



Slovenski ameriški narodni svet je na delu

Bolezen predsednika Mr. Kristana je začetno delo SANS nekoliko zadržala, vendar samo na zunaj. Velika politična naloga pa, ki mu jo je izročil Slovenski narodni kongres, ni prav nič zadržala, nasprotno razmahnilo se je delo, kolikor so pač razmere dopuščale.

Dne 15. januarja je pa izvršil SANS prvi veliki korak, ki bo močna podlaga za vse naše nadaljnje slovensko delo v bodočnosti. Ta dan je namreč prišla v Washington posebna deputacija odbornikov, da izroči uradno vladi resolucije, ki jih je sklenil SNK in da ji predloži slovensko vprašanje v celoti in jo prosi, da štiti koristi slovenskega naroda doma. V deputaciji so bili: obolelega predsednika je zastopal Mr. Vincent Cainkar, prva podpredsednica Mrs. Marie Prislant, drugi podpredsednik Mr. Janko N. Rogelj, tajnik Rev. Kazimir Zakrajšek in blaginjak Mr. Jože Zalar. Sprejem pri državnemu podtajniku Mr. Sumner Wellesu je izposloval častni predsednik Mr. Louis Adamič in je deputacijo tudi vodil in predstavil.

Najprej se je deputacija oglasila pri Mr. DeWittu Poolu, šefu OSS, kamor sta prišla k sprejemu deputacije tudi Mr. Allan Cranston, šef tujezičnega oddelka Davisovega Office of War Information, in Mr. Classon.

Mr. L. Adamič je najprej pojasnil namen prihoda deputacije v Washington in poudaril, kako ameriške državljane slovenskega rodu razburja časnikarska poročila o poklonih naše vlade Italijanom in Avstriji, zlasti grofu Forzi in Otonu Habsburškemu. To pa ima naravni vpliv na nje, da izgubljajo, četudi nehoti, tisto navdušenje za sodelovanje s svojo vlado za zmago, zlasti za nakupovanje vojnih bondov, ki bi kupovanje kot navdušeni Američani imeli in so ga imeli. Deputacija je prišla, da pove vladi in imenu teh svojih državljanov, kako jih to boli in kako se naravno raditega boje, da bi tako slovenski narod doma po vojni zopet ne moral pretrpeti tolikih krivic, kakor jih je po zadnji vojni. Boje se, da bi ne dobil vseh tistih svojih pravic, za katere se sedaj bori s tolikim navdušenjem, pa tudi s toliko hrabrostjo in tolikimi potoki krvi, da zasluži obudovanje vsega sveta, pa da tudi zasluži, vsemu svetu, zlasti Ameriki, prizna vse pravice suverene naroda.

Na to so odborniki deputacije povedali vsak svoje misli glede vsega tega, kakor tudi glede raznih zahtev naroda doma za svojo bodočnost.

Razgovor je bil zelo živahen in so mu vsi trije zastopniki vlade sledili z velikim zanimanjem in z naklonjenostjo; in poslali so njihova izvajanja, s katerimi so dokazovali pravice naroda v Evropi, da se mu da vsa pravica, ki bo samo podlaga miru v tem kotu Evrope.

Ob sklepu je povzel besedo Mr. Pool sam, se zahvalil deputaciji, da je obiskala tudi njegov urad, in za dragocene informacije, ki jih je dala njegovemu uradu. Ker je pa to urad, ki mu zbira razne informacije, glede ureditve sveta po vojni, da bo mir trajen na podlagi pravice vsem narodom, je obljubil, da bo vse informacije, ki mu jih je dala delegacija, sporočil višjim krogom v vladi. Razgovori so se vršili v glavnem glede slovenskega Primorja in Trsta, glede slovenske Koroške, glede združene Slovenije in glede federativne demokracije urejene nove Jugoslavije. Poudarili so zlasti neizmerno trpljenje Slovencev, katere je zadnja mirovna konferenca tako brez srca predala v nemško in italijansko sužnost brez vsake zaščite manjšine. Krutosti, s katerimi so Italijani, Nemci in Madžari nastopili v teh delih

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Splošni tedenski pregled

RUSKA OFENZIVA

Ruska ofenziva se vala naprej z nezmanjšano silo. Nemci poročajo, da so se umaknili iz Voroneža. Rusi poročajo, da so v zadnjih dveh tednih ujeli nad 80.000 osihih vojakov v splošnem okrožju Voroneža. Rusi so izrgali Nemcem večje število mest in vasi, med njimi važno železniško križišče Armavir in naselje Jasno Poljano, kjer je bil dom pokojnega ruskega pisatelja Tolstoj. Ruski uspehi na jugu so spravili nemške čete v Kavkazu v nevarnost obkoljenja. Pred Stalingradom obkoljene nemške čete Rusi sistematično likvidirajo.

DRUGE FRONTE

Zavzetje Tripolija v Afriki po britiških četah pomeni dokončno porušenje italijanskega imperija v Afriki. Ostanki armade maršala Rommela bežijo pred britiški silami proti Tunisu, z namenom, da se pridružijo nemški sili v Bizerti in Tunisu. V Tunisu se vršijo manjši spopadi med ameriški, angleški in francoski četami na eni strani in nemškimi na drugi. Najbolj aktivno je letalstvo. Ameriški letalci so tudi aktivni na pacifični fronti in britiški letalci bombardirajo Nemčijo ter od Nemcev zasedene kraje zapadne Evrope. Nemci so obnovili letalske napade na Anglijo, toda le s primeroma malim številom letal in z malimi uspehi.

NEVARNOST PODMORNIC

Nemške podmornice se vedno povzročajo veliko škodo zavezniški plovbi in to predstavlja zelo važno oviro zavezniškemu operacijam v severni Afriki in južni Evropi. Podmornice tudi ovirajo dostavo vojnega materiala in živil Angliji in Rusiji. Boj proti sovražnim podmornicam se vrši na mnogih načinov, toda postati mora uspešnejši, predno bomo mogli misliti na poraz Hitlerja. Tako Amerika kot Anglija se tega v polni meri zavedata in eksperti obeh dežel so neprestano na delu z izumi novih in izboljšanih bojnih sredstev proti podmornicam.

STAVKA KONČANA

Tri tedne trajajoča stavka premogarjev na poljih trdega premoga je bila pretekli teden v glavnem končana, ko so se na poziv predsednika Roosevelta stavkujoči premogarji vrnili na delo.

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AMERIŠKE FARME

V Zedinjenih državah se leto za leto pridela več živeža kot ga more domače prebivalstvo pri tipični ameriški potratnosti porabiti. To kljub dejstvu, da ima dežela visoko razvito industrijo in industrija ne prideluje živil. Za obilico pridelka so v znatni meri odgovorne izboljšane metode obdelovanja in pa velike farme, kjer je mogoče uporabljati stroje. Preobilica živil in drugih poljskih pridelkov, ki je v mirnih časih deželi povzročala skrb, nam seveda v sedanjih časih zelo prav pride, ker lahko zakladamo s tem naše zavznike, ne da bi si mi morali ravno pritrgovati.

Značilno pa je, da je tudi v Zedinjenih državah mnogo malih ali pa slabo upravljenih farm, ki ne pridelajo skoro ničesar za prodajo. Lastniki ali najemniki takih farm pridelajo samo toliko, da se preživijo. Posebno velja to za farme naših južnih in jugovzhodnih držav. Kmetijstvo je tam še marsikje precej primitivno in stroji so malokje v porabi. Nekatere teh farm pridelujejo le po en pridelek, na primer bombaž, koruzo ali sladki krompir. Poljedelski tajnik Wickard je v enem njegovih nedavnih govorov izjavil, da je v desetih glavnih bombažnih državah 2.400.000 farm. Od teh farm jih pol milijona nima nikakega zelenjadnega vrta; 616.000 jih nima nikakih molznih krav; na 721.000 farmah ne redijo prašičev, in na 418.000 farmah ni niti ene kokoši.

Zvezni poljedelski department priporoča tem južnim farmerjem, naj gojijo več vrst pridelkov in posebno naj ne pozabijo na pridelke za domačo porabo, kot je na primer različna zelenjava. Priporoča tudi rejo molznih krav, prašičev in kokoši, vsaj za domače potrebe. To je posebno važno v teh časih, ko se razne farmske pridelke ne pošiljajo na oddaljene domače trge.

Sreča za Ameriko je, da vsaj dve tretjini ameriških farmerjev obdeluje njihova zemljišča modernop, pametno in znanstveno. Le tako je mogoče, da ima dežela obilico živil in drugih farmskih pridelkov, dovolj za domačo porabo in še mnogo za izvoz.

V DOBER NAMEN

V Zedinjenih državah se bo zadnje dni tega tedna vršilo mnogo plesnih veselice, kar se vpriči resnih vojnih časov nekako čudno sliši. Toda namen teh veselice je plemenit; dohodki takih prireditve so namenjeni fondom za pobijanje nevarne bolezni otroške paralize. Ta bolezen sicer ni zelo razširjena in tudi ne napada samo otrok kot bi bilo mogoče sklepati iz imena, toda je nevarna, ker zanjno zdravniška znanost še ni našla preprečitve in zanesljivega zdravljenja. Denar, zbran za pobijanje otroške paralize, se porablja za zdravljenje žrtev te bolezni in za raziskavanja, kako bi bilo mogoče to bolezen bolj odločno zatirati oziroma preprečiti.

Žrtev otroške paralize je bil tudi naš predsednik Roosevelt; mučila ga je več let. Dobro zdravljenje mu je spet pomagalo na noge, dasi mu je bolezen pustila nekaj ohromelosti v nogah. Pred devetimi leti se je porodila ideja, da bi obhajali predsednikov rojstni dan,

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NAŠIM DRUŠTVOM V DRŽAVI OHIO

V legislaturi države Ohio, in sicer v senatni zbornici, je senator William M. Boyd iz Clevelanda, Ohio, vložil predlog, označen kot Senate Bill No. 41, katerega namen je spremeniti določbe državnih postav, ki se nanašajo na bratske podporne organizacije, v toliko, da bi take organizacije v bodoče lahko vpisovale nove člane v mladinski oddelek brez zdravniške preiskave.

V večini držav naše Unije postav dovoljujejo bratskim organizacijam sprejem mladinskih članov brez zdravniške preiskave, dosedanje postav države Ohio pa tega ne dovoljuje. To je za društva vseh bratskih organizacij v državi Ohio velika ovira pri vpisovanju novih mladinskih članov. Bratski kongres države Ohio je na svoji zadnji konvenciji soglasno sprejel resolucijo, ki poziva legislaturu, da to oviro odpravi. Državni senator William M. Boyd, ki je ob enem prvi glavni podpredsednik Hrvatske bratske zajednice in kot tak razume probleme naših bratskih podpornih organizacij, nas je te dni obvestil, da je vložil tak predlog v senatni zbornici državne legislature. Glede tega sta že imela dopisovanje s senatorjem Boydjem glavni predsednik Ameriške bratske zveze in urednik Nove Dobe. Tozadnji predlog, ki je bil vložen, je v celoti nasleden v angleški sekciji današnje izdaje Nove Dobe.

Za vsa društva naših podpornih organizacij v državi Ohio je velikega pomena, da je dotični predlog sprejet. Zato apeliramo na vsa naša društva in na vse naše člane v državi Ohio, da pišejo pisma svojim senatorjem in jih pozivajo, da glasujejo za gori omenjeni predlog. To velja za društva in člane Ameriške bratske zveze, kakor tudi za društva in člane vseh drugih bratskih podpornih organizacij v državi Ohio. Ako so bile druge slovenske podpore organizacije o tem obveščene, bodo gotovo opozorile svoje člane in društva, da se zavamejo za sprejem omenjenega predloga. Ako niso dobile od drugod takega opozorila, naj izvolijo upoštevati tu priobčeno obvestilo. Za vse bratske podpore organizacije, ki poslujejo v državi Ohio, bo velika ugodnost, če bo gori omenjeni predlog sprejet in bodo mogle sprejemati nove člane v svoje mladinske oddelke brez zdravniške preiskave.

SLOVENSKE VESTI

Plesna veselica v proslavo rojstnega dne predsednika Roosevelta se bo v soboto 29. januarja vršila v Slovenskem narodnem domu na St. Clair Ave. v Clevelandu, Ohio. Zabučni program bo trajal od 8. do 9. ure zvečer, kakor se bo razvila plesna in prosta zabada (Dalje na 4. strani)

Leto 1943

V letu 1943 bomo obhajali 167. obletnico rojstva naše republike. V tem letu vzhaja zvezdnata zastava naše republike na vseh kontinentih in vseh morjih sveta in prepričani smo, da bo vzhajala v sljaj kot še nikdar prej.

V letu 1943 bomo obhajali 45. obletnico rojstva Ameriške bratske zveze in njeni lojalni člani bodo poskrbeli, da bo v tem letu rastla in napredovala kot še ni nikdar prej.

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NEMŠKA BESTIALNOST

Ameriško časopisje posveča več in več pozornosti strahotnim razmeram, v katerih živijo podjarmljeni narodi Evrope. Ti narodi še živijo, toda v nemškem načrtu so zapisani iztrebljenju. Ta načrt se izvaja s tipičnim nemškim cinizmom in brutalnostjo. Zdravi moški morajo v armado ali v nemške vojne in druge industrije. Otroke odtrgajo od mater in jih oddajo v nemške zavode, da jih tam vzgoje za nacije, za nemške janičarje. Dekleta morajo služiti vojaški pohotnosti, ostalo prebivalstvo pa bodisi umira od pomanjkanja na svoji izropani zemlji ali pa je nasilno premiščeno bogvekam v tujino. Tako se godi Jugoslovanom, Norvežanom, Holandcem, Poljakom, Čehom, Belgijcem in drugim sužnjem nemškega molohe.

Nemški načrt, kakor je opisan v Hitlerjevi knjigi "Mein Kampf", je, da Nemci zagospodujejo naprej vsej Evropi in potem vsemu svetu. Ako pa bi bila Nemčija v tej vojni poražena, bo skušala povleči s seboj v propad kar največ ostalega evropskega prebivalstva, to je, da bodo narodi, ko bodo osvobojeni, materialno in številčno tako izčrpani, da dolga desetletja ne bodo mogli priti do prave moči. V tem času pa bi se Nemčija pripravila na novo vojno.

