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Važnejši zaključki gl. odbora S.N.P.J.

Proslava srebrnega jubileja jednote. Velika kampanja za nove člane z nagradami, kakršnih še ni bilo. Izjava glede provizoričnih pravil. Priporočila konvenciji glede "Prosvete." Jednotina dvorana dobi balkon.

Glavni odbor S.N.P.J., ki je zboroval zadnje dni januarja, je sprejel več važnih zaključkov, ki bodo seveda objavljeni detajlirano v zapisniku. Ker pa se bo objava zapisnika z računi vred nekoliko zavlekla, navajamo nekatere sklepe gl. odbora ob kratkem že v naprej:

Prvi teden v maju izide slavnostna številka "Prosvete" ob 25-letnici jednote. Slavnostno izdanje bo imelo obširno prilogo, ki jo dobe vsi člani in naročniki.

Ker je letos jubilejno leto S.N.P.J., bo celo leto trajala kampanja za nove člane in naročnike "Prosvete." Načrt kampanje izdela upravni odbor, a že zdaj se lahko reče, da bodo nekatere nagrade prijetno presenetljive.

Vsako društvo dobi kot jubilejni dar po dve knjigi "Ameriški Slovenci" in po dva izvoda "Slovensko-angleške slovnice" iz založbe Književne matice.

Pozvana so vsa društva S.N.P.J., naj dostojno proslavijo petindvajsetletnico jednote. Da bodo slavnostne prireditve čim efektivnejše, naj se društva v ta namen, kjer le dopuščajo, kratkoročne razmere, združijo po zgledu Clevelandke, Minnesotke in Milwaukee Federacije; na slavnostno jednota pošlje svoje govornike.

Glede provizoričnih pravil, ki jih je sestavil odtok za pravila, je gl. odbor sprejel sledečo izjavo: "Ker je odtok za pravila narédil med drugim tudi spremembe v pravilih z ozirom na ustavo, iniciativo in referendum, klasko kontrolo in več drugih sprememb, za katere ni bilo splošne želje od strani članstva, smatra gl. odbor, da se odtok za pravila ni ravnal po 17. točki 29. člena; ker je odtok za pravila s svojim delom povzročil, da po imela konvencija s temi provizoričnimi pravili več dela kot je potrebno, izjavlja gl. odbor na svoji letni seji, da ne soglašajo s provizoričnimi pravili in priporočajo društvom, da razpravljajo na podlagi pravil, ki jih je sprejela osma redna konvencija v Waukeganu, Ill."

Glede "Prosvete" je gl. odbor priporočil konvenciji, naj se s to študentska številka dnevnika odpravi na mesto to naj vsak član dobi poudeljkovo številko povečano na osem straneh poleg srednje številke. Na ta način bo več prostora za angleško čtivo, ki ga prispeva naša mladina, in tudi več prostora za druge uradne stvari.

Da bo sedanja jednotna dvorana odgovarjala tudi potrebam večjih zborovanj, kot n. pr. konvencij, je gl. odbor pooblaštil upravni odbor, naj preskrbi v dvorani galerijo ali balkon, če se bo to moglo izvršiti z zmernimi troški.

140.000 delavcev izprtih v Nemčiji.

Berlin, 5. febr. — Tekstilni magnati so sklenili, da izprose svoje delavce, okrog 140.000, prihodnji ponedeljek. To arnariji in delavci se ne morejo odiniti glede mezde.

Plaža zvišana rudarjem v Montani.

Butte, Mont. — Rudarjem v tujaknjih rudnikih bakra so zvišali mezde za 25c na dan. Ta lažja osajane, dokler se bo baker prodajal po 17c funt. V zadnjem oktobru je bila plaža zvišana za 50c dnevno, ko je bil baker po 16c.

Članski napredek S. N. P. J. v letu 1928

Oddelek odraslih članov:			
Število članov 31. decembra 1927	39,131		
" " 31. " 1928	40,909		
Cisti napredek v članstvu leta 1928	1,778		
Mladinski oddelek:			
Število članov 31. decembra 1927	18,761		
" " 31. " 1928	19,331		
Cisti napredek v članstvu leta 1928	570		
Skupni napredek v članstvu:			
Število članov obeh oddelkov 31. decembra 1927	57,892		
" " 31. decembra 1928	60,240		
Skupni napredek v članstvu leta 1928	2,348		

MI KORAKAMO NAPREJ!

Trockijeva usoda zavita v meglo

Ali je res utonil v Črnem morju ali se še nahaja v Rusiji?

Moskva, 5. febr. — Danes se ni uradnega potrdila, da je parnik "Kraani Plot," ki je odplul 29. januarja iz Batuma z Leonom Trockijem in njegovo družino in ki je imel prispeti v Carigrad 2. februarja, utonil v Črnem morju med snežnim viharjem. Sovjetski parobrodni krogi zanikajo vest, da je ladjo zadela nesreča, pač pa pravijo, da so prejeli brezlično brzojavko, da je parnik na varnem. Nadaljno izpraševanje je pa odkrilo, da uradniki parobrodne trupe na vso moč ne tem parniku, odkar je zapustil Batum 29. januarja. O usodi Trockija se širi po Rusiji toliko govorice, da je nemogoče dognati, kaj je resnice na vsem skupaj. Sovjetski oficijelni organi ne rečejo nič; njim ugađa, da svet ugiba. Medtem so v teku zborovanja po vseh industrijskih mestih Rusije, na katerih delavci sprejemajo na vse strani razposlano formulo resolucije proti trockistom. Resolucija se povsod glasi, da je treba vse vodilne trockiste izgnati iz Rusije.

Berlin, 5. febr. — Tukaj poročajo, da je Trockij še vedno v Rusiji in da so vesti o njegovi deportaciji v Turčijo in potopu parnika v Črnem morju brez podlage.

Španski diktator odslovil pol armade

Policija tudi reducirana. Na drugi strani se oborožuje "Unija patrijotov."

Madrid, 5. febr. — Diktator Primo de Rivera in kralj Alfonso sta odslovila brez malega polovico vojskova iz španske armade, ki je prepojena z revolucionarnimi idejami. Narodna policija je tudi zmanjšana, ker ni zanesljiva. Na drugi strani je mobilizirana "narodna milica" iz članov Patriotske unije, ki je hrbtenica diktature. Na tisoče oficirjev in civilistov je pobegnilo v Francijo.

Lindbergh odprl zračno pošto v Panamo.

Washington, D. C. — Chas. A. Lindbergh je 4. t. m. odprl novo linijo zračne pošte iz Minnija v Floridi do Paname. S 500 funti pošte in potniki je poletel jutraj, se ustavil na Kubi in popoldne je pristal v Hondurasu. V terek je nadaljeval polet do Nikaragve in danes pride v Christobal, Panama.

Nov jugoslovanski poslanik v Washingtonu.

Beograd, 5. febr. — Kralj Aleksander je včeraj imenoval profesorja Leonida Pitamice za univerze v Ljubljani poslanikom v Združenih državah.

Rusija iz sosednje področja pakt mira

V Moskvi se vrši prva mirovna konferenca.

Variava, 5. febr. — Prvič v zgodovini Sovjetske unije bodo sovjeti sedeli v konferenci z vsemi svojimi zapadnimi sosedi od Finskega zaliva do Črnega morja. Konferenca se vrši v Moskvi in začne se 7. februarja. Zastopniki Finske, Estonije, Latvije, Litvinske, Poljske in Romunije se sličejo tega dne in podpisajo protokol, na podlagi katerega stopi Kelloggova protivojna pogodba takoj v veljavo med podpisanimi strankami. Poljska in Romunija sta končno pristali na to, da se v takoj so pristale tudi vse baltičske države.

Rusija zima v Evropi

44 oseb smrznilo; volkovi terorizirajo ljudi; 50 let ni bilo take zime.

London, 5. febr. — Vsa srednja Evropa, in velik del južne, je zakovana v led in sneg. Temperatura je povsod pod ničlo in do danes je 44 oseb smrznilo. Take zime še ni bilo 50 let. Zeleniški promet je povsod ustavljen. Na Danakem so zamrznil vsi kanali in luke in ladje so običajne v ledu. Zamrzile so tudi vse velike reke; Donava je pokrita z ledom skoro do izliva.

Najbolj trpe severna Italija, Ogrska, Jugoslavija in Balkan. Ogromna krda volkov so invadirala vasi v Jugoslaviji, južni Ogrski in Romuniji. V Carigradu je zapadel tako debel sneg, da se podirajo hiše pod njim; obenem je temperatura padla na 8 pod ničlo in vse šole in trgovine so zaprte. Štirje delavci so smrznili na železniški progi v Traciji, kjer so odkopavali orientni ekspresni vlak iz snega. V Budapešti so tri osebe smrznile. Tam je 20 pod ničlo. Iz Rima poročajo, da je tamkaj tako mrzlo, da so vse ulice dezertirane; ljudje se stiskajo v hišah, v katerih pa ni peči. Na Dunaju je polovica prebivalcev bolnih na gripi. Na Poljskem in v Rusiji imajo 50 pod ničlo in trpljenje je grozno.

