

Zapisniki sej gl. izvršnega odseka SNPJ

Seja 2. avgusta 1944

Predsednik odpre sejo gl. izvršnega odseka ob eni uri popoldne. Navzoči so bratje Cinkar, Vider, Trojar, Kuhel, Gradisek, Vrhovnik, Godina in Gardien.

Sprejet je zapisnik izvršne seje z dne 19. julija 1944.

Nato predsednik predloži pismo br. Joškota Ovnja, v katerem poroča o svojem potovanju po Mehiki ter stiskih z ondnotnimi rojaki, ki se skrbno zanimajo za življenje in aktivnosti v Zedinjenih državah naseljenih Slovencev ter so za naseljenjstva v Zedinjenih državah, ki jih je posredoval pri SNPJ, prosili, da bi se jim posredoval pri SNPJ, da bi se jim posredoval pri SNPJ, da bi se jim posredoval pri SNPJ.

Nadalje predloži pismo iz urada Združenega odbora jugoslovanskih Amerikancev, v katerem prosijo, da bi jim posredovali podatke o vseh naseljenjstvih, ki jih je posredoval pri SNPJ, da bi se jim posredoval pri SNPJ, da bi se jim posredoval pri SNPJ.

Nadalje predloži pismo od organizacije Missouri Fraternal Congress, v katerem se priporočajo za ponovitev članarine in da bi jim posredovali podatke o vseh naseljenjstvih, ki jih je posredoval pri SNPJ, da bi se jim posredoval pri SNPJ.

Glavni tajnik nato prečita pismo, ki pravi, da društva, ki zbirajo v Slovenskem narodnem domu v Waukeganu, Ill., nameravajo skupno prirediti v nedeljo 10. septembra t. l., katere čisti dohodek je namenjen za nabavo božičnih daril našim fantom-vojakom iz ondnotne naselbine. Predvajali bodo slike iz Jugoslavije in žele, da bi se gl. tajnik Vider udeležil kot govornik.

Se vzame na znanje in želi ugoditi. Nato predloži pismo od prireditelne odbora za slavnost 40-letnice združenja pod pokroviteljstvom društev št. 56, 140, 580 in mladinskega krožka št. 50, ki poslujejo v New Yorku in Brooklynu, N. Y. Prosi, da bi jim namesto gl. odbornika Petrovicha, ki jim je sporočil, da ne more priti, poslali br. Lotricha. Se vzame na znanje in želi ugoditi.

Nato se predložene razne operacijske zadeve in prošnje, ki jih glavni zdravnik priporoča za izplačilo iz sklada za izredne podpore in odobrene so članom ter za vsote kot sledi:

St. dr.—Ime Za operacije
286—Mary Prosen \$35.00
513—Ralph Kočnik 35.00
549—Frank Sarich 80.00

Izred. podpore
9—Anna Bratkovich \$25.00
14—Eva Vajuklia 25.00
204—Anna Murat 25.00
304—Frank Lesser 25.00
677—John Puhek 25.00

S tem je končan dnevni red in predsednik zaključi sejo ob 5. pop.

Seja 16. avgusta 1944

Predsednik odpre sejo ob 1. pop. Razen br. urednika, ki je zadržan radi nakupljenega dela, so navzoči vsi člani glavnega izvršnega odseka. Sprejet je zapisnik izvršne seje z dne 2. avgusta t. l.

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Gl. tajnik prečita pismo od društva št. 257, West Park, O., ki je predmetne Clevelanda. Poročajo, da bodo 3. septembra slavili 40-letnico združenja ter prosijo, da bi se udeležila gl. predsednica in gl. blagajnik, ki se bosta takrat nahajali v Clevelandu na konvenciji SANSU. Sklenjeno, da se jim sporoči, da imata ova važni odborniški mesti pri SANSU in bosta radi tega potrebna vsa čas na konvenciji, ter da bosta njih prošnji dragevolje ustrelega, ako s programom počakajo do večera, oziroma po zaključku konvencije.

Nato prečita prošnjo od organizacije Progresivne Slovenke, ki ima svoj urad v Clevelandu, O. Poročajo da so podvzle korake za zbiranje sklada za nakup ambulance, ki naj bi se poslala s pomočjo Rdečega križa antifašistični osovobodilni vojski v starem kraju, ter da bi tudi SNPJ nekaj pomagala. Se vzame na znanje in odobreno je \$50.

Nadalje predloži prošnjo društva št. 138, Strabane, Pa., ki bo 3. septembra obhajalo 40-letnico združenja ter prosijo, da bi se jim posredoval pri SNPJ, da bi se jim posredoval pri SNPJ.

Br. tajnik za bolniške podpore predloži zadevo bolnega br. Ljuzja Gorietta od društva št. 214, Mullian, Idaho. Gre se za popolno izplačilo iz bolniškega sklada, kar je po pr. mi. razpravi odobreno.

Br. ravnatelj mladine predloži prošnjo društva št. 321 za finančno podporo za aktivnosti njih mladinskega krožka št. 20. — Odobreno \$25.

Nadalje predloži zadevo društva št. 632, ki se pritožuje, da ni prejelo denarne podpore za atletične aktivnosti, ki misli, da mu gre. Na pojasnilo mladinskega direktorja je odobreno, da se jim izplača vsota \$25.

Nato se razpravlja o odškodninski zadevi sestre Anne Lovrine od društva št. 95, Oglesby, Ill. Po potrebnih razpravi je sklenjeno, da se odobri priporočilo glavnega zdravnika za izplačilo vsote \$500.

Nadalje je na priporočilo glavnega zdravnika odobreno, da se izplača operacijska podpora v vsoti \$35 br. J. W. Merzlu od društva št. 536, Pawhattan Point, O.

Nato se predložene še razne druge prošnje iz odobrene so kot sledi: PROŠNJE ZA POSOJLO ASESMETA

Applications for Assessment Loan
Dr. št. L. No.
53—John Gorjup za šest mesecev.
226—Paul in Tekla Durkiewicz in John Novak, vsak za tri mesece.
761—Mike Skrak za tri mesece.

PROŠNJE ZA IZREDNO PODPORO
Applications for Special Benefit
2—Lawrence Dzykas \$5.
3—Anton Kukec, assement za šest mesecev.
5—Joseph Augustinčić \$25.
13—John Liković assement za tri mesece.
24—Anna Kline \$15.
26—John Debeljak \$20.
27—John Kolar \$25; Mary Miklauc \$25.
42—Joseph Poženel \$15.
95—George Schmitz \$10.
110—John Grzinić assement za tri mesece.
145—Frank Stražičar assement za šest mesecev.
176—Nace Ziemberger \$25.
201—Frank Kemperle \$15; John Završnik \$10; Anton in Josephine Udovih assement za tri mesece.

241—John Zunic \$20.
249—Anton in Ana Fayon assement za tri mesece.
279—Anton Dolenc assement za tri mesece.
341—Frank in Jennie Zajc in Simon Dolenc assement za tri mesece.
378—Mirko Uljan \$25.
386—Robert Dolenc \$20.
432—John Ustar assement za šest mesecev.
447—Michael Ferlin assement za tri mesece.
469—Victor Radetič \$20.
506—Hermine Logan \$15.
631—Mary Rencnik \$25.

Zaključek seje ob treh popoldne.

Seja 30. avgusta 1944

Predsednik odpre sejo ob eni popoldne. Navzoči so vsi člani glavnega izvršnega odseka, razen br. Vrhovnika, ki je na počitnicah. Sprejet je zapisnik izvršne seje z dne 16. avgusta t. l.

Br. gl. tajnik prečita prošnjo sestre Jennie Kosher od društva št. 8, S. Chicago, Ill. Društvo priporoča, da se ji nakaze nekaj izredne podpore kot pomoč za kitijske operacijske stroške. — Dovoljeno \$35.

Nato predloži zadevo br. Johna Tisuta od društva št. 65, ki se nahaja pri vojaki, kjer je bil precej časa bolan in operiran. Na pojasnilo od br. Shularja, ki je stvar preiskal, je po kratki razpravi sklenjeno, da se mu nakaze vsota \$60 in s tem zadevo konča.

Od mladinskega krožka št. 31 društva št. 321, Warren, O., je prošnja za nekoliko denarne podpore za krožkove aktivnosti. — Dovoljeno je \$15.

Ura urada Ameriškega slovenskega kongresa je pismo, v katerem poročajo, da bodo ob priliki drugega kongresa, ki se vrši 23. in 24. septembra v Pittsburghu, Pa., izdali lepo programsko knjigo ter se priporočajo za enotno oglaš. Sklenjeno, da vzamemo eno stran.

Brat urednik nato govori o vprašanju poročevalca na konvenciji

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Slovenskega ameriškega narodnega sveta, ki bo 2. in 3. septembra v Clevelandu. Soglasno mnenje je, ker jednota ves čas moralno in gromotno podpira to organizacijo oziroma gibanje, za katerega se je zavzela, je tudi popolnoma na mestu, da ima na tej konvenciji svojega poročevalca za Prosveto. Sklenjeno je, da se delegira br. gl. urednika. Nadalje urednik predloži pismo federacije društev za Zapadno Virginijo in izhodni Ohio, v katerem izražajo svoj protest proti sklepu gl. odbora v zadevi bivšega urednika br. Molka. Ker je protest je nadaljevanje ustavljene polemike, je sklenjeno, da se v smislu zaključka gl. odbora na polletni stvari stvar predloži glavnemu odboru na prihodnji seji.