Svoj satanski načrt izvajajo Nemci že zdaj s tako preciznostjo, da za manjše narode, kot so na primer Slovenci, Čehi, Poljaki, Belgijci in drugi, obstaja resna nevarnost iztrebljenja. To postaja jasno prizade tim narodom, pa tudi drugim, v zadnjem času celo Američanom. Nemci imajo pač velike izgube v vojni, toda kot velik narod jih bodo neprimerno lažje pretrpeli, kakor mali narodi; to posebno še vsled tega, ker nemško ljudstvo ne trpi toliko pomanjkanja kot podjarmljeni narodi. Slovenci, ki so eden najmanjših narodov Evrope, bodo pa enostavno izginili s površja zemlje, ako ne pride rešitev v doglednem času. To velja v znatni meri tudi za druge slovanske narode, z izjemo Rusov.

DOBRO SOSESTVO

Smerica dobrega sosetstva med ameriški republikami se je pretekli teden spet za eno točko izboljšala. Južnoameriška republika Čile (Chile) je pretrgala diplomatske zveze z Nemčijo, Italijo in Japonsko. Na vsem ameriškem kontinentu je zdaj samo še ena država, namreč republika Argentina, ki še vzdržuje diplomatske zveze z državami osi. S strogo vojaškega stališča vstop republike Čile v vrsto držav, ki so pretrgale zveze z nacifašističnimi državami, ni posebno velikega pomena, ker omenjena republika šteje le nekaj nad štiri milijone prebivalcev. Velike važnosti pa je Čile na strahotnem razmerju, ki se odvija v Ameriki (Dalje na 2. strani)

NAPOVEDI AMERIŠKEGA DIPLOMATA

Nešteti državniki, vojaški eksperti in samopostavljeni preroki so se z napovedbami vojnih razvojev tako daleč zmotili, da so umolkili in da na tihem upajo, da je občinstvo njihove napovedi pozabilo. Posebno so se preroki vseh vrst zmotili glede Rusije, kateri so ob začetku nemškega napada na rusko ozemlje prerokovali poraz v šestih tednih. Vsi vemo, da je bila ta napoved zelo zmotna, ker Rusija se junaka drža še po poldrugem letu najhujših bojov. Tudi poznejše prerokbe glede razvojev v Rusiji so bile precej skeptične in je sreča za Rusijo in njene zaveznike, da se niso uresničile.

Toda bivši ameriški poslanik v Rusiji, Joseph E. Davies, je bolj poznal Rusijo kot večina drugih tako zvanih ekspertov. Dne 1. junija 1942 je zatrdil ameriškiemu časnikarju A. Krocku sledeče: "Jaz napovedujem, da ob koncu leta 1942 bodo ruske armade neokrnjene, sovjetska vlada bo neokrnjena in morala ruskega ljudstva bo neokrnjena."

Napoved Mr. Daviesa se je izkazala za točno. Ob zaključku leta 1942 so bile ruske armade v ofenzivi na vsej dolgi fronti in so drobile nemško moč z večjo silo kot v prejšnji zimi.

Prej omenjeni časnikar je torej v začetku letošnjega leta naprosil Mr. Daviesa, da se izjavi, kako sodi o Rusiji za leto 1943 in tudi glede splošnih vojnih razvojev v tem letu. Mr. Davies mu je ugodil in napovedal sledeče:

"Ako ne pride do notranjega poloma v Nemčiji, česar ni za pričakovati, se bodo Hitlerjeve armade v Rusiji pomaknile nazaj, da skrajšajo svojo bojno črto, in se bodo ustavile za kako dobro utrjeno črto. Ob Sredozemskem morju bodo zgradili Nemci močne utrdbe. V Afriki in v Ukrajini bodo Nemci v defenzivi in se bodo istočasno pripravljali za odločilno bitko za zavojevanje ruskega olja v Baku. Ta napad bo izveden prihodnje poletje. To bo za Hitlerja zadnji, obupni in edini poskus doseči zmago. Ako ne uspe, se bo skušal pripravi na dolgo obleganje od strani zaveznikov, upajoč, doseči bolj ugodne mirovne pogoje s tem, da bo odstopil in oddal vlado drugi klici."

Z ozirom na rusko in splošno vojno situacijo napoveduje Mr. Davies sledeče: "Hitlerjev zadnji poskus doseči rusko olje ne bo uspel. Če so Rusi dobili ali bodo dobili dovolj mehanizirane vojaške opreme in letalstva preko Murmanska ali Perzijskega zaliva, je mogoče, da bodo prodrli nemško črto preko Rumunije in na Balkan v zvezi z raznimi ofenzivami. Združenih narodov od juna, zapada ali severa ali od vseh treh strani. Tozadevna ruska zmaga pa ne bo lahka. Obup in potreba same eksistence bosta združila nemške armade in nemško ljudstvo k najodločnejši ofenzivi in k najodločnejšemu odporu to poletje. Pričakujem, da se bodo ob koncu leta 1943 Nemci še bojevali na skrajšanih črtah, medtem, ko bodo Rusija in Združeni narodi v ofenzivah svoje izbire na vseh frontah. To je najboljšje, kar moremo pričakovati to leto; z izjemo seveda, če bi Hitlerja dohitela smrt ali če bi se Nemčija

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VSAK PO SVOJE

Lansko zimo, ko je bilo v Rusiji nenavadno mrzlo in so Rusi uspešno potiskali Nemce nazaj, so mnogi ameriški "eksperti" ruske uspehe pripisovali večinoma ostrim ruski zimi. Kar v glavo ni šlo tem tako zvanim ekspertom, da bi Rusija, katero je ves kapitalistični svet 20 let grdil in omaloževal, mogla imeti dobro urejeno gospodarstvo, dobro izveščano in dobro opremljeno armado in dobre poveljnike. Iz čistiških in radijskih poročil vemo, da je letošnja zima v Rusiji mnogo milejša kot je bila lanska. Rusi pa likvidirajo Nemce še bolj uspešno kot so jih lani. Rado vedni smo, komu ali čemu bodo eksperti pripisali letošnje ruske uspehe. Rusom jih ne bodo, ker to bi bilo proti kapitalistični logiki.

Poročila o britiških bombah, ki so nedavno v taki obilici deževale na Berlin, so nas utrdila v veri, da vse dobro pride od zgoraj.

Poljski uradni krogi v Londonu vedo povedati, da so Nemci preko Poljske zgradili sistem silnih utrdb, za katere se nameravajo umakniti, če bi ruski medved postal le preveč nadležen in agresiven. Za delo pri zgradbah teh utrdb so prisilili tisoče Poljakov, katere so vse postrelili, ko je bilo delo dovršeno. Postrelili so jih zato, da ne bi mogli nikomur izdati tajnih posebnosti dotičnih utrdb. Barbarstva, kakršno prakticirajo današnji Nemci, bi se sramovali najprimitivnejši ljudje afriških pragozdov. Nemška kultura!

Zlati okraski na kapah ameriških mornariških častnikov bodo v bližnji bodočnosti skoraj popolnoma odpravljene. Mornariški department je menil, da prišel do prepričanja, da ni važno, kaj ima mož na kapi, ampak važno je tisto, kar je pod kapo.

Nemški propagandni minister Goebbels se brdiko pritožuje nad ruskim totalitarnim bojevanjem, češ, da je barbarsko. Ko so se Nemci posluževali takega načina bojevanja proti Angliji, Belgiji, Holandski, Poljski in Jugoslaviji, je bilo vse v redu, zdaj pa, ko jim Rusi vračajo s slično mero, je barbarsko. Goebbels je pozabil pregovor, ki pravi, da kdor seje veter, žanje vihar.

Kongresnik Sabbath iz Illinoisa predlaga, da vlada ustanovi državno loterijo, katere dobički bi pomagali pokrivati vojne izdatke. Ideja je pametna, ker vse naše življenje je itak sama loterija in ker je ameriško ljudstvo sploh navdušeno za stave in loterije, čeprav so prepovedane. Kar se ne da preprečiti, naj se legalizira in dohodki takih ustanov naj pripadejo državi. Vpriči visokih davkov, ki so že nad nami in ki še pridejo, bomo mogli v bodoče priti do kakšnega denarja, če ga bomo zadel v loteriji. Torej, možje v Washingtonu, dajte nam loterijo in z njo vsaj žarek upanja, da obogatimo!

Na nedavni konvenciji klavcev in mesarjev je bilo povedano, da znane klobasice, ki jih imenujemo vinarice ali hot dogs, v bodoče ne bodo vsebovale dosti mesa, ampak večkratoma razna nadomestila. (Dalje na 4. strani)

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Slovenije, ter jim vzeli vsako

pravico, da jih obdrže še na-

prej, ker so se izkazali ti naro-

di, da ne znajo biti pravični, ni-

ti ne človeški.

Razgovor je bil zelo prisrčen,

da je deputacija dobila vtis, da

se naša vlada živo zanima za

Slovenijo in njeno vprašanje

po vojni, da pozna njeno veli-

ko važnost za bodočo ureditev

Evrope v duhu pravice in demo-

kracije, pa da smemo ameriški

Slovenci zaupati svoji vladi,

da bo te pravice našega naroda

tudi ščitila. Mr. Pool se je de-

putaciji zahvalil in jo prosil,

da še pride in bo vsikdar vesel

se razgovorjati o slovenskem

vprašanju.

Pozneje, ob pol peti uri po-

poldne, je bila pa deputacija

sprejeta pri državnem podtaj-

niku Mr. Sumner Wellesu. Tu-

di Mr. Welles jo je sprejel iz-

redno prijazno, da so člani do-

bili popolno zaupanje v Mr.

Wellesa in se je potem cel spre-

jem vršil v temu duhu.

Mr. Adamič je predstavil de-

legacijo državnemu podtajniku

in rekel: "Ta skupina predstav-

lja dejansko vseh 250.000 dr-

žavljanov slovenskega rodu,

naturaliziranih in tukaj rojenih.

Ti vsi zastopajo njih podporne

bratske organizacije, njih soci-

jalne organizacije, pa tudi njih

cerkve in župnije. To so člani

Slovenskega ameriškega narod-

nega sveta, ki je bil izvoljen na

Slovenskem narodnem kongre-

su dne 5. in 6. decembra 1942 v

Cleveland od 521 delegatov.

"Slovenci so morda med naj-

manjšimi skupinami priseljen-

cev, vendar pa jih je nad 100-

000 zaposlenih v raznih vojnih

industrijah, ki so važne danes.

Nad 20.000 jih je v armadi in

mornarici. Prva ameriška žrtev

v tej vojni je bil slovenski pri-

seljenec. Slovenski Slovenci so

bili do sedaj najbolj pridni na-

kupovalci vojnih bondov in

znak. Slovenci so najprej

Američani in izredno zvesti

Ameriki in ji marljivo pomaga-

jo pri njenem prizadevanju v

tej vojni.

"Vendar si pa ne morejo po-

magati, da bi se pri vsem tem

ne zanimali tudi za Slovenijo in

za njene današnje klice na po-

moč in so v strahu za njeno

bodočnost, kot jo vidijo in jih

to razburja. Ta negotovost po-

vzroča, da nekateri člani te sku-

pine nehoti izgubljajo voljo za

svoje brezpogojno sodelovanje

pri naporih v sedanji vojni. Ta-

ko se je opazilo, da so nedavna

poročila o podpiranju Otona

Habsburškega, ki ga je baje de-

ležen od strani naše vlade v

Washingtonu, imela za posled-

ico to, da je nakupovanje voj-

nih bondov od strani Slovencev

nekoliko padlo.

"Radi tega je ta skupina me-

ne prosila, Mr. Welles, da bi jo

sprejeli. Povedali bi vam radi

svoje misli, in upajo, da jih bo-

ste sprejeli in upravelili, kar

jim bo omogočilo odstraniti vso

zmeđo, glede vprašanja Slove-

nije, ki so jo ti dogodki ustva-

rili med ameriški Slovenci."

Na to je tajnik Rev. Kazimir

Zakrajšek prečital memorandum,

ki ga je s tem sprejemom

predložila državnemu tajništvu

deputacija Slovenskega ameri-

škega narodnega sveta v imenu

ameriških državljanz sloven-

skega rodu.

Čital je: "Trdno smo prepri-

čani, Mr. Welles, da ste popol-

no poučeni o Sloveniji in

njeni veliki važnosti v srednji

in jugovzhodni Evropi. Danes

mo prišli k vam, da vam poda-

mo se nekoliko podatkov o slo-

venskem vprašanju, ki je tako

pri srcu vsem, katere sedaj tu

zastopamo.

"Zemljepisno je Slovenija

križišče velikih gospodarskih in

političnih stremiljenj slovan-

skih narodov, obenem pa tudi

napadalnih imperia lizmov

Nemcev in Italijanov.

bro vsa barbarstva in grozode-

jstva, ki jih počenjaajo sovra-

zniki v Sloveniji danes, zato pa z

njimi sočustvuje. Vlada se da-

nes še ne more izjaviti o kaki

bodoči ureditvi Slovenije, zla-

sti ne glede njenih bodočih me-

ja, ker bo to delo mirovne kon-

ference. Vendar je pa vladi zna-

no, koliko velikih mož je dala

mala Slovenije že Ameriki, ki

so zanjo izvršili velika dela, za

kar ji je dolžna hvaležnost, za-

to naj bodo ameriški Slovenci

prepričani, da bo vlada ščitila

slovenski narod in njegove ko-

risti in pravice. Še enkrat je

poudaril, kako ga veseli, ga da

je deputacija obiskala, in jo je

prosil, da naj še pride, da jo bo

vedno z veseljem sprejel in se z

njo pogovoril o slovenskih pro-

blemi. Prosil jo je, da naj ga

stalno obvešča o vseh važnih do-

godkih iz Slovenije, ker hra-

brost slovenskega naroda in

njegove žrtve zaslužijo vso na-

klonjenost ameriške vlade.

