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PRITISKI NA JAPONCE PRIHAJAJO ODVSEPOVSOD

Pearl Harbor, Havajsko. — Ameriški admiral Nimitz, ki vodi v osrednjem delu Pacifika vojne operacije proti Japoncem, je objavil v ponedeljek jutro novo poročilo, ki pripoveduje, da so Japonci ob ameriškem napadu na otok Truk zgubili nad 40 ladij. Prvotno je bilo poročano, da so zgubili le 23 ladij, kar so pa poznejše ugotovitve pokazale mnogo višje zgube.

Cisto natančno pa zgube še sedaj niso ugotovljene in segajo najbrže še višje, ker sovražnikove zgube pri napadu na mariansko otočje še niso točno dognane, ki so pa tudi precej visoke. Japonske zgube so od novega leta pa do sedaj zelo občutne. Japonske ladje so stalno napadane tudi od ameriških podmornic. Od začetka vojne z Japonci pa do danes so Japonci zgubili 1,191 ladij vseh raznih tipov.

Ofenzivni pritiski proti Japoncem se stalno večajo. Na o-

toku Nova Britanija nad Novo Gvinejo imajo Amerikanci zadnje dni nove uspehe. Zapadni del otoka je do 80 milij v ameriških rokah. Avstralci potiskajo Japonce na severnem obrežju Nove Gvineje stalno nazaj. Rabaul, ki je najvažnejša baza v Južnem Pacifiku je pod stalnimi zračnimi napadi. Večje aktivnosti so zdaj tudi v Birmi in v Kitajski. Vsak čas pa se pričakuje nove napade na otočja v Pacifiku, kakor hitro bodo Amerikanci ustavnili svoje baze na zavzetih otokih. V Tokio postajajo radi zadnjih ameriških uspehov v Pacifiku zelo nervozni.

RUSI SE BLIŽAJO PSKOVU; NEMCI ODBITI V ITALIJI

London, Anglija. — Glasom najnovejših poročil se nahaja jo Rusi pred mestom Pskov, ki je važno križišče, od kjer vodijo železnice v Estonijo, Latvijo, Litvansko in Poljsko. Rusko topništvo že obstreljuje Pskov in Nemci se umičejo na vsej črti. Tekom zadnjega tedna so Rusi napredovali povprečno do 10 milij dnevno. Rusi poročajo o novih uspehih v Poljski, kakor tudi v južni Ukrajini. Na osrednjem delu severne fronte so vzeli še v soboto mesto Novosokołynki in železniško postajo Pustoška. V vsem severnem delu fronte so zadnji teden osvobodili več kazal 320 vasi, mest in naselij. Rusi so ždaj do 85 milij globoko v predvojnem poljskem ozemlju, to v sredini ruske fronte na kakih 125 milij širokem pasu. Tu poročajo Rusi, da se Nemci hudo prizadavajo, da bi zaustavili rusko prodiranje in da Nemci že več dni ostro protinapadajo, a brez večjega

NOVI FAŠISTIČNI REZIM V ITALIJI POSTAL SKRAJNO PROTAKATOLISKI

Zurich, Švica. — Švicarski list "Basler Nachrichten" je prinesel te dni daljši članek o razmerah v severni Italiji, kjer zdaj vlada nova fašistična vlada, ki jo je organiziral Mussolini po rešiti v utjetništva. Poročevalce lista piše, da je v severni Italiji na dnevni redu mnogo sabotiranj proti Nemcem. Javno mnenje je odločno proti Nemcem in ljudstvo Nemce sovraži, ki so zdaj absolutni gospodarji v deželi. Mussolinijeva nova vlada ima prosti rok in fašisti, katere vodi fašist Farinacci, postajajo skrajno nestrnji. Farinacci kar blije sovraštvo do mnogih cerkev predstojnikov v Italiji. Navaja, da katoliška duhovščina izdaja vladu in narod ter da podziga narod k odporu. Kot vzrok navaja škofa Colli iz Parme, ki je postal izjavno, da Katoliška akcija, ni zavzemala dosedaj, niti ne bo za naprej kakršega pristranskega stališča v politiki. Farinacci

nacciju, ki je mnenja, da bi se pred fašisti morali vsi valjati v prahu, ta izjava ni po volji.

Navedenih je tudi več slučajev, kjer so fašisti aretirali duhovnike. Za nekatere, ki so bili odvedeni, sploh ne vedo kje so. Več samostanov so fašisti postavili pod najstrožje nadzorstvo. Pred kratkim so ustrelili štiri salezijanske duhovnike in tri redovne brate. Poročilo omenja, da najglavnjevša krivida tege je bila, da je neki 90 letni menih znal govoriti angleško.

S takim brutalnim barbarstvom divjajo novi Mussolinijevi fašisti proti katoličanom v Italiji.



Vsako leto v aprili donijo po južnem pobočju gorovja Sierra v dolini reke Rhone v Švici zvoki flavite in bobna ter naznanjajo, da so kmety po gorskih vasih začeli pripravljati svoje vinograde ali "raguliti". Delavci korakajo k vinogradom med godbo, ki jih zabava tudi pri delu od jutra do večera

PREDSEDNIKOV VETO PO- RAŽEN V OBEM ZBORNICAH

Washington, D. C. — Kakor smo že zadnjič poročali, da je predsednik vetril davčni predlog, ki so ga administracijo v obem zbornicah znižali z \$10,500,000.00 na samo \$2,315,000,000.00, je ta njegov korak dvignil silni nemir v kongresu. Zlasti so razburile vodilne senatorje predsednikove opazke, ki jih je zapisal k svojim razlogom, radi katerih je predlog vetril. Senator Barkley, kakor znano je takoj podal resignacijo. Pozneje so ga pregorovili, da je ostal vodja večine in so ga na ta položaj ponovno izvolili. Predsednikov veto pa so v obem zbornicah zavrgli. Za predlog so obe zbornice ponovno glasovale z veliko večino in tako bo znižan davčni predlog postal zakon preko predsedničeve glave. Na zunaj zgleda, da je nastali vihar med predsednikom in vodilnimi senatorji poleg. Tlelo pa bo naprej v seboj nožbrže zopet dvignil v volilnem metežu poleti in v jeseni.

EMBARGO BI UNIČIL FRANCOTA

New York, N. Y. — Indalecio Prieto, bivši minister za obrambo v bivši španski republikanski vladi je izjavil v soboto, da če bi zaveznički začeli izvajati proti sedanjim španski vladni generali Francota embargo, to je popolno prepoved uvoza, bi Francotova vladpa dala v kratkem. Prieto dolži Francota, da je vnet Hitlerjev zaveznik in da nudi Hitlerju vso pomoč, ki more.

POLJSKI POSLANIK POKLI- CAN V LONDON

Washington, D. C. — Poljski poslanik v Washingtonu Jan Ciechanowski je bil zadnjih teden poklican v London na važno posvetovanje. Gre za važne zadeve glede sporov radi meje med Rusijo in Poljsko. Zamejna vlada je baje zavrnila nove ruske poguge in spor se postruje.

Vi radi berete vesti iz družih naselbin; drugi radi bero novice iz vaše naselbine. Poročajte novice in dogodek v "Am. Slovencu".

GODBA PRI DELU



KRIŽEM SVETA

New York, N. Y. — Iz Anglije poročajo, da so general Eisenhower, general Montgomery in maršal angleške zračne sile Sir Tedder zadnjo soboto končali z več dnevnimi inspekcijami. Pregledali so vse cete, ki jih pripravljajo za in-

— Washington, D. C. — Predsednik Franklin D. Roosevelt je koncem zadnjega tedna obolesel za hud prehlad. Naha je pod zdravniško oskrbo in stanje se mu že boljša.

— Washington, D. C. — General Hershey, načelnik naborega odbora objavlja, da bodo naborne oblasti vpoklicale do 1. julija nadaljnih 1,200,000 mož v vojaško službo. Naborne dolobne bodo v kratkem spremene. Mnogo družinskih očetov bo vpoklicanih.

— Grand Island, Nebr. — Veliki težki vojaški bombnik je strmoljal na tukajšnjem vojaškem letališču. Osem mož od osoba v letalu se je ubilo in dva sta težko poškodovana.

— London, Anglija. — Svetovna radio postaja poroča iz Jugoslavije, da so se partizani izkrcali na dalmatinskem otoku Brač. Vest pravi, da so nazaj utrplili visoke zgube v bojih s partizani.

— New Delhi, Indija. — Angleški vojaški oddelki so prisli preko gorskega prehoda Ngakyedauk in so pri Mayu ranču rešili sedmo indijsko divizijo, ki so jo imeli Japonci 17 dni obkoljeno. Japonci so vrženi nazaj s težkimi zgubami.

