



## JUVENILE SECTION OF "NAPREDEK"

CLEVELAND, OHIO, MARCH 20, 1940

### National Juvenile Cultural Festival

Nearer and nearer draws the big day, the day of departure for the National Festival in Cleveland. The boys and girls, who have been chosen as "Guest Representative" and "Participants" of the Festival Program, living out of Cleveland, will board trains, buses or automobiles for a long and interesting ride to the SLOVENE METROPOLIS of America, there to see and perform in a cultural spectacle such as has never before been attempted by any similar Society; there to form friendship ties that will probably last a lifetime. The long wait ahead of them and the anxious moments they will spend before their arrival in Cleveland will be paid for many fold in what they will see, hear and do.

Instructions have already been mailed to all "Participants" of the Festival, requesting that they be in Cleveland not later than Saturday noon, May 18, and that each inform the Secretary of the Cleveland Festival Committee what means of transportation shall be used. The same shall be required of "Guest Representatives," that they, too, plan their trips from home so that their arrival will coincide with that of the "Participants," and send information, as to the medium of travel, to the Director of the Juvenile Department, who in turn will submit same to the local Committee Secretary. It is very important that everyone follow instructions closely, and if an answer is required, to write without delay. HOW YOU SHALL TRAVEL TO CLEVELAND, AND WHAT TIME YOU MUST LEAVE HOME TO ARRIVE IN CLEVELAND NOT LATER THAN SATURDAY NOON, MAY 18, are two questions to decide . . . Once you arrive in Cleveland, you'll be taken care of in a manner fit for queens and kings, you can bet on that.

WILLIAM TRSAR, President of the TRAIL BLAZER JRS., has been chosen to represent his unit at the National Festival. "Bill," as most of the members call him, is 17 years old and has been a member of the Juvenile Department of the Society for 16 years. He is tall and scholarly looking, and has the distinction of having appeared on the program of both

## With Our Juniors

By MICHAEL VRHOVNIK,  
Director of Vrtec and English Speaking Lodges



Chicago Festivals as an accordionist . . . He, also, play the piano . . . And, in the field of sports, does quite well as a softballer. I'm sure he has the confidence and well-wishes of all Trail Blazer Juniors in the responsible and pleasurable duty voted to him.

SHIRLEY JOY UZUNOFF, member of Vrtec No. 13 of Madison, Illinois, is the 17th out-of-Cleveland entrant selected to perform in the Festival program. Shirley has been a member of the Society only a short time, but judging from the high recommendation concerning her talent and the picture submitted for the souvenir booklet, she's certain to make a big hit with the audience in her tap dance and song number.

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MEMBERSHIP GAINS . . . Since the first of the year, Vrtec No. 13 of Madison, Illinois, has increased its membership by 23 new members, all of which have been credited to George Tirpak, President and Festival Contestant of the Vrtec. This practically assures the Madison Juniors of the quarterly cash prize of \$10.00 for having gained the highest number of new members in the first quarter of 1940 . . . Second best hon-

ors go to Vrtec No. 134 of Luzerne, Pa., where Louis Zupanic and Joseph Camloh succeeded in enrolling 14 new juveniles, the most promising gain made in that city in many years. Anton Paynic and Rose Tirpak were the outstanding workers in the Madison drive for new members. At the present rate of increase, this department will have the highest membership total in more than 10 years by Convention time.

#### WHAT IS YOUR HOBBY

What do you enjoy doing or making without having to be coaxed and, at the same time, not expect any reward other than the joy and satisfaction that comes by doing something useful and worthwhile? Whatever that is may be considered a hobby. In recent weeks, a number of very interesting letters have been received from Vrtec Administrators on the subject of hobbies. The Spartan Juniors have worked up a great deal of interest in stamp collecting and, since their Administrator, Brother Debevec, is a confirmed collector himself, find him a valuable source of information on this subject . . . Besides stamps, one may find just as much fun in the collection of coins, badges, coupons, post-

### ??? Our Question Box ???

#### HOW TO GRADE YOURSELF

When you have answered all ten questions, turn to page 3 of the Vrtec section for the correct answers. For each question answered properly, give yourself 10 points. Par score for today is 70.