Teror vlada v Kabulu.

Pekavar, Indija, 5. febr. — V Kabulu, glavnem mestu Afganistana, vladata teror in kaos. Bivši banditi in vodonoka Bafa Sako, ki je vzel mesto in se oklical za kralja v revolti proti Amnullahu, je dovolil svojim četam, da ropajo in terorizirajo prebivalce kolikor jim drago.

Wilson je pozabljen.

Washington, D. C. — Dne 3. februarja je minulo pet let, kar je umrl Woodrow Wilson, bivši predsednik za časa vojne. Dokaz, kako je Wilson pozabljen, je bil, ko sta omenjena dva samostojna osebi posetili njegov grob. To sta bila njegova vdova in njen brat.

Razprave o provizoričnih pravilih S. N. P. J.

Chicago, Ill. — (Nadaljevanje).

Pravila SNPJ morajo soglašati z državnimi zakoni, da so veljavna. Konvencija ali pa članstvo mora biti previdno, da ne sprejme zakonov v svoja pravila, ki so v protislovju z zakoni. Tolmačenje pravil se pa tudi samoosbebi razume, da se mora tolmačiti na temelju državnih zakonov. Iz teh in aličnih tehtnih razlogov konstatiram in se popolnoma strinjam z razlaganjem pravil po br. uredniku Prosvete, to pa posebno tikačje se XX. člena. Kakor sem trdil in želim nastopiti pri društvu, kar pa seveda ni bilo možno, tako tudi danes trdim, da edini pravoveljavni način postopanja v porotnih razpravah je po principu uredniškega razlaganja pravilno in postavno. Dokler torej živimo v Združenih državah, smo pač primorani se ravnati po njih običajih, akoravno se eni s tem ne strinjajo. To torej je glavni faktor, da način br. Radanovičev postopanje in njega način porotnih razprav ne odobravam, ker ni samo neobičajen, temveč tudi protipostaven.

Jaz se priključujem br. John Medvedu svesti, ki je priporočal spremembo XX. člena naših pravil v Prosveti št. 302 z dne 26. decembra 1928. Sebi še dalje in priporočam, da se pravila za ta člen popolnoma ukinemo po vzoru državnih zakonov postopanja. Ker s tem bi se člani boljše seznanili s običaji te države, jednota pa bi imela s tem korist kot tudi članstvo, ker bi zaključki na tej podlagi bili višje upoštevani in odobravljeni v slučaju civilno sodniškega postopanja.

Priporočila odborniških plač in dnevne delegatov so pač različna. Eni bi šli tako daleč, da bi plačali kot se je plačevalo pastirjem v starem kraju; ako je pridno pazil na živino, pa so mu obljubili kronco kadar bodo telečka prodali. Uradništvo danes pri SNPJ zahteva zmernost. Voliti enega, ki ni dovolj zmoten, se zahteva, da se mora namerjati poleg istega druge osebo. Na ta način bi mogla jednota plačevati dvema. Akoravno bi bila ta moč bolj poceni, bi stalo več kot pa eden dober uradnik. Pomniti je pa tudi treba, da kaj bi rekli oni, ki so danes najbolj nasprotni postenim plač, ko bi slučajno recimo gl. predsednik po opravih prišel v njih kraj s ponosno obleko? Ako hočemo imeti postene uradnike, jim moramo dati posteno plačo. Nikakor pa ni potrebno kateremu misliti, da jaz govorim iz stališča, da lačem kako službo pri jednoti.

K razpravi za reorganizacijo glavnega odbora sem pa na stališču, da je nam še skrajni čas, da se preuredi. Današnji način je pač odgovarjal prošlim razmeram. Ako danes pogledamo in nekoliko premišljujemo, pa vidimo, da vsaka napredna organizacija, ki si želi napredka, z duhom časa preurejuje in popravljaj način ter si ustvarja boljše sistem. Prošle izkušnje so vendar pokazale, da način sestave gl. odbora ni umešten, temveč je potrebna reformacija. Moje priporočilo na tem bi bilo to, da se reformira na način po velikih organizacijah ali korporacijah, kar sem že tudi priporočal odboru za pravila. Namreč, da bi se gl. odbor sestavil iz gl. upravnega odbora, direktorjev in gl. porotnikov ali sodnega odseka. Ta način po mojem mnenju bi bil bolj praktičen in enostaven.

Gl. upravni odbor bi izpolnjeval iste funkcije kot danes, gl. direktorji pa funkcije nadzornega odbora, gospodarskega odbora, združevalnega odbora, sploh vse, kar spada pod njih ime: ravnateljstva. Volilo bi se jih iz okrožjev po določenem številu članov, odgovorni pa bi bili svojemu okrožju, večini skupnega članstva in konvenciji.

Bratje in sestre, ne govorimo o znižanju plač gl. odbornikom SNPJ. Ne vem, kateri bodo izvoljeni na prihodnji konvenciji.

ciji. Vsač član ali odbornik brez izjeme pa bi bil podvržen pravilom jednote kakor tudi načinu porotnega postopanja. Na ta način bi imeli člani v splošnem boljše reprezentacijo in več vplogleda v notranjost jednote.

Ker se bom še oglasil, bom za danes opustil nadaljne sugestije in priporočila.

Z bratskim pozdravom!
Louis Skerbinek.

Osebná svoboda.

Chicago. — Br. Valentin Verhove iz Plum Runa, O., piše v svoji razpravi o pravilih SNPJ, da je 21. točka 7. člena (društva se ne smejo oficijelno udeležiti cerkvenih slavnosti ali kakih verskih slavnosti, niti ne smejo dati blagosloviljav svojih zastav) popolnoma proti ustavi in načelom jednote, ki jamči članom osebno svobodo verskega, filozofičnega in političnega prepričanja.

Ako bi bil br. Verhove s premislekom prečital obe točki, ki ju citira, bi lahko vedel, da ni nobenega nasprotja. Med osebno svobodo posameznega člana in akcijo društev je razlika, velika razlika. Načelna izjava jednote jamči članom osebno svobodo kakršnegakoli prepričanja. To se pravi, da vsak član lahko misli in dela kar hoče glede vere in politike. To je njegova osebna svoboda. Član gre lahko v cerkev, če hoče, toda on ne gre kot član SNPJ, ker ne predstavlja nikogar, razen samega sebe.

Društva pa je s društvom. Društvo je del jednote, ki ni vsaka. Društvo predstavlja jednoto in kar dela, stori v imenu jednote. Če SNPJ izpoveduje načelo, da je svobodomiselna, morajo logično vsa društva slediti temu načelu in ne smejo kazati verskega značaja. Svobodomiselnost se v tem slučaju razume kot odpoved organizacije kot celote od vsakega verskega značaja in od vsake verske oblasti. (Glej Websterjevo definicijo: free thought (svobodna misel): refusal to recognize traditional or external authority in matters of opinion, especially in respect to religion.) Jednota ne pravi v svoji načelni izjavi, da je nevtralna, temveč pravi, da je svobodomiselna.

Primerjajte ameriško ustavo. Vsač posameznik ima popolno osebno svobodo v verskih zadevah, toda občine in države kot oficijelne enote republike ne smejo imeti nobenega verskega značaja.

Ivan Molek.

Detroit, Mich. — V Prosveti sem čitala priporočila nekega brata, da naj se plače gl. odbornikom SNPJ zniža, kot razlog je navedel, da je življenje v mestu ceneje kakor v premožgarni naselbini, z izjemo stanovanja.

