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AMERIČANI PRO-DIRAO PROTI SE-VERNI FRANCICI

Rusi prebili nemško obrambo črto pri Varšavi

VELIKE JAPONSKE IZGUBE NA PA-CIFIKU

Zavezniški stan v Franciji, 22. avg.—Ameriške čete so po prekoračenju reke Seine na obeh straneh, Pariza začele prodričati proti obali severne Francije in reki Marni, pozorijoči velike bitke v prvi svetovni vojni. Cilj prodiranja je zdrobitev petnajstih nemških armade na severu in ostankov sedme armade pri Parizu.

Izgleda, da so vrata Pariza odprta zavezniški sili. Francoski rodoljubi so zavojevani v bitkah z Nemci v glavnem mestu, močnimi oddelki ameriške armade pa so oddaljeni samo nekaj milijonov od osrečja Pariza.

Zavezniški letalci so v izvidniških poletih opazili beg Nemcov iz Pariza. Vse ceste, ki vodijo iz mesta proti vzhodu, so natprane z nemškimi vozili.

Rim, 22. avg.—Francoske čete so udire v Toulon, veliko mornarično bazo v južni Franciji ob Sredozemskem morju, druge zavezniške sile pa prodričati proti Marselju, drugemu največjemu francoskemu mestu. Ameriške in francoske čete so okupirale Pertuis, 41 milijon od Marsella, po zdrobitev nemške vojaške posadke.

Uradni komunikat pravi, da so zavezniški ujeli čez 14,000 tisoč sovražnikov v južni Franciji. General Bernard Montgomery, poveljnik britiske armade, je v poslanici zavezniškim četam navedel, da bo Francija kmalu osvobojena. Nemške armade so do bile strahovite udarce.

London, 22. avg.—Ruske oklopne, topniške in pehotne kolone so prebile glavno nemško obrambo črto na severovzhodni strani Varšave in se zdaj vrate naprej.

Radio Moskva poroča, da je bitka za posest Varšave v razmahu. Sovjetske čete so okupirale čez 50 naselbin na ozemlju med Varšavo in reko Bug. V bitki na severni strani Sandomirja, nemške vojaške trdnjave, ki je padla zadnjih teden, so Rusi ubili 12,000 in ujeli 1500 sovražnikov.

Washington, D. C., 22. avg.—Mornarični departament poroča, da so Japonci izgubili 44,956 vojakov v bitkah z ameriškimi četami in pomorsčaki na otokih Saipan, Tinian in Guam v Matrijski grapi. Ameriške izgube so znašale 4470 ubitih, 20,345 ranjenih in 721 pogrešanih.

Ameriška letalska sila in podmornice so potopile in poškodovale čez 20 japonskih ladij in parnikov. Yawata, središče japonske jeklarske industrije, je v razvalinah. Bombe, ki so jih vrgli ameriški letalci v dveh napadih, so porušile mnogo tovarn in zanetile požare.

Zavezniški stan na Pacifiku, 22. avg.—Ameriški letalci so vrgli 20 ton razstrelih in zazglinali bomb na japonske baze na Halmaheri in Boeroju, portu generala Douglas MacArthurja. Oba otoka ležita zapadno od Nove Gvineje.

Diesov odsek zaslisi vladne uradnike Washington, D. C., 22. avg.—Diesov kongresni odsek, ki vodi preiskavo neameriških aktivnosti, je naznanil, da bodo visoki vladni uradniki pozvani k zaslisanju glede sodelovanja z odbojem za politično akcijo Kongresa in industrijskih organizacij. Načelnik tega odbora je Sidney Hillman, predsednik unije Amalgamated Clothing Workers.

Iz jubilejne kampanje SNPJ

Agitatorji pridobili 344 novih članov v juliju; Mary Udovich, Anton Zornik, Joseph Klun, Mary Vidmar in Ursula Ambrozich na prvem mestu; 315 društev aktivnih v kampanji; 25 društev izpolnilo svoje kvote

V zadnjem poročilu na tem mestu je bilo rečeno, da je rezultat jubilejne kampanje v juliju nadkril vse prejšnje mesečne pridobitve. Ker je bilo zadnje poročilo podano predno je kampanjski direktor br. Michael Vrhovnik imel vse podatke na roki, ga to počelo izpopolnjuje.

Kot zgoraj rečeno, je kampanja v juliju prinesla 344 novih članov in oba oddelka: 224 v mladinski in 120 v odrasli oddelki. Med temi je 78 članov, ki so prestopili iz mladinskega v odrasli oddelki.

Na prvem mestu jednotnih agitatorjev je še vedno MARY UDOVICH iz Chicaga, ki je v juliju pridobila nadaljnih 20 novih članov, vse skupaj v tej kampanji pa 83. Na drugem mestu je JOHN ZIGMAN iz Strabana, Pa., s 30 novimi člani. Nevarnost pa je, da bo ispodprtih TONE ZORNICK iz Hermelinja, ki ima na svoji kampanjski palici že 27 zarez. Tone je bil prošli mesec posebno priden, kajti pridobil je 15 novih članov.

Na četrtem mestu je gl. odbornica URSULA AMBROZICH iz Eureha, Minn., z 21 novimi člani, od katerih jih je v juliju pridobil osem. Prav toliko jih je pridobil tudi MARY VIDMAR iz Johnstowna, Pa., vse skupaj do konca julija pa 18. Zelo dobro se je v juliju odrezal tudi br. JOSEPH KLUN, tajnik društva 583, Lowber, Pa., ki je pridobil deset novih članov. Pridno sta na delu tudi MARY VASIL, tajnica Venere v Milwaukeeu, in njena poomočnica MARY GLAVAN, ki sta v juliju povečali društvo za devet novih članov, skupaj v tej kampanji pa 29, tako da je njih društvo na tretjem mestu.

Društvo 288, Fredericktown, Pa., se je priglasilo s sedmimi novimi člani, žest pa je bilo vpisani pri društvu 158, Euclid, O. Po pet novih članov so v juliju pridobili: IDA DANIELS (8), Sygan, Pa., LOUIS SHUSTER (8), Rillton, Pa., HELEN ROBICH (18) Presto, Pa. in SYLVIA SKEDEL (254), Bon Air, Pa.

Kot je razvidno iz zadnjega poročila kampanjskega direktorja, ki je bilo pridobljeno v angleški sekcijski zadnjem teden, je v tej kampanji aktivnih 315 društev, ki so pridobila po enega ali več novih članov. Torej je na delu malo več kot polovica društev SNPJ.

Kaj če bi v drugi polovici kampanje stopila na noge tudi ostala društva, ki v tej kampanji še niso pridobila nobenega člana? To je potrebno, če hočemo mašiti vrseli, kajti smrt pobira člane vsak dan. V prvi polovici tega leta je na primis umrl 254 članov. Le jubilejni kampanji, oskrbna osmisljena društvinom in agitatorjem, ki so aktivni v njej, se imamo zahvaliti, da jednota ni padla v članstvu, marveč še nekoliko narašča. V drugi polovici tega leta znajmo biti izgube še večje, kajti mnogo naših članov je zdati v akciji na bojnih poljanah v Franciji. Vsi seveda želimo, da bi se zdravi vrnili domov, vendar pa vemo, da so to le želje, s katerimi se realnost čestotkrat kruši igra.

Torej društva, ki do sedaj niso storila niti enega koraka in niso pridobila še enega člana v tej kampanji, NA NOGE! Malo je društev, aki je sploh kateri, ki bi ne moglo pridobiti niti enega člana. Za ojačanje mladinskega oddelka je prilika v silehrih naseljibini, ker lahko pridobivajo tudi otroke drugih narodnosti in domačinov. Naj ta kampanja velja za vse društva, ne samo za polovico. Torej na delo!

Pomoč ogrskim židom zagotovljena

Amerika in Anglija sprejeli ponudbo

Washington, D. C., 22. avg.—Državni departement je naznalil, da sta Amerika in Velika Britanija sprejeli ponudbo ogrske vlade glede izpustitve židov. Ameriške in britiske avtoritete bodo skrbeli za žide, ki pridejo v neutralne države ali na ozemlje Združenih narodov.

Zadevno naznanilo je bilo objavljeno v Washingtonu in Londonu. Ogrska vlada je predložila ponudbo Ameriki in Veliki Britaniji preko odbora mednarodnega Rdečega križa, čigar glavni stan je v Ženevi, Švica.

"Zaradi obupnega položaja židov na Ogrskem in humanitarnih razlogov bosta Amerika in Velika Britanija storili korake s sodelovanjem odbora Rdečega križa, da židje dobe začasno zaščitne," se glasi naznanilo.

Državni departement je poudaril, da sprejetje ponudbe ogrske vlade v nobenem oziru ne sankcionira akcij te viade proti židom.

Produkcija premoga se povečala Washington, D. C., 22. avg.—Diesov kongresni odsek, ki vodi preiskavo neameriških aktivnosti, je naznanil, da bodo visoki vladni uradniki pozvani k zaslisanju glede sodelovanja z odbojem za politično akcijo Kongresa in industrijskih organizacij. Načelnik tega odbora je Sidney Hillman, predsednik unije Amalgamated Clothing Workers.

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KONFERENCA O ZAŠČITI SVE-TOVNEGA MIRU

Hull in Cadogan proti dominaciji malih državic

POPOLN SPORAZUM SE OBETA

Washington, D. C., 22. avg.—Boljši svet, varen pred strahom tami vojne, je bil napovedan ob otvoriti konference reprezentantov treh velesil — Amerike, Velike Britanije in sovjetske Rusije — v Washingtonu. Na tej se prvi razprava o ustanovitvi svetovne organizacije, ki naj bi vzdrževala v silehrih mir in sestavljanju sedanja vojne in preprečila agresije.

Velesile naj bi prevzele odgovornost za preprečenje tretje svetovne vojne. Obriši so bili začrtani, ko se je 40 reprezentantov treh velesil sestalo na zgodovinski konferenci, najvažnejši od one v Versaillesu pred 25 leti, ki ni izpolnila pričakovanj.

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Upanje je, da bodo diskuzije rezultirale v osvojitvi načrta glede ustanovitve mednarodne organizacije, v kateri bodo imele vse države, male in velike, besedilo v zadevah zaščite svetovne vojne. Reprezentant Kitaške se bodo pozneje sestali s predstavniki Amerike in Velike Britanije in nadaljevali diskusije. Rusija pa jih ne bo udeležila, ker ni v vojni z Japonsko.

