

Društvene priredbe

Silvestrova zabava in obletnica Sygan, Pa. — Društvo Bratstvo št. 6 SNPJ je na letni seji zopet sprejelo več važnih sklepov. Odbor je bil izvoljen večinskih. Sklenili smo tudi premestiti miklavžjo zabavo s starega na novo leto zvečer. To smo storili, da se bodo člani raznih društev lažje udeležili te naše silvestrovo in miklavžje zabave.

Kar se tiče napredka, se ne moremo posebno pohvaliti, kljub temu pa smo povojno napredovali. Vaj na zunaj smo se izboljšali. Izboljšale so se naše seje in tudi v spodnjih prostorih društvenega doma se je nabavila moderna oprema, tako da bo živo čim bolj sveže in posetniki čim bolj postrženi. Sygan je bil nekdanji glas in jaz rečem, da je tudi sedaj pri našem društvu vse v lepem redu.

Sklenili smo tudi, da bo naše društvo obhajalo 35-letnico svojega obstanka dne 30. maja 1939. Proslava bo s programom in skušali bomo dobiti tudi enega glavnega odbornika. Sklep je, da se skuša dobiti glavnega tajnika. Večina članstva ga želi, ker on še ni bil v naši nasebini. Več o programu bo poročalo pravočasno.

Lorenz Kaučič.

Noletna zabava društva 132

Klein, Mont. — Društvo Slovenski napredek št. 132 SNPJ priredi veselicno na starega leta večer, 31. dec. Vršla se bo v Gypstownu v Unijaki dvorani, pričetek ob 7. uri. Na programu bo delitev daril mladini, članom mladinskega oddelka našega društva. Seveda bo tudi za suha grla preskrbljeno. Naše društvo vabi vsa sosednja društva in rojake sploh, da se udeležijo naše veselice, da se skupno pozabavamo in pozdravimo prihod novega leta.

Peter Jellar.

Božičnica društva 570

Massontown, Pa. — Društvo 570 SNPJ prireja veselicno na božični večer, 24. dec., v Negljevih hali v tej nasebini. Na veselici bo raznovrstna zabava. Za ples bodo igrali Bergantove sestre iz Lisbona, O. S. svojo godbo bodo zadovoljile vse, ker so prave umetnice v tem. Zagotovljena je tudi dobra postrežba. Torej ne zamudite te izredne prilike. Na veselo svidenje! — Vesele božične praznike in srečno novo leto vsem po širni Ameriki.

Frank Klemenc, zapisnikar.

Božičnica v Sharonu

Farrell-Sharon, Pa. — Kot je bilo že poročano, prirede tukajšnji člani mladinskega oddelka SNPJ na božični večer lepo igro v slovenskem jeziku in tudi nekaj lepih slovenskih pesmi bodo zapeli. Vezba jih prav pridno Frances Novak, članica društva 155. Seveda bo tudi Miklavž delil otrokom razna darila, prav tako tudi starejšim, toda starejši se morajo z njim par dni prej pogovoriti. Torej vas lepo še enkrat vabimo na božičnico. Vstopnina za odrasle je 10 centov, otroci v spremstvu staršev pa so prosti.

Gospodinski klub Slovenskega doma priredi srčno večerjo na starega leta zvečer. Vabljene so vsi lovci, člani in prijatelji iz bližnjih nasebin. Večerja je prosta za vse. Pridite in pričakovali bomo skupno novo leto. — H koncu želimo čitateljem vesele božične praznike in srečno novo leto.

Frank Stambal.

Silvestrova zabava društva 13
Bellaire, O. — Kot tajnika okrožne federacije SNPJ me veže dolžnost urgirati vsa društva in članstvo SNPJ v okolici na poset plesne zabave društva 13 dne 31. dec. v Društveni dvorani na Boydsavili. To društvo se bori za svoj obstanek in v vseh težavah skrbi za koristi članstva in jednote. To društva je obremenjeno tudi s strani federacije in torej dolžnost vseh društev, spadalcev v federacijo, da se udeležijo te veselice na starega leta zvečer, da jim pomagamo do boljšega uspeha. To društvo je imelo v načrtu, da omenjeni večer kaže slike SNPJ, toda jih je odložilo na poznejši čas.

Za ples bo igral dobro znani Frank Kurent iz Piney Forka. On igra na tri instrumente naenkrat. Če ne verjamete, pa se prepričajte na lastne oči in boste rekli, da zna malo bolje igrati kakor grbasti Mate. Torej še enkrat vabim bližnja društva v okolici in vse rojake, da se udeležijo te zabave, na kateri skupno završimo staro leto in stlopmo židane volje v novo leto. Sem že v naprej prepričan, da ne bo nobenemu žal, ampak bo slehernemu udeležencu ostalo nekaj v trajnem spominu.

Louis Pavlinich, tajnik federacije.

Veselicno društva 89

Midway, Pa. — Kakor vsako leto, tako društvo Glas naroda št. 89 SNPJ tudi letos priredi veselicno na starega leta zvečer v lastni dvorani. Torej po naši 30-letnici nismo imeli nobene veselice, se pričakuje velika udeležba. Zatorej vabimo društva kakor tudi posameznike, da se udeležijo te priredbe in se zabavate med nami. Dobra postrežba in izvrstna godba, ki bo ustregla starim in mladim. Začetek ob 7:30. Torej na veselo svidenje dne 31. decembra. — Za odbor:

John Sirc.

Plesna zabava društva 288

Fredericktown, Pa. — Društvo 288 SNPJ priredi plesno zabavo v soboto dne 31. dec. v dvorani Owls. Vabljene so vsi člani in članice našega in sosednjih društev, kakor tudi ostali Slovenci in Hrvatji, da nas posetite na ta večer. Navadno vsako leto vsi radi čakamo novega leta. Za ples bo nam igral Joe Koračin in njegovi Slovenci Aces. Vstopnina za Slovence 35c, za ženske 25c. Kar se tiče pijače in jedade, bo skrbel odbor, da bo vsega dovolj. Opozarjamo članice in članice, da ne pozabite društvenega sklepa glede onih, ki se ne udeležijo veselice. Na svidenje 31. dec. zvečer v Owl's Halli.

Anton Skvarch, tajnik.

Federacije SNPJ

Westmorelandska federacija

Latrobe, Pa. — Prireditel federacije društev SNPJ v okraju Westmoreland dne 24. dec. ni tako dobro izpadla kakor smo pričakovali. Slovenci v tem okraju se radi udeležijo programov in veselici, ali to pot sta nam sneg in mraz prekrizala poti in udeležba ni bila tako dobra. Tistim, ki so zamudili, jim je lahko žal. Zanimivo je bilo gledati slike SNPJ in predavanje br. Frank Zaitza, predsednika nadzornega odbora SNPJ je bilo interesantno. Podal nam je pravo sliko gospodarskega stališča iz raznih krajev Evrope in tolmačil prav po domače. Br. Zaitz se je smirjal izkazal za dobrega govornika, in to pot pa tudi za dobrega predavatelja. Po predavanju je sledila plesna zabava, za katero je igral Frankov trio.

Sedaj pa na znanje vsem Slovanom v tem okraju in drugod, da je federacijski odbor pridno na delu za veliko prireditev in proslavo 35-letnice jednote dne 30. maja 1939. Program bo raznovrsten in zanimiv. Podrobnosti bodo objavljene v Prosveti. — Članstvu SNPJ in čitateljem Prosvete vesele božične praznike in srečno novo leto 1939, jednoti mnogo novih članov, Prosveti pa novih naročnikov.

Mary Fradel, 725.

Seja clevelandске federacije

Cleveland, O. — Seja clevelandске federacije se vrši 25. dec. v navadnih prostorih ob 9. dopoldne. Ker je ta seja ravno na božični praznik, se prosi za stopnike, da so točni, da bo seja končana dovolj zgodaj, da se ne bo kateremu spridilo božično kosilo. Važnoost te seje je ravno taka kot vseh drugih in se spremlja, da se zastopniki udeležijo v polnem številu.

Društva so dokončala s svojimi sejami in so gotovo tudi izvolila zastopnike za bodoče leto, da zastopajo njihova društva pri federaciji. Zato se prosi vse društvene tajnike, da sporoče imena zastopnikov na dosedanja tajnika federacije do 31. dec. 1938.

Ker gre leto h koncu in je običaj voščiti za božične praznike in za novo leto, želimo na tem mestu vsem sobratom in sestram vesele božične praznike, v glavnem pa zadovolnejše novo leto, Slovenski narodni podporni jednoti pa uspešno proslavo 35-letnice obstoja in uspešno kampanjo v pridobivanju novega članstva. Zato bratje in sestre, napravimo noveletne sklepe: Vsak član novega člana v kampanji 35-letnice, ali vsaj za vsako leto obstoja naše organizacije 100 novih članov v vse razrede.

J. F. Terbizan, tajnik.

Seja koloradske federacije

Walsenburg, Colo. — Leto se bliža h koncu in ob koncu vsakega leta imamo v navadi, da uredimo vse za prihodnje leto. Društva si izvolijo odbore ter začrtajo smernice poslovanja, in federacije imajo pa svoje letne seje v januarju. Tako bo federacija društev SNPJ za južni Colorado in severno Novo Mehiko obdržala svojo letno sejo v nedeljo dne 29. januarja 1939, to je zadnjo nedeljo v mesecu, in seje pride superintendent in pomožni superintendent in sta nam pripravila govor o industrijskem inšurencom. Rekla sta, da ima zavarovalna družba deset milijonov kapitala. Za vsak tisoč dolarjev zavarovalnine se plača dolar na mesec in na starost se ne gleda. Ob koncu govora sta povedala, naj ostanejo vsi, ki se mislijo pridružiti, da jih vpiše. Ostalo jih je devet. V nekaj mesecih so dobili polovico delavcev.

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Ed. Tomsic, preds. feder.

Ali ste naročili na dnevnik "Prosveto"? Podpirajte svoj list!

Glasovi iz nasebina

Kako je s kompanijskim inšurencom

Joliet, Ill. — V glasilu jednote sem čital, da so razne kompanije zopet pričele motiti delavce s svojim ali tako zvanim industrijskim inšurencom. Ker imam jaz nekoliko izkušenj s takim inšurencom, želim čitateljem povedati, kakšne izkušnje smo imeli z njim tukaj.

V začetku leta 1929 so v Jolietu začele kompanije oziroma bossi z industrijskim inšurencom, to je pri Joliet Steel Mill, Joliet Wire in pri dveh drugih podjetjih. Začeli so takole: Vsakega prvega v mesecu smo imeli "safety meeting". Na koncu seje pride superintendent in pomožni superintendent in sta nam pripravila govor o industrijskem inšurencom. Rekla sta, da ima zavarovalna družba deset milijonov kapitala. Za vsak tisoč dolarjev zavarovalnine se plača dolar na mesec in na starost se ne gleda. Ob koncu govora sta povedala, naj ostanejo vsi, ki se mislijo pridružiti, da jih vpiše. Ostalo jih je devet. V nekaj mesecih so dobili polovico delavcev.

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nikogar, ki je star nad 60 let. Nekateri so ga morali valed tega pustiti. Povedali so nam tudi, če si kvitan ali če sam kvitaš, ne moreš tega inšurenca držati. V štirih letih je nam kompanijski inšurenco odnesel \$180,000. Jaz se ne lažem, imam nad 2000 prič.

Podperne jednote poročajo članstvu o svojem poslovanju. Pri industrijskem inšurencom ni tega. Kompanijski inšurenco je tak kakor kompanijska unija. Če izgubiš delo, izgubiš tudi inšurenco. In v slučaju, da dobiš mrtvoud, božjast, pritlikar in mrogane, mrljico ali druge podobne bolezni, ti nobena kompanija ne garantira dela. Enostavno te odpusti in s teboj gre tudi tvoj inšurenco. Bratje širom Amerike in Kanade! Ne pustite jednote zavarovanja in ne zamenjajte ga za kompanijsko zavarovanje. Če to storite, bo prišel dan, ko ne boste imeli nobenega zavarovanja. Če vam je finančno mogoče, držite oba, toda v vsakem slučaju jednotinega.

