Waters, who has a campaign underway to have herself elected President of the United States. Her platform: "Let us demand that this war be stopped at once." She advocates getting "these traitors out of office . . . by shooting them out. This would be easier than to fool with elections."

There is no way of computing the actual number of these racketeering groups, says Labor Reports, but they have a sizeable number of supporters throughout the country.

Labor News

Workers' Ideas Save Money

Those suggestion boxes are turning into banks for Uncle Sam. Civilian employees of the War Dept. who took part in the Ideas for Victory campaign saved the government an estimated \$22,242,197 during the first 12 months of the program and were rewarded \$230,714 for their prize-winning suggestions.

Cash awards ranged from \$5 to \$1,250 with three workers receiving the top reward. One suggested a method of doubling the load of boxed artillery on railroad cars effecting an annual saving of \$1,000,000, while two other employees collaborated in devising a propeller straightening device which is now saving the government an estimated \$1,300,000 a year.

It Pays to Give Blood

The policy of this office is to consider trips to the blood bank as time worked. That was the ruling made by the 10th region, Natl. War Labor Board, after a query from Sec. Philip M. Connally of the Los Angeles CIO Council. Effect will probably be to make the blood bank one of the busiest spots in town.

AFL Girls Launch Ship

An all-star lineup of girl workers launched the S.S. Greenville Victory at California Shipbuilding Corp., organized by AFL unions. Wielding the champagne bottle was Mary V. chosen for the finest attendance record of the yard's women workers. Mary hasn't missed a day since the time to work on May 5, 1941.

The matron of honor at the launching, Lauretta M. Dudney, also had a perfect attendance record and was runner-up in the attendance contest run by the yard's labor-management committee. Twenty-five high scorers in the contest were guests of honor. May Isbell, the first woman to be employed at the yard, was mistress of ceremonie.

Springfield Lincolnenites

By Louis Beniger

SPRINGFIELD, ILL.—Quite a nice group of members and friends attended our monthly meeting at the Dom yesterday and enjoyed a picnic supper together at Douglas Park afterwards. Nice to see so many out. Come again next month!

We initiated three new members and already there are a few more prospects for next month.

Dom Lazar and son Gary recently returned from a vacation with relatives in Michigan and report they had a grand time.

Miss Ann Ivanek of Chicago who spent a two weeks vacation visiting relatives and friends in Springfield returned home last week. We hear that for once Ann got plenty of fried chicken. See you again next year, Ann.

Two of our young Slovener friends have been married lately. On June 29, Miss Frances Bezgovsek was married to Pvt. Ivan A. Podget, and on July 8, Miss Mary Ocepek was married to Pvt. Fred Lenz. Good luck, girls, and much happiness to you both.

Frank Volk is on vacation this week and says he is going to spend his time off just taking life easy. We'll be expecting you out to the farm one day, Frankie.

About the best news on the farm right now is that we finally have the radio back from the repair shop. Now for a battery.

We've certainly learned to enjoy and appreciate the old Victrola since the lightning blew the radio "out." Most of our records are Slovener pieces and how beautiful they are! Some are sad, yes. It must be very hard for any Slovener to listen to such songs as "Kje je moj mil dom," knowing as we do what has happened to so many homes in Yugoslavia and all of Europe. And "Njega Ni!" How many will not return from this war! Not only Slovener, of course, but the youth of all countries. Including many of our own. In Europe practically one whole generation has been wiped out. Can any victory atone for such a loss?

But not all our records are sad. With pride the Jadran Male Quartette sings "Slovenec Sem." And why should they not be proud? Haven't they always been honest, hardworking, peace-loving people?

A few times this writer has heard young people, second generation Slovener speak a little shamefully of their foreign parentage. Be not ashamed! Be proud! Remember that it was only the best who, becoming dissatisfied with their lot in the Old World, sought something better, not only for themselves, but also for you, their children, in the New World. And remember, too, that it is up to our generation to improve upon what they have found and done so that we may gain for our children more economic security than either they or we have known.