1. When and where will the next SSPZ Convention be held?
2. By whom and during what month is your Administrator elected?
3. In what state do most SSPZ members live? Next highest?
4. At what age may a Vrtec member join a local Lodge?
5. When do Plan "A" or "B" certificates terminate?
6. What Vrtec qualified two "Guest Representatives" to the National Juvenile Cultural Festival?
7. Up to what age are juveniles eligible to join your Vrtec?
8. Is nationality considered among qualifications for membership?
9. When is each monthly assessment due?
10. Who is the Supreme Treasurer of SSPZ?

cards, curios, dolls, match holders, cut and polished stones, pressed flowers, party favors, etc. . . . Up to Gowanda, N. Y., a hobby group is being formed within the Vrtec and plans are being drawn up to carry the idea out on a large scale with contest and prizes to stimulate competition. The hobbies should not be limited to collections, but should also include handicraft, such as needlework, sewing, knitting, designing, paper work, model boats and planes, woodwork, soap and clay models and so on . . . Other Vrtec units are urged to follow their example and, when they've succeeded in interesting enough members in this attraction, set aside a certain day for a contest, offering prizes for the best entries in each classification. It would be advisable in some communities to invite non-members to participate in such events; perhaps, in that way they might be induced to join the Vrtec.



Members of Lodge 211 and Vrtec 148, "Dawn Patrol," Gowanda, N. Y., who had parts or helped with the direction of the program and play given on January 21. This SSPZ group, Lodge and Vrtec combined, have shown remarkable

progress, increasing more than 100 per cent in the past year. The guiding spirit of the group is JOHN MATEKOVICH, secretary of Lodge 211. Louis Lemont is president of the Lodge, and Rose Matekovich is the administratrix of the flourishing Vrtec unit.

Another month has rolled by and its time again to write to the Vrtec Page. I'm sure everyone looks forward to the day when they receive it as I do.

Our last meeting which was held on March 8, 1940 was rather poorly attended. I think quite a number of members forgot that our meetings are held on the second Friday of the month. The important business of the day was our Skating Party. I want to take this time to remind you all again not to forget the date which is April 19 at Skateland. If you wish to secure tickets you may do so by calling at my home which is located at 6219 Carl Ave.

The Spartans are holding a very interesting contest. Before the opening of our regular monthly meeting all members will be asked to register their names. At the end of the year the one who has attended every meeting will receive a prize. The officers will be excluded. This was all the important business of our last meeting. I hope to see more of our members at our next meeting which will be held on April 12.

## NOW FOR SOME GOSSIP

Say, what was the matter with the president? She must have forgotten it was Friday.

Well, were we surprised to see our former president Andy Elersich at the last meeting.

Helen Papesh our secretary-treasurer admitted she didn't know how to skate. I'm sure the boys won't mind teaching you Helen. (She's a blonde boys!)

We sure would like to know what Marian Birk looks like. She happens to be one of our new members.

Billy Wapotich conducted our last meeting and did a very good job of it.

Anthony Sterle keeps the girls wondering what's in the small green suitcase which he had with him at our last meeting. Well, I'll tell you girls, it's a large stamp collection.

Herman Marolt hasn't been around for quite a while. How about stopping in soon?

Eddie Stokel and Tommy Tavcar are also some of the fellows who haven't been seen around lately. How about surprising us and coming to our next meeting? Don't forget the skating party boys!

Until we meet again I remain,  
Alice Popotnik, Rec. Sec'y  
P. S.—I'll see you all at the skating party!

## URUGUAY OF SOUTH AMERICA

Uruguay is the smallest republic in South America, having an area slightly larger than that of the combined New England states. The population is about 1,850,000. Like the A. B. C. countries, Uruguay is in the south temperate zone. The climate is invigorating and stimulating with a mean summer temperature of about 72 degrees F. and a mean winter one of 55 degrees F. A fair tribute to the qualities of the climate is shown by the fact that the country is used as a summer resort by Argentines and Brazilians. The rainfall is about 37 inches and is fairly well distributed throughout the year.

Uruguay has less waste land than almost any country in the world, it being estimated at 90 per cent of the country could be used for farm land. The raising of livestock always has been and still is the chief occupation of the people. Just how important livestock is to the country is shown by the fact that almost all her exports consist of animal products. The principal one are wool, hides, meats and extracts, grease and tallow, and live animals.

