

DETROITSKA KONFERENCA NA ROBU POLOMA

Governor Murphy še vedno upa, da bo konflikt poravnal

UNIJA OBJAVILA SVOJE ZAHTEVE

Detroit, Mich., 9. febr.—Konferenca med uradniki korporacije General Motors, Johnom L. Lewisom, načelnikom odbora za industrijsko organizacijo ter reprezentanti avtne unije je bila pretrgana danes zjutraj, nakar sta governor Murphy, ki predseduje konferenci in Lewis podala izjavi, v katerih sta poudarila svoje stališče. Governor je naznanil, da se bo konferenca obnovila danes zvečer, dasi je korporacija nekaj ur prej namignila, da se ne bo udeležila nadaljnjih sestankov z reprezentanti avtne unije.

Murphy je še vedno optimističen, kar kaže njegova izjava, da sta obe stranki zdaj bližje sporazumu kot kdaj prej, odkar trajajo razgovori. Glavna sporna točka je, kar priznava oboje skupini, vprašanje, ali naj avtna unija reprezentira vse delavce pri kolektivnih pogajanjih s korporacijo.

Govorice o polomu pogajanj nocoj utihniti. Sedaj še ni gotovo, ali bo korporacija poslala svoje reprezentante na konferenco, ki se bo nocoj obnovila. Iz večerjane izjave, ki jo je podala korporacija, je razvidno, da bo konferenca bojkotirala. V tej izjavi naglašajo, da "mora upoštevati pravice vseh delavcev, ne samo onih, ki so člani avtne unije."

William Green, predsednik Ameriške delavske federacije, je zdaj posegel v situacijo. V telegramu, ki ga je poslal governorju Murphyju, je zahteval zaščito interesov delavcev, ki so vključeni v unijah ADF, v tej kontroverzi. Green in drugi člani eksekutive ADF že dolgo časa vodijo opozicijo proti Lewisovega odbora, ki skuša organizirati delavce v industrijah masne produkcije v industrijskih unijah.

Lewis je večerjaj pojasnil zahteve avtne unije. Te so:

- Korporacija General Motors mora priznati avtno unijo kot predstavnicu vseh delavcev v dvajsetih tovarnah, ki so ustavile obrat v sedanji stavki, pri kolektivnih pogajanjih. Vse druge sporne točke se morajo rešiti na nadaljnjih konferencah med reprezentanti avtne unije in uradniki korporacije. Vse tovarne korporacije, one, ki so imenovane v seznamu in one, ki niso, a so ustavile obrat, mora obnoviti obrat v času, ko se bodo vrnila pogajanja, da se doseže dogovor glede drugih spornih vprašanj. Razume se, da korporacija ne sme zapostavljati nobenega delavca zaradi u-nijskih aktivnosti in vsi morajo biti ponovno upošleni.

Shod o moskovskih procesih v Chicagu

Chicago. — Senzacionalni moskovski procesi proti starim boljševikom in preganjanje Trockija bo predmet, o katerem bo sta govorila Norman Thomas in Albert Goldman na shodu prihodnje nedelje ob treh popoldne v Capitol Buildingu, 169 N. State st. Kakor poročajo listi, je bilo zadnje dni po vsej Sovjetski uniji aretiranih veliko število "trockistov", katere postavijo pred sodišče radi opozicije proti Stalinovi politiki. V teku da je največja "čistka" v komunistični stranki od leta 1917. Oba govornika sta pristala Sovjetske unije, toda ne odobravata persekucij njensh graditeljev. Norman Tho-

Važno opozorilo

S tem se ponovno opozarjajo vsa tista društva, ki so se združila v svrhu izvolitve skupnega delegata za enajsto redno konvencijo, da je potrebno, da vsako društvo zase naznani gl. predsedniku, s katerim društvom ali društvu se je združilo, in sicer, najkasneje do 15. februarja t. l. Tako določajo pravila in to je treba upoštevati, da bo veljavno. Danes, ko to pišemo, je že 10. februarja, pa od velikega števila društev še nismo prejeli nobenega takega naznana, dasi smo že parkrat objavili v uradnem glasilu natančna navodila glede tega. To je zadnja prilika za prizadeta društva, da store svojo dolžnost, in naš zadnji opomin glede tega.

Sijajen finančni napredek SNPJ v l. 1936

Skladi so napredovali skoro za pol milijona

Skupno premoženje SNPJ 1. januarja 1936... \$6,863,366.51
Skupno premoženje SNPJ 31. decembra 1936... 7,280,014.28
Finančni napredek v letu 1936... 416,647.77

Gornje številke kažejo, da je SNPJ napredovala skoro za pol milijona dolarjev v preteklem letu. To pomeni, da se premoženje SNPJ zdaj množi približno za milijon dolarjev vsake dve leti. Večina tega imetja je danes vložena v federalnih in municipalnih bondih.

Domače vesti

SNPJ prispevala \$300 za stavkarje

Chicago. — Po sklepu gl. upr. odbora je SNPJ pred nekaj dnevi poslala ček za \$300 odboru slovenskih avtnih stavkarjev, članov SNPJ, v Clevelandu, O.

S seje gl. odbora SNPJ
Chicago. — Gl. odbor SNPJ je prvi dan svojega letnega zborovanja zaključil, da SNPJ prispeva ameriškemu Rdečemu križu za poplavljenice \$500 in Cankarjevi ustanovi v Clevelandu \$100.

Nov grob na zapadu

East Helena, Mont.—Tu je umrl za pljučnico John M. Rigler ml., star 35 let in rojen v Ameriki. Bil je član društva 143 SNPJ in tu zapuščal ženo, tri otroke, starše, brata in sestro. — V tej naselbini zelo razsaja influenza in društvo Slovenski lovec št. 143 SNPJ ima zdaj devet članov na bolniški listi.

Nesreča v tovarni

Barberton, O.—Pri delu v tovarni se je zadnje dni ponesrečil rojak Tone Škerl. Raztopljeno železo ga je ožgalo na nogi. — V tej naselbini se je pojavil neki Tone Bajc, ki je prodajal "zdravila za vse" in opeharil je mnogo rojakov. "Zdravila" so obstojala iz neke zelene vode.

Sedeča stavka zajela nadaljnjo papirnico

Joliet, Ill., 9. febr. — Včeraj je izbruhnila sedeča stavka v peti papirnici Midwest Wall Paper Co. Stiri papirnice te kompanije v Jolietu, ena v Chicagu in ena v New Yorku, so že prej ustavile obrat zaradi sedeče stavke. Ray Shay, predsednik sveta delavskih in strokovnih unij, je naznanil, da bo njegova organizacija podpirala stavkarje, dokler kompanija ne bo pristala na kolektivna pogajanja.

Cene potrebičnam naraščajo

Washington, D. C.—Cene življenjskim potrebščinam so se v januarju dvignile tri odstotke in dosegle najvišjo točko v zadnjih šestih letih. Tako se glasi poročilo I. Lubina, člana federalnega biroja delavske statistike.

mas je tudi član mednarodne delavske komisije za nepristransko obravnavo in preiskavo Trockijeve zadeve. Shodu bo predsedoval Frank W. McCulloch, vodja Workers Alliance v Chicagu. Vstopnina je 25 centov.

Malaga prišla pod fašistično kontrolo

Mussolinijeve čete prve vkorakale v mesto

Gibraltar, 9. febr. — Fašistični uporniki imajo popolno kontrolo nad Malago, nad glavnim pristaniščem mestom ob Sredozemskem morju na jugu Španije. Takoj po okupaciji so fašisti naznanili, da bodo vsi lojalisti, ki so jih zajeli, prišli pred vojno sodišče. Okrog pet tisoč lojalistov so fašisti že aretirali.

Vest iz Almerije, iz vladnih virov se glasi, da je bilo v armadi, ki je invadirala Malago, 20,000 tujecev, med temi Italijani, Nemci in Maročani. Ista vest naglašajo, da so naokoli na mesto vodili naciji na nemški bojni ladji Graf von Spee. Prvi regiment, ki je vkorakal v mesto, so tvorili Italijani; tem so sledili vojniki tujake legije in Maročani.

Lojalisti so se pogumno borili, a niso bili kos premoči fašistične armade. Okupacija je bila popolna, ko so se uporniške čete strnile na glavnem trgu Plaza de Constitución. Takoj nato so se pričele plenitve in poizgi v glavnem delu mesta. Fašisti, ki so jih lojalisti držali v ječah, so bili takoj izpuščeni, medtem pa so tulle silene na fašističnih bojnih ladjah, ki so sodelovale pri bombardiranju mesta pred vkorakanjem fašističnih čet v Malago.

V lojalističnih vrstah je nastala velika zmešnjava, ko so jih fašisti obkolili od vseh strani. Nekateri vodilni anarhisti in sindikalisti so se pravočasno umaknili v smeri proti Motrilu in Almeriji, dočim so bili drugi ujeti, ko so se skušali vzkresiti na parnik v pristanišču. Neko poročilo javlja, da je več lojalistov utonilo, ko so skušali pobegniti.

Stavka gozdarskih delavcev v Minn.

Državna zbornica posegla v konflikt

St. Paul, Minn. — (FP) — Šest tisoč gozdarskih delavcev je zavojevalih v stavki, katero je oklical Timber Workers unija. Stavkarji zahtevajo minimalno mezo \$4 na dan, čista in dobro prežarjena šotorišča, priznanje unije in izboljšanje delovnih pogojev.

V nižji zbornici je bila sprejeta resolucija, ki naglašajo nezmožen položaj gozdarskih delavcev in poziva governorja E. A. Benson, naj takoj odredi preiskavo. Resolucija je bila zdaj poslana v senat, kjer bo nedvomno sprejeta. Pričakujejo, da jo bo governor Benson podpisal, kar je že izjavil, da so zahteve stavkarjev upravičene. On je obljubil, da bodo stavkarji prejeli podporo iz državnega relifnega sklada.

Nadaljnja kompanijska unija dobila brco

Boston, Mass. — Kompanijski "unionizem" je stvar prošlosti v delavnicah Boston & Maine železnice. Pri volitvah, ki so se vršile pod nadzorstvom federalnega železniškega odbora, so se delavci z veliko večino izrekli za unijo Ameriške delavske federacije kot svojo predstavnico pri kolektivnih pogajanjih.

Velik razmah rajonske industrije v Kanadi

Ottawa, Kanada. — Produkcija rajona in drugega tekstilnega blaga je poskočila 85 odstotkov od l. 1929, se glasi uradno poročilo. Preteklo leto so tovarne izdelale 50,000,000 jardov rajona.