Konferenco je otvoril ameriški državni tajnik Cordell Hull. V svojem govoru je poudaril, "da mora vzdrževanje miru v povojnem departmaju, da se bo dosegel dan, ko se je 40 reprezentantov treh velesil sestalo na zgodovinski konferenci, najvažnejši od one v Versaillesu pred 25 leti, ki ni izpolnila pričakovanj."

Hull se je izrekel proti dominaciji malih državic po velesilah, da bodo morajo slednje prevzeti glavno odgovornost za vzdrževanje miru. Alexander Cadogan, načelnik britiske delegacije, je v svojem govoru dejal, da se strinja s Hullom.

Andrej A. Gromyko, ruski poslanik v Washingtonu in načelnik ruske delegacije, je v svojem govoru dejal, da mora biti vzdrževanje miru v rokah Sovjetske unije, Amerike in Velike Britanije, držav, ki razpolagajo s sredstvi za preprečenje agresije. Očitno je, da bo dosegel popoln sporazum med velesilami.

Dewey odpre kampanjo 7. septembra

New York, 22. avg.—Osrednji odbor republikanske stranke je naznalil, da bo govoril Thomas E. Dewey, predsedniški kandidat te stranke, odpril volilno kampanjo 7. septembra. Tako je govoril v Philadelphia, Pa., naslednj dan pa v Louisvilu, Ky. V Philadelphiji bo Dewey govoril v dvoranji, kjer se je pred štirimi leti vrnila konvercija republikanske stranke, ko je bil Wendell Willkie imenovan za predsedniškega kandidata.

Senator McCarran je avtor sedanjih letalskih zakonov. Njegov načrt je izvral opozicijo s strani S. J. Solomona, načelnika direktorja letalskih kompanij. Slednji je dejal, da je proti načrtu, ker predvideva monopol nad civilnim letalstvom. On je za sodelovanje več kompanij v mednarodni letalski transportaciji, da se omogoči poštena konkurenca in večja sposobnost podjetij.

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Domače vesti

Kernov besednjak

Cleveland.—Dr. Kern je izdal v novi izdaji svoj angleško-slovenski besednjak, ki je izšel te dni. Ponovno ga je izdal v omenjenem številu radi povpraševanja. Stane \$5 in naroča se pri avtorju: Dr. F. J. Kern, 6233 St. Clair ave., Cleveland, Ohio.

Prestala operacija

Imperial, Pa.—Alice Lecko, članica društva 716 SNPJ, se je moralna podvrci težki operaciji, katero je srečno prestala. Bolnični je že zapustila in zdaj se zdravi doma. Članstvo ji želi hitrega okrevanja.

Nov grob v Kansusu

Yale, Kans.—Tukaj je 13. avg. umrla nagle smrti Anna Grošelj, članica društva 9 SNPJ in star 26 let. Tukaj zapušča mater in sestro.

Milwaukee v Kansusu

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Razprave o iniciativi društva 21

PROTI INICIATIVI

Claridge, Pa.—Naše društvo Bratoljub št. 7 SNPJ, Claridge, Pa., je na zadnji seji razpravljalo o iniciativi društva št. 21 in prišlo do zaključka, da je ne podpira, da naj ostane tako kot je do prihodnje konvencije.

Za društvo št. 7 SNPJ:

Mike Baloh, tajnik.

DRUŠTVO ŠT. 29

PROTI INICIATIVI

Thomas W. Va.—Clanstvo našega društva je na zadnjem rednem seji razpravljalo o predloženi iniciativi društva št. 21 in prišlo do zaključka, da je ne podpira. Menili smo, da bi morebiti nekoliko znižali delegacijo, v primeru, da bi bila iniciativa sprejeta, toda na drugi strani bi imeli velike stroške s splošnim glasovanjem.

Lenhart Wardinek, tajnik.

DRUŠTVO 450

PROTI INICIATIVI

Euclid, O.—Clanstvo društva št. 450 SNPJ je na svoji redni mesečni seji razpravljalo o predloženi iniciativi, ki naj bi znižala delegacijo prihodnje konvencije, ter prišlo do sklepa, da iniciative društva št. 21 ne podpira.

Mnenje našega članstva je, na takoj ostane kot je sklenila zadnja konvencija.

Za društvo št. 450 SNPJ:

Mary Dodic, tajnik.

PROTI INICIATIVI

Presto, Pa.—Clanstvo društva št. 166 SNPJ je na svoji redni mesečni seji razpravljalo o iničiativi društva št. 21 in zaključilo, da je ne podpira.

Za društvo št. 166 SNPJ:

Anton Petrovič, predsednik, **Helen Robich**, tajnica, **Christina Klemencic**, blag.

DRUŠTVO ŠT. 143

PROTI INICIATIVI

East Helena, Mont.—Clanstvo društva št. 143 SNPJ v East Helena, Mont., je na svoji redni mesečni seji, ki se je vršila dne 13. avgusta t. l., razpravljalo o iniciativi društva št. 21 ter prišlo do zaključka, da se ne strinja z iniciativo. Mnenje našega članstva je, da ne bi prihranili nič denarja, a splošno glasovanje pa bi stalo precej dolarjev. Prav tako ne vemo, kako bi glasovanje izpadlo.

Za društvo Slovenski lovec št. 143 SNPJ:

Frank Percich, tajnik.

PROTI INICIATIVI

Johnstown, Pa.—Clanstvo našega društva št. 82 SNPJ je na seji dne 13. avgusta razpravljalo o iniciativi društva št. 21 in sklenilo, da je ne podpira. Menili smo, da ne bi dosti prehranili, kajti splošno glasovanje stane denar. Umestno bi bilo, da bi izvršni odbor približno prečaunal, koliko bi stalo splošno glasovanje, da bi članstvo vedelo kaj je kaj.

Na vsak način bi bilo dobro, da bi skrajšali naše konvencije. Po mojem mnenju bi jih lahko skrajšali na šest dni. Da bi se to doseglo, je potrebno, da bi bila poročila glavnih odbornikov poslana članstvu v pregled tri mesece pred konvencijo, prav tako spremembu pravil. Tako bi lahko članstvo dobilo vpogled v delovanje glavnega odbora, a na konvenciji bi ne čitali tista poročila, izvzemši, kaj je kaj izrednega, kar bi morata rešiti in napraviti zaključke konvencija. Prav tako naj bi ustala vse društvena priporočila, izvzemši, aki bi glavni odber zahteval od kakrškega društva, da poda svoje poročilo na konvenciji. Bil sem že na več konvencijah in dobro se spominjam vseh poročil, ki so vzel na dan dva dni. Skrajšanje konvencije pa v veliki meri odvisi od članstva samega. Mnogokrat sem že slišal, ko so se hvalili tega ali onega društva, češ, da imamo takega delegata, kajti jih bo že "sfikal" in da ga bodo zlahkoto ugnali.

Vsem delegatom je dobro znano, da je na vsaki konvenciji le takoj delegat, ki si jemljejo pravico in nepristano govoriti, dokim ostali dobre le redko delegati, da povedo svoje mnenje. Spominjam se, ko sem nekoč dobesed na konvenciji, pa se

je delegat, ki je sedel poleg mena, zelo čudil, češ, on je že tollkokrat vprašal za besedo, a je ne mogel dobiti. Škoda je, da se nekateri delegati zelo domisljajo in misijo, da so le oni upravičeni govoriti in na ta način preprečijo do besede mnogim preprostim članom, ki imajo marsikaj pametnega v mislih.

Ako hoče članstvo prihraniti na stroških prihodnjem konvenciju, potem naj izvoli take delegate, ki jim je jednota resnično pri srcu in samo na jeziku. Potem ne bomo imeli nič primanjkljaja v konvenčnem fondu. Ako pa članstvo misli, da je pa-metno pošljati na konvencijo take ljudi, ki veliko govorijo, a store malo koristnega za jednoto, potem pa nimamo pravice kritizirati, ako pride do posebnih doklad.

Frank Chuchek.

PROTI INICIATIVI

Bellaire, O.—Clanstvo društva št. 258 SNPJ je na svoji redni seji razpravljalo o iniciativi, ki jo je predložilo članstvo društva št. 21, ter prišlo do zaključka, da je ne podpira.

Nekateri naši člani so menili, da je bila dotedna iniciativa skovana v Clevelandu in da ji je kumoval brat Stonič. Seveda, da ta domnevanja nimamo nobenih dokazov.

V splošnem pa je bilo mnenje članstva, da smo lahko srečni, ker se nahajamo v deželi, ki je v vojni, a mi lahko vseeno obdržavamo konvencije. Mnogi pa so izražali mnenje, da bi se prihodnja konvencija vrnila v Chicago, kjer je glavni urad.

Za društvo št. 258 SNPJ:

Martin Milicevich, predsednik, **George Vucelich**, tajnik, **Sam Grashe**, blagajnik.

DRUŠTVO ŠT. 112

ZA INICIATIVO

Bear Creek, Mont.—Društvo št. 112 SNPJ je na svoji redni mesečni seji obširno razpravljalo o predloženi iniciativi društva št. 21 in prišlo do zaključka, da ne bi s sprejetjem iniciative znižali delegacije in ne stroškov prihodnjem konvenciji. Bili smo mnenja, da kolikor bi prihranili pri delegaciji, bi pa potrošili s splošnim glasovanjem in tako ne bi bila jednota nič na boljšem. To so vzroki, da ne podpiramo iniciative.

Za društvo št. 112 SNPJ:

Frank Podlinšek, predsednik, **Mary Gasser**, tajnica, **Mat Moshnik**, blagajnik.

PROTI INICIATIVI

Greensburg, Pa.—Clanstvo društva št. 223 SNPJ je na svoji redni seji razpravljalo o predloženi iniciativi društva št. 21 in sklenilo, da jo podpira.

Za društvo št. 223 SNPJ:

John Mahlich, predsednik, **Frank Bruce**, tajnik, **Lovrenc Ogrin**, blagajnik.

DRUŠTVO ŠT. 112

PROTI INICIATIVI

Waukegan, Ill.—Clanstvo društva Sloga št. 14 SNPJ je na svoji zadnji seji, ki se je vršila dne 10. avgusta, razpravljalo o iničiativi društva št. 21 in prišlo do zaključka, da je ne podpira.

Za društvo št. 14 SNPJ:

Fr. Perko, tajnik.