The republic has about 1,700 miles of railroads, mostly British owned, connecting places in all parts of the coun-

try. Highways are being rapidly extended also modern means of communication. There are about 700 miles of navigable waterways furnished by the Rio de la Plata the Parana and Uruguay rivers. Ocean going vessels from Europe, North America, and other parts of Latin America make almost daily calls at the metropolis, Montevideo.

Montevideo, the capital and center of almost all activities in Uruguay, is one of the beautiful cities of South America. It contains nearly one-quarter of the population of the country and is the leading port with all modern shipping facilities. Three-fourths of the import and export trade passes through it. The Solis Theatre is said to be one of the most beautiful in South America, attracting world-famous performers for opera and drama. Public monuments are found all over the city.

Sophie Colaric  
Vrtec 5

## THE STORY OF DOGS

There are many puppies that are born under tunnels in Little America. At the time of this story, twenty-five puppies were born there. Men would feed them powdered milk, and water until they were old enough to eat seal meat like the older dogs. A dozen puppies would gather around one piece of meat and try to tear it to pieces. It would be frozen hard, and stiff. When the baby dogs were about one month old, their mothers would take them outside the tunnels, but the light from the sun would frighten them. They would rush back into the dark tunnel, and the mother would sit at the end of the tunnel and whine and cry for them to come out. In two or three days, they would get accustomed to the light from the sun and would scamper and play together. When the puppies were five months old, the men started to train them by hitching them to a sledge with an older dog. They learned how to run fast with the dog leader, and would go anywhere the leader went. Soon they grew up, and became leaders themselves.

Pauline Zupancic  
Vrtec 5

## SUSIE MARIAR

Susie Mariar  
Fell in the fire.  
The fire was so hot  
She jumped in the pot.  
The pot was so little,  
She jumped in a crack.  
The crack was so narrow,  
She jumped in a wheelbarrow.  
The wheelbarrow was so low,  
She fell in the snow.  
The snow was so white,  
She stayed all night.  
The night was so long,  
She sang a song.  
The song was so sweet,  
She walked down the street.  
The street was so clean,  
She picked up a bean.  
The bean was so hard,  
She dropped it in lard.  
The lard was so greasy,  
She jumped clean fleazy.  
When she came down,  
She ran through the town.  
The town was so big,  
She jumped on a pig.  
The pig jumped so high,  
She hit the sky.  
She hit the sky,  
And could not go higher.  
So that was the end  
Of Susie Mariar.

Pauline Zupancic  
Vrtec 5

Urma — What is the height of happiness?

Christy — In my case he's about five feet 10 inches.

Teacher — Do you think George Washington could have pitched a dollar across the Rappahannock River, as he is said to have done?

Jimmie — I don't know; I guess so. It says in our history book that Washington pitched his camp across the Delaware River when the British were pursuing him.

## COMETS' NEWS

Ambridge, Pa. — Well here it is another month and I am back again as usual with little bits of news concerning Vrtec 44.

Spring is here again. You all know what this means. Winter is over and nice, warm weather will soon be here.

I wish to congratulate Jane Gaspersic for her splendid article which she wrote to the "Napredek" last month. It was really very interesting. Keep it up Jane! What about you other Comet members! Do your share by contributing something to the Vrtec section I am sure many of you have had interesting experiences which other Vrtec members would enjoy reading about. It doesn't take much of your time to write an article, and I am quite sure that after you have written several of them, you'll find it a great deal of fun.

I extend my heartiest greetings to every Vrtec member from far and near for a very "Happy Easter."

On March 3, a very dear mother and wife passed away. She was Mrs. Josephine Rosenberger, mother of the President of our Vrtec. Mrs. Rosenberger was a member of various Slovene lodges here in Ambridge. She was a very good member of Lodge 41, SSPZ, where she has been a member for many years. The Comets' Vrtec 44 wish to express their deepest sympathy to Mr. Anton Rosenberger and family in the loss of their beloved mother and wife.

## FLASHES

Marion Vlastic is learning to type. How are you getting along, Marion? The "Rozmarin" Singing Society will hold their second concert on April 28. (They are progressing very nicely.)