Nato br. blagajnik poroča, da se je udeležil kot govornik slavnosti 40-letnice in pokrajinskega dneva SNPJ, ki se je 27. avgusta vršila pod pokroviteljstvom dveh federacij za zapadno Penno in Sygano. Za predmet je vzel poleg jednotlivih stvari tudi nalogo in delo Sansa ter govoril tudi o osvobodilnem gibanju v starem kraju. Udeležba je bila velika in ljudstvo je pazno sledilo izjavljanju. Misli, da je bil dosežen velik moralni in gromotni uspeh.

Nato še pravi, da želi izvesti stališče izvršnih odborov glede nagovorne pozicije v zvezi s SANSOM, katerega konvencija prične v par dneh, za slučaj, da bi ga hoteli imeti spet za tajnika in bi se pričakovalo od njega, da posveti tam ves svoj čas. Odborniki soglašajo v tem, da je SANSU treba zmogelnosti in stalnega človeka vsaj za nekaj časa, in da nam vprico položaja ne kaže drugo, kot da dobi br. Kuhel potreben dopust, ako ga konvencija izvoli, ter da je naša dolžnost operirati in skrbeti, da ne bodo blagajniški posli pri jedoti trpeli poradi tega.

Sledi razprava o raznih prošnjah in odobrene so sledeče:

Društvo št. 434—John Dolanc assement za tri mesece.
Društvo št. 513—Frank Eganc izredna podpora v vsoti \$20.
Društvo št. 585—Pauline Boben \$35 izredne podpore.

Ker je s tem rešeno vse, kar je bilo pripravljeno za to sejo, predsednik isto zaključi ob štirih popoldne.

V. Cinkar, gl. predsednik
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no na zadnji seji da priredimo kartno zabavo dne 18. nov. Dalje je bilo sklenjeno, da mora vsak član in članica plačati 50c v blagajno; izvzeti so le vojaki in bolniki. Za to vsoto pa boste dobili pristo vstopnino in za 25c tiketov, katere boste lahko porabili na zabavni večer.

Prosim vse one, ki pošiljate svoje otroke, da plačujejo assement, da jim daste poleg rednega asesmenta 50c več, in to meseca septembra ali oktobra.

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JERNEJA DERGANCA
kateri je preminul 18. septembra 1938.
Dragi soprog in oče, pet dolgih let je že minulo, kar Tebe več med nami ni. Mi Te zelo pogrešamo in vedno žalujemo za Teboj. Počivaj v miru! — Žalujemo ostali: Ana Derganc, soproga; Anna, Mary in Agnes, hčere in sin Andy Derganc, La Salle, Ill.

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Zbiranje materiala za slovenski arhiv

Dr. Boris Furlan je poslal SANSu iz Londona pismo, ki ga je prejel iz Slovenije—od dr. Jože Zemljaka, načelnika oddelka za informacije in propagando pri predsedstvu Slovenskega narodnega osvobodilnega sveta. To je bil prvi uradni dopis, ki je prišel iz osvobodjenega dela Slovenije. Glas se:

Odsek za informacije in propagando pri predsedstvu SNSOS 7. aprila 1944

Univerzitetnemu profesorju dr. Borisu Furlanu!

Odsek za informacije in propagando pri predsedstvu SNSOS Vas prosi, da bi zbirali, odnosno organizirali zbiranje v anglo-ameriškem svetu vseh člankov, časopisov, knjig, letakov, slik itd., ki se tičejo narodno osvobodilne borbe slovenskega naroda, ter ta material, kolikor je mogoče in v kolikor je aktualno zanimiv in uporabljiv, tudi pošiljali v Slovenijo. Ostale stvari pa hranite, da se po osvoboditvi prenesejo v domovino.

V ostalem se Vam odsek za informacije in propagando zahvaljuje za Vaše delo v Angliji ter upa, da bomo kmalu lahko z vami navezali tesnejše stike.

Smrt fašizmu — svoboda narodu!

Načelnik oddelka: Dr. Jože Zemljak. (PEČAT)

Besedilo pečata: Predsedstvo Slovenskega narodnega osvobodilnega sveta — Odsek za informacije in propagando. Simbol na pečatu: Obris Triglava, nad njim pa peterokraka partizanska zvezda.

Dr. Furlan je v svojem pismu priporočal ustanovitev posebne oddelka v okviru SANSa, ki bi organiziral zbiranje vseh tega materiala in ga začasnoma hranil v Ameriki. V postev bi prišle vse tiskane stvari, tudi priliki shodov, zborovanj, veselje itd., letniki slovenskih in jugoslovanskih časopisov, angleških časopisov, magazinov in revij.

Dr. Furlan nadalje priporoča, če bi se ta akcija razširila tudi na babiliranje znanstvenih in leposlovnih knjig. Knjižnice v Sloveniji so večinoma uničene.

SANSov prvi izvršni odbor je na svoji prvi seji 4. septembra razpravljal o obeh pismih in zaključil storišče vse v svoji moči, da se ugodni prošnji in priporočilu. V posebni odsek za zbiranje slovenskega in angleškega materiala v Ameriki o borbi slovenskega naroda so bili izvoljeni: prvi podpredsednik Janko N. Rogelj, zapisnikar Jakob Zupan in odbornik Frank Zaitz. Ex-officio člana tega oddelka sta tudi predsednik Kristan in tajnik Kuhel.

Naše ameriške rojake prosimo, da kooperirajo s tem odborom ter takoj pričnejo zbirati v svoji okolici ves primeren material, za katerega prosijo odsek za informacije in propagando SNSOS. Obdržavane so bile že številne veselice, shodi, zabave in druge prireditve. Ob takih prilikah so morda bili rabljeni letaki, pamfleti, spredni programi, vstopnice itd. Če jih še imate ali če jih ima odbor ali kateri drugi rojak, zberite jih in jih odpošljite v SANSov urad. To velja tudi za članke in spise v lokalnih ameriških časopisih in revijah. Zbirajte vse, če so tudi gotovo nasprotni osvobodilnemu gibanju ali njegovemu vodstvu. Vse to bo služilo za zgodovinske podatke o najvažnejši točki zgodovine slovenskega naroda, Slovenci nam je sedaj rado vedno, kako smo mu slovenski Amerikanci pomagali v njegovi valčasti borbi do zmage. Radoveden je tudi, kdo mu ni pomagal ali celo z vsemi silami nasprotoval. Tudi to bo zapisano v arhivu.

Pojtlika iz starega kraja

SANS je prejel iz starega kraja pred nekaj dnevi zaboj raznega gradiva, ki se tiče naša osvobodilnega dela Slovenije. Vsebuje številne razne časopise, brošure, letake, razglase in članke, tiskane, mimeografirane

korake, ki jih je podvel SANSov izvršni odbor. SANS je podprl združeni odbor tekem enega leta v znesku deset tisoč dolarjev. Nikdo ne more zanikati, da ni ta odbor pod predsedništvom Louisa Adamiča dosegel velikega uspeha, ki se sedaj zrcali v prijateljskih odnosih, ki jih imajo zavezniki sile v Narodno osvobodilno vojsko Jugoslavije pod vodstvom maršala Tita. Do teh prijateljskih odnosov je v veliki meri prispeval tudi SANS in Zdrženi odbor. Na seji 4. septembra je izvršni odbor izvolil sledeče zastopnike za Zdrženi odbor: Louis Adamič, Eibin Kristan, Janko N. Rogelj, Fred A. Vider, Mirko G. Kuhel, Albina Novak in Frank Zaitz. Ker se sestra Novak ne bo mogla udeležiti prve seje, jo bo nadomestoval brat Vincent Cankar. Omenjeni bodo tudi Sansovi delegati na drugem zborovanju Vseslovenskega kongresa, ki se vrši v Pittsburghu 23. in 24. septembra.

Razni časnikarski poročevalci, ki so se udeležili SANSove konvencije, so podali zelo ugodno sliko o poteku tega zborovanja. SANS jim je hvaležen za ugodno reportažo, kakor tudi za moralno pomoč, ki so jo njihovi listi do sedaj nudili SANSu. Želimo, da se tudi naši rojaki zavedajo podpore SANSu naklonjenih listov in jih podpirajo.

Do predsedniških volitev je le še nekoliko tednov. Dolžnost vsakega državljanja je, da na volilni dan voli za eno ali drugo politično stranko in njune kandidate. Slovenski Amerikanci imamo tudi svojo dolžnost kot državljani. Da jo izvajamo, se moramo registrirati. Kdor še ni registriran, a ima pravico voliti, se naj registrira pri svojem volilnem odboru takoj, dokler je še čas. Slovenski Amerikanci moramo podpreti one kandidate, ki so naklonjeni Zedinjeni Sloveniji in federativni Jugoslaviji.

Mirko Kuhel, tajnik.