Omenjeni brat gotovo še ni v mestu živel, da kaj takega priporoča. (Upam, da ni eden tistih, ki misli, če sem jaz lačen, naj bo še oni.) Razmere v premožgarnih naselbinah so mi dobro znane, zdaj imam pa priložnost opazovati življenske razmere mesta; razlika je precej velika, žal, ravno nasprotno kakor misli oni brat. Koliko je vreden dolar v premožgarni naselbini ve tisti, ki tam živi, gotovo pa ne pretiravam, ako rečem, da na vsak dolar v rudarski naselbini moramo potrošiti 3 dolare v mestu. Imam sicer nekaj ugodnosti, kar se tiče stanovanja, katere so pa drago plačane. V premožgarni naselbini ima skoraj vsak priložnost obdelati malo vrta, kjer mu zraste salata in druga potrebna zelenjava — koliko je to vredno v poletnem času, ve le tisti, ki pride v mesto, kjer mora vsako najmanjšo stvar iskati v prodajalni.

v bodoči gl. odbor SNPJ, vem pa toliko, da dober delavec ne bo delal za malo plačo, nezmogemu je pa tudi mala plača preveč. Nikar ne gledajmo na tisto, češ, kompanije plače znižujejo, kajti tudi mogote znižajo plačo le onim, katere lahko nadomestijo. Ko se bodo delavci zavedli, takrat pa kompanije ne bodo znižale plače nikomur, ker ne bo onih, da bi jih nadomestile. Zalostno je, da je med delavci še mnogo takih, ki s nekako ljubosumnostjo gledajo na svojega sotrpnika, ako ima slučajno malo večji košček kruha v roki. Večkrat se sliši: "Zakaj pa jaz nimam? Torej tudi onemu ni treba." Menda smo rojeni tako, ali smo vzgojeni tako, da le slab pri sotrpinu rajši vidimo kakor dobro. — Ako bi delavci in delavke tako natančno gledali na prate svojim lakorlačevalcem, kapitalistom, kakor na primer gledajo na prate svojim sotrpnikom, garantiram, da bi se zgodila revolucija, kakršna še ni pomni zgodovina, in to brez krvoprelitja. Škoda, da je tisti čas radi nevednosti še tako daleč od nas.

Mary Bernik, članica društva 121 SNPJ.

Chicago, Ill. — Zopet je tukaj čas, da se oglasim v listu Prosveta. Oglasim se le ob času potrebe, kadar vidim, da je nujno potrebno za članstvo naše organizacije in delavstvo vobde.

K areči sem dobil v roko nova provizorična pravila, katere je izdelal zato izvoljeni odbor, za prihodnja štiri leta Slovenske narodna podpora jednota. Zapest, ta pravila bodo povzročala samo prepir in razne argumente med članstvom, ako ne bo prepira in argumentov, bo pa še slabše. Torej, posamezni člani in društva, savijajmo si rokave in pojdemo na delo. Čas je tukaj, da ne bo prepozno. Kakor je meni znano do danes, se odbor za pravila ni nič ali celaj malo osiral na želje članstva in društev. Naprimer, naše društvo "Slavija" št. 1 SNPJ je sporočilo željo, da odbor za pravila upošteva pet gl. nadzornikov, mesto treh, ker jednota je velika in kot taka potrebuje dobro in zanesljivo nadzorstvo.

V drugem odstavku pravil je besedilo, s katerim se ne strinjamo. To je, da ima gl. predsednik sam preveč vajeti v rokah. Ne vem zakaj imamo nadzorni odbor? Vso predsedniško moč bi bilo dobro, po novih provizoričnih pravilih, samo ne nam predsednik s sodelovanjem nadzornega odbora naj bi se zamogla izrabljati tozadevna moč. Ako hočemo upoštevati kolektivo demokracijo, ne smemo pustiti eni osebi tozadevno moč, kakor jo provizorična pravila dopuščajo samemu gl. predsedniku.

V točki referenduma vidim nekaj, s čim se ne morem strinjati. Provizorična pravila določajo, ako izda kakšno društvo iniciativni predlog, da se mora udeležiti splošnega glasovanja najmanj 50 odstotkov članstva, ako pa izda glavni odbor iniciativni predlog, za zadostuje samo dvajset odstotkov celokupnega članstva. Zakaj ta razlika? Mar naj gl. odbor, ako ni zadovoljen s kakšno točko v pravilih, kar enostavno črta iz pravil, pa bo mir? Nadalje je moja želja o reprezentaciji drugačnej, kakor je v provizoričnih pravilih navedeno. V pravilih je staro besedilo in novo. Za katero se bo članstvo oziroma konvencija izrekla? Jaz se ne strinjam ne s prvim, ne s drugim. Reprezentacija naj bi bila kakor sledi: "Od 50 do 200 članov sme društvo poslati enega delegata, od 200 članov naprej pa enega več, nobeno društvo pa ne sme poslati več kakor 2 delegata na konvencijo. Mala društva naj se združijo v dosego 75 članov, da morejo poslati delegata na

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Datum v oklepaju n. pr. (Jan. 31-1929) poleg vašega imena na naslovu pomeni, da vaša s tem dnem poteka naročnina. Ponovite jo pravočasno, da se vam ne ustavi list.

SLOVENSKE BRATSKÉ PODPORNE ORGANIZACIJE SE STARAJO, Z NJIMI PA TUDI NJIH ČLANI.

Kakšnih deset let sem se že sliši, da je treba nekaj storiti glede starih članov. Ta nekaj naj bi bil nekaj pozitivnega, določnega. Ti glasovi so se slišali tudi v uradnih številkah "Prosvete." Dopisovalci so bili mnenja, da je čas tukaj, da Slovenska narodna podpora jednota tudi v tem oziru led prebije in stori nekaj za svoje stare člane, kar bo vplivalo tudi na druge jugoslovanske bratske podporne organizacije in se bo izkazalo praktično in dobro.

Prilaskovalo se je, da načrt za nova pravila prinese nekaj novega glede starih in obnemoglih članov, kar se bo popolnoma ločilo od starega.

Načrt za pravila pove, da ostane neizpremenjena 8. točka XXII. člena glede izrednih podpor. Ta točka določa, da upravni odbor nakazuje podpore iz sklada izrednih podpor v slučajih, ki jih smatra za nujne, kakor: v slučaju epidemije, prirodne katastrofe itd., predvsem pa članom jednote, ki so izredno potrebni podpore. Koncem te točke je opazka: Glej točko 26, člen X.

Člen X. sploh nima 26. točke, ampak tu je 25. točka, ki se glasi: V slučajih izredne potrebe sme upravni odbor dovoliti izredno podporo iz sklada izrednih podpor, kot določeno v točki 8, člen VIII.

Člen VIII. se peča z razredi, člen X. pa z bolniško podporo.

Člen IX., ki se peča z asesmentom, ne reče besede, da se iz sklada izrednih podpor plačuje asesment za člane, ki so vsled starosti onemogli in ker so določeno število let člani S.N.P.J.

Sklad za izredne podpore bi moral imeti svoj člen s svojimi točkami, ki bi jasno povedal, kdo je v prvi vrsti opravičen do podpore iz tega sklada. V starem kraju čitajo pravila S.N.P.J. in sodijo po besedilu, ki je sedaj v pravih S.N.P.J. glede izrednih podpor, da ima S.N.P.J. velik sklad za izredne podpore, iz katerega plačuje podpore pogorelcem in dijakom v starem kraju. Da je tako, pričajo številne prošnje, ki jih prejema glavni odbor S.N.P.J. za podporo iz starega kraja. Te prošnje je gl. odbor ali upravni odbor primoran večinoma odkloniti, ker ima S.N.P.J. sama veliko siromakov v Ameriki, v kateri so socialni zakoni še le v snovanju, kar zopet pričajo številne bratske podporne organizacije. Ako bi imeli v Ameriki uveljavljene socialne zakone za izplačevanje bolniške podpore, zavarovanje proti brezposelnosti, starosti in onemoglosti, bi bile današnje bratske podporne organizacije v tem smislu, kot so zdaj osnovane, nepotrebne. Teh socialnih zakonov ni, in zato si moramo sami pomagati, kakor najboljšo vemo in znamo. Torej nazaj k stvari: plačevanju asesmenta za stare in onemogle.

Gl. upravni odbor seveda lahko nakaže staremu članu ali večletnemu članu plačevanje asesmenta iz sklada izrednih podpor. Ali ta stari član, akoravno je član Slovenske narodne podporne jednote več kot dvajset let, mora prositi ravnotako, kot član, ki je šele pet let član S.N.P.J. in je prišel iz enega ali drugega vzroka v položaj, da ne more več plačevati mesečnega asesmenta. Staremu dvajsetletnemu članu ni priznana nobena pravica, ker je skozi dvajset let lojalno plačeval asesment svoji organizaciji in se ravnal po sklepih konvencij in določbah v pravih. Da se ta krivica izravna, je treba to določiti v pravih.

Provizoričen načrt za člen "Izredne podpore":

1. Podpore iz tega sklada so deležni člani, ki so ne-pretargoma pet in dvajset (tu se lahko postavi nižja pa tudi višja številka) let člani S.N.P.J., ne delajo ali nimajo svojega kapitala za preživljanje sebe, da se zanje plačuje asesment za posmrtnino šest sto dolarjev in en dolar bolniške podpore, nko so zavarovani za posmrtnino in bolniško podporo, če ne, pa samo za najnižjo posmrtninsko zavarovalnino, kadar naznanijo svojemu društvu, da so pet in dvajset let člani S.N.P.J. in stari šestdeset let in če društvo njih objavo potrdi, da je resnična in jo sporoči upravni odboru.