Mary Klevisher of Pierce, W. Va., certainly can write good articles. Nice going, Mary.

Bill Bono sure can write compositions, even thought he did exaggerate quite a bit.

I wonder why Raymond and Harry Sumrok never attend our meetings? (Could bashfulness be the reason?)

Sophie Tekstar and Alberta Vlastic are trying to compose poems.

Louis Rosenberger and Louis Uhernik have celebrated their birthdays this month. "Happy birthday!" boys.

Keep the "Wheel of Progress" rolling. Don't stop now. Try to enroll new members into our Vrtec.

Our monthly meeting will be held on Thursday evening, March 28, at 7:15 p.m. All the officers would like to see a nice crowd present at this meeting. It seems to me that the same members always come. What about the rest of you? We'll be looking for all our new members too. Make up your mind to attend so that each and everyone of you will know what is going on within our Vrtec. Don't forget the date of our monthly meeting March 28.

Here's good-bye till you hear from me again.

Agnes Tekstar, Sec'y  
Vrtec 44

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## JANE GASPERSIC

This month I will write a brief biography of our Recording Secretary, Jane Gaspersic.

This charming Slovene lass was born in Prem, on June 3, 1923. At the age of six she came to Ambridge where she has been living ever since. During her school career thus far, Jane has attended a number of schools here in Ambridge. She is now a Junior in the Ambridge High School and is taking the commercial course. Her favorite subjects are shorthand and Literature.

Among her hobbies are collecting pictures of friends and corresponding with pen pals.

Jane's favorite pastimes are dancing, ice-skating, and playing mushball.

Her pet dislikes are people who brag and teachers that give too much homework.

Thus far, Jane has held various offices. She was treasurer of our Vrtec and at the present time, she is recording secretary of our Vrtec.

Our recording secretary writes very interesting articles to the "Napredek." Keep this good work up Jane and I am sure you will succeed in whatever work you do in your future years.

Here's wishing you all the luck, happiness, and success now and forever.

I'll be back again next month with another brief biography of our vice-president.

Agnes Tekstar, Sec'y  
Vrtec 44

## Progressor Juniors

Bridgeville, Penna. — Almost three months of the New Year have elapsed. Just about two more months and we'll have the opportunity of meeting one another at the Cleveland Festival. I am sure everyone is just as anxious for May to roll around as I am. And here I will also have the opportunity of meeting my new pen pals, Agnes Tekstar of Ambridge, Pa. and Mary Klevisher of Pierce, W. Va. I have received very interesting letters from both of these girls and I wish they keep it up.

At the next Vrtec meeting—April 10, let's see more of you members attend. Now don't start slipping for we want our new Administratrix, Sister Clara Kvartich to see that we can really gather a crowd at this meeting.

Until next time,  
Au revoir,

Ella Yuvancic  
Vrtec 169

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# SYGAN HILL JUNIORS

## EASTER

Of all the many, lovely holidays Easter is the most beautiful of them all because it comes at a time when life is slowly bursting anew in springtime. Nature has now returned to life... thus Christ... he who gave his life to save his children... has also returned to life. At this time Easter is a universal thought... when all men lay down their grievances to rejoice the resurrection of Christ.

Now is the time for peace on earth, good will toward men... now is the time for one to feel kindly toward all and we should forgive our enemies just as Christ forgave those who crucified him.

And may Easter Bunny come hopping to your doorstep early Easter morn and leave behind loads of jelly eggs and bushels and bushels of lifetime happiness. To the girls. I hope the day shan't spoil your wanting to look your best in your new Easter outfit. Hope everybody likes it! (I'll bet they will, too, if you parade down the aisle, in your new outfit. They're bound to see it, eh!)

Julia Kramzer, Sec'y  
Vrtec 72

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Dear diary:

Brr! The cold spell hasn't ended, yet I arose quite early this morning.

My, what a long day this was, couldn't keep myself occupied to pass my time!

It was pleasant to recall to mind that "meeting nite" had been scheduled for this evening because of the basketball game on Friday 16, (incidentally, this was to be our regular monthly meeting).