— Washington, D. C. — Senator Wagner iz New Yorka, ki je načelnik ameriško-palestinskega odbora, sklicevale konferenco za 9. marca. Namen konference bo dvigniti ameriško-krščanski sentiment za pomoč od nazijev pregnanim Zidom, da se naselijo v Palestini.

— Detroit, Mich. — Tukajšne stavke v Great Lakes Steel Corp. in v Briggs Mfg. Co. so zakasnile mnoga naročila za vojno. Najbolj pa so prikrajšana naročila za izkrcavale barke, ki se rabijo ob času invazij z morja na kopno.

— London, Anglija. — Iz Koriske poročajo cerkveni krov, da je več, kakor 44% otrok, ki so brez vsakega verskega po-

NAZIJI BAJE PREGNANI IZ JUŽNE SLOVENIJE

Pravoslavni srbski škof v Ameriki Dionizije je dal ukor trem pravoslavnim srbskim duhovnikom, ker so se vzvemali za maršala Tita. — Zarota proti kralju Petru.

Razdrižni železniški progo

London. — Železniški prosto na glavni progi Trst-Ljubljana je bil ustavljen dva dni, potem ko so jugoslovanski partizani spravili v tira vlak pri Rakeku. Tako je poročala Titova okrožnica 24. februarja.

Edinice prve partizanske brigade so premagale četo 600 nemških vojakov pri Novem mestu, 40 milij zahodno od Zagreba in 30 milij vzhodno od italijanske meje.

Edino upanje, da reši zamejno vlado notranje krize, je general Dušan Simovič, ki je leta 1941 strmoljal vladu prince Pavla in posadil na prestol mladega Petra. Pravijo, da je on edini voditelj na Balkanu, ki bi mogel združiti kraljevo vladu z vladom maršala Tita, in pričakujejo, da bo napoljen, naj posreduje med kraljevo vladu in partizani.

Očistili južno Slovenijo

London. — Partizani so pred kratkim sporočili svetu, da so pometchi nazije iz cele južne Slovenije, razen iz dveh mest, kjer jih pa tudi že imajo obklojene. Nato so udarili prek Julijskih Alp, da se spoprijemo z Nemci v severovzhodnem kotu Italije.

V enem samem tednu sredi februarja pravijo partizani, da so pobili 618 Nemcev, 551 partizanov. Tako naznana brzovaka iz Kaire.

Vroči boji se vršijo malo južno od Kobarida, velikega bojšča v prvi svetovni vojni. Edini 30. patriotske divizije so prekoračile reko Sočo, zasedle desno obrežje in se spoprijelo s sovražnikom med Tolminom in Gorico.

Pristali na jadranskem otoku

London. — Jugoslovanski partizanski čete so se izkrcale na dalmatinskem otoku Braču, malo proti jugu od pristanišča Split in so zadale krepke udarce tamkajšnjem nemški posadki. Tako poroča Titova okrožnica 25. februarja. Drugih podrobnosti ne omenja, samo to še pravi, da se je patriotskim četam izkrcanje na Braču popolnoma posrečilo.

Moskva poroča o zaroti proti kralju Petru

London. — Neka brzovaka iz Moskve trdi, da se je odkrila zarota proti življenju jugoslovanskega kralja Petra. Istočasno avljaljajo poročila iz Kaire, da je mlađi kralj tako omejen in zastražen pri svojem kretaju, da se takorekoč nahaja kot ujetnik v svojem bivališču.

Vest ruske uradne poročevalne družbe "Tass" iz Kaire pravi, da so bili aretirani štirje člani kraljevske straže, ki so obtoženi zarote proti kraljevemu življenju. Izražen pa je dvom, da bi bil že v resnici na praviljeni kak poskus umora.

Vesti iz virov, ki jih je smatrali za verodostojne, pravijo dalje, da se kralj niti ganiti ne more iz svojega bivališča, ne da bi bil strogo zastražen. Tudi mu je bilo zabranjeno govoriti

z gotovimi zavezniškimi osebnostmi, s katerimi se je hotel posvetovati v teknu zadnjih treh tednov.

Isti viri naglašajo, da preti zamejni kraljevi vladi v Kairu prav resna notranja kriza. Goči jugoslovanski krogovi v Londonu so zelo vznemirjeni vsled nesposobnosti predsednika Pušića, da bi v imenu vlade dosegel sporazum z osvobodilnim gibanjem maršala Tita.

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Sovjetski krogi so kasneje izrazili svoje mnenje, da je vest o nameravanem umoru kralja Petra izvita iz trte in da je bila objavljena z namenom očrtni partizane in ustvariti javno mnenje proti jugoslovanskim vojakom, ki se nameravajo pridružiti silam maršalu Tita.

Pri tej priliki je Moskva tudi izrazila svoje nezadovoljstvo z zadržanjem Turčije, češ, da ta s svojo dvorenzo politiko podpira nemško propagandno prisadevanje.

Srbci nastopili proti Titovim pristašem

Chicago, Ill. — V četrtek 24. februarja se je ogenj prepričal razmer v Jugoslaviji, posvetil tudi med Srbi v Chicagi. Trije pravoslavni duhovniki so dobili ukor ter jim je bilo zapovedano, da se morajo pokoriti svojemu škofu. Naredili niso nič hujšega, kakor da so bili naklonjeni in so zagovarjali delovanje maršala Tita in njegovih partizan, ne pa početje generala Draže Mihajlovića in njegovih četnikov.

Kazenski ukrepi se bodo izvršili proti tem trem duhovnikom. Tako je bilo sklenjeno na petem triletnem kongresu srbske pravoslavne cerkve v Ameriki, katere zastopstvo je omenjeno četrtek večer skončalo svojo tridnevno sejo v pravoslavnem svetišču Gospodovega Vstajenja na 1905 Schiller St.

Dotični trije duhovniki so ugovarjali in odšli od seje, potem ko so delegati poslali telegram ministerskemu predsedniku Churchillu in premierju Stalini, naj zaveznički nikar ne dajajo svoje pomoči maršalu Titu.

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COMPLETE FAMILY PROTECTION

Parents are responsible for the family life—its future—of the home. They know, if anyone in the world does, that today builds tomorrow. The rearing of a family centers around the present well being of the entire family and especially for the future welfare of their children. Of all the problems all parents are apt to meet at one time or another the greatest is the protection of the family against the hazards and misfortunes of life.

The problem of family protection in this day and age is very simple. Fraternal orders, such as the Western Slavonic Association, with its various types of splendid life insurance and other benefits at a low cost is the key to the solution of a problem that must not be overlooked.

The WSA, itself a great family circle composed of men, women and children, was organized for the mutual benefits of the members and their beneficiaries. For over 35 years the Association has invited other worthy, eligible persons to join our fold and become a part of our fraternal family.

During the year 1944 we shall continue to enroll new members as usual, but our aim shall be to concentrate on the enrollment of the whole family group, fathers and mothers, sons and daughters. One of our chief concerns shall be to make this an outstanding year in juvenile enrollment.

The "Insure the Family Campaign" needs the wholehearted support and united cooperation of every supreme and lodge officer, and every individual member. Words must be written and spoken, and every effort exercised to bring into additional hundreds of homes the splendid fraternal protection and service of our Association.

Supreme and lodge officers, as well as individual members, are invited and urged to use this space freely for editorials, and the columns of this English section are open to all members to write about our campaign, other items of benefit to our organization or on the subject of fraternalism.

In next month's issue we hope to reprint an outstanding address by a staunch believer in the fraternal system under the heading of "The Future Of Fraternal Societies." We request that you watch for it and read and study every sentence.

From the Office of the Supreme President WSA.

As per decision of the Supreme Board at the last annual meeting held recently in Denver, Colorado, a most appropriate title "INSURE THE FAMILY CAMPAIGN" has been inaugurated for the year of 1944 membership drive.

With the entire world in turmoil, with war engulfing almost the entire globe, and man arrayed against man everywhere, it is indeed timely that we here in United States, where liberty and freedom still are our sacred and cherished rights, should aspire every true and loyal member of the Western Slavonic Association to greater efforts on his or her part in this outstanding campaign. This is indeed a most appropriate time for each and every one of us to throw every ounce of energy into this, INSURE THE FAMILY CAMPAIGN, as well as in the cause of Brotherhood of Men—for only through true Fraternalism we may gradually instill the responsibilities of parents to care for and protect themselves as well as their children not only against Man's Inhumanity, but against the many ills and misfortunes of life. Let us, therefore, take up with zeal the war-cry of protection of the entire family. Let every lodge take up our present campaign slogan and enlist every man, woman and child who is not serving the cause. We are ready to extend our most cordial welcome to all new members.