Res da je nas prerazlo tukajšnje angleško govoreče društvo, a to je zasluga našega društva, kajti k omejenemu društvu je prestopilo mnogo naših članov in me smo se veselile napredka in porastka tega društva in vedno smo kooperirale z njimi v pripravi, da so vsa tri društva ena veja naše organizacije. Na zadnji seji je bilo posebno živahno. Razpravljale smo o več važnih stvareh. Tudi o iniciativi društva št. 21 SNPJ, a sklenile smo, da je ne podpiramo. Odzvalo smo se tudi na prošnjo Progresivnih Slovencev in prišlevali iz društvene blagajne \$5 za ambulančni avto, a članice so nabrale na seji \$12.50. Denar je bil poslan blagajnici omenjene organizacije. Precej diskuzije je bilo o članstvu, ki ga je pred meseci napisal v Prosveti član angleško govorečega društva in priporočal članom, da bi se združila vsa tri tukajšnja društva SNPJ. Njegova ideja ni slaba. Čas in razmere bodo v to prej ali slej prisilile in treba bo priključiti k življenju tri žive mrljice. Toda sklenjeno ni bilo v tem oziru ničesar, kajti večina je zato, da s tem počakamo, dokler nas v to ne prisili potreba. Da vlada mrtvilo pri društvih, je vzrok vojna in pa naša leta. Razpravljale smo glede 35-letnice našega društva. Decembra meseca bo poteklo 35 let, odkar je bilo ustanovljeno naše žensko društvo. Ves ta čas smo na vsakih pet let praznovali petletnice, ki so bile bolj ali manj uspešne. Na ta način smo vsakokrat naredile nekaj stotakov dobicke ter tako pomagale in podpirale razne dobre stvari v našem društvu in življenju. Kako bomo praznovali 35-letnico, bomo zopet razpravljale na prihodnji seji, ki se bo vršila v nedeljo 24. septembra.

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Leo Zevnik, predsednik št. 98.

APEL ISTRIJANOM V CHICAGO

So. Chicago, Ill.—Pozivam Istrijane v So. Chicagu, vse one, ki ste bili na zadnji seji, še bolj pa one, ki niso bili, da se sigurno udeležite seje, ki se vrši v Hrvatskem domu na 9618 Commercial ave. v petek, 22. sept. ob 8. zvečer.

Najomnim, da smo se tukajšnji Istrijani iz petih bližnjih vasi sestali, sporazumeli in zaključili, da na ta ali drugi način nekaj privedemo in zberemo skupaj čim več denarja za pomoč našemu trpečemu narodu v Istri, kjer že dolga leta trpi pod fašističnim jarmom.

Bratje in sestre Istrijani! Vsi dobro veste, kaj se godi na naši rodni zemlji. Veste tudi, da večina nas je prišla v South Chicagu po prvi svetovni vojni. Ko smo odšli od doma in prišli v to svobodno deželo, smo ostali dolžni svojemu narodu, da mu bomo ob vsaki priliki po naši najboljši volji pomagali. Vsi, ki smo bili tam, smo več ali manj okusili tisti nesramni režim. Vsi vemo, da naš narod že toliko let trpi po nedolžnem. Italijani so naše voditelje začeli preganjati in ubijati že od začetka, ali naš narod, zavedajoč se, da bo prišel dan svobode, se je vsa ta leta neustrašeno protivil okupatorju, mu delal škodo in celo dajal življenje v nadi, da bo nekoč zmagal nad italijansko zverino.

In naš narod, bratje Istrijani, se ni boril zaman. Danes čitamo razna poročila in naši voditelji v Ameriki nam dajejo upanje, da bo jugoslovanska osvobodilna vojska, v kateri se pod vodstvom Tita nahajajo tudi naši bratje in sestre, osvobodila tudi našo križano Istrijo in jo priključila k federativni Jugoslaviji. Upanje imamo, da ne bo več dolgo, ko bo solnce svobode zastajalo tudi našemu istrskemu narodu. Zato bomo pripravljeni, kadar pride čas, da jim bomo čim več pomagali. Torej če vam je še količnik do svojega naroda, odprite srce in darujte vsaj eno tedensko plačo, ker naš narod nas kliče na pomoč. In mi smo edini, do katerih imajo ušesa. Mi smo na svobodni zemlji, kjer lahko

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ko dvignemo glas za svoj narod. Ta dežela nam daje tudi priliko, da lahko v žep posežemo in darujemo svojim trpečim bratom in sestram. Ne pozabite besede Janka Roglja iz Clevelanda, ki kliče temu trdosrčnemu narodu v Ameriki: Daj brat, pomagaj, sestra!

Zato se enkrat apeliraj na vas, da pridete na to sejo in pomagajte, da skupno pokažemo svojemu narodu, da smo hvaležni za njegovo trpljenje in da čutimo njihove boli in jih ne bomo pozabili.—Za odbor, Jacob Briljavac, tajnik.

PROTI INICIATIVI

Wilkes Barre, Pa.—Članstvo društva 432 SNPJ je na redni seji razpravljalo o iniciativi društva 21 in sklenilo, da je ne podpira.

Charles Krainitz, tajnik.

DRUŠTVO 132 PROTI INICIATIVI

Klein, Mont.—Društvo 132 SNPJ je na seji 10. sept. razpravljalo o iniciativi društva Orel 21 v Pueblu, Colo., in zaključilo, da je ne podpira iz razloga, ker bi s tem malo prihranili. Naše društvo je tudi za to, da bi društva sama določila plače delegatov s splošnim glasovanjem.

Za društvo 132 SNPJ—John Zupan, predsednik, Peter Jellar, tajnik, John Yanc, blagajnik.

SLOVENSKA ŠOLA SND

Cleveland, O.—V nekaj tednih, natančen datum bo objavljen pozneje, se prične s poukom slovensčine v Slovenski šoli SND na St. Clair Ave. Z letošnjo sezono stopa Slovenska šola SND v 21. leto nepretrganega pouka slovensčine.

To naznanilo naj bi sprejeli starši otrok z radostjo, ker se jim zopet nudi prilika priučiti svoje otroke v naši šoli slovenskemu jeziku in to popolnoma brezplačno. Kot vsa prošla leta, se tudi letos ne bo računalo nobene šolnine za otroke. Slovenska šola je za vse slovenske otroke popolnoma prosta. Glavno je, da se v velikem številu poslužite, te prilike in da vpišete svoje otroke v šolo in potem skrbite, da se bodo redno udeleževali pouka, ki se bo vršil ob sobotah podnevi.

Čast mi je predstaviti javnosti učiteljico Slovenske šole SND za sezono 1944-1945 in to je gospa Antonietta Simičić, bivša učiteljica v tej šoli, dolgoletna tajnica društva Naprednih Slovencev št. 137 SNPJ, pevka pri Glasbeni Matici in režiserka pri dramskem društvu Ivanu Cankarju.

Ona je pred časom precej let z velikim uspehom učila slovensko mladino v Slovenski šoli SND. Tisti so danes že vsi odrasli, večina od teh že očetje in matere ter vojaki na raznih svetovnih bojiščih.

Gospa Simičić ima velike sposobnosti za učenje in vodstvo mladine v pravo smer. Bila je prva režiserka pri dramskem društvu Ivanu Cankarju, ki je razdelila vloge narodne igre Legionarji v roke svojim bivšim učencem in z njimi dosegla krassen uspeh na odrs S. N. D. Da, v mladini je bodočnost in tega se v polni meri zaveda gospa Simičićeva. Zato imamo vsi, ki poznamo njene vrline, veliko upanja, da bo zopet uspešna, kot je bila pred leti, v svojem učiteljskem poklicu v razredih Slovenske šole SND na St. Clair Ave. Vsi ji želimo obilo uspeha!

V Slovensko šolo SND se lahko vpišejo otroci do starosti 16 let iz vsega Clevelanda in okolice. Ni treba, da živite samo v okolici našega Doma. Dobrodošli ste v Slovenski šoli SND iz vseh naselbin tega okraja. Saj imamo dovolj prostora v Domu za vse učenke, ki se hočejo učiti slovensčine. Odvisno je sedaj samo od vas, starši, da gledate na to, da zagotovite svoje otroke vpišete v šolo in da jih redno pošiljate k pouku. Bolj sedaj kot kdaj poprej je važno, da vpišete in pošiljate svoje otroke v Slovensko šolo

SND, da se priuče vsaj nekoliko slovensčine, kar jim bo prav gotovo prav prišlo v življenju. Pregovor pravi: kar se je Janezek učil, to zna. V Evropi Slovani mogoče vstajajo in se izkazujejo kot največji junaki sveta. Zato naj nas ne bo sram nikoli, da smo potomci tega odličnega hrabrega rodu in naj bo sedaj nas vseh Slovencev sveta dolžnost, da gledamo na to, da se naši otroci vsaj deloma priuče slovenskega jezika.

Letos se bo podala na odrs SND tudi božičnica z mladino—učenci Slovenske šole pod režijo gospe Simičičeve, in sicer v nedeljo, 24. dec., ki je že rezervirana. Važno je, da imate vsi ta dan v mislih in da se udeležite predstave; ker s tem daste veselje mladini do nadaljnjega pouka in obenem pomagajte do finančnega uspeha prireditve, od katere je odvisna Slovenska šola SND.