2. Asesment se plačuje za vse člane, ki so pet let člani S.N.P.J. in brez lastne krivde zaldejo v take gospo-

darske razmere, da ne morejo plačevati asesmentov, če napravijo prošnjo pri svojem društvu in se društvo pre- priča o njih ubožnosti in gl. upravni odbor sprejme fakto o ubožnosti takih članov za resnične in zadostne in če dosti denarja v skladu za izredne podpore, ne da bi bilo treba razpisati izrednega asesmenta.

3. Glavni upravni odbor sme izplačati podporo iz sklada za izredne podpore v vseh slučajih članom, ki jih smatra za nujne in če jih potrdi društvo, da je nujnost vsled ubožnosti na mestu. To so slučaji epidemije, prirodne katastrofe, velike in dolgotrajne stavke in izpori itd.

4. Glavni upravni odbor sme izplačevati podporo iz sklada izrednih podpor v vseh slučajih epidemije, naravnih katastrof, ako ima dosti denarja v skladu izrednih podpor in se je po svojih zaupnikih prepričal, da je nujna izredna podpora potrebna.

To je provizoričen načrt. Besedilo se lahko izpreme- ni. Lahko se kaj črta, lahko se pa kaj doda. Ampak je- dro naj ostane, ki je v tem, da imajo oni, ki so po dvaj- set ali pet in dvajset let člani S.N.P.J., gotove pravice in da se nanje treba ozirati in da postoji velika razlika med onimi, ki so člani S.N.P.J. in onimi, ki niso. Najprvo naj bodo deležni podpore iz tega sklada oni, ki so lepo število let člani S.N.P.J., nato oni, ki so več let člani S.N.P.J. in potem šele oni, ki poznajo S.N.P.J. samo takrat, ko jih zadene nesreča. To je pravično.

NAŠI ODRI

Operni prizori v Waukeganu.
Waukegan, Ill. — Primadona Pavla Lovsetova in baritonist Anton Subelj, člana slovenske kraljeve opere v Ljubljani, pri- redila v nedeljo 10. februarja, 1929, ob 2:30 popoldne veliko operno predstavo v Slovenskem narodnem domu na 10. cesti. Iz- zvala bosta zaključne duete iz najlepših svetovnih oper v ko- stumih in maskah, torej pevsko in igralsko, tako bodo imeli obli- skovalci dvojen užitek.

Zaradi lažjega razumevanja podajamo tu vsebino onih oper, iz katerih bosta podala najlepše duetne točke.

1.) Seviljski brivec, zložil Ros- sin.

Izmed vseh komičnih oper, kar se jih izdaja po svetovnih odrih, je Seviljski brivec, naj- bolj priljubljena. Poleg komi- ne vsebine jo odlikuje zlasti ve- lika melodioznost, saj je cela opera pravzaprav sestavljena iz samih lepih arij, te pa zahteva- jo izvežbanih glasov poklicanih pevcev, ki so kos tekmemu toda zelo hvalnemu belcanto izva- janju. Vsebinska je ta-le:

Stari doktor Bartolo ima lepo, mlado in bogato varovanko Ro- zina, katero bi rad poročil. Ta pa ljubi mladeniča, ki ji hodi pet podoknice in se ji predstavi za Lindora. Ko ga vidi nekoč go- voriti s prebrisanim brivcem Figarom, skuša od tega izvedeti, kdo je oni mladenič. Figaro ji neče povedati, da je to grof Al- madira, ampak se ji zlaže, da je njegov sorodnik Lindoro. V komični sceni, ko ga Rozina po- šteno potegne za nos, ji pove, da tudi Lindoro ljubi le njo. Fi- garo ji objavi svojo pomoč, ker staremu Bartolu ne privoščil le- pega dekleta. V naslednjih dveh dejanjih vidimo grofa preoble- čenega kot vojaka, drugič kot u- čitelja glasbe, ko se skuša vti- hotapiti v doktorjevo stanovan- je, da bi govoril z dekletom. Vselej mu pomaga Figaro, a vse- lej jih starec zaloti in prepodi. Končno se Figaro vendar pose- di najti pot skozi okno in notar poroči oba zaljubljenca, predno jih prepodi ljubosumni varuh.

2.) Glumači (Pagliacci).

To opero je po resničenem do- godku spisal in uglasbil laški kompozist Leoncavallo. Še kot mlad dijak se je nekoč vdelel na delih cirkuške predstave, pri kateri je mož v resnici umoril svojo ženo na odru, ko je igral z njo vlogo ljubosumnega so- proga. Ta krvava drama z dne 15. 8. 1867. je mladega glas- benika tako pretresla, da je na- pisal iz te snovi opero, ki je dan- es znana po vsem svetu. — O- pera začne z nastopom zbora kmetov, ki obkolijo potujočo umetnike in izvedo, da bo zve- čer ob 9. velika "gala" predsta- va. Poglavar Canio, surov in ljubosumen človek čuva svojo ženo Neddo tako, da se mu kmetje posmehujejo. On pa jim grozeče prizna, da bi se strašno mačeval, če bi Neddo res zalotil v nezvestobi. Družba odide nato v gostilno in Nedda ostane sama. S strahom pre-

mišlja, kaj bi bilo, če bi Canio izvedel, da ona ljubi fanta Sil- vio iz sosednje vasi. V tem jo zmotijo tički, a katerimi začne prepevati pesem o zlati svobodi, o razpetih krilih, ki lahko plove- jo v deželo hrespnenja. Vaa je omamljena v teh sanjah, ko se priplazi k njej glumač Tonio, pohabljenec, ki ji glumač svojo ljubezen. Nedda se norčuje iz njega, češ, zvečer na odru mi boš v igri lahko prisegel ljube- zen, zdaj je še prezgodaj. Toda Tonio se ne da odpraviti, sprva jo skuša ganiti, pozneje postane nasilen in je z bičem se ga Nedda komaj ubrani. Tonio ji pri- seže mačevanje. Komaj o- dide, ko prihití njen ljubimec Silvio. Nedda mu priporoča previdnost, češ Tonio se bo iz- užaljenosti mačeval nad njo. Silvio je res ogrožen nad gluma- čevo predrznostjo in prigravja Neddi naj zbeži z njim, ker tega strašnega življenja vendar ne bo mogla dolgo prenašati. Ned- da se upira izkušnjam, toda slednjic se uda ljubimčevemu prigravarjanju in sklene z njim pobegniti. Tonio, ki se je med- tem vrnil, ju opazuje in steče v gostilno po moža Cania. Ta ravno sliši, ko naroča Silvio Neddi, kje jo bo čakal po pre- dstavi. Plane proti njemu, toda Nedda ga zadrži, da oni lahko zbeži. Nato hoče zabosti njo, toda hudobni Tonio mu svetuje, naj počaka do večera, češ, fant gotovo pride na predstavo in ta- krat jo izkove. Canio ga sluša.

— V drugem dejanju vidimo kmete, ki so prišli na predsta- vo. Na malem odereku igra Ca- nio ljubosumnega moža, ki ho- če izvesti ljubimčevu ime. Ko Nedda vidi, da Canio ne igra naučene vloge, ampak da v re- snici hoče vedeti ime njenega fanta in da postaja nasilen, se mu zoperstavi z besedami: "Ne, ne izdam ga! Vlačje! Imenuj me! Toda podla nisem in ne iz- dam imena. Ti moj ljubezen le z jezo svojo večaj. Ne, ne izdam ga. Četudi dam tvoj živ- ljenje!" — Canio zdviga in jo zabode. Občinstvo aplavdira, ker misli, da tako krásno igra- jo. Le Silvio razume in plane Neddi na pomoč. Z divjim kri- kom: "Ti si!" skoči Canio proti njemu in mu potisne nož v prsi.

3.) Il Trovatore (Trubadur).

Od melodičnih Verdijevih oper je Trubadur menda naj- bolj znan. Vključ silno roman- tični vsebini se zaradi lepih arij še vedno poje po vseh velikih in malih odrih, ki razpolagajo z do- brimi pevci.

Plemkinja Leonora ljubi po- tujočega pevca (trubadurja) Manrico in zavrže ljubezen grofa Luna. Ta v boju vjamo Manrico in ga spre v ječo. Leo- nora pride k trdnjavi in poje otočno pesem o izgubljeni sreči. Ko se pojavi grof Luna, ga pro- si, naj Manrico vrne svobodo. Grof je neizprosen in hoče oditi. Tedaj se Leonora po zadnjem sredstvu prične, da postane njegova, ako reši s tem Manri- ca. Grof sprejme to erte, ko pa naroča hlapcem, da izpuste

trubadurja, izpije Leonora strup.