FRANCOZI SO HRBTENICA MADRIDSK RIDSKE ARMADE

Najbolj odločni in pogumni vojaki

STOTNIK POJASNIL SITUACIJO

Paris, 9. febr. — V kako veliki meri Nemci, Italijani, Francozi in Rusi sodelujejo v vojnih operacijah na madridski fronti, je pojasnil stotnik Henry Bonnevillle de Marsagny, član francoske rojalistične organizacije, ki se je pridružil tujski legiji generala Francisa Franca, vrhovnega poveljnika španske fašistične armade. Marsagny je dobil desetdnevni dopust, da se je vrnil k svoji družini, ki je v Parizu.

On je dejal, da je v lojalistični armadi na madridski fronti okrog 30,000 francoskih prostovoljcev in ti so hrbtnica armade. Njim gre zasluga, da uporniške čete še niso zasedle Madrida. V odbujanju nasokov so hrabri kakor levi. Poleg Francozov se na strani ljudske armade borijo Rusi in člani drugih narodnosti. Rusov ni tako veliko število kakor se glasio nekatere poročila; dejstvo pa je, da so vjetaka vlada zalaga lojaliste v letali, orožjem in bojnim materialom.

Marsagny je zanikal vesti, da se regularne enote nemškega "Reichswehra" borijo na strani fašistične generala Franca, priznal pa je, da ima Franco okrog 25,000 nemških "prostovoljcev". Število italijanskih "prostovoljcev" je večje, toda natančnih podatkov ni.

Vreme igra veliko vlogo v vojnih operacijah na madridski fronti. Deževni naliivi, ki so spreminili široke pase ozemlja v močvirja, ovirajo nasokke na Madrid in predmetja. Francoška bojna letala prihajajo v Španijo v čim dalje večjem številu, iz Rusije pa manj kakor v prejšnjih tednih. Prav tako prihaja iz Rusije manj živih in Marsagny je mnenja, da nemške in italijanske bojne ladje stalno prežijo na ruske parnike in da so jih že več potopile, čeprav sovetjska vlada molči o tem, toda njen molk je iz gotovih vzrokov razumljiv.

Ostanki človeka iz predledne dobe

Nov "spojni člen" v evoluciji človeka

Peiping, 9. febr.—Delavel tukajšnjega ameriškega naravoslovnega oddelka, ki ga vodi nemški profesor Franc Weidenreich, so pred nekaj dnevi odkopali v znamenitih skalnatih jamah pokrajine Čukutien pri Peipingu tri človeške lobanje, ki so nov dokaz, da je človek živel v Aziji pred pol milijona leti, to je pred zadnjo ledeno dobo. Lobanje, dve moški in ena ženska, so ostanki pračloveka, ki je živel v omenjenih jamah. Znaki teh lobanj, zlasti nadošne kosti, kažejo, da je bil ta pračlovek prav blizu svojega živalskega prednika. Profesor Weidenreich meni, da so te lobanje nadaljnji "spojni člen", ki nazorno kaže in dokazuje evolucijo človeka.

Federalna komisijska preprečila konsolidacijo

Washington, D. C. — Federalna komisija za meddržavno trgovino je zavrgla peticojo glede združitve dveh železnice, Rock Island & Pacific ter Rock Island & Gulf. Ta akcija pomeni zmago železniških "bratovščin", ki so protestirale proti konsolidaciji.

Časopisni mag- natje se boje unije

Zvišali so plače, da preprečijo organiziranje delavcev

Los Angeles, Cal. — (FP) — Val tukajšnji dnevniki so zvišali plače reporterjem in članom uredniških štabov petnajst do trideset odstotkov, kar se smatra za delno zmago pred kratkim ustanovljene postojanke Ameriškega časopisnega gilda, ki ima že več ko dvesto članov.

Prva dva lista, ki sta zvišala plače, sta bila "Examiner" in "Herald-Express". Hearstova dnevnik. Nato so sledili "Illustrated Daily News", "Evening News" in "Times", najbolj konservativen list v Los Angelesu in velik sovražnik organiziranega delavstva. Poleg zvišanja plače je bil delovni teden skrajšan na 40 ur v uredniških departmen-tih teh listov.

Izdajatelji listov so napeli vse sile, da ustavijo organizatorično kampanjo med časopisnim delavci, a niso uspeli. Organizatorji unije napovedujejo, da bodo v kratkem val časopisni delavci, upošleni pri tukajšnjih dnevnikih, v organizaciji. Organizatorično kampanjo podpirajo mestna delavska federacija, svet stavbnih unij in druge delavske organizacije.

Avtna korporacija zabredla v zagato

Vse potene proti stavkarjem se izjalovile

Flint, Mich. — (FP) — Močno korporacija General Motors ima slabe generale, kar dokazuje vse njene akcije, ki jih je doslej podvela proti stavkarjem, ki so okupirali njene tovarne.

Prva velika napaka je bila narajena, ko se je zatekla k sodniku Blacku, da izpolnjuje injunkcijo. Sodnik ji je ugodil, toda unija je odkrila, da Black poseduje veliko število delnic korporacije in tako je injunkcija postala krpa papirja. Z drugo potezo, ki je dobila novo injunkcijo pri sodniku Godoli, se je tudi opekla. Šerif Tom Wolcott je prečital besedilo injunkcije stavkarjem in to je bilo vse. Naznanil je, da je s tem izvršil svojo dolžnost, od governorja pa je odvisno izvajanje injunkcije.

Ko je prišel moment, ko bi se morali stavkarji umakniti iz tovarni, ni bilo nobenega, ki bi izvajal injunkcijo, istočasno pa so žene stavkarjev in simpatizirali obkolili tovarne. Razpršili so se šele na poziv unije, ki je sklenila dogovor s mestnimi avtoritetami, da ne bo uprizarjala demonstracij v času konference z uradniki avtne korporacije.

"To je bila vražja zmaga," je dejal William S. Knudsen, podpredsednik korporacije, ko je bil informiran, da so stavkarji ignorirali injunkcijo. Kmalu nato je izbruhnila nadaljnja sedeča stavka v tovarni št. 9 Chevrolet Co.

Militaristična "strategija" korporacije se je izjalovila na vsej črti, čeprav ima v svoji službi armado špionov in pobojnikov. Njena oborožena sila, s katero sodelujejo tudi mestne avtoritete v Flintu, se ne sme ganiti, ker je governor Murphy odločno proti nasilnemu izgonu stavkarjev iz tovarni. Tudi v službah, da mestne avtoritete oborožijo armado posebnih policajev, ne bo dosti pomagalo, če bo governor vztrajal na svojem stališču. On lahko razglasi kot vrhovni uradnik države obsejano stanje, kar pomeni, da državna milica prevzame kontrolo nad situacijo.

ki bi rezultirala v odložitvi več tisoč delavcev.

MINNESOTA V OBJEMU NO- VEGA 'DEALA'

Bensonova administracija predložila dolgo listo reform

ODSEV VOLILNE ZMAGE

St. Paul, Minn. — Velika zmaga minnesotske farmersko-delavske stranke pri jesenskih volitvah je dobila širok odmev še prve dni zasedanja nove legislature, kateri je administracija governorja Bensonova predložila dolgo listo socialnih reform v interesu delovnega ljudstva. Farmersko-laboriti imajo večino v nižji zbornici, ne pa v višji, kar bo oviralo zakonodajni program nove vlade.

Zakonodajni program vsebuje mnogo važnih reform. Med temi je zvišanje davka na ogromna posestva jeklarskega trusta za 50 do 60%. To zvišanje bi ne zadelo le izkopane železne rude, marveč tudi neizkopano, to je obdobje naravnega bogastva pod zemljo, ki je bilo do zdaj davka prosto.

Dohodninski davek namerava vlada zvišati precej radikalno, na večje dohodke dvakrat in trikrat več kot sedaj. Osebe s \$15,000 dohodki na leto bi na primer plačale 16.5% davka v primeri s petimi odstotki po sedanjem zakonu.

Potem je osnutek za pralino zavarovanje delavcev proti požarom; podaljšanje moratorija na farmerske dolgeve za dve leti; omejitev tovornih viakov na 3000 čevljev dolžine in na 14 vagonov za osebne vlake; kreiranje okrajnih blaginjskih komisij; omejitev "loan sharkov" ali odušerških posojevalnic, ki bi prišle pod regulacijo državnega bančnega departmanta.

Za financiranje relifa vlada predlaga \$17,000,000 za prihodnje dve leti in dva milijona za dodatne relifne izdatke.

Več osnutkov je administracija predložila v zvezi s javnimi napravami. Eden teh bi občinam omogočil uspešnejše obratovanje občinskih elektrarn z odstranjenjem raznih restrikcij. Drugi bi omogočil državni vladi gradnjo elektrarn ob slapovih in produkciranje elektrike.

Vlada tudi predlaga registriranje vseh profesionalnih lobistov, ki so aktivni v državnih zbornici. Nadalje vladni monopol nad alkoholnimi pijačami s ustanovitvijo državnih likerjskih trgovin.

Proti temu zakonodajnemu programu Bensonove administracije je že nastala večja opozicija. Lobisti jeklarskega trusta so se zatekli k stari metodi in priporočajo odložitve osnutka. Konservativni poslanci in senatorji pravijo, da deset milijonov popolnoma zadostuje za relifne potrebe za prihodnji dve leti.

Dohodke od zvišanja dohodninskega davka in večjega obdavčevanja jeklarskega trusta namerava vlada potrošiti za javno blaginjo, kar privilegiranim interesom ne ugaia.

Benson je tudi posegel v stavko 5000 gozdarjev v severnem delu države in imenoval komisijo petih članov za preiskavo razmer v gozdarskih kemph. Stavka je bila zadnje dni poravnana. Gozdarji so dobili priznanje unije, \$40 minimalne mesečne plače s hrano, osemurni delovnik, 18% zvišanje akordnih plač in zaprto delavnico. Pogodba velja do prihodnjega septembra.

Stavka izdelovalcev srajc na jugu

LaFollette, Tenn. — Pri Atlas Shirt kompaniji je zastavkalo 400 delavk za priznanje unije, skrajšanje delovnika in zvišanje plač.

Calumet Sentinels

CHICAGO, ILL.—It is hoped that there shall be a large attendance at the next monthly meeting on Monday evening, Feb. 15. Due to the fact that our membership does not reach the necessary quota entitling us to select a delegate to the forthcoming convention in May, steps have been taken to have some representation, thus we have merged with the Lincolns of Springfield. The nomination of our delegate will be one of the important items at this meeting as well as discussion on our approaching 10th Anniversary. Please do your part by being present.

Such a gay time was proclaimed by the ten members that attended Nada's Masquerade Dance Saturday evening, that they're still talking about it—prizes were carried home by the "trio." Yours truly is still quite "peevish" with the Pioneer Globe Trotters for their action at the "bar."

Our vice president, Alex La Dere, is out of town at the present time and Sentinels all sincerely hope his stay will not be permanent.