Starši, ako hočete, da bodo znali vaši otroci slovensko, tedaj jih gotovo vpišite sedaj v Slovensko šolo v uradu tajnika SND mr. Johna Tavčarja, 6409 St. Clair Ave. Zaželjivo je, da vpišete otroke čim prej mogoče, da odbor ve potem pripraviti zadostno število knjig in drugih potrebščin za šolo.

Letos se bo rabilo kot glavno učno knjigo dr. F. J. Kernovo Slovensko-angleško bečilo, katerih je dr. Kern precejšnjo število podaril Slovenski šoli. On se tudi še vedno živo zanima za naše prosvetne zadeve v SND. Dr. Kernu se Prosvetni odbor SND iskreno zahvaljuje za velkodušni dar, ki bo rodil dober uspeh.

V tej sezoni se bo rabilo v Slovenski šoli tudi malo berilice, ki ga je sestavil in pred leti rabil kot učitelj te šole pokojni Edvin Primoshic. To delo bo mimeografirano in se bo naredilo le omejeno število zvezkov, na podlagi števila prijavljenih učencev. V tem berilu je v jedru zapopadeno vse tisto, kar smo že leta in leta želeli, da bi seznanili naše otroke. O tem berilu bom pisal več v naslednjem dopisu. Za Slovensko šolo SND, Erasmus Gorsha, tajnik.

DRUŠTVENE VESTI

Lyons, Ill.—Članom in članicam društva George Washington 270 SNPJ naznanjam, da je bilo sklenjeno na zadnji seji meseca avgusta, da plača vsak član in članica dolar doklade v blagajno, ker je izrpana. Ta izredni assement mora biti plačan v dveh mesecih t. l. Izvzeti so le člani-vojaki.

F. Vidmar, tajnik.

Sheboygan, Wis.—Članstvo društva 344 SNPJ je na letni seji meseca decembra sklenilo, da v tekočem letu prispeva vsak član in članica dolar v društveno blagajno. Izvzeti so le člani-vojaki.

Titovo sporočilo južnim Slovanom v Ameriki

Zdrženi odbor je prejel od predsednika jugoslovanske vlade dr. Ivana Subašića sledeči kablogram: Zdrženi odbor južnoslovanskih Amerikancev, 1010 Park Avenue, New York City.

"Radiopostaja Svobodna Jugoslavija je dne 13. septembra t. l. v imenu maršala Tita podala sledeče sporočilo Amerikancem jugoslovanskega porekla:

"Četudi je naša domovina, podjarmljena od Nemcev in drugih okupatorjev, bila več kot tri leta popolnoma odsekana od zunanjega sveta, smo bili mi v domovini vseeno, prav od pričetka naše težke borbe obveščeni, da ste vi v Ameriki pravilno razumeli, kaj se je dogajalo.

Nad vse veselje smo znanja, da se vi v Ameriki močno trudite, da se doseže sloga narodov Jugoslavije. Vaše delo je bilo neizmerno koristno nam v Jugoslaviji. V naši težki osvobodilni borbi je bilo naše glavno geslo "sloga in bratstvo našega naroda", katerega je sovražnik namenoma hujkal k notranjim prepričam s ciljem, da tako uniči drug drugega. Na žalost je bilo nekoliko ljudi v naši domovini, ki so služili kot orodje v rokah sovražnika. Tem domačim izdajalcem je uspelo, ustanoviti



ČEMU TRPETI VSLED ZAPEKE

Ako se vas drži zapeka in vas dela miselnost, nemojte in v red in če trpite vsled glavobola, smrdljivega diha, ledene nerednosti, neprebravnosti, izguba spanca, pomankanja apetita ter se čutite v želodcu sabasni vsled plina in zaostalosti—toda! vzemite Dr. Peterovo dolgo preiskavano HOBOKO. To je več kot navadna odvajalna—je zdravilna tonika—je zmes 18 naravnih korenin, silicij in cvetja. Hoboko pripravi samostana čreva k delu, pomaga prijazno in gladko odvajanje sabasnih ostankov odvisne plina, zapenja in povzroča ledeno prijazno odvajanje. Uživajte ga natančno kot je predpisano na omotu. Ako želite ponovno uživati veselje, odpravite zaprtost, nerednost in ponovno udobnost vašega želodca ob istem času—toda! si nabavite Hoboko še danes.

Ako ne morete kupiti tega v vaši mestni apoteki, pošljite po "Slovenske HOBOKO" poudarilo in dobili boste—

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Prosimo torej članstvo, da to upošteva in da bo v prihodnjih mesecih, oktobra, novembra in decembra plačalo to doklado.

(Onih članov, ki so že plačali, se to ne tiče.) Društvo že več let nima kakih izrednih dohodkov, ker ne prireja veselice ali kaj podobnega vsled obstoječih razmer. Ima pa veliko izrednih izdatkov, ker podpira številne dobrodelne, narodne in politične ustanove ali akcije, ki delujejo za uničenje tiranstva in pomagajo k rešitvi onih, kateri si sami ne morejo pomagati. Društvo bo tudi letos, kakor vsako leto, poslalo božično darilo članom-vojakom.

L. Milostnik, tajnik.

Titovo sporočilo južnim Slovanom v Ameriki

Zveze s sebi enakim v inozemstvu, kot je na primer Fotić v Ameriki in razni drugi izdajalci, ki niso samo povzročili razdora med Srbi, Hrvati, Slovenci in drugimi, temveč so tudi zavajali ameriško javnost o pravih dogodkih v Jugoslaviji.

Ogromna je vaša zasluga, ker ste vi z vašo neumorno aktivnostjo uspeli razkriti te ljudje in odkriti pred svetovno javnostjo pravo resnico, da Narodno osvobodilno gibanje s svojo vojsko in partizanskimi odredi prav od pričetka vodi nadležnoško borbo za osvoboditev svoje domovine in za ustvaritev nove in srečnejše Jugoslavije. Zato se vam moji sonarodnjaki in jaz najpristrajše zahvaljujem v imenu vsega našega naroda, ki je dal in še vedno daje strahovite žrtve za dosego tega cilja. Jaz sem prepričan, da boste tudi v bodoče nadaljevali s pomočjo naši materialno razoroženi domovini, ki bo zahtevala nadležneške napore, da se obnovi iz razvaline in miserije, katero so povzročili fašistični napadalci.

Smrt fašizmu! Svoboda narodu!

Predsednik odbora Narodnega osvobodjenja Jugoslavije, maršal Jugoslavije

TITO. Subašić.

For Socialized Medical Services

Social security and socialized medicine are two very important things that concern every wage earner and his family. While the former has been in operation since 1935, and although it is due, for radical revision, the latter is still in its embryonic stages and it may take a long time before Congress will enact any semblance of effective socialized medicine.

The proposal by the present administration for industrial medical services received active support of all progressive and liberal groups, but there are the reactionary groups and especially the powerful medical association which are strongly opposing any and all forms of socialized medicine.

In spite of this fact, however, there seems to be a change in recent months among the reactionary forces as regards industrial medicine. They obviously must have seen the sign on the wall which has warned them that the time to do something about socialized medicine is close at hand and that they must give in even though only by inches.

Recently a bill to provide industrial medical services for all federal employees was approved by federal government officials and also by a representative of the powerful medical association. The bill has been approved at hearings before the House District Committee.

Altogether there are now approximately three million federal employees who will be covered by the provisions for industrial medical services. Nearly three million federal employees would benefit by the coverage if the bill is enacted.

While this is a good beginning in the right direction, why not extend these benefits to the rest of the wage earners of the country?

Surgeon General Thomas Parran told the committee the proposed services would include a good pre-placement examination, including a chest x-ray for tuberculosis and minor medical and dental care.

In addition, these services would include minor care for emotional disturbances, a nutritional effort, checks on environmental factors, such as bad lighting, which causes headaches; studies of records of absenteeism, control of contagion and infection and some routine care in other ailments.

This plan, Dr. Parran said, would be administered by the Civil Service Commission in consultation with the U.S. Public Health Service and in close cooperation with agency heads and personal services.

But Dr. Parran took care in emphasizing that it "is not socialized medicine." On the contrary, he continued, it would be of benefit to the private physician by "relieving him of caring for minor illnesses" and referring to him such persons as "properly" need his help.

From this it should be clear that the proposed bill is not a "radical" piece of legislation—it is merely patch work where something new is needed. Nevertheless, the fact that they are beginning to realize that some sort of patching is necessary proves that the present system of private medical services is inadequate.

Dr. Carl Peterson, secretary of the Council on Industrial Health of the American Medical Association, said his organization "would actively support legislation of this description, adding that—

"If it followed reasonably well a set of standards for such services as would center around an industrial physician, with reliance being placed on the industrial nurse under medical supervision."

Also, he said, it should provide industrial hygiene consultation and include disabilities under employment compensation laws. Close connection with medical services should be maintained, along with emphasis on preventive techniques.

The proposed service, which should be all-inclusive, should be founded on good records which reflect the population it will serve and the administrative personnel should be adequately paid.

The federal government has taken the lead in recommending industrial health services to industry, but has failed thus far to practice what it preaches, with only the rudiments of a health service for its own employees.