Ta duet, ki tvori IV dejanje, spada med najlepše, kar jih pre- more sopransko baritonska o- perna literatura.

4. Gorenjski slávek od Ant. Foesterja je slovenska "Proda- na nevesta" in doslej najpriljub- ljenejša slovenska opera. Brh- ka Gorenjka z Bleda, Minka, je izvrstna pevka, katero slučaj- no ališil veliki letovikar Fran- coz, učitelj petja v Parizu. Ta- ko je navdušen zanjo, da je pri- pravljen plačati dolg, ki tare njeno mater, pod pogojem, da gre Minka z njim v svet in se izobrazi za pevko. Baa tiste dni pa se vrne njen fant Franjo iz mesta. Ko izve o tujčevem na- črtu, napravi s pomočjo drugih fantov malo spletko, da tujca izženejo, Minka pa postane nje- gova nevesta. Odbor.

Važno naznanilo.

Chicago. — Vsem tistim, ki že v nedeljo, dne 10. feb. potov- ali v Waukegan, da prisostvu- jejo opernim prizorom, ki jih priredita naša znana umetnika, pevca iz domovine, v waukegan- skem Narodnem domu, nazna- njamo, da zadnji vlak električ- ne železnice odpelje s postaje Wabash in Adams točno ob 1. pop.

Ako bo dovolj oseb prijavi- nih najkasneje do petka zvečer (8. feb.), bo odbor odkrbel pri družbi North Shore Line pose- ben voz. Če želite akupnega po- tovanja, pokličite Frank Aleša, telefon: Lawndale 0951.

Odbor.

"Vdova Rožinka" na milwa- ukem odru.

Milwaukee, Wis. — V nedeljo, dne 10. februarja vprizori- dramski odsek društva "Lilije" zanimivo kmečko dramo, — tri- dejansko komedijo, "Vdovo Rožinko". Igra je zelo duhovi- ta, mastno zabeljena z doviti- ni in veselimi razgovori, da bo vsakogar, pravim, da prav vsa- kogar, spravila v smeh, pa če je navajen še tako črnogledati, to je, če se je tak pesimist.

"Vdova Rožinka" bo vprizo- rjena omenjena dne v South Side Trun dvorani ob 8. zvečer. Popoldanski program, ki bo se- lo bogat, pa prične ob 3. popo- dne. Popoldne nastopijo naša peška društva, da bo program bolj raznoličen. Držimo se reka: roka roko umije, obe pa obraz. Give us a lift!

Dramski odsek jamči vsake- mu posetniku te prireditve po- popodne in zvečer, da bo imel iz- redno lep užitek, in vstopnina, ki smo jo bili primorani zviša- ti radi razmer, bo 76c, a še primerjamo to ceno bogatemu programu, tedaj vidimo, da ni velika. Ta cena gotovo ne bo zadrževala ljubiteljev dobre drame, dobrega petja in reda v dvorani. Na svidenje torej v nedeljo 10. feb.!

Tudi eden izmed starih.

"Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme"

v Chicago.

Snov Mollerjeve komedije "Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme", ki jo je v nedeljo, 3. febr., vprizori- dramski odsek kluba št. 1. JSZ, je karakterizacija bogatega do- mišljavca, ki je prepričan, da se z denarjem dobi vse, tudi zna- nje in kultura. Glavni junak je monsieur Jourdain, ki si v svo- ji gluposti najame ljudi, da ga uče raznih umetnosti in olike, da se tako povzpne do obveča- nja z višjo družbo. Ker ima ve- liko denarja, mu ne manjka u- čiteljev, ki ga poučujejo v glas- bi, plesu, sabljanju in filozofiji in pri tem ga pridno izkorišča- jo in norčujejo iz njegove do- mišljavosti. Jourdain ima hčer Lucile, ki je zaljubljena v nava- dnega meščana Cleonta, toda oče se upira tej zvezi in vztraja, da mora hči omožiti plemiča in ni- kogar drugega. Po prizadevanju Cleontovega služabnika Coviella, ki iztuhta načrt in najame sku- pino "Turkov" se vna stvar sre- no završi in Cleonte dobi v zakon svojo izvoljenko. Srečen je tudi Jourdain, ki ne spozna prevare in je prepričan, da je njegova hči omožila plemenitaka.

"Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme" spada med razmeroma redke klasične komedije, kateri pa na- ši diletante niso bili kos. Naj- boljša sta še bila John Rak v vlogi Coviella, Cleontovega slu- žabnika, in Oscar Godina v vlo- gi profesorja filozofije. Ugajal

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Zgodilo se je in še se godi... Zgodilo se je in godi se, da gredo fantiči v lemenat zato, da bodo brali mašo, peli mizerere in obdržali legende v glavah neveselih ljudi. Nisem bil v le- menatu, toda oni, ki so bili, so mi povedali, da to je glavno, česar se uče. Uče se metafizike in sorodnih "učenosti".

Zupnik Trunk, ki je bil v le- menatu, lahko ve, da profesorji bogoslovja ne uče ničesar o vodstvu železnice. To se ne ni zgodilo. Glavni predmet v le- menatu je metafizika. (Kaj je metafizika, je pojasnil nekdo — če se ne motim, je bil Ber- trand Russell — temle: Zamorec gre v temni noči v temno klet in tam iče črnega mačka, ki ga ni tamkaj!)

Zgodilo se pa je in še se godi, da so metafiziki — ministri že- leznice. Iz tega dogodka se lahko izvaja samo dvoje: ali je odpo- vedale metafizika ali pa so od- povedale železnice. Prvo ali drugo. Ali je skrahiral princip, da je duhoven predvsem duho- ven, ali pa nič več v celi deželi nikogar, ki se razume na vod- stvo železnice.

Prijatelj Trunk je mnenja, da se to lahko zgodi. Mož, ki študira metafiziko, je lahko mi- nister železnice! Saj je tudi že- leznik ali rudar lahko uredni- kovi lista!

Kajpada! Saj tudi g. Trunk piše članke za časopise! In tu- di kako knjigo lahko piše. Se- več. Če bi bil malo mlajši, bi bil dober tudi za železniškega delavca. Ne verjamem pa, da bi se Trunk upal prevzeti pose- l manažerja Grand Trunk že- leznice. Jaz se nisem nikoli učil rudarstva, pa so me le porabili za delo v rudniku — zgodilo se

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Frank Zajta.

III. — "Brat predsednik, predlagam, da se njegovo nakaznico potrdi, in protestiram proti članom, ki mu jo hočejo ovrči! Kaj nas briga, kaj je poče! V bolezn! Bolan je bil, to vemo! Zato naj dobi podporo. Zakaj vendar plačujemo? Čemu naj naš de- nar plesni v Chicagu? Naši čla- ni ga potrebujejo, in mi ne pla- čujemo, da bi tam kadili cigare za naše žulje." Brat član se je v razburjenju bolj in bolj spo- zabljaj ter je svoj govor zaklju- čil: "Prmej... jaz zahtevam, bratje, da dobi podporo, dacol!"

Taki argumenti se čujejo na sejah društev jugoslovanskih podpornih organizacij vsepo- vsod, ne sicer v vsakem društvu, vendar pa v premočnih. Meni se je posebno vtisnila v spomin seja, nekega društva na severu ameriške Unije, in iz tiste seje (bilo je pozimi l. 1912) citiram gornji "argument".

Nepoučeni člani užajeno vpra- šujejo: "Čemu plačujemo?" In v marsikaterem društvu ni ni- kogar, ki bi jim povedal, da je SNPJ v teku prošnih petih let izplačala samo na bolniških po- porah dva in pol milijona dolar- jev. Nikogar ni, ki bi vedel, da plačujemo izredne asesmente zato, ker dajemo več podpore kot pa znašajo redni dohodki prizadetih skladov. Namreč, jaz ne mislim, da nihče ne ve. Ampak tisti, ki vedo, navadno molče, ali pa jih ni na sejo. Dru- gi so glasni, eni izmed njih de- magogirajo, in "dobri" ljudje, člani seveda, jamrajo, da je tre- ba nekaj ukreniti, da se "izred- ne" asesmente odpravi, ker so slaba "reklama". Nepoučenost je vzrok, da tako velik odstotek našega članstva napadno pojmu- je naš zavarovalniški sistem. Ker smo nepoučeni, in gledamo "tri milijone v Chicagu", pravi- mo: Naj dobi podporo! Saj je "tam denar".