Then there are gay "Ribnitska" and "Zeleni Jurij," and some beautiful polkas that bring to mind pictures of a happy people dancing and making merry after their day's toll. Will they ever be happy enough to dance and sing again? We hope so and before too many years at that.

Many of our records are vocal duets sung by Mary Udovich and Josephine Lausche. We saw in a recent issue of this paper that these same two ladies were going to sing at a program in Cleveland. How we should have loved to have seen and heard them!

Then there is our favorite record, the most beautiful of all, lovely "Pastir" sung by the Slovener's own Anton Subelj. Only last winter we heard him singing over the radio from the famous New York Metropolitan Opera.

Yes, music is indeed the universal language. Even tho we cannot understand all the words, it is easy to grasp the feelings of the singers.

So to those of you who are weary of the war news, and the heart-breaking reports of the world's sadness, we say to you, get out those Victrolas, and play again those grand old tunes. You may weep a bit, yes. But you will also laugh a little at some of them, and be happy and gay again for a while.

And still the war goes on. The "civilized" nations of the world continue to slaughter each other by the thousands and to blow and blast each other's "civilization" to bits. How long is it going to last? How long will it be until we win? And when it is over, what shall we have won? This writer still does not know what we won in the last war. Did we make the world safe for democracy? If we had, could this present conflict ever have been? Did we win economic security? You all know what kind of unemployment and depression followed the last war. And we think it was mild compared to what will follow this present one. Will this be the War to end all Wars? Or will the earth again be drenched in blood in another decade or two, or less?

Sings the poet in one of our favorites of American literature:

Ah, pity them both, and pity us all, Who vainly the dreams of youth recall.

For of all sad words, of tongue or pen, The saddest are these. "It might have been."

Yes, folks, it might have been

Spain a few years back, but we all know what happened there. It might have been in Germany at the end of the last World War, but how long did it last? It might have been in Italy back in 1799, but it only lasted a few hours there as you know. It might have been in France, and was for a while, but how did it end? It was in Russia, and still is, but how long will it last there? Is it not in danger even now? Are we going to look back with sorrow in a few years and say, "Ah, yes, it might have been at the end of World War II?" Is the history of the world forever going to be a history of Wars? Is it not time for us to stop dreaming with the poet of what might have been? Were we foolish in our youth when we dreamed of a world of enough for everybody, and of peace for all? If the World had spent for Peace and Construction what it has spent for Wars and Destruction, could it not be the Utopia that we all dreamed of in our youth?

Yes, it is time for us to stop dreaming. It is time for us all to say and mean it, "This IS the world's last war." Could we not do this just by taking Profit out of Wars?

We have said before, and we say again, that unless we build at the end of this War a world that is truly free for all men everywhere, not only for the politically enslaved millions of Europe, but also for the economic slaves everywhere, not only in the camps of our enemies but also in India (read the chapter on India in Eve Curie's "Journey Among Warriors") and in China (read the chapter on China in the same book) and in our own Puerto Rico (read "Our American Slum—Puerto Rico," in Harper's Magazine for June 1943). Yes, and in our own country, too, where even yet in some parts of the South there are still a few states where negroes and poor whites cannot vote because of the poll tax!

Yes, building a truly free world is the only way in which we can atone for the great losses of this War. And unless this kind of world is built, then we say again that all this blood-spilling has indeed been in vain, and the whole struggle not worth the life of one mother's son.

MARY BRINOCAR, 567.

Petrovic's 2nd

Note from England

SOMEWHERE IN ENGLAND, JULY 22.—Dear Brothers and Sisters: I understand, through my father and mother, that my last letter published in the July 5 Prosvera was read by a great many of you people in St. Louis. That was most welcome news, as I find that the Prosvera is one of the best mediums to let all of my friends know how I am getting along.