A comment on the new Sec'y, Louis Malnarich. He is performing his duties very capably and we hope he continues to do so. Louis has just recently been transferred from the Juvenile department and the work being quite new to him, members should cooperate by paying their dues on time and avoiding any unnecessary difficulties.

JENNIE KUHLE, Lodge 610.

E. S. Western Penna SNPJ Forum

UNIVERSAL, PA.—The Educational Committee has been invited to hold the second of a series of SNPJ Forums in Ambridge on Sunday, Feb. 21. For the benefit of those unaware of this activity of the Federation these Forums are being held for the purpose of examining and discussing from all possible angles the issues confronting our Society to the end that they may become more familiar to the membership, and especially to those who may attend the convention this year.

The first Forum was addressed by Louis Kosela and Michael Kumer in Pittsburgh on the subject of "Athletics in the SNPJ." Copies of their addresses were published in the Prosveda.

For the Feb. 21 Forum the Committee has selected for its subject, "What kind of Insurance Policies shall our Society carry?" August Riska and this writer will lead the discussion and their addresses will also be published in the Prosveda.

Largely because of lack of publicity, the first Forum was not so well attended. From the apparent interest manifested however, there is every reason to believe that much larger attendance may be expected at this and at future meetings. In addition—it hardly need be mentioned—the Reveliers may be expected to adhere to their traditional policy of being the "good hosts and hostesses," and having some sort of social, following the meeting. (This is unofficial.)

Will other contributors from this section of SNPJ land kindly cooperate and help to make this, and succeeding Forums the best possible success? MAX KUMER, Member Educational Committee.

Harmonizers Lodge No. 700

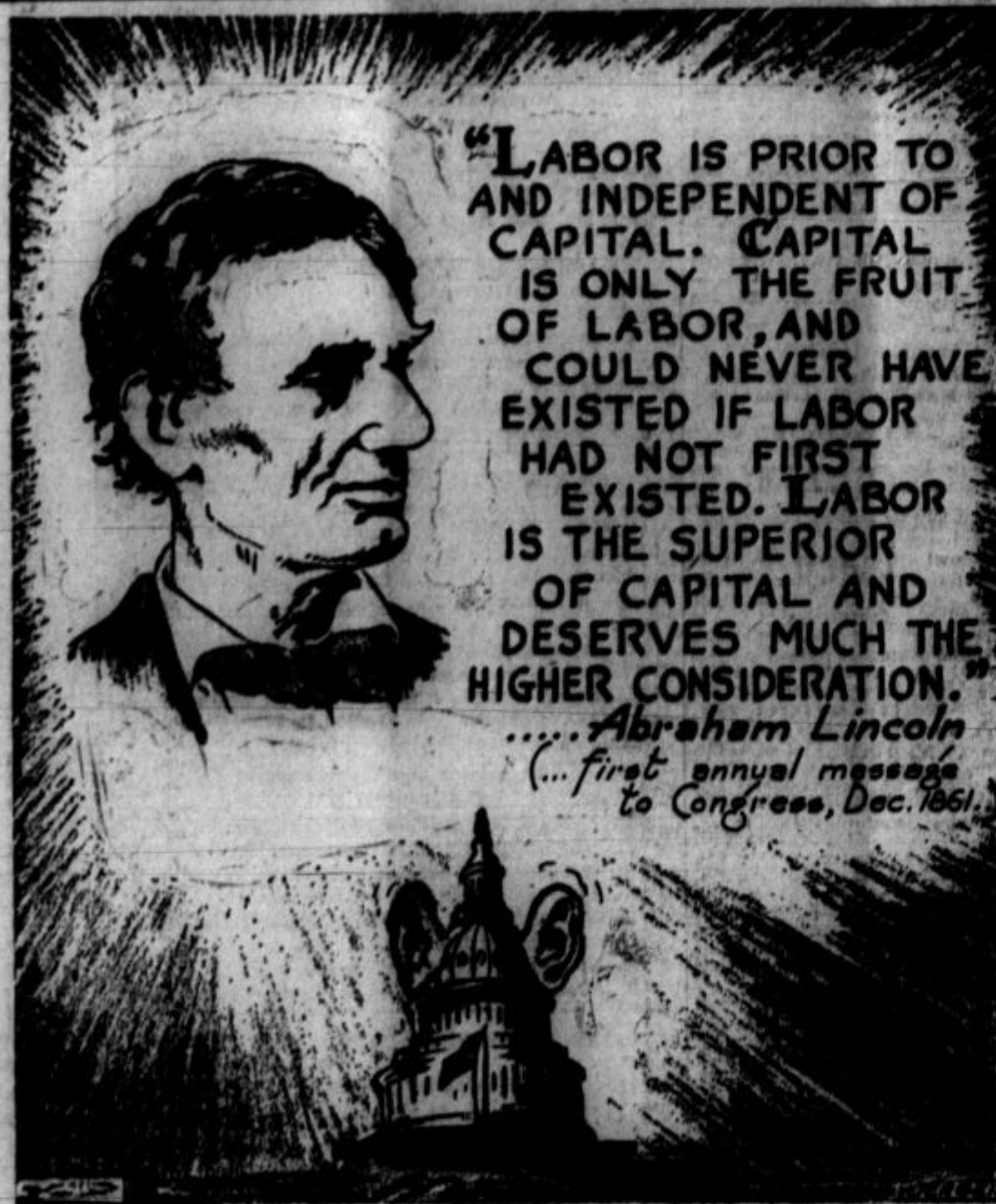
ROUNDUP, MONT.—This being the only letter in the Prosveda for about a year, I wish to take this privilege of assuring members that the SNPJ Lodge 700 is well and still able to get around. I know you wonder why a letter from Lodge 700 has never appeared in the Prosveda for a good long time. We have now a new publicity committee who will keep you informed and I am one of those on the committee.

Our Seventh Annual dance on Christmas eve has proved a success. A huge crowd was present and the dance was enjoyed by both young and old. A prize of a pony keg of beer and three grocery baskets were drawn on numbers which were on the dance tickets.

We, the Harmonizers, have lost a very young brother. His name was Rudolph Hosner, 22 years of age. The cause of his death was influenza. He was the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Tony Hosner. We wish to express our deep and sincere sympathy to them.

I would like to see more members take part in monthly meetings, because we are able to do so much more with a good attendance. Please try to make it a habit hereafter to attend the meetings regularly and on the dot. FRANK RAVNIKAR, Lodge 700.

Lincoln on Labor



Off the President's Bat

A Fine Start

CLEVELAND.—Seldom has it befallen any president of the Comrades the rare privilege of inducing new members at his first meeting. That is exactly what happened at the January meeting, and it gives one a rare sense of satisfaction. This initial experience should act as a healthy stimulant for all Comrades in bringing in new blood every month. Remember this! There are hundreds of young men and women willing and able to join if only someone asked them to do so.

The new members are all of the gentler sex and of the type, we are certain, who will add much to the steady progress made by the Comrades in the last ten years. Once again we welcome Frances Novak, Vera Novak and Victoria Pence into the best and most progressive organization of its kind.

Convention News

Yes, indeed, the Convention. From now on till it actually opens the Cleveland Federation will know an SNPJ Convention is to be held in Cleveland. For the past month representatives of Cleveland SNPJ lodges have met and discussed plans and programs for the Convention period, and the Cleveland Federation's Tenth Anniversary Celebration which is to open the Convention. There is no need of going into details here for those people in charge of publicity will shortly acquaint every member about what is to transpire the last two weeks in May.

Our Next Meeting

Tuesday, February 16, is likely to be one of the most important this year. Of utmost importance is the selection of our representative to the Convention. There are many problems of vital concern to the English Speaking Lodges which must be studied and understood, so it behooves us to use care and deliberation in the selection of a worthy representative. The Comrade lodge has in its membership numerous men and women capable and interested in the welfare of the organization. It is up to you to select one who you feel is most suited.

If time permits we may try discussing a few of the problems certain to be brought before the Convention. We have three months in which to decide upon a course of action for our representative to follow. Come prepared with suggestions and ideas next Tuesday.

One more thought before closing. Comrade meetings come only once each month. Don't you feel you can easily spare one evening a month to something as important as a lodge meeting? Certainly you can, and incidentally the sooner you get there the sooner it will be over. John Alleh, our entertainment chairman, is certain to have something worthwhile after the meeting. You are paying for these meetings, so why not get your money's worth.

FRANK A. TRUDEN, President, Comrades.

Important Notice

All lodges having merged with other lodges for the purpose of electing a delegate to the Eleventh Regular Convention, are hereby again notified that it is imperative that each lodge individually informs the Supreme President with which lodge or lodges it has merged not later than February 15. The by-laws so prescribe, and the provision must be complied with in order to make the merger valid. At this date, which is already February 10, there are many lodges that have not yet sent in a report stating the lodge or lodges they have merged with, in spite of the fact that several requests that they do so have been made in our official organ. This is now the last opportunity for these lodges to send in their reports, and it is our last notification.

VINCENT CAINKAR, Supreme President

Comments on This and That

By IVAN MOLEK, Editor

OUR AID TO THE UNIONS.—CRIMINAL INSINUATIONS.—THANKS FOR ADVICE FROM THE "RIGHT" AND "LEFT"

The auto workers of the country are striking for their elementary rights. Hundreds, if not thousands, of the SNPJ members are involved in this mighty struggle. Especially is this true in Cleveland, Ohio, where is a large body of our members strike-bound in the Fisher Body shops.

Our Society, which is a priori an organization of workers, has always supported its members morally and financially wherever they struck in conjunction with other toilers for a just cause. It is on record that thousands of dollars have been paid by the Society to its members in such conflicts in the years gone by.

To live up to its record, the SNPJ has through its Administrative Committee just voted a sum of \$300 for the benefit of its striking members in Cleveland. The Society stands by the striking auto workers and hopes that their industrial union of the CIO will soon celebrate its complete victory. Stand fast, brothers, in this struggle, we are with you!

Rev. Milan Slaje, a well known Catholic priest of Lorain, O., is of the opinion that the fund for the Spanish victims of fascism, collected by the SNPJ lodges and individual members, will never see Spain. He writes in the Zarja, organ of the Slovenian Women's Union of America, that he thinks this money will stay in the U. S. and it will "help to solve the financial difficulties of some Slovene socialists and communists."

As the SNPJ lodges and individual members, as mentioned before, have so far collected some \$3000 or more for this fund, and inasmuch as this fund is handled by Bro. Vincent Cankar, our President, the Rev. Slaje's insinuations smack of an accusation that the Society harbors crooks and thieves in its midst. Bro. Cankar will in the near future publish in the Prosveda the documentary proof which will show that every dollar received by Bro. Cankar was forwarded to the proper committee in New York, and it will, furthermore, show where this money went from New York and what it is being spent for.

Upon publication of this evidence we will have more to say about Rev. Slaje's unwarranted and slanderous fabrications.