Mimogrede o "čikaskem ce- narju". Imovina SNPJ. je in- vestirana večinoma v munic- palnih in drugih bondih v raz- nih državah — v južnih, zapad- nih, v vzhodnih, itd. V Chicagu, kjer je sedež jednote, je le majhen del njenega denarja. Sedaj pa, komu ti naši milijo- ni pripadajo? Kadar boste raz- pravljali na seji, ali če se odlo- čite za razpravo v listu, imejte vedno pred očmi to vprašanje. Nad tri milijone dolarjev naše imovine pripada posmrtninske- mu skladu, ostala pa drugim

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Ob zaključku leta smo to- imeli v bolniškem, okodnem skem in v skladu izrednih p- por samo \$174,466.30, kar je n- lenkost. Bolniški sklad sam- moral imeti najmanj pol mil- na rezerve, medtem ko dela

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The Young S. N. P. J.

Editorial Notes

In the following items we are presenting to you excerpts of some of the most important decisions enacted at the last annual session of the Supreme board of the Slovene national benefit society, which was held in the latter part of January. We deem this necessary, not only that they are important, but from the fact that space will be somewhat saved to have them published in this column.

It was decided at the annual meeting of the Supreme board of the SNPJ in January last that the Society issues, in observance of its Twenty-fifth anniversary, a sixty-four page Prosveta, and that a copy should be sent to every member and subscriber.

It was further decided at the mentioned session that since this is our organization's jubilee year that the administrative board of the Society should immediately begin to plan an extensive membership campaign, and at the same time open a drive for new subscribers to the Prosveta. Each local, it was decided simultaneously, will be the recipient of a worth while jubilee present, consisting of two volumes of the book "American Slovenes," and two copies of "English-Slovene Grammar."

The Supreme board urges and requests all the SNPJ lodges to fittingly observe the organization's Twenty-fifth Anniversary; that they should plan programs now, and where possible, as in Cleveland, Milwaukee, and in Minnesota, where federations of SNPJ lodges have been formed, the rare occasion should be celebrated untidily according to districts. For this purpose the Society will arrange to send speakers upon demand.

Anent provisional by-laws an action has been taken by the Supreme board at the said meeting that "Since the committee on by-laws has made certain changes in regard to administrative body of the Society, the initiative and referendum, membership control and many other changes, for which there was no general desire among the membership, the Supreme board considers its action in this respect contrary to the Article XXXIX, Section 17 of the present By-laws of the SNPJ; since the by-laws committee has caused the convention a considerable amount of unnecessary work with the proposed by-laws; because of these reasons the Supreme board at its January annual session decided that it is not in accordance with the provisional by-laws, and advises all locals that they should take for basis of discussion the present By-laws enacted at the eighth regular convention at Waukegan."

At the same meeting the Supreme board discussed the official organ, and arrived at the conclusion to advise delegates to the ninth regular convention to eliminate Saturday edition of the Prosveta and issue two official organs a week consisting of eight pages each. This plan, if accepted, will offer more space for English and Slovene reading matter and official announcements.

The Supreme board has authorized at its January session the administrative department to build a gallery to the present SNPJ auditorium, so that it could house bigger gatherings such as its own conventions. This plan very likely will have been realized, before delegates to the ninth convention assemble in May, if the proposed addition will not require too high expenses.

Lodge Announcements

PIONEER PUST DANCE.

Chicago.—The Pioneer Lodge 559 SNPJ on Tuesday, Feb. 12, at the SNPJ Auditorium will hold its Third Annual Pust Dance. This affair will be of a monstrous nature, for the ever ready youthful Pioneers are exceptionally enthused to put this Pust Night over big. Nothing will be missing, your wants will be satisfied in all respects, all you have to do is purchase a ticket or two which will admit you to this grand affair, the tickets being available at a very low cost, only 50c.

Music for this rare occasion will be furnished by the well known orchestra—Jerry Sebesta and His Jazz Jesters. Only this fact, the marvelous music, should serve as an inducement for you to come to the "Pust Night Dance" given by the Pioneers Tuesday evening, February 12, at the SNPJ hall. But in addition to that other worth while entertainments are being planned by the Pioneer Dance committee, so that you will have a grand and glorious time at this dance.

Bring your friends, your parents, and parents your sons and daughters, for the Pioneer members are a decent crowd, who know how to entertain in a congenial manner; they are the real magnet for the Slovene youth of Chicago; they are the life of our younger generation, and a very promising group of young Slovenes, of whom any Slovene settlement might well be proud.

Come, then, and drink from the fountain of youth at the Pioneer Pust Night Dance, Tuesday, Feb. 12. They will await your pleasure, and they will be ready to serve you!

An Enthusiastic Pioneer.

VALENTINE DANCE.

Forest City, Pa.—Well, here we are again. Don't forget, especially bashful girls and boys, come to our "Valentine Dance" which will be held February 9 in the Naprej Hall by the Friendship Lodge 656.

Everyone will do their stuff when they hear "Buddie" with his cheese-box, and "Kaminie," our jaxxy ivory singer, and not to forget "Walter" with his tambourine and "Johnnie" who will beat on his drums.

As you enter the hall, it sure will be a treat for sore optics. And how! Why? Because the hall will be trimmed in hearts galore. So, if any of you who read this, have lost or broken your heart or — given it to your sweetie — just come around to the Dance, and find your "heart."

And, as for cats, we'll have plenty of potica and klobase.

I hope to see the members of all the lodges in Forest City and neighboring lodges at our dance. Each and every one is cordially invited, so try and come.

Publicity Committee.

DANCE AND PLAY FEB. 9.

Girard, O.—The Golden Eagles, Lodge No. 643, SNPJ, will give an interesting play, "Marriage for Money," on Saturday eve, Feb. 9, at 8 p. m., at the Slovenian hall, No. State street. The play will be given in the Slovene language by our young members. See and hear them put it over! The play is very interesting and humorous as it is a comedy in one act. We invite every one to come and enjoy the evening with us, laugh and be merry. Admission 50c for ladies and 60c for gentlemen. Good music and refreshments will await your presence. This will also be a Valentine Dance, which is to start immediately after the play. So, you see, you're getting a wonderful treat for the price of one admission—the play and the dance end of it.

Come one, come all from near and far. You will enjoy the play immensely. The Valentine party will be something you won't forget so soon. Helen Yaklevich, Sec'y.

ANOTHER BIRTHDAY NEARS

Springfield, Ill.—Another birthday nears—our Third Lodge Birthday. We are celebrating it on Sunday, February 17. As in the past we are doing it fittingly.—We are expecting several delegations from Chicago and St. Louis and hope to see others represented.

A banquet is being given in their honor. After playing the Integrity Lodge Bowlers Sunday morning, banquet, then the birthday program in the evening and dancing to follow.

The program is scheduled to start at seven o'clock Sunday evening at Carpenter's hall with dancing to follow, and everybody is invited to join us at our biggest affair on our calendar and we hope our friends come out and celebrate this anniversary with us.

Yours,

Amy.

CLEVELAND FEDERATION ELECTS NEW OFFICERS FOR 1929

Pres. F. Somrak; Vice Pres. E. Bransile; Sec'y, L. Zorko; Treas. O. Tekauts.

All branches not belonging to the Federation are asked to send representatives and, if possible, join this noble Federation of the Cleveland SNPJ locals.—The Committee

MASQUERADE DANCE FEB. 8.

Carlinville, Ill.—Our local SNPJ Lodge No. — will give a Masquerade Dance on Saturday eve, Feb. 9, at Pete Goffice's place at North end. The dance starts at 7 p. m. Valuable presents will be given away. Come one and all! Good music and refreshments. Admission 50c. See you there!

A Friend.

Harmony and Co-operation

Canonsburg, Pa.—Hidden amid the hills of Western Pennsylvania—the part of the state which is the largest industrial center of the world where the working masses have suffered and withstood unbelievable hardships of life in the ever-existing struggle between Capital and Labor—there is a very promising lodge which has intentions of taking honors of being the best and most active in our Keystone State. Just like the large laboring masses we have found out through bitter experiences that life is just about the same as any other congested street: if you don't keep going steadily you find yourself crowded off to one side of life, the side of life which holds no pleasures for humanity. While on that side of life we have found out that one of the most futile things in this world is argument. Argument only arouses antagonism and it is very rarely that we secure co-operation by it. We have come to a conclusion that in order to persuade a person we should use any other course but argument and by doing so harmony, good-will and peace will reign. Giving it another thought we find that life's difficulties and prolonged trials are a real test of character. If we had no difficulties to overcome and our patience were not tried, we might keep on existing, but our claim to be called "men" and "women" would be very slender. We see the materialization of some of many longings which were working for, and now we face sunshine and many of our gloomy shadows fall behind us.