We trust and hope that to our next convention will come the delegates fired with enthusiasm and inspired by the good work they have done—we hope that amongst these leaders, there will be no laggards, whose only claim to the seat of delegate will be that such person wanted a trip to the convention. Let every one who aspires to play a leading role at the convention next year resolve here and now that he or she will come to the convention with a proud record of accomplishments in new members enrolled. Only those who have served well will truly enjoy the happiness which comes from devoted and unselfish service of the great cause of Fraternalism.

With kind regards and best wishes for a most successful "INSURE THE FAMILY CAMPAIGN," I remain,

Fraternally yours,

LEO JURJOVEC, Supreme President.

OFFICE OF THE JUVENILE DEPARTMENT

Report of New Members Admitted. Transfers to Adult Department and Death, Month of January, 1944.

Lodge No. 1—Juv. Br. No. 1—Died: (1) Richard T. James.

Lodge No. 5—Juv. Br. No. 6—Entered: (1) Fred P. Fabian.

Lodge No. 9—Juv. Br. No. 4—Trs. to Adults: (2) John Benizar and Elizabeth A. Margino.

Lodge No. 15—Trs. to Adults: (1) Raoul Bianchi.

Lodge No. 17—Juv. Br. No. 8—Entered: (6) Dolores L. and Gilroy G. Fragale, Mary C. Reville, Elsie M. and Eugene V. Tagliente, Charleen E. Jacovetta.

Lodge No. 21—Juv. Br. No. 13—Entered: (3) Frederick A. Lesar, John C. Matschiner and Rose M. Omerza. Trs. to Adults: (1) Frank Chimzar.

Lodge No. 28—Entered: (1) Anita K. Zergast.

Lodge No. 41—Juv. Br. No. 1—Entered: (2) Rose M. and Louis F.

We're Sorry, Folks

Contributions were much improved in recent months and just at a time when your English page was filled to capacity with important matters. Last month's Fraternal Voice had to be extended into the following weekly edition, partly because the lengthy but important six-monthly report was very necessary to be published and partly because Uncle Sam's usually efficient mail service failed to be on time.

In this issue we must make room for the completion of the recent Supreme Board minutes and other official items. If any of your contributions do not appear, please pardon us. There are many months in which we have room, and we crave news for which we constantly appeal, so please send in whatever you have for publication in the FV. We shall be grateful.

"PROUDLY WE HAIL" CHAMPION BOND-BUYING BLOCK

On Thursday, February 3, the 4500 block on Logan street in Globeville — just three blocks away from the WSA offices — was honored with a visit from officials of the fourth war loan drive, the Fort Logan band and dignitaries from throughout the city.

The occasion was a program of music and speeches, preceded by a parade with police escort through the community, in which the residents of the block were honored for its achievement of being the first block in the city to go over the top in the fourth loan drive by recording the purchase of an extra bond by every family in the block. From this block alone there are 15 boys and one girl in the armed forces.

The twenty-one families in the winning block were thanked for their patriotic support, and several residents respond with talks including Mrs. Frank Canjar who was given special honor because of her outstanding work as major. The entire program was recorded and rebroadcast by radio station KLZ on Friday at 9:15 p.m.

Congratulations, folks! Keep up the good work.

ZVON LODGE NO. 6

Colorado Springs, Colo.

A member of Zvon Lodge No. 6, Cpl. Charles A. Nolan, killed in action Nov. 4 in Italy, has been posthumously awarded the Purple Heart. The citation was addressed here to his mother, Mrs. Frank Nolan, who died Oct. 23, less than two weeks before her son's death. Cpl. Nolan was a stepbrother to Mrs. Anthony Jersin of Denver.

To see the need of another, and not do your part, is failure.

If in need of insurance, have them join the W. S. A.

BUY, BUY WAR BONDS AND IT'LL BE BYE, BYE ADOLPH AND HIROHITO.

Grande, Jr. Trs. to Adults: (2) Sylvia M. Lambrecht and Louis T. Pecjak. Lodge No. 48—Entered: (2) Mary and Stephen Bebich. Lodge No. 54—Trs. to Adults: (1) Louis F. Dussart.

Give Your Children the Benefit of Your Experience

Not only are we going to attempt the enrollment of hundreds of entire families in the "Insure the Family Campaign" of this year, but we plan to concentrate with all our might on the enrollment of additional hundreds of children.

It will then be our job to educate and bring them up in genuine fraternalism for the benefit of themselves and their future families. This must be done by the adults of today—parents and officers and members of our various lodges—by individual example and through the supervision of those responsible within our Association. Complete action by existing juvenile branches and the organization of more juvenile branches is necessary.

Because children are influenced by what we teach them, I believe that practise of faithful membership in their sight and presence will do more than anything else to bring them up in true fraternalism. The little ones love to imitate grownups. Our good or bad examples, our ability or inability to properly educate and train them to grow up into good future American citizens, is what counts in building our greatest national asset—our children. The adult generation must admit that children are what we make them.

Plan Now For Future Of Your Children

The WSA offers splendid life insurance certificates to protect the present and future welfare of every father, mother, and child. Juvenile Term Insurance is offered for the small premium of 15c per month—\$1.80 for whole year. Twenty-year payment and endowment certificates are provided at a reasonable cost depending at age of entry. Juvenile insurance is issued for children from birth to the age of eighteen.

There never was a better time than now to provide for the future of children. The younger your child the less the cost and the longer the time to build up a cash fund to help provide for your child's future. Tomorrow, the next day, or next year may be too late. Plan to invest a little each month—a savings—for your child NOW with the WSA.

GEO. J. MIROSLAVICH, Sup. Juv. Supervisor.

Frankie (Nixie) Mencin Writes From Iceland

The editor has on hand several letters written by Frank Mencin to Mrs. Mary Grande of 653 Elgin Place, Denver, in which he most vividly pictures his army life in Iceland and gives a wonderful description of surroundings as well of his daily activities. He makes no bones about how he likes (?) it in his present home.

We regret that at this time lack of space prevents us from printing one of his lovely letters in full, or to give several excerpts from the various letters, but we hope to be able to do so in future weekly issues or some later issue of the Fraternal Voice.

A notable fact about Frankie's messages is that he remembers everyone he knows and deeply appreciates hearing from and about folks and things in general "back home." He frequently mentions how he enjoys receiving the "Colorado," Holy Rosary parish weekly news, clippings, etc., especially if it's about the old home town and people he knows.

A poem sent in by young Mencin is on file to be published sometimes in the near future.

Mrs. Grande keeps up a steady stream of letters to him and always an answer returned. We take pleasure in quoting a few paragraphs from one of the letters to Mrs. Grande: "Dear Mary, received two of your letters today. I was pretty jolly the last few days—and why? I'll tell you. The mail, our morale builder, came in the last couple of days. At once in two days, Mary, I received twenty-three letters and three packages; the packages were from you, Tony and Joe Mencin in Pueblo.

We all got mail. You should have seen us, just like a bunch of kids getting ice cream for nothing. You wouldn't blame us for acting like that if you could see what we are going through here in Iceland.

I didn't get mail for two or three weeks then all of a sudden—Bang! twenty-three at once. Keep on sending me the Denver Post, Colorado, Holy Rosary News, Fraternal Voice until I give you the command "halt."

All this keeps me occupied for our nights start at 4 in the afternoon and daylight comes at 8 next morning.

We shall give you the address of our well-known Denver lad in the hopes that many of you will find time to drop him a line. Remember all the other boys you can, too, with a letter.

Pfc. Frank J. Mencin, 737343491, 70th Ordnance Depot Co. A.P.O. 860/c/o Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

(Editor's Note: Above is one example how our fighting boys away from home crave to hear and read about friends and home people. Our Fraternal Voice reaches many boys in the armed forces all over the globe. Why not send us news of your community with names of people, places and such things of interest that your boy or somebody else's boy would be glad to read about. You fellows in caps, and "over there," are welcome to send a letter for publication in the F. V. direct to the editor.)

DENVER NEWS

Condolence is expressed by a legion of Denver friends and WSA members to United States District Attorney Thomas J. Morrissey, chairman of the WSA Supreme Board of Trustees, whose mother, Mrs. Sarah Morrissey, died early last month in St. Joseph's hospital of pneumonia after a week of illness.

Our "Insure the Family" membership campaign for 1944 was well named and it has a ring of true fraternalism. Banding your whole family with the large family circle within the Association is a duty you cannot afford to overlook. Let us endeavor to enroll hundreds of Denver families—moms, dads and the kids.