A. Žetko, 115.

Božičnica v S. Chicagu

S tem želim podati malo poročila o božičnici, ki so jo priredila tri društva SNPJ za svoje otroke zadnjo nedeljo v S. Chicagu. Kakor je bilo v Prosveti že parkrat prej povedano, so članka društva do sedaj navadno prirejala božičnico skupno pod pokroviteljstvom federacije. To pa je bilo za društva, ki poslujejo v S. Chicagu, dokaj nerodno. Kajti so precej oddaljena od jednote dvorane in s prevažanjem otrok po zimi so bile težave. Zato je bilo za letos aranžirano, da priredijo društva v S. Chicagu božičnico zase, ostala pa spet zase v jednotni dvorani kot običajno.

Imeli smo torej dve božičnici društev naše jednote v Chicagu zadnjo nedeljo. Nekateri so bili radi tega precej skeptični glede uspeha, posebno v S. Chicagu, kjer niso imeli izkušenj s takimi priredbami. Toda naši S. Chicagani so nas toplotno prijetno iznenadili. Agitacija so dobro razvili in niso zastoj pripovedovali, kak lep program bodo dali in kaj vse pripravljajo. Občinstvo so sčasom le pridobili, da je začelo verjeti in postajalo zmeraj bolj radovedno, kaj bo. S tem so dosegli prvi velik uspeh, namreč dobro udeležbo, kar je tam zelo redka prikazen. Ljudje so prihajali dovoljno in ni vzelo dolgo, da so napolnili veliko dvorano Hrvatskega doma, tako da a programom ni bilo treba dolgo čakati kakor drugič in kot je to pri naših priredbah slaba navada.

Drugi uspeh je pa bil dosežen z dobro zamišljenim in lepo iz-

vajanim programom. Vsakdo je se je čudil, kako so mogli toliko otrok in v tako kratkem času tako dobro izučiti za razne vloge in jih tako disciplinirati. Razen br. Fr. Kosiča, ki je imel kratak otvoritveni govor ter gl. predsednika, ki je pojasnil pomen prirejanja naših božičnic, so ves program izvajali sami otroci. In izvajali so ga nad vsa pričakovanja dobro. Ves program je vodil eden izmed mladine, kar je naredilo še posebno dober vtis.

Ni mogoče v tem kratkem poročilu omeniti vsega, kar je bilo in kako dobro je izpadla naša božičnica v S. Chicagu. Bolj podrobno bodo najbrž še poročali drugi. Gotovo pa se imamo za lep uspeh zahvaliti tistim, ki so vse to pripravili, ki so učili in se za to dobro stvar toliko žrtvovali. Zaslužijo v resnici vse priznanje, ki jim ga moremo dati!

Poročevalec.

Is urada "Big Tonyja"

Oakland, Cal. — V Prosveti z dne 16. novembra je bilo poročano, da je moja žena srečno prestala nevarno operacijo. Ker je prejela veliko izrazov simpatij (kart) od sorodnikov in prijateljev, mi je nemogoče vsakemu se pisano zahvaliti, zato se hočeva jaz in soproga javno zahvaliti vsem onim, ki so ji pisali v bolnišnico in ji želeli hitrega okrevanja. Obenem bom tudi pojasnil njeno stanje.

Zadnjih šest mesecev se ni zdrava počutila. Pritoževala se je, da jo boli kriš in noge so ji tako oslabele, da ni mogla hoditi. Menjali smo več zdravnikov, pa ni nič pomagalo. Bili so sami mazači. Zdravili so jo tudi z elektriko, a brez uspeha. Trpela je hude bolečine po vsem životu posebno ponoči, da ni mogla spati. Opazoval sem jo šaločno, toda revež ji nisem mogel pomagati. V drugi polovici oktobra ni mogla več iz postelje. Poklical sem zdravnika, v katerega sem imel več zaupanja. On nam je avetoval, naj jo damo v bolnišnico, kjer jo bodo natančno preiskali. To smo tudi storili.

Poklican sem bil v bolnišnico, kakor tudi moja hčer Rose. Trije zdravniki so nama pojasnili njeno stanje. Ko so jo pregledali s eksrejem, so dognali, da nekaj ni v redu v hrbtenici in da se mora podvreči operaciji. Torej velika razlika med zdravniki. Prvi so bili mazači, ti bodo pr mesarji, sem rekel moji hčeri. Bila sva v veliki zadregi, ker nista vedela, kaj storiti. Po dolgem posvetovanju z zdravniki sva dovolila operacijo.

Operirana je bila dne 8. novembra. Nestrpno sva čakala, da so jo pripeljali iz operacijske sobe. Takoj sva stavila več vprašanj in zdravniki so nama pojasnili, da so zadovoljni in pre-

pričani, da je bila operacija potrebna. Izrazili so trdno upanje, da v kratkem času ozdravi. Na 25. novembra smo jo vzeli iz bolnišnice in prepeljali na dom naše hčere Rose, kjer je deležna postrežbe, kot je ne dobi nikjer drugje kakor le pri svoji edini hčeri. Sedaj ne trpi tako hudih bolečin kot pred operacijo. Njeno zdravje se polagoma obrača na bolje.

Rad sem se pošalil z mojim "šlofkararom" in "finančnim ministrom," sedaj pa, ko je gospodinja priklenjena na bolniško posteljo, pa ni od nikoder ne prvega ne drugega. Sedaj smo le pečlarji pri hiši, sami si pomagamo kakor si znamo in teško pričakujemo njenega povratka v pečlarsko kuhinjo.

Torej še enkrat lepa hvala vsem, ki ste ji poslali pozdrave in ji želeli hitrega okrevanja. Božični prazniki so zopet tukaj. Nemogoče mi bo poslati vsem našim znancom, prijateljem in sorodnikom božična voščila, ko prežnja leta. Da si prikrajšam veliko pisanja, dodam k temu poročilu, da želimo vsem znancom, prijateljem in sorodnikom, kakor tudi vsem članom in članicam SNPJ vesele božične praznike in srečno novo leto.

Anton Tomalc in družina.

Kam na Silvestrov večer?

Chicago. — Ali ste že kaj mislili o Silvestrovem večeru, kam boste šli in kje počakali prihod novega leta? Gotovo več ali manj. Skoraj gotovo ne boste šli "downtown" v kakšen hotel ali lokal, kjer računajo 10, 15 dolarjev vstopnine na ta večer. Mi lahko o tem le čitamo v oglaših meščanskih listov, privoščiti si pa ga tega ne moremo, čeprav ustvarjamo vse bogastvo. Od starega leta se bomo poslovili in stopili v novo leto na veliko cennejši, proletarski način. In v družbi prijateljev in ljudi, ki jih večinoma poznamo, kar je bolj domače in bolj prijetno.

To bomo storili na Silvestrovi zabavi kluba št. 1 JSZ v dvorani SNPJ v soboto zvečer dne 31. dec. V gornji dvorani bo igrala Kochevarjeva godba, ki je posebno pri mladini priljubljena, toda njene mehke akorde lahko poslušata tudi starejša uho. V spodnji dvorani bodo pa hrešale harmonike, kot je običaj. Plesali bomo valčke in polke. Vstopnina v predprodaji je le 40c, pri vstopu pa bo 65c. Preskrbite si vstopnico torej vnaprej, lahko jo rezervirate tudi telefonično: Rockwell 2864. Vabljene vsi, ki ste dobre volje. Odbor.

Ali ste že naročili Prosveto ali Mladinski list svojememu prijatelju edini dar trajne vrednosti, ki ga ali sorodniku v domovino? To je za maj denar lahko pošljete svoj nem v domovino

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Po sklepu 11. redne konvencije se lahko naroči na list Prosveto in prišteje eden, dva, tri, štiri ali pet članov iz ene družine in eni naročniki. List Prosveto stane za vse enako, za člana ali nečlane \$5.00 za eno leto naročnina. Kar pa člani še plačajo pri assessmentu \$1.50 za ta tednik, so jim to prišteje k naročnini. Torej sedaj ni varnika, reči, da je list predrag za člana SNPJ. List Prosveto je vaša lastnina in gotovo jo v vsaki družini našedo, ki bi rad čital list vsak dan. Cena lista Prosveto je:

Za Zračni dršave in Kanado \$5.00	Za Ciero in Chicago je ... \$7.50
1 tednik in ... 4.00	1 tednik in ... 6.50
2 tednika in ... 8.00	2 tednika in ... 11.00
3 tednike in ... 12.00	3 tednike in ... 16.50
4 tednike in ... 16.00	4 tednike in ... 22.00
5 tednikov in ... 20.00	5 tednikov in ... 27.50
6 tednikov in ... 24.00	6 tednikov in ... 33.00
Za Evropo je ... \$9.00	

Izpolnite spodnji kupon, priložite potrebno vsoto denarja ali Monay Order v pisnu in si naročite Prosveto, list, ki je vaša lastnina.

Pojasnili: Vselej kakor hitro kateri tak članov prenosa biti član SNPJ, ali že se pravi pri edni družini in bo zahvalil sam svoj list tednik, bode moral tisti član iz določene družine, ki je tako skupno naročena na dnevnik Prosveto, to takoj naznaniti upravništvu lista, in obenem doplačati dotično vsoto listu Prosveto. Ako tega ne stori, tedaj mora upravništvo snižati datum za to vsoto naročniku.

PROSVETA, SNPJ, 2657 So. Lawndale Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Priloženo pošljite naročnino za list Prosveto vsoto \$.....

1) Ime Čl. društva št.

Naslov Čl. društva št.

Ustavite tednik in ga pripišite k moji naročnini od sledečih članov moje družine:

2) Čl. društva št.

3) Čl. društva št.

4) Čl. društva št.

5) Čl. društva št.

Imena Družna

Nov naročnik Star naročnik.



Gledališki igralec Shepard Strudwick, plesalka Sylvia Chen in gledališka igralka Betty Bruce, člani odbora, ki propagira bojkotno akcijo proti Japonci.

There Must Be No Let Up In the 'Last Roundup'

It is not too late to add a few more last-minute campaign thoughts to what we have already said in the past few months concerning the juvenile drive.

Let us repeat again that the home-stretch month of the campaign from all indications promises to be by far the most productive. Official tabulation has it that it will be so.

Alert members will not permit the last opportunity to slip by without adding their number of new juveniles to the final results.

Every active lodge is busily engaged during this season with yuletide festivities for their juvenile members, with an eye on enrolling all the prospects before the end of the drive.

Every active member and lodge is determined that there must be no let up in the "last roundup" to wind up the campaign task.

The goal has been set at 2500 new juvenile members by the end of this year.

Judging from the reports of some lodges, the number is likely to be reached, but only our continued efforts to the very end can remove any possible doubt.

The Society stands ready to help you; in fact, every loyal lodge officer is awaiting the opportunity of lending a helping hand in the campaign. Therefore, do not wait but go out and call upon your prospect so that you and your lodge will not regret it afterwards if it will not be listed among the active ones.

The more active lodges have already added a fair number of new juveniles to their roster, and they are exerting their last efforts to surpass their quotas and win one or more of the campaign prizes offered by the Society.

We have been urging you for months to plunge into the campaign. This call has been heeded by many a lodge, and the results are satisfactory. It remains up to you to supply the proof of your campaign work by actual results!

Comets Will Enroll Juvenile Applicants at Special Meeting; Elect Officers, Plan Future Work, Laud Prosveta English Sec.