At 6:30 Mon and I entered the meet-

ing room, only to find it thoroughly deserted. The room was filled at 7:15. At this time John Dolinar, our president, arose and spoke, "the meeting will now come to order!" Minutes from our previous meeting were read as well as taken again for our next meeting.

Although our meeting was unusually short, but interesting, we planned a party for the 16th of March at 8:00 p. m. Everybody was to welcome to attend.

The remainder of my evening I spent in talking of everybody's business.

Dear diary, how I wish more delightful evenings as these would end a dull day. Wouldn't you call it a perfect day?

Julia Kramzer

## "THE YEAR'S AT SPRING"

Perhaps you've already seen a spring bonnet in the bus, even gazed with wide-eyed expression when bits of grass sprouted from the half-frozen earth. Golly! that's a positive sign of spring. While you girls are busy selecting your Easter styles, color combinations and the such, nature, too, is busily planning her color schemes for her spring and yearly ensemble. What colors have you in mind? Nature's will be green; be it light, medium or dark.

Perhaps earlier than we expect, everything will be painted green, and overnight the trees will bloom to a sight of elegance. From blossomed tree tops our feathered flocks will fill our ears and hearts with music and gladness.

Just a little bit later on, summer will come rushing in, bringing with her every color in the rainbow, every design and shape in petals, leaves, flowers and grasses and many delightful odors. No sooner does summer go rushing out than autumn comes to take its course.

Now come lovely autumn colors, burnt by the summer's scorching sun. Slowly, slowly, the year's crop dies away, leaving behind her nude trees, bushes and plants amid the cold.

Comes winter with her clear blue skies and glimmering stars. The earth is old, dead but yet is covered with a white mass of beauty. Unusual art is applied to windows by Jack Frost.

There come four seasons in each year, one which is the bursting of real, clean life. Don't you think Spring ranks first for her beauty, new life and hope she brings?

Julie Kramzer

## A FRIENDLY KNITTING CIRCLE

Knitting is coming along fine, and all the stitches are in line. The talk as fast as they knit, and they never want to quit. They all get a set of needles free, and then they all learn to knit with glee.

A treat is given at the end, and then homeward they are sent. We get together once a week, and now so long, until we meet.

## "POEM OF INFORMATION"

Frances Vrhovnik our administratrix, Can show all you girls many knitting tricks,

Zelma Burchik a very good member, Has a birthday 25th of December.

Harvey Davis, sargeant-at-arms, Causes pretty girls false alarms.

Johanna Vrhovnik a very good knitter,

Isn't always an easy quitter.

Betty Jane, our prominent secretary, Makes all the boys she meets feel free.

Our president Sam Zompan, With him you have fun.

Mary Jane doesn't care for boys, And neither does she care for noise.

Frank Frazzalore known as "Pop-sicle,"

My, how he makes the girls giggle.

## INFORMATION PLEASE

Why doesn't Bobby and Billy Davis come to the meetings anymore? Is it that they have a date that night?... Mary Jane doesn't care for boys—eh? Well, we'll show her... Did you know that Irene Ellis is knitting a jitterbug hat? Well, she is... Was Margaret Slabe late for school because she was out late the night before?... Who is the little boy who sits in back of Eleanor Be-

## Balkan Juniors ATTENTION BOYS AND GIRLS OF VRTEC 33

Milwaukee, Wis. — I don't like to write this, but I think there is a lack of cooperation and enthusiasm at the meeting.

There should be at least an increase of attendance from the boys, since they have started arrangements for a baseball team. If there were more girls at the meeting we could plan something interesting and enjoyable for us to do too.

I think that most of all the officers should be on time. If something happens and you cannot attend the meeting send word to somebody, or tell the administratrix that you can't come so that she may have a substitute to take your place at the meeting.

The members that are present become discouraged when they have to wait. Don't forget to attend the meetings, which are held every second Saturday of the month.

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## MARCH THAW

Boys play baseball; girls play jacks,

Father pays his income tax,

Mother plows the window box,

Moths make eyes at skating socks,

Flower pushcarts reappear...

Raise the flag! Spring's almost here!

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Here's hoping that we have nice sunshiny weather for the Easter Parade which we are all looking forward to.