Mr. Adamič se je g. državne-

mu podtajniku v imenu ameri-

ških Slovencev in v imenu slo-

venskega naroda doma zahva-

lil za tako lepo priznanje in za

veliko zanimanje vlade za uso-

do slovenskega naroda. Pouda-

ril je, da bo ta naklonjenost

imela brez dvoma posledice, da

bodo ameriški Slovenci še bolj

z navdušenjem sodelovali s svo-

jo vlado v sedanjih vojnih de-

lih in žrtvovali vse, kar in ko-

likor morejo napraviti za zma-

go. Zlasti bodo požrtvovalno na-

kupovali vojne bonde. Ponovno

je opozarjal na neprijetne po-

sledice vsakega priznanja so-

vražnim narodnostim v času, ko

s tolikimi krutostmi pobijajo

Slovence in ko so slovenski na-

rod s tolikimi žrtvami bori ne

samo za svojo svobodo in pra-

vico, temveč tudi za zmago

skupnih zavezniskih narodov.

Tajnik Rev. Zakrajšek je

opozoril državnega podtajnika

Mr. Wellesa na poziv slovenske-

ga naroda ameriškim Sloven-

cem iz 4. septembra 1942, ki

smo ga dobili po podtalni poti

iz Slovenije, v katerem se na-

rod pritožuje, da v tej strašni

že nad poldruho leto trajajoči

borbi, ni dobil ne od Amerike

ne od Anglije nobene besede, ki

bi mu jamčila, da bodo potoki

njegove krvi nagrajeni po vo-

jni s popolno pravico. Zato pro-

sijo ameriške Slovence naj iz-

poslušajo od ameriške vlade ka-

ko tako izjavo, ki bi jih pokre-

pila, da bi vztrajali v borbi. Za-

to ga prosi, če bi bilo mogoče,

da bi naša vlada na kakršnekoli

način dala temu trpečemu

narodu javno izjavo pred celim

svetom, v kateri bi se mu dalo

priznanje za njegove žrtve, za

njegovo hrabrost, pa tudi za

gotovilo, da bo dobil vso pravi-

co po vojni, katero tako v od-

lični meri zasluži.

Mr. Welles je obljubil, da se

bo to zgodilo, in sicer takoj.

Tajnik dalje opozarja na

privatno pismo, ki je prišlo v

Ameriko te dni iz Slovenije,

v kateri slovenski narod izraža

bojazen, da bodo države osiše-

sej, ko bodo začutile, da slo-

venske zemlje ne bodo dobile,

samo podvojile svoja grozodej-

stva nad Slovenci, da jih popo-

lnoma ubijejo še pred koncem

te vojne. Prosi, da bi vlada k tej

izjavi dodala še svarilo drža-

vam osiše, da naj odjenjajo s

svojimi grozodejstvi nad slo-

venskim narodom, ker bodo mo-

rale za vse to po vojni dajati

strog odgovor, posebno če bi

ga poskušale popolnoma ubiti.

Mr. Welles je izjavil, da sma-

tra tako svarilo za popolnoma

potrebno, in da se bo tudi to

zgodilo.

V prav prisrčnem razpolože-

nju se je državni tajnik poslo-

vil od deputacije, ji znova izra-

zil svoje veselje, da so ga obi-

skali in znova ponovil prošnjo,

da naj še pridejo, da jih bo

vedno z veseljem sprejel.

Tako je SANS s sprejemom

pri našem državnem podtajni-

ku Mr. Sumner Wellesu izvršil

veliko delo za slovenski narod

v domovini, ki pomenja začetek

novega velikega našega dela za

pomoč Ameriki v njenih na-

porih za zmago, pa tudi za re-

šitev in boljše bodočnost slo-

venskega naroda doma.

Ameriški Slovenci smo brez

dvoma hvaležni državnemu pod-

tajniku in naši vladi za te do-

kaze izredne naklonjenosti nam

tu v Ameriki in narodu doma,

pa tudi za dokaze izredne do-

bre volje mu pomagati do lep-

še bodočnosti po teh strašnih

dnevih, skozi katere mora prav-

kar iti v potokih krvi in oceanu

solza.

Svojo hvaležnost pa mi ameri-

ški Slovenci pokažimo s tem,

da bomo res še bolj vzljubili

to našo lepo ameriško državo,

da bomo šli še z večjim navdu-

šenjem na delo za sodelovanje

z našo vlado pri naporih za

zmago, zlasti pa z nakupova-

njem vojnih bondov. Slovenci,

bodimo tu v Ameriki vredni

hrabrosti in velikih nadčlove-

skih žrtev našega naroda do-

ma, in bodimo tudi mi v prvih

vrstah v svojem delu za zmago,

kakor je doma slovenski narod

v prvih vrstah med narodi v

svojih žrtvah v krvi in nadčlo-

veški borbi proti sovražnikom

vsega svobodoljubnega sveta in

za pravice in dostojanstva po-

sameznika. Noben drugi narod

ne čuti strašne neseče, ki jo je

prikladal sovražnik na celi svet,

v tako strahotni meri, kakor

ravno naš narod. Zato pa je na-

ša dolžnost, da smo ameriški

Slovenci v prvih vrstah med

narodi v našem sodelovanju za

zmago.

Za delegacijo:

Rev. K. Zakrajšek,

tajnik SANS.

V DOBER NAMEN

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

30. januarja, z zbiranjem pri-

spevkov za fond za pobijanje

otroške paralize. To zbiranje se

od takrat vrši na različne na-

čine, največ pa s prirejanjem

plesnih veselice, katerih dobički

so namenjeni v prej omenjeno

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RAZMERE NAS ZBLIŽUJEJO

Značilna posledica vojnih razmer je, da si ljudje postajajo medsebojno nekako bližji in boljši prijatelji. To se vidi v velikem in malem. Vojne razmere so v mnogih ozirih enako prizadele velike in male, bogate in revne, učene in preproste. Na primer, vojna obveznost je prizadela vse sloje prebivalstva. Predsednik Roosevelt ima štiri sinove v vojnih silah Zedinjenih držav in marsikak preprost delavec jih ima toliko ali še več. Najbogatejši človek ne more kupiti novega avtomobila ali novega avtomobilskega obroča, ako njegovi nujni posli tega ne zahtevajo. Enake omejitve veljajo glede nabave gasolina in raznih drugih potrebščin za vse sloje. Vse bodo prizadeli novi vojni davki.

Iz gori navedenega je razvidno, da so nas vojne razmere napravile v mnogih ozirih bolj enake kot smo bili kdaj prej v tej deželi. To je logično in pravilno, kajti zmagava Amerike v tej vojni je življenjskega pomena za nas vse, velike in male, bogate in revne, učene in preproste. Vsi se zavedamo ali bi se vsaj morali zavedati, da je naša dolžnost pomagati in prispevati v tej smeri po vseh naših zmogljivostih in prilikah. Ta zavest nas zblizuje preko vseh prejšnjih predsodkov. Sicer v Zedinjenih državah ni bilo nikdar tako ostro začrtanih razredov kot na primer v stari Evropi, toda nekaj te boleznijo smo imeli in je imamo, dasi v zelo omiljeni obliki. Vojne razmere pa tudi te male pregrade potihoma podirajo. Ameriško ljudstvo se bolj in bolj zliva v eno celoto.

Med slovenskimi Američani ni bilo opaznih razredov nikoli. Razdeljeni pa smo bili na stranke in smo se. To ni nič slabega, toda slabo je bilo, dokler smo bili v poudarjanju teh razlik prenapeti in nestrpni. V teku desetletij se je to močno ublažilo in še bolj se je ublažilo odkar je Amerika v vojni in odkar je našo rodno Slovenijo zadela taka strahovita nesreča. Zavedli smo se, da lahko obdržimo vsak svoje nazore, vsak svoje osebno prepričanje, pa da kljub temu lahko skupno nastopamo in delujemo kot Američani in kot Slovenci. Tako je bilo mogoče, da se je organizirala slovenska sekcija Jugoslovanskega pomožnega odbora, ki zbira prispevke za v pomoč našim nesrečnim bratom in sestram v starem kraju, in da se je organiziral Slovenski ameriški narodni svet, katerega naloga je delati za osvoboditev vseh Slovencev v starem kraju. Obe ustanovi sta organizirani na strogo nestransko, na slovenski in ameriški podlagi, in obe zaslužita vso našo materialno in moralno pomoč.

Značilno je, kako so vojne razmere zblizale slovenske Američane stare in nove generacije, to je priseljence in tujake rojene Slovence. Sicer med tema dvema skupinama nikdar ni bilo takega prepada, kot smo se bali, da bo, vendar vojne razmere so nas še bolj zblizale. Naše misli se mudijo vsak dan pri naših sinovih in prijateljih, ki služijo zvezdnati zastavi v različnih vojaških taboriščih sluzi Zedinjenih držav in na različnih bojnih frontah v inozemstvu, in ti naši fanti so navezani na svoje sorodnike in prijatelje doma bolj kot so bili kdaj prej. Ne pozabimo teh fantov in pomagamo vzdrževanju njihove morale vsaj s tem, da jim pogosto pišemo. Pismo od doma ali od prijatelja razveseli vsakega vojaka. In, seveda, ne pozabimo investirati naših prihrankov v vojne bonde. Vlada potrebuje denar, veliko denarja, da oskrbuje naše vojake z vsem potrebnim. Investiranje prihrankov v vojne bonde je poleg tega tudi najboljši in najvarnejši način varčevanja.

Vojne razmere so prinesle tudi več medsebojnega zupanja in prijateljstva med društvene sobrate in med povprečne znanke. Ne zavedamo se prav, zakaj je tako, toda vidimo, da je tako. Priporočljivo je, da skušamo to dobro razpoloženje izrabiti v korist našega društva in naše Ameriške bratske zveze. Vpišimo naše znanke in prijatelje, ki še niso naši člani, v vrste naše organizacije, in nagovorimo jih, da pri nas zavarujejo svoje otroke. Danes je za služek povsod in pomanjkanje denarja ne predstavlja zapreke. Posebno pozornost obrnimo mladim ženskam in dekletom, ki so dandanes v velikem številu uposlene v vojnih industrijah in v mnogih primerih nič zavarovane. Vpišimo jih v Ameriško bratsko zvezo. To bo v korist njim in naši organizaciji.

Iz urada glavnega tajnika Ameriške bratske zveze

Mladinska kampanja se je slabo obnesla

Na drugem mestu današnje izdaje Nove Dobe je priobčen rezultat mladinske članske kampanje, ki se je vršila celo leto 1942 in tekom katere je 973 članov pristopilo v mladinski oddelek.

Tisti, ki smo zasledovali prejšnje mladinske kampanje, posebnost tiste kampanje, ki so se vršile v času najhujše depresije in največjega brezdelja, moramo priznati, da je bila lanska kampanja najmanj uspešna in naravnost razočarljiva. Večina društev se je zelo malo ali popolnoma nič brigala za kampanjo, in to je bil glavni vzrok, da se je izjalovila.

Dajmo to kampanjo nekoliko analizirati in vzemimo v poštev najprej tista društva, oziroma tajnike, ki so se v resnici zrtvovali in ki zaslužijo naše priznanje in zahvalo. Največ članov je pridobilo društvo št. 28, Kemmerer, Wyo., katerega tajnik je brat Frank Krusich. Brat Krusich je pridobil 71 novih mladinskih članov, kar je samo 4 člane manj kot jih je pridobila vsa država Ohio, kjer imamo 18 društev. Na drugem mestu je društvo št. 202, Rock Springs, Wyo., katerega tajnica je Mrs. Fannie Jenko. To društvo je pridobilo 68 novih mladinskih članov, 10 več kot so jih pridobila vsa coloradska društva skupaj, in teh društev je 14. Na tretjem mestu je društvo št. 190, Butte, Montana, katerega tajnica je naša 6. glavna podpredsednica, sestra Mary Predovich. To društvo je pridobilo 63 novih članov, oziroma več kot vsa društva v državah Mich., N. Y., Calif., Kans., W. Va., Neb., Idaho, Utah, Ore., Mo., Md., Ind., in N. Mex. Na četrtem mestu je društvo št. 43, East Helena, Montana, katerega tajnik je naš stari znanec Louis Smith. Brat Smith je pridobil 54 novih članov, kar je več kot dvakrat toliko kolikor jih je dobilo 9 naših društev v Clevelandu, kjer pravijo da živi nad 40 tisoč Slovencev. Na 5. mestu je društvo št. 70, Chicago, Ill., katerega vzoren in agilen tajnik je naš 4. glavni podpredsednik, brat Anton Krapenc. To društvo je pridobilo 37 novih članov, oziroma več kot dvakrat toliko kolikor so jih pridobila vsa naša društva v državi Washington, in teh društev je 6. Na 6. mestu je društvo št. 132, Euclid, Ohio, katerega marljiv in zaslužen tajnik je že več let brat John Tanko. Brat Tanko je pridobil 35 novih članov, 11 več kot vsa clevelandska društva skupaj.

Prvo nagrado v znesku \$100.00 je prejelo društvo št. 28, drugo v znesku \$75.00 društvo št. 202, tretjo v znesku \$50.00 društvo št. 190, četrto v znesku \$25.00 društvo št. 43 in peto v znesku \$10.00 društvo št. 70.

Z ozirom na naselbine je največ članov pristopilo v mestu Ely, Minnesota, namreč 75. Na drugem mestu je Kemmerer, Wyo., 71, na tretjem mestu je Rock Springs, Wyo., 70, na četrtem mestu je Butte, Montana, 63, na petem mestu je East Helena, Montana, 54, na šestem mestu je Chicago, Ill., 52, na sedmem mestu je Euclid, Ohio, 35 članov.

Zveza je lansko leto štela 181 društev, članov smo pa pridobili 973, toraj je povprečno društvo pridobilo manj kot 6 članov, ali manj kot pol člana na mesec.

42 izmed 181 društev je bilo tekom kampanje popolnoma pasivnih in niso pridobila niti enega člana.

Pennsylvania je pridobila največ članov, in sicer 222; Montana jih je pridobila 146, Wyoming 145, Minnesota 144, Illinois 88, Ohio 75, Colorado 58, Wisconsin 17, Washington 16, Indiana 13, Utah 10, New York 8, West Virginia in New Mexico po 7, Kansas 5, Maryland 4, Michigan, California in Missouri po 2, Nebraska in Oregon po enega in Idaho nobenega.

Zapadne države Montana, Wyoming in Colorado so dobile več kot eno tretjino novih članov.

Šest društev, h katerim spadajo naši glavni podpredsedniki, je pridobilo 155 članov, 16% od vseh pristoplih, in 13 društev, h katerim spadajo vsi naši glavni odborniki, je pridobilo 231 članov, četrtno vseh pristoplih. Pet društev, h katerim spadajo glavni porotniki, je pridobilo 47 novih članov.