SNPJ Lodge No. 89 Dance Sept. 23rd

MIDWAY, PA.—SNPJ lodge 89 wishes to announce its dance to be held Saturday, Sept. 23, and sends out a cordial invitation to all friends and neighboring lodges to attend. This is a benefit dance for our boys in the armed forces.

Music for this dance will be furnished by Les Faulk and his orchestra, and you all know that that means an enjoyable evening of dancing is in store for you. Therefore, do not fail to come and spend the evening with us.

The entire proceeds of this dance will be used to purchase Christmas gifts for our members in the armed forces of our nation. Let us make this dance a big success so that our boys will be remembered at Christmas time with appropriate gifts. We'll be expecting you.

For Dance Committee,
Mrs. STANLEY PIKE.

Attention, Members of SNPJ Lodge 570!

MASONTOWN, PA.—To all members of SNPJ lodge 570: There will be a special assessment of 25c for two months, September and October, to benefit the local treasury. Members in the armed forces to be exempted. We lost two members through death, and we had some expenses. I also wish to invite our members that do not come to meetings to please be present at our next meeting which will be on Oct. 8 at 2 p. m., to express their opinions.

ANNIE WALLENCHECK, Sec'y.

Cuddy Lodge 319 Holds Hop Sunday

CUDDY, PA.—A dance will be sponsored by Lodge 319 on Sunday, Sept. 24. There will be dancing from 8 to 10 with music by Les Faulk and his Slovene Trio. I know you'll not want to miss a good opportunity for a wonderful time so be with us at Cuddy, Sunday, Sept. 24, at 8.

MOLLY, Lodge 319.

Juvenile Circles of the SNPJ

Perfect Circle Members Prepare For Fall Bazaar

CHICAGO, ILL.—On Saturday, the 16th of September, members of Perfect Circle No. 26 started their articles for the bazaar. There were 30 children present. Seventy-five articles were started and some of these articles were completed.

Some of the articles were pin cushions, book marks, and ration book holders. All of them looked very nice. Tommy Hines showed up the girls in sewing. Tommy was making a ration book holder and I don't think that any boy could beat him; he does such nice work.

There will be a short meeting this Saturday. Following the meeting we will finish and continue further with our bazaar work. So remember the date, Sept. 23 at 10 in the morning. Let's make this bazaar a great success.

GRACE ANN GERDANC.

J. Z. Jr. Bright Spots

LIBRARY, PA.—Dates to remember: Sept. 23, Lucky Stars' 14th anniversary dance, Imperial Pa.; Sept. 23-24, Amer. Slav. convention, 4400 Forbes St., Pittsburgh, Pa.; Oct. 14, Musketeers dance, Moon Run, Pa.; Oct. 15, at 2 p. m. E. S. Federation meeting at Library, Pa.; Oct. 15, at 8 p. m., J. Z. Jr. Victory Dance, featuring Jack Persin's orchestra.

The E. S. Federation of SNPJ Lodges of Western Pa. will hold their quarterly meeting on October 15 in the Library Slovene Hall. On this same date, the J. Z. Jr. invite all their friends and members to attend their Fall Victory Dance. Jack Persin's orchestra from Warren, Ohio, will entertain you with their popular Slovene waltzes and polkas. (So delegates, please plan to stay after the meeting for the dance.)

We were all enthused on August 27 about the success of the 9th Pa. SNPJ Day but since we didn't write the following week, the enthusiasm now is just a passing memory. Nevertheless, it surely was grand to see such a nice crowd of people from far and near.

The old folks had a grand opportunity to exchange news about their sons and daughter in the service, with friends they don't see other than at occasions like this. The young folks took to dancing and so the evening ended.

Oh yes, we had visitors. Jo Klarich and Burchie Naprednek from Detroit; Emil Hrst from Washington, D. C.; Mirko Kuhel, our guest speaker from Chicago; the Novak Sisters and their friends from Sharon, Pa.

Since Sister Jennie Padar did such a wonderful job in reporting in last week's Prosveta the transactions taken at the SANC convention in Cleveland, the writer has nothing to add, as my report which I have prepared for the federation is essentially the same. However, one can not impress too strongly upon one as to how truly wonderful the SANC organization is; and it is my sincere hope that the Federated Lodges will immediately adopt ways and means to donate to the support of the SANC organization. SANC has accomplished much, but their real accomplishments will begin later, after the Nazis have been wiped out.

During the SANC convention the writer had the pleasure of meeting Louis Adamie, Ebin Kristan, Mirko Kuhel, Anton Zbaniak, Joseph Zvertnik, Janko Rogel and Leo Krzycki who are doing an excellent job in promoting the activities of SANC.

The fun began after the convention when we met some good old SNPJ members such as Cam Zarniek, Mary Krizmanic, Anne and Sophie Opeka, Frank Plut, Uncle Charlie Koman and wife, Joe Fifolt, Frances Turk, Debevec family and Jennie Padar. At this writing we are looking at the snapshots that were taken with the above gang and they are better than the Ribic stories we heard. (Am I kidding?)

To Mary Krizmanic and her mother we want to extend "our many thanks" for their kind hospitality which we enjoyed during our stay in Cleveland.

This 'n' That
Congratulations to Sisters Mae Likovich, Bertha Oepek, Mary Vidmar and Brother Frank Bolte. These members all took the trip down "the aisle" to say "I do."

Sister Kay Ellison is home again. How about seeing you at our meetings?

Pvt. John Bobach returned to Camp after a short furlough at home. John is still very interested

Lucky Stars Will Give Dance Sat'day

IMPERIAL, PA.—Once more the Lucky Stars, SNPJ lodge 716, wish to remind you of their 14th anniversary dance they are giving Sunday, Sept. 23, in the local Slovene Hall.

The orchestra for this occasion is the ever-popular Polish Aristocrats who play on Pittsburgh station WWSW every Sunday at 1 p. m. We know you will enjoy dancing to their tunes and be well entertained. Make that evening a "must" with the Lucky Stars.

Pvt. Edward Tuminski, one of our members in the armed forces who was home on a weekend leave recently, is reported to be going overseas. Here is hoping you all the luck, Edward, and we hope to see you soon.

Some dance dates to remember coming on: Presto lodge 166 dance on Sept. 30 for the boys in the armed forces; Imperial senior lodge 106 dance on Oct. 14; Musketeers of Moon Run Oct. 14, and Lucky Stars Nov. 11. And, of course, Lucky Stars' anniversary dance Saturday, Sept. 23.

Buy more War Bonds!
FRANK OPEKA, Pres.

Integrity Broadcast

CHICAGO.—The regular monthly meeting of Integrity lodge 631 is this Friday, Sept. 22, at 8 p. m., at 2436 W. Diversey ave. Vacations are over so how about attending the lodge meeting? We should like to see you tell us about your vacation, and maybe you have some ideas how we can improve our monthly meetings.

With the October meeting we will have some card games. If you are good with cards come to the meeting and enjoy yourself with the gang.

We are sorry to hear that Sis. Edith Podlesnik has lost her father, Anton Koroshak, in an auto-train accident on Labor day in Dowell, Ill. Sis. Ann (Strah) Fak and her husband Victor have attended the funeral. Victor Fak is a nephew of Sis. Podlesnik. The Integrity lodge extend their heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family.

Letters come to the Secretary from our boys in the armed forces. Bro. Joseph Jereb and Bro. Leo Kotar send thanks to the lodge for the little gift that we sent them. It would be nice for some of the members to write to them and cheer them up. The Secretary will give the address of all our boys to the members in the Prosveta.

Pvt. Joseph Jereb, 36643300, Co. D 761st M. P. Br., A. P. O. 938 Unit 1, c/o Postmaster, Minneapolis, Minn. He is somewhere in Alaska. Pvt. Leo Kotar, 121st Ord. M. M. Co., 1850 Geneva Ave., San Francisco 24, Calif.

MICHAEL R. FLEISCHHACKER,
Secretary of SNPJ Lodge 631.

in the Lodge and its activities. Sgt. Carl Kossan is resting now after the tough battle on Guam. Cpl. Charles Waggett and Sgt. Frank Ambrosio are writing from "somewhere" in France. Cpl. A. Slapnik still writes from India.

We have quite a number of boys in service but since they don't write to our Secretary it is pretty hard to report any news about them.

Until again, don't forget October 15. Make it a date, come early and stay late.

FRANCES DERMOTTA, 682.

NOTATIONS

By Frances L. Rak

CHICAGO.—Quite a few new faces were present at the Pioneer meeting last Friday evening. The attendance wasn't at all what it should be but it was improved over the July meeting. We had interesting reports on our Servicemen's Benefit, bowling, new members, Federation's 40th Anniversary celebration of SNPJ, Yule party for juveniles, the possibility of the Federation buying a farm or recreational resort, SANC, and Circle manager's report, plus a few interesting comments by our servicemen home on furloughs—ALBERT LUZAR and JOHN OLIP JR. Cash awards were won by MILTON ZAVERTNIK, the serviceman; FRANK LOTRICH, the adult, and MYRA BENIGER, the juvenile. Refreshments were served after the meeting and a social hour followed.