Marie Ermence,  
Vrtec 33

## MOM'S AND SIS'S EASTER BONNET

Yesterday after school my chum and I, not knowing what to do decided to get a street car or bus pass and go on a sight-seeing trip. After tiring of riding from one end of the city to the other we thought we would stroll down the avenue and see the bright lights. On the opposite side of the street we saw a window display which looked like a pet and flower store. So we crossed the street. Well, when we got there, lo and behold, it was an exclusive millinery shoppe. (In other words, ladies' hats.) Ha! Ha! Even as I write this I can't control my laughter.

There was dad's old slouch hat with a ribbon down the back. Also his crushed-in top hat with a bird perched on the end. I guess it had a nest in the hollow of the hat for he looked very defiant. It resembled a woodpecker. There was also a small bunch of flowers with a narrow band of ribbon around the chin marked \$35.00. I couldn't believe my eyes so I asked the boy with me what was the price. He said, "It says \$35.00, but they must have made a mistake. I guess they mean 35 cents." I said, "Yes, that's why I asked you; I thought I wasn't seeing right." The passers-by looked at us standing there giggling. Up comes an elderly gentleman and asks us what was so funny. We told him about the mistake on the price tag, \$35.00 instead of 35c. He informed us that the price was correct; that it must be an original imported model. My chum and I couldn't figure out where it could have been sent from with so much postage and were still skeptical about the price.

What women won't wear just to be in style!

Edward Ermence,

tone?... Who was Helen Pinchak's "first date." Was it Jimmy?... Betty Jane is our "square dancer-jitterbugger"... Margaret Hickerson came back from Tennessee... I think "homesickness" drove her home...

## Avalons

Renton, Pa. — The meetings of our Vrtec have been very irregular since we have had so little active interest among our members. I think that with a bit of cooperation we might possibly progress toward more important affairs than we have thus far. Show us some of that good Slovene spirit by attending our meetings. We need new ideas and I'm sure we would think up something if we all got together.

## GOSSIP

—Va. Bogaty is our new president—this might be of some interest to those who don't attend our meetings.

—I don't see much of Emma Kern anymore—where are you keeping yourself?

—Where has Ray been the last few meetings—important date—maybe?

—We're still waiting for Lud and Al to show up at our meetings. Come on boys—don't be bashful.

—What have we been hearing about Vr. Bogaty and a certain Frank H. from Clum Hi.

—Here's hoping Bro. Likar is feeling better.

That's about all for this time—why haven't we heard from Va.—You're not that busy are you? Don't forget our next meeting.

Amelia Starman, Rec. Sec'y  
Vrtec 109

## PRAYER FOR SINNERS

Dear God, this evil world  
Has forgotten Thee,  
And has turned to other views  
Irreligiousness to see.

It used to be that they believed  
In Thee in old time,  
But now they slight our faith  
In all that is Thine.

They go to church and pray  
But the spirit is not true,  
And those who righteous be  
In number, they are few.

They break Thy commandments  
Tho they try to be concealed,  
And of the world knows not  
Their souls with sin are sealed.

O, creatures how can they be  
Such fools without belief,  
Do they not know that faith in Thee  
Will bring them sweet relief.

And whilst they struggle onwardly  
Thru sin and fear and hate,  
They do not see comfort in Thee  
Until it is too late.

They believe, yes, they believe  
That selfishness and wrath  
Will bring them all their needs  
Throughout life's weary path.

They live a life of arrogant sin,  
In Thee, they disbelieve,  
To satisfy their hungry hearts,  
They scheme and they deceive.

Some grow rich and are admired  
And others turn to crime,  
They hate and spite but for Thee,  
Lord,  
Poor creatures have no time.

O, Lord not all of human beings  
Are so wicked as are some,  
Some believe and have faith  
In the blessed Kingdom Come.

O, humble sinner are we, Lord,  
Forgive our sins we pray,  
Teach us the glory of Thy love  
And lead us on our way.

Amelia Starman  
Vrtec 109

Bye-and-bye has no end.  
—St. Augustine

NOTICE — Turn to page three of regular issue for Roster of Vrtec Officers.