Our Society is "fortunate" in having so many "friends" who are worried as to the outcome of our next convention. These outside "friends" of ours are now busy giving advice up to complete programs to our membership.

The Chicago clerical "friends" of the SNPJ know the "best course" our Society should pursue, and, therefore, are very anxious that our lodges elect the "right kind" of delegates. Of course, they are willing to help to that end, and the SNPJ members would oblige them very much if they would listen to them—to them only.

Then we have some "friends" on the other extreme who would not trust anybody in the SNPJ but their own kind. Presently, this group concentrates in Pittsburgh, Pa., and lingers under apparent communistic leadership. Their notion is, as outlined in their set of measures, that the SNPJ should be run primarily to heal all the troubles of the extremists in this and other countries.

Our "friends" of the right and the left have forgotten one important fact, that is, that the great majority of our members are of mature mind, and this majority has proved that it knows how to run its Society! The mature and intelligent members need no outside advice, and they will reject all such interference.

The Reveliers' Column

AMBRIDGE, PA.—The Revelier members and Slovenes of Ambridge mourn the death of a beloved Slovene Mother, member of Naš Dom Lodge, Mrs. Margaret Kosela. Mrs. Kosela is the mother of two of the Reveliers' most faithful boosters, Louis and Rudy Kosela. We grieve with the father and nine sons that fate has called time so early in the life of the wife and mother. With heartfelt feeling we bow our heads in sorrow.

Revelier members please note the following news and lend your whole-hearted co-operation: On February 13 the Reveliettes girls' club is holding a card party in the newly located Slovene Home at 129 Merchant street. Come and bring all your friends.

On February 14 an Ambridge Jugoslav group is sponsoring an all afternoon and evening dance and entertainment for the sole benefit of flood sufferers. Officers of the Slovene Home are in charge of ticket selling among the Slovenes. Each and every one should buy a ticket for this worthy cause. Get your ticket at once from Tony Grandovic (Beaver Road) or from Charles Grosdeck.

On February 21 the Reveliers will have what strongly promises to be the biggest monthly meeting of the year. Here is the reason: First, we have our routine work to dispose of; secondly, we will have as guests the members of the Broughton Lodge with whom arrangements have been made to merge for the election of a convention delegate, and thirdly, our invitation to the Federation Committee to have an Open Forum at our meeting has been accepted. The question "Endowment Insurance in the SNPJ" will be presented pro and con by August Riska of the Canonsburg Pioneers and Max Kumer of the Universal Comets.

We cordially invite all interested Federation Lodge Members to visit us that evening, and we especially urge the members of Naš Dom Lodge to come and join the questioning and discussion that will follow. Let us have 100% attendance on February 21. MARTIN F. SPEC, Lodge 699.

Buckeye Bits

By Stepiie and Mary

BARBERTON, O.—The Buckeyes have taken another step up the ladder of SUCCESS, this time with their 9th Anniversary dance which was a tremendous success. We promised a "June in January" affair and even the weather man was on our side, for it truly was June in January. Friends from far and near thronged the hall. Sharon-Farrell SNPJ Social Club, J. Z. Jrs. Beacons, Strugglers, Comrades, Akron Zippers, the Wrong Club, New Eras, Harmerville Ramblers, Veronians, Niles, Canton McKinleyites, the locally highly praised Riprappers and members of our Senior lodges were represented, the largest being a busload from Sharon-Farrell. Due to the fact many of our members had various duties to perform, they had to neglect their friends but, nevertheless, we hope everybody had a good time.

The Clevelanders were fortunate enough to carry off the door prize money. First prize was won by the (Continued on Page 8)

Sheboygan News

SHEBOYGAN, WIS.—Our first venture of the new year is going to be a card party, Sunday, February 14, at 7:30 p. m., at Fludernick's hall. The tickets are 25c and can be purchased from any one of our members.

The committee started work immediately; in fact, the minute it was elected, and as a consequence, everything is in readiness. The committee was able to obtain some mighty fine prizes through donations. I'll give you a hint of what fine prizes there are going to be by telling you that one of the prizes is a case of beer! And are we giving a swell door prize? So let's get busy and sell all our tickets.

The committee would like to have all members present at the hall at 6 o'clock p. m. on Sunday to help with the work, setting up and arranging tables, chairs, etc. Don't make it necessary for the committee to do everything. Planning a large card party is a big job in itself. So everybody pitch in!

Our play is still hanging fire, but we're going to put it on if we have to go outside the Lodge for characters. But why make that necessary? We have more than enough members to handle two plays at the same time, so I can see no reason why we can't get enough for one. The play is for a worthy cause—our Lodge! Everyone is willing to accept benefit, why be afraid to do a little work in return? There is still time for a try-out. Get in touch with the play committee.

Don't forget that our next regular meeting is February 16, just two days after the card party.

LJUDMILA SHECK, Lodge 694.

SNPJ Union Office Employees' Benefit Dance

CHICAGO.—Graduation will soon be here. Many young men and ladies will receive their diplomas, and will step into the real life struggle, looking for work. Some will have a PULL and their rich relatives or friends will get them jobs, but the majority will not be so fortunate. The unfortunate will go from office to office looking for a job to exist on. The employers knowing of the fact that the supply of office workers is sufficient, can exploit their present employees to the full extent. The employees cannot demand too much from their employers because their employers always tell them, "If you don't want to work, we can get somebody else that will," so the office workers are the least paid of the skilled workers. Workers in other occupations are organized into unions and have the benefits of better wages and better working conditions. The office workers in Chicago have an opportunity to join the Stenographers, Typists, Bookkeepers & Assistants Union, Local 28074, A. F. of L. of which most of the SNPJ employees are members. The union employees of the SNPJ are sponsoring a dance on February 20 at the lower SNPJ hall. The proceeds are for the benefit of the union treasury. Any office worker can receive all the information desired in regards to joining this union by attending the affair or calling CENTRAL 0767.

Publicity Committee.

FRANK ZORDANI.

Manor Cadets Lodge 749

MANOR, PA.—Manor Cadets' first official meeting was a very encouraging one. After the minutes of the organization meeting were read, an unanimous decision was made to hold a card party and bingo, January 25, which was a success. The party was well attended by members and friends.

The "Torches" dance on January 23 was well attended by the Manor Cadets, and a good time was had by all who attended. We had the pleasure of meeting the Fradel family at the card party. We thank them for their cooperation and attendance. We are looking forward to the great memorial event. To our surprise, Yough Valley Knight was present. He was very successful in card playing, and returned home with one of the prizes.

Sister Kregel and Brother Rager were reported ill from an attack of grippie, but are well again.—Brother John Terbat is a proud father of a 10 pound boy. Another Junior member, we hope, John.—Bowling seems to be the subject of discussion lately. Practice makes perfect, you know. If you make a low score the first time, try, try again. Next season we hope to be in great shape and have matches with the outside teams. Good luck to those who are interested.

Manor Cadets, march on! MANOR CADETS.

Strugglers

CLEVELAND.—What a time we had at our meeting last week! Quite a few members were present. Our delegate elected was none other than Brother John Marolt and as his alternate Brother Vince Rupnick. Both are capable of fulfilling the job and I think we did our best to select them as our representatives! The Bank Nite winner was Brother Frank Marolt (one of the strikers at the Fisher Body Plant), a loyal Struggler. We received the following transfers: Mamie Grajar, John Hrovat from V Boj and Rudy Lawrence from the Young American Lodge of Detroit. Welcome into our ranks!

Congratulations

Our Proxy has just been elected President of the Slovene Workmen's Home. Congratulations! We are sure you will be able to fill the post, and the Strugglers wish you the best of luck!

Andrica's Film

Last week Theodore Andrica of the Cleveland Press showed films in technicolor of Yugoslavia at the Slovene Workmen's Home. Over 750 people witnessed the first showing, and to you who were unable to gain admission he has promised to be back on March 12. Admission is free.

Endowment Policy

Have you thought it over? Just what do you think of the Endowment Policy? In my opinion it is needed in the SNPJ! The younger generation would be more interested because they know that at a certain length of time they will receive their money and can do with it just what they wish. Any insurance corporation at the end of twenty years does the same and quite a few of our Slovenes (younger element) have joined various insurance companies.

Our Tenth Anniversary

seems to create quite a bit of interest within the Struggler domain, and are we rarin' to go! On Saturday night we have secured the services of Brother Louis Simonovic and his orchestra, and thanks to Brother Joe Zubakovc we were fortunate enough to have Paul Leeds and his Columbusians (who have just fulfilled an engagement at Hotel West-Lake) on Sunday night and in the lower hall you can dance to your heart's content to the tune of Jackie Zorc's and his trio. Remember him? He is famous

for his Slovene polkas. Elliot Ness, Cleveland's Safety Director, will be the principal speaker, and Lausche and Udovich have promised to render quite a few Slovene duets. And are they good! Any individual or out of town lodge wishing to be represented on our Honor Roll in our Anniversary Booklet can do so by sending \$1.00 to John E. Lokar, 1097 E. 160th st., or Anne Strauss at 16309 Trafalgar ave., Cleveland, Ohio, before February 28. Our tickets have already been sent out and if you have been unfortunate enough not to have received any, your scribe can and will be willing to send you some. All you have to do is let us know. It's going to be a great show, folks. Here is your chance to meet some of the prominent Slovenes in our community! Brother Joe Beck of Ambridge, Pa., has the honor of being the first to make reservations for our TENTH ANNIVERSARY celebration, and we are sure, Joe, that you won't be disappointed! Are there any more? Come one, come all!

Word comes from Mr. Anton Zigman, Sec'y of the Slovene strike Committee, that he has received a check for \$300 from the Slovene National Benefit Society to aid them in their fight. Not only has this Society given them financial support, but moral support as well! We hope you win (the Fisher Body Plant has been closed now for 40 days) and that within a few days you can go back to work contented and happy.

Outstanding Personality

After attending last meeting and scouring around for one who is worthy enough to be mentioned as an outstanding personality, I came to the conclusion that this person deserves a big hand. To keep you from guessing, it is none other than Brother Paul Golob! Remember him? He took the part of the school-teacher in the skit of the "Little Red School House" at our last anniversary. A jolly chap, and not afraid to express his opinion on any subject that happens to come in view. His wise-cracks keep the meeting from being dull affairs. He's ardent booster of our Lodge and we hope that he will be able to help us make a success of our TENTH ANNIVERSARY! Keep up the good work, Paul, and some day you will get your reward!

ANNE STRAUSS,
Rec. Sec'y, Lodge 614.

Spirit-O-Grams

By Whoozit

ST. LOUIS, MO.—Have you read the article concerning the convention? If you haven't, you should, because it is to be the main topic of discussion at our next regular meeting. I would suggest that all of you brush up on your by-laws, especially on the section dealing with conventions because wouldn't your faces be red if a surprise examination were given and you wouldn't know all the answers? "Whoozit" hears nothing, sees nothing, and knows nothing; but if I were you, I'd do as I suggested—brush up.