At the present time I am still at the same place that I have been for quite some time, and continuing in doing my little bit in seeing that this war comes to an early conclusion. And as it looks at the present time, it may be over soon with

some good work by all of us here, and also you people at home in your own way, possibly by the end of this year, at least this end of it.

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The Deal Is Dealt

By Milton Mayer

Back in 1940, Sanitary Ed Kelly of Chicago gave the signal for his mob to emerge from the Stadium basement, and the mob emerged with signs reading ROOSEVELT AND HUMANITY. Last week Sanitary Ed gave the signal again, and the mob emerged. But the signs had been changed. Roosevelt and Humanity had given way to ROOSEVELT AND LUCAS.

Kelly didn't want Lucas last week any more than he wanted Humanity in 1940. Both times he wanted whatever Roosevelt wanted. In 1940 Roosevelt wanted Wallace run. In 1944 Roosevelt wanted Wallace run out. Lucas was simply one of the 13 favorite-son dummies set up to draw first-ballot votes from Wallace. When the Roosevelt and Lucas signs were turned inside-out, they read ROOSEVELT AND TRUMAN.

So ends the excursion of the Democratic Party into the vineyard of the Lord. Described so truly, and so long ago, as the left wing of the bird of prey, it had its little 10-year fling at being the party of the people. While the country was starving and at peace, there were votes in insisting, as Roosevelt insisted, that reform was the only way to lasting recovery. With the country gorging and at war, there are not many votes in insisting as Wallace insists, that reform is the only way to lasting victory.

Blame the Bosses' Boss

Don't blame the bosses. Blame the bosses' boss. Don't blame Kelly, Hannegan, Hague, and Flynn, of the frock-coat Tories from darkest Dixie. They had to want what Roosevelt wanted. In 1940 they choked to do his bidding; this time they cheered. Don't blame the Party, or let Wallace tell you, as he told the convention, that the Democratic Party has to be liberal in order to survive. You see who survived the convention and who didn't.

In 1932 and 1936 Roosevelt led the Democratic Party down the profitable by-path of reform. In 1940, already facing homeward himself, but uncertain as to how much profit there might still be in reform, he gullied the reformers with Wallace. By last week he was so far to the right of Wallace that he had to knock him off with a harpoon instead of a stiletto.

The peerless leader was ready, last week, to lead the party back home, and he did; back home to Southern racism and Northern corruption, back to its historic purpose of preserving those two great American traditions against the Republican tradition of feeding the rich.

"Mr. Roosevelt wants Henry A. Wallace of Iowa," I. F. Stone wrote in the Nation as the convention opened. "Wallace it will be. The big interests of this country do not want Wallace."

The "practical" politicians were there to reinforce them. Their efforts broke on the rock of Mr. Roosevelt's "Dutch" stubbornness. . . . I can report that the President feels that only with Wallace as Vice President can he be sure that his great objectives at home and abroad will be pursued."

"Morality and expediency both point in the same direction," said the prayerful New Republic in its preconvention prayer to the great god in behalf of Wallace. Why did the great god abandon morality and expediency both? I submit that he abandoned them both—and all his "liberal" idolators—for immorality. He knew he was gaining no votes and losing the Negroes when he threw the harpoon into Wallace. Why did he do it?

Henry Wallace Is Dead

He did it—and the reactionaries like Col. McCormick called the turn on him from the beginning—because he is still Jim Farley's playboy, coming home from the New Deal debauch. The New Deal was, for a while, the game for a playboy to play. But Henry Wallace was playing for keeps; as he was the first New Dealer in the Administration, he was the last. The war gave Roosevelt something new to play with. It gave him the world to play with.

It had to happen, in the nature of the case. Roosevelt, the politician, was a reformer as long as reform was good politics. Wallace, the reformer, was a politician as long as politics was good reform. As a politician Wallace failed. The reformer in him ruined his sordid efforts—such as jumping aboard the war-wagon and waving the one-world banner of Willkie—to be a good politician. As a reformer Roosevelt failed. The politician in him ruined his lofty efforts to be a good reformer.