Mrs. Mary Friedel is reported as nicely recuperating at her home after several days in St. Luke's hospital. Mary says she'll soon be able to step off the polkas with zip and zoom.

The Ferdie Cain family report that across the street in the Byers domain at 4744 Sherman there was weeping and wailing and much moaning. A peek through the shades revealed two newspaper men, Joe and George, shedding tears in a crying towel because the local folks do not furnish them with news. Scoop Joe Byers is the popular reporter of Globeville news in the splendid "Colorado" weekly publication, and George attempts to gather news for this column. There is news in every nook and corner of the community, so why not slip the dope to these two men. Joe runs an interesting column in the "Colorado" every week to which he would be happy to add items that hundreds of readers would enjoy.

Mrs. Al Amman writes from Los Angeles, Calif., asking to be remembered to her many friends in Denver. She encloses the address of her son, Sgt. Richard V. Amman, a member of Trail Blazers, as 19177617, Co. 1, 501st Paratroop Inf., A.P.O. 9348, c/o P. M. New York, N. Y. A letter from old pals would be appreciated by Richard.

Our Association patriotically donated the use of the supreme offices as headquarters in this district for the Fourth War Bond drive.

We read with interest an account in a local paper how Lt. Frank Slavec, son of Mr. Victor Slavec, of Lafayette, Colo., was a navigator of the first U. S. heavy bomber to land on Munda Airfield, New Georgia Island. Lt. Slavec is a decorated veteran of 40 combat missions as a member of the crew of a Liberator, and at present is resting at the Army Redistrictation Station No. 2 in Miami Beach, Fla.

Jure asks all Trail Blazers to be four-minded during 1944. Every fourth Thursday is the meeting night at 4468 Wash St. Send the kiddies to the United Comrades' meeting every fourth Sunday afternoon. He says if only 40% of Trail Blazer membership would get 4 members in 1944 we would be certain to repeat for 1st prize and the \$250.00 extra prize.

Our hats off to Holy Rosary parish for their noble deed of serving dinner to 421 enlisted men Sunday, Feb. 13 in the USO-NCCS club. Members of the PTA, Young Ladies sodality and others who assisted deserve our praise, and congratulations.

The friendly feud between the two Johns (Peketz and Trontel) over picking each other's good-luck flowers in Cheesman park, which they claim has an effect on their pinocchio luck, is still at a high ebb. Being neutral, we merely advise the strongest guy pick the darkest flowers.

It is hoped a report on the progress of the WSA Pinocchio League will be forthcoming for next month's F. V. Edward Krasovich and George Miroslavich hereby challenge last year's champs or any team in the league that thinks they are able to win a sizable bet. Name your poison!

Pfc. Joseph G. Shaball, Jr., writes of a surprise visit his brother-in-law, S/Sgt. Donald Wolfe, husband of the former Frances Shaball. Mrs. Wolfe is returning to her present residence in Los Angeles after visiting with Donald at Tampa, Fla. Young Shaball is doing quite well in the army and likes it, according to letters to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Shaball of 4527 Grant. The address of Joe, Jr., is 414th Bn, Anti Aircraft Training Corps, Ft. Bliss, Tex.

Mrs. Marie Jersin, daughter-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Jersin, is visiting several days with them before returning to her home in Lincoln, Nebr.

A lovely Silver Anniversary was

"INSURE THE FAMILY CAMPAIGN" NAME CHOSEN FOR 1944 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Conditions of Contest to Enroll Men, Women and Children Briefly Explained

Accepting a constructive hint from the splendid report of Supreme President Jurjovec in which he called upon the membership to strive for greater enrollment of new members, especially children, the Supreme Board during the annual meeting on January 29 liberally discussed the subject and came to the unanimous conclusion that we must concentrate on enrolling entire families in 1944.

Supreme Trustee Thomas J. Morrissey suggested that an appropriate name to fit the drive in mind be "Insure the Family Campaign," which was adopted.



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All remittances for assessments and official correspondence shall be addressed to the office of supreme secretary, and all complaints of appeals to the office of the president of judiciary committee. Applications for admission into the adult department, increase of insurance, sick, accident, operation and indemnity benefit certificates shall be mailed to the office of supreme Medical Director.

The WSA invites any male or female person of the Caucasian or white race between the ages of 1 and 50 years to join its ranks. Persons, who desire to become members of the Association, should contact any officer or member of the nearest WSA lodge or write direct to the headquarters of the Association. Eight adult members are required to organize a new lodge in localities where there is no lodge of the Association. For all additional information in regard to organizing lodges, or becoming members, please write to the office of supreme secretary.

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MINUTES

OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SUPREME BOARD
OF THE WESTERN SLAVONIC ASSOCIATION.

(Continued)

REPORT OF THE SUPREME SECRETARY:

Worthy Acting President and members of the Supreme Board:

Following is the condensed report for period of July 1, 1943 to December 31, 1943, together with a partial annual report for the year ended December 31, 1943, of the condition and affairs of The Western Slavonic Association:

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE ADULT DEPARTMENT:

Gained in: Mortuary Fund	\$ 17,564.02
and in the first half of the year	13,347.67
Total annual gain in this fund	\$ 30,911.69
Gained in: Sick and Accident Fund	1,891.98
and in the first half of the year	618.00
Total annual gain in this fund	2,509.98
Gained in: Beneficent Fund	116.94
and in the first half of the year	109.27
Total annual gain in this fund	226.21
Gained in: Convention Fund	862.85
and in the first half of the year	848.55
Total annual gain in this fund	1,711.40
Gained in: Expense Fund in first half of the year	211.72
and loss in the last half of the year	187.62
Total annual gain in this fund	23.90
Loss in: Indemnity Fund	35,383.18
and gain in the first half of the year	386.65
Net loss in this fund for the year	129.70
Net annual gain	259.95
Balance December 31, 1942	35,123.23
Balance December 31, 1943	376,367.19
Balance December 31, 1943	\$411,490.42

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE JUVENILE DEPARTMENT:

Gained in: Mortuary Fund	3,007.88
and in the first half of the year	1,375.60
Total annual gain in this fund	4,383.28
Loss in: Expense Fund in the first half of the year	185.38
and gained in the last half of the year	144.14
Net loss in this fund for the year	41.24
Net annual gain	4,342.04
Balance December 31, 1942	27,888.55
Balance December 31, 1943	\$32,230.63

You will note that we have gained in both departments in the amount of \$39,465.27, which is the biggest gain that has ever been made in the history of the Association in any one year, notwithstanding that we had more deaths among our members than we ever had in any year prior to 1943. This wonderful financial gain is due to careful investments of our funds, and I recommend that we continue to invest our surplus funds on the Denver Improved Real Estate on amortized bases as we have been doing heretofore.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE ADULT DEPARTMENT:

We enrolled 99 new members and in the first half of the year 94, total 193; reinstated 36 and in the first half of the year 42, total 78; withdrew 4 and in the first half of the year 1, total 5; suspended 61 and in the first half of the year 78, total 139; died 19 and in the first half of the year 15, total 34. Net gain in the adult membership was 93. On December 31, 1943 we had 2,896 adult members in good standing.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE JUVENILE DEPARTMENT:

We enrolled 248 new members and in the first half of the year 305, total 553; reinstated 36 and in the first half of the year 23, total 59; transferred to adult department 46 and in the first half of the year 52, total 98; withdrew 1 and in the first half of the year 1, total 2; suspended 151 and in the first half of the year 162, total 318; died 1 and in the first half of the year 3, total 4. Net gain in the juvenile department was 195. On December 31, 1943 we had 2,824 juvenile members in good standing or 5,720 in both departments.

We are gradually gaining both in the number of members as well as financially. I am very proud of our financial record and hope that the membership will start to increase more rapidly. I do not think that there is a finer insurance organization than ours in the country. Therefore, I see no reason why we shouldn't expand and enroll more new members. It is our duty to preach the gospel of our wonderful protection offered to those who are fortunate enough to become our members. The general public does not know about us, and all our good features are meaningless to them as long as some of us do not explain our by-laws and liberal benefits that our Association pays to its sick and injured members. Many of our friends would appreciate us for explaining to them the fine features of our Association and would be more than glad to join our ranks. So it is up to us and the entire rank and file to talk about our Association to neighbors, friends, co-workers, relatives and acquaintances and show them what all we have

to offer for the nominal monthly premiums. We cannot expect to sell our goods if we do not show it to the general public. I believe that, when it will be possible, we should hire a few salesmen and solicit the new business as is already in practice by other Fraternal Organizations. If we had the right kind of salesmen, we shouldn't have any difficulties of having 25,000 members just in Denver. We can enroll any white person into our Association who is not over 55 years of age and who is in good health. Our Association, as you all know, is founded on democratic principles, disregarding religious, political and partisan beliefs and opinions. In other words we are based and founded on the same principles as the constitution of our great country good old U. S. A. We have everything in our favor, excepting good salesmen and I firmly believe that the time is not far off when we will have a few insurance salesmen working for us and that we will start to grow the way we should.