Now that the Pioneers are again down to business, the publicity committee, composed of Bros. A. Rieka, Flowers and myself wish to say that we will endeavor to appear in the columns of this paper every week just as some of the other lodges are doing. With the help of others and the hearty co-operation from Bro. Louis Beniger, the editor of this page, the Pioneers of Washington County will receive as much publicity as they care for.

While on this subject I want to call "Boots" attention to his (or her) article published in Jan. 16th issue. In that article "Boots" asks "Romeo," which, no doubt, is meant for me, how it comes about that at our January meeting there was no argument and, judging from the article, it seems to me that quiet and gentle meetings are not what he wants. I think I have explained in the above paragraph why argument, unsound especially, should be avoided. I am sure "Boots" will forget about insisting on argument and I also ask "Boots" to keep on writing an article every now and then. I sometimes wonder whether or not "Boots" is the "alias" for the "Knocker" who appeared occasionally in the past year.

A few words from the Sports' committee, to let all know that Lodge 589 is getting prepared for the baseball season and we hope those lodges which could not furnish us with opposition would organize some stiff opposition for us. Our first year proved very successful but our second is going to be that much better. Bros. Lesko, Klapkowski and myself are going to do our utmost to promote sports on a larger scale in the present year; all we ask of you is Co-operation.

Hoping to see a 100% attendance at our next meeting, I am, A Pioneer, John F. Kutch, Lodge 589.—P. C.

U—MUSCOMOVA!

Milwaukee, Wis.

When?—Feb. 8th—8 p. m.

Where?—Tamsa's hall.

Why?—Business and Pleasure.

What?—It's a Valentine party.

How?—The refreshments and entertainment committees have decided to increase the attendance at our meetings by giving the tired business folks a party after our usual meeting.

The refreshments committee has a treat in store for you and also a real pleasant surprise for everyone. Then, if you read last week's Prosveta, you already know that we will have a Valentine box somewhere in the hall and all the Badgers are asked to show their sportsmanship by dropping in a few greetings to their friends. It'll be great fun if everyone will participate and I'm sure you will all do your bit towards filling the box.

The Badgers are known as a fun-loving bunch, but it seems that out of 30 days in a month, one little Friday can't be reserved for the meeting. Now, what can the matter be? Let's investigate:

1. Is it bad weather?—No, we're not sugar babies.

2. Is it "heavy" date?—No, surely not on Friday.

3. Are you "too tired"?—Attending the meeting is a sure cure.

Of course, we must make allowances for the members who work nights and are unable to attend, but as for the rest of us, let's show our appreciation of this novel Valentine party by having a record attendance! Remember, to reserve Friday for your lodge and bring your Valentines. Antonette Donner, Publ. Comm.

FLASHES

By Insignia

By taking two of three games from the Old Timers, while Integrity Flashes lost two of three to the Pioneers, "Red Peppers," Frank Buric's All Stars, hold a one game advantage over the latter two teams in the SNPJ Chicago League. Three games behind the Old Timers and Integrity Flashes come the Pioneer Whirlwinds while the Red Peppers and Bulls are tie for last place.

The Pioneer Secretary, Frank Zvertnik, reports that all but three members have paid up their dues for January. Three hundred twenty-nine is the total membership; the report is one of the best ever. We urge our members to be more consistent in paying dues, as this saves our secretary much unnecessary work.

What's the Strugglers' basketball team up to? The last note tells us they have won 19 games in succession. It's marvelous indeed, to be able to secure publicity in the style of these basketballers. For, it's consecutive victories that are spoken and written about most.

The next Pioneer meeting will be held Friday evening, Feb. 15, 1929, at the SNPJ hall. A good attendance is requested. Come, Brothers and Sisters Pioneers, keep the attendance above the 100 mark. More details next week.

"Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme" was produced last Sunday at CSPE hall. A fairly good attendance was on hand, and the comical play itself was fairly well conducted.

If any of the Pioneer members have room or know where we might obtain any room to quarter any of the delegates for the ninth regular SNPJ Convention in May, please advise any of the Pioneer officers as early as possible.

Next Tuesday night is Pust night. Every Pioneer should manage to sell the two tickets mailed them, and get your own at the door. Jerry Sebesta is to play, don't forget.—We are curious to know if he really plays as well as people speak of him.

Frances and Mary Yanc have sold thirty tickets for Pust night and have asked for more. We know of others who have sold a number of them. How many have you sold, Pioneer member? Please, sell your two.

SNAPSHOTS

By Lily No. 2

Well, it's all over now, that Strugglers Two-In-One affair. Both were successful and a good time was had by all.

And our "Lone Sis" Podpadee, is she getting the "Bobbie" crase, also? That makes fifteen queens struggling to capture our dear basketball star Robert Bracken! How can he stand it, I wonder?

Now, all you "sassies" and lads, get leave of your mothers and dads and attend the Strugglers' Second Annual Hard Time Dance, Sat., Feb. 16, at the usual place. Thomson's Radio Jazz Artists will serenade you accompanied by "Billy the Harmony Ace." Don't fail to be at the double attraction.

Lodges are requested to keep October 26, 1929, open. Please!

That party—Strugglers—or whatever it may or's going to be. The horsemen are unaware.

"That Team!" It has chalked up its Nineteenth Straight Victory. But the streak will end if the Strugglers don't attend their games with a cheer. Let's get this "Whoopie club" going! Girls, notice, the boys need your help.

From information given to me, the team only has about five rooters at every game, namely Sis. Dobak and Tomazic, Bro. Censky and Bro. Marolt with Big Bill Ramona leading the group. Let's double this about ten times and, oh, what a grand and glorious feeling it will be!

Sunday, Feb. 3, "a record"—eleven thousand people watched the Strugglers Basketball took horns with the Police Department Team at the Public Auditorium here. About two thousand turned away, unable to secure admission.

PIONEERS, NOTICE!

Chicago.—To the members of Pioneer Lodge 559 SNPJ: Those who cannot attend the meetings please make your remittances by mail. Send in the money order to your Secretary, Frank Zvertnik, 3039 So. Koester ave. Telephone—Lawndale 8161, for any Lodge business. Secretary.

Topics of the Week

On Friday evening, February 8, the Sanguares shall again assemble in their hall at Mustang's Bungalow in Lyons, Ill., where and when they will transact a volume of important business, and after the adjournment of the meeting, treat all the members and visitors with refreshments and entertainment.

The Gopher Club, organized by former Yugoslav Minnesotans, will stage their "Inaugural Dance" on Saturday evening, March 16, at the SNPJ Auditorium in Chicago. Jerry Sebesta and his coast to coast Merry Jazz Jesters will be at their best and shall furnish the best ballroom dance music.

For every act of a human being that is committed in this universe there is some motive which explains the reason for its commission. If the act committed is a crime, the motive may be explained by robbery, revenge, gratification of desires, or some other reason. If the act committed brings to this world some new discoveries or inventions as a new process, machine, tool, instrument, system of management, philosophy of life, theories on our social or economic organization of society, some new idealism, the reason which inspired the individual to make his personal sacrifices may be explained as to benefit mankind, to improve by his humble contribution the personal and material welfare of man in our present civilization. In many cases, the guiding instinct to commit some act is to better only the personal or material wealth of the doer—a selfish purpose and a selfish act.

What was the motive which inspired our by-law committee to recommend to the delegates of the 9th convention of the SNPJ, that our noble fraternal Order changes her system of fraternal government from a democracy to a complete autocracy? Surely the motive was not to benefit the happiness and the welfare of the rank and file as in an autocracy the members have no voice in the management of the affairs of the society. Surely, the motive was not to benefit mankind and human progress, as the pages of history tell us the story that every autocracy has subjugated the people, stifled ambition, enslaved the masses for the benefit of the privileged few and retarded civilization. Surely, the motive was not to benefit the SNPJ, by laying the foundations for a bright future as the by-laws are silent on such important problems as an American edited weekly organ for the American-speaking members; a National and regional athletic boards, rights of local lodges to organize federations and to foster such movements by recognizing the federations which are properly chartered by the Supreme board by providing in the by-laws that each federation which is properly chartered shall be entitled to representation in a Convention by one delegate. Then what was the motive, the reason for recommending this autocracy? Was it to benefit a privileged few, some few persons who would run this Society to benefit their own personal and material wealth? I must admit that I do not know what were the motives which inspired the by-law committee to recommend such unjust and unfair by-laws which abridge every fundamental principle of liberty and democracy. But I do believe that we all have a right to think and search for the motives, and when we shall discover their motives only then we will be in a position to understand the proposed by-laws and their consequences.

Friends of Minnesota are planning to stage a huge jubilee in the SNPJ auditorium during the month of March, to be known as the "Minnesota Homecoming Day." This affair will be given by Slovenes who were former residents of Minnesota. We must not forget that a good part of any audience at any Slovene affair in Chicago are former Minnesotans. We also should have in Chicago a Kansas and a Wisconsin homecoming day celebration.