On Thursday, July 20, standing before the politicians in the Chicago Stadium and grinning the silly grin of a reformer trying to look like a politician, the reformer gave up politics. The politician had already pronounced him dead, and the ear-to-ear grin was not his mouth at all, but his slit and bleeding throat. Now he stepped to the microphone and the klieg lights to display the corpse and haunt the house with the moan of the Common Man.

Henry Wallace—he will get a super-ambassador's job next January—is dead. All mixed up these last few years—back in 1935 he said that war would be the end of the New Deal—he came home to die a reformer. His short speech seconding the nomination of Roosevelt—almost nobody bothered to print it as it's time to quit playing horse-back, and change the course of the stream! —The Progressive.

was dead the day he got back from China—but it didn't help Roosevelt either.

In that speech, so ironically dedicated to the re-election of Roosevelt, Henry Wallace told the convention exactly what they were taking if they took him: a cured politician and an incurable reformer. Of only one disease is he still uncured—the blind, tragic devotion of the reformer to the politician who plays him for fish. Here, after all the boneye about Roosevelt's personal loyalty to his friends, was the payoff. Standing straight on the sacrificial altar, with his pants already aflame from the fire lit at Hyde Park, the incurable reformer proved himself the incurable friend. He asked the people not merely to forgive Pilate but to crown him king.

Thus the visionary, who, four years too late, proclaimed to an audience which did not want to believe him that war is not the work,

as Roosevelt proclaims it, of "criminals and outlaws" of "aggressor nations," of Hitler and Hirohito and whoever else happens to be on the other side, but of gross inequality in educational, political, and economic opportunity, gross inequalities in Charleston and New York and North Dakota as well as in Tokyo and Berlin.

Thus the visionary, proclaiming, as the flames leaped up to his belt-buckle, "The poll tax must go," to a Party whose sole proprietor had consecrated it to silence on the poll tax.

Thus the visionary, proclaiming, as the fire licked at his chin-whiskers, that the war at home was being lost and had to be fought and won; proclaiming the heresy to a Party which, like the Republicans, never wanted to fight the war at home, and to a nation which is no longer interested.

Wallace is not so great a man as his speech of Thursday, July 20. If he were that great a man he would break with Roosevelt and lead what is left of reform to probable and glorious defeat. It was the belief in him of people starving for someone to believe in that made him great enough to write that speech.

"His support," said the Chicago Tribune, quoting a non-existent "political leader," comes from the Negroes and the CIO." Yes, from inarticulate working stiffs, in fields as well as in factories, and from men, in Asia and America, whose color or creed is their curse. They made him their desperate symbol, their animated idol, and he spoke their hope that injustice everywhere—which is the cause of war always—could be grappled with here and now.

The father-complex crowd of the Nation-New Republic-Marshall Field variety will continue to assure the naked king, like the subject in the fable, that his new uniform becomes him. They will forget Wallace—their indispensable man until the king dispensed with him—and proceed to tell themselves that Truman is better than Byrnes or Barkley, and ever so much better than Pappy O'Daniel. By November they will be telling themselves that only the great king could have been wise enough to pick Truman.

And Truman is not at all bad, as it happens. He's a border man from a border state, an organization man, a far-better-than-average Senator, mildly liberal, and, above all, non-controversial. He is acceptable to labor, Phil Murray says. (We have no second choice, Phil Murray said.) He has done magnificient work, or at least enabled Hugh Fulton, the counsel of the Truman Committee, to do magnificient work. He has become the symbol of economy, a sort of liberal Byrd. Truman's o.k.

But if we have to love Wallace for the enemies he's made, we have to take a gander at Truman's friends. He was the bosses' candidate against the people's.

Postmasters of the world, arise! You have nothing to lose but your jobs! If Wallace was the symbol of something greater than he is—of the man who might save the world, so Truman is the symbol of something much less than he is—of the watchdog, who will keep things in order at home while the Commander-in-Chief hurls lightning through the universe.