Največ zavarovalnine je zapisal brat Frank Krusich, tajnik društva št. 28, v mali slovenski naselbini Kemmerer, Wyo.

ANTON ZBAŠNIK, glavni tajnik.

VSAK PO SVOJE

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

no vsebino teh klobasic da bo tvoril prepiran azijski fižol, znan pod imenom soja. Hot beans!

V Richmondu, Virginia, je mestni varnostni direktor prepoval prvorizore neke opere. Gledališče namreč ni odgovarjalo varnostnim predpisom. Drugi dan se je neki ljubitelj opere pritožil v lokalnem časopisu, češ, ali varnostni direktor misli, da si bo najboljši element mesta pustil kaj takega dopasti! Ko je varnostni direktor W. C. Herbert dočital prikrito grožnjo predočil, je kratko pripomnil: "Po mojem mnenju je najboljši element mesta v vojaških uniformah."

Prijatelj Cahej pravi, da zapirali oči pred dokazanimi dejstvi ali pred verjetnimi možnostmi, je višek budalosti in trme.

Država Ohio ima uradno tako zvani vzhodni čas, toda ima zemljepisno tako pozicijo, da je po sončnem času prav tako blizu centralnega kot vzhodnega časa. Centralni čas, kot znano, je eno uro poznejši od vzhodnega. Državni postavodajalci v Columbusu zdaj debatirajo, če ne bi bilo umestno za državo Ohio uradno proklamirati cen-

tralni čas, kar bi nam v tej državi dovoljevalo ob jutrih eno uro dalje spati. Na podlagi vzhodnega in pospešenega vojnega časa vstajamo poldrugo uro bolj zgodaj kot nam predpisujejo sončni paragrafi. Mi pa smo otroci sonca in hočemo vstajati s soncem. Na kratko povedano, naši postavodajalci v Columbusu nameravajo popraviti uro. Bomo videli, kako dobi urarji so.

V listih smo čitali, da Hitler ponuja Italiji popolno združenje z Nemčijo. Nam se zdi, da bi taka združenja sličila združitvi kokoši z lisico, kadar slednja pohrusta kokoš.

Edward M. Bauer, bartender v Campbellsportu, Wisconsin, ki tehta 638 funtov, je dobil od neke oblačilne trdnice v Indiani v dar čisto nove hlače. Torej, kdor hoče dobiti nove hlače brezplačno, se mora zrediti na 638 funtov, kar pa vprico nianjanja živl ne bo baš lahko.

V razdalji nekaj blokov od urada Nove Dobe je mnogo stanovanjskih hiš, v katerih biva-jo Slovenci. Spomladni ali poletni je slovensko hišo zelo lahko uganiti. Kjer so na vrtičih cvetlice in lepilni grmičji, kjer je trava lepo negovana in kjer so

hodniki čisto pometeni, tam skoro gotovo biva-jo Slovenci. Zdaj pozimi pa so najboljši znaki slovenskih hiš snega in ledu očisti hodniki. Smisel za lepoto in čistočo je v vsakem pravem slovenskem srcu in je v ponos nam vsem, ki izhajamo iz tega naroda.

Sredi januarja so že v izložbah modnih trgovin zacveteli novi ženski pomladni klobuki. In korajžno cveto, kljub ostrim zimam. Pravijo, da ljubezen je večna, in tako so večni ženski pomladni klobuki. Vojna marsikaj prepreči, toda ne more preprečiti ljubezni, pomladi in ženskih klobukov.

Mesec januar je dobil ime po Janusu, bogu starih Rimljanov. Janus je imel dva obraza in je z njima gledal v nasprotnih smereh. To je v letošnjem januarju kar simbolično. Stric Sam, na primer, mora istočasno gledati v dve smeri: preko Atlantika in preko Pacifika. Hitler mora gledati v dve smeri: v Rusijo in v Afriko. Mussolini s skrbjo gleda na dve strani in ugiba, kdo ga bo prej in bolj trdo prijel za vrat: Tevton od severa ali Združeni narodi od juga. In mi ameriški davkoplačevalci gledamo v dve smeri: na zasluge lanskega leta, ki so že večinoma šli po gobe in od katerih se dolgujemo davke, in na letošnje zasluge, od katerih že plačujemo davek. Da, prijatelji, Janus je letos tudi naš bog, h kateremu bomo molili kozje molitvice, ne samo v januarju, ampak vse leto. In posebno žalostno bo, ko bo treba te molitvice podkrepiti z bankovci. Če bi imeli dva obraza kot bog Janus, bi se pri tem jokali na oba.

A. J. T.

SLOVENSKE VESTI

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

va. Dohodki prireditve so namenjeni fondu za pobijanje nevarne bolezni otroške paralize. Lansko leto je slična prireditve v S. N. Domu prinesla okrog tisoč dolarjev dobička v gori omenjeno plemenito svrhu.

Iz Hollywooda, California, se je pretekli teden z razglednico oglašil saržent Tone Drenik, član društva št. 71 ABZ, ki je svojočasno prispeval več zanimivih člankov, tikajočih se vojaškega življenja, za Novo Dobo. Zdaj je s svojo edinicno neke v južni Californiji in je seveda porabil prvo priliko, da je obiskal svetovno filmsko središče Hollywood. Pohvali californijske oranje, vreme in filmske zvezdnice.

Vile rojenice so dne 19. januarja pustile malo Edith Frances družini Franka Drobniča, mlajšega, stanujoči na 6124 Glass Ave. v Clevelandu, Ohio. Družina je včlanjena v društvo št. 180 ABZ in Mrs. Edith Drobnič je hčerka znane družine Ernesta Palčiča v Gowandi, N. Y.

V bolnišnici v Seattlu, Wash., je po daljši bolezni preminil Frank Repenšek, star 71 let, član društva št. 162 ABZ v Encinawu, Wash. Pokojnik je bil rojen v Novi Štiti pri Gornjem gradu na Spodnjem Stajerskem in je bival v Ameriki od leta 1903. Tukaj zapuša nekaj daljnih sorodnikov, v starem kraju pa dva sina, sestro in brata.

SPLOŠNI TEDENSKI PREGLED

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

SOCIALNA VARNOST
Delavska tajnica Miss Perkins je izjavila, da se pripravljajo na razširjeno socialno zavarovanje po vojni, ki se bo nanašalo tudi na tiste, katerih sedanja zveza zavarovanje ne dosega. Načrt bo vseboval tudi fe-

AMERIŠKA BRATSKA ZVEZA

Ustanovljena 18. julija 1898

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6. podpredsednik: Mary Predovich 2300 Yew St., Butte, Minn.;
Tajnik: Anton Zbašnik AFU Bldg., Ely, Minn.;
Pomožni tajnik: Frank Tomsich, Jr. AFU Bldg., Ely, Minn.;
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4. porotnik: Ignac Zajc 683 Onderdonk Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

PETINŠTIRIDESETLETNICO AMERIŠKE BRATSKE ZVEZE

bomo najlepše proslavili, če vsako krajevno društvo vsak mesec v letu 1943 vpiše nekaj novih članov

ZA NOVOPRIDOBLJENE ČLANE ODRASLEGA IN MLADINSKEGA ODDELKA DAJE AMERIŠKA BRATSKA ZVEZA NAGRADE V GOTOVINI.

Za novo pridobljene člane odraslega oddelka so predlagatelji deležni sledečih nagrad:

za člana, ki se zavaruje za \$250.00 smrtnine, \$1.25 nagrada
za člana, ki se zavaruje za \$500.00 smrtnine, \$2.00 nagrada
za člana, ki se zavaruje za \$1,000.00 smrtnine, \$4.00 nagrada
za člana, ki se zavaruje za \$1,500.00 smrtnine, \$5.00 nagrada
za člana, ki se zavaruje za \$2,000.00 smrtnine, \$6.00 nagrada
za člana, ki se zavaruje za \$3,000.00 smrtnine, \$8.00 nagrada
Te nagrade so izplačane šele potem, ko so bili za nove člane plačani trije mesečni asesementi.

Za novopridobljene člane mladinskega oddelka plača Ameriška bratska zveza sledeče redne nagrade:

za člana načrta "JA" — \$0.50;
za člana načrta "JB" — \$2.00;
za člana načrta "JC," s \$500.00 zavarovalnine — \$2.00;
za člana načrta "JC," s \$1,000.00 zavarovalnine — \$4.00;
za člana načrta "JD," s \$250.00 zavarovalnine — \$1.00;
za člana načrta "JD," s \$500.00 zavarovalnine — \$2.00;
za člana načrta "JD," s \$1,000.00 zavarovalnine — \$3.00.

deralne projekte, ki naj po vojni uposiljo tiste delavce, kateri ne bodo mogli dobiti uposlenja v privatnih industrijah.

LETALSKA NESREČA

V Dutch Guiani je pretekli teden treščilo na tla veliko ameriško letalo, namenjeno iz Zedinjenih držav v Afriko. V nesreči je bilo ubito vse osebje, namreč 9 članov posadke in 26 potnikov. Med slednjimi je bilo več častnikov in državnih uradnikov. Vzrok nesreče ni znan.

ZATON IMPERIJA

Slava Mussolinijevega imperija v Afriki se je dokončno razblinila pretekli teden, ko so zmagovite čete generala Montgomeryja vdrle v gorečo mesto Tripoli, odkoder se je bila večina nemških in italijanskih čet že prej umaknila proti severu. Mussolinijev afriški imperij, obsegajoč en in eno četrtno milijona kvadratnih milj, je v razsulu. Večina tega ozemlja je sicer puščavska, toda nekaj je rodovitnega in Italija je izdala ogromne vsote denarja za razvoj istega in posebno za najvažnejše mesto Tripoli. Mussolini je že prej izgubil Etiopijo in italijansko Somalijo in zdaj so mu Angleži iztrgali še Tripolitaniijo.

NEMŠKE SKRBI

Nacijski oblastniki so pričeli nemško ljudstvo potom listov in radija pripravljati na neugodne bojne vesti. Priznavati so začeli, da je nevarnost ruske ofenzive resna in da je sedanja situacija na bojnih frontah za Nemce mnogo bolj kritična kot je bila lanske zimo. Ta priznanja seveda spremljajo pozivi za večje žrtve od strani civilnega prebivalstva.

V POMOČ RUSIJI

Jugoslovanski odbor za rusko vojno pomoč, skupno z drugimi narodnostnimi skupinami, delujejo za isto svrhu, je organiziral posebno šesttedensko kampanjo za zbiranje fonda na opremo posebne bolnišnice v Rusijo. Tako naznanja Zlatko Baloković, predsednik newyorške divizije. Fond se bo zbiral v glavnem s prodajo posebnih knjižic in certifikatov. V organizaciji sodelujejo različni jugoslovanski organi in zaci med njimi tudi Združena slovenska društva v New Yorku, kateri skupini predseduje Frank Kerže.

OSTRA ZIMA

Sredi preteklega tedna je došlo vzhodno od Rocky Mountains, z izjemo Floride, običajno nenavadno huda zima. Temperatura je padla pod ničlo dvajsetih severozentralnih in severno-novozangleških držav. V Clevelandu, Ohio, je toplota kazal 2 stopinj pod ničlo, v Chicagu, Ill., 13 stopinj pod ničlo, v Rockfordu, Ill., 21 stopinj, v Lemmonu, South Dakoti, 2 stopinj pod ničlo. Najmrzliji kraj v Zedinjenih državah je bil Little Fork, Minnesota, kjer je toplota zabeležila 51 stopinj pod ničlo. Najbolj mrzel kraj v Canadi je bil Edmonton, glavno mesto province Alberta, kjer je živo srebro v toplotnem padlo do 62 stopinj pod ničlo.

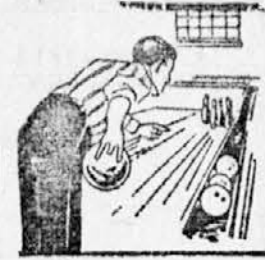
Proti Ameriki so se združile vse temne sile krvavega nacizma in fašizma in vsa strupena zahrbtnost domišljavega azijskega plemena. Kdor ni zdaj praviljen braniti Amerike vseh svojih močeh, zmogljivosti in prilikah, ni vreden, da živi pod zvezdom zvezdnate zastave.



New Era

ENGLISH SECTION OF
Official Organ
of the
American Fraternal Union

AMPLIFYING THE VOICE OF THE ENGLISH SPEAKING MEMBERS



Notice to All Lodges In the State of Ohio

Ohio State Senator, William M. Boyd of Cleveland, O., introduced the following bill to the Ohio State Legislature: Senate Bill No. 41, the purpose of which is to amend the state law with regards to the fraternal benefit organizations, in as much as such organizations may in the future enroll new members in the juvenile departments without medical examinations.

The majority of our states have laws which permit fraternal organizations to enroll new juvenile members without medical examinations. The present Ohio State law forbids this. This is a great handicap in acquiring new juvenile members for all the lodges of fraternal organizations in Ohio. The Ohio Fraternal Congress, at its last convention, unanimously accepted the resolution which requests the legislature to remove this handicap.

State Senator Wm. M. Boyd, who is also first supreme vice-president of the Croatian Fraternal Union and as such understands the problems of our fraternal organizations, notified us recently that he introduced this amendment to the Ohio State Legislature. The supreme president of the American Fraternal Union and the editor of the Nova Doba have carried on a correspondence with Senator Boyd in this regard. The Senate Bill No. 41 is reprinted below.

It is very important for all our lodges in the State of Ohio that this bill is passed. Therefore, we appeal to all lodges and lodge members in the State of Ohio to write to their senators and call their attention to vote for the aforementioned amendment. This regards all lodges of the American Fraternal Union as well as other lodges and members of all fraternal organizations in Ohio. If other Slovene fraternal organizations were notified of this matter, they will surely remind their members and lodges to work for the passage of this amendment. If they have not received any such notice from elsewhere, they can refer to this published notice. It will be most beneficial for all lodges in Ohio to have this amendment passed so they can enroll new members in their juvenile departments without a medical examination.