UNIVERSAL, PA.—The annual meeting of COMETS was held on Sunday, December 4, and like most meetings of this nature, ours was a long one and also a fruitful one. Reports were heard, plans laid for future activities, officers elected, and (woe is me!) money spent with the utmost business precision.

Officers for 1939 include: President, Max G. Kumer; Vice-President, George Remesz; Secretary, Louis V. Kumer; Treasurer, Esther Viehlich; Recorder, Helen Yereb; Trustees, Rose Bertovic, Joseph Casar, and Henry Previc. Committee chairman elected as follows: Juvenile, Mildred Kasanovich; Athletic, Fred Viehlich.

Continuing their interest in athletics as a method of promoting fraternalism, the Lodge appropriated funds to the Athletic Committee for purchasing a basketball and uniforms. Arrangements for celebrating the New Year's week-end together were made. A party on Saturday, December 31, in the Slovene hall, will be the beginning of a week-end of fun. There'll be dancing, singing, game playing, eating, drinking, and (this is the tops) many prima donnas of men (believe it or not) including such stars as Kumer, Previc, Viehlich, Way, Kumer, etc. There'll be more, too. January 1 will be our first meeting in 1939, at 7 p. m. January 2 will climax the week-end celebration when we travel in busses to Carriek, Pa., to participate in the Sixth Annual Bowling Tournament of the E. S. FEDERATION OF SNPJ LODGES OF WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA. We hope to repeat our past successes in this tournament.

Perhaps our greatest interest was centered on the juveniles and the 25th Anniversary of the SNPJ Juvenile

Soccer Club to Give Dance

SOUTHVIEW, PA.—The Southview Soccer Club wishes to announce a big dance at the SNPJ hall here on Friday, Dec. 23, featuring Martin Berro and his orchestra from station WHJR, Greensburg.

Department. Many new proposals were offered for consideration in this campaign. Therefore, a special meeting for the consideration of new applicants will be held on Friday evening, December 30, at 7 p. m., in the Slovene hall.

The Juvenile Committee reported on the Xmas party and play being arranged to commemorate the 25th Anniversary of the Juvenile Department on Dec. 19. A cast of about 60 juveniles took part. Here are some of the main features of the performance: "Step," a chant of the unemployed workers, is a mass recitation interpreting the change in the mind of the unemployed worker when he feels himself to be one of the millions of others who are unemployed like himself. "Gimbel Sprockets," featured the plight of a modern factory worker who receives an invitation in the factory which eventually displaces him and benefits his superiors.

One of the songs included "The Young Guards," in which the participants sang "We are the youthful guardians of the SNPJ, and invited 'Young people come and join us' for 'In union is our only hope,' 'In labor's mighty vanguard, the SNPJ, EVER.' Children ranging from 3 to 15 years of age had parts.

We are especially indebted to the management of the New Penn Theater in Universal for permitting us the use of their theater to present this show.

RECENT ISSUES of the Prosveta English Section have been exceedingly interesting. Juvenile Campaign is getting its share of publicity; Kosek presents a comprehensive report on the Pennsylvania Fraternal Congress; a beginning has been made on the discussion of merging Slovene fraternals; an analysis of the division in labor's ranks was presented. And last, but not least, we read the announcement of the engagement of Jennie and Louis. Our most sincere congratulations, Jennie and Lou! The Comets Lodge joins the writer in extending all SNPJ members the Season's Greetings.

MICHAEL R. KUMER, 715,

Cavaliers Announce Midwinter Dance

BURGETTSTOWN, PA.—Cavaliers Lodge 741, SNPJ, held their regular and annual meeting Sunday, Dec. 11, and it was well attended. Election of officers took up most of the meeting time.

The following were elected for the year 1939: President, Joseph Vajentic; Vice President, Frank Korosec; Secretary, Joseph Moskun; Treasurer, Virginia Pompe; Recorder, Helen Hribar; Chairlady of Auditing Committee, Hilda Louder. With the exception of president and vice president, Joseph Vajentic and Frank Korosec, respectively, who replaced Stephen Ben and Mary Delfrate who served the Cavaliers very faithfully during the year of 1938, all the officers are the same.

The Cavaliers decided to hold a Midwinter Dance on January 14, 1939. The committee for the dance were selected and preparations for the dance are going—full speed ahead. We ask our friends from the various neighboring lodges to reserve Saturday, January 14, for our dance.

The Cavaliers join with many friends to mourn the passing of Mr. Anton Jeram who died on Sunday, Dec. 11, 1938. Bro. Jeram was an active member of SNPJ and was loved by all who knew him. He leaves behind him his wife, two daughters and three sons, of whom three are our members. The Cavaliers extend their deepest sympathy to the bereaved family.

JOSEPH MOSKUN,
Sec'y, Lodge 741.

Veronians Will Hold New Year's Eve Dance

LIBRARY, PA.—On Sat., Dec. 10, the Veronians in a group of 31 were guests of the Strabane Pioneers who celebrated their Softball achievements with a banquet, and what a banquet! Invitations were sent to all lodges who took part in the Softball League. With representatives from each lodge, it looked more like a convention. It really was a great event. We want to thank the Pioneers for their very generous hospitality.

The general meeting of the Veronians was held Dec. 16 and the annual election of officers took place. With a very interesting session ensuing the following officers were chosen for the coming year: Harry Cassol, Pres.; John Lesar, V. Pres.; Joe Stefancic, Sec'y; V. Jakovic, Treas.; C. Zolet, Recording Sec'y; Mike Peretic, Henry Jakovic, and Rudy Pogornik, Trustees. Helen Lesar, Frank Mohar, Stella Gostky, Sick Committee. Joe Zolet, Rudy Pogornik and Joe Luser, Home Comm. Frances Pavelko, Mary Cassol, C. Zolet and Ann Gostky to take charge of Juvenile Circle. A Sergeant-at-arms to be appointed at each meeting.

The coming of the New Year reminds you (I hope) of the Veronians' New Year's Eve Dance which takes place on Sat., Dec. 31, at the National Home. Whether young or old or in-between, you may be certain of getting a quarter's worth of real enjoyment. Music will be rendered by the Slovene Commanders to please all of you. Come and "Ring in the New Year" with the Veronians!

Safety Thoughts
Begin the New Year right by combining Carefulness and Common Sense when driving a motor vehicle.

CATHERINE ZOLET, 680.

Lodge 3 Holds Xmas Party

JOHNSTOWN, PA.—Lodge 3, SNPJ, is reminding its members to pay their dues on or before Dec. 31. The members that are back in their dues should straighten it out because all the accounts for the year must be closed. From now on you can pay your dues on meeting dates (before and after the meeting at the hall), and on the last day of the month in the evening at the hall.—On New Year's Day a party will be given for the juveniles at 2 p. m. A gift will be given to each member. The adult members are also invited to come for a good time.—Officers for 1939: Geo. Rasputnik, pres.; John Bombac, v. pres.; John Oreskovich, sec'y; Matt Pezjak, treas.; Mary Dragar, recorder; John Bubalo, pres. of auditing committee.

J. ORESKOVICH, Sec'y.

Fruits of Peace

Now that the peace of Munich has been established, England, France and the U. S. are planning heavily-increased armament expenditures.

Comments On This and That

By IVAN MOLEK, Editor

The Cooperative Idea Is Spreading

That the articles in this column on cooperatives and similar topics in the interests of the workingmen are not altogether in vain is shown by the favorable comments appearing then and now in other columns of this section.

We will feel fully compensated for our labor if only a slight percentage of Prosveta readers shows real interest in such matter. This will indicate some effort of thinking, and the sooner our workers begin to think and rub their eyes the better will be the outlook of their awakening as to the economic situation.

Economic cooperation, i. e., organizing cooperatives of any kind under honest and efficient leadership, is the only form of self-help for the working masses while we live under the capitalistic set-up. Only a week ago in the Slovene section we discussed the paramount necessity of organizing cooperative burial societies which, if given the wholehearted support by SNPJ members and others as well, could considerably reduce the present high cost of funerals. And there are many other as vitally important problems in regard to commodities and services we must have which could be solved cooperatively.

We may learn a great deal from our own Society. Fraternal insurance is also a cooperative. Such insurance is cheaper in the first place, and in the second place, all benefits, i. e., profits, of such insurance go back to the members in this or that form just as in the case of a cooperative enterprise which gives its members dividends or trade benefits.

Incidentally, we noticed that our members writing steadily to this section of the Prosveta realized the benefits given monthly by the "Your Dollar" column in our paper. The Consumers Union which supplies this column is a great organization; it attempts to reach all working class consumers in the United States with information on how to select the best commodities on the market. It makes much difference when you know what brand of article to purchase, and it is just that desired information one gets from Consumers Union.

Why not write to this organization and become its member? The "Your Dollar" report gives you the address.

It is our aim to steadily improve these columns, to attain something new which tends to benefit our readers either educationally or materially.

Suggestions from our readers as to what they desire on their reading menu in the Prosveta are always appreciated.

Loyalites Busy with 13th Anniversary, Yuletide Dance, Sunday, December 25

CLEVELAND, O.—With the annual meeting put under cover, I am left with one topic to write about. That is the LOYALITES' 13TH ANNIVERSARY DANCE, which will be their 2nd ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DANCE also. We urge every single Loyalite member to attend in addition to other SNPJ members in Cleveland. (That single isn't referring to bachelors but to each and every member.)

People say that such cooperation in a lodge is impossible, but we can prove that it is. Although the following facts have been much publicized, I again repeat: Attend LOYALITES' GALA DANCE CHRISTMAS DAY AT THE SLOVENE HALL ON HOLMES AVENUE. ADMISSION ONLY 30c. Music will be furnished by that ever-popular Frank Yankevic and his orchestra.

There could be no better gift from Santa Claus than to have him send the Wolverines to Cleveland for our dance plus other out-of-towners. That was in the letter that Shorty sent to Santa Claus, Jay and Leo. Why don't you make him happy and don't hurt his feelings by making him think there is no Santa. He has been a good boy all year (almost all year). Not only Shorty wants everyone to come, but each and everyone of the active members, including myself, wants you all to attend.

At the dance a beautiful men's or ladies' Westfield wrist watch will be given away. This watch was donated to us by the Word Jewelers to whom we are very grateful. Tickets are selling for ten cents or three for a quarter.

Keystoners Prepare for First Dance; Hold SWH Christmas Program Dec. 24

SHARON-FARRELL, PA.—The final Keystoners' meeting of the year was held and the following officers for the year 1939 were elected to guide our lodge to a bigger and better future:

Al Cvelbar, president; Al Gorence, vice president; Joe Valentincic, secretary; Al Zagger, recorder; Henry Rupert, treasurer.—Congratulations to our new officers, and may they have a brilliant future! The members will be only too willing to help you at any time, I am sure.

The Keystoners will start the New Year off with a rather interesting program already under consideration. We expect to enter the Bowling Tournament to be held in Carriek, Pa., Jan. 2, 1939. The Keystoners will be represented with both a girls' and a boys' team, and we sure expect to give the Western Penna. bowling champs a close run for the prizes.

We also decided to have our First Dance of the year on Jan. 28. Don't forget that very important date. More

given away. This watch was donated to us by the Word Jewelers to whom we are very grateful. Tickets are selling for ten cents or three for a quarter.

BOWLING. Previous week-end found the Loyalite Bowling Teams coming out on the short end of things with most of the teams having an off day. That's no alibi, I hope. Loyalite No. 2 dropped two games to the Beasons and No. 3 dropped two to Lodge Cleveland. Loyalite No. 1 and No. 4 teams fought it out by themselves. Loyalite No. 4, which I must say is going to town, took two of three games and created a new high game of 967 stealing that spot from No. 1 which had a high of 967. No. 4 team won six games Dec. 11 and then went on to win two more Dec. 12 before being dropped. Team No. 1 came back with a bang in the final game almost taking back that high score shooting a 968.