Since this convention is of extreme importance to all of us, don't you think we should have 100% attendance at the meeting? I'm sure that each member will want to cast his vote for the delegate who is to represent us. Choosing a delegate is a difficult task because extreme care must be taken in selecting someone who is capable, trustworthy, and interested in the welfare of the lodge.

Tonight's newspaper headlines carry information to the effect that President Roosevelt has taken a hand in the G. M. strike which has put some machine production at a standstill. Opinions are in unison concerning

this strike. We are for the workingman and hope he will win, but it seems that he will have a difficult battle because of the opposition with which he is met. We hope that it will be settled soon and peaceably and that everyone involved will be satisfied with the terms of agreement.

Pioneers on Feb. 27—Strugglers on Apr. 3 and 4—made a resolution to start the New Year with vim, vigor and vitality. Best of luck to both of you. Give affairs, advertise the lodge, make new friends and before you know it, you add more members to the list already on the books. It shows that your members are on their toes at all times, working and planning. We await further news from you through the Prosveta columns.

I have heard rumors about bowling. Right? Pa se how! It would be useless to try to hide anything from "Whoozit." Come on, members, it wouldn't only pep you up physically, but mentally as well. You know, all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy.

Lodge meeting Friday, Feb. 12, at 8 p. m.

Integrity Broadcast

CHICAGO.—Wed., Feb. 17, is our regular monthly meeting. At this meeting you will elect your delegate to the SNPJ convention. As many members as possible should attend this meeting so that after the meeting there should not be whispering echoes flying around about the delegate your lodge is sending to the convention. After the meeting entertainment will follow.

The Midwest League gave the Integrity the honor to sponsor the Bowling and Basketball tournament, which will take place on April 3 and 4. The Basketball tournament will take place on Sat., April 3, in the afternoon, and in the evening is our Spring Dance at the Crystal Ball Room. On Sunday, April 4, the Bowling tournament will be in order. So this gives the Integrity Lodge members extra work. All members that are sport-minded and have the fraternal spirit should give the Lodge every bit of co-operation to make this event a successful one. The League gave its confidence in our Lodge, so we must make good. This task must be worked out by all able members. Put your shoulder behind those members that are willing to work.

As Secretary of the Integrity Lodge, I want all the members to know that no one is dictating to me. Those members that say anything like that would like to dictate to me are sadly mistaken by taking such attitude toward a person that is willing to sacrifice more in one day for the

Lodge and its members than they would all their life in the Lodge.

The function of many Lodges in the SNPJ depends upon the secretary. I am willing to move hell on earth for the Integrity and the members if it is needed. The "it" stuff is not in me. We together can do things. Those who perform work with speeches are doing that only for themselves.

Remember: We—Us—and You, not I. When it comes to do something for the Lodge or the members, let's do it all for one and one for all.

MICHAEL FLEISCHHACKER,
Secretary, Lodge 631.

CHICAGO.—I want to remind all members of the Integrity Lodge and Sport Club, that the Pioneer Annual Athletic Dance takes place on Feb. 27 at the SNPJ hall, 2657 So. Lawrence. I want to see everyone of you there who really can attend. Remember, we must support as many of our sister lodges as we can and show our old Integrity spirit. Our Sports Bowling and basketball practices shows the old spirit. Again our girls were to go to Kenosha and play a game there, but our members from Kenosha failed to send me the address or place where to have this game. It takes time and money to operate our teams, so in the future we would appreciate a definite date, place, etc. No hard feelings. Now we start with our big basketball and bowling tournament that takes place

in Chicago on April 3 and 4, a big two-day affair. On Saturday, April 3, our SNPJ Midwest League Basketball tournament will take place at the Olivett Institute, 1441 Cleveland ave., near North ave. The gym is under the direction of our Brother Edward Farrar, a director our SNPJ Society should have, a man of experience in athletics and in general and a real worker. I have found him always ready with a helping hand.

On April 3 at 8 p. m. our regular meeting will be on its way at the beautiful Crystal Ballroom, 2705 W. North ave. Music by the Harmony Hatters. Tickets 40 cents, wardrobe free.

On Sunday, April 4, our Bowling tournament will take place. Prizes. Location will be announced in the next issue.

All English Speaking and Slovene SNPJ lodges are invited to have their teams in this tournament; out-of-town teams will be taken care of for sleeping quarters and should write to the writer.

Let's make this a big success and show the old SNPJ spirit. For further details write or see Louis A. Raffetti, Pres., Integrity Lodge Sport Club, 1910 Crystal st., Chicago, Ill.

LOUIS A. RAFFETTI,
Lodge 631.

Front Porch News

By Mick 'n' Lee

CANTON, OHIO.—PREFACE:—Rudy Anislovac of Massillon, while at the Barborton Buckeyes' dance on Jan. 30 made this remark: "You know, Jennie, every Friday night when the Prosveta comes I look for Front Porch News, but I haven't seen it for a long while now." Well, here you are, Rudy, so you won't have looked in vain this Friday.

News of the Day.—At this writing we find two of our members recuperating from recent illnesses, Henry Gerbec from an injury sustained at work which incapacitated him for a period of almost two months, and Mrs. Vitavec, who has been laid up for the last two weeks.

Lodge Business.—The officers of Lodge McKinley remain intact for still another year, this the sixth year of our existence. These are: Jennie Vitavec, President; Frank Corjan, Vice President; Frank Gerbec Jr., Secretary; Yolanda Gerbec, Recording Secretary; and Frank Dodich, Treasurer.

Convention.—Already several articles and comments have appeared on topics which shall be of vital importance at the forthcoming Convention. A careful perusal should be made by all SNPJ members and suggested ideas and criticism offered. These discussions beforehand are necessary and very beneficial to all the members and delegates who have been or are yet to be elected to represent their respective lodges.

Local Events.—The SDZ lodge of Canton held its dance Jan. 30 and from the reports of those Lodge McKinley members attending, a pleasant evening was enjoyed by all.

The Writer's Corner.—Two busy week-ends have just passed and both have concerned the Barborton Buckeyes. Week-end No. 1 consisted of Jan. 22, 23, and 24, which found us basking in the hospitality of Stephanie and Mary and sharing with the Buckeyes a bus trip to Sharon. Of Stephanie and Mary, may we say that from past experience and reading, we know they are grand travelers, and we would likewise like to put our stamp of approval on them as being fine hostesses. Of the Buckeyes, may we say that we were glad to see so many of those whom we have known through a length of years and also glad to make the pleasant acquaintanceship of many more whose friendship we hope we shall develop more firmly as time goes on. Several Akron Zippers, Fannie Lutzar, and there's the busload of 40 who departed for the city of Sharon. The trip to Sharon with its ensuing feeling of grayety and the blending of voices in the words of the old familiar Slovene songs and those of the most modern hits, shall we be quite sure, in those moments of reflection in the future, bring a smile of remembrance of that night. The city of Sharon and its Slovenes, whom we met for the first time, impressed us favorably. We remember numerous introductions, among those being that of Mr. Rupert, President of the Sharon Slovene Social Club, which was the group which sponsored the dance.

The following Saturday, Jan. 30, found us wending our way again towards Barborton, this time in the company of several other McKinley members, these being Yolanda Gerbec, Henry Gerbec, and Dorothy Vitavec. The first impression upon entering the hall was of the "June in January" decorative effect, and the second was of the immense crowd which made us wonder as to who comprised it. It was the largest group of people to ever be in the Domovina hall at one time since the writer first began to attend affairs held in this hall, and if we recall the first one correctly, that was many years ago.

There was a grand array of guests from Cleveland, Sharon, Akron, Massillon, and other parts, and all seemed to be having a gay time. Not much more can be said of an evening's entertainment if what is said of it was that it ended much too soon, and these words certainly fitted this affair of the Barborton Buckeyes just about as closely as we can think.

Doctor's Advice.—More bus trips like the last one!

There is also the danger of setting upon a pedestal a member of athletic ability, and catering to him to the extent that lodge members would favor any business such athlete does. Obviously, such a condition could lead to the formation of a clique in the lodge, with lodge matters passing or being defeated, depending entirely on the will of that particular member, even though the action taken is not to the best interests of the lodge and the Society. Of equal danger is the preference of lodge meetings devoting considerable time to athletic questions, and totally neglecting important lodge duties. You can appreciate the demoralization such a condition would create in a lodge.

Young Americans

By Bob, Ray & Bill

DETROIT, MICH.—Bowling finally has come into its own, it has at last penetrated into the Slovene clubs. In Detroit, especially the Young Americans, Wolverines, Onyx, and other clubs and societies. In the Slav Bowling Championship, and the SNPJ Bowling Championship, the Young Americans rule supreme, having subdued both their Slav and SNPJ challengers.

In the SNPJ Championship games, the Young Americans swept the Wolverine series in decisive fashion. The first team winning by a comfortable margin over the Wolves' front line, while the Second Squad won by 280 pins in their series. The third team also won by 399 pins to sweep the Wolverine boys. The girls of the Young Americans proved too much and won easily from the Wolverine lassies.

Last Sunday the ONYX boys visited the Young American domain only to be handed two defeats. In the battle between the First teams the Young Americans gathered 2552 pins to the ONYX 2487, while the Second teams battled to the following results: Young Americans, 2496; Onyx, 2087.

To date the Young Americans have not lost a series, and are ready to meet all comers. Next Sunday, February 14, the Young Americans' two teams bowl in the Times Tournament at the Imperial Recreation.

February 27, the Young Americans journeyed to Chicago to battle the Pioneers, and watch the fur fly.

On February 13, this Saturday, the Young American Lodge will hold its annual Valentine Dance at 242 Victor ave. Good music is guaranteed for this event, and a general get-together can be had in the basement, where bowling games will be rolled

all over again. Please attend for you are cordially invited.

Now for a suggestion, which may or may not be in accord with the policies of our great Society, the SNPJ. Our suggestion is that the Prosveta be published and mailed out later in the week, at least one more day hence, so that the news of the week-end would have more time to get to printery, thus avoiding last minute rush and delay that occur so frequently.

This Sunday, February 14, Young American meeting at 17155 John R. at 10 a. m. All members take notice.

Athletic Dance

CHICAGO.—The Pioneer Athletic Committee is sponsoring their Annual Athletic dance Saturday, Feb. 27, at the SNPJ Auditorium. Steve Palla's orchestra has been contracted to play for dancing. Nationally known sport celebrities are being invited to this dance. Last year Karakas and Gottselig of the Chicago Blackhawk hockey team; Tony Blaine of Chicago Cardinals football team, and Johnny Erjavec, professional boxer, were among those present. The Committee is hard at work to make this dance a success and urge the members of the Pioneer Lodge to co-operate with them.