95th General Assembly
Regular Session
1943-1944

S. B. No. 41
MR. BOYD
A BILL

To amend section 9462-2 of the General Code, relative to medical examination or inspection in connection with the issuance of benefit certificates to juveniles by fraternal benefit societies.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That section 9462-2 of the General Code be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 9462-2. No benefit certificate as to any child shall be issued unless the society shall simultaneously put in force at least five hundred such certificates, on each of which at least one assessment has been paid, nor where the numbers of lives represented by such certificates fall below five hundred. The death benefit contribu-

tions to be made upon such certificates shall be based upon the "standard industrial mortality table" or the "English life table number six" or such other mortality table as may be approved by the superintendent of insurance, and a rate of interest not greater than four per cent, per annum, or upon a higher standard; provided that contributions may be waived or returns may be made from any surplus held in excess of reserve and other liabilities, as provided in the by-laws, and, provided further that extra contributions shall be made if the reserves hereafter provided for become impaired.

Section 2. That said original section 9462-2 of the General Code be and the same is hereby repealed.

The following matter is eliminated from the present law — see corresponding number with asterisks in body of the bill:

1. take effect until after medical examination or inspection by a licensed medical practitioner, in accordance with the laws of the society, nor shall any such benefit certificate.

Listed below are the names of senators representing the districts wherein our Ohio AFU lodges are located. Every member and the lodge as a whole should write to them in care of the Ohio State Legislature, Columbus, Ohio, requesting the amendment of Senate Bill No. 41.

For Cleveland and Euclid, Ohio: Wm. M. Boyd, Emil A. Bartunek, Frank Day, Frank E. Bubna, and Margaret Mahoney.

For Barberton, Akron, and Fairport Harbor, Ohio: Frank E. Whitmore and Carl D. Sheppard.

For East Palestine and Blaine, Ohio: John Stephenson.

For Youngstown and Struthers, Ohio: James P. Griffith and Morris Lipscher.

For Lorain, Ohio: P. H. Rogers.

Center Ramblers To Hold President's Ball January 30th

As was published in the Nova Doba, the Center Rambler's Lodge 221 of Center, Penn. is going to sponsor a President's Birthday Ball on Jan. 30, 1943 at the Center Slovene Hall.

There were rumors that due to gas rationing and the OPA putting a ban on pleasure driving, that there was to be no ball. However, the Ramblers are going through with their plans for this big dance.

Les Faulk and his orchestra are going to furnish the music so I urge all of our neighboring lodges and friends to try very hard to attend since the proceeds of this dance are to be contributed to a very good cause, to the fight against Infantile Paralysis.

In the past the Ramblers sponsored a dance for the benefit of the Army and Navy Relief Fund and are now going to do their best to make the President's Ball a success and to help the March of Dimes.

There will be music and refreshments to make you happy, so dance and even sing and cheer yourselves up during these trying times. We would like to see our friends from

News of Soldiers

Will the families or friends of the following soldier-members send us their correct addresses? The Post Office sends the Nova Doba back marked incorrect address. They are as follows: Pvt. Frank Rupnik Jr., Louis Brunske, Pvt. Frank Sterle, and Pvt. Ed. F. Seseck. We will appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

Two members of Lodge No. 155 of Blaine, Ohio are serving in the U. S. Armed Forces. They are Emil E. Bradley and Anthony J. Bradley, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony M. Bradley. Friends may write to them at the following addresses:

Emil E. Bradley S 2/c
Barracks 5
U. S. Naval Air Station
Sanford, Florida.

Pfc. Anthony J. Bradley
Co. E — 533rd E. A. R.
Camp Carrabelle, Florida
U. S. Army.

Pfc. Anthony Bradley recently spent a ten-day furlough with his parents in Blaine, Ohio. He returned to camp on Jan. 16th. We wish both of these AFU members the best of luck!

Wally Desmond was promoted to "Aviation Ordnance," third class and transferred to Florida. He says hello to all his Cleveland friends.

Pvt. Martin Yerick, member of Lodge No. 71, AFU of Cleveland, writes that he is attending night school and learning to be an airplane mechanic. Friends may write to him at the following address:

Pvt. Martin Yerick—35513438
395 Tech. Sch. Sqdn. Box 336
Keesler Field, Miss.

Ludwig Zalor, son of Andy Zalor of Barberton, Ohio (formerly of Pierce, W. Virginia) and member of Lodge No. 69, AFU of Thomas, W. Va., was recently promoted to Corporal, Technician 5th grade. He says hello to all his AFU friends. His address is:

Corp. Ludwig Zalor
Battery B 446th Ca (AA)
Sep. Bn.
Camp Davis, North Carolina

Stan Zagore, president of the Cleveland AFU Bowling League is in St. Luke's Hospital with an eye infection. He will be confined there for approximately 10 days. Friends may visit him in Room 310.

We wish him a speedy recovery so he may soon be up and around the alleys again to figure out those bowling averages.

Pittsburgh, Claridge, Export, Universal, Renton, and New Field, and other neighboring lodges.

It would be nice if all of our Center Ramblers would turn out for this affair so we can assure our guests a good time. Make it a red letter day, Jan. 30th, and come to Center Slovene Hall for a good time. If you cannot attend you can purchase a ticket and have the satisfaction of knowing you helped a good cause. We'll be seeing you there!

Don't forget to "keep 'em flying" by buying War Bonds and Stamps.

—Paul J. Obloek
Lodge 221, AFU
Center, Pa.

BRIEFS

Have you written a letter to that soldier boy recently? If not we hope this notice will remind you that it is time for a letter. Remember: The boys won't get the service blues if they receive that letter from you!

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Drobnic Jr., 6124 Glass ave., are the proud parents of a new baby daughter, Edith Frances, who arrived at Huron Road Hospital on Jan. 19th. The mother is the former Edith Palcic of Gowanda, New York. The parents are members of Lodge No. 180, AFU. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Drobnic and we hope it won't be long before little Edith will also be an AFU member.

Remember Pearl Harbor! Buy U. S. War Bonds and Stamps!

"Help Me Win MY Victory"



"Tomorrow's America will be as strong as today's children." With these words of Franklin D. Roosevelt as the battle cry, the tenth annual campaign to raise funds for the fight against Infantile Paralysis is under way. Celebrations of every type will be held throughout the country between January 15 and 30, when the President's Birthday will mark the end of the campaign. The funds that have been raised will then be divided, 50% to the local chapters for work in the community where the money was raised and the other 50% to the National Foundation to carry on research. The plea is nationwide. There is no discrimination in age, race, color or creed, in the Foundation's work—its hand of mercy reaches everywhere.

Cleveland Slovenes to Sponsor 4th Annual "President's Birthday Ball" January 29th

The Slovenes of Cleveland, Ohio will hold their fourth annual "President's Birthday Ball" on Jan. 29th at the Slovenian National Home on St. Clair Ave. A program of songs and music will be presented from 8 to 9 p. m. Dancing will begin at 9 p. m. to the tunes of the popular Johnny Pecon's Orchestra. Admission is 50 cents. Advance tickets may be obtained at the SDZ office in the Slovenian National Home Building.

The Cleveland Slovenes realized a profit of more than \$1,000 last year which was sent to the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. They resolved to "keep the American children healthy so they can keep on singing and playing in a free America."

The committee in charge is composed of the following Slovenes: Mr. John Gornik, president; Mrs. Josephine Zakrajsek, secretary; Mr. Josko Penko, recording secretary; and Mr. Joseph Okorn, treasurer. The SDZ Honor Guards will have charge of the contributions to the "March of Dimes."

The hopes for future victory in the fight against infantile paralysis are bright. However, it depends not alone on the men and women who carry on this research necessary to fight this disease. It depends on you and your neighbors! Through the celebration of the "President's Ball" you have your opportunity to work for and give to this cause — to help win the fight against infantile paralysis.

Remember: Tomorrow's America will be as strong as today's children. Will you help? All conscientious American Slovenes should contribute their share to this humanitarian cause.

Frances J. Erzen,
Chairman of the Publicity
Committee

To Aid the Needy Yugoslavs

The representatives of the United Relief Fund sponsored by the American Friends of Yugoslavia, Inc. held a conference regarding the best means by which to send help to the Yugoslav prisoners of war and Yugoslav children suffering in their occupied country. During this conference several points of their program were altered.

Everyone is familiar with the procedure of sending packages to war prisoners. From now on these types of packages will no longer represent the main support which the United Yugoslav Relief Fund gives to Yugoslav war prisoners. A new program was initiated with the American Red Cross and the President's War Relief Control Board. The Fund will send the most important necessities, for instance, special packages for invalid prisoners of war.

The Yugoslav children will also be aided with the help of the International Red Cross. This new program completely conforms with the aim of the campaign of the United Yugoslav Relief Fund. This Fund is registered with the President's War Relief Control Board (#470) and has as its honorary patrons, Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt and Queen Marie of Yugoslavia. Assistant Secretary of State Sumner Welles promised this Fund his moral support.

(Editor's Note) "This organization is non-political, non-sectarian, and unsubsidized and is the only organization directed by American friends of that country not of Yugoslav origin."

"The organization is doing a great humanitarian work and is worthy of all support. Anyone wishing to contribute to this fund should send their contribution to The American Friends of Yugoslavia, 11 W. 57 St., New York, N. Y."

TIRE CHAINS PREVENT ACCIDENTS

The Greater Cleveland Safety Council says tire chains will help you to stop your car on ice or snow—to control your car better when highways are slippery. But remember—nothing will keep you from having an accident if you fail to drive with caution and common sense.

Office of Supreme Secretary of American Fraternal Union

The AFU Juvenile Membership Campaign Was Not the Success It Could Have Been

Elsewhere in today's Nova Doba are published the results of the AFU Juvenile Membership Campaign which was held throughout the whole year of 1942 and during which time 973 members were enrolled in the juvenile department.

Those of us who, followed the results of former juvenile campaigns, especially those campaigns which were held during the worst depressions and greatest periods of unemployment, must agree that the last campaign was the least successful and most disappointing. The majority of the lodges did very little or nothing for the campaign, which was the chief reason that it was a failure.

Let us analyze this campaign and take into consideration first those lodges, that is, their secretaries who truly did their best and deserve our recognition and gratitude. The largest amount of members were enrolled by Lodge No. 28 of Kemmerer, Wyo., the secretary of which is Brother Frank Krusich. Brother Krusich enrolled 71 new juvenile members, which is only 4 members less than were enrolled in the whole state of Ohio in which we have 18 lodges. In second place was Lodge No. 202 of Rock Springs, Wyo., the secretary of which is Mrs. Fannie Jenko. This lodge enrolled 68 new juvenile members, 10 more than were enrolled by all the lodges of Colorado where there are 14 lodges. In third place was Lodge No. 190 of Butte, Mont. where the secretary is our sixth supreme vice-president, Sister Mary Predovich. This lodge enrolled 63 new members which is more than were enrolled by the lodges of Michigan, New York, California, Kansas, West Virginia, Nebraska, Idaho, Utah, Oregon, Missouri, Maryland, Indiana, and New Mexico. In fourth place was Lodge No. 43 of East Helena, Mont. whose secretary is our old acquaintance, Louis Smith. Brother Smith enrolled 54 new members which is more than twice the amount enrolled by the 9 lodges in Cleveland where they say there are more than 40,000 Slovenes. In fifth place we find Lodge No. 70 of Chicago, Ill. whose model and agile secretary is our fourth supreme vice-president, Brother Anton Krapenc. This lodge enrolled 37 new members which is more than twice the number by all our lodges in the state of Washington where there are 6. In sixth place we find Lodge No. 132 of Euclid, Ohio where the diligent and praiseworthy secretary for many years is Brother John Tanko. He enrolled 35 new members, 11 more than all the Cleveland lodges together.

The first award which was \$100 was received by Lodge 28, the second award which was \$75 by Lodge 202, the third award which was \$50 by Lodge 190, the fourth award, \$25 by Lodge 43, and the fifth award, \$10 by Lodge 70.

Regarding communities, the most members were enrolled in the city of Ely, Minn. which was 75. In second place is Kemmerer, Wyo. with 71, in third place is Rock Springs, Wyo. with 70, in fourth place is Butte, Mont. with 63, in fifth place is East Helena, Mont. with 54, in sixth place is Chicago, Ill. with 52, and in seventh place is Euclid, Ohio with 35 members.

Last year our Union was composed of 181 lodges and we enrolled 973 members, therefore each individual lodge enrolled less than 6 members, or less than one-half member per month. Pennsylvania enrolled the largest number of new members, 222; Montana enrolled 146; Wyoming, 145; Minnesota, 144; Illinois, 88; Ohio, 75; Colorado, 58; Wisconsin, 17; Washington, 16; Indiana, 13; Utah, 10; New York, 8; West Virginia and New Mexico, 7 each; Kansas, 5; Maryland, 4; Michigan, California, and Missouri, 2 each; Nebraska and Oregon, 1 each; and Idaho, none.

The Western states of Montana, Wyoming, and Colorado enrolled more than one-third of the new members.

The six lodges to which our supreme vice-presidents belong acquired 155 members, 16% of the number enrolled; the 13 lodges to which our supreme officers belong enrolled 231 members, one-fourth of the total enrolled. The five lodges to which our supreme judiciary committee belong enrolled 47 new members.

The largest amount of insurance was written by Frank Krusich, secretary of Lodge No. 28 in the small Slovene community of Kemmerer, Wyo.

ANTON ZBASNIK, Supreme Secretary

LODGE NO. 70, AFU OF CHICAGO, ILL., TO HOLD SOCIAL FEBRUARY 20th

The installation of the new er Golenko's place on Blue officers of Lodge No. 70, AFU Island Ave. Admission to the social will be \$1 for the men and 50 cents for the women. Anyone not attending this social will be expected to pay 50 cents. I hope that all members will be present as a good time is assured to all. Refreshments will also be served. We would like to see the younger folks present as well as the old. There will be dancing until the wee hours of the morning.

Anyone wishing to join our lodge should attend this next meeting where all details will be explained. They will also be able to attend our lodge social that evening. Fraternal regards.

Christine Dolmovich, Trustee
Lodge 70, AFU
Chicago, Ill.