Last Sunday afternoon the scheduled picnic for the benefit of Proletarec took place at Kegel's grove, Willow Springs, despite the fact that a thunderstorm started right after dinner. Those of us that went to the picnic in the morning didn't know why the friends and sympathizers of Proletarec didn't show up as we had expected—but by late afternoon they finally arrived, and naturally, we were surprised to hear about the cloudburst for at Willow Springs we had sunshine with an occasional cloud. Thus, we only had a fair crowd but we had a merry time. Balina players were quite busy and there was plenty of food and drinks and we danced to the tunes of the Gradisek-Omerza orchestra.

There will be a very important meeting of the Servicemen's Benefit Committee Friday evening, Sept. 22, at 8:15 at the Slovene Labor Center. Our final plans will be made for the contents of the Yule boxes for our service members; also, we'll select the dates on which we must assemble to pack these boxes, first for the overseas and then those in the USA. This year we'll need more help for this work since we've quite a few more boxes to prepare. Any Pioneer is welcome to come, and the need will be urgent. Watch the Prosveta for dates.

Our Servicemen's Benefit will take much preparation. We'll need donations in anything the members may want to give—be it either something for a prize or edibles. The very appropriate date selected is Armistice Day, Nov. 11, at SNPJ Hall. Tickets are being distributed now—they're selling for only a dime a "donation," and a \$25.00 War Bond will be given away.

Nada's Card Party. The ladies' lodge Nada, 102 SNPJ, tell me that you'll have a good time at their bazaar, card party and social. Their doings will be held on Oct. 14 at SNPJ Hall. Dancing will follow. You're all invited to make merry with Nada.

Fall Festival and Bazaar. Last Saturday morning the Perfect Circle members started to make the ar-

ticles for sale at their Fall Festival and Bazaar. A lot of interest is being shown in all their work. Many of these items, we are told, will make nice Christmas gifts. They tell me that many booths will be set up in the upstairs hall and the members will decorate them as skittfully as they know how. We know they'll be very artistic, too. A very interesting display will be Scrapbook of the Perfect Circle's last year's activities which, we know, have been many. The date of the affair is Oct. 21 at 7 p. m. Admission is only ten cents.

Servicemen. This week's mail brings us an interesting V mail from LT. OSCAR B. GODINA who is somewhere in France. He states his letter by saying that he always reads these articles with interest, for which we are pleased. Oscar has traveled a bit and he says it hurts to see whole cities in ruins. He's anxious to go to Paris but he's too busy, laundry costs are high; he is acquainted with one friend there, she's a public school principal.—JOSEPH VRECHER, son of Frances Vrechek, who has two other sons (not Pioneers) in service, spent a recent furlough with his mother. ALBERT LUZAR and JOHN OLIP JR. attended the Pioneer meeting and they both looked very good; they're furloughing, too.—I just can't help but comment that this Thursday, Sept. 21, is a year that my youngest brother, S/Sgt. Philip Langerholc, of U.S.M.C., lost his young life at Guadalcanal. The time has sped very fast, but the hurt is there just as it was a year ago... only those who have suffered such great losses know the actual feeling and pain that comes at a time like that. I like to think of him being just away and resting in peace.

All-A-Round. A little baby girl named Janet Ann arrived for the FRANK REEVES, and Doris is very proud of her sister. It was nice to see the KUKMANS, WM. DRZEWIECKI, the OLIPS, ANN SANNEMAN, ANN O'KORN, MARY ZORDANI, FRANCES PODBELSEK amongst the new faces at meeting on Friday. We missed ERMA VERTNIK and the CERKONEYS. ELAINE TURPAIN is going to Junior College. We read with interest JENNIE PADAR's writeup on SANC's first convention held in Cleveland over Labor Day. ANTON ANDRES, while doing vital work for his firm in New York City, is staying at the Hotel New Yorker.—We were very glad to hear that the Milan Medvesek's youngest daughter is getting better. We hope she's all well again real soon. The Pioneers have heartily endorsed the buying of a farm or a resort of some kind by the federation. It's a good venture and will require much thought and work.

Keep in mind the Federation's celebration of the 40th Anniversary with ZINKA MILANOV, on Oct. 29. As a last reminder: Be present at the Servicemen's Benefit committee meeting Friday, Sept. 22, at 8. That's all.

Strabane Pioneers

STRABANE, PA.—The Pioneers' monthly meeting was short but interesting. One of the highlights of the meeting was a short talk by Brother George Hinton. He stated that since he read of the meeting he thought that it was his duty to be there if at all possible. Brother Hinton also stated that he was surprised to see so few of the members at the meeting.

At one time the meetings were well attended but work, service in the armed forces and an attitude of "oh, why should I go?" are found as excuses. We can excuse the former but the latter ones are the members we would like to reach. It is one of your duties as a member to be at all meetings and keep your lodge going. So keep that in mind and be there on the first Sunday of the month.

At the meeting it was decided to hold a dance September 30 at the local SNPJ hall. An orchestra is being secured and will be announced later. The Pioneers wish to thank Mr. John Chesnic and the Ladies Auxiliary for the money donated towards the Christmas boxes for the boys in the service. A sum of money was donated towards the fund for an ambulance to be sent to Jugoslavia.

This week we wish to honor Mrs. Josephine Gernovsek as the "Family of the Week." She has two sons in the Navy and one in the Army. They are John, AMM 3/c, who is on the Hornet, Ludvik, S 1/c, who is on the Crown Point, and Pvt. Louis who is overseas.

The local softball team of which three-fourths of its team was composed of SNPJ members lost a hard fought battle which was needed to win the second-half of the city softball league. The boys played

good ball and deserve some praise for the way in which they fought to stay at the top. Our congratulations to the boys upon their playing and good sportsmanship and our condolences to them upon losing the game.

Pioneer Pips: Winner of the award at the meeting was George Hinton. Home on leave recently were Cpl. Christine Ahacic, Westover Field, Mass., Pvt. Louis Ahacic, Long Island, New York, and Pvt. Albert Floragan, Camp Polk, Louisiana.

A baby was born to Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Tutin and a son to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Grohal. Congratulations.

Edwin Chesnic and Joseph Zupanic will leave shortly for service in the armed forces. Congratulations also to Pvt. Jacob Chesnic upon his promotion to sergeant somewhere in France.

The secretary desires that anyone knowing the address of John Bonazza to please turn it in as soon as possible. As reported in a previous article Pvt. John Bonazza is a German prisoner of war.

Pioneer Pip for the Week—Remember the boys overseas with a Christmas box—to Oct. 15.

DOROTHY PODBOY,
Publicity Committee, 584.

Veronian News

VERONA, PA.—Again the Veronians will be dancing, and the date and evening is Saturday, Sept. 23, tomorrow night at exactly 8:45 p. m.

Yes, it's another of your favorite Slovene bands—Joe Korcin and his music makers. Reminding you again, that every one is enjoying these dances that are being held monthly at our Veronian Club. So to those who haven't as yet attended, why not start tomorrow night, Sept. 23?

Did they have a swell time dancing to Jackie Martinec? You can say that again, Kay Miller and that handsome lieutenant from the armed service, and also that gang from Center, John Lesar and his crowd from Brushton who always attend the Veronian dances, the Cassols who never miss, and many other members and their crowds. Thanks a lot to the other lodges who attended, making the Veronian Juvenile dance of Sept. 9 most successful.

Have you paid your club dues? Every Veronian member's time is up for the blue membership card. New cards will go into effect immediately, these being of an orchid color. See your bartender for these new cards, upon your next visit to your club.

Suddenly, after only a two-day illness, John Mack, a Veronian member, passed away. Veronian members and his host of friends join in expressing to his family their sympathy and their sorrow.

Spending a few days with their

husbands who are in the armed services, were Rose Bouma and Mary Luzar, in New York. Your guess is as good as mine that soon the boys will be leaving to join their pals in England.

It's another girl for the Eddie Ruskevics family. To the mother who at this writing hasn't been doing so well, the Veronians hope and are pulling for you, Mary. To you and your Navy husband, congratulations.

Mirko Stanik is the latest Veronian who has enlisted into the armed services of our country. Mirko, who has been the Veronian Juvenile Director for the past year, needs only a golf club and ball instead of a gun to knock out those Axis demons. Mirko is an exceptionally good golfer; he will be missed by the juveniles.

So with this reminder that it's dance time to Joe Korcin's tomorrow night, Sat., Sept. 23, I'll say—So long.

MICHAEL LIPESKY, 680.

Permanent

Two Irishwomen met again after some months.

"And has your man started work yet, Mrs. Murphy?" asked Mrs. O'Hara.

"Sure and he has," said Mrs. Murphy. "It's hard work, and it's killing him, but, thanks be, it's permanent."



ROSE K. OMEJC
Sec'y Lodge 10, Rock Springs, Wyo.



LEO SCHWEIGER
Sec'y Lodge 184, Milwaukee, Wis.