PROTI INICIATIVI

Greensburg, Pa.—Clanstvo društva št. 223 SNPJ je na svoji redni seji razpravljalo o predloženi iniciativi društva št. 21 in sklenilo, da ne bi s sprejetjem iniciative znižali delegacije in ne stroškov prihodnjem konvenciji. Bili smo mnenja, da kolikor bi prihranili pri delegaciji, bi pa potrošili s splošnim glasovanjem in tako ne bi bila jednota nič na boljšem.

Za društvo št. 223 SNPJ:

Mary Russ, tajnica.

ZA INICIATIVO

Windscr Heights, W. Va.—Na zadnji redni mesečni seji je članstvo društva št. 407 SNPJ obširno razpravljalo o iniciativi društva št. 21 in sklenilo, da je ne podpira. Menili smo, da ne bi dosti prehranili, kajti splošno glasovanje stane denar. Umestno bi bilo, da bi izvršni odbor približno prečaunal, koliko bi stalo splošno glasovanje, da bi članstvo vedelo kaj je kaj.

Na vsak način bi bilo dobro, da bi skrajšali naše konvencije. Po mojem mnenju bi jih lahko skrajšali na šest dni. Da bi se to doseglo, je potrebno, da bi bila poročila glavnih odbornikov poslana članstvu v pregled tri mesece pred konvencijo, prav tako spremembu pravil. Tako bi lahko članstvo dobilo vpogled v delovanje glavnega odbora, a na konvenciji bi ne čitali tista poročila, izvzemši, kaj je kaj izrednega, kar bi morata rešiti in napraviti zaključke konvencija. Prav tako naj bi ustala vse društvena priporočila, izvzemši, aki bi glavni odber zahteval od kakrškega društva, da poda svoje poročilo na konvenciji. Bil sem že na več konvencijah in dobro se spominjam vseh poročil, ki so vzel na dan dva dni. Skrajšanje konvencije pa v veliki meri odvisi od članstva samega. Mnogokrat sem že slišal, ko so se hvalili tega ali onega društva, češ, da imamo takega delegata, kajti jih bo že "sfikal" in da ga bodo zlahkoto ugnali.

Vsem delegatom je dobro znano, da je na vsaki konvenciji le takoj delegat, ki si jemljejo pravico in nepristano govoriti, dokim ostali dobre le redko delegati, da povedo svoje mnenje. Spominjam se, ko sem nekoč dobesed na konvenciji, pa se

zavlačevali. Prav tako se naj paži, da ne bi polagali preveč važnosti na kakšne častne izjave, katere potem lahko dovedejo do tožb. Sploh je dobro, da smo na konvenciji malo bolj pazljivi v vseh ozirih, da ne bomo trtili preveč časa in s tem znižali stroške konvencije.

Za društvo št. 192 SNPJ:

Mary Musich, predsednica, **Mary Vasili**, tajnica.

DRUŠTVO ŠT. 318

PROTI INICIATIVI

Bagaley, Pa.—Društvo št. 318 SNPJ je na svoji redni seji razpravljalo o iniciativi društva št. 21 in prišlo do zaključka, da je ne podpira. Vzrok, da iniciative ne podpiramo, je, ker ne bi nič izboljšali finančni problem, ki je v zvezi s prihodnjem konvencijo.

Naše društvo se je tudi odzvalo klicu Progresivnih Slovencev iz Clevelandu in darovalo \$9 za ambulančni avtomobil, ki ga bodo kupile Progresivne Slovence v ga poslale slovenskim partizanom v staro domovino s posredovanjem Rdečega križa. Vzota res ni velika, toda naša društvo je tudi odzvalo klicu našega članstva.

Naše društvo je prihajalo v konvenčnem fondu. Ako pa članstvo misli, da je pa-metno pošljati na konvencijo take ljudi, ki veliko govorijo, a store malo koristnega za jednoto, potem pa nimamo pravice kritizirati, ako pride do posebnih doklad.

Frank Chuchek.

PROTI INICIATIVI

Bellaire, O.—Clanstvo društva št. 258 SNPJ je na svoji redni seji razpravljalo o iniciativi, ki jo je predložilo članstvo društva št. 21, ter prišlo do zaključka, da je ne podpira.

Nekateri naši člani so menili, da je bila dotedna iniciativa skovana v Clevelandu in da ji je kumoval brat Stonič. Seveda, da ta domnevanja nimamo nobenih dokazov.

Theresa Matko, tajnica št. 318.

DRUŠTVO ŠT. 16

PROTI INICIATIVI

Milwaukee, Wis.—Clanstvo društva št. 16 SNPJ v Milwaukeeju, ki se bo vršila 29. oktobra, bo morda velika reč. Pripravljeni odbor je pridobil na delu in bratje in sestre, ki ga tvorijo, tuhajo in gruntajo, kaj vse bi bilo napravili, da bi prihodnja konvencija vrnila v Chicago, in okolici, naj se piknika udeleži. Torej, ne pozabite na to važno priredbo in počitki v Sveti naši svetega.

Zaključek je bil, da gre čističi dobitek piknika članom-vojakom, katerim bodo poslana daria. Društvo jim hoče s tem dočakati, da jih ni pozabilo. Oni mu bodo gotovo hvaležni za to in to izpričali, ko se vrnejo v civilno življenje. Lansko leto jim je društvo poslalo božična daria, katerih so bili veseli, kar so tudi povedali.

Vstopnine na piknik ne bo in sieherni je dobrodošel. Društvo apelira zlasti na člane, kakov tu bo na svoje prijatelje v Chicagu in okolici, naj se piknika udeleži. Oni člani, ki ne morejo prisjetiti na piknik, naj se na drug način spomnijo naših fantov, ki služijo v armadi.

Oni, ki nimata avtomobilov, se obrnute na svoje prijatelje, ki jih imajo, da vas odpeljejo na piknički prostor. Tja vožijo tudi avtobusi. Članice in člani bodo skrbeli, da bodo vsi udeleženci dobro postreženi in se zavabili.

Apeliram na vse one, ki imajo takovane knjižice, da jih čim več prodajo ali pa jih sami pokupijo. Tudi vstopnice lahko kupite pri tajniku. Cena ni visoka, samo 50 centov. Za ples bo igral orkester "Slovene Trio". Ples se prične ob pol devetih in bo trajal do 12:30. Torej, člani in članice društva št. 166, delajo vsi, da bomo uspeli s plesom. Vzemimo si za vzgled našega predsednika, kateri je predlagal, da bodo dovolj glasov, tako da bodo v sredini deli v spletu.

Ob tej priliki naj tudi sporočim, da je bil eden izmed naših članov ranjen na italijanski fronti, in sicer Felix Krek, sta 21 let.

On je prvi član našega društva, ki je bil ranjen. Upam in želim, da nobenega drugega kajudega ne zadeže. Feliks pa želimo, da čim prej ozdravi in se srečno povrne domov.

Sedaj imamo kampanjo in prosim člane, da bi mogli pridobiti kakšnega novega člana v naše društvo. To bi bil mnje, da bi morete dati naši dnevi organizaciji ob njenem 40. letnem jubileju. Naše društvo je sicer že doseglo v tej kampanji svojo kvoto, toda s tem ni rečeno, da lahko sedaj držimo križem naše roke. Na tem mestu se tudi najlepše zahvaljujem našemu predsedniku Antonu Peteroviču, ki mi je pomagal

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Pokažimo svojo rodoljubnost!

Progresivne Slovenke iz Clevelandu so pričele z zelo potrebnim hvalevredno akcijo z sbiranjem skladov za nabavo ambulanc za naše junakovo ljudstvo v starem kraju. To ljudstvo se je v svojih najtemnejših dneh dvignilo višje od Triglava in si v bojih proti okupatorju in domaćim kvizilngom spletlo nesmrtno epopejo, katero bodo opevali pozni slovenski rodovi.

V ta namen so se Progresivne Slovenke obrnile do raznih društev in posameznikov s prošnjo za prispevke.

Ameriški Slovenci bi morali poslati našim bratom in sestram v staro domovino najmanj deset ambulanc. To lahko storimo, ako vsako društvo daruje čim več iz svoje blagajne in tako tudi posamezno posežeemo v žep in generozno darujemo. S temi ambulancami bi se ameriški Sloveni simbolično udeležili velikega boja v starem kraju za svobodo, za Združeno Slovenijo, za demokratiko, za federalistovo Jugoslavijo.

Gl. odbor je na svoji zadnji seji soglasno sklenil, da se naša jednota pridruži tej plemenitni akciji in sama nabavi ambulanco ter jo poslje našim velikim borilcem v starem kraju. Enako naj store tudi društva in generozno prispevajo v ambulančni sklad Progresivnih Slovenk. Naši bratje in sestre v starem kraju, najbrže ne bodo ničesar bolj cenili kot ta dar ameriških Slovencev. In poslati bi moral najmanj deset ambulanc.

Kar predočimo si, kako jih bo pri srcu zaigralo, ko bodo videli te ambulance z napisom: "Dar ameriških Slovencev." In večje število jih lahko pošljemo, ako se tej akciji pridruži vsaka slovenska jednota ali zveza in vsake naselbine, ki kolikaj čuti s slovenskim narodom v starem kraju.

Bratje in sestre, sploh vsi Slovenci, podprimo to plemenito in humanitarno akcijo pri društih in posamezno! Naj ne bo izgovora, da bo vojne kmalu konec, kajti ambulance jim bodo tudi po vojni zelo prav prisile. Do zdaj pa jih itak ni bilo mogoče poslati, kateri tudi ničesar drugače ne.

Zapadna Penna zopet proslavlja!

Vojna nam je zadnjih par let ustavila marsikasko društveno in kulturno priredo, posebno pa večje krajne slavnosti, kakor tudi vsakoletno "narodno" proslavo dneva SNPJ. Te slavnosti so bile lani in so letos zelo omejene, ali pa so bile sploh pokopane, dokler traja vojna. Odložene so bile radi transportnih in drugih težko kljub temu, da so bile zelo priljubljene.

Posebno narodni dan SNPJ je postal velika atrakcija in nekakšno "romanje" za tisoče naših članov in prijateljev. Daljavo je bila mnogim članom, posebno pa mladim, nepoznana, kajti šli so do tisoč in več milij daleč—s srednjega zapada na vzhod, v Pensylvanijo ali drugam in obratno.