AMERICAN FRATERNAL UNION

Founded July 18, 1898
HOME OFFICE: ELY, MINNESOTA

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MINUTES

OF THE SPECIAL SESSION OF THE SUPREME BOARD
OF THE AMERICAN FRATERNAL UNION HELD ON DEC.
4th & 7th, 1942, IN THE SLOVENIAN NATIONAL HOME
AT CLEVELAND, OHIO

(Continuation)

A majority of our members are not aware of the fact that rates of premiums or assessments are determined and set up on the basis of the hazard of the risk or the occupation of the insured, and that the bigger the hazard the higher are the premiums or assessments required by the table. As yet our Union does not make any distinction on account of the occupation of the applicant and all members of the same age and insured for the same amount and in the same plan pay the same assessments, but life insurance companies and some of the larger, so-called American societies do make such distinction and charge higher rates to those who have more dangerous occupations.

Every fair-minded and intelligent person must admit that service in the armed forces in time of war is a more dangerous occupation than any other occupation in time of peace or at home, and that it is impossible to give the soldier-members serving in the armed forces in time of war for the same assessment the same protection as to the civilian members who remain at home. By doing so we would endanger the very foundation of the Union as at this time no one knows what the losses in this war will be.

Our adult members are insured for approximately 11 million dollars and for this liability the Union has a reserve of approximately 2½ million dollars. If in this war we should lose three thousand members with an average insurance of \$500.00 each, we would be called upon, if we had no War Clause, to pay out a total of 1½ million dollars. For the remaining 13 thousand members with 9½ millions insurance there would be but one million dollars left. Would an organization of 13,000 members with 9½ millions dollars insurance in force and a reserve of only one million dollars be solvent? Absolutely not! And if a society is not solvent, it cannot operate. There would be but two ways to bring the society back to a 100% solvency, one, to levy special assessments for the death benefit fund, the other, to decrease the insurance policies of the living members. I am at this time unable to state what the special assessments would be, but they undoubtedly run up to two or perhaps three dollars per month for each \$1000.00 of insurance. Who would pay these high special assessments, the younger members? Most certainly not. It would be more advantageous for them to drop the membership in our Union and join some other organization where, as new members, they would not be required to pay any special assessments. The burden would therefore fall upon the older members, members who are too old to seek and secure insurance in other organizations or companies. And if a large number of the younger members should drop out the special assessments would be even higher.

And what would be the result if we were to follow the other course, decrease the insurance to the living members? Would it be just and fair if a poor widow whose husband was paying for 40 years or more were to receive only one-half or two-thirds of the amount for which her husband was insured? And that is exactly what could happen if we were to follow the second course.

The problem of adequate insurance for the soldier-members was solved by the Government when it established War Service Insurance for those serving in our armed forces. The premiums are exceptionally low and a 24-year old soldier pays only 67 cents per month for \$1000.00 of insurance. Civilians are not eligible for this insurance.

Some members argue that the restrictions in our By-laws and membership certificates should be removed and the full death benefit paid solely for patriotic reasons. The proposition is excellent if it could be carried out without serious loss to destitute widows and orphans. It is my opinion that no sincere and patriotic soldier-member will be so selfish as to demand that his certificate (policy) be paid in full, while a poor and destitute widow should receive only one-half of the amount for which her deceased husband was insured. If he wishes to be adequately protected, if his parents or his wife want him to be adequately protected, he has the opportunity to obtain Government insurance for which the rates are cheap and which is not available to old widows and orphans.

But suppose that our losses in this war will be slight and not as heavy as we feared they would be? In that event the

matter could be satisfactorily adjusted by the next convention provided the war shall be over by that time. If the losses will not be too heavy the convention can authorize payment of the full face value of certificates held by deceased soldier-members or at least such portions thereof as our assets will permit without seriously impairing the solvency of the Union. In my opinion the convention would have power and authority to do this, but until then, and in order to safe-guard the interests of all the members and to preserve the healthy condition of the Union, it is better that the war clause remain unchanged.

I might also point out the fact that the Executive Committee of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners, (State Insurance Commissioners), recommends the same kind of a war clause as we have. A copy of their recommendation is enclosed herewith. State insurance commissioners are supervisors of fraternal societies and insurance companies and they would not recommend these restrictions unless they considered them important and necessary for the welfare and preservation of the society.

Fraternally yours,

ANTON ZBASNIK, Supreme Secretary.

The Supreme Secretary reports further that he received some protests regarding the War Clause, and that he wrote to our actuary, from whom he received the following letter:

"This matter of protests from members because deaths caused by service in time of war are not paid in full has been brought to our attention by several other societies during the past year. These protests are due (1) to the fact that members do not fully understand the true nature of life insurance, and (2) they are moved by a feeling which they think is patriotism and by a feeling that parents of sons killed in war deserve special protection by reason of membership in a fraternal society. Neither of these reasons is supported by facts or by the logic of the situation. It is the people as a whole who must share the burdens of war. The Government has recognized this fact in the establishment of a life insurance department. Every soldier can and should take insurance under the federal system. It costs less than can be supplied by any life insurance company or society and if there should be any 'deficiency' it will be made up by taxes on the people. Any insurance company or fraternal society does not have the right, morally speaking, nor would it be an honest act, to pay war deaths out of existing funds which have been built up for the purpose of protecting beneficiaries of members in event of deaths among them which occur under normal living conditions. It would be a misuse of that money to pay it out on risks that were not included in fixing the rates to be paid. If members of the Union want to have all war deaths paid in full, when the only money on hand to pay such deaths would be the reserve, or cash surrender values on existing certificates, they should take steps to build up a special war-claims fund for that purpose. Contributions to such a fund could not be required of members but would have to be voluntary.

The mere fact that some other (competing) society announces they will pay war losses in full is no argument for adopting a course that threatens disaster."

So writes our actuary.

In connection with the above, the Supreme Secretary states that he received an initiative motion from Lodge No. 101, which he returned because it was not presented to and approved by the lodge as provided in the By-laws. The initiative motion recommends the complete deletion of Section 273-A of our By-laws. It is read to the Supreme Board for their information, and the Supreme Board is of the opinion that the action taken by the Supreme Secretary was proper.

A motion is adopted regarding Section 65, that the Supreme Board does not consider such initiative motion or similar motions in the interest and WELFARE of the Union, and therefore, is not bound to present same to the membership for a referendum vote.

Mr. Kushlan then informs the Supreme Board, that even if such motion was properly submitted by the Supreme Board for a general referendum vote, and thereby was approved, only such members who were admitted after Section 273-A was amended by the referendum would be affected, but it would not affect those prior thereto, for in his opinion amendments cannot be retroactive.

The Supreme Board considered the matter from all angles and came to the following conclusion: The 16th Regular Convention, held during 1940, made a very wise decision when it approved Section 273-A, as set forth in our present By-laws. The provisions of this section prevent the payment of large assessments by aged members because of possible large numbers of deaths of our members in the service, for our present assessments were not calculated according to such hazards. All members in the armed forces have the opportunity to take out insurance from the government at a nominal cost, and if a shortage should develop, we would all be called upon to eliminate same by federal taxation. Members in civil life cannot buy this insurance.

The Supreme Board was authorized by the mandate of the convention to protect the financial stability of the organization as a whole and cannot allow special treatment to individual members. It would be unfair to the older members who have paid assessments for 30 or 40 years, if they would be obliged to pay an additional amount of \$5.00 or \$10.00 in monthly assessments, or if the organization would be forced to lower death benefits to only half of the face amount or even less, or if the organization would be forced to liquidate. The Supreme Board would not merit the recognition given by the Convention, if it would not strive to safeguard the financial status of the organization. If the number of deaths in the armed forces would be low, the Supreme Board would, with pleasure, recommend that payments be made in full from the surplus or in such amounts that would not seriously affect the solvency of the Union. The Convention will have the right to adopt such measures which are deemed proper and which will not drastically affect the financial structure of our organization. However, until then, the provisions of Section 273-A shall remain in force as set forth in the By-laws. This is the unanimous decision of the Supreme Board.

A letter from our actuary is read in which he recommends that our certificates should all be based for valuation purposes on a 3½% basis, as our surplus in the Mortuary Fund would allow such a measure, and as the 4% basis has been antiquated. By adopting this basis for valuation purposes the solvency of our organization would be somewhat impaired on paper, but actually it will remain unchanged, and will more adequately

correspond with the yield from investments. After much information is given by the Supreme Secretary, it is unanimously adopted, that the recommendation of the actuary be carried out, and all present certificates based on 4% be computed on a 3½% basis, said practice to be adhered to in future calculations.

Section 238 of our By-laws provides that banks used by our Union as depositories may not exceed \$30,000.00 in the checking account. This section is not definite enough, because amounts of outstanding checks as yet uncashed at the time of the bank report, are not considered, likewise the interest coupons and bonds which are sent to the bank for collection at various intervals are also not taken into consideration. Such amounts together with the amount actually deposited, sometimes reaches the sum of \$100,000.00, and the bank records this amount which seemingly conflicts with the provisions of the By-laws. In order to eliminate this condition, the Supreme Board interprets Section 238, thus, that the total deposits together with the checks not yet cashed, interest coupons, and bonds which may have matured may reach the sum of \$100,000.00.

At the suggestion of the Supreme Secretary, it is further decided, that in addition to the amounts invested in the Mortuary Fund, investments may be made from other funds, in amounts according to the status of the various funds, and the interest realized be credited to the Expense Fund. These funds are to be invested in War Bonds, which may be redeemed at any time without incurring losses.

The Supreme Secretary reports that at the semi-annual session held during August we did not take into consideration the payment of awards to local lodge secretaries for their work in the collection of juvenile assessments, and recommends that the secretaries be paid 36 cents for each member in good standing as of Dec. 31, 1942. This motion is adopted unanimously, and declared in effect until otherwise decided by the Supreme Board.

A payment to the Supreme President is authorized for the expenses incurred on his trip to Washington, at the request of the Office of War Information.

At the recommendation of the Supreme Secretary it is further decided that the premiums for the bonds of the Supreme Board and local lodge officers for 1943 be paid from the juvenile expense fund. Until the present time, all such premiums were paid from the Expense Fund of the adult department.

A discussion follows pertaining to the Slovene National Congress to be held the 5th and 6th of December, in Cleveland, Ohio. After some discussion a motion is approved that the Supreme Board of the American Fraternal Union attend the said congress.

The meeting adjourned at 6 p. m. Dec. 4th.

Session Held Dec. 7th 1942

The Supreme President, Janko N. Rogelj, opened the meeting at 10 a. m. The Supreme Secretary reads a telegram from the Overseas News Agency, which was addressed to the Supreme President of the American Fraternal Union, relative to our position regarding the formation of a so-called "Austrian Legion" in America. Submitted and approved is an official answer by the American Fraternal Union which the Supreme Board approved with a unanimous vote and copies of said answer are to be sent to our State Department.

A discussion regarding an amendment to Section 363 of our By-laws follows in order that the Supreme Board would have the power to use the money from the Sports Fund, to help our members in the armed forces, and for other worthy and important purposes. A motion is adopted by a unanimous vote, that an initiative motion to this effect be submitted to the membership for a referendum vote.

The Supreme Secretary, Anton Zbasnik, makes a motion which is seconded by Anton Krapenc, the 4th Supreme Vice-President, that the following initiative motion be submitted to the membership for a general referendum.

"That Section 363 of the Constitution and By-laws of the American Fraternal Union which now reads: 'In times of depression the Supreme Board shall have the right to suspend the financing of any and all athletic activities and use this fund to aid needy members,' be amended to read as follows: 'In times of depression and in time of war the Supreme Board shall have the right to suspend the financing of any and all athletic activities and to use the Sports Fund for the support of needy members, soldier-members, or for any other humanitarian, honorable and noble purpose.'"

The motion is unanimously adopted.

Adopted that the above amendment become effective immediately following its approval by the members and from the date on which the result of the referendum has been published in the official organ of the Union.

Brother Anton Krapenc, tenders his resignation as representative of the American Fraternal Union to the Slovene Section of the Yugoslav Relief Committee, and recommends that Bro. Janko N. Rogelj be named in his stead, with Bro. Frank Vranichar, alternate. After considerable discussion the resignation of Bro. Krapenc is accepted, and Bro. Janko N. Rogelj is named the official representative, with Bro. F. J. Vranichar, alternate.

With this the business is concluded and the Supreme President adjourned the second meeting and the Special Session of the Supreme Board at 2 p. m. Dec. 7, 1942.

JANKO N. ROGELJ,
Supreme President;

ANTON J. TERBOVEC,
Recorder.

Amount of Victory Tax Deductible from Weekly Wages of Selected Amounts and Amount of Net Victory Tax After Deduction of Credits

Weekly wage (gross amount)	Gross Victory tax	Single person - no dependents	Married person - no dependents	Married person - two dependents
\$ 12				
15	.15	.11	.09	.08
20	.40	.30	.24	.22
30	.90	.68	.54	.50
40	1.40	1.05	.84	.78
50	1.90	1.43	1.14	1.06
60	2.40	1.80	1.44	1.34
70	2.90	2.18	1.74	1.62
80	3.40	2.55	2.04	1.90
90	3.90	2.93	2.34	2.18
100	4.40	3.30	2.64	2.46

The credits may be taken currently or after the war. They amount to 40 percent of the tax for married persons, 25 percent for single persons, and 2 percent for each dependent. They may be taken currently and will be based on (a) payments of premiums on life insurance policies in force on September 1, 1942; (b) payments of old debts; (c) net purchase of War Bonds. U. S. Treasury Department

LORAIN LODGE-IC

By Jack La Vriha

This department receives quite a number of hearty cheaters from AFU members of and lodge... seems that every one wanted to see a column about their lodge but no one around to writing one...

We see where John. Pisk and John Svet, both 40-year AFU members, are getting along as good as can be expected... Brother Piskur has been ailing for some time and Brother Svet suffered several injuries in a fall several months ago...

Speaking of 40-year members, Frank Tomazin is attending all the meetings despite age and enjoys joining in the various discussions...

The "beau brummel" of our lodge appears to be Lud Vrick, secretary... he can't get the dog on when he wants to... a real fellow with a smile for all...

Now that there'll be more horseburgers and fewer hamburgers, we are wondering the price will jump for a chuck off Whirlaway or Shutout...

Speaking of horseburgers, one of our prominent AFU members went to a restaurant to try one out the other day... I didn't care for one... he picked up the sandwich, eyed it suspiciously, lifted the top half of the bun and scrutinized the meat, then reluctantly sawed with his teeth in the "delicacy" he chewed awhile, stopped suddenly and yelled for the waiter... He put the sandwich down and exclaimed: "I don't mind trying out a horseburger but they must have left the harness on this one"...