Much discussion is going on concerning athletics in the SNPJ. Should the SNPJ support athletics? The SNPJ should support athletics as long as athletics prove beneficial to the Society. For instance, in the Pioneer lodge, the following members are active on the Athletic Committee: Joe and Ed Hudale, George Curda, Emil Hraat, Paul and George Videgar, Don and Frank Lotrich, Tille Vidmar, Millie Jackae, Steffa Marn, Lena and Ann Podbevek, Frank, Jack, Ann and Luke Groser. (Continued on Page 8)

Athletics In the SNPJ

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UNIVERSAL, PA.—There is no question in my mind that there is a place in our Society for athletics. Not only do I believe there is a place, but a very definite advantage in having them. But many questions come to mind, namely: To what extent shall we promote them—how financed—for what purpose, etc.?

Anyone who understands the psychology of the average American youth will not hesitate to agree with me that athletics can, and do serve as an incentive for people to join an organization, and our SNPJ is no exception. Our own experiences in athletics have proved this to be a fact. That, undoubtedly, is the outstanding advantage. Of course, there are the added advantages of publicizing our Society here, there, and anywhere SNPJ teams might play, and of encouraging robustness through the promotion of such a healthy sport. It seems to me that very few in our SNPJ will disagree on the value athletics have been and can be in attracting members into our organization. Our Society recognized its value, and for that reason has taken a definite interest in it, even to the extent of appropriating funds for their promotion. Of course, athletics, like entertainment and socials, have always been encouraged with the sole purpose of advancing the SNPJ and its social ideals.

In consideration of the disadvantages, in addition to the highly important one of building a society for athletics, we might suggest the disharmony and bitterness that can and has been created between lodges of one section of the country and lodges of another section. For example, the Midwest section might feel that their appropriation from the Supreme office has not been large enough in comparison with, for instance, the Western Pennsylvania section, or vice versa. This is not only a possibility, but a condition that has already occurred.

The selection of new members into a lodge also presents a decisive disadvantage as far as athletics are concerned. In this connection we find a tendency to accept members of athletic ability, but who, otherwise, would be considered undesirable, and not, therefore, accepted into a lodge. I am not merely suggesting what might occur, but am relating what has been told to me as having already occurred in Western Pennsylvania. It is true, also, that one who joins the SNPJ for the sake of athletics can hardly become a loyal and devoted member. Once interest in participating in athletics wanes, as it is sure to do, they will drop out because there no longer, in their opinion, remains an incentive to belong.

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There is also the danger of setting upon a pedestal a member of athletic ability, and catering to him to the extent that lodge members would favor any business such athlete does. Obviously, such a condition could lead to the formation of a clique in the lodge, with lodge matters passing or being defeated, depending entirely on the will of that particular member, even though the action taken is not to the best interests of the lodge and the Society. Of equal danger is the preference of lodge meetings devoting considerable time to athletic questions, and totally neglecting important lodge duties. You can appreciate the demoralization such a condition would create in a lodge.

Its constant practice would tend to drive sincere and loyal members out of the organization.

Summing up the disadvantages of athletics in our SNPJ, it seems to me that there are many occasions for creating dissatisfaction and discontent in lodges, and between lodges and groups of lodges.

My recommendations for athletics in the SNPJ, therefore, are that we encourage them only to the extent of arranging matches and events between lodges, groups of lodges in an SNPJ section, between SNPJ sections and federations. That is, such tournaments as the one arranged on January 1 in Western Pennsylvania and the annual Labor day affair should be encouraged. This, I believe, would eliminate the disadvantages that are sure to arise if the SNPJ adopts an elaborate program of athletics. Furthermore, it would encourage rather than interfere with fraternal relations between lodges and groups of lodges. By no means, of course, do I believe in hindering individual lodges in forming athletic teams on their own initiative. Such initiative, in my opinion, should be encouraged.

For the financing of elaborate athletic tournaments, I would suggest that the Supreme Board be empowered to make financial distributions to the matches and tournaments arranged. The amount to be allocated could be arrived at by considering the scope of its importance. For example, the Labor day affair, because of its national recognition, would receive more consideration than a tournament of local recognition. Individual lodges forming athletic teams should assume the responsibility of raising their own athletic funds. In this latter case, some exceptions would have to be made where certain lodges have developed extensive athletic programs and cannot raise sufficient funds to carry on. But by no means must initiative to raise their own funds to promote athletics be destroyed. We must recognize the need of shouldering responsibilities to carry on activities which we might cherish.

Such a program as above suggested would not be a backward step from that of other Slav fraternal benefit societies. My inquiries of a few such organizations, larger and smaller than our own, have indicated that they have virtually the same athletic program functioning.

My recommendations of athletics in the SNPJ are made, however, only as a means for advancing the SNPJ and its social ideal. As editorially once stated: "Athletics for SNPJ, not SNPJ for athletics," or, in other words, athletic matches and tournaments should be encouraged among our members and lodges only as a means of advancing the high fraternal and social idealism of the SNPJ, which has for its purpose the establishment of a world wherein true brotherhood and fraternalism can be practiced to the fullest. Athletics for athletics' sake must be out of the question.

All in all, the question is one which could be given considerable discussion. The technical problems that are involved require unlimited time for debate. My views are stated—they can be changed by others writing on this same problem. After all, I'm only an amateur. Let's hear from you all.

MICHAEL R. KUMER,
Lodge 715.

Here and There With Comrades

CLEVELAND.—The last monthly meeting of the Comrades was noteworthy because it was the first one of the year and the first one during which the Comrades initiated new members for a very long period of time. All three of the new members were girls who show promise of taking a very active part in the entertainment and other activities of the club. They are Frances and Vera Novak and Victoria Pensa. We welcome them heartily to our fold and trust that they may soon find, as some others of us have, that the more active a member is the more he will enjoy his associations and the more he will get out of his contacts with his fellow members.

There was an innovation in the entertainment after the January meeting which pleased those who participated. Sisters Caroline Braddock, Pauline Gaspar, Olga Marn and Ernest Urban were the donors of the prizes which were won in the lotto playing by Veda Belinger, Margaret Spik, Frances Novak, Anthony Kushlan, Rudy Turk, and John Prudish. We hope that they enjoyed them.

Our next meeting will be of the utmost importance as far as the welfare of the society is concerned and will, we hope, prove as interesting as the last in the entertainment which is being planned.

In regard to the first of these: Every member who reads these pages knows already that we shall elect a delegate to represent us at the convention. Choose one who will represent the lodge most ably, is all that need be said on this score. There are more problems facing the convention than there have been before, particularly those relating to the English speaking lodges. We should have the best representation we possibly can.

One of the regrettable provisions in the by-laws will deprive our lodge of the services of two of our ablest members automatically. If a member's oath of allegiance (given when he becomes a member of the lodge) means anything to individual members who have the interests of the younger people of the English speaking lodges at heart, this writer for one thinks that the automatic barring of an insurance man from election as a delegate to a convention of the society is wrong. It should be reconsidered on another count also. When one takes into consideration the fact that the society is one which is trying to maintain a purely SLAV identity there is hardly reason to believe that a delegate who has been active in the promotion of SLAV ideals will, even though he be an insurance agent, experience a mental metamorphosis and betray himself as a delegate to a convention which is trying to maintain exactly the things for which he has been fighting ever since he became a member of the lodge. He will hardly care to be of assistance in one field of the society's activity if he is denied participation in another. I urge consideration of this provision of the by-laws to those who will be considering their revision for the betterment of SLOVENE NATIONAL BENEFIT SOCIETY.

An affair worthy of our support is

the Dance which will be sponsored by the Yugoslav University Club on Saturday, April 10, at the Slovene National Home on St. Clair ave. Music will be furnished by Jimmy Dawson and his orchestra which recently played for the President's Birthday Ball at the Cleveland Public Auditorium. Tickets are on sale by any of the members and at Mrs. Makovec's. They are 35c now and will be 40c at the door on the evening of the dance. ALL proceeds will be used for the Scholarship Fund which the club maintains for the aid of students who would like to continue with their education and need a helping hand.

Coming events of special interest to Comrades will be the March meeting at which we hope to have a speaker who will address us on an interesting topic; the Convention party which the Comrades will give in honor of the visiting delegates on May 18; and the first dance of the season on September 18. A summer program will be planned shortly and will be announced soon.

We are informed by our new and able secretary Pauline Gaspar, that for the first time in a year our sick list is unoccupied. We are most happy to report that both Mamie Kerze and John Smole who have been almost permanent members during the period are well. We extend every wish that they may remain so for a long time to come.

Next Sunday, February 14, the Cankar Foundation will present a program of varied interest at the Slovene National Home on St. Clair ave., beginning at 8 on the afternoon. The principal speaker will be Elin Kristan who has been proposed as the editor of the foundation's forthcoming Slovene literary magazine "Cankarjev Glasnik." The program will be followed by a dance in the evening which will cost but 25c. Admission to the afternoon performance is 30c. If tickets are bought at the door they will be 40c. We urge all members who can possibly do so to attend.

More and more members are being enrolled as subscribers to the magazine and as members of the Foundation. As has been already explained the magazine will be a synthesis of all of the literary and cultural activities of the Slovenes all over the country. It is hoped that enough of the younger people will take an interest in the promotion and support of it to warrant an English section to give them their expression. Membership in the foundation costs \$10 and subscriptions are \$3 per year. Those who have an interest in the perpetuation of the finest expression of Slovenes in America will become members of the foundation or at least support the publication by a subscription. All communications and subscriptions should be mailed to the Secretary Milan Medvesek, % the Slovene National Home, 6411 St. Clair ave., Cleveland, Ohio.

Important Notice!

Comrades, your next meeting is on February 16, NEXT Tuesday!

JOHN J. ALICH, Lodge 566.

FLASHES

CHICAGO.—Officers for 1937, Chicago SNPJ Federation, are: Donald J. Lotrich (859), pres.; Frank Gerbec (8), vice pres.; Frank Alech (1), sec'y-treas.; Vera Levec (569), rec. sec'y; auditors: John Potokar (39), chairman; Angela Zalta (102), Michael Fleischbacher (631). The balance in the treasury on Dec. 31 was \$455.06. Our picnic is scheduled for Sunday, June 27, and a special committee was selected to bring in a report on funeral expenses for the next meeting. Refreshments followed.

Genevieve Paulick, who made her first visit to us in her entire Pioneer membership, will hereafter be known as Mrs. Petosa. Oscar Godina and Ann Rosman disposed of the two books of tickets for the De Lado drawing and a check was already forwarded to them. George Curda continued his fast stride in bowling and gained second place in the individual averages. Boulevard Florals capped all three from Patricia Beverages and on Tues. Jan. 26, had to roll a new high series of 2543 to do it. Zaverinik Medicos took two away from the SNPJ Office. Jerry Kravstien was initiated into the midnight bowling league. Paul Videgar was the new bowler and Oscar Godina a new visitor.