I recommend that we again sponsor a campaign for new members and that we pay more prizes to those lodges who will go to work and enroll new members. Thereby giving a chance to lodges located in the smaller communities.

In the 35th Anniversary Membership Campaign our popular lodge Trail Blazers No. 41, of Denver came out with flying colors and captured the first prize and campaign trophy with 150 new members to their credit. Thanks to the loyal and faithful members of said lodge. Lodge Slovan No. 3 of Pueblo, also made a wonderful showing with 98 new members to their credit and thereby capturing the second prize. Thanks to Mrs. Kogovac, brother Spiller and others who have in any way helped to make such a wonderful showing. The third prize was won by our Supreme President's lodge No. 1 of Denver. The fifth prize was captured by another Pueblo lodge Western Star No. 16. The sixth prize was captured by Sloga Slovenskev lodge No. 14 at Spring Glen, Utah. The last prize was won by Hrabri Slovani lodge No. 17 at Frederick, Colo. Lodge Slovenska Edinot No. 38 at Diamondville, Wyo. deserves a lot of praise and honorable mention, as well as Golden Eagle Lodge of Central City, Pa. Both of the latter two lodges have enrolled more than 25 new members and should be entitled to some kind of compensation. Therefore I again recommend that we provide for more special prizes in the next campaign.

We have been quite busy at the home office, compiling the annual reports for all insurance departments in the states in which the Association is doing business. Said reports must be in the respective states in the offices of various insurance departments not later than by March 1st. So we will still have to hit the ball until that's taken care of.

We still run across of several cases where a member at the time of entry does not give correct age. In 1943 we had 10 such cases, and we were compelled, in accordance with our by-laws, section 128, to deduct \$780.82 from the insurance policies of such deceased members. Therefore, I again request each and every member to check up on his or her age with the secretary of the lodge and if it is found that there is any discrepancy in the age, to have same corrected immediately in order to protect the face value of such insurance policy.

So far, as far as we know, we had four deaths among the members who were serving in the armed forces. Three of the deaths were paid immediately upon the receipt of the certified copy of death certificate, while the fourth one has not been paid because of the necessary proof not being furnished. As soon as we receive the certified copy of death certificate we shall proceed to pay the claim.

It has been customary that in all cases, if necessary claims are submitted in proper manner, we pay the claims as soon as we receive proofs of disability or death. This practice has given us a very good name not only among our members, but among our friends as well.

In conclusion I wish to thank each and every member of this board for your splendid cooperation with this office and I hope that you will continue to do so also in the future, I remain with best wishes for a very successful year 1944.

Fraternally yours,

ANTHONY JERSIN, Secretary.

Te report of the Supreme Secretary was unanimously adopted.

SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT OF SUPREME TREASURER
for period from July 1, 1943, to December 31, 1943

ADULT DEPARTMENT

Assessments received from lodges	\$ 33,245.42
Taxes received on F. H. A. Loans	141.71
Fire Ins. on F. H. A. Loans	73.86
Interest, F. H. A. Mortgages	2,016.47
Interest, Cert. Loans	1,060.73
Profit on bond transactions	4,278.73
Interest on Bonds, Investments	6,411.17
Interest on Savings Accounts	537.50
Office rent	250.33
	15,447.35
Total receipts of Adult Dept.	\$ 48,692.77

Disbursements — Adult Dept.	
Paid to lodges in claims	23,234.59
Salaries	1,971.18
Official Organ	1,445.08
Fire and First Mortgage. Ins. F. H. A.	211.13
Phone, lights, water, fuel and postage	197.64
War Chest Contribution and Christmas gift	30.00
Advertising and Calendars and printing	554.17
Traveling and per diem	145.03
Office Rent	256.33
Salary of home office employee	432.72
Supreme Med. Examiner	79.50
Withholding and S. Security tax	147.54
Certificate loans decreased	119.90
Incidental supplies and expense	25.64
	15,447.35
Total disbursements for six months	26,834.45

Total gain, Adult Dept.	18,858.32
Balance July 1, 1943	391,632.10

Balance, Adult Department, December 31, 1943 \$411,490.42

Investments

U. S. War Savings Bonds	101,223.00
U. S. Treasury	5,000.00
General Obligation and Improvement Bonds	120,885.00

Savings accounts, Federalized Savings and Loan Associations	30,000.00
F. H. A. Mortgage Loans	110,702.84
First Nat'l. Bank checking Account	12,939.11
Real Estate	11,494.54
Certificate loans	19,245.93

Total assets Adult Dept. December 31, 1943	\$411,490.42
Investments	

BEDUINI V SEVERNI ARABIJI

Pusta, suha, brezdeževna dežela dveh vetrokov, domovina Beduinov, leži v severni Arabiji, od vseh strani obdana z govorjem. Na zahodjo jo varujejo Libanon in Antilibanon, na severu jo zapira Armenško vijavje, na vzhodu razna perzijska gorstva, na jugu pa arabsko višavje Nedžd. Le na pomlad pada-dež in pokrije deželo cvečoča zelena odeja. To je brezkrbni čas za divje pustinjske sinove, ki najdejo v tem letnem času dovolj hrane za svoje črede, pa tudi vode imajo ta čas v obilju. Suho poletje, prav tako suha jesen in včasih zelo mrzla zima jih sili, da si poiščejo nove pašnike. Med najhujšo sušo se drenajo razna plemena okrog redkih mest, kjer je voda. Le tisti, ki se priznava k svojemu plemenu, lahko upa, da bo lahko do konca vzdržal svojo rodbino, svoje ove in kamele. V teh časih neomejeni gospodarji šeji pobičajo davke (del pobranci davkov sami obdrže, ostalo pa oddajo vladi), razsojajo davke in sprejemajo pritožbe. V novejšem času ima vlada že nekaj lastne policije, ki skrbijo za red. Toda to je le takrat, kadar je suša največja in morajo vsa plemena priti po vodo. Potem pa se zopet raztepejo po brezkončnih pustinjah in takrat so zopet beduninski šeji in podšeji številnih beduinských plemen edini gospodarji. Tako so na jugozahodu Anizi ali Anazeli, Samari pa so najvažnejše pleme na severovzhodu, ki vzgaja in drži v redu druga manjša plemena. To se često

dobro posreči, kajti Beduinec ima mnogo lepih lastnosti. Beduin je mnogo odkritejši kot njegov sovornik v mestu in vasi, beduinske žene niso zastrte. Značilna je beduinska gostoljubnost. Med plemenami pa so mnogokrat neusmiljeni in kravljivi boji, zlasti kadar gre za pašnike in vodo. Če se Beduin nasebi za stalno pri kaki reki in postane Arabec, se še vendar vedno prišteva k svojemu rodu. Povrat v nomadsko življenje mu je še vedno mogoč.

Dvoje stvari je odločilno pogovlo v življenjski prostor Beduincev. To so moderne ceste in petrolejski vod "Pipe-Line". Prej so Beduini s svojimi voblodi mnogo zasluzili, sedaj pa so ti voblodi skoraj brez vrednosti. Nekoliko škode, povzročene zaradi modernih prometnih poti so popravili petrolejski vodi, ta velika tehnična čuda, ki vodijo globoko v Mezopotamiji izvirajočo nafto naravnost v sredozemska pristanišča. Ob približno 1000 km dolgem dvojnem vodu je kakih 1000 do 150 postaj in nekatere leže sredi beduinskega prostora. Ker so izkazali Beduini kot dobrati mehaniki, so Angležem dobrodošla pomoč na teh postajah.

Ali ne bodo nekdo tudi Beduini posegli v vojno dogajanje? Kdo ve? Neomejeni gospodarji razsežnih pustinj lahko nosijo prav toliko pušk kot oni iz Iraka. In Beduini znajo dobro uporabiti puško! Kdor si bo znaš pridobiti Beduine, ta bo gospodar severne arabske obale.



RAZNOTEROSTI

OMEJILI POLJUBE

Armeda nima nobenih predpisov glede poljubov in objemanja, razen tistih poljubov, ki so poslani v pismih po V-pošti. Ker so pri armadi računali na to, da bodo zaljubljene deklice k malu začele pošljati na pismih odtise svojih zrečilom namazanih ustnic, so napravili pravilo, da to ni dovoljeno, ker zamaže druga pisma. Toda navadnih znakov za poljub — xxxx — lahko poslje tudi po V-pošti kolikor hočete.