Dokler je bilo dosti gasolina in avtih obodov, na vlaščih pa veliko prostora, je bilo potovanje relativno lahko. Danes je seveda drugače. Toda prišli bodo zopet časi, ko se bomo glede tega zopet povrnili v "dobre" stare čase. In tedaj bomo zopet ponosni zastavili SNPJ iz kraja v kraj, obnovili prijateljsko znanje in ustvarili nove medsebojne vezi.

Te besede so predvsem namenjene našim bratom in sestram v zapadni Pensylvaniji; ki prihodnjo nedeljo, 27. avgusta, praznujejo v Syganu svojo letno proslavo dneva SNPJ. Gotovo se bodo zopet zbrali skupaj v velikem številu, člani in drugi rojaki iz raznih naselbin zapadne Penne, si segli prijateljsko v roke ter okrepili duh SNPJ.

Danes so take prirede velika redkost, kar je znamenje, da so zvezane z velikimi težavami in tudi riziko. Le zapadna Pensylvanija se je letos opogumila in šla naprej s pripravami za to svojo letno proslavo. Distriktni podpredsednik SNPJ br. James Maglič se je zadnjic, ko je bil na seji gl. odbora, potožil, da so velike težave, kajti ni toliko pomoci na razpolago kot prejšnja leta. Ljudje so zgarani in utrujeni od težkega dela, drugo pa je, da je veliko najbolj energičnih fantov, mladih jednotarjev pri vojakih. Pri pripravljanju prirede in na priredebah se to veliko pozna. Toda kjer je volja, se premagajo vse težave. Potrebno pa je, da člani gredo odbornikom na roko in jim na priredebi prisluščijo na pomoč pri tem ali onem delu. Z dobro kooperacijo članstva se vse npravi.

Da bo tudi ta proslava jednote uspela, nimamo dvoma, kajti Pensylvanija je hrbitenica jednote in je še vedno pokazala, da ji je organizacija pri srcu. Brez Pensylvanije bi naša jednota sploh ne bila to, kar je, in sicer ne samo po številu, marveč tudi po duhu. Jednota najbrže ni nikjer drugi tokolik priljubljena in utrjena kot je ravno po pensylvanskih, sploh po slovenskih majnarskih naselbinah. V marsikateri naselbini in hiši se suče vse zvilenje okrog SNPJ. Pogovor o jednoti je nekaj vsakdanjega. Brez nje bi bilo zvilenje bolj prazno in pusto.

Torej organizacija, ki pomeni toliko v življenju velikega števila članov in naselbin, mora biti resnično nekaj velikega in pomembnega. In naša jednota je velika in pogembna predvsem radi tega, ker iz nje veje od vsega začetka napredni delavski duh, ki podira starost in ustvarja novo, ki nasprotuje tiraniji in srednjeveški temi in se bori za resnico in pravico tlačenih. Temu duhu so naši pensylvanski majnarji, pa jeklarski in drugi delavci vedno prilivali, se vedno borili zanj. In zato je jednota ponosna nanje, oni pa so ponosni na jednoto.

Torej Pensylvančani, Prosveta vam želi pri vašem nedeljskem slavju vse, kar si sami želite. Pohitite iz vseh bližnjih in daljnjih naselbin v Sygan in obnovite pa utrdite svoje prijateljstvo in

Glasovi iz naselbin

ČLAN-VOJAK RANJEN

Presto, Pa.—V Italiji je bil ranjen član društva št. 166 SNPJ brat Feliks Krek. On je edini član našega društva, ki je bil ranjen v bitki.

Dragi oče!

Napisal Ti bom nekaj vrstic iz daljnjih krajev naše domovine, za katero se borem že tretjo leto (od maja 1942 sem pri partizanih). V kolikor mi je znano so doma zaenkrat vse živi.

Pri meni je Ludvikova hčerka Tatjana in mi služi kot bolničarka. Medtem pa sem se oženil. Ženo poznati, vsaj smo bili skupaj na Gorjancih, ko si bil doma. Malo bo pomislil, pa se bo spomnil onega rdečega dekleta. Sicer pa Ti bo Gízela več pisala. Tudi ona mi je stregla v teh naših gozdovih kot bolničarka, a je od napornega dela tako oslabela, da sem se odločil poslati jo v Italijo. Prisršno Te pozdravlja Tebe in bratev sin Dolive.

Slediče pismo pa je pisala vnukinja Ludyka Medvešek. Pismo se glasi:

Dragi starji papa!

Ob priliku, ko Ti piše Dolfi, se oglašam tudi jaz. Nahajam se pri njemu kot bolničarka in skupaj z Gízelom preživljamo te čase daodec od doma ter pričakujemo lepše čase, ko bomo zopet vsi skupaj. Tedaj bomo zapustili naše lepe gozdove, ki so ob tej borbi postali živi in ki so pribela mnogim.

V želji, da bi bili kmalu zbrani v Novem mestu s Teboj na čelu. Te prisršno pozdravlja Tvoja vnukinja Tatjana.

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Ludvik Medvešek. 5.

ČLAN-SNPJ PADEL V VOJNI

Cleveland, Ohio.—V dnevniku Prosverte dne 14. avgusta t. l. sem čital poročilo začetnika

O BOLNIŠKI PODPORI

Cleveland, Ohio.—V dnevniku Prosverte dne 14. avgusta t. l. sem čital poročilo začetnika

Antona Zornika, v katerem poroča, da je žena Andreja Martinčiča iz Meadow Landsa, kateri si je zlomil roko, potožila, da pravila niso dobro urejene, ko se placa za zlomljeno roko na šest mesecov bolniške podpori in nič več, čeprav je njen moč vedno bolan. Menila je, da bi moral glavni odbor v izrednih slučajih zvajati podporo.

Točka 70 pravil, stran 186, ves določa omrežjev podpor za vsekovrsne bolezni, toda v pravem stavku te točke je navedeno, da vrhovni zdravnik sporazumno z bolniškim tajnikom in odobrije izvrinega odsek odloča še nadaljnjo podporo, v kolikor on uvidi, da je bolnik z ozirom na komplikacije upravičen do nje.

Za primer naj bodo slediči podatki:

Za težke operacije se plača le 60 dni bolniške podporo. Pri našem društvu smo imeli že več slučajev, ko zdravnik ni dovolil bolniku delati po 60 dneh, zato smo naročili, naj mu zdravnik spiše posebno izjavo in opis, kakšne so določne komplikacije.

Zdravnikovo izjavo smo potem poslali v glavni urad, kateri je pregledal tudi naši vrhovni in zdravnik.

Naši bratje in sestre, naši hrabri partizani in partizanke, ter se je takoj odzvalo apeli Progresivnih Slovenov in darovalo v fond za nabavo ambulančnega avtomobila \$10 iz društvene blagajne, medseboj pa so člani zbrali vsoto \$16.50, obenem pa smo odločili, da tajnik še naprej bo prispevke v ta namen.

Vsi oni, ki bodo darovali tajniku za omreženo ambulanco, bodo do kazali, da resnično čutijo za svoje brate in sestre v domovini.

Imena darovalcev bodo priobčena v Prosveti.

Na žalost, med nami imamo tudi ljudi, ki pravijo, ko jih vprašaš za prispevke za staro domovino, da si gotovi ljudje samo že polnijo z denarjem drugih.

Prijatelji, to so prazne besede, nespatne besede!

Denar, ki ga nabirammo za naš narod v starem domovini, je v rokah naših posnemih voditeljev, kateri so obenem tudi glavni odborniki naših jednot.

Ako ne bomo tem ljudem zaupali, komu naj potem zaupamo?

Povrh tega pa je denar pod državno kontrolo.

Ako bi se malo zanimali ti kritiki, bi lahko videli račune, ki so priobčeni v časopisih.

Namesto da bi bili hvaležni našim odbornikom, ki se trudijo za naš domov, da mu pomagajo na vse načine, in vse to vrše brezplačno, jih pa nekateri še sumnijo.

To ni pravilno in ne pošteno!

Sedaj imamo še 12 članov našega društva v vojni. Članstvo društva št. 358 izreka globoko sožalje prizadeti družini.

Thomas Mercina, tajnik.

O MLADINSKEM ZBORU

Cleveland, O.—Poletje gre h koncu in jesen že prihaja. Tudi šolski otroci, ki imajo sedaj počitnice, bodo kmalu zopet zasedli šolske klopi. Prav tako bodo prenehale zabave in izleti v naravi in povrnili se bomo zopet v zavetih priredbah v našem domov.

Progresivne Slovenke so se odločile za zelo plemenito sklicjo.

Sedaj se trudijo, da zberejo dovolj denarja, za katerega bodo kupile ambulančni avtomobil in ga s posredovanjem Ameriškega rdečega kriza poslate slovenskim partizanom v Jugoslavijo. Saj smo Slovenci darovali tudi za španske vojake in druge, torej bomo darovali tudi za naše vojake v staro domovino, ki se tam hrabro bore.

Na Mladinski pevski zbor tu je smeno pozabiti. Ta zbor goji slovensko pesem med našo mladino že zadnjih deset let in poleg tega pomaga pri vsaki važni stvari, ki je koristna našemu narodu, zato moramo tudi mislat za našimi mladimi in jih vzbuditi.

Joseph Kosich, tajnik.

SLOVENSKI NARODNI MUZEJ ODPRT ZA JAVNOST

Cleveland, O.—Vsi Clevelandčani in rojaki iz zunanjih naselbin ste vabljeni, da obiščete in si ogledate tretjo razstavo Slovenskega naravnega muzeja v Slovenskem narodnem domu,

6411 St. Clair Ave., zgoraj, sobe št. 1, 2 in 3, ki bo odprt za ogled javnosti štiri dni, in sicer v petek 1. septembra od 6. do 10. ure zve-

6 dni bojničke podpore. Poslali smo na to bojničkemu tajniku tudi prvo listino in bolnik je dobil izplačano zadržano bojničko podporo.

Tretji primer: Članici je bila odrežana noge v sledi sladkorne bolezni. Za odrežanje noge dobičiva bolnično eno leto podporo, toda če sladkorna bolezen med tem časom ne ozdravi, je član ali članica deležna še nadaljnje bojničke podpore, prav tako kot so deležni za sladkorno bolezen drugi člani, včasih leta in leta, včasih do smrti.

Imamo veliko takih primerov. Veliko odvisi od tajnika. Ako on naroči bolniku, naj prinese dodatno zdravnikovo izjavo in če je v dotočni izjavi ugotovljeno, da je bolezen komplikiran in dolnik ne more delati, potem načinimo se, da bolezen upošteva in tako dobiva član še nadaljnjo podporo.