FRANCES RAK
Lodge 559, Chicago, Illinois

In this sixth group of campaign pictures, we present to you three contestants who have devoted much time in recent weeks to building up the membership of the SNPJ. Two of this trio, namely Sister Omejc and Brother Schweiger, have enrolled enough new members to qualify for a special campaign award, the first having 11 new members to her credit and the second with exactly 10, while Sister Rak, who is active in the Pioneer Lodge and various projects, entertainments and other activities of the Perfect Circle (26), besides being a regular contributor to this section of the Prosveta (Notations column), lacks only two of reaching the qualifying goal. Perhaps, by the time this is published, she will have the other two, also. To all three contestants are extended "thanks" for past services and, of course, "best wishes" for more good results in the remaining ten weeks of the campaign.



Our Front

By Louis Beniger

Russophobes (haters of Russia) are waging a terrific propaganda against Russia here and abroad. Just now they are trying to pin the responsibility for the recent tragedy in Warsaw on the Russians regardless of all facts to the contrary.

Carroll Binder, foreign editor of the Chicago Daily News, who certainly is no Communist nor even a mild fellow-traveler, condemns this sort of propaganda in his weekly column of last Saturday in no uncertain terms, thus:

"When victorious Russian and Polish troops parade through the streets of liberated Warsaw a great many Poles—some say 250,000—who ought to be on the sidewalks cheering the cessation of five years' torture will not be among those present."

"They are the Warsaw patriots who sacrificed their lives in premature, ill-conceived and foredoomed uprising early in August because certain Polish politicians in London mistakenly thought it would help their personal political fortunes and embarrass Poland's allies."

"As victorious Russia pushes the German invader back across Polish territory it is apparent that the Kremlin will not tolerate jockeying by any neighboring countries which will jeopardize Russian security after Germany's collapse."

"Russia is determined, and appears sufficiently strong, to surround itself with governments whose foreign relations and domestic behavior it can trust. Since the United States and Great Britain would like to do the same in their spheres, they are in no position to challenge the Russians in this respect, and couldn't successfully challenge them if they wanted to."

"The outstanding die-hard among anti-Russian Poles is Gen. Kazimierz Sosnkowski, commander in chief of the Polish armed forces loyal to the Polish government in exile."

"Sosnkowski's propagandists alleged on Aug. 14 that 'Premier Stalin as well as the British and American high command in London had promised to send aid to the ill-armed Polish forces and that detailed plans for the delivery of arms and the bombing of German strongholds had been dispatched to Moscow.'"

"The Russians lost no time in saying that this was an outright lie. The Russian military authorities were not notified of Sosnkowski's intentions to stage such a rising and Sosnkowski had no reason to believe that the Russians would modify their strategy to come to the rescue of his dupes, Moscow officially announced. His charges have not to my knowledge been confirmed by American and British military authorities."

"The strategy of the Russians, like that of Gen. Eisenhower in Italy and France, was not to make early and head-on attacks on such key positions as Rome, Paris or Warsaw but to make those positions untenable to the Germans by encirclement. This is far less costly and more effective."

The above is but a part of a two column article dealing with the Warsaw tragedy and it clearly puts the blame on the Polish government in exile.

San Pedro (Calif.)
Jugoslavs Demand
Fotic's Deportation

It was called to our attention that Mr. Konstantin Fotic, former Yugoslav Ambassador in Washington, is touring our country, causing discussion among Americans of South-Slavic descent, thus threatening the much needed unity of all Americans.

Today, in the most crucial period of human history, activities of this type cannot be tolerated. Mr. Konstantin Fotic, by his deeds, has forfeited his right to remain as a guest of the American people.

Therefore, the Yugoslav American Central Council of San Pedro, California, representing 12,000 Americans of Yugoslav origin, unanimously voted at its last meeting, August 23, 1944, to appeal to you that, in the interest of the security of the cause of the United Nations, appropriate action be taken immediately to deport Mr. Konstantin Fotic, former Ambassador for Yugoslavia, as an enemy of the United Nations and especially of the people of America.

JUGOSLAV AMERICAN
CENTRAL COUNCIL

A copy of the above letter was sent to Secretary of State, Secretary of Senate, Clerk of the House of Representatives, the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, the House Foreign Affairs Committee, Hon. Sheridan Downey, M. C. (Senator), Hon. Cecil R. King, M. C. (Representative), the American Slav Congress, the United Committee of South-Slavic Americans.

Donald M. Nelson, chairman WPB: I am sure that labor faces the post war era, which will bring difficult problems to all of us, with thoughtful concern. The country is going to look to labor for help in solving these problems. It will expect from labor an awareness of the needs of the nation as a whole and a readiness to subordinate group self-interest where necessary to those needs.—Common Council.

THIS WEEK'S NEWS OF THE CAMPAIGN

Laurich (287), Mandich (176), Meznarich (700), Vasil (192) Outstanding

In the opening paragraph of today's report, we hasten to remind you that there are not many more days left of the 40th Anniversary Campaign. In fact by the time a majority of the members receive this issue of the Prosveta, there will be only 70 days remaining in which each of us can do his part to assure the ultimate success of the campaign.

THESE ARE DAYS FOR ACTION! If you are one of the inactive members, especially if you are an executive officer of a local lodge who has promised support to the campaign, but has either forgotten or postponed the action, or if you are one who has been planning to get a few extra good looks across just before the curtain goes down on November 30, we urge you to hurry and pay your prospects a visit. There is no better time than now—today—to get started, for tomorrow might not be soon enough!

Is your Lodge active in the campaign? . . . We are glad to be able to report that, since last week, the number of participating lodges, that is lodges who have enrolled one or more new members in the present membership drive, has increased by twelve, bringing the total in this group to 360 or 58 percent of all lodges. Slowly but surely we are approaching a percentage mark which is believed will be sufficiently high to assure the goal of 5,000 members set for 1944.

During the past week six more contestants have succeeded in qualifying for special awards: those making the grade are **GEORGE SMREKAR**, Lodge 122, West Aliquippa, Pa., who also has the honor of having last year won the top award in his class (B) in the Juvenile 30th Anniversary Campaign with an enrollment of 32 new members, **CHARLES ZAKELY**, Secretary of Lodge 264, Cleveland, Ohio, **FRANK LAURICH**, Secretary of Lodge 287, Burgettstown, Pa., **MARTIN MEZNARICH** and **FRANK POLSAK**, of Lodge 700 (Harmonizers), Roundup, Montana, and **LODGE NO. 88, Moon Run, Pa.**, whose secretary is **JERICA GORJUP**. The **HARMONIZERS (700)** became the second lodge in the Society to have two members qualified for special honors and awards, the only other one being Lodge 381, Aguilar, Colorado.

The best performances of the campaign in the past seven days are credited to **Frank Laurich (287)**, Burgettstown, Pa., who enrolled 6 juveniles and 3 adults for a total of nine, **John Mandich (176)**, Piney Fork, Ohio, who added 8 to his previous total of eleven, **Martin Meznarich (700)**, Roundup, Montana, who came through with a nice gain of 7 new members, **Mary Vasil (192)**, Milwaukee, Wis., who enrolled 5 more for an enviable total of twenty-five, and the same number of applications were received from **JERICA GORJUP** of Lodge 88, Moon Run, Pa., while from Bridgeville, Pa., came 4 from **Frances Oblack**, Secretary of Lodge 295, to boost to 14 her very latest total. To these outstanding contestants of the week and all others who secured less than four members, we extend a hearty "thank you."

There are now 38 lodges in the SNPJ who have attained their campaign quota. This is four more than were listed a week ago. The latest to achieve this goal are **LODGE 262, Farrell, Pa.**, **LODGE 295, Bridgeville, Pa.**, **LODGE 617, Lincoln Hill, Pa.**, and **LODGE 77, Dekalb, Illinois**. How many more will reach their quota before the end of the campaign? Will your lodge be among those so honored? Make that your goal and your gift to SNPJ in 1944!

IS THE FIRST PRIZE IN THE BAG? . . . With **Mary Udovich** enjoying a much too comfortable lead over her nearest competitor, there appears to be a "run-away" for the top prize of \$125. On the other hand, there definitely is a wide open contest for all remaining special prizes, beginning with second place and on down the line. The four top awards are \$125, \$100, \$75 and \$50, while all other special awards will be graduated downward in proportion to the number of new members enrolled. There are now 40 contestants who have qualified for these awards.

WHAT'S WRONG WITH OUR E.S. LODGES? . . . With few exceptions the English-Speaking Lodges of the Society have failed to head the call to action in the 40th Anniversary Campaign, and as a result of their unimpressive showing, the latest statistics reveal that there are still 38 in this group who have yet to enroll their first new member. Of the 88 E.S. Lodges only 15 have enrolled 5 or more new members in five and a half months of campaigning, six of them have attained their respective quotas, and six members of this group have qualified for special awards. While we realize that our E.S. Lodges have been hardest hit by the war, yet we are inclined to believe they not only can, but will do much better than the present record indicates. Frankly, not one of our E.S. Lodges should be in the "do nothing" group, for there is hardly a community in which these lodges are located that at least five new members, juveniles and/or adults, cannot be enrolled in the closing ten weeks of the campaign. The young people of SNPJ are expected to carry on now as well as after the war. Let us prove that the youth is ready to take the lead in membership campaigns or any other activity promoting the welfare of the SNPJ.