NAJ ČAKA NA PLAČILO

Če komu napravite kako delo, potem vam pa namesto pričakovanega plačila obljubi, da vam bo že vse povrnjeno v nebesih, boste najbrž malo čudno pogledali. Se bolj čudno je pogledal neki Charles J. O'Malley iz Bostonia, ki mu je bilo tudi obljubljeno plačilo še po smrti, toda izven nebes. Ko se je peljal na vlaku iz Bostonia v Philadelphia, je našel denarnico, v njej pa \$1000. Mož je najdeno takoj vrnil lastniku, nekemu pogrebnišku. Ta pa je poštenemu najdilju obljubil, da ga bo že zaston pokopal, "kadar pride njegov čas."

IZRABLI PRILIKO

Štirje so bili — nenavadno lepa mlada dekle, njena mičina in privlačna mati, italijanski častnik in nazijski vojak. Peljali so se skupaj na italijanskem vlaku in prišli do predora. Ko je tema zajela vlak, je bilo slišati v imenovanem voznu poljub, nato pa močno klofuto. Ko je vlak spet prišel na svetlo, je imel vsak izmed

četvorice drugačne misli. Nazijec si je misil: "Ti nasilni romantični Latinici! Kako se more predrzniti in poljubiti dekle, in kako strahopetno je, da poskuša to storiti v tem?" Dekletove misli pa so se razviale nekako tako: "Predrnez, da si upa pobljubiti mojo mati! Prav je, da mu je tako gorko prisilila nazaj!" Mati pa si je misilila: "Mojo hčerko sta poskušala poljubiti. Prav! Ali jaz sem jo lepo vzgojila in me veseli, da se je primerno obnašala!" Italijan pa je nemno gledal pred se in izdal z nobeno potezo na obrazu, da mu je sreča igrala veselja. Bil je ptič. V tem je bil namreč emoknili svojo roko, potem pa prisoli Nemcu krepko zašnico.

ČEVLJI DVAKRAT TAKO TRPEZNI

Cevlji bi lahko nosili 25 do 50 odstotkov dalj, če bi bili njihovi podplati prežeti z oljem po načinu, ki ga je ameriška armada izpopolinila lanskoto letu. Pri čevljih, ki so načrjeni za armado, sedaj prepojijo podplate z oljem. Vladni izvedenci, ki so vse to zamislieli in preizkusili, so mnenja, da bi se isto postopanje uporabljalo za vse čevlje, ne samo vojaške, ker bi potem v celi delu prevara. Ko je tema zajela vlak, je bilo slišati v imenovanem voznu poljub, nato pa močno klofuto. Ko je vlak spet prišel na svetlo, je imel vsak izmed

Largest High School Library of Records



MT. CARMEL, ILL.—This "Little City of Great Music" has what is believed to be the largest high school library of recorded music in America. Almost a thousand records of classical music were recently presented to Mt. Carmel High School by the city's largest industry, the Meissner Manufacturing Company, manufacturers of radios and electronic equipment. High in musical tradition, Mt. Carmel High School's band and other musical organizations annually win top honors in interscholastic competition. In the picture, G. V. Rockey, Meissner vice president, presents a portfolio of records to Miss Janet Watson, representative of the senior class, in the presence of other senior class members. The records are used by the music department for special instruction in band, orchestra and

MEH ZA SMEH

IZPLAČILO SE JE

"Ali ste dobili veliko odgovorov na vaš ženitni oglas v časopisu?"

"Da, nekaj sto."

"In . . ."

"In, da sem na vsa pisma odgovoril, sem si moral najeti strojepisko."

"In uspeh?"

"Porocil se bom s strojepiskom."

SPREMEMEA

Dunajski komik Johann Nestroy (1801—1862) je šel nekoč k zdravniku, da ga je preiskal.

"Preveč ste obloženi z delom," je dejal zdravnik. "Po vsaki ceni se morate nekoliko razbremeniti in si privoščiti več sprememb."

Nestroy se je na ves glas zasmehal.

"Zadnje tedne sem igral v dvanajstih različnih vlogah, spoznal sem celo vrsto žensk in sem se zadnje leto petkrat zaročil. Ali ni to dovolj sprememb?"

STRUPENI TALLEYRAND

Francoskega državnika Talleyrada (1754—1838) je nekoč prijela neka dama, ki je slovela po svoji nelepoti, pa ji je Talleyrand v mladih letih vendarle dvoril:

"Slišala sem, da ste se ponasali z mojo naklonjenostjo!"

"Ponašal?" jo je s smehljajem zavrnil diplomat. "O, ne milostljiva, samo svojo slabost sem priznal."

trepežnost več ali manj nadomestila. OPA se poganja, da bi se to naredilo, WPB pa trdi, da stvar se ni zadost preiskana in da ljudje ne marajo za kaj takega. Lawrence B. Shepard, ravnatelj odvetnika za usnje in čevlje pri WPB, je tudi predsednik velike družbe za izdelovanje čevljev.

TURČIJA ZAVZEMA ČUDNO STALIŠČE

Ankara, Turčija. — Med turško vlado in anglo-ameriškimi interesi so bila več tednov pogajanja glede dobave petroleja v turškem teritoriju. Standard Oil Co. se je pogajala za 99 letni najem oljnih vrelcev v Turčiji, ter da dovoljeno da raziskuje v svetu odkrivanja oljnih vrelcev. Polovica olja bi družba oddajala Turčiji, druga polovica bi šla družbi. Turška vlada je odkilonila dovoljenje za take načrte.

NJEGOV USPEH

A: "Prepričan sem, da je tvoj zakon z igralko X. zate velik uspeh."

B (pisatelj): "Menda! Iz preteklosti svoje žene sem napravil že štiri drame in jih dobro prodal."

IZ SLOV. NASELBIN

(Nadaljevanje z 2. strani)

zato sva se odločila, da se odprejeva s parnikom.

Proti večeru se odpravila na parnik, ki nas je popeljal po Columbia reki v Tihu morje. Voznja po morju je bila zelo mučna, ker smo vsi potniki brez izjemne dobili morsko bolez, dasiravno smo videli obrežje ves čas.

Po 48-urni vožnji se parnik ustavi pri pomolu v San Franciscu ob štirih zjutraj. Midva se podava v mestu. Najprej sva malo zajtrkovala, potem pa se ustavila na "ticket office" in vprašala, koliko stane vožnja do Chicago. Povedo nama, da \$32, v slučaju da kupiva vozni listek v osmih dneh. To se nama je zdelo precej poceni in sva se domenila, da si v tem času ogledava razstavo, katero so premestili iz Chicago na Golden Gate Park.

Poštevajo si zopet opremljeno sobo za teden dni. Ko lastnici ponudim bankovce, se je obotavljala, kakor bi ne vedela, ali naj ga vzame ali ne. Vzela ga je še potem, ko sem ji povedal, da druga denarja nimam. Takrat je po zapadu krožilo edinole zlato in srebro; pesnjev ploh niso videli.

Hodila sva po mestu in deževalo je kar naprej. Pa zagledala parado. Kočija se je vrstila za kočijo. To se nama je čudno zdelo, pa sva vprašala, kaj to pomeni. Povedo nama, da je to katoliška parada. Bilo je ravno 17. marca, dan sv. Patrika, točaj velik irski praznik. Popoldne je prenehal dež in odpravila sva se po krovce. Zabave je bilo v mestu precej, saj si na vsakem vogalu lahko videl pretep brezplačno.

Drugi dan sva povprašala po Slovencih in res dobim v nekem salunu soseda Janeza Pluta. Bilo je tam precej rojakov, večinoma od Semeča. Med njimi je bilo precej "štarparjev". Tisti čas je bilo v San Franciscu prav malo dela. Navadna opravila so opravljala večinoma Japonci in Kitajci za 50c na dan.

Tretji dan si ogledava razstavo. Tam je bilo videti veliko različnih in zanimivih reči, najbolj kratkočasni pa so se mizdeli morski psi, ki jih je bilo precej "štarparjev". Tisti čas je bilo v mestu precej, saj si na vsakem vogalu lahko videl pretep brezplačno.

Dan pred odhodom se enkrat obideva razstavo, potem pa se poslovova in hajd domov. Imela sva pletenko s sabo, ki pa nama je eksplodirala na vlaku, ker

sem jo postavil preblizu peči. Pijača je bila poceni, galona vina 25c, belo muškatela vino, dve leti staro, pa po 50c galona. Po hribih so bili zameneti in od Sacramento do Salt Lake City hud mraz. Vožnja nazaj je takrat trpeljala štiri dni.