Ako bi brat Martinčič predložil izjavo zdravnika, da je ni zmožen dela in bi zdravnik točno navedel vse komplikacije, zakaj se roka, ki je bila zlomljena, ni v šestih mesecih pozdravila, pa bo dobil še nadaljnjo podporo.

Vse te navedbe lahko potrdi naš bolnički tajnik Lovrenc Gradišek. To sem zato napisal, ker se s takimi primeri že bavim mnogo let in več domačinje, obenem pa je več kot prav, da bolnik dobijo to, da cesar so upravičeni.

Ludvik Medvešek. 5.

ČLAN-SNPJ PADEL V VOJNI

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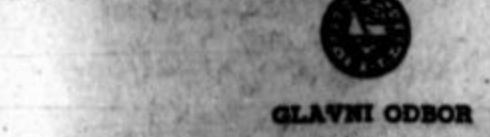
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Welcome to Sygan to the 9th Annual Penna SNPJ Day!

Sunday, August 27th, Is the Big Day
For All Western Pennsylvania SNPJ-ers

Singing, Dancing, Speaking, Music, Play

On the Program

IMPERIAL, PA.—The Ninth Annual Pennsylvania SNPJ Day celebration is just ahead of us. As already reported, it will be held next Sunday, August 27, at the Sygan Slovenia Hall. This, then, is the last invitation in the Prosveta to all SNPJ members and friends from near and far.

This year this gala event will also be a celebration of the 40th anniversary of the Slovene National Benefit Society. It will be commemorated with a program as befits such an occasion.

In the afternoon the Skerlong Brothers orchestra from Pittsburgh will regale the folks with polkas and waltzes.

From 5 to 7 we shall hear a worthwhile program of song which will be rendered by the Preseren Singing Society of Pittsburgh, as well as by the Novak Sisters from Sharon. The Musical Group of Marty Kuk will add its fun and frolic with a number of skits. Bros. Joseph Zupancic and Louis Skerlong from Pittsburgh will enliven the program with an one-act play in Slovene under the title of "Slovenski Janez v New York."

We shall also hear a number

of local speakers, as well as Bro. Mirko Kuhel, the Supreme Treasurer of the Society, who will deliver the principal address. He is also the acting secretary of the SANC.

In the evening the Musical Group of Marty Kuk will entertain you.

This annual SNPJ Day is always an outstanding affair in Pennsylvania and as such a large attendance is expected. Needless to say, you are all cordially invited. Therefore make your plans now, if you have not yet done so, to be in Sygan this Sunday at this annual get-together affair where we shall meet our friends from far and near and make new acquaintances. So on to Sygan this Sunday! Welcome to all!

JAMES M. MAGLICH.

J.Z. Jr. Bright Spots

LIBRARY, PA.—There has been quite a spill in the Prosveta about the INITIATIVE proposed by Lodge 21 in June. It certainly was inspiring to read all the comments in the English section, especially since it was pointed out in the column "Our Front" that the younger generation is not interested in discussions as is the older generation.

Bros. Vrhovnik, Kumer, Maglich, Rezek expressed their feelings quite adequately and I am sure that the large majority of the "younger generation" feels the same way. Should the initiative receive sufficient support to have a referendum, and the 5000 members who are in service be permitted to cast their ballot along with the civilian members, the chances would be that the referendum would be defeated. "It is best to leave well enough alone."

Now, for a more pleasant thought.—THE 9TH ANNUAL PENNSYLVANIA SNPJ DAY. Sunday, August 27 in the Slovene Hall at Sygan, Pa. On the entertainment program we have the Skerlong brothers; Preseren Singing Society; the Novak sisters from Sharon, Pa.; a one act comedy "Slovenski Janez v New York"; and for your dancing pleasure Marty Kuk and the boys will be on time with the polkas, waltzes and fox trots. So, what are we waiting for—"let's get hep to the jive."

See you Sunday at Sygan . . .

FRANCES DERMOTTA,
Lodge 682.

Time for Singing

CLEVELAND.—Here in Cleveland boys and girls are given the chance to learn the Slovene language and at the same time to know the songs that our mothers and fathers have sung since their childhood. That is the main purpose of the "Mladinski Pevski Zbor" on Waterloo Road.

Since the beginning of this club ten years ago, the members have performed many a beautiful concert and play. Now as autumn begins to roll around, we are getting ready to put on another performance to be held in November. We are also looking for new members to help make this concert as huge a success as all the others have been.

So how about it, all you boys and girls of Cleveland? Come along for many hours of pleasure and enjoyment. Rehearsals begin in September and I'll be expecting to see many of you there. So don't forget—

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Lincolnites

SPRINGFIELD, ILL.—Next Sunday, Aug. 27, is meeting date again, members. Same place, same time (2 p.m.) at the Dom. Let's have another good crowd out just as we had last month. Everyone had such an enjoyable time at our picnic supper after the meeting that we decided to go out after the meeting this month again. So bring your picnic baskets! We will decide at the meeting where we want to go.

We were very sorry to learn last week, when we got home from our vacation, that our Treasurer, Mary Feilber, is still quite ill at St. John's Hospital. We visited her very briefly Wednesday. How about some "cheer-up" cards for Mary Ann, members? Don't forget she has always been one of our best workers for the lodge and also one of the most consistent. Most of us know from experience how much a few lines from a friend mean to one when hospitalized. Mary Ann is in room 536.

Well, folks, the big news of the summer has come this past week. Outside of the good news from the war fronts it is most important to the Middlewest. It has rained! After waiting for many weeks for a shower to quench the thirst of a parched earth it has finally come. And never, we believe, was it more welcome. For some it was the first rainfall since May 27. We in this vicinity had a fair shower on July 10. But even since then things have become really scorched, grass in the yards, gardens, pastures and in some cases fields of grain. Stock wells and cisterns have been completely dry in some places. Many farmers have had to haul water in large tanks from nearby towns. So the rain Thursday morning, altho it was not as much as we needed, was truly appreciated.

We were certainly glad to see Scott Nearing's column back in Prosveta this past week. Our paper has surely been carrying some worthwhile reading material lately and we hope that everyone who gets it read it all carefully.

Correction on paragraph 8 of my own article of last week! It should have read 20¢ per \$100 of assessed valuation. That is what the farmers who have their own property insurance pay to their co-op. It is an actual company that has functioned for 75 or 80 years. So let no one convince you that the workers can't operate things efficiently!

See you at the meeting Sunday, folks. Lots of you, we hope.

MARY BRINOCAR, 567.



DAVID M. PUTZ, P 1/2, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Matt Putz, 110 Ninth st., Braddock, Pa., and now a member of the SNPJ.

After graduation from the Braddock High School, David enlisted in the U.S. Navy on Dec. 28, 1943. He received his training at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station. From there he was sent to school at the Navy Pier, Chicago. Upon graduating there he visited his family and returned to his post at Norfolk, Va., where he is at present.

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Milwaukeeans
Preparing for
Big Celebration

WEST ALLIS, WIS.—Because we are all working our hardest now, and have many extra worries, it is very necessary that we take time to enjoy ourselves every once in a while. Milwaukeeans will have a grand opportunity to do just this on Sunday, October 29, when the SNPJ Federation will sponsor a 40th anniversary celebration.

In order to make this celebration a success, we are asking the cooperation of all SNPJ members. A program booklet will be published and "ads" will be sold in it. Every member and friend can do his part by donating a dollar and thus express his greetings and have his name printed in the book. Then there are also larger "ads" for three, five, ten, fifteen, and twenty-five dollars. Lodge secretaries promised cooperation in this matter; so you can give your donation or ad to your lodge secretary.

A card mailed sometime ago to the National Home finally reached me from Vera Novak, now Mrs. Elmer Mang, informing us that the knot was tied; they're very happy and enjoying their honeymoon in Detroit. Congratulations to both of them.

A note from Ann Golob, Lockhart, Texas. Outside of the weather which climbed over the 100 mark the past few weeks, she and Frank have no complaints. She says hello to the gang.

A call from Max Tekautz who informed me his brother Bob was there, visiting Cleveland on a short furlough.

Bob has been in the service for about four months and is getting along in good shape.

His wife and kids are O. K.

Otto also was in Cleveland recently.

The Tekautz boys always recall to the old timers the good old days when the Lodge first started.

LILLIAN PUNCER,
Badgers 884.

Sick and ailing Stella Zadell's folks informed me that she was being taken to the Women's Hospital for an operation.

Matt Kernz, 416 E. 327 st., still laid up with a broken ankle.

Members in the vicinity should make it a point to visit them.

The Women's Progressive Club, of which Mary A. Zak and other Comrades are members, can feel happy that their letter requesting a contribution to the ambulance fund caused members at the Supreme Board meeting to vote for the purchase of a vehicle in the name of the SNPJ. In addition contribution will also be made to the fund they are collecting.

I have received word that several of my friends have been wounded overseas, namely, Sgt. Frank Licker, member of SNPJ lodge 89, Midway, Pa., who has recovered sufficiently and is taking in the beautiful scenery of Rome; Pvt. Frank L. Gerchar, Cleveland, O., who has been a patient in a hospital in Italy and is getting along fine. Best regards to both as well as to Mathew Donovan, who is serving in the Navy and took part in the invasion of Normandy.

"Mike Preseren is serving some where in the South Pacific. He is a member of SNPJ lodge of Yukon, Pa. We send our best regards to the boys who are doing the swell work in bringing victory back by defeating the German and Jap forces of evil.

"As for myself, I surely am enjoying this cavalry unit and am doing my best. The weather is extremely hot and dry. However, by now I am used to this climate, and I am glad to do my part in the freedom for the people of the United States and the United Nations.

"I am now going to school and the longer a person goes to school, the more interesting it gets. I could keep on telling about the CRTC, but I would just use up plenty of paper, and we are supposed to save to win the war. I am sure all you folks are saving on all the things necessary for war to keep us boys on the go.

"Best regards to all SNPJ members and friends. Fraternally,

Pvt. JOHN KOSEM, 265.

Bro. John Kosem

Writes from Camp

SOUTHVIEW, PA.—Pvt. John Kosem, member of our SNPJ lodge 265, writes from Ft. Riley, Kansas, as was not as much as we needed, was truly appreciated.