## Challenger Juniors

By Dorothy Helay  
EASTER

Girls! Boys! Vrtec No. 10. We're to have an "Easter Party" March 21. We wish all of you will attend. Of course you know that "Bunny Rabbit" is for Easter as "Santa" is for Christmas. Light refreshments will be served. Games that you all like will be played. Attend the Easter Party at 6:30 p.m. in the SNPJ hall.

## QUESTION BOX ANSWERS

1. Week of May 19, 1940, in Cleveland, O.

2. Members of Parent Lodge in December.

3. Pennsylvania first, Ohio second.

4. Not before age 16 years.

5. Upon attainment of 18th birthday.

6. Vrtec No. 5 (Spartan Jrs.), Cleveland, O.

7. 15 years, 6 months (15½ yrs.).

8. Not if one is of the white race.

9. On or before the last day of the month.

10. Mirko G. Kuhel.

# THE OUTLOOKERS' CORNER

"Outlookers' Corner", published as a section of the Napredok's Vrtec page. The Junior Editors are:

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"Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."

## MY TRIP TO THE NORTH POLE

By Eleanor Ster

The day I started my trip was a bright and sunny day with a little wind coming from the west.

Mr. Bradshaw and I took a train to New York and stayed at the Allerton Hotel for two days, waiting, for the arrival of the "Vesurius," our boat.

The third day away from the home and sailing away from the United States and going towards the north. I was quite busy unpacking the things I had brought along, which Mr. Bradshaw was taking charge of the things that were to be done and giving a few orders beside the captain.

Our sailing was quite favorable for a few days, but coming towards Nova Scotia we were beginning to get into a fog. We moved on slowly and nothing happened for it cleared up a few hours. We anchored at an excellent harbor and got off the ship to reload coal and numerous things. While this was being done I inquired a few things about Nova Scotia. It has a hilly surface and fertile soil on which apples, pears, plums, cereals and potatoes grow well. Extensive coal mines, iron mined and smitted, valuable fisheries, and forest are important timber fruit and agriculture produce is exported.

Later we again boarded the ship, Vesurius, and again on our journey. We kept up our journey for several days and we started to feel the difference in the climate. The nights were colder and several times I have seen whales and many other large species of fish.

As we passed Newfoundland we could see a few iceburgs. This telling us that we were getting closer and closer to our destination.

We then changed our course a bit. Now going Northwest. Further and further north we passed the Baffin Land an extensive island and barren of trees, and were entering the Baffin Bay, the large Gulf of Greenland. On this bay we saw many seals and whales. From the Baffin Bay we went thru the Smith Sound. Now it was really beginning to get cold. Iceburgs now appearing quite often. Fogs were more numerous. I remember we had a fog for a period of two weeks which we could do nothing but anchor.

After the fog passed we determined to change our course again and go directly north.

After a short cruise of a month we finally came to the

## THE EASTER PARADE

By Olga Zaubi

For years and years Easter has been awaited each year by many people. Rich children, children living in slums and even children in foreign lands. Everyone is either waiting to wear their new clothes or waiting to paint Easter eggs. For some children in foreign lands Easter means getting a piece of white bread (sometimes not even white). This seems so funny to us because we can get these things every day and sometimes we don't even want them. If we don't have a new outfit for Easter we're not satisfied. Sometimes I think the children in the foreign lands appreciate Easter much more than we do. I guess we should be thankful that we live in America.

*Experience is the best of schoolmasters, only the school- fees are heavy.*

—Carlyle

*He who considers too much will perform too little.*

—Schiller

little island which beared the North Pole. On our visit here Mr. Bradshaw explored many things for I today still don't know what they were. For a visit of a week here we decided to return home.

On our return home our trip was quite different. We headed our ship towards the west and passed many islands known as the Parry Islands. Passed thru the Melville Sound and down the Gulf of Boothia, into the Hudson Bay. Our trip was calm and quiet. Then out from the Hudson strait into the Atlantic ocean and stopping at Harbor Grace in Newfoundland and Spruce and Pine forests are found in various parts. Over 90 per cent adult population is indulged in fishing. The most important is Cod fishing, which is said to be from May to November. Seal, lobster, salmon and herring fishing are also productive. Again on board the ship we started for the St. Lawrence river. Passing Quebec, Montreal and a few other important cities soon came to the border line of Canada and the United States. Passing the Thousand Islands passing through Lake Ontario, and coming through the Wellands Canal stopping at Buffalo, New York, just enough time to unload a few things. Then again on our way made no other stops till arriving in Cleveland. My parents already awaiting me at the docks. After unloading and taking the expedition record to the agencies, we started for home.