PICKING THEM UP IN THE ALLEY. Sorry, Lou, that I didn't give the tale I told a conclusion. Here it is: I think G. B. is the reason for his good behavior. Have you seen the two faithful rooters No. 3 team has every week? I suspect Andy Z. is the reason. I have an idea that a trio of boys have their eye on my Pa's barrel. If I don't sign off soon, I don't think I will make the publicity committee next year.

JUNIOR, Lodge 590.

6TH NAT'L DUCKPIN TOURNAMENT OF WESTERN PENNA. FEDERATION WILL BE HELD ON JANUARY

Annual New Year's Day Sport Classic Will Take Place at Carriek, Pa., with Many Teams Participating; Dance to Follow Tourney

PITTSBURGH, PA.—The Sixth Annual Duckpin Tournament of the Western Penna. SNPJ Federation will take place at Carriek, Pa., on New Year's Day, Jan. 2, 1939. Last-minute preparations for this huge undertaking are being put into shape and everything will be in readiness for participants in this annual sport classic.

After the tournament a dance will be held at the Eagles hall, one block from the Stanley Bowling Alleys where our tournament will be held. Detailed information about the tournament will be given next week.

CHICAGO.—The Sixth Annual National Duckpin Tournament sponsored by the E. S. Federation of Western Penna. takes place at the Stanley Alleys in Carriek, Pa. (2038 Prowsville rd.), on New Year's Day, January 2, 1939. With each year the tournament has attracted a larger number of participants, and a record number is expected for this tournament.

There will be three divisions, one for the men, one for the women and one for the older folks. Each Lodge affiliated with the Federation is entitled to enter one five men's team and one five women's team in the five person event at no cost. These lodges may enter additional teams in the five-person event at a small fee of 50c per person. The entry fee for all the events is 50c per person for each three game event.

Each lodge may enter as many teams in the 5-person and doubles events as desired, but all members must be from the same lodge and were admitted into the SNPJ at least two months prior to Jan. 2, 1939. Members participating in this tournament are urged to read the rules set up for this tournament. Elsewhere in this issue a complete copy of the rules is printed. To avoid future conflicts all should cooperate in making this Tournament another event which will be an asset to the E. S. Fed. of Western Penna. and the SNPJ. This can be accomplished by the cooperation of all participants.

Important to remember: All entry

Jolly Juniors Still in Race to Capture First Prize; Plan Juvenile Yule Party

MORGAN, PA.—At our annual meeting held Dec. 12, the following officers were elected: Geo. Usnick, Pres.; Agnes Balint, Vice Pres.; Elisabeth Baruffaldi, Sec'y; Rudolph Kramzar, Treas.; Lawrence Kaucic, Rec. Sec'y; Thos. Mikulacic, sergeant-at-arms. Auditing committee: Ernest Kwartich, Charles Kaucic, Thomas Mikulacic. Sick Committee: Agnes Balint, Elisabeth Baruffaldi, Arthur Dermotta. Pub. Committee: John Baduffaldi, Arthur Dermotta, Sophie Aubel.

It's early to predict what progress we are going to have this coming year, but with this list of officers I'll gamble our adult department doesn't stop at the 100 mark. Last year at this time our adult department consisted of 82 members and I said that before the year ended we should hit the 100 mark, which we did.

Our number of juveniles was fifty a friendly match game with the Golden Eagles of Girard in the near future.—Do you know that our new President, Al Cvelbar, is a member of the former Traveling Bachelors? Hats off to our past President, William Novak, for the capable manner in which he brought our lodge to the front.—The Slovene Home is holding a deef (venison) supper Dec. 31, donated by a couple of very good hunters. All members invited. Free of charge. Come all you members and watch the New Year come in. So long! FRANCES NOVAK, Lodge 755.

fees are to be sent to Louis Kumer, Box 64, Universal, Pa., by Wed., Dec. 28. The tournament is at the Stanley Alleys in Carriek. All practice games are to be rolled before noon. The five-person events will be rolled off first, followed by the doubles and singles. All participants are urged to be there on time. There are alleys available and with everyone's cooperation the tournament should be over in a short time. All should remember to bring our fraternal spirit along and remember to be sportive. All cooperate with the committee which is made up of the following: L. V. Kumer, chairman; George B. meso, Helen Dermotta, John Podbo Jr., and Frank Ambrozic Jr. For further information write L. V. Kumer.

SHORTS: In mentioning our Juveniles competing in the Windy City Basketball league, we forgot to mention another SNPJ member, Frank Knea, who is starring with the Harmons. Friday night the two undefeated teams of the league met which will put Stan Zadel, star center of the Harmons, against Gene Gidina, star forward of the Petrons. We do not list them as stars, because they are members of the Lodge. We all know of their past record as basketball players; to see them in the present form go to see them competing against one another Friday night.—Readers of the two local Hearst papers should remember that these papers are unfair to organized labor and especially to the Newspaper Guild (CIO). The Guild is not fighting the Hearst papers, but is scabbing AFL.—You are invited to attend the New Year's eve celebration sponsored by the JSF at the SNPJ hall.—The Pioneers ended the juvenile campaign with nine members and the lodge is to continue a campaign of their own. To do D. J. Lotrich secured a large majority of the new juveniles, with a little help from the other 600 members of the Pioneers should raise the number of juveniles in the lodge considerably. Why does not the Pioneer Lodge have a Juvenile Circle?—All 10 bowling teams now have their bowling shirts. Come out on Wed. and watch the game bowl. Make plans to attend the Mid-West and National Bowling Tournaments. FRANK GROSER, Sec'y, SNPJ Athletic Board.

LIBRARY, PA.—Bang! That is the best way to begin and that is how the Bowling Tournament; and Dance should go over (providing that Mother Nature doesn't have another snow battle with us). Remember that Day in November!

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Friendly City News

JOHNSTOWN, PA.—We wish to broadcast the election returns for Lodge Friendly City on their yearly meeting of Dec. 11: Pres., Jos. Culik; V. Pres., John Bombatch; Sec'y., B. B. Jacoby; Treas., Stella Sudonick; Rec. Sec'y., Elsie Culik; Chairlady, Rec. Sec'y., Irene Vidrich. The meeting was one of the snappiest sessions of the year. We must give our Pres. Jos. Culik full credit for the manner in which he conducts our meetings. Two new members were accepted to the Lodge; they were, Vera Stark and Irene Vidrich. In all we have a grand total of 14 new juveniles and 4 adult members added to our list. We went through the year of 1938 with just one member on the sick list. We feel that "F. C." can afford to do a little boasting with this record. Our monthly meetings are still being held the 2nd Sunday of the month, the same time and place.

Members who failed to attend the annual meeting without a legitimate excuse, are to settle this matter when paying their monthly assessments, without fail!

We wish to thank Sis. Gasser and Sis. Semich for their delicious cakes, which further goes to prove that they have found the secret in baking. Also thanking the other members for their donations, which made the after-the-meeting party so very successful.

Extending our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sopchick (nee Volk) of Park Hill on the arrival of their little Carol June. We are hoping that she, too, may become a F. C. member.

An advanced invitation is given to all lodges for the coming Friendly City dance on Feb. 4 at the Conemaugh hall, with Joe Koracin (Slovene Aces) playing. Your admission ticket entitles you to get \$5 which will be "given away" that night.

Don't forget the dance of Jan. 14, at the Moxham hall, sponsored by the Bowling boys. You will dance to the tune of Martin Serro.

The Friendly City girls are still going to town, as far as bowling is concerned. We are making preparations for the big time in Pittsburgh Jan. 2, and are bound to invade their New Year's dance in full swing. We are also Cleveland bound on the 16th of Jan.—providing the weather permits—soo help me.

B. B. JACOBY, Sec'y., Lodge 584.

'Spirits' Hold Quiz

By Whoosie
ST. LOUIS, MO.—Hello, there. Here we are again on our broadcast. True enough you have not heard us every week but that was due to some transmitting difficulties here at our own broadcasting station. We have engaged four new technologists for the ensuing year, therefore you may rest assured that our broadcast will come through.

The Spirits Badgers are going like hot cakes. Be sure to get your order immediately. Write or phone your secretary, Sister Ida Baumgarth, 658 Odell avenue, for your badge.

Just three more weeks left in which you may read up on the Constitution and By-laws of the SNPJ, for on January 13, following our regular meeting, we will have a quiz. The one being able to answer most of the questions will receive a prize. So don't forget to brush up on the by-laws. Following the quiz at the meeting we will have a party. Yes, three, plenty to eat and drink. Don't fail to attend.

We are sorry to hear of the illness of John Spiller's mother, Mrs. Rozman. We sincerely hope that by the time this article is in print she will be well on the road to complete recovery.

The SNPJ lodges "Goraka Villa" and "Rajski Glas" will present a 2 act comedy "Uncle's Will" which will be followed by dancing to the music of Little Lou Reimlers and his rambling rhythm lads. (You enjoyed the music at our Tenth Anniversary Dance and you requested that we inform you when and where they will play next.) The guest of honor for the evening will be the President of the SNPJ, Bro. Vincent Calkar. Remember the date. New Year's Eve, Dec. 31, at Brnic's hall, 14th and Madison ave., Madison, Illinois. For tickets write or phone Bro. John Spiller, 3937 Randall st., phone Riverside 3714 J.

We wonder what has happened to Brother Joseph Gasparich, our old faithful member who lives so far away, yet has managed to be with us at our meetings until recently.

Here is a list of absentees at our last few meetings: Josephine Kauer, Sophie Tomazi, Ann Vertovsek, Frank Rozman, Rose Zerneman, and John Buckowits Sr. Try and come to our next meeting and partake of the fun which we plan to have.

We boys just sort of wonder what the girls plan to have for us for the treat they promised us when we won the ticket selling contest.

Word has just been received that Bro. John Cepak, president of the Spirits in 1937, has left town.

Bro. John Spiller will be a guest speaker at the New Year's SNPJ Dance at Madison, Ill., so let us show our true fraternal spirit and form a group to accompany our representative at this gala affair. Some—all should for the East Side Dec. 31!

Strabane Pioneers to Give Twelfth Yule Dance December 26; Organize Glee Club

STRABANE, PA.—A Merry Christmas to all of you. For the persons attending the Pioneers' 12th Xmas Dance on Dec. 26, we know you will have a Merry Xmas. For eleven years the Pioneers have staged this Xmas Dance. It probably would not seem like Xmas to the Pioneers if they didn't have this affair. Each year these dances become more popular. This Xmas Dance is the Pioneers' most important affair staged each year. This year's affair promises to surpass any of the others ever held. As we told you last week, we have secured Frankie Watt and his band to provide the music for your dancing. This is Frankie's third appearance in three months at Pioneer affairs. This is proof enough of his popularity at dances hereabout. If you prefer dancing the polka, John Boles and his trio will play this type of music from 2 to 6 in the afternoon. We'd like to see you all at this affair. Remember, the Pioneers' 12th Xmas Dance on Dec. 26 at the SNPJ hall. We are sure you'll have a Merry Xmas if you come. We'll watch for you.

Trianon Affair
The Pioneers in cooperation with the local SSPZ Challengers are going to stage an affair at the New Trianon Nite Club located at Willow Beach Park, Houston, Pa. Tickets at 75 cents are being sold. This ticket enables you to get a spaghetti dinner and to dance to the music of either Blue Baron and his famed recording orchestra or Barry Blue and his orchestra. The New Trianon is one of the most beautiful nite clubs in the Pittsburgh district. We are sure you will enjoy yourself at this doing. Remember, Dec. 30 at the New Trianon.

Glee Club News
At last our Glee Club has gotten under way. Joseph C. Kerr, local music teacher, has been engaged to direct this chorus. Frank Podboy and Sam Rotella have been chosen choristers and Mrs. Mary Progar will be librarian. Due to the numerous activities during the remainder of the year, rehearsals are being postponed until January. Watch this column for an announcement concerning the next rehearsal.