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This and That

By Peter Eliel

Cotton Ed
A few weeks ago, Senator Ellison D. Smith, better known to the nation as "Cotton Ed," was defeated in a renomination bid for the Senate in his native state of South Carolina. For 36 years "Cotton Ed" represented his state either in the lower or upper house of Congress. He gained a wide reputation as being an advocate of the cotton planters of the south, and at one time was reputed to have said that he didn't care what happened to the nation as long as cotton got its price. Of late, the fiery old gentleman became a vehement opponent of the New Deal, a champion of southern womanhood, and a defender of the poll-tax and the status quo.

With the defeat of "Cotton Ed" the last of the tobacco-chewing, profane worded, hard headed, cotton-minded senators who were a product of the Civil War pass into limbo.

The advent of the New Deal, the rise of industry in the south, and the decline of the importance of cotton has played havoc with the old fire-eating conservatives of the south. And if it wasn't for the poll-tax their political exit would have happened sooner than this late date.

But the defeat of "Cotton Ed" doesn't solve a basic problem of our democracy that "Cotton Ed" so clearly illustrated. And that is the blind loyalty that most representatives and senators in our nation show to the needs of their districts or states, or certain groups in their district or state regardless of the effect that it might have nationally. Being practical politicians in most instances, they are more interested in advocating those issues that will create votes in their districts than solve the needs of the nation.

Too many of them feel that they represent a certain portion of the nation instead of the whole United States.

And the result is we have a lot of pork-barrel politicians and not statesmen.

Of course, the people can change this, and happily in certain sections of the country they are doing it, as witnessed by the defeat of Smith, Holman, Starnes, Clark and others.

Yet, it is a difficult problem, and unless we have an aroused and an intelligent electorate that demand high-caliber statesmanship from their elected representatives, we will continue to have other "Cotton Eds" in Washington.

American Slav Congress

PITTSBURGH.—To all Slav organizations, societies, churches, trade unions and individuals comes an invitation to attend the second national convention of the American Slav Congress in Pittsburgh on September 23 and 24.

This Congress of American Slavs, representing all the Slav national groups, had its first nation-wide gathering in Detroit on April 25 and 26, 1942. The 3000 delegates who attended that conference united for the purpose of finding a way to best support the United States in winning this war, and also to help one another to become better citizens of this great country of ours.

Since then the National Committee and all its active members and sponsors have been successfully carrying out all their aims and have decided it was about time again to come together and make plans for the future. Elect delegates now to represent your organization and the coming convention. Accommodations for out of town delegates are being made so all you have to worry about is getting here.

Let's show our Slav friends that the Slovanes are right on top by having the greatest number of delegates at the conference and show the nation we are behind it to the end. (Next time, please, write double space.—Ed.)

ROSE FABEC, (665).

Flashes

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the Allies it shouldn't take long to clean up Japan afterwards. Even our boys in France and in Italy feel that the end is rapidly approaching. So far as we are concerned, it can't come too soon. If people were like most of the common herd, or if the common herd was able to use better intelligence and think straight, then this war would have never begun. The basic reasons for war would not exist. Profits would not be allowed on war contracts. The system would not permit a few to take everything and the many to get only a little. What is there to start another war? Certainly, the capitalist system will never stop wars. Wars are a means for the capitalist system to exist. A new social order must be instituted, one that will take the economic power away from the hands of a few and put it in a society whose goal it will be to serve mankind rather than to make profit.

Integrity Broadcast

CHICAGO.—The regular monthly meeting of Lodge Integrity, SNPJ will be held Friday, August 25, at 8 p.m. at 2434 Diversey ave. All members should attend.

MICHAEL FLEISCHACKER,

Sec'y.

THIS WEEK'S CAMPAIGN NEWS

In the past week eleven more lodges, previously listed in the non-active group, have come through with gains of one to five members, thus increasing the number now participating in the 40th Anniversary Campaign to 326 or 52.3 percent of all the lodges in the Society.

MARY ZEVART, Secretary of Lodge 371, Cle Elum, Wash., added 4 new members to her previous total and took over twelfth place in the national standings, at the same time qualifying for a special campaign award. She became the twenty-third contestant to reach this mark of distinction and is now the leading campaigner in the states located on the Pacific coast.

Last week JOHN STRUMBELJ, an active member of Lodge 381, Aguilar, Colo., whose picture appears in the Slovene section of this issue, qualified for a special award by enrolling his 10th new member of the campaign. This was also the 25th new member enrolled by the lodge in the current drive, fifteen of whom are credited to Secretary JOE KOLENC.

The spotlight of the campaign also falls upon MARY RODINA, Treasurer of Lodge 690 (Hearts of America), Kansas City, Kansas, who enrolled 4 juveniles and one adult to boost her total to 8 and place the lodge among those who have succeeded in attaining the quota.

Four new members secured by JAMES MAGLICH, 2nd District Vice-President of the Supreme Board, enabled Lodge 715 (Lucky Star), Imperial, Pa., to reach its quota, becoming the 26th lodge of the SNPJ to achieve this goal.

The quota was also attained by Lodge 285, Richwood, W. Va., on the strength of 4 membership "apps" forwarded to the main office by Secretary MARY PRELAZ . . . And the third lodge of the week to gain this honor was the HARMONIZERS (700), Roundup, Montana, whose 14 new members are credited mainly to MARTIN MEZNARICH Sr. and FRANK POLSAK.

Gains of 4 new members each were made by JOSEPH SNOY, Secretary of Lodge 13, Bridgeport, Ohio, and FRANCES PERUSHEK, Secretary of Lodge 108, Ely, Minnesota. Brother Snoy now lacks only one of having a sufficient number to qualify for a special award . . . Three applications each were sent in by ROSE RADOVICH (21), Pueblo, Colo., LOUIS LAJEVIC (90), Hackensack, N.J., JERICA GORJUP (88), Moon Run, Pa., FRANK KAUCIC (190), St. Michael, Pa., FRANK HRVATIN (476), Salem, Ohio, FRANCES OBLACK (295), Bridgeville, Pa., and MARY DODIC (450), Euclid, Ohio.

Another interesting development in the recent campaign activity finds that ANTON ZORNICK, Secretary of Lodge 87, Herminie, Pa., has worked himself into a tie for second place with JOHN ZIGMAN (138) of Strabane, Pa., . . . Brother Zornick promises he will be heard from again before the end of the month, and it is very likely we will also have the pleasure of hearing more from Brother Zigmam.

New contestants reported during the past week are as follows: FRANK MILAVEC (201), Ludlow, Colo., ANGELINE SEVER (223), Greensburg, Pa., THERESA MATKO (318), Baggsley, Pa., ANTON ZUGA (321), Warren, Ohio, HELEN FABIAN (153), Youngstown, Ohio, FRANCES NOVAK (755), Sharon, Pa., CHRISTINE STEBLAJ (657), Kellogg, Idaho, and also MOLLY ABSEC, a juvenile member of Lodge 657, who is very anxious to have a Juvenile Circle organized in her town and is ready to do her part to make this become a reality by helping to enroll new members in the 40th Anniversary Campaign. To her, as well as all others, we extend best wishes for success.

IS YOUR LODGE AMONG THEM? . . . The number of lodges who have succeeded in attaining the quota assigned to them has reached the total of 28; these are listed below . . .

Lodge	Lodge	Lodge
3, Johnstown, Pa.	192, Milwaukee, Wis.	497, Widon, W. Va.
29, Thomas, W. Va.	221, Terre Haute, Ind.	515, Hall, W. Va.
22, Scofield, Utah	285, Richwood, W. Va.	537, Crivitz, Wis.
87, Herminie, Pa.	288, Fredericktown, Pa.	559, Chicago, Ill.
102, Chicago, Ill.	371, Cle Elum, Wash.	583, Lower, Pa.
114, Roundup, Mont.	381, Aguilar, Colo.	607, Byesville, Pa.
186, Presto, Pa.	387, Traunik, Mich.	616, Shamokin, Pa.
176, Piney Fork, Ohio	393, Worcester, N. Y.	680, Kansas City, Kan.
184, Springfield, Ill.	422, Standardville, Utah	700, Roundup, Mont.
		718, Imperial, Pa.

In bringing this report to a close, let us remind you that from the date of this issue of the Prosveta ONLY THREE MONTHS AND ONE WEEK REMAIN OF THE 40th ANNIVERSARY CAMPAIGN. There is still time to redeem yourselves and there is still time to make up much lost ground, but there is no time to lose if you want your lodge to be listed among the active lodges of the Society, who have attained or passed their respective quotas.

We urge you to join this campaign and through your efforts strengthen the unity, security and purpose of the SNPJ.

MICHAEL VRHOVNIK, Campaign Director, SNPJ.

WHEN YANKS RODE INTO RENNES

WITH WILD ENTHUSIASM the liberated people of Rennes greet the first armored truck to drive through the streets of the Breton capital. So dense was the throng when this picture was taken that the truck was literally stalled. Signal Corps Radiophoto.

Juvenile Circles of the SNPJ**Perfect Circle Meets Saturday**

CHICAGO, ILL.—Perfect Circle No. 28 will have a regular meeting on Saturday, August 26, at 10:30 AM—lower SNPJ Hall. Members are again reminded to bring in their ideas and plans for our coming Bazaar.

Speaking of our meetings, one of our parents is in regular attendance at all our meetings, sitting at the back of the room, quietly observing, and always willing to suggest, or help in any way when asked.

Several members and myself as well, have commented on the pleasure it is to read in the Prosveta every week her column, the observations and comments regarding our meetings and general activities. It gives the children a grand feeling to see their names in print, and to know that a "grown-up" outside of circle advisers has time for them and their doings. Thanks a lot from all of us. Frances L. Rak of "Pioneer Parade."

ANN SANNEMAN, Manager.

Juvenile Circle No. 15

VERONA, PA.—Circle No. 15 still holds its meetings at the Veronian Club. Attendances for the few meetings which were held during the summer months were rather small. With the more get-together meetings to be held during the fall and winter months, we hope the attendance will increase.

On September 9, the Veronian Juniors are holding a dance. The orchestra for the evening is Jackie Martincic's, very good Slovene Polka players. Tickets are to be sold by the members. This dance is to welcome and invite all Juvenile Circle members of SNPJ and their parents.

The following people are working and helping to make this dance a success: Margaret Tremba, Dorothy McEllich, Helen Krulc, Angie Buric, Mary Tomazich, Flora Brostrom, Jane Plese, Frances Youk, Mary Krulc and myself.

With this dance going to be a success, many more dances will be planned and held in the future months.