Roosevelt's victory over Wallace was a victory for reaction. It was the last and most fatal of all the death-blows that Roosevelt has struck at progressivism. And it leaves small-p progressives with a hard choice. As Sanitary Ed Kelly said, in nominating Lucas, "The eyes of the world is upon us." Where shall we turn?

We can all go forward together—or is it, by any chance, backward?—with Roosevelt. We can lock arms, close ranks, shut our eyes tight, proclaim ourselves the liberals, and squelch with delight at the new uniform of the naked king. We can stay with him through very, very thin, and get to work now for a fifth term or a 10th.

Forward with Roosevelt! He can change horses, but we can't! Don't ask whether he's going upstream or downstream, or what's on the other side! Hang on, boys! Keep your eyes shut, your ears shut, and, above all, your mouths shut! And down with the cynics who stand on the bank we left behind us and tell us it's time to quit playing horse-back, and change the course of the stream!

—The Progressive.

Company Urges Workers to Dump Bonds for Stock

CLEVELAND—(FP)—Cash in your war bonds to buy stock in the company, Pres. Bill Jack of Jack & Heinz Co. urged his employees over the public address system in the Cleveland plant.

He asked workers to cash in their \$20 million in war bonds "within 48 hours" to buy the new Jahco stock just put on sale to raise \$15 million in working capital for the company for postwar production. A mimeographed form distributed to the "associates" (fancy name used by Jack & Heinz for employees) which they could use to cancel their war bond deductions "until further notice" was reprinted in The Cleveland Press. The new stock is non-voting stock.

A notorious enemy of renegotiation and Pres. Roosevelt, Bill Jack is the man who invited more than 500 congressmen to a swanky dinner in Washington to protest against the refund of \$7 million he had to make when the government renegotiated some of his juicy contracts. Jack & Heinz made a \$4 million profit after taxes last year on an initial investment 3½ years ago of \$100,000, and should be all set for postwar business without taking its employees' war bonds.

Attacked by Cleveland newspapers for his sabotage of the war bond campaign, Jack denied urging employees to cash their bonds but admitted many of them had asked him what to do. "I have told them it is their money and that they could do whatever they wanted with it," he said, adding that he thought "a percentage" of the \$20 million bonds will be redeemed.

Only 20 States Allow Federal Ballot as Deadline Passes

WASHINGTON—(PF)—Twenty states were under the wire with laws allowing servicemen and merchant marine members to use the federal ballot as the deadline for such authorization expired July 15.

States where servicemen may now use the simplified federal ballot if they do not receive a state absentee ballot in time are: California, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Oregon, Rhode Island, Texas, Utah, Vermont and Washington.

In New York City unionists met Gov. Thomas E. Dewey's refusal to provide a federal ballot by mapping soldier vote applications to service-men's families. Responding to a proclamation by Mayor F. H. La Guardia designating the weekend of July 21 War Ballot Days, the unionists expect to distribute 500,000 application cards in a door-to-door canvass of every neighborhood in the city and its suburbs.



Film actress Noel Neill, member of Screen Actors Guild, ready for a dip.

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For a New Order of International Brotherhood

By William Green, President American Federation of Labor

It seems inconceivable after centuries of developing civilization that the elementary right to live should be denied to any law-abiding human being by government. The sacredness of human life has been recognized since the beginning of history and is proclaimed in the language of Holy Writ, which declares that God made man "in his own image." In our day, we have been taught to believe that the primary purpose of Government is to protect human life, to safeguard it and to punish those who would wantonly destroy it.

Yet today we find all our concepts of civilization, of religion and of Government challenged and defiled by the hideous atrocities of Hitler. We behold the perpetration of mass murders throughout the Axis-dominated nations of Europe—the murder of hundreds of thousands of men, women and children guilty of no wrong but condemned to torture and death merely because they are Jews.

We hear the suffering cry of the helpless victims of the world's most infamous madmen as it reaches us from across the seas. Our hearts are filled with grief and we are moved by the deepest indignation.