Ko pridem spet nazaj v "Sa-wo," dobit delo in 2½ centa na uro več. Prej so nam plačevali po 10c na uro, potem pa po 12½; toliko sem bil na boljšem. Sedaj je pa razlika vse družačna; sedaj zaslužijo nekateri \$15 do \$20 na dan.

DITCH-DIGGERS

(Continued from page 4)

chards. So you see it was certainly a gala affair.

My saying somethin' about beer, before, reminds me of our January meeting. I've simply gotta tell ya. The beer situation was too good to miss.

First, we had election and installations of officers. And by the way, they're all the same as last year with only two changes—3rd trustee and Conductor. We got Frances Kucler and one of our new members, Joan Putman to fill them. That was about the most important event of the meeting. But, after the meeting, ah—here's where the fun began. We had stuff to eat and drink and music to dance to. Should have seen some of those guys—shall I be cruel and mention names, okay—you asked for it. Well, what was really funny was when these suppose-to-be "men"—one of the most outstanding of the bunch, Frank K. had to resort to orange soda pop after there was no more beer. Funny? It certainly was. Then he started showing us how to dance—Say! wonder what did it, the beer or the soda pop? God forbid that he see this or I'll end up end up. Sho' suff.

Well, now let's see, guess that'll be enough of that. Only we can't forget to compliment Carl Putnik, Ed. Kravich, Joe Shaball and others on their hard work and effort at the meetings and at the dances, "old faithful" just fits them. We noticed that the Supreme Office has been having a lot of visitors and amongst them was Sgt. Joe Skrabe, son of a former Supreme Officer and his wife, Mr. and Mrs.

Joe Skrabe of Canon City, Sgt. Joe is now stationed at Lowry Field and I must say looks fine.

A couple of WSAers who have been home on leave were Johnny Marolt and Leonard Sadar. Both of lodge No. 1. Gee, haven't seen any T.B.'s around. But we'll tell you about them when we do see 'em.

A new-comer to Trail Blazers is Dr. John R. Schaefer, who has set up his office at 4524 Washington Street. Good luck, Doc, and we would like to see you at our meetings.

Oh yes, one thing I can't forget is that we were honored with the presence of Major Carl E. Wuerthele who has been decorated nine times and proudly wears the Silver Star, three Distinguished Flying Crosses, two Purple Hearts, two Air Medals, and a Presidential Unit Citation. The Major is the Democratic nominee in the Colorado special election to Congress.

Well, folks, I'll clean off the shovel for another few weeks and say so-long now.

P. S. Joe Byers—guess again!

Michael Trinko in Sinovi

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KNEZ SEREBRJANI

— ROMAN —

Rusko — A. K. Tolstoj — Poslovenil — Al. Benkovič

Minilo je mnogo let; vtiš strašne moritve je izginil narodu iz spomina, a še dolgo so stale ob kremljskem jarku te skromne cerkve, in tisti, ki so prihajali tja molit, so lahko slišali zadušnice za mir izmučenih in umorjenih na ukaz carja in velikega kneza Ivana Vasiljeviča Četrtega.

36. Povratek v Slobodo.

Potem, ko je bil z grozo navdal Moskvo, se je car hotel pokazati milostljivega in velikodusnega. Na njegov ukaz so odprli ječe in oproščeni so bili vsi obsojeni, ki se že niso več nadejali rešitve. Nekaterim je poslal Ivan celo darila. Kazalo je, da je zloba, ki je že dolgo kipela in gorela v njem, dobila duška z zadnjo moritvijo iz gore, ki bljuje ogenj. Njegove misli so se umirile, nehal je povsod iskati izdajstva.

A Ivana ni vsakikrat po prelivanju nedolžne krvi grizla vest. To je bilo odvisno tudi od drugih okoliščin. Nebesna znamenja, nenadno udarjajoča strela, pojavi ljudske bede, vse to je strašilo njegovo občutljivo domišljijo in ga včasih gnalo k javni pokori; kadar pa ni bilo niti znamenj niti lakote niti požarov, takrat je molčal njegov notranji glas in vest je dremala. Tako je bilo tudi sedaj Ivanovo duševno stanje mirno. Po zvršenih moritvah je čutil nekako zadoščenje in pomirjenje kakor izstradanec, ki se je nasilit z jedjo. Bolj iz navade in naučenega pravila nego iz srčne potrebe se je po povratku v Slobodo ustavil za nekaj dni v Trojicki Lavri, da bi se posvetil molitvam.

Na vsej poti so spremljevalci, ki so jahali pred njim, s perščki metalni revežem srebrne novce, ko pa je odhajal iz samostana, je pustil arhimandritu bogat zaklad, da bi menihi molili za njegovo zdravje.

V Slobodi pa se je medtem pripravljalo nekaj, česar ne bi nihče pričakoval.

Godunov, ki je bil poslan naprej, da pripravi gosudarju slovesen sprejem, je sedel v svoji tramasti izbi, se s komolci upiral ob hrastovo mizo in z roko podpiral glavo. Premiševal je o dogodkih zadnjih dni, o smrtni kazni, ki se mu je posrečilo izogniti se ji, o zagonetnem značaju groznega carja in o tem, kako bi si ohranil njegovo milost, ne da bi se udeleževal početja opričnikov. Naenkrat pa je vstopil sluga in mu naznani, da pri vhodu čaka knez Nikita Romanovič Serebrjani.

Boris Godunov je ob tem imenu začuden vstal s klopi.

Serebrjani je bil od carja preklet in na smrt obsojen. Ušel je iz ječe in vsako občevanje z njim bi lahko stalo Borisu Fedoroviču glavo. Toda odreči knezu gostoljubnost ali izdati ga carju bi bilo nedostojno. Za kaj takega se Godunov ni mogel odločiti, da bi ne izgubil ljudskega zaupanja, ki ga je cenil nad vse. Obenem se je spomnil, da se nahaja car sedaj v milostljivem razpoloženju duha, in' v enem samem trenutku se je domisli, kako naj postopa v tem slučaju.

Ne da bi šel sam sprejet Serebrjanega na krilce, ga je ukazal brez odlašanja priseljati v izbo. Tujih prič ni bilo, in ko je že sklenil kneza sprejeti, mu je hotel Godunov pokazati tudi vso svojo gostoljubnost.

"Pozdravljen, knez," je rekel in objel Nikita Romanovič; "sedi, prosim. Kako, da si se odločil, vrnilti se v Slobodo, Nikita Romanovič? A dovoli, da te prej pogostim; gotovo si truden od potovanja."

Na ukaz Godunova so postavili na mizo zakuske in nekaj vrčev vina.

"Povej mi, knez," je vprašal Godunov skrbljivo, "ali so te videli, ko si šel na krilce?"

"Ne vem," je odgovoril Serebrjani protostudošno; "mogoče, da so me videli; prav nič se nisem skrival, šel sem naravnost proti tvoji zgornjici. Vem, da ne držiš z opričniki."

(Dalje prih.)

MARČEVA ŠTEVILKA 'NOVEGA SVETA'

Prihodnji teden bo izšla treja številka sedmega letnika, ali marčeva številka družinskega mesečnika "NOVI SVET", s sledečo vsebino:

"FILOZOFIJA DELA" (uvodnik). — "PREGLED" (političnih in drugih dogodkov). — Josip Lapajne: "GORENJEC" (članek o Gorenjcu, njegovih običajih, šečah in o narodni nošnji). — R. Menzel: "NE BOM KUPIL" (črtica o potovanju po Bližnjem vzhodu in Afriki). — F. S.: "KDO JE ODKRIL FERDIDO?" (članek). — M. Novak: "NAPOLEON" (zivljenje-pis razboritega Napoleona). — "MODROVANJA". — J. M. Trunk: "THEURE — GREH JE GREH" (prenisičevanje). — F. Miklos: "PRIDIGA V PESTI" (črtica). — "SLOVENSKI PIJONIR" (zgodovinsko opis-

vane Slovencev v Pueblo in tamkajšnje na seline).

"DOM IN ZDRAVJE" (nasveti za gospodinje in zdravstvo). — "ZA SMEH IN ZABAVO". — M. G.: "RUMENA MRZLICA" (črtica iz Južne Amerike). — M. Seemann-A. Lebar: "DVE KRONI" (zanimiv roman).

V tej marčevi številki je posebno zanimiv članek o "Gorenju" in slovenski narodni nošnji. Tisti, ki se zanimajo zlasti za slovensko narodno nošo, naj bi ta članek prečital. Zanimivo je tudi ostalo gradivo. Družinski mesečni "Novi Svet" je edina te vrste slovenska publikacija v Ameriki, ki prinaša poučno in leposlovno čitavo za Slovence v Ameriki. Stane letno samo \$2. Naročino je poslati na Upravo "NOVI SVET", 1849 W. Cermak Road, Chicago 8, Illinois.