Softball Banquet
Approximately 150 persons attended the banquet held Saturday, Dec. 10, at the SNPJ hall in honor of the Pioneer Softball Team. Frank Podboy, president of the Boys' Club, presided as toastmaster and presented John Koklich, President of Lodge 138, John Podboy Jr., member of the Supreme board and president of the Pioneers. Other speakers included John Zigman, Secretary of Lodge 138, James Tomsic, local Plymouth & Chrysler dealer, Mildred Progar, President of the Girls' Club, John Terschel of the Supreme Board, Louis Kumer, member of the SNPJ Athletic Board, and John Chesnic, a loyal Pioneer rooster. Tony Progar, assistant manager, spoke in absence of

manager Frank Kaminiski, while Wilbur Bergine represented Harmarville, Frank Remous, Sygan and Albert Jakovac, Verona and Mike Rosignoli of Universal. Geo. A. Hinton, sponsor of the team and Joe O'Brien, sports editor of the Canonburg Daily Notes, also spoke. Frank Podboy presented Mr. Chesnic and Mr. Hinton with gifts in behalf of the Boys' Club. The fine meal was prepared by Mrs. Ignatz Tomsic, Mrs. Frank Batista, Mrs. Joseph Kruice and Mrs. John Chesnic, all members of Lodge 138, assisted by members of the Girls' Club. John Boles and his trio provided the music for dancing.

Bowling News
The Boys' Bowling team is still going at a furious clip. Notre Dame still leads the pack holding a four game lead over second place Pitt at the time of this writing.

Notre Dame won 15, lost 5, percentage .750; Pitt won 11, lost 9, percentage .550; Carnegie Tech won 8, lost 12, percentage .400; Duquesne won 6, lost 14, percentage .300.

Pioneer Pipe
If Max Chesnic and Jim Tomsic, who are down in New Mexico, see this we hope you two are having a swell time. . . In behalf of the Boys' Club we wish to extend thanks to the Girls' Club and Mrs. Tomsic, Mrs. Batista, Mrs. Kruice and Mrs. Chesnic for helping out with the banquet. Also to John Chesnic, who provided the wine and to Mr. Hinton for helping out in procuring the eats. . . A number of Universal and Harmarville boys stayed over night after the banquet; we hope you all had a good time. . . Did you know that about twelve members were proposed at our last two meetings? . . . Albert Floraganic is working in Norfolk, Va., while Rudolph Okleson and Red Koklich are working in Michigan. . . The "Hit of the Week" at the club is "Arise my Darling" by Roman Goacs. . . We haven't heard if the boys or girls have chosen their teams for the tournament at Carriek. Tickets for the dance at Carriek can be secured from any of the officers.

We don't know what caused your fall, Zeke, but we hope your arm is okay. . . The kibase that you'll eat at the Xmas Dance were made under the direction of "Skinny" Koklich, a master of the art. . . Don't forget to come to the club on Dec. 24 and go on the Hay Ride. . . Anyone knowing where some Santa Claus suits can be secured get in touch with any member of the Hay Ride Committee. . . The softball affair got plenty of publicity in the "Daily Notes". . . Don't miss the Xmas Program that the juveniles of Lodge 138 are having on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 25, at the Hall. A short play and the singing of several Xmas carols will make up the program. . . A Merry Xmas to all of you from the Pioneers.

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE,
Lodge 589.

Juvenile Circles

VERONA CIRCLE YULE PARTY

LIBRARY, PA.—As mentioned in a previous issue of the Prosveta, the Verona Juvenile Circle of Lodge 680 will meet Friday, Dec. 23, to discuss circle matters and to observe the coming holiday with a Yule Party. Juveniles from our Senior Lodge 216 will join us in making merry on this happy occasion.

The time will be 7 o'clock, and the place—Slovene National Home. Refreshments will be served to all who attend. A box of candy will also be given to each Juvenile member.

The Committee in charge promises a grand time, so be sure to come early.

CATHERINE ZOLET,
Lodge 680.

ALL STARS CIRCLE NO. 4

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—Our Juvenile Circle "All Stars" No. 4 held its regular meeting on Dec. 10, and the following officers for the coming year were elected: Leon Sagadin, president; Donald Jaeger, vice president; Elsie Schmalz, secretary; Anna Teasovnik, treasurer.

The first program and dance of the Juvenile All Stars was held Saturday, Dec. 17, at the SST hall. A short playlet called "Santa Claus Substitute" was presented with other interesting numbers for the entertainment of the people. The play, under the capable direction of Miss Jennie Schuler and Mr. Leonard Alper Jr., was a huge success. It was requested to repeat the play at the Goodwill Social Center on Dec. 22.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank the cast and the audience for their cooperation which spelled success—a big success!

SPORTS.—The SNPJ All Stars defeated the Serbian Youths by a score of 46 to 12 in their first basketball game this season. The team managed by Leonard Alper Jr. showed a very good teamwork and careful shooting. The score at the half, with All Stars leading all the way, was 24 to 6. The highlights of the game were the shooting of James Santelli, Leon Sagadin and Frank Primosich from all angles to do most of the scoring. Louis Selich, the "skyscraper of the team," was shining brightly by taking almost every rebound. Ervin Vadnik and John Poklar contributed their points to show their skill. Other players who helped with the teamwork were Matthew Smole, William Ambrosch, Joseph Marvin and Stanley Starich. The Stars were captained by Leon Sagadin, and the opposing team by Emil Peich.

JAMES SANTELLI.

Progressives

EUGLID, O.—It may sound like a new lodge has again been organized, but no, it's just one that doesn't step in the limelight very often—The Progressives!

Yes, we are going to observe our Eleventh Anniversary in the newly built addition of the Slovene Society Home which will accommodate all our lodges and clubs. Later on, when funds will be available, another addition will be built. The cost of the present addition is estimated around \$18,000, and will be paid in about five years. Then the old dance hall will be torn down and new addition will be built.

Our annual meeting was well attended and our new officers are: Albert C. Meglan, pres.; Carl Kokal, v. pres.; Tillie Cerne, sec'y; Vincent Segulin, treas. Bill Wood, rec. sec'y. Physician, Carl Rozar.

In behalf of the Progressive members I want to express our deepest sympathy to the Rappnick family and Strugglers Lodge on the loss of one as fine as Vincent Rappnick. We all knew him very well for he attended our meetings often.

In building construction in order to keep a tall building from swaying to one side, it is essential you have a good, solid base structure.—The Progressives are doing a very fine job at the Inter-Lodge Bowling.—I must say that I always have a swell time at Strugglers' dances.—Merry Christmas and a happy New Year to all.

ALBERT C. MEGLAN,
Pres., Lodge 641.

Jan. 14 Is Date of Ramblers' Dance

HARMARVILLE, PA.—The Ramblers Lodge 713 are starting off the New Year with a big dance on Jan. 14, 1939, to be held at the Union hall here, featuring the up and coming Slovene Ramblers who will play polkas and popular pieces of the day from 8 p. m. to 7. For all you people who like Slovene food, we are serving kranjske klobase. I am sure that you fellows who like to dance will be able to find some of the Rambler maidens around who can truck on held for the benefit of the softball team and lodge as well. So start the New Year right by coming to our dance and enjoy yourself as best as you know how. **PATL KAUS,** Lodge 713.

FLASHES

CHICAGO.—At the last Friday's annual meeting, the Pioneers duplicated their membership performance of November by initiating 13 new members, 11 for the juvenile department and 2 for the adult. Thus they have done their duty for the Society's Juvenile Membership Campaign and demonstrated that new members can still be secured. Furthermore, so far as the Pioneers are concerned the campaign does not close but the results of the past three months will spur us on thru the winter. Several nominations were recorded last Friday night and our aim is to bring our Juvenile membership up to 200.

The following officers were elected to conduct the Pioneer ship in 1939: Oscar B. Godina, pres.; Anne Videgar, vice pres.; Donald J. Lotrich, fin. sec'y; Frank Sodnik, rec. sec'y; John Simon, treas.; Frank J. Lotrich, agt.; Frank Jordan, chairman; Louise Alie and Joseph Drasler, auditors; Frank Sodnik, Frank Vidmar and Al Rak, sick committee; Dr. John J. Zaverz, physician. The lodge by-laws were adopted and other important matters disposed of. After the meeting we imbibed in delicious sandwiches and other refreshments. Every member received a little prize package to take home for Xmas, the act of our thoughtful Entertainment Committee.

In almost every way, the annual Juvenile Christmas Party, under direction of the Chicago District Federation of SNPJ last Sunday, was satisfactory, indeed. We had a nice attendance of young and old, we had a good program, nice gifts, plenty of dancing and a lot of enjoyment watching the young offspring in action. And action there was especially after the program. Such stars as Bobbie Krok, Angeline Pluth and Josephine Pluth together with the featured 14 piece Hawaiian string ensemble and the 28 performers of the Falcon Comrades and Junior Guild drew loud bursts of applause. In the evening Eddie Petan's orchestra kept the dancers going upstairs while the swell two-piece Korosa's outfit put heat into the dancers in the lower hall. An excellent spirit was prevalent.

Every juvenile member of lodges 1, 39, 102, 440, 559 and 631 was entitled to receive a gift. Those who weren't able to attend should contact the secretary of their lodge and make inquiry for the gift within the next ten days, not later. This includes the Pioneers, too. Incidentally, the gifts were well received which helped to create satisfaction everywhere.

Eddie Hudale was the recipient of a \$5 bill for attending the annual meeting of the Pioneers. We can tell that Eddie bought Bertha Hraz a beautiful diamond for Christmas. Congratulations!—About 30 Pioneers have changed over to class E, 20 year paid up insurance, during December. Others still have until December 31 to make the switch and file their applications.—Emil Hraz drove the

gang to Sheboygan, Wis., for the Moderns' celebration. They reported having a swell time and a successful affair for our local lads. On the return they stopped off at Jolly Allis, the Badgers and Little Forts. While they were at it they might just as well make a clean sweep of it, they claimed.—The Western Felt workers who formed a CIO union and struck two years ago, but who were not taken back by the company, have seen some sunshine again. The National Labor Relations Board at Washington finally ordered the company to disband its company union and recognize the CIO unit. More than that; the company must rehire the workers and pay back wages for the time lost. Our Bro. Frank Jordan is president of the CIO unit. We feel just as happy as the unionists over the decision. Good work, boys.

Some fine games were rolled last Wednesday night at the Ace Arcade, where the Pioneers bowl. Max Kallan, who has come up excellently and is pressing the leaders, shot 325, 167, 303 for a 590 series. Rudy Andreas, the live topper, crossed off 219 while Emil Hraz, Leo Komucar and Matt Videgar each had 301 games. Hujan's Taverna who leads the procession, trimmed the Lotrich Insurance outfit in 2 of 3 games. Nechtman's Dentists lost all three to the Joe Zaverzansk squad, and the best Kolar's Florists could do was to give the Flashes 2 games. The Flashes pulled in a 918 game, while Hujan's Taverna totaled 2517 for the best scores of the night.

While we are on bowling let us add our little bit to the call of the English Speaking Federation of Pennsylvania for the support of the National Duckpin Tourney on January 2, 1939. From the information disclosed the boys expect a record entry and that means more competition. The awards will be liberal and the rules, too, give every indication that the Tourney Committee is anxious to attract a lot of contestants by extending special privileges to lodges. After all, the purpose of these events really is to foster friendship among members and to attract others to us and if liberalized entry rules can assist to do that—it's practical business to make them so that everyone can enter.

We've never played duckpins, but the game is one of skill just as bowling requires proficiency. We'll be watching you boys and gals in Pennay on New Year's Day and certainly wish you a merry time, a big tourney and plenty of kale. Go into the tourney because it's a lot of fun and because you help promote a worthy venture, and if you get some prize money to boot, all the better. We wish we could be with you.