Telling my parents about the journey and being quite tired from the trip I retired, still thinking of my trip to the North Pole.

## HEADLINE FLASHES

By Olga Zaubi

Here I am again to tell you all about the Outlookers' last meeting. Dots and Dashes and lots of Flashes! Well, here it goes anyway.

The last meeting was very well attended this being Parents' Night. We had the honor of having quite a few parents present. Here's hoping they had a good time and will come and join us on our next Parents' Night.

I presume most of you members remember what our last Initiation Party was like. Well, our next initiation will be held some time in May so watch for the date and be sure to come and see our new members sweat.

The party after the meeting was enjoyed by all. Everybody joined in and played games. And imagine our little Betty Tushar getting most of the candy.

Can you imagine little Stanley Godec picking his own name? You mustn't get a wrong opinion now for I am quite sure Stanley picked his name legally.

We are all patiently awaiting the Vrtec Festival which is going to be held in May. As most of the other Vrtec units, we are also going to participate in the program. We expect to give a little play and a few songs sung by Freddy Hribar.

At our next meeting we are going to play Ping-Pong. The younger members having there own teams and the older members there own. So you members that liked to play and even those who never have played before come and join us for an evening.

## ONLY YESTERDAY

By J. M. K.

Sure Grandma had to get up early and milk the cow and make soap and set the bread. And after whipping a stubborn wood stove into flame, she started in making the preserves. This was all done before the men-folks got up.

Picture one of the modern young girls getting up even 15 minutes before they leave to go to school or work. And to think the time they would have to get up to do what Grandma had done. Times certainly have changed. It's certainly wonderful that it has.

But we know that a modern Miss would make Grandma shriek. This young modern Miss either works eight hours a day or goes to school and then comes home to clean house. To top that off she has a heavy date. Comes home about 12:00 gets to bed about 1:00 p. m. And gets up ready for the same.

## THE FLOOD

By Florence Turk

"Whee, it's been pouring constantly for two days now. If it keeps up any longer we're lively to have a flood," said Mr. Bixby laughingly to his wife.

"Now Bruce, you know very well that we've got one of the finest constructed dams in the country, and besides, this rain won't last much longer. Sakes alive, I should think the heavens had poured out just about all they could hold. And mind you, I don't want you to give any fool notions to the children and scarin' them."

"Come now Sarah, I was only sayin' it as a joke anyhow."

This was no doubt the same thought that went through the minds of all the other families that lived in Carvell. But if only they had the power of foresight they wouldn't be sitting back and just waiting for it to stop raining.

Two days later, in the mayor's office four men are huddled about a window watching the rain beat down, apparently with a gleam of joy at every drop. It is they who are the ones who doubtlessly had been hoping for this for a long time and now that their chance has come they were ready to strike.

"Just like Providence, eh boys?" said Mayor Dudley to his men. "If it keeps up a while longer we will have nothing to worry about. These people are in for a big surprise when they find out that the dam is made out of—." But just then the door opened and in came David, the mayor's son. Unaware that his father is working with a group of corruptionists, he greets them with a smile and says, "Good evening gentlemen. Enjoying the fine weather we are having? I'd say there was about five inches of rain already if not more. It certainly isn't good for rabbit hunting."

"Yes Dave, we were just saying how fortunate we are in having such a fine dam to protect us. But what brings you here? Why aren't you home?"

"O, I just wanted to see if you were alright. You have been staying up here rather late

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Even in all this frustration she won't turn drudge. She won't forget her rouge and nail polish.

So men you see what trouble us women go through to please you after all. Maybe we don't get up in the middle of night, and work ourselves to the bone, just to make your breakfast or our own, but we still will make good wives.

Though time has changed, he will be proud of her, and she of him. The same as grandpa and grandma were. She will continue to be a woman, and he a man, and so on for generations ahead, shall we hope, for thousands of years.

Since this is leap year this is sort of a proposal to tell you what type of girls we are.