A number of our AFU members are going to Cleveland Friday night to attend the fourth annual "President Birthday Ball" in the Slovene National Home on St. Clair Avenue... Popular John Pecon's orchestra is going to play... we expect to have grand time... and dance that others may walk...

Our lodge treasurer, Herm Zortz, seems to be having trouble in getting around and doing things... she said the other day: "Things sure are dead around these parts", maybe the lodge ought to throw a dance or something before long...

By the way, brothers and sisters, this is your column... if you have something of interest, don't fail to get in touch with me...

DAFFYNITION

Rain is stuff that when you wear rubbers it doesn't.



It takes both... two fingers to give the Victory sign. It takes both... War Bonds and Taxes to make that Victory come true. Continuing your purchase of War Bonds, at least ten percent of your income. Pay your Victory Tax and your income tax cheerfully and gladly. Both are in lieu of an Occupation Tax to Hitler. U. S. Treasury Department

Chicago AFU Bowling League

When the women subdue the men, that's the news in bowling. On Monday, Jan. 17th, the Liberty Lassies whitewashed the off-the-Gottlieb Florists in three games. Maxie Bruckmann couldn't understand this upset but funny things happen, Max. Captain Bonnie Zorko, Rose Bruckmann, and Christine Dolmovich were the big guns for the Liberty Lassies. John Gottlieb, sponsor of the Florists, was high with a 145 game and a total series of 1,199.

Another three game upset was handed out. This one to the Maryton Cafe team at the expense of the Zefran Morticians. Captain Louis Zefran of the team was actually on hand, bowling out a series of 478 and with the help of his team-mate, Henry Kloczyski who got 507, managed to turn the trick. Anna Golenko was the ace for the Marytons with a 145 game.

The ever-pursuing Hujan Tavern again took a two game lead, bringing up their winning streak to 14 straight. The victors were the second place Wencel Dairy team. In the third place, the Taverns bowled 6 to beat the Dairyman's 793. Edward Rojewski was in the spotlight with 181 for the winners. Johnnie Muehlfeider took 182 for the losers with a 185 game.

PIN NEWS: Captain Max Bruckmann and John Gottlieb of the Florists figured for almost half an hour after the game was over as to "how the men ever beat them 3 games." Too bad boys! Frank Elyak hit three tie games of 100. Emil Bruckmann is doing fine bowling, he battered a 184 game. Ace man, Frankie Kovacic missed again Sunday finally found the key—getting a 507 series. Bud Bundek hit the rocks with 200. With a bit of confusion between John Gottlieb and John Dolmovich Jr. about their series, John came out with 4 pins. John Hujan's series ball climbed again to 507. Tony Krapence has been bowling so long, maybe he forgot what a bowling alley looks like.

The Gottlieb Florists are still in the first place—they meet the Maryton Cafe on Jan. 24, and the second place Wencel Dairy team takes over the Zefran Morticians, while the champion Liberty Bell team battles it out with the Hujan Tavern. Frankie Kovacic leads the circle with 225. Max Bruckmann and Joe Fajfar with 214 are next. Louis Dolmovich Jr. has 210, Louis Zefran, 209; and Kenny and Bud Bundek have 200 even. With 42 games played, the race is in a tight match, any might hold top place.

—Louis Dolmovich Jr.
Athletic Supervisor
Chicago AFU Bowling League

How You Know That

There are more than a thousand distinct languages now spoken on earth, without counting fairly diverse dialects. The majority of cases, the speaker of any one of these languages has little or no comprehension of any other. —Thomson Institution Re-

HOW YOU CAN HELP

Don't pass on rumors. Report by mail, or telephone to the National Committee for Human Rights, Room 309, 1221, to be checked and rechecked, and upon in the Cleveland Sun-Plain Dealer.

RUSSIAN WAR RELIEF, INC.

A special six-week campaign to raise \$100,000 to equip and supply a Red Army hospital will be launched Monday, Jan. 25, by the Yugoslav Committee for Russian War Relief and other member groups of the Nationalities Division of Russian War Relief, it was announced by Zlatko Balokovic, division chairman.

The equipment of a specific hospital, said Thomas Babin, chairman of the Yugoslav Committee, will be in tribute to the recent military success of the Red Army and to answer the increasing need for medical material as the fury of battle intensifies on the Eastern front.

One of the chief media for collecting funds, Babin revealed, will be through the sale of books and certificates. Each book will contain 31 certificates, in denominations ranging from 50 cents to \$10 and totaling to \$40.00. A picture of a Red Army soldier and nurse will be printed on each certificate with the statement that the subscriber paid the stated amount for the certificate to help equip and supply a Red Army hospital.

Among the groups and individuals who are cooperating with the Yugoslav committee in the drive, Balokovic announced, are the Yugoslav Longshoremen's Group, Joseph Bilach, New York City; the Yugoslav Seamen's Club, Thomas Babin, New York City; the Serbian National Federation, Louis Balich, New York City; the Slavonian Benevolent Society, M. Begovich, secretary, Hoboken, New Jersey; the United Serbians, G. Vujinovich, president, Hoboken, New Jersey; the Croatian Brotherhood of the U.S.A. I.W.O. Croatian Section, Anthony Gerlach, secretary, New York City; I.W.O. Serbian Section, M. Vunkovich, New York City, and the United Slovenian Societies, Frank Kerze, president, New York City.

Also, the United Croatian Societies, Harry M. Justiz, secretary, New York City; the United Daughters & Sons of Island Krk, P. Kalantich, secretary, New York City and the Croatian National Bureau, New York City.

In launching the drive, Balokovic, who also holds the position of president of the New York State Slav Congress, issued the following statement: "No one in American is more deeply or personally gratified by the recent Red Army triumphs than those who still remember their native lands—those whose brothers and families have borne the full fury of the Nazi terror.

"Every effort must be made to aid, in whatever way possible, those military successes. For Russia is the battleground on which Hitler and his fascist hordes have chosen to strike at civilization. If he can still win there it will enable him to put the entire world under his lash.

"The Nationalities Division of Russian War Relief has been in the fore-front of the groups in the war relief agency sending assurance, succor and encouragement to our gallant, hard-pressed Russian allies.

"We must not fail at this crucial moment when it appears that the tide is slowly being turned in our favor. In launching this short campaign, we are certain that once more members of all nationality groups will rally to strike another blow against Hitlerite tyranny.

"Remember every contribution will help send a Red Army man back to the front lines to smash the Nazi legions."

One who yaps helps the Axis and Japs.

Servicemen Thank Cleveland AFU Bowling League for Christmas Gifts

Many of the boys in service have expressed their appreciation to the Cleveland AFU Bowling League for their generous Christmas gifts and copy of the "Home News."

Pvt. Martin Yerick says: "Received your gift and copy of 'Home News' for which thanks loads. That little paper sure is a good idea. It's about the first complete news about home that I've had since I left. I certainly appreciate it."

Pfc. Ernest Jerina writes: "Hello! I received your Christmas package which was very nice. Thank you. Your snappy little paper, 'Home News' sure is swell. I enjoyed it immensely."

Harry Vehar wrote that he received his Christmas package for which he thanks the League from the bottom of his heart.

J. R. Ulyan A. M. 3/c wrote: "I can't seem to find the proper words to express my appreciation for your gift from the AFU League. Am keeping abreast of the AFU through the Nova Doba and it makes me feel I'm back in Cleveland at times. I enjoyed your little news sheet very much!"

Says Phillip J. Sumrada: "Thanks for the present. I think your little paper is a swell idea, keep it up!"

Wally Desmond wants to thank everyone who contributed towards making it possible for him to receive his Christmas gift.

The paper, "Home News" is made possible by contributions from various Cleveland lodges and individuals. Anyone interested in any further information should get in contact with Miss Dorothy Rossa at the E. 152nd St. Recreation Center any Wednesday night after 7 p. m.

A little colored boy was strangely enough, strolling through a cemetery, reading the inscriptions on the tombstones. He came to one which read: "Not dead, but sleeping." Scratching his head, he said to himself, "Dat guy ain't foolin' nobody but hisself."

Board of Education Cleveland, Ohio

The location of 25 centers where free courses in English and citizenship will be given to all adults was announced today by the Cleveland Board of Education.

Classes are held four hours a week in schools, libraries, and neighborhood centers in all parts of the city. Any adult may enroll before classes begin on February 1st.

The Citizens' Bureau also conducts naturalization classes for those who want their second papers. A small fee is charged. Those who are interested should go to the Citizens' Bureau, Marshall Bldg., or call CHerry 3796.

The Board of Education classes are for Clevelanders who want:

1. To read and write English.
2. To learn more about democracy in America.
3. To know what our country expects of its citizens.

If you are not already a citizen, these classes will make it much easier for you to pass the citizenship tests. It is hoped that everyone will enroll in one of the following centers, or will enroll in the Citizens Bureau classes. For more information, call the Division of Adult Education, CHerry 3660.

Free Courses

Collinwood High School, E. 152 St. and St. Clair. Mon.-Wed. 7 to 9 p. m.

East High School, 1380 E. 82 St. Tues.-Thurs. 7 to 9 p. m.

Glenview High School, Parkwood Drive. Mon.-Wed. 7 to 9 p. m.

Norwood Library, 6401 Superior Ave. Mon.-Wed. or Tues.-Thurs. 1 to 3 p. m.

"Hello Coach."

"I thought you were not to drink while in training."

"What makes you think I've been drinking, Coach?"

"I'm not the Coach."

For Victory IT TAKES BOTH

1. Taxes
2. War Bonds

PLUS MORE WAR BONDS

Annual Stamp Exhibition of Cleveland Stamp Club

Cleveland Stamp Club is holding its Fifteenth Annual Stamp Exhibition and bourse in the Assembly Hall of the Hollenden Hotel on Saturday and Sunday afternoons and evenings, January 30 and 31. The public is invited and there is no charge. Arthur W. Lee is president of the organization.

Dr. N. P. McGay has arranged for J. Edward Vining of Webster Groves, Mo., Henry A. Meyer of Evansville, Ind., and Stephen G. Rich of Verona, N. J., to show, by invitation, their national prize winning collections of Newfoundland, Cape of Good Hope Triangles and U. S. Departmental Stamps, respectively. R. V. Klippstein, exhibition chairman, has obtained the national award winning displays of Sir Charles Kingsford-Smith Covers of Alfred F. Stern, U. S. Marine Corps Covers of George VanBorgan and U. S. Precincts by Dr. McGay of the club. Of equally high calibre will be shown for the first time Charles F. Orgel's Early Finland, Charles I. Ball's British American Commemoratives, Homer C. Landis' U. S. Revenues and Mr. Lee's Semi-Postals of the British Colonies. There will be scores of other educational, historical, war and valuable exhibits of rare stamps and covers.

Stamp dealers from Michigan, Pennsylvania and Illinois, as well as Ohio, will offer a great variety of fine stamps, covers and philatelic supplies in all price ranges. This large bourse will be under the supervision of Emmett N. Ong. — A. W. Loo of the Cleveland Stamp Club.

WATCH YOUR STEP!

One sure way to walk into trouble is to come down stairs with both hands full, so that you don't have a hand free to hold onto the railing. It's better to make a second trip, the Greater Cleveland Safety Council says, than to run the risk of a surprise trip to the hospital.

Customer: "I want to see some mirrors."
Clerk: "Hand mirrors, sir?"
Customer: "Naw, I want one I can see my face in."