The Chicago District Federation will hold its next meeting Thursday, Dec. 22, at the SNPJ hall. All representatives should be present. We'll hear the good word about the Xmas party.

DONALD J. LOTRICH, 555.

Flood City

JOHNSTOWN, PA.—"I decline," said Frank Perchin at the annual meeting of Flood City Lodge when he was nominated to serve another term as president for 1939. He was renominated and he again declined saying that five years of service as chairman was his limit. Bu: Frank was not only a chairman that would preside at meetings and leave the work to committees. He took an active part in all lodge affairs where help was needed. His wife Ann was no less active. Both of them sold dance tickets in advance that has not yet been equalled by any of our lodge members. At our dances and socials you would see both of them working like all other active committee members contributing their share to the moral and financial success of our affairs. The growth and progress of our lodge cannot be attributed to one or two individuals, but to all active members that worked and among these were Frank and Ann Perchin. The lodge to them was FIRST, LAST and ALWAYS. We hope to have their continued support in making Flood City a bigger and better lodge.

New Year's Eve Dance
According to committee reports at our last lodge meeting, everything is in tip-top shape for our New Year's Eve Dance to be held on Saturday, December 31, at the Slovene Workers' Hall in Moxham. It's going to be a grand affair, celebrating the passing of the woes and griefs of the old year and welcoming a new start for 1939. Rudy and his Penn-Slovene-lans are going to dish out the tunes for all dance lovers. There will be refreshments galore and nobody is going to die of thirst either. Friends, reserve Saturday, December 31, now and spend a joyful evening at the Slovene Hall in Moxham.

Lodge Officers for 1939
Flood City Lodge officers elected at the annual meeting for 1939 were as follows: John Rak Jr., president; Joseph Glavach Jr., vice-chairman; John Langerhole Jr., secretary; Mary Korosetz, treasurer; Ann Khevar, recording secretary; and Lawrence Langerhole, sergeant-at-arms. The

auditing committee elected were: John Jerezec Jr., chairman; Genevieve Korosetz and John Volk. We urge all members to cooperate with your lodge officers, attend meetings regularly and take an active part in its various activities.

Bowling
The most talked about subject among our boys is bowling. John Jerezec, Flood City member, scored a new high by mowing down 518 pins in 3 games. On Friday, Dec. 9, Flood City's team won three games from South Fork, Friendly City bowed once to the Kelo Miners and Triglav took 3 games from Bon Air. The National Duckpin Bowling Tournament which will be held in Carriek, Pa., on January 2, will be visited by several teams from our district. We wish the boys a successful venture and hope they bring home "some" of the bacon. On Saturday, January 14, the Conemaugh Valley Bowling League will sponsor a dance at the Slovene Workers' Home in Moxham. Martin Serre's orchestra is going to be "master of ceremonies" that evening. Admission tickets: 25c in advance and 35c at the door.

Seen and Heard
Singing Society Jugoslavia had a record attendance at their recent dance. Now the singers are busy with their 20th anniversary program which will be held on Sunday, May 14, 1939. . . Flood City Lodge got another new juvenile at its last meeting, Joann Glavach. Jimmy Keelan, one of our recent newly accepted members, promises to have his wife and kiddies join soon. . . Stan Klucik says he is going to show us some real bowling one of these nights. . . Johnny Koko and his smiling Mrs. spent the week-end in Johnstown. . . Frances L. Rak says the elbow is okay now. She slipped and fell on Thanksgiving Day and has been laid up for several weeks. **JOHN RAK, 712.**

The Czechoslovakian state railway has begun the operation of streamlined trains by covering all the working parts of a large steam locomotive with steel plates.

Badgerland News

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—The song "Santa Claus Is Coming to Town" is old stuff in Milwaukee, because he was here twice last week. Once at the Badger meeting last Friday and again at the Juvenile circle program Saturday night. And what a program these youngsters gave us with their well used talents. The SNPJ Federation wishes to express its sincere thanks to Jenny Schuler, Leo Schweiger, John Poklar, and all who participated. These youngsters certainly put it over under your capable direction and help.

The election at the last meeting was over quite rapidly. All the present officers were re-elected—namely, President, John Obluck; V. Pres., Frank Bolka; Fin. Sec'y., Leo Schweiger; Rec. Sec'y., Francis Zager, and Treas., Frank Obluck. Badgers also got quite a nice gift by getting five new members. They are, Stanley (Slim) Sedmak, Rose Schils, James (Santa Claus) Sanilli, Irvin Vodnik, and Marie Strudel, the recent bride. Besides these adults we have also seven new juveniles enrolled. What else can one ask for? Our by-laws committee had drawn up a set of laws governing our local lodge. These laws shall be revised for the next meeting and acted upon then, so don't forget to attend. Remember this lodge is being run for your benefit, so attend the meetings and do your part in all lodge affairs.

Our meeting night has been changed to the fourth Friday of the month, but our next meeting shall still be on the regular date at the usual place (Sostarich's hall) because we have to find a hall which is free on our new schedule. So after the January meeting you will all be notified as to where we shall meet.

Two recent vacationists are Frank Dejak, who went to Minnesota for a visit with his folks, and Frank Kianchar, who went to see if there were any changes made in his home town down in Illinois.

By the way, I almost forgot that Ann Meyer won the \$1 attendance prize. She also received a gift from the membership for her generous and cooperative work as chairman of the entertainment committee for these past two years. And believe me, if we all worked as hard as Ann for the benefit of the lodge, we'd be doing something.

For the new year we shall have a different entertainment for each meeting. And for the first one, the boys will have complete charge. So come to the next meeting, girls, and see what we got to offer.—Look for a new name in these columns in the near future and you'll see the name of—OH! OH!—Tony Obluck and Leo Schweiger are also on the publicity committee besides this mystery man and myself. I think you'll also see some articles written by Mrs. T. Obluck.

We all had a good time after the meeting due to Ann Meyer's entertainment committee. Santa Claus had gifts for everyone and Mary Gellan was there with her accordion for dancing.—Will the person who took Joe Glavach's keys by mistake please return them to our Sec'y as Joe needs them very badly.—Congratulations to Tony Martinek and family on their new arrival in their midst. It was a girl.

We sure had a swell time in Sheboygan at the Moderns' dance, and were the Pioneers surprised. Moderns, don't forget to send your bowling team down to the tournament in February. **EYES AND EARS OF BADGERS.**

Moderns' Dance Is Success

SHEBOYGAN, WIS.—A grand crowd at "A Night in Slovenia" spelled success for the Moderns. Romy Goss made another hit with the dance lovers. It was indeed a great pleasure in being able to make new friends in the SNPJ with Luke Groser, Lefty Lotrich, E. Hraz and their girl friends of the Chicago Pioneers; from the Badgers, Frank Bolka and his gang. It is always a joy to exchange a few words personally with the Old Man of the Mountain. Somehow he met up with three young Badgerettes on his trek down the mountain and wooed them into coming to our dance arriving here just before midnight. The Moderns thank you all for helping to make this dance the success it really was.

Joe Jercu's 295 game set a record for high single game in the city for this year. Jercu got a 695 on games of 211, 189 and 295. In his third game he had 11 straight strikes and in the last frame the ball went into the 1-3 pocket, a little thin, and five pins remained standing.

Three new members have been initiated into the Lodge. The Zaletel twins, Anton and William, and Max Reznick.

The annual Card Party will be held Sunday, January 22, 1939, at Fludernick's hall.

Merry Christmas and happy New Year.

THE SHADOW, Lodge 634.

Nor Will There Be

Doctor (inquiring after boy who has swallowed a half dollar): "How is the boy today?"
Nurse: "No change yet."

Your Dollar

By CONSUMERS UNION

"All wool and two yards wide" may sound reassuring, but it still leaves almost everything untold about blanket quality. What you want, of course, is warmth without excessive weight, comfort and long wear, at a price that you can pay. These qualities depend on a number of factors not listed on most labels, and hard for you to determine without laboratory tests.

There are a few inspection tests that you can make. Hold the blanket to the light to examine for close, even weave and also to make sure the ends are cut straight. Squeeze a few thicknesses between your hands—the more springy and resilient the wool feels, the better quality it is apt to be. Rub the nap briskly with your palm and pull gently on it. If properly made it will not come off in the form of lint. Make sure the blanket is long enough and wide enough for comfort.

Yet having done all this, you still know next to nothing of how long the blanket will wear, how it will wash, how warm it will keep you. Laboratory tests of thickness, resistance to abrasion, tensile strength and heat-retaining properties are necessary to answer these important questions.

Consumers Union tested 12 all-wool blankets and 5 part-wool blankets to determine which brands offer best value. Best Buys among the all-wool blankets were American Woolen Co. Bearbrook at \$9.97 and Mariposa Winmoor at \$7.94. Best Buy of the part-wool blankets was Ward's Cat. No. 3160, 84% wool, at \$4.89 plus postage.

Fountain Pens

No need to pay a fortune for a good fountain pen—\$2.50 to \$3.00 will buy the best in fountain pen service and durability. And parents of youngsters who lose pens frequently might well remember that a carefully chosen 25c pen will give good service for a time.

When you try a pen, make sure that it starts writing instantly and continues smoothly; that the point fits closely against the hard rubber feed; that the two legs of the point are close together and do not cross or spread apart while writing. Check on ease and dependability of filling, and on ink capacity, which can't be judged from the pen's size. Gold points with good quality iridium tips will give longest wear.

Best Buys at \$2.50 to \$3.00 were Waterman's Junior (\$2.50), Sheaffer (\$2.75) and Waterman's Ideal (\$3.00). Consumers Union found in its tests of fountain pens. Cheaper pens which may give good value for the money are Wahl Eversharp, Pence (J. C. Penney stores), Kresco (S. H. Kress & Co.) and Fifth Avenue (Woolworth's).

Union Made Fountain Pens

Both AFL and CIO unions exist in

the fountain pen industry, yet a great many shops are still unorganized. Parker pens are made in a closed shop of the Pen and Pencil Workers Union and the International Association of Machinists, AFL. Waterman pens except the Waterman Vis-O-Pen are made in a closed shop of the United Rubber Workers of America, CIO. Most Wahl Eversharp workers, Consumers Union was informed, belong to the Pen Makers Union, AFL. Non-union brands include Carter, Esterbrook, Inkograph, Kresco, Sheaffer, Sheaffer's Wasp. The Sheaffer Company, it is reported, "pays the poorest wage, is absolutely opposed to unionization."

Radio Sets

1939 radios show little improvement over 1938 models, Consumers Union reports in rating 34 models in its December issue. Featured in some sets are short-wave bandspread—a mechanical aid for tuning in short-wave stations; and the wireless remote control, the latter a very costly convenience. If you don't feel you must have the latest model, a 1938 radio at a good discount will be a better buy than the corresponding 1939 model at list price. Among last year's sets offering good value are Philco 99B (\$26), General Electric F-63 (\$39.95), Stewart Warner 1812 (\$49.95), Grunow 589 (\$59.95), Grunow 663 (\$79.95), CD or Lafayette B-44 (\$94.75), Zenith 9-S-263 (\$124.95). Prices given are 1938 list prices.

Radio Workers

Standardized manufacturing processes have turned radio into an industry largely composed of semi-skilled and unskilled workers, who till a few years ago were unorganized and therefore suffered low wages, irregular employment and long hours. The United Electrical, Radio & Machine Workers of America, CIO, which began organizing radio workers only a few years ago, has already won for thousands of its members in closed shops increased pay, the 40 hour week, time and a half for overtime and paid vacations.

So many sets are union made, either under the UERMWA or the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, AFL, that no one need any longer accept a non-union product. Detroit, General Electric, Philco, RCA, Silver-tone are union made. Emerson, Majestic, Stewart Warner and Zenith are bitterly anti-union.