Reminding you again, the invitation for this dance is opened to everyone. Help make it a success by coming to the Veronian Club, Arch Street, on Sept. 9 and spend a wonderful evening.

All members are urged to attend the Circle meetings. Best wishes to all. TILLIE DOLES, Sec'y, Lodge 680.

They Said Last Week

FIORELLO H. LA GUARDIA, Mayor of New York City:

"I believe that the status of Italy should be decided by the United Nations, so that there may be a real start in reconstruction, materially, economically and politically. After all, are we or are we not friends? I believe we are friends. Therefore, why not say so? It is now over two years that we have been talking every week. We suggested that Mussolini should be kicked out. You have done so. We advised breaking relations with the Nazis. You have done so. We declared that you should reject fascism. You have done so. We expressed the hope that your troops should be fighting alongside of ours against the Axis. You are doing so. What are we waiting for?"

DR. HOWARD WILLIAM MINTZ, of Brooklyn College:

"By and large, we shall have the kind of future we deserve, the kind we make for ourselves on the basis of our values and attitudes. Indifference, cowardice and predatory self-interest will reap their own rewards through the operation of inexorable natural and moral laws. Are we, as a people, ready to accept shared responsibility with the rest of the world? Are we prepared to make commitments and to assume responsibilities at the cost of material sacrifices for the sake of world peace and security? Can we forego the luxury of imbedded prejudice and vested personal benefits in the interests of the larger social good? In both our domestic and our foreign policies, are we willing to extend and to share the rights, opportunities and privileges we claim for ourselves so that they might be enjoyed by people everywhere, regardless of race, creed, nationality or social status? On the affirmative answer to each of these questions rests the hope of the future."

—Common Council.

Auto Workers Lead Co-op Organizing Drives

CHICAGO—(CCD)—Spearheaded by auto workers who take their consumer action seriously, new consumer co-ops are being organized in the Detroit suburbs of Trenton, Wyandotte, and Ypsilanti, Michigan, and South Bend, Indiana. The educational department of Central States Co-ops announces here.

MINUTES, SNPJ FINANCE COMMITTEE Meeting Held Saturday, May 20, 1944, at the Headquarters of the SNPJ, Chicago, Ill.

Chairman Petrovich called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. All members of the committee present. Minutes of the Finance Committee meeting of Saturday, April 15, 1944, read and approved.

Brother Kuhel made the following report:

Report of the Secretary

During the past month the sum of \$170,000 was invested in U.S. government bonds in accordance with our decision at the meeting in April. For the Adult Department we purchased \$150,000 U.S. Treasury 2½% due June 15, 1946, at par plus 9/64, and for the Juvenile Department \$20,000 of same bonds at par plus 5/64. Both purchases were made from C. F. Childs & Company, and in each case the purchase price was 1/64th below the market price.

Purchase for Juvenile Department was delayed for two weeks until funds were received for Bernillo County, New Mexico, bonds, which were called.

We also invested \$5,000 of our Canadian funds in Dominion of Canada, 5th Victory Loan 3% bonds due June 1, 1960. These bonds cannot be shipped into the United States because of war regulations and are to be deposited with the Insurance Department of Canada in trust for SNPJ.

Investments disposed of:

Tarpon Springs, Florida. Certificate of Indebtedness for \$4,896.00, of which \$96 belonged to the Juvenile Department, was called for payment at 20% of the face value during the month of April. The call notice was not clear as to the final payment and created the impression that 20% would be paid on account. However, subsequent correspondence between our bank, this office, and the debtor revealed that the 20% payment was final. Gross amount received was \$879.20, and it represents a net gain since the certificates were carried in books at no value.

\$10,000 Bell County, Texas 5%, due February 1, 1954, were called as of April 10 and paid. These bonds were callable serially beginning April 10, 1944, and the County Commissioners exercised their option. In our books this feature of optional redemption was not recorded.

\$25,000 City National Bank Building Company 1st Mtg. Leasehold 2 to 4% bonds due 1955 were sold at 75 and interest on April 21. Although the market price was more than 10 points lower, our offer at 75, as agreed, upon at the April meeting, was accepted by T. H. Maenner, President of the Company, presumably for his personal account.

These bonds, as you know, also carried a voice in the management of the Company and our offer, although high, was immediately accepted. These were the last of Real Estate bonds carried as admitted assets in our books. We received \$18,750 for principal plus \$231.25 for accrued interest.

On May 1st all our 3% HOLC bonds were called and paid. We owned the following amounts according to funds:

Adult Department \$292,400.00

Juvenile Department 25,850.00

Minors' Fund 2,075.00

Total \$320,325.00

Real Estate No. 18—Susan's property in Milwaukee. Negotiations are now going on for sale of this property for \$2,500.00 in cash. Initial downpayment of \$100 was received on May 16. Due to the conditions of the property and great expense involved, if it were put into necessary shape, the consideration

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Not Democracy But Frustation of Democracy

By Norman Thomas

We Americans like to boast that our country is a democracy. Well, what do we mean by it? The simplest answer is that we have a right to vote for those who rule over us and to pass judgment on the policies which they propose.

Of course, it isn't enough that we should have a right to vote. Unless there is something behind

the worst defects of our democracy and directly and indirectly contribute enormously to the ending of racial discrimination.

A different type of reform is also necessary to an efficient democracy. I refer to the way Congress does its business, the number and construction of its committees, the conduct of public hearings, and its relation to executive departments. In the last analysis, we shall probably need a constitutional amendment to give to the people in orderly fashion the power to settle a deadlock between the President and Congress. But short of this there are plans proposed by Senator La Follette and others which would prevent a great deal of waste motion in Congress and add to an efficiency, the lack of which is an invitation to the development of dictatorship.

Do we have them in America? The answer, in comparison to Germany or Russia or many another countries, is decidedly yes. In comparison to what we need, the answer is NO.

One of the most obvious qualifications of our democracy is that there is still so little of it in our economic life. It is still true in this field that, to a large extent, we do not have "government of the people, by the people and for the people," but government of the workers, by the bosses for the profit of absentee owners. The possession of economic power is inevitably reflected in the political life of the nation. Newspapers, broadcasting companies and motion pictures are the principal means of popular education and discussion. They are business enterprises, increasingly big business enterprises.

The fact that they give us a somewhat fairer and better balanced picture and interpretation of the news than in most countries should not blind us to the fact that on the whole it is one-sided and that minority parties and new ideas have pretty tough going. But that's another story.

Today I want to discuss a narrower but tremendously important and much neglected aspect of our political institutions—namely, the very serious imperfections of our supposedly democratic machinery and technique.

Let's begin with the simple matter of the popular election of the President and other officials. How will the next President of the United States be chosen? You say, "That's easy. He will be chosen by the people; the man who gets the most votes will win." I doubt if you would earn your \$64 on that answer! We have had American Presidents who did not have even a plurality of the popular vote, but who nevertheless got a majority in the electoral college. You will remember that in each state we vote for electors, not directly for the President. Benjamin Harrison was the last President who lacked even a popular plurality.

After every campaign, some one sits down and figures how the shift of a few hundred thousand votes in the right states would have elected Smith over Hoover, or Willkie or even Landon over Roosevelt. There is at least a possibility this year that the situation will be further complicated by the refusal of electors on the Democratic ticket from one or more of the Southern states to vote for Roosevelt and Truman, the Democratic nominees. It is probable that they have a legal right to do this normal wrong. An amendment to the Constitution needed for true democracy and for the prevention of a very serious electoral crisis is one calling for the abolition of the electoral college and the choice of the President by direct vote of the people. In campaign after campaign, we Socialists have demanded this amendment. The present situation makes our demand of pecuniary importance.

Suppose you realize that a literal return to free enterprise in the sense of the old laissez-faire economics is completely impossible and undesirable; that it is something none of the groups which advocates it really wants; suppose you further realize that, despite all mistakes, it was under planning that we accomplished miracles of production in war time, and that it is only under planning (which in peace can be far more democratic than in war) that we can conquer poverty. For which party will you vote?

Both Republicans and Democrats sing the same song in praise of private, competitive capitalism. Neither of them can or will restore such an economic order!

Suppose you are tremendously concerned to win the kind of peace that will keep our little children from having to fight a far more brutal and destructive war than this horror in which their older brothers and fathers are caught. Suppose you believe that peace requires an organization, economic and political on the basis of mutual reconciliation between peoples rather than on a program of vengeance against whole nations, and furthermore that peace is inconsistent with the perpetuation of imperialism as the pattern of relations between the strong and the weak. How will you vote?

Both the Republicans and Democrats have said about the same things concerning peace. Both of them seem to assume that the kind of peace that is to be enforced isn't very important if an alliance of victors will perpetuate their power. Both of them are vague concerning the proper organization even of power. Apparently Dewey accepts substantially Roosevelt's "great design" for a new League of Nations dominated by the Big Three with China as a poor relation. There will not even be adequate discussion of peace in this campaign between the two old parties. There will be plenty of bitterness and plenty of recrimination, but it will be personal or it will attach itself to certain ill-defined bogies like "isolation." Actually it is doubtful if the American people, in spite of the election, will have much more to say directly about the peace and the postwar world organization, upon which all our hopes depend, than the people of Russia or the old party leaders have their way. Whether Roosevelt or Dewey is elected President, he

will not consider himself bound by any mandate from the people. Indeed, the people will have given no mandate!

Whatever you call this system, it is certainly not a true or efficient democracy. The result of it is government by a combination of pressure groups. I am not saying that all so-called pressure groups are bad. They have an inevitable and legitimate place in our democracy. What is bad is that they are neither checked nor guided by any broad and intelligent popular mandate given at the polls, after a campaign devoted to the discussion of great principles.

And what is now unhealthy for our democracy may in a few short years become a disease fatal to it. The lack of a proper party alignment and the clumsiness of our political technique will play right into the hands of some prospective American fascist demagogue, some new Huey Long, some revived type of Ku Klux Klan. You don't dare tell yourselves, in the light of American history, that the American climate or the American tradition or our political virtue makes such a prospective fascism, called of course by a nicer name, impossible! The postwar bitterness, unemployment, poverty and their accompanying racial tensions will put a strain on the best organized democracy—and our democracy is extraordinarily ill-organized.

Our Canadian neighbors are better able to face the future because of the rise of that new democratic Socialist party called the Cooperative Commonwealth Federation which brings principles into political discussions and provides a vehicle for democratic action.