REPORT OF THE 1942 JUVENILE CAMPAIGN DRIVE

Rezultat mladinske kampanje v letu 1942

Lodge No.—Location	No. of members	Stevilo članov	
1 Ely, Minn.	19	139	Cadillac, Mich.
2 Ely, Minn.	17	140	Morley, Colo.
3 La Salle, Ill.	17	141	San Francisco, Cal.
4 Federal, Pa.	00	142	Anaconda, Mont.
5 Soudan, Minn.	1	143	Slickville, Pa.
6 Lorain, Ohio	1	144	Detroit, Mich.
9 Calumet, Mich.	1	145	Rockingham, Pa.
11 Omaha, Neb.	1	146	Rockwood, Pa.
12 Pittsburgh, Pa.	6	147	Canon City, Colo.
13 Bagley, Pa.	6	148	Finleyville, Pa.
15 Pueblo, Colo.	6	149	Strabane, Pa.
16 Johnstown, Pa.	10	150	Chisholm, Minn.
18 Rock Springs, Wyo.	1	151	Mullan, Idaho
20 Gilbert, Minn.	5	152	Rice, Kans.
21 Denver, Colo.	17	153	Ring, Minn.
22 So. Chicago, Ill.	00	154	Hermine, Pa.
23 Eveleth, Minn.	11	155	Blaine, Ohio
26 Pittsburgh, Pa.	12	156	Leetonia, Minn.
27 Diamondville, Wyo.	00	157	Fairport H., Ohio
28 Kemmerer, Wyo.	71	158	Auburn, Ill.
29 Imperial, Pa.	6	159	Cornwall, Pa.
30 Chisholm, Minn.	9	160	Cleveland, Ohio
31 Braddock, Pa.	8	161	Enumclaw, Wash.
32 Black Diamond, Wash.	00	163	Durant City, Pa.
33 Center, Pa.	2	164	Virginia, Minn.
35 Lloyd, Pa.	9	165	Royal, Pa.
36 Conemaugh, Pa.	6	166	Indianapolis, Ind.
37 Cleveland, Ohio	3	167	Cle Elum, Wash.
39 Roslyn, Wash.	9	168	Helper, Utah
40 Claridge, Pa.	00	169	Philbert, W. Va.
41 E. Palestine, Ohio	2	170	Chicago, Ill.
42 Pueblo, Colo.	3	171	Republic, Pa.
43 E. Helena, Mont.	53	172	Johnstown, Pa.
44 Barberton, Ohio	3	173	Cleveland, Ohio
45 Indianapolis, Ind.	5	174	Sharon, Pa.
47 Aspen, Colo.	6	175	Verona, Pa.
49 Kansas City, Kans.	5	176	Tacoma, Wash.
50 Brooklyn, N. Y.	00	178	Paw Paw, Mich.
51 Murray, Utah	00	179	Shinnston, W. Va.
52 Mineral, Kans.	00	180	Cleveland, Ohio
53 Little Falls, N. Y.	14	182	Pittsburgh, Pa.
54 Hibbing, Minn.	6	183	Yukon, Pa.
55 Uniontown, Pa.	1	184	Ely, Minn.
57 Export, Pa.	2	185	St. Michael, Pa.
58 Bear Creek, Mont.	1	186	Cleveland, Ohio
61 Reading, Pa.	12	187	Eckhart Mines, Md.
64 So. Range, Mich.	12	188	Cleveland, Ohio
66 Joliet, Ill.	3	190	Butte, Montana
68 Monessen, Pa.	1	192	Gilbert, Minn.
69 Thomas, W. Va.	1	193	Indianapolis, Ind.
70 Chicago, Ill.	37	196	Pittsburgh, Pa.
71 Cleveland, Ohio	1	197	Duluth, Minn.
72 Renton, Wash.	1	198	Central City, Pa.
75 Meadowlands, Pa.	7	199	Dawson, N. Mex.
76 Oregon City, Ore.	1	200	Ely, Minn.
77 Greensburg, Pa.	15	201	Denver, Colo.
78 Salida, Colo.	1	202	Rock Springs, Wyo.
79 Hillwood, Pa.	2	203	Chester, Pa.
81 Aurora, Ill.	00	204	Windber, Pa.
82 Sheboygan, Wis.	00	205	Canonsburg, Pa.
83 Superior, Wyo.	4	207	McIntyre, Pa.
84 Trinidad, Colo.	4	209	Jerome, Pa.
85 Aurora, Minn.	3	216	Walsenburg, Colo.
86 Midvale, Utah	1	218	Export, Pa.
87 St. Louis, Mo.	2	220	Chicago, Ill.
88 Roundup, Mont.	16	221	Center, Pa.
89 Gowanda, N. Y.	00	222	Gowanda, N. Y.
92 Rockdale, Ill.	12	223	Frackville, Pa.
94 Waukegan, Ill.	1	225	Milwaukee, Wis.
99 Moon Run, Pa.	1	226	Chisholm, W. Va.
101 Walsenburg, Colo.	2	227	Greensboro, Pa.
103 Cleveland, Ohio	1	228	Chester, Pa.
105 Butte, Mont.	00	229	Struthers, Ohio
106 Davis, W. Va.	5	230	Chisholm, Minn.
107 Duluth, Minn.	1	231	Whiting, Ind.
108 Girard, Ohio	3	232	Meadowland, Pa.
109 Keewatin, Minn.	6	233	Ladlow, Colo.
110 McKinley, Minn.	3	237	Westland, Pa.
111 Leadville, Colo.	2		
112 Kitzville, Minn.	3		
114 Ely, Minn.	2		
116 White Valley, Pa.	9		
117 Sartell, Minn.	00		
118 BenCarbo, Colo.	7		
120 Ely, Minn.	15		
121 Kitzmiller, Md.	00		
122 Homer City, Pa.	00		
123 Crosby, Minn.	00		
124 La Salle, Ill.	3		
125 Iselin, Pa.	00		
126 New Derry, Pa.	7		
127 Akron, Ohio	1		
128 New Duluth, Minn.	1		
129 Ely, Minn.	4		
130 De Pue, Ill.	2		
131 Great Falls, Mont.	1		
132 Euclid, Ohio	35		
133 Gilbert, Minn.	9		
134 Rock Springs, Wyo.	1		
135 Rice Landing, Pa.	00		
136 Krayn, Pa.	2		
137 Cleveland, Ohio	2		
138 Export, Pa.	4		

Total—Skupaj 973

ANTON ZBASNIK,

glavni tajnik—Supreme Secretary.

The Year of 1943

In this year of 1943 we will celebrate the 16th anniversary of the birth of our republic. The Star-spangled Banner of our country today waves over all continents and seas of the world and we are convinced that it will wave more proudly than ever before!

During this year of 1943 we will celebrate the 45th anniversary of our American Fraternal Union. Our loyal members will make it their duty to see that this year it will expand and progress more than ever before!

The Best Way to Celebrate the 45th Anniversary of the American Fraternal Union Would Be for Each Lodge to Enroll New Members Every Month of the year of 1943

The American Fraternal Union pays cash awards to all members who enroll new members in the Adult and Juvenile Departments.

For newly-enrolled members, the members recommending them are entitled to the following cash awards:

- For members insured for \$250 death benefit, \$1.25 award;
 - For members insured for \$500 death benefit, \$2.00 award;
 - For members insured for \$1,000 death benefit, \$4.00 award;
 - For members insured for \$1,500 death benefit, \$5.00 award;
 - For members insured for \$2,000 death benefit, \$6.00 award;
 - For members insured for \$3,000 death benefit, \$8.00 award;
- These awards are paid after the new member has paid three months dues.

TO MEMBERS ENROLLING NEW MEMBERS FOR THE JUVENILE DEPARTMENT THE AFU PAYS THE FOLLOWING AWARDS:

- Plan JA — \$5.00
- Plan JB — \$2.00
- Plan JC for \$500 — \$2.00
- Plan JC for \$1,000 — \$3.00
- Plan JD for \$250 — \$1.00
- Plan JD for \$500 — \$2.00
- Plan JD for \$1,000 — \$3.00



U. S. Treasury Department

PHILA. RECORD

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From the Office of Supreme Secretary

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PREJEMKI IN IZDATKI MESECA DECEMBRA 1942.

INCOME AND DISBURSEMENTS DURING THE MONTH OF DEC. 1942.

Mladinski oddelek — Juvenile Department

Dr. št.	Prejemki	Izdatki
Lodge No.	Income	Disbursements
218	6.75	
220	7.5	
221	8.35	
222	4.65	
225	20.40	
226	2.25	
227	1.80	
228	2.55	
229	6.15	
230	16.95	
232	12.60	
233	7.75	
237	2.55	

Skupaj-Total \$ 1,648.59 \$ 90.00

ANTON ZBASNIK,

glavni tajnik—Supreme Secretary.

PREJEMKI IN IZDATKI MESECA DECEMBRA 1942.

INCOME AND DISBURSEMENTS DURING THE MONTH OF DEC. 1942.

Odrasli Oddelek—Adult Dept.

Dr. št.	Prejemki	Izdatki
Lodge No.	Income	Disbursements
1	\$ 269.14	
2	802.50	
3	29.00	
4	21.00	
5	30.00	
6	156.00	
9	721.20	
11	48.50	
12	265.98	
13	116.93	
15	21.00	
16	33.00	
18	89.50	
20	188.00	
21	231.00	
22	525.00	
25	866.08	
26	1,752.75	
27	26.50	
28	37.00	
29	82.50	
30	1,066.00	
31	5.00	
32	5.00	
33	41.50	
35	1,015.00	
36	204.00	
37	763.68	
39	149.50	
40	21.00	
41	30.00	
42	324.00	
43	713.50	
45	51.00	
49	117.00	
50	500.00	
51		
53	99.00	
54	1,055.00	
55	68.50	
57	81.00	
58	138.00	
61	14.00	
66	253.97	
68	149.32	
69	1,005.00	
70	29.00	
72	294.50	
75	138.50	
77	30.00	
78	1,000.00	
82	32.00	
83	7.50	
84	45.00	
85	1,056.50	
86		
88	51.00	
89	26.00	
90	30.00	
92	25.00	
94	105.00	
99	49.00	
101	155.83	
103	90.58	
105	187.16	
106	135.47	
107	15.00	
108	127.72	
109	30.00	
112	36.00	
114	119.68	
116	35.00	
117	52.64	
118	29.00	
120	381.91	
121	34.62	
122	18.50	
124	69.04	
125	46.00	
129	52.00	
130	30.00	
131	146.75	
132	44.00	
133	81.00	
136	114.00	
137	61.00	
138	32.50	
140	92.95	
141	96.00	
142	34.00	
144	18.00	
147	87.29	
148	37.00	
149	268.00	
150	116.43	
151	17.50	
153	13.40	

154		51.50
155		30.00
156	37.96	166
157	37.44	167
158		168
160		169
163	47.48	170
164		171
167		172
168		173
169	14.82	174
170		175
171	105.49	176
172		177
173		178
174	86.34	179
176		180
180		181
184		182
186		183
187		184
190		185
192	1,009.00	186
197		187
198		188
200		189
201		190
202	100.48	191
203		192
205		193
207		194
209		195
216	37.49	196
221		197
223	17.04	198
225		199
227		200
229		201
230		202
232		203
233		204
237		205

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1	945.69
2	131.64
3	112.27
4	156.53
5	549.98
6	366.50
9	197.36
11	274.54
15	238.40
16	364.56
18	368.17
20	524.15
21	128.88
22	589.61
25	616.78
26	196.25
29	360.90
30	809.49
31	219.78
32	55.59
33	215.68
35	219.57
36	723.76
37	1,081.61
39	362.39
39	329.25
39	308.61
39	419.06
42	496.63
43	143.71
47	251.28
49	297.18
50	32.28
51	34.51
52	149.33
54	233.32
55	236.38
57	155.87
58	153.49
61	25.25
64	437.07
66	58.53
69	364.76
70	515.54
71	152.12
75	114.49
76	138.49
77	199.41
78	30.27
79	144.61
81	149.30
82	122.85
83	304.66
84	266.24
85	108.30
87	196.69
88	128.32
89	168.90
92	458.10
94	176.08
99	205.86
106	146.54
107	55.27
108	179.71
109	122.57
110	158.53
112	158.94
114	315.57
116	187.52
117	55.00
118	98.93
120	341.99
122	67.53
123	67.25
124	103.04
125	71.75
126	49.89
127	51.93
128	87.31
129	147.11
130	79.52
131	146.75
132	515.16
133	207.65
134	102.06
135	18.79
136	102.07
137	207.36
138	311.16
139	37.40
140	178.47
141	168.34
142	60.13
143	42.63
144	285.25
145	45.73
146	29.06
147	87.29
148	82.12
149	342.92
150	64.21
151	13.40
153	101.05
154	85.12
155	37.96
156	80.69
157	76.96
158	182.52
159	47.48
160	59.14

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26.62	
197.34	
141.89	
17.04	
223.10	
29.29	
89.75	
72.04	
83.99	
199.02	
55.96	
34.47	
18.29	

Skupaj-Total \$31,719.56 \$22,135.30

ANTON ZBASNIK,

glavni tajnik—Supreme Secretary.

BOLNIŠKA PODPORA IZPLAČANA MESECA DECEMBRA 1942.

SICK BENEFITS PAID DURING THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 1942.

Dr. št.	Ime	Vsota
Lodge No.	Name	Amount
1	Jennie Deyak	\$ 30.00
4	Luka Dernovsek	21.00
39	Anton Brozovich	14.00
39	Joseph Marinic	15.00
39	Antonia Kauzlarich	1.50
39	Jernej Mozina	14.00
39	Valentine Brucketa	26.00
39	Walmir Z. Segota	75.00
42	Zlita Jacketta	30.00
49	Ivan Palcar	18.00
53	Angela Petkovsek	39.00
72	Juanita Olin	5.00
87	Mary Praprotnik	33.00
107	Mary E. Zabukovec	15.00
129	Emma L. Nirva	23.00
136	Mary Rudolph	75.00
160	Joe Skerjanc	22.00
160	Frank Ponikvar	28.00
167	Katherine Jacnich	32.00
192	Tony Zallar	9.00
192	Adam Czekala	125.00
Dec. 17, 1942.		
1	John Jerich	26.50
5	Helen Klun	30.00
30	Tony Palec	28.00
30	Frank Cvar	14.00
30	Jernej Marsic	24.00
31	Mildred Uzelac	5.00
109	George Maurin	17.50
125	Joe Gulon	46.00
135	Joe Erchul	21.00
142	Frank Kosena	16.50
142	Charles Rojch	17.50
184	Pauline Pishler	60.00
184	Tony Bubash	27.50
184	Fred Benko	37.00
184	John Deyak	22.00
190	Bernice Pappas	125.00
200	Mary Muhvich	30.00
201	Mary Chitwood	38.00
205	Adam Czekala	125.00
Dec. 17, 1942.		
2	Mary Perusek, Beneficiary	18.00
26	Jela Sedetic, Beneficiary	18.00
54	Dougherty Funeral Home	55.00
61	John Pezdire	14.00
69	Terezija Korosec, Benef.	5.00
83	John Porenta	7.50
84	Angelina Burescia	25.00
85	Frances Turk, Beneficiary	13.50
137	Dorothy Strinisa	29.00
140	John F. Yoney, Funeral	341.99
Director		
Dec. 21, 1942.		
1	Joseph Skala	33.00
1	Ivana Zupin	9.00
1	Marko Dusleh	75.00
2	Joseph Bezjak	27.50
2	Aleks Kosir	17.50
2	Edward Pryatel	21.00
2	John Zobetz	17.50
2	Walter Kangas	21.50
2	Mary Knapp	13.50
2	Anna Rayer	11.00
2	Rose Mavetz	33.00
2	Mary Boitz	17.00
2	Mary Petek	75.00
2	Mary Miklaucic	30.00
12	Vincent Janezich	32.00
45	Christine Brodnik	25.00
45	Irene M. Canalas	9.00
57	Valentine Cebokli	17.50
57	Anna Stipetic	13.00
57	Vincent Poscich	15.00
57	Anna Kohosek	30.00
57	Josephine Maratt	5.50
68	John Grezutti	26.00
92	Pauline Vargocko	25.00
94	Mary Hibel	30.00
138	Frank Komarniki	17.50
138	Tony Pavzin	15.00
180	Mary Zakrajsek	25.00
184	Tony Bubash	75.00
209	Alexander Zidar	27.00
229	Mathew Slabe	17.00
229	Frances Pogacnik	7.00
229	Mary De Lost	35.00
229	Ann Glavic	31.00
Dec. 22, 1942.		
1	Molly Richards	30.00
1	Ellia M. Kobe	30.00

21	Anton Marinsek	21.50
21	Mary Peterlin	48.00
21	Frank Grande	26.00
21	Frank Tanko	13.50
21	Josephine Kumar	30.00
21	Dorothy M. Mauser	30.00
43	Matilda Devich	25.50
43	Emma Warfield	30.00
43	Mary Marshall	33.00
43	Mary Marshall	125.00