YOUR DOLLAR is a regular monthly feature. The facts and opinions given are based on Consumers Union Reports, the monthly magazine of Consumers Union, 55 Vandam St., New York, a non-profit membership organization whose object is to safeguard buyers by testing and reporting on consumer goods. Note especially the information on labor conditions under which products are made.

6TH NAT'L DUCKPIN TOURNAMENT

(Continued from page 6)

Every lodge should take part in this annual affair of the Federation. Information as to the prizes and rules can all be found in Bro. Kumer's Column. Follow them closely and be sure you understand all details.

The dance which convenes at 8:30 will be just one block up from the alleys. I know you will all enjoy dancing to the music of Bennie Burton and his ten piece band featuring two male vocalists. (This orchestra can be heard over WJAS from 7:30 to 8 p. m. on Fridays.)

A few people are worried about the "Slovene Atmosphere." Let me tell you and you and you—there will be plenty of that once we Slovenes get together. And then Behold!

The J. Z. Jr.'s are proud to report that their fathers will be rollin' them down, and we do mean down! How about the rest of you "Pops"? Come out and join ours, you'll feel years younger.

If you want to be loyal to your Federation, you'll all be present and make it just that. So until Jan. 2, hope for the best, come early, drive safely, get there and give it all you have!

J. Z. Jr.'s News

February 11 is a red-letter day to be celebrated at Library. Our annual "Heart to Heart" Dance will be in full swing at that time (again: providing that???). As to the music, etc., keep reading the paper and all the desired information will be published in later issues. May we expect all those that were "snow-bound" Thanksgiving?

Officers for 1939 are: President, Frank Ambrosio; Vice Pres., Tom Dennick; Fin. Sec'y, Tillie Bolte; Rec. Sec'y, Anne Slapnik; and Treasurer, Frances Dermotta.

The J. Z. Jr.'s are happy and proud to welcome Sis. Lil Blanco as a new member. (See you the first Thurs. in January, Lil.)

The Library Singing Club is sponsoring two plays on New Year's Day, January 1, one in their native tongue and one in English, both are very interesting and enjoyable; in fact, if you're not there, you'll miss something. HELEN DERMOTTA, Lodge 682.

STRIKES 'N' SPLITS

CLEVELAND, O.—News of the action emanating from the scene of the local SNPJ Bowling League has been capably presented by such writers as Eddie Zeitz, Anne Strauss, Pauline Spik, Cheligo, Shorty Zedell, Anne Zarnick and a few others. The League appreciates their efforts and urges these writers to continue their good work. This column will endeavor to present all the latest news and gossip concerning our girls' and boys' bowling leagues as often as possible.

May 6 and 7

Hot off the press comes the announcement of a big dance being sponsored by the Cleveland SNPJ Bowling League and the Girls' Bowling League on Saturday, Feb. 25, at the Slovene National Home on St. Clair. This dance is a warm-up affair preliminary to the major doings in Cleveland, May 6 and 7. More news concerning this dance will be forthcoming through our local writers and this column.

May 6 and 7

Alley Newsletters:—While the boys are punishing the pins upstairs at the St. Clair-Eddy Alleys, downstairs the girls are slamming and banging away, but still the pins persist in remaining in a vertical position. Nevertheless, some very good scores are being manufactured by our fair ones.

The National Bowling Tournament in Cleveland on May 6 and 7 promises to be a record-breaker. The local athletic league has been working on it since Sept. Speaking of tournaments, do you realize that the parade of championship competition in the SNPJ receives a grand and glorious 1939 send-off when the E. S. Federation W. Pa. roll their Sixth Annual National Duckpin Tournament on Monday, Jan. 2, 1939. This sport classic is being held in Carriek, Pa.

at the spacious Stanley Alleys. What a place to be! Understand there's plenty and pretty gales in and around those diggins; SNPJ can certainly get 'em in, heh, boys? . . . George "Tear 'Em Apart" Curda, formerly a Pioneer and now a Comrade, is blasting the pins with vengeance and leading the league with an average of 189. Good work, George, keep it up! . . . Stanley Zupan, Loyalties' No. 2 anchorman, has the ability to get that strike quite consistently, but do you know why? At game time he sends out for a quart of milk—downs it in three or four gulps, then presto—the score goes up! . . . Did you see the classy outfits the Struggler lassies have? Must have started something because, not to be outdone, the Beacon and Comrade girls will also be decked out in new bowling raiment soon. Also, the boys are all sporting new shirts advertising the SNPJ and their respective lodges—all at the expense of themselves.

Famous Queries:—What has happened to the National Athletic Fund?

Merry Christmas to all—especially YOU! JOHN AYNIK, 687.

Golden Eagle Screeches

NILES, OHIO.—Great events cast their shadow before them, so it was with the Golden Eagles' Ballroom Dance. Everything forecast a grand success, and so it was. L. Trebar and his boys "outdid" themselves at dispensing the pokas and music for the jitterbugs, and their orchestra was proclaimed the best band to have invaded these parts for many a moon.

Orchids to the committee who worked so willingly to make the dance such a grand success. Also to the Buckeyes for bringing over the busload plus the carloads. Groups from Struthers, Warren, Youngstown, Cleveland, Sharon, Poland (O.)—and the ever-faithful Julia Bogatay from Pittsburgh.

Our final meeting of the year was the best attended of the year; would like to see it thus always. The elusive bank award was finally captured by F. Ross. (Ah me, another dream smashed.)

The election of officers was held and the results are the same as last year, with Joe Cherne at the helm; Frank Rezek, Vice pres.; Fannie Milavec, Sec'y; Rose Umcek, Rec. Sec., and Edith Cherne, Treasurer. Here's hoping for a very successful year to you all—Members, make it a point to attend more meetings this coming year. Will I be seeing you?

EAGLE TALLONS.—(Tallon is an obsolete word I know, but I'll use it anyway.) Frank Rosman and H. Rupert getting stuck in a snow drift on a lonely road, a sign opposite them reading: "No Dumping."—Joe Cherne doing the boy scout act: The Buckeye lads looking for a "phone." The balloons bursting (or is it busting?) from the heat and the mad scramble when they were let loose.—Frank Rezek, G. E.'s most eligible bachelor, says: "If she knits and crochets, she's the girl for me."—Dance Chairman J. Predika's plea: "Can I go home now?"—Lou Racher of the Barnstorming Barons jitterbugging in the corner. Some steppin', eh, what!—And before I forget, a bouquet of your favorite posies to you girls for the de-licious cakes and beef-roast at the meeting. (I should know as I am a great sampler; it's my weakness, girls—another tip.)

Parting Thought: For those of us who are inclined to act in haste and repent in leisure: The woodpecker pecks out a great many specks of sawdust while making his hut. He works like a digger in making his hole bigger and he's sore when his cutter won't cut. He doesn't bother with plans and cheap artisans, but one thing can rightly be said: The whole excavation has this explanation—he does it by using his head.

THE LONE EAGLE,

Lodge 643.

J. S. S. Dance is Success

JOHNSTOWN, PA.—The Jugoslavia Singing Society's dance on Dec. 10 was everything one could expect it to be. The music furnished by Joe Koracin and his Slovene Aces was superb. (Don't forget we will be seeing you at the Conemaugh Slovene Hall Feb. 4 again.) Joe Govekar won the "guess cake." We wish to thank all the neighboring lodges who so willingly cooperated with us and hope to do the same for them some day. We especially want to thank Joe Koracin and his boys and Lew Clawson for their fine showing and fine selections they played for us on the radio. Will be seeing you Feb. 4.

GENEVIEVE KOPRIVA,

Assistant Librarian of J.S.S.

Science Notes

Paper bombs filled with a chemical that explodes on contact with heat, releasing a violent puff of an inert gas, have been invented by an Italian for extinguishing fires.

One of the most widely known automobile builders has received a patent for a motor to be mounted over the rear axle of passenger cars without interfering with their balance.

Coated with a luminous paint, paper stars and crescents that glow several hours after lights have been turned off at night have been invented for decorating nursery ceilings.

Buckeyes' Bits

By "We Three"

BARBERTON, OHIO.—With time to spare, "We Three" start the ball rolling again hoping to score some strikes.

Bowling being the topic of the day, we should see many enthusiasts at the New Year's day tournament in Carriek. The Western Pa. Federation is doing a great job of planning the events so that everyone can have an enjoyable week-end whether they bowl or not. We should see SNPJers from everywhere spilling the pins.

Another meet of interest will be the Nat'l Tournament in Cleve. Nelle and Oh Valencheck made a recent trip to the St. Clair-Eddy alleys and witnessed a rare sight. Sixteen of twenty four alleys were occupied by SNPJ teams of Cleve. The Commodores were leading the men's teams and the Comrades were the top girls' team at the time. It was good to see an SNPJ lodge placard above each alley—another way to keep our organization in the public eye.

The Buckeyes girls are preparing for these events by practicing doubles, triples and teams—cross alley balls, straight balls, hook balls and gutter balls. (Variety is still the spice of life!) Single game individual high scores are Steffie Motosel's 189 and Nelle Valencheck's 176. The Comrade girls' team of Cleveland invaded Barberton recently to give the Buckeye girls a match. Our girls took the three games with a total of 1826 pins as against their 1693. The Comrades rooting section are a loyal group and they were on hand to cheer their team on. Already we are anxious for a return match.

The long planned match of the "Three R's" vs. "We Three" finally took place and the result was that the weaker sex(?) took two of the three games sans a handicap. (A feather in our cap, eh? But we have to live up to those medals received from the Jolly Allis "We 3.") There is still that playoff with the Niles trio, so come ahead "youse" guys!

It would be great to see more of our girls take an interest in bowling, then perhaps we could form several teams. The present team invites all other SNPJ girls' teams to give them a match.

Strikes, Spares, Splits. The "3 R's" (Rupert, Rozeman, Rezek) had a special set of rules for that playoff and we're glad we didn't have to abide by them in the game with the Comrade girls!—Wonder if 'twas Rozman's fear of the "jama" that affected his game? Surely it wasn't a bad arm because no one ever guarded a bowling arm more closely than that trio!—We've discovered that Mary Platner, our new Sec'y, does a bit of bowling along with her other activities.—Our girls' team appreciates the fact that the Comrade girls travelled here on a week day and they promise to return the match soon.—Our best wishes to the people who take office next year and to all a very merry Christmas.

Jolly Allis Lodge No. 686

WEST ALLIS, WIS.—The following officers were unanimously elected to guide the Jolly Allis Lodge through the ensuing year: President, John Gole; Vice President, Frank Glavan; Secretary, Philip Yeran; Recording Secretary, Frances Knafelc; Sergeant-at-arms, Bill Erman; and for the eleventh time George Goronja, Treasurer. It will take a long time to break George's record; since our organization he is the only one who has ever held the keys to our money-bags and that record speaks for itself. For the next three months Sisters Al Smith and Frances Knafelc will do the entertaining.

We were all surprised by the Christmas greetings sent to the lodge by Fred and Molly Grahek who were once very active members and now reside in Minnesota. The lodge returns the greeting and are hoping to see you at our Tenth Anniversary.

Over the Back Fence: Buns at Terkan's were very cheap last Thursday. Emil ordered buns for the meeting only to find out he was a week ahead of time. (Must be in love, says John.)

Say, Rup, what's this bachelor business? Don't forget I want to make that trip this spring; and about bowling, they say you can't keep a good man down. Boy, but they certainly can kick him around a bit.

Crazy notions waiting until ten-thirty and then driving to Sheboygan for the Moderns' dance. Your crowd and entertainment was swell, Shadow, and don't forget the bowling match. To Acres' Assistant, calling your debaters the best is all right, but when you back it up with a few mugs—

"as my amber fluid that made Milwaukee famous," well, that's a different story.