SRBI NASTOPILI PROTI TITOVI PRISTAJEM

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

Omenjeni trije pravoslavni duhovniki so se izrazili, da je Tito edino upanje za Jugoslavijo. To so Rev. Strahinja Matetič iz Aliquippa, Pa., ki je tajnik Združenega odbora jugoslovanskih Amerikanov, istega odbora, ki mu je predsednik naš pisatelj Adamič. Ostala dva sta Rev. Nikolaj Drenovac iz Youngstown, Ohio, in Rev. E. Milijan Glocar iz Akron, Oh.

Trije duhovniki so izjavili, da Tito zastopa in predstavlja združeno Jugoslavijo in da ga pravoslavno cerkveno zastopstvo prezira zato, ker je Hrvat. Tudi so obdolžili škofa Dionizija, da se je udal zagrizeno strankarskim organizacijam.

Govornik za cerkveno zastopstvo pa je poudaril, da Tito siri komunistični vpliv na Balkanu in je obdolžil omenjene tri duhovnike, da sodelujejo s komunisti. Pridaval je tudi, da

nobeden izmed njih ni ameriški državljan.

Na tem kongresu je bilo nad 100 delegatov, ki so zastopali 35 srbskih pravoslavnih cerkv v Zedinjenih državah in Kanadi. Razen enega so vsi glasovali, naj pridejo ti trije duhovniki pred cerkveno sodiščem in na jih zadene ostra kaznen.

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PRIJATELJI ČETNIKOV PRE-PRČILI ADAMIČEV GOVOR

Ind. — P-istaši Konzervativnih Slovanov imajo v programu veliko manifestacijsko prireditev za nedeljo 19. marca, na kateri bi imel glavni govornik Louis Adamič. Prireditev bi bila v Gary's Memorial Auditoriumu, ki ga upravlja odbor za šolsvo. Zadnjo soboto je pomožni superintendent odpovedal dovoljenje iz razloga, ker so se proti temu pritožili s posebno peticijo četvrtih podpisnikov pristaši Mihajlovič in njegovih četnikov.



NAZNANILO IN ZAHVALA

Začetnega srca naznamanjem vsem našim sorodnikom, prijateljem in znancem žalostno vest, da je po kratki bolezni umrla naša ljubljena mama

ANA ZEVNIK - ZALAR

dne 8. februarja 1944 v starosti 77 let. Bohala je zadnjih 6 mesecev. Njeno delikloko ime je bilo Kotnik, ter je bila rojena 26. julija 1867 v vasi Nadlesk št. 33, pri Starom trgu na Notranjskem, kjer se je tudi poročila s Frankom Zevnik, predno je prista s Ameriko. Pred 52 leti pa je prisa za njim v Ameriko, in sicer v Cleveland, Ohio, odkoder so se pozneje preselili v Lorain, Ohio, ter so bili tam prva slovenska družina. Tam je tudi umrl njen mož Frank Zevnik, zapuščiv 4 otroke, Mary, Antonia, Ano in Franka. Pozneje se je leta 1907 poročila z John Zalarjem, ter so se leta 1912 preselili v Willard, Wis., kjer je prebivala zadnjih 32 let. Tam so imeli 12 let prodajalno in posneže so obdelovali farmo celih 20 let. Leta 1928 sta obiskala svoj rojstni kraj in svoje sorodnike v Jugoslaviji. Dne 3. januarja 1938 je pa umrl John Zalar v starosti 60 let.

Njen pogreb se je vršil v sobotu 12. februarja 1944 ob 10. uri in cerkvi Sv. Družine, kjer je daroval pogrebno sv. maico č. g. Rev. Stragišer, na domače pokopališču, kjer je bila položena v večnemu počitku v družinsko grobnico. Bila je članica Olтарnega društva in dr. Sv. Družine. Članice teh dveh družev so se zbrale ob njeni krsti, kakov tudi prijatelji, ter so molili sv. rožni venec. Pogrebci so bili Frank Perovič, Frank Velovsek, John Zupancic, Anton Trunkel, Anton Merkin in John Gregorich.

Zelimo se prav lepo zahvaliti vsem prijateljem in znancem, posebno po Olтарnemu društvu, za vse, kar so nam dobrega storili v dnevnih naših žalostih, posebno pa se želimo zahvaliti za vence in cvetlične kakov tudi za darovane sv. malec vsem, ki so prali molitv v njeni krsti, kakov tudi vsem, ki so se udeležili pogroba. Nadalje se zahvaljujemo vsem tistim, ki so dali svoje avtomobile na raspolaganje.

Sorodniki, ki so se udeležili pogroba so bili Mr. in Mrs. Anton Zevnik, Robert in Margie iz Madison, Betty in Chicago, in Frances iz Detroita, Mr. in Mrs. Frank J. Zevnik in družina iz Madison, Mr. in Mrs. Joe Rakovec in družina iz Marshfield, Mrs. Frank J. Fale in sin in Chicago, Sergeant Robert Debevec iz Rosencrantz Field, St. Joseph, Mo. Mr. in Mrs. John Kotnik in Lorain, Ohio in Filip Kotnik in Chicago.

Pokojna zapušča 4 sinove: Anton in Frank J. Zevnik, Madison, Wis.; John F. in Joseph Zalar, Willard, Wis.; 3 hčere: Mary (Mrs. Anton Debevec), Willard, Wis.; Ana (Mrs. Frank Zihler), Akron, Ohio, Johanna (Mrs. Elmer Severson), Willard, Wis.; 27 vnukov in vnukinj, 8 pravnukov, ter 2 brata: John Kotnik in Lorain, Ohio, ter Filip Kotnik in Chicago, Ill. Willard, Wis., 25. februarja 1944.

J. M. Trunk

Ko so Čehi ili parafur, so plesali Poljaki vesela. Ampak takoj so šli tudi Poljaki parafur. Pa plesajte radi Tešina. Več pameti po katastrofi? Ako pride danes le do, "kakor je bilo", si bodo jutri v laseh radi Tešina, tako pravijo na obeh straneh, ko je se kakor na pokopališču. Če pa omeniš, da mora "močna roka" prijeti oba za ušeša, te sunje med rebra.

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Ob času priprav za glasovanje na Koroškem je bilo. — Vojašto pri zasedbi je bilo pomembano. Ni bilo vse le idealno, jugoslovanskega idealeta pa ravno ni primanjkovalo. Nekoč pride k meni duhovnik in mi pripoveduje, da je slišal od macedonskega vojaka hude reči o Srbih, ko so po l. 1912 prišli v Macedonijo, in tudi mi bi se utegnili s Srbijami, ker vsaj Macedonci so tedaj žeeli Turke nazaj. Meni je bila to španska vas. Marsikaj sem videl in vedel, kako je pač tudi pri Srbih, ampak idealna nisem izgubil. Plebiscit smo izgubili, Srbov toraj ni bilo. O Macedonia sem sodil, da je morda sitnež, ker ljudje se nad vsem pritožujejo. Šele Adamičeva knjiga "My Native Land" mi je pojasnila, da je bil tisti Macedonec opravičen pri sodbi o nekih Srbih, ker iz knjige je razvidno, da je nesrbska in cincarska beografska čaršija z lisjakom Pašičem na čelu naravnost roparsko postopala v Macedoniji. Nečednosti te grde čaršije so se pod Jugoslavijo še podvajile, pa se mnogim še niso odprle oči. Ali so res tako idealni? Well, golih idealov ni, ampak najboljši ideal ne more pokriti praktik političnih roparjev.

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Sv. pismo pravi, da je huda reč, kadar hlapec postane kralj. Ni treba ravno kraljevsko robe za huda reč. Ta in oni se dvignejo po razmerah na neko "višjo" mesto, in to se dogaja največkrat v politiki, ali pride enako do politiki v doteda s kako tako visoko glavo, in takoj se v njem vzbuji "hlapec je postal ralj." Naj je politika še tako umazana, rinil bo za tako politiko, ker upa po politiki priti do kraljeve robe, dasi postane sam hudo umazan. Pravijo, da je ženska zmožna najvišje čednosti in najnižje podlosti, kadar ji gre za lasten prestiž. Tudi dosti takih možnih je. Cankar je hud, ko so rekel hlapec Jerneju: "hlapec si in hlapec ostaneš! Jernej naj bi prisel do svoje pravice, ampak Cankar ni vedel, kakšen bi bil Jernej postal, ako bi bil prisel tudi le do pravice, če bi postal "kralj," sakramiš, stavim, da bi bilo

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