There is just one way that we on this side of the line can begin to catch up with our Canadian friends. Just one way in which we can give expression to some definite ideas about plenty, peace and freedom. That is by creating a new party.

The deeply rooted two-party habit and the virtual monopoly of the ballot which the old parties have established in many important states make our task difficult. But with your help it is not impossible.

Co-op Institute Expands Its School

Training Courses for Co-op Farm Supply Petroluem and Food Store Managers Planned: McLanahan Elect Ed Acting Director of Rochdale Institute: Expanded Program Set up

CHICAGO (CLNS)—Rochdale Institute, national training school in consumer cooperation, will swing into action with a greatly expanded program this fall operating from its new headquarters in Chicago. The board of directors of The Cooperative League of the USA, meeting here August 4, elected C. J. McLanahan, educational director of The League as acting director of the Institute and gave the green light for the expanded program.

A new board of directors of Rochdale Institute will be elected in Chicago, October 9 just before the Centennial Congress. Nominations are being made by the educational directors of the regional cooperative associations, by the present board of trustees of the Institute, and by members of the Institute.

The fall program of the Institute will include a general school for prospective educational directors and managers in Chicago; an advanced course for cooperative farm supply managers at Columbus; an advanced school for petroleum cooperative managers at Kansas City; an advanced course for cooperative food store managers in Chicago; and an advanced school for personnel directors in Minneapolis.

Look Out! Here's Mr. Rum Again

Mr. Rum has another "plan." The last time he persuaded Congress and President Roosevelt to "forgive" \$7,000,000 or \$8,000,000 in income taxes. That made Mr. Rum the most glamorous Santa Claus the very rich have ever seen.

With that experience fresh in mind, we naturally have our fingers crossed on Mr. Rum's latest plan.

It's an after-the-war idea. All taxes on corporation profits are to be wiped out, and a uniform levy of 3 per cent, called a franchise tax, substituted. There would be no Federal sales tax. Taxes on individual incomes would raise \$13,000,000, and the total Federal budget would be \$18,000,000,000. Extra billions would have to be raised to take care of social security and payments on the public debt.

Mr. Rum says there must be "full employment" after the war, with a national income of \$145,000,000,000 and 55,000,000 persons on the payroll.

That part of the scheme we can readily accept. Putting the burden on individual incomes might be all right if there were proper exemptions in the lower brackets and sufficiently heavy levies in the higher brackets.

But Mr. Rum is a clever "salesman." He doesn't always reveal his real purpose. That's why we have our fingers crossed.

—Labor.

According to the ads the "Foxhole Pillow," a horseshoe-shaped cushion,

can be placed under the crown of a soldier's steel helmet, being especially constructed to fit beneath the webbing so that it will not impede the circulation of air. It is said to fit into the pocket without bulging.

These claims, says FTC, are deceptive and misleading. Because of

the lawyer.

PROSVETA

WHEN BIG NAVY GUNS WENT TO WORK ON GUAM



THIS DRAMATIC SCENE aboard a U. S. Navy heavy cruiser was photographed as shells were poured at point blank range upon the Island of Guam. Gunners hold their ears to deaden the terrific noise. During such assaults, the main battery soften the enemy as the second battery stands ready for action.

Your Dollar

By CONSUMERS UNION

Armour for Free Enterprise

Ads for Armour & Co. will sell not only meat but free enterprise from now on, George A. Eastwood, president of the company has announced. Says Mr. Eastwood's ad for July, "Armour and Company has a wider and more humane mission than merely to compete with 1200 other packers. Its public service job is to apply better operating methods in the struggle against public hunger and malnutrition." He adds that if Armour and other free enterprises hadn't developed modern and efficient methods for handling cattle and hogs, we'd be in no position now to participate in the war, keep high home-front standards, and lend-lease food to our allies.

Furthermore, use of the word "foxhole" in the name is deceptive, FTC charges, in that "it implies that a soldier engaged in active combat may utilize the pillow when in a foxhole. Actually, the respondent's pillow would constitute a useless piece of equipment under such conditions."

Cola Drinks

Do you ask for a "coke" at the soda fountain? If so, the clerk must serve you Coca-Cola, federal courts have ruled. Pepsi-Cola, Spur and other cola drinks are not entitled to be known by the name "coke" which has been built up with millions of dollars worth of Coca-Cola advertising.

Aside from the brand name and the quantity you get, you'll find few differences in cola drinks. All use about the same flavor extracts of the, the cola nut and the coca leaf or artificial cola flavor, sugar, acid, artificial flavor and caramel color. None contain cocaine, and even the strongest have much less caffeine than a cup of coffee. Since rationing, differences in sweetness have been cut considerably. Therefore, CU's advice is to buy the brands which give you most for the long pull afterwards.

Few of us realized the far-reaching effects of not eating the right kinds of food, even though we ate heartily, until the causes of the first draft rejections were made public.

Then we were shocked to learn that approximately one-third of the young men who were turned down as unfit for military service were found to have physical deficiencies due in part, if not altogether, to malnutrition. Scientists sometimes call it "Hidden Hunger" when a person eats plenty of food to satisfy his appetite but not enough of the natural foods which furnish the health-giving vitamins and minerals so essential to good health and general well-being.

In September, I hope that the members of the National Fraternal Congress will take advantage of the many opportunities that will come to them to learn all they possibly can about eating the amounts and kinds of foods necessary to maximum health. These opportunities will come through press, magazine, radio—but especially through the community programs of local nutrition committees in every State and in every county. I hope, further, that they will participate in the activities being carried on in their communities in support of their nutrition program.

These activities will take many forms—food demonstrations, special events, such as service club luncheons, youth group

food preparations contests, food preservation demonstrations, harvest

festivals, information booths in libraries, retail stores, and in other places where people generally gather, and other activities too numerous to mention here.

If you do not happen to know the chairman of the nutrition committee in your town, ask your local defense council, your home demonstration agent, your local health officer, the superintendent of schools, the local librarian, or the community service member of the War Price and Rationing Board. At least one of them will know her. Get in touch with her and then do your part to make

Fight for Freedom by learning how to eat wisely—The Basic 7 way.

Toilet Tissues

Granted that nylon stockings add to the appearance of most legs, and that they serve as anchors for girdles, manufacturers are wondering whether these advantages will outweigh the economy and the pleasure women get from exposing their legs to summer breezes.

Serious problems, though. The only proposal put forth so far is for production of seamless nylons as a bare-leg imitation.

Foxhole Pillows

Alleging gross misrepresentation to the "millions" of members of the purchasing public who have relatives and friends in the armed forces and who readily seize upon every opportunity to lighten the burdens of the men engaged in the military service, the Federal Trade Commission

reports in its August issue on tests of 26 all-purpose or family flours. 21 cake flours as well as various brands of whole wheat, soy, rye and gluten flour. Actual baking tests were made as well as laboratory analyses of the flours. Among the excellent quality flours tested by CU were: Finast, Ecco, Kitchen Craft, Red & White, Co-op, Pillsbury's and Gold Medal.

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"Seventy-two," was the reply.

"How long have you been married?" inquired the attorney.

"Over 50 years," replied the client.

The lawyer suggested that the old man will his wife full interest in the cottages during her life, whether she remained a widow or not. But the old man would not agree.

"But surely," protested the lawyer, "you don't expect your wife would marry again in 72?"

"Well," said the lawyer, "there's no knowin' what young chaps like yourself will do for money."

Map Centennial

Co-op Congress

For Oct. 10-13

CHICAGO (CLNS)—The champion Co-op Congress Arrangements Committee of all time, already organized and functioning with subcommittees on housing, exhibits, publicity, pageant, churches, music, advance ticket sales, recreation, and other tasks, is finding its anticipation of Congress matters outclassed by the imagination and excitement of the people.

To allow more time for discussion this year, and provide for special events befitting the Centennial Year, the official Cooperative Congress program has been expanded to four days—opening Tuesday morning, Oct. 10 and running thru October 13.

The evenings this year will be devoted to entertainment and fellowship. For Tuesday evening, a very unusual program of the best platform talent available among the operators of the several regional organizations will grace the stage of the Terrace Garden, redecorated and air-conditioned theatre-auditorium in the Morrison Hotel, Congress headquarters.

The Cooperative Centennial Banquet with world cooperation as its motif, and for which a prominent foreign speaker is being arranged, will be followed by the Congress "Sing-n-Swing," where, under the leadership of experts from co-ops across the land, you can schottish, you can waltz, you can polka, you can square dance, you can swing it, or sit out!

On Thursday and Friday nights (second night for Chicagoans so out-of-towners can all get in the first night) will come the first showings of America's Cooperative Centennial Pageant, "In the Hearts of Men." In music and color and rhythm, through interpretative pantomime, dance and dialogue, here will be depicted a startling impression of man's struggles and achievements in the quest for security and peace.

Three special luncheon programs and two dinner programs are on the line-up, and in addition to reports of officers and recommendations of affiliated groups, there will be extensive graphic presentations and discussion of local experiences in cooperative finance, merchandising and education.

On Monday, October 9, there will be a joint board meeting of National Cooperatives and The Cooperative League, conferences for cooperative women's groups, co-op youth and campus co-ops, an afternoon panel discussion and conference of ministers, priests and rabbis, and an inter-faith mass meeting on the church and cooperatives in the evening. Sunday, October 8, to be known as Cooperative Sunday, will open the Cooperative Week with cooperatives the theme in many churches and young people's meetings from coast to coast.

For the third successive time, a daily Cooperative Congress newspaper will be published—this time for five days. Reports and recommendations, the final program of the Congress, and special Centennial Souvenir Brochures, will be combined in a Centennial Memorial Congress Book. Special half-hour music programs will open each morning session. More than 1,000 out-of-town delegates and visitors are expected to attend.

British Co-ops Approve \$40,000,000 Postwar Expansion Program

MANCHESTER, England (CLNS)—The British consumer cooperative movement is swinging into action with a postwar program which waits only for the close of the war for its actual accomplishment. Postwar projects involving an expenditure of \$40,000,000 have already been decided on by the Cooperative Wholesale Society which is owned by 12,000 cooperative societies operating in Britain.

In addition to projects already decided upon, several important new developments are under consideration. Of chief importance among these is a proposal to merge the operations of the British and Scottish Cooperative Wholesale Societies. Such a merger would make the combined organization the largest private trading enterprise in the world.

Another proposal is for the establishment by the Cooperative Wholesale Society of a cooperative mail order service which would serve