A couple of our members, although they are no silver tongued orators, can still sling the king's English around. If you want proof, maybe a meeting can be arranged to get those debates started. If interested, contact our secretary.

So another year has passed and

with it I'm wishing all our members and the readers of the Prosveda a very merry Christmas and a happy and most prosperous New Year.

THE OLD MAN

OF THE MOUNTAIN.

Cadets Plan to Observe Second Anniversary

MANOR, PA.—Our final meeting of the year was well attended, and hope this means a good start for the coming year. The more members there are to offer their opinions the more interesting the meetings. We also had a "jack-pot" at our regular meetings. Each member being present at the meetings puts a deposit of a few cents into this so-called jack-pot; half goes to the lucky winner and the other half into the treasury. There is always a winner, so you may be the lucky one.

Our officers for the following year are: John Bosic, president; John Turbte, vice president; Fred Zecker, secretary; Mrs. Sam Bohinc, treasurer-sec'y. I am sure all officers will try and fulfill their duties.

Time is near when we will step into the new year, and we are getting ready to celebrate our 2nd anniversary sometime in January. Plans have already been made for a dance. Further details concerning our dance will be published later in the Prosveda.—I wish to remind all our members that monthly meetings have been changed to the 3rd Sun. of each month, instead of the 2nd Sunday.

Publicity Committee:

MARY BONACH, ANGELINE BOSIC, CAROLINE DUKONICH.

Announce Spring Concert

JOHNSTOWN, PA.—December 10 has come and passed away, but leaves behind a trail of pleasant memories—for those who attended Jugoslavia Singing Society dance. Everyone seemed well pleased with the arrangements, and the Club is indeed grateful to all who helped make this affair a joyful one.

Jugoslavia Singing Society is planning another outstanding event for Slovenes in Johnstown and vicinity. This is to be the celebration of the 20th anniversary of "Jugoslavia" and is to be a Saturday night dance-Sunday afternoon concert affair on May 13 and 14. At this time, the operetta "Rozmarin" will be presented, together with other solo, duet and choral selections. Preparation for this occasion has already begun and the plans are rapidly taking shape. It promises to be a never-forgotten affair.

But Johnstown must not forget Flood City's New Year's Eve Dance on Dec. 31 and the Bowling League's Dance on Jan. 14. Be there early and meet the crowd!

PAULINE SAKSEK,

Recording Secretary.

New Year's Eve Party

SPRINGFIELD, ILL.—Our next big doing at the Slovene Dom is New Year's Eve dance. On this night everybody celebrates ringing out the old and ringing in the new year. So why not come to the Dom where a good time is in store for everybody, young and old. Dancing will start at 9 p. m. and will continue 'till there will be plenty of refreshments and songs, and don't forget to bring the "kiddies" because Santa Claus will be there. The price of admission is 25c per person and children under 16 years are free. So don't forget to make an appointment to meet your friends at the Dom on New Year's Eve.

The Directors' meetings of the Slovene Dom are held the first Sunday of every month and every shareholder is welcome to attend.—(The rest of the article will appear next week.—Ed.)

LOUIS AIDICH.

Slovene Youth Suffers Burns in Rescue Attempt

SHELDON, WIS.—On Sunday, Dec. 11, about midnight, a tragedy occurred in this community when a fire of unknown origin broke out and destroyed the home of David Pompe in which his 23-year old son Arnie was burned to death. With him at the time of the tragedy was Lony Divjak Jr., a Slovene lad, who proved to be a hero. He was fortunate in escaping death with only severe burns on the face and back which he got when he made a heroic attempt to save his companion from the burning house. He succeeded in grabbing the blankets, thinking his friend was in them, and he dragged them through the wild flames and smoke outside. Upon reaching the outside he found that he had in his excitement and in the intense heat and smoke left him in the burning home. Burned and torn with pain he lost consciousness and fell. He was taken to the Lady-smith hospital where he is a patient.

REPORTER.

He Knew Bottles

Neighbor: "Say, have you folks a bottle opener around here?"

Parent: "Yeah, but he's away at college."

They Wooded

"How many kinds of woods are used in making a match?" asked William.

"Two kinds," replied Harriet. "He would and she would."

MY VISTAS

By MILAN MEDVESEK

The debunking of all "imported isms" in this country is not rare. In fact, our solid citizens take every opportunity to expose them (isms), especially at conventions, banquets and other such social gatherings; therefore, making their speeches more dramatic and effective. On the other hand, they go to the other extreme, that of elating our "ism"—Americanism.

Yes, we can truthfully say that Americanism is far better than many of the other isms. Our standard of living is much higher than in any other country; we have more democracy, more freedom, and better opportunities; nevertheless, Americanism is far from perfect, as some of our patriots endeavor to make us believe.

The majority of the people, that is the workers, are not secure for their tomorrow's existence; Americanism does not give them what they rightly deserve; and despite the wealth of this country, despite the automobiles, wash machines, refrigerators, and electric sweepers that are owned by the common workers today, they still live from hand to mouth.

All this is clearly seen at the present time. As soon as the so called recession began and the workers were laid off, they, at least 80%, did not have sufficient savings to live in comfort for at least one month; therefore, all of them immediately applied for WPA jobs. If it would not be for these jobs they would have to starve, despite our Americanism, despite the high standard of living which gives workers the opportunity to purchase cars, refrigerators, etc.

Yes, Americanism is better than many of the other "isms," still, as I said before, it is far from perfect, and as long as workers must live from hand to mouth, Americanism alone is not adequate; it needs something else. And if we do not want to call it socialism, we can call it habitism or workingism, it really does not matter as long as it grants the people a better social and economical security.

Father Coughlin is branded a fascist by many newspaper columnists, prominent political and social leaders all over the country. I wonder how our priests and other Coughlinites feel about it? They are most probab-

ly convinced that a grave injustice has been done to their Reverend colleague.

A reactionary speaks: Workers have less work because of these corrupt and selfish unions; the New Deal is the cause of all economical calamity; Jews are lousy; therefore, we should do away with them a la Hitler methods; Hitler is O. K. for there is no such thing as unemployment in Germany; socialists preach evangelism of love and equality, but all their leaders are crooks, and live on the expenses of the workers; Father Coughlin is the right man; foreigners who are not citizens should be deported; Negroes should be eliminated, etc., etc.

These ideas were actually uttered by one of our people of the clerical side. The same ideas are prevailing among many of them. Can you, therefore, blame us socialists if we criticize them?

Here in our metropolis we find our people having all sorts of positions: lawyers, doctors, teachers, assistant police prosecutors, deputy sheriffs, etc., and in the City Council we have four Slovene representatives. Yes, something to be proud of.

A few weeks ago a resolution was introduced that the city of Cleveland arranges a tag day for American veterans who fought for democracy in loyalist Spain. Then a resolution against it was introduced, not by a 100 percenter, but by our own patriot, councilman John Novak. Yes, this too, is something to be proud of.

American born Slovenes are not such a hopeless case in regard to their attitude toward the language of their parents as some people are wont to believe. Recently, The Cankar Foundation in Cleveland gave a Slovene play in which six of the younger generation were represented, some in main roles, and all six (Mrs. F. Jeraj Slabej, Miss Olga Marn, Mrs. Ann K. Medvesek, Miss Sophie Turkman, Max Traven and Frank Slekjo) pronounced excellent Slovene; in fact, some of them even better than those who were born in the old country. No, they are not as indifferent toward their mother tongue as we sometimes imagine.

Library Lodge Discuss Varied Topics, Elect Officers, Enter Bowling Tourney

LIBRARY, PA.—Due to the inclement weather, our Ninth Anniversary Celebration did not turn out to be as huge a success as we had predicted. This is the first stroke of bad luck the J. Z. Jr.'s have encountered in quite some time, but we did manage to make the grade, thanks to all you who attended from Coverdale, Broughton, Hackett, Canonsburg, Pittsburgh, Herminie and the good old home-towners. Our only regret was that some of you who planned to be with us couldn't make it, but we'll be holding a few more affairs this winter and let's do hope that the weatherman will be a little more lenient so as not to cause any more disappointments.

Our final meeting for the year was very well attended, many important topics were discussed. For one thing, plans were made for our next affair which will be a "Heart to Heart" dance on Feb. 11. Remember that, friends! Another thing of importance that we discussed was the dance on Jan. 2 which the J. Z. Jr.'s are going to hold. Six of our most capable members were selected as committees. Every member of our Lodge will also do his part to make this dance an overwhelming success.

Officers were also elected for the year 1939: they are: Frank Ambrosio, president; Thomas Dennick, vice president; Tillie Bolte, secretary; Anne Slapnik, recorder; Fran Dermotta, treasurer; Skeets Peternel, Frank Yeran, Charles Prijatelj—auditing board.

Bowling Tournament

Do you consider yourself a good, bad or an average bowler? Do you suppose you could be able to walk off with any one of the first or second prizes, or even a "boobie" prize? Well, there is only one sure way of finding out and that is, by attending the Sixth Annual Duck-Pin Tournament which will be held at the Stanley Alleys in Carriek, Pa., on Jan. 2. Take it from me, if you bowled good last year you'll do twice as well this year because when you bowl on such

JSZ Branch 49 Gives Yule Dance

CLEVELAND, O.—During the past few years on Christmas eve, a dance was given by Branch 49 of JSZ at the Slovene Workmen's Home, 15335 Waterloo rd. And if you were one of the crowd that attended it, you had a good time. So don't miss this year's dance given by Branch 49 on Christmas night, Dec. 25, at the same place, Lower hall, starting time 7:30. Johnny Zalogar, trumpeter, will serenade the dancers. Girls and boys, bring your friends along and enjoy an evening of real entertainment at SDD with Branch 49. Be merry on Christmas!

FRANK BARBIC.

smooth, glossy alleys your scores are bound to be good. This year there will also be 28 alleys, which means that the tournament will be over much sooner than it was last year. We feel certain that everyone of you will take a fancy to this place because everything about it is quite modernistic and very convenient. If, at any time you should get an urge for a drink or a bite to eat, just walk into the next room and there you can either have a drink at the bar or you may sit in any one of the comfortable booths and enjoy your lunch which Mr. Stanley assures will be quite reasonable.

Have the older folks interested as well as the young. Have them send out one or two teams. The J. Z. Jr.'s are sending a girls' and boys' team, and the senior SNPJ lodge is also sending two men teams. So there you are; we got them interested and so can you.

Dance at Carriek

At 8 p. m. the Carriek Eagles hall, which is only a block from the alleys will be opened to the public. This hall is well-known for its large ballroom and for its splendid dances held there every Saturday night. Some of the best Pittsburgh bands play there, and so the Committee has arranged to obtain Benny Burton and his ten piece orchestra (a radio orchestra). Admission will be 35c in advance, 40c at the door. Be there early and stay late! KAY LIKOVICH, Lodge 682.

Co-op Yule Program

WAUKEGAN, ILL.—The fourth annual Co-op Christmas program for children will be held Saturday evening, December 24, at the Slovene hall, starting at 7:30. Toys and packages of fruits and candies will be distributed by the Co-op Santa Claus to the children and a twelve-foot Xmas tree will be decorated and lighted to give the proper spirit to the occasion.

As part of the program, Swan Lindman, talented amateur Photographer and cameraman who has been taking movies of various activities of the Co-op and the Slovene National hall, will show pictures of interesting events of the past year. Of particular interest to adults will be the burning of the Deerpath Inn in Lake Forest; the floods caused by the heavy rains in this locality last spring; and the excellent action "Takes" of the seven-week long Chicago Hardware Furniture strike which occurred this summer.

Children, of course, will be admitted free, but adults will be required to pay an admission fee. The adults, however, will be given a chance to win the "mystery" door prize. Everyone is invited to the Co-op Christmas Eve program. "ACRES."