An excellent annual meeting of the Yugoslav Bldg. and Loan Ass'n took place Saturday night, Jan. 30, at the Slovene Labor Center. The stockholders showed keen interest in the reports which sounded the keynote for a new era for the Association. Many Pioneers hold affiliation and are vitally concerned with the progress of this financial institution. Frank Udovich, Anton Trojar, Chas. Pogorelec and the writer were elected to the Board of Directors. The disposition of the stockholders was much improved over previous such meet-

ings due greatly to more definite preparation and planning.

Things worth calling to your attention are the President's inaugural speech which was firm, bold but which was not at all specific and the work of the radical representatives who have lined up a large block of their colleagues who will press public power projects. We've been enthusiasts of public ownership and greet with acclaim any efforts to promote this phase of our economy. Another is the improved condition of the Spanish loyalist forces which shows that those who fight for an ideal that is dear to them do a much better job than professional warriors. And Russia started the world again with another treason trial which on the surface appeared almost unbelievable.

Brother Anton Garden gave some sound advice on endowment insurance in a recent issue of Prosveta and that's good so far as an editor may be concerned. However, that isn't the practical answer to the problem. I am fairly versed with the pros and cons of endowment insurance from the angle of every day contact with those who inquire for it. I understand that everything isn't rosy with this class of insurance or that it does have its drawbacks. But despite all of them I am a firm believer that the young generation will insist on endowment insurance and should have it.

Movies of the numerous SNPJ festivities including the Labor Day filming of the Pittsburgh athletic meet will be shown Friday, Feb. 19, at the SNPJ hall. We want all the Pioneers to be on hand to view them. We hope for a big attendance, as we will select our delegates for the

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Lodge Letters

SNPJ ALL AMERICANS' ANNIVERSARY

NEW YORK.—I attended a Slovene affair of some significance, and it's news with me, all right, since I seldom indulge in such pleasures any more. This particular exception was the celebration of the Tenth Anniversary of All-Americans SNPJ lodge of Brooklyn. The observance of a happy occasion was somewhat spoiled by rain, which nearly kept me at home, too! But others must have been just as "brave" after all, for the attendance was good, and everybody certainly seemed jolly and ready to help the young group toward a successful evening. I found our young, American-born generation of the greater New York just as interesting as anywhere else in the States. One thing a person, being absent from our gathering for a time, notices especially is the healthy appearance of the Slovene youth. . . . Our pink-cheeked maniac have by now lost the fresh bloom they brought along from Slovenia, but the girls and boys inherited quite a part of those healthy complexions in spite of city life and occupations that dull faces already in the very youth.

To mention the program even briefly would take too much space. I'll say only that it was splendid and it pleased the audience. Mr. Shubel sang more than a half a dozen songs, nearly throwing us all into convulsions of laughter with some of those hot ones from Korosko. Frank Zaitz, from Chicago, also included amusing anecdotes from our "old life" in America, during his interesting speech. Sloan, under the direction of Mr. Hude, sang some Slovene songs, and the younger generation, directed by Mr. Gerjovich, performed excellently with their tamburicas, finishing off with an encore of "Hej Slovani," thus bringing everybody to their feet as well as to their voices. The group includes boys and girls, who, I understand, have struggled and worked more than five years to attain their present skill in rendition.

Mr. Joseph Zaveritnik Jr., from Englewood, N. J., was present to see how the lodge he helped to organize progressed in one decade. I also made many other new acquaintances: Mr. Slavo Trost, Mr. Hude, who used to direct Bled in Conemaugh many years ago, then a good number of Primorski rojakov, and men and women of our older generation, whose names one occasionally sees in our publications, and is rather glad to meet them in person as well. Leo Bizjak, from New Jersey, introduced young folks from across the Hudson; girls from Penna. chatted with me about the home towns—they find lodge All Americans a refuge from the loneliness of a vast metropolis. But let this suffice.

ANNA P. KRASNA.

FLASHES

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quadrennial convention in May. The entertainment committee is planning for refreshments. All Pioneers are urged to attend the meeting.

John Gratchner has reported well. Rose Vovoshek underwent an operation for appendicitis. She is at the St. Anthony's hospital. Ralph Townsley and Mary Divjak are still ill.—The gang took in the Little Fort Lodge dance on Jan. 30. Plenty of action was reported.—George Curda, Max Kolan and Joseph Kosnik rolled excellent games in the Pioneer SNPJ League Tues., Feb. 2. The Boulevard Florists won 18 straight. It was Curda who has carried the team thru the thick of competition.—Mary Erickson (nee Knapic) is expecting the happy event soon.—Pioneers can pay their lodge dues at the office of the Yugoslav Building and Loan Association, 2634 S. Lawndale ave., any afternoon during the week between 1 and 5 p. m. or Tuesday, Thursday and Friday evenings between 6:30

and 8 p. m. Donald J. Lotrich has been chosen secretary of the said Building and Loan Association.

Our Social Calendar calls for a dance on Sat., Feb. 20, at the SNPJ hall by the SNPJ office employees union. That's a new organization among us and since we know all of them well we should extend the glad hand to them.—Efforts are now being made to get some of the popular professional athletes to the Pioneer Athletic Dance on Feb. 27. George Ruffing, the clever Yankee pitcher who hails from Nokomis, Ill., and whom the Klancniks, Videgars, Grossers, Jachinos and Terceks know well, is being sought. Brother Wencel will get others and John Kopach is urged to get the steed rider who boots winners at Sportmans Park. The Pioneer Athletic Dance of a year ago was a humdinger. We must make this year's equally as good.—Nada's dance last Saturday was very successful. Many Pioneers were there.

Norman Thomas will be in Chicago this week. Some of us will be attending the banquet Wednesday night. Others will meet him Saturday night at 7:30 at the Chicago Labor College, 189 N. Clark, or on Sunday at the Capitol Bldg., where a mass meeting on the Russian trials will be held.

D. J. LOTRICH, Lodge 559.

LODGE 580 CONGRATULATED

ELIZABETH, N. J.—Just a few lines to congratulate the New York All-American Lodge 580 of the SNPJ for the wonderful concert and dance they held Sunday, January 24, for their 10th Anniversary, at Slovenian hall in Brooklyn, New York.

There were quite a few of us from Elizabeth, and we really did not regret going in spite of the terrible weather. I'm sorry that more of us from Elizabeth did not go, as I know they missed a wonderful time. We all enjoyed Anthony Shubel's singing, and most of his songs were sung in Slovene and all were very humorous. Anna Krasna was also a guest there, and I think a very fine speaker. She spoke of the younger generation and said that we should not be ashamed of our nationality as there were many in the other country (fascist Italy) who are not supposed to know the language but who are taught it secretly. Her speech was very interesting, and everyone, I'm sure, reads all her interesting articles which appear in the Prosveta and Mladinski List.

The most interesting and humorous speaker was Frank Zaitz, who spoke of his coming here to America from the old country and how at that time the young men went about finding their future wives. He spoke in Slovene.

We all hope we can again enjoy ourselves at another concert and dance and be able to hear and see Anthony Shubel, Anna Krasna and Frank Zaitz.

HELENE BRATNIK.

PIONEER SCOOPS

CHICAGO.—When Feb. 27 arrives, I hope to see you all congregated at 27th and Lawndale, at the SNPJ hall, where the Pioneer Athletic Committee is sponsoring a dance. The rhythmic music of Steve Palla and his orchestra will be featured in the upper hall. 'Tis heard that the addition of new players has greatly improved this already popular orchestra. There will also be music for the polka enthusiasts in the lower hall. As of former dances held by the Committee, a number of well-known athletes are to be contacted for this occasion. For a grand and hilarious evening, don't forget to attend the Feb. 27 Pioneer Athletic Dance.

The Pioneer basketball team seems to be doing fairly well. In the Zoubek League, they have won two and lost one by a heart-breaking 20-18 score

in the last minute of play. In the Shedd Park League they have broken even—winning and losing one. The team has been greatly bolstered with the addition of Gene Godina. With S. and C. Zadel, E. and J. Hudale, P. Smicklas, E. Hraat, B. Arbanas Jr., J. Jachino, and F. Pechnik, this team has possibilities of great places. In the Zoubek League the Pioneers will play the league-leading Nemecks on Mon., Feb. 15; and the Boys' Club on Thurs., Feb. 18. Both games begin at 9 and are to be played at the CBC, 2801 So. Ridgeway ave. Rooters wanted.

Seen and Heard
At a basketball game, Lefty was wondering if a player of the opposing team was to get six shots, when the referee called out a foul on No. 6. If you attend more games, you'll catch on.

'Stoo bad Stanley Zadel had a sprained ankle and had to watch the game from the side-lines last Thursday, or the score would have been different. Here's hoping you'll be well by the 15th, for the Nemecek game, Stan.

Believe it or not! The Waukegan girls took the Pioneer lads, two out of three in a bowling match. What with Joe H. rolling a mighty 348 series and Lefty a close second with 368. The boys have hopes of beating the lassies in a match game on Feb. 28, after the Athletic Dance. Rumors have it they're figuring on having the girls spot them a hundred pins to make the match more even.

The Roamers seem to be at a loss as to Ed. H.'s sudden decision not to journey to Waukegan with them. Their presumption is that he's finally found a reason (?) for saving.

There seems to be an invisible force which is drawing Joe H. and Luke G. to Waukegan again. My! My! twice in three weeks! It sure looks like a serious case.

The Roamers were seen cavorting about at Nada's dance last Saturday. But, where was Emil H.?

Who can solve this mystery? In the Girls' League at the Southwest alleys on Wednesdays, Ann G. is bowling an average of about 80, while in the mixed league on Sundays, she has an average of about 130. Who's the inspiration?

We're bettin' 6 to 1 that J. J. Jr.'s heart leaped into his throat when word reached him that he was to have a steady job in Chicago. It makes it more convenient, doesn't it, Joe?—What's this we hear about L. planning on presenting a certain person with an article of jewelry.

THE SCOOPERS.

PIONEER ATHLETIC DANCE

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Louis and Gus Kramer, Oscar Godina, Jack Tercek, Louise and Elsie Micklantz, Agnes Hrabek, Joe Kosnik, Sophie Ulehar and France Pechnota. Of this number 19 became active after becoming acquainted through athletics. Many having been members of the SNPJ since youngsters. Of the nineteen seven joined the Pioneer Lodge because of athletics and then became acquainted with all the benefits of the Society. In many instances it has been proved that if athletics are run right, much good can be derived, and it has also been proved that mismanaged athletics can do much harm to the organization.