Richard J. Zvertnik,

P. D.—Sanguares Lodge.

GUNTOWN CHATTER

Strabane, Pa.—Brothers Turk and Klapkowski have returned from Cleveland where they attended the meeting of the Athletic Board of the Eastern Division. That means that they will have news for us at the meeting.

Lodge 589 has been rather quiet for while back and many of my acquaintances want to know when we are going to have another of our ever popular dances. Not the kind we had last Saturday. How about it?

Wouldn't a sleigh ride or a coasting party be nice, just at present?

I hear there is to be a dance at the Slovenian Hall every Saturday

SNPJ Recreation Farm

Cleveland, Ohio.—For the last four months the most important issue before the locals of Cleveland was the proposed recreation farm. As in all cases, it was met with a great deal of opposition, criticism, and other unfounded statements.

This farm is to serve as a center of our summer activities. It is a known fact that during the summer the city traffic trend is to the country especially on Sundays. And in this great parade of gasoline buggies you find also Slovene families going out to enjoy the beauties of Nature. Usually they stop at some farm to spend the sultry Sunday afternoons, that is if they are fortunate to have a friend who owns one and of course you are expected to spend your dollars quite freely. While on this farm, of which you will be part owner, you will be free to participate in anything you wish, members can pack a basket for the day and in company of others can make a very enjoyable day for themselves by knowing that they can make themselves at home on their farm. The youth will participate in their line of sports and the elders in theirs.

One hears a great deal of ballyhoo about Slovene youth are losing themselves, that is, by intermingling with other nationalities and forgetting about theirs. Still these same persons when confronted with a solution for this are the ones who start all kinds of commotion against such propositions. A certain member states that the city parks are large enough for our sport activities. I beg to advise him that these parks are monopolized by Cleveland sandlot association and we have little or no chance to secure grounds. We have had such experience last year and as said before we had to have games in back lots, so to speak. He also states why the farm? We pioneers are growing old. Isn't this a rather selfish statement to make? Was our organization founded to exist only during the life of the founders, or was there a future in mind? Just because certain members are growing too old for activities is no reason why we should hang a dormant sign on our door. Bros. and Sisters, if you are interested in the growth of the SNPJ, pass the plan submitted you at your next meeting.

At this writing I am pleased to announce that the following branches passed the plan and give their utmost support: Naprej, Cleveland, Lipa, Napredne Slovenes, Vodnikov venec, Na Jutrovem, Comrades, Strugglers, and Progressives. These branches comprise about 2200 members.

The first meeting of the board of directors was held on Jan. 28, 1929. The following officers were elected: F. Somrak, Pres.; J. Lokar Jr., Vice Pres.; Otto Tekauts, Sec'y.; J. Gabrenja, Treas.; J. Avnac, Recording Sec'y. The board of trustees consists of Sis. J. Mocnik, Bro. J. Paulich, and A. Zelencik.

The regular monthly meeting will be held every fourth Monday evening of the month at 7:30 p. m. at the SND, old bldg.—Otto Tekauts Jr.

"SOMETHING DIFFERENT"

Milwaukee, Wis.—Hello, Sisters and Brothers! This is my first script in the Prosveta, so if I make any mistakes, please, forgive me this time and I will do better next time.

Did you see what I saw in the Prosveta last week? Whoops! O Valentine Party, really, no kidding at all. Well, girls and boys, get your list of names who you would like to send a Valentine to. Go to the 10 cent store; they have nice ones for a penny. Can you imagine, only one penny (1c)! I am sending 63 Valentines, and one's for you.

Bubbles, I like all the pet names you mentioned, hoping you will accept mine.

Well, folks, I will see you Friday, Feb. 8, at Tamsa's hall, 8 o'clock sharp.—Just Me, "Jackie."

LODGE 575 PRESENTS A PLAY.

Indianapolis, Ind.—The Adrians are working and planning hard for their Lodge. They are giving a play on Tuesday, Feb. 12, at 7:30 p. m. in the National Home. The play to be staged is called "The First Dance" ("Pri ples"), and it's going to be given in Slovene. The play is under the direction of John Metelich, who is offering services gratis.

Remember that Feb. 12 is Pust Day, who will reign that evening and the next day, perhaps, all day. Let's all be at the play and have a jolly evening together to see the old man Pust crowned and then buried.

Frank Stroy, Pres.

ATTENTION!

until the beginning of the Lenten period. Rather a joyous time for the hoofers.

The Dramatic Club is putting on a play at the Hall on February 9. Come out and see our Barrymores and Bernhardt.—Mimi.

I hear there is to be a dance at the Slovenian Hall every Saturday

Follow the Pioneers!

YOUNG AMERICANS 56

Detroit, Mich.—During my recent visit to my home town, Canonsburg, Pa., I saw a new inspiration of the SNPJ Pioneers of Washington county 589, or rather rendered some musical services there. After, when my time was up, I enjoyed myself very much with the Pioneers. I greatly appreciate the hospitality shown me during my recent visit at Canonsburg, Pa.

It sure was marvelous to be among such a big crowd of Pioneers as we as Jolly Juniors who came from Strygan, Pa., to attend the big affair held by the Pioneers of Washington county 589, Canonsburg, Pa., on Dec. 2, 1928, in the hall of Postofnska jam No. 188, Strabane, Pa.

On with the good work, Brothers and Sisters, let's show our members we too have the spirit of the SNPJ in our hearts. Wish you great success in this year, as for here is the big city of Detroit where the Young Americans, have made a banner year in 1928. Our membership is near the 200 mark; we expect to double it in 1929. Our old officers have worked splendidly towards making 1928 a banner year. The new officers are capable of their duty and are trying hard to break the record of previous years.

During my visit here many friends have inquired about the working conditions out here in the Motor City. All I could say was, "Try for your self." Of course, Ford Motor Co. doing a little hiring; a lot of me stand in line from 6 p. m. till 8 a. m. then just a few are hired. On the first day when Ford advertised for help, 12,000 men stood in line patiently with hopes of getting employment, but only 500 men were hired out of the whole army. Just imagine hours and hours of waiting—for nothing. I'm not trying to scare you by writing this about the working conditions, but it's up to you to use your judgement before making up your mind to come here to seek employment. I have several friends who came here to secure a job, but a still idle, after looking for work for more than three weeks.

Other factories are not in full run yet, and are hiring their old employees first who were laid off during the changing of models.

Fraternally,

Anthony J. Polk,

A Young American.

ALL SET, BADGERS?

Milwaukee, Wis.—Badgers' regular meeting will be Friday, Feb. 8, at 8 p. m. There is no need to tell you there is plenty of unfinished business to transact, nor should anyone be urged to attend. A Badger who has any spirit or interest in the welfare of the Lodge, will be present, and with much earnestly, we will be able to adjourn our meeting early and then for our entertainment.

As usual, "Bubbles" with her puff sleeves, and her able assistants are making preparations for a never-to-be-forgotten date. Yes! I saw the Valentine box. It's ever cute, just like the one we used to have in school. (If you send me a Valentine, I'll send you one). Whatever you do, don't forget to bring your Valentines; a string around your finger to make sure. In case you haven't time to get them, our "Windee" will have some on hand at the meeting, so they can be purchased. Let's fill the box, heep-hi, the fun will give us a school day thrill. After the distribution of Valentines, "When do we eat? That's when we'll eat and drink some of the 'leavings' of our 'Domazabava.' Then, to end the night we'll have our Duke and Esperanto will entertain with their singing boxes, so you can go home and put Feb. 8 on your diary.

Don't fail to attend the meeting, but remember—that will be "business before pleasure," and that means entertainment after the meeting.

I'll be your Valentine—"Pooch."

P. S.—Happy birthday greetings to our Sis. Jennie Owen.

VALENTINE DANCE

Nottingham, Ohio.—The Progressives are holding a Valentine dance Feb. 16. All lodges are invited. Those that attended our last dance know we had a good time, but still a better time is in store for the new.

We hope to see the Strugglers, Comrades and Loyalties and all other lodges. We would be very glad to see the Zippers.

The dance will be held in the Slovenian Home on Reher Ave.

We need cooperation between members of the Progressives and will succeed as do all other lodges.

Tillie the Tailor

Evening, Minn.—Young Americans SNPJ No. 656: Attend your meeting Feb. 16, 1:30 p. m. at Auditorium. prospective members are cordially invited. Free luncheon and dance to be given after meeting.

Anthony Zalar, Sec'y

PIONEERS' ANNUAL "PUST" NIGHT DANCE Tuesday, February 12th, 1929

Lodge 559, SNPJ.

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Featuring Jerry Sebesta and His Jazz Jesters

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