In Germany, in Austria, in Poland, in France, in the Balkans and in every Nazi-controlled nation of Europe, the same brutal routine has been repeated. The Jews have been starved, humiliated, persecuted and systematically exterminated. Families have been broken up, whole populations have been uprooted from their home communities and transported to foreign wastes where they are left to die of hunger and disease. Murders are committed in the homes, villages, cities and along the streets and highways of Europe. Concentration camps and ghettos are filled to overflowing with hopeless human beings who look forward only to death as release from insupportable anguish.

These ghastly crimes against civilization are the natural and inevitable result of racial and religious hatreds. No nation, not even our own, is entirely free of guilt. When such hatreds are stirred up, when the minds of the masses are poisoned against their fellow men, when intolerance is encouraged, the cause of humanity is bound to suffer. And when men and nations of good-will stand by and let such things happen without protest and without punishment, they themselves are destined to be punished.

The very forces which promote racial and religious hatreds are destructive to freedom and democracy. Intolerance and liberty cannot live side by side within any nation or within our world. They are deadly enemies. We know now that Hitler's way of death is the supreme threat to the American way of life. By the same token we must accept the fact that the existence and spread of racial and religious hatreds within our own country are likewise dangerous to American democracy.

Today we are engaged in a global war for the survival of that democracy. Yet occasionally we hear Americans, whose sons are risking their lives against the enemy overseas, give aid and comfort to the enemy by voicing hate and disparagement of racial and religious groups in their own communities. Anyone who does this is betraying his own blood and his own humanity.

Fortunately most Americans have learned the treacherous pitfalls into which intolerance leads the unwary. This war has given us a much needed education in our own basic ideology and it has opened our eyes to the false precepts of the Nazi creed. I am proud of the fact that organized labor has contributed extensively to this educational process.

The Shaping of the Future

By Sumner Welles

(Conclusion)

Many, who feel that after the victory, is won there must come a protracted period of transition, during which major decisions involving readjustment and reconstruction must be carried out before any perfected and final international organization can be established, realize that every political decision made in these latter stages of the war is automatically shaping the world of the future.

Many of us also feel that political controversies now looming large, such as the future status of Poland, might far more readily have been prevented from reaching their present proportions had all of the United Nations been afforded the opportunity of participating in the consideration of an equitable solution.

Up to the present moment, except in a few isolated instances, none of the United Nations, other than the three Major Powers, has been called upon to join in deciding such political questions. It is inconceivable that free peoples who have been fighting to prevent Hitlerism from succeeding in imposing its domination over the world will willingly accept in the years to come some other kind of dictatorship over their destinies, even though that be exercised by the United States, the Soviet Union and Great Britain.

No world organization can successfully be established unless it is built from the outset upon a firm and continuing partnership between the four Major Powers among the United Nations—the United States, the British Commonwealth of Nations, the Soviet Union and China. Such a partnership will be peculiarly essential during the transition period after the war. But it is equally impossible to envisage a world organization which does not in fact recognize the full sovereignty of every independent nation of the world, no matter how small it may be, and its inalienable right to participate directly or indirectly, in the political decisions which must be taken.

Those who are so vehemently maintaining that the only practical need of this country after the war is partnership in a four-power military alliance, not unnaturally insist that we should presently refrain from furthering the international adoption of principles of international conduct. Their theory is that the policemen will make the law as they see fit. A resort to such a policy in the world of tomorrow will not make for peace of security. It can only mean continuing chaos and a renewal under one guise or another, of the reign of brute force.

The longer the creation of the first political nucleus of the international organization is delayed, the greater will be the danger that it may be postponed too long—the greater the likelihood that people of this country, and the peoples of the other Major Powers likewise, may be persuaded to the belief that the great concept of an association of free peoples is impracticable and illusory and that all that is left as a means of obtaining safety is military alliance and imperialism. And that road leads only to the Third World War.

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