In last week's sessions of the SNPJ and Pioneer Bowling League the first place Blvd. Florists took three games from the SNPJ office. The second place Dr. Zaveritnik's took 3 games from Pat-Ra-Cola Beverages to leave the two losing teams in a tie for last place. Geo. Curda had high series for the night with 575. The bowlers making two hundred games were: Curda, 248; Kolan, 235; Kosnik, 221; Zeffran, 213; Imperi, 206; Zelo, 204; Darovec, 202, and Hraat, 200. Twelve of the bowlers have perfect bowling attendance records. Just eleven more Tuesdays for bowling, so come down to see the boys bowl.

All Mid-West lodges and individual SNPJ members are invited to participate in the tournament which is to be held in Chicago by the Integrity

The Upper Crust



"Boy!"

Lodge. (Date?—Ed.) All SNPJ lodges are eligible to participate in the bowling tournament. The Pioneers plan to enter many teams in the tournament. The Pioneers are also entering a basketball team in the Basketball tournament. Basketball will be played on Saturday and bowling on Sunday. (Date?—Ed.)

The officers of the Pioneer Athletic Committee for 1937 are: President, Frank Groser; Secretary, Tillie Vidmar; Treasurer, George Curda. George Curda and Frank Groser are delegates to the Mid-West League. Joe Draaler of Penn. is now residing in Chicago taking over John Rak's position at Proletarec. John moved to Johnstown, Pa. The Kenosha Stalwarts have promised to attend the Pioneer Athletic dance. The Chicago District Federation is asking for another juvenile membership campaign. D. J. Lotrich is the new secretary of the Yugoslav Building and Loan Association. —FRANK GROSER, Lodge 559.

JOLLY ALLIS LODGE NO. 585
WEST ALLIS, WIS.—Hi-folks, and how's the folks? Well, again I must say, "What's new on the Rialto?" I want to tell you that we are going to have our dance on the 17th or 24th of April, at the usual place, the Labor hall. Due to some special reason we were unable to get a certain dance hall. "On account of another Lodge holding their dance on the same day we are, we had to be uncertain as to the date of our dance. We have hopes that we will switch our dates and in that way we both can hold our dances without any conflicts.

Bowling. Both the first team as well as the second took likings, however, both managed to win one out of the set of three games. Emil Terakan finished with a 215 score making a total of 534 for the evening. After the bowling we had a match, the Terakan brothers, Anderson and myself, and took the boys to camp twice. To make things even I lost two afterwards to J. Terakan. The second team is still in second place, and the first team as usual are still chasing us. The girls are still at it, and boy, let me tell you, girls in Chicago, beware or—sumthin'.

Agnes B. and Ann Y. are certainly getting the wood lately. The two girls had quite a maten not so long ago and both won a game while the other ended in a tie. Ann finished off with a 174, and along with a 132 and 168 was able to have a total of 474. Agnes also had a high game of 171 and her total was as close as Ann's.

Congratulations to Marge Kosar and Emma Dergantz on their engagements. And the bracelet studded with stones our ever smiling member Agnes Bohte received last Christmas comes in the same class. A letter Ann Y. received from Chicago was signed Anne in regard to bowling. Since she didn't know who wrote the letter, Ann was unable to write to this girl, and wanted me to state that since not enough girls are interested in bowling to make a team, they are unable to send a team down. Whoever wrote that letter next please sign in full, so an answer can be made.

Our ambassadorette from Pennsy, Julia Bogatay, is having a good time while stopping here. We're all glad to have you.

Well, folks, "thas' all, folks, thas' all thar' am, fo' thar' hain't no mo'." So long. SNIPPY.

LITTLE FORT NEWS

WAUKEGAN, ILL.—Now that the dance is over, we can start thinking about the Basketball and Bowling Tournament which is to be held in Chicago under the supervision of the Integrity Lodge. John Kogovsek has charge of the boys' bowling and Joe Celarec of the Boys' basketball. All girls interested can get in touch with Christine Stritar or Sylvia Kirn. All the necessary arrangements will be made at our next Little Fort meeting on Feb. 18 so please attend.

The Waukegan girls took the Chicago boys into camp by taking two games from them. The boys averaged a little better in total pins. Louise Zelesnik came through with high game of 201 and Sylvia Kirn with high series of 494. High team game rolled was 730. The return match will be held in Chicago on Feb. 28. Hope you're keeping in trim, fellows. We just received a letter from Ann Groser asking us to send a team to Chicago on Feb. 28 for a match game. We'll be there with bells on. Ann. I hope West Allis and Milwaukee send theirs out too.

THE REPORTER.

Women's Round Table

New York.

Dear Round Table:—Picking up the regular newspapers, I must always look for most interesting things somewhere among the advertising sections. There one finds hushed little tragedies, dramas, and struggles of the kind that are happening every day in every neighborhood where the toilers of the country live. Those things never reach the headlines. . . . "The poor with their uninteresting troubles and struggles will always be with us as they were in the past," say the bosses of the news-world, who are the deciding factor in the "distribution" of news. I thought of this on several occasions recently as I watched some four-storied slum-traps flaming like oiled torches, while trapped victims faced death, injury, and loss of their household possessions. In one block a whole family perished, in another a number of roomers; all over the city similar "accidents" are happening every day. . . . no headlines, perhaps only a clever write-up by an ambitious reporter about a fire-bug. . . . otherwise all is well once they bury the dead. . . . slums with their cross-boned seal of disease, insanitary surroundings, peril to life, and shameful misery thrive on so that the profits of privately-owned real estate may not be impaired—I often wonder why we women, who really help the slum-owners get away with it all, do not raise a unified voice against the slums of all kinds, city dwellings and shacks alike. Some columnists are beginning to propose the idea. . . . but then, of course, it takes class-conscious women—and men—to shoulder a huge undertaking of social changes. . . . still, it is heartening to notice flickers of light among the abysmal darkness of our social ignorance. . . . in a civilized world, money should not decide under what conditions one should live, civilized human beings should all live in decent homes; there is enough of all necessities to go around if we knew how to manage the machinery of production and distribution of world's goods. ANNA P. KRASNA.

—Production for Use—

Chicago.

Bit by bit, science is scratching at surfaces that may bring that long life and happiness in centuries to

come. George W. Gray, scientist, who contributes regularly to Harper's, reports of experimenting toward discovering what causes old age and death and what the solution to a longer life is.

Death is caused either by external attack of germs or other accidents to the body or by an internal failure of the organs. Of deaths that come after 65 and especially after 90, the causes are due largely to internal diseases.

Two questions are raised: Do the organs wear out after they have used up their resources or is their failure due to accumulations in the body that might be avoided, or to a neglect of repairs that might be self-corrected? In either case, there is possibility of a solution.

Thus far, investigations have been carried on with lower forms of animals, but there is every reason to believe that these are applicable to human beings. Some of the conclusions reached were: that the length of life of insects was dependent upon their ancestors, temperature under which they lived, and the fact that they were not crowded in congested communities.

The next series of experiments considered the food ingredients that make for longer living. The formula derived by one doctor as to food proportion was: "Spend at least one-fifth of the food budget on milk or cream, one-fifth on fresh fruits and vegetables, and the remaining three-fifths on all other food materials."

Roughly, the life span was likened to a projectile thrown into space, with a propellant (heredity) that will determine how far it will reach. This may be shortened by wind resistance (over-rapid rate of living). But there are other forces that may make it go further—foods taken into the body.

There is still another angle to this problem. Some forms of life never grow old. There are "deathless" chicken-cells at Rockefeller Institute that were 25 years old on Jan. 17.

It is the hope of scientists, then, that man will take the problem of evolution in his own hands—that human nature will be so improved as to be able to measure a life in terms of thousands of years and that every human life will realize all the possibilities so far shown.

MARY JUGG.

Your Health

COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

A big change has taken place in community health during the last 25 years. Twenty-five years ago invisible forms of life, known as disease germs, worked havoc among the people. In 1910 contagious diseases were responsible for 39 per cent of all deaths reported in Illinois. Last year there were only 15 1/2 per cent deaths due to contagious diseases. There were 26,170 deaths attributed to communicable diseases in 1910, against 13,312 in 1935. This proportion is found to be true in all states. Communicable diseases can be fought through community effort, health department, and family physician.

The common contagious diseases found in communities are measles, German measles, scarlet fever, diphtheria, chicken-pox, typhoid fever, smallpox, mumps, whooping cough, influenza, pneumonia, infantile paralysis, etc. These diseases can be combated by preventive measures.

Influenza is rising gradually with the probability of a sharp upward trend in the near future. Influenza is a contagious disease and care should be taken to guard against it. An influenza patient should be isolated at once. While the disease is prevalent, the well person should breathe plenty of fresh air, exercise daily, bathe often, finishing with a cold shower; wear light warm underclothing such as silk and wool, or cotton and wool. Drink plenty of water, do not indulge in alcoholic drinks excessively, avoid wet feet and avoid large crowds as much as possible.

Smallpox is prevented by vaccination. A child can be vaccinated as early as one year of age, and individuals who have been exposed to smallpox should be immediately re-vaccinated although they may have been vaccinated some time before.

For protection against diphtheria in a child over six months, the use of a toxin anti-toxin mixture or toxoid at intervals of three or two injections one week apart. A Shick test should be done at the end of four months if toxin anti-toxin is used, and if toxoid is used a test should be made at the end of six weeks. If the test is positive another series of injections should be given.

For prevention of scarlet fever, immunization can be done with five

injections, one week apart, with scarlet fever anti-toxin. When a patient already has active scarlet fever, or any one exposed to scarlet fever, it is best to give convalescent serum at once to reduce the duration of the disease and reduce complications to a minimum.

For the prevention of whooping cough, three injections of Sauer's fresh whooping cough vaccine are given a week apart in each arm.

In infantile paralysis, at the early stages, if the diagnosis is made, convalescent serum should be given at once. This method reduces the death rate of infantile paralysis. Convalescent serum has been used more generally than ever before and marked improvement has been observed in many of the patients who are treated during the early stages of illness. At the present time there is no successful vaccine to prevent infantile paralysis.

There is no definite serum or vaccine for the prevention or treatment of mumps, chicken pox, influenza and pneumonia.

For prevention of measles, a convalescent measles serum should be given at least 5 days after exposure in order to be effective. The serum is given also in severe cases of measles to help recovery.

For treatment of epidemic meningitis (brain fever), it is best to give early meningococcal serum or anti-toxin should be given early and repeated until the patient shows signs of recovery. There is no vaccine for prevention of epidemic meningitis.

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BUCKEYE BITS

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Beacon Bachelorettes and the second prize by "Toots" of the Wrong Club group. According to the register, Henry Lamuth of the J. Z. Jr. is entitled to the prize for traveling the greatest distance.

A much deserved word of thanks to all members who so ably assisted with the various duties throughout the evening.

The ticket selling contest was won by the girls. (The old adage, "It's papa who pays," will be true in this case.) Members will be notified in due time as to the date of the party.

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