We are proud of the fact that two E.S. Lodges are high in the standings of the campaign. The **Pioneers (559)** of Chicago uphold their splendid record by leading all lodges with a total of 75 new members, and the **Harmonizers (700)** of Roundup, Montana, are in fourth place with 29 members, or one more than double its assigned quota. With only ten more weeks of the campaign to go, the leading E.S. Lodges are as follows:

Lodge	Location	Members	Lodge	Location	Members
559	Chicago, Ill.	75	564	Detroit, Mich.	7
700	Roundup, Mont.	29	716	Imperial, Pa.	7
568	Waukegan, Ill.	10	560	Brooklyn, N. Y.	6
584	Milwaukee, Wis.	10	567	Springfield, Ill.	6
684	Cleveland, Ohio	10	614	Cleveland, Ohio	6
680	Verona, Pa.	9	650	Eveleth, Minn.	6
690	Kansas City, Kans.	9	682	Liberty, Pa.	6
			755	Sharon, Pa.	6

NOVEMBER 30, 1944 is the final day of the 40th Anniversary Campaign. This is very important to remember for it means that only those additional new members, accepted into the local lodges this month (September), October and November, who will be admitted into the SNPJ on or prior to December 1, 1944, will be counted in the final standings of the campaign. . . In the case of juveniles prospects, who need not be medically examined, this is not of immediate importance, but it is in all cases where adults prospects are concerned. You must act quickly or it will be too late to have them admitted into the Society within the prescribed limits of the campaign. Our advice to you is to call on your adult

Spirit-O-Grams

By Whoosyt

ST. LOUIS, MO.—The "Big Three" projects now under way here in St. Louis should be completed with great success—or else, I say we ought to hang our heads in shame.

Project I—Our 40th Anniversary membership campaign which offers double cash awards locally must go over the goal. Individual members of lodges 679-107-659 should do their utmost to aid their campaign manager so that they, the members, manager and their lodge can be among the SNPJ winners at the close of the campaign.

Project II—At the Tri-Lodge (679-107-659) 40th Anniversary celebration on Nov. 18 at the Swiss Hall, Iowa and Arsenal, many surprises will be in store for you, and you can rest assured that you and your friends will enjoy the evening of Nov. 18 with us. Music by Frank Schejbal-Joe Piskulic orchestra (8-piece) will really keep you stepping around as they did at the Spirits' May dance.

Cash awards (\$25-\$15-\$10) totaling \$50 will be given away to some lucky patron. Members must put every effort in disposing their quota of tickets and books, so that we can have a record-breaking crowd celebrating the 40th Anniversary of our SNPJ on Nov. 18. Servicemen will be admitted free and we extend a cordial invitation to our boys stationed here at Jefferson Barracks, Scott Field, Lambert Field and Fort Leonard Wood.

Project III—Slovene American National Council (SANC) Relief Drive. The United Committee of Yugoslav Americans has received a license to send relief direct to Yugoslavia under the name of "War Relief Fund of Americans of South Slavic Descent."

No American Slav has actually ever experienced here in America such suffering as his brother Slavs in Yugoslavia are experiencing and living through. We should open our hearts and donate whatever possible. You are urged to sacrifice time making a house to house canvass for clothes, tools, bedding, books, pencils, crayons, tablets, pins, needles, thread, etc., just anything imaginable, as those folks in Slovenia have no home, live in the woods in caves, eat what animals they can trap, and eat it raw, as smoke would only benefit the enemy. Their homes, books of knowledge, clothes have been taken away or burned by the enemy, and they now must start living all over again, and with our Slovenes aid from America we can enable them a good start.

At the recent local SANC meeting a committee was selected for the Relief Drive, John Spiller, chairman; Anne Spiller, sec'y, and M. Galusi, treas. All Slovene fraternal and clubs will be contacted and their members asked to roll up their sleeves and haul in those bundles. Cooperation is expected from lodges in Granite City, Madison, Benld, Livingston, Mascoutah, Belleville and others in vicinity. You will be contacted by letter and in person by our committee of seven, so start collecting cash, clothes, etc., immediately.

Our Way—The Spirits sent a check of \$15 to the Progressive Slovene Women of America towards the Ambulance Fund. Orchid goes to Theresa Speck for her donation to the SANC. She was paid her expenses as delegate to the recent SANC convention, but returned the amount as a donation for the local treasury. Thank you!

Do you know that the local Croats for their recent Relief Drive collected 14,000 lbs. (7 tons) of clothing for the Yugoslavs in Europe? They paid \$200 to a trucking company to haul it to New York. They certainly deserve a big hand—and now yours truly is anxious to know what the St. Louis Slovenes will do. Can you equal or pass their mark? No reason why we can't. Oh yes, you will have to spend carfare, gas, time, etc., but what good is life if you don't share it with good deeds.

The Missouri Fraternal Congress will convene Oct. 18 at the Desota hotel here in St. Louis. Bro. John Spiller will represent the SNPJ. If any of you members can spare time won't you attend and listen in on the proceedings.

Richard Ducote accompanied his uncle, Bro. Anthony Laborde, to New Orleans for a week's vacation. Bro. Laborde who is stationed on the West Coast, had a 15-day furlough. Poor Richard had to sit on his suitcase practically all the way home.

Sis. Julia Krall, one of our most loyal members, spent a week's vacation in Gary, Indiana, and Chicago. Really enjoyed it and the previous week had happy days when her son John who is stationed at Staten Island as Const. Guardman, was home on a furlough.

Bro. Frank Roseman and Pete Dolenz spent their week's vacation "just about town"—that's patriotic, they say. Bro. Ben Ducote combined his last year's two weeks and this year's two weeks vacation making it a month, but worked at the filling station in Eureka instead of the farm for the month. We wonder how the Leopolds are in

prospects at the earliest opportunity. Propose them at the next meeting. Take them to the lodge physician as soon as possible. Fill out the membership application forms and forward to the main office without delay. . . Remember, only 70 days remain to **STRENGTHEN OUR UNITY, SECURITY AND PURPOSE WITH NEW MEMBERS IN THIS 40TH ANNIVERSARY YEAR OF THE SNPJ!**

MICHAEL VRHOVNIK, Campaign Director.

Naylor? Hope the little juvenile is fine.

Looks as if Bro. M. Lipesky has no time for lengthy articles any more since he's singing lullabies. Get that pen or tieker a-going again—same goes for Kosice.

Congrats to the Golob-Rezek wedding. Now that Frank will have a private secretary, how about some articles?

Wonder how Bro. Fritz Rugel is getting along in the army. We haven't heard from him. His wife is keeping up their place of business in Edwardsville. Several weeks ago Anne Spiller had a real surprise when her brother Charles Pogorelec whom she has not seen for 5 years, phoned her from San Diego, Calif. He is with the Consolidated Aircraft Co. there and was leaving by plane that day for Ft. Worth, Texas, on a two-week business trip. His wife Geneva and daughter returned home safely after a two month vacation here.

Bouquet to Jennie Padar for her grand SANC report. So Jennie, as one Ribnickanka says to another—Kar naprej! Na delo za SANC.

Pfc. Frank W. Serca



Pfc. Frank W. Serca, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Serca of Strabane, Pa., and husband of Rose M. Serca of Houston, Pa., was reported killed in action in Anamo, New Guinea, on July 31, 1944, while serving with the infantry. He is the seventh of Strabane's population of 1,700 in the armed services, who has given his life in World War II and is the sixth member of the two local SNPJ lodges (136-589) for whom gold stars are now posted on the honor roll. He was born in the little town of Boston, Pa., on Nov. 25, 1911, and was a member of the E.S. Lodge 589.

Pfc. Serca, a member of the 124th Infantry Division, enlisted in service on October 29, 1942, and received his training at Camp Shelby, Miss., and Camp Pickett, Va. He left for duty in the Pacific theater of war in February 1944. His last letters, one to his wife and another to one of his brothers, were written just five days before his death, and in them he stated among other things that his health was good, and asked the folks not to worry about him as he was sure he'd come out of "this mess" alive and well.

Prior to his enlistment in the armed service, he was employed by the Standard Tinplate Company (later Carnegie-Illinois) for 13 years. He was well known to the sports followers in the Strabane-Houston-Canonsburg district, having competed actively in football and softball amateur circles for many years. He got along easily with his fellow associates and was liked by all who knew him.

Besides his parents and his widow he is survived by a daughter, Rosella June, 11 years old, and the following brothers and sisters: Mrs. Matt Ahacic, Mrs. John Petro and John Vrhovnik of Strabane; Fred Vrhovnik of Elm Grove, W. Va.; Anthony Serca of Niles, Ohio, and Michael Vrhovnik, Juvenile Director of SNPJ, Chicago, Illinois.

STAY ON THE JOB

Victory is near, but the war is not yet over. Planes and ships, guns and ammunition, and everything else that is making our war against Nazism successful is still needed in large quantities for the final blow. American workers, whether native or of foreign origin, to whom a large share of the credit for the Victory will ultimately go, must not quit their jobs now. Stay on the job! Make Victory sure!

OFFICE OF WAR INFORMATION



FLASHES

By DONALD J. LOTRICH

CHICAGO.—With the initiation of six new members this far this month the Pioneers have now more than doubled their quota for the membership drive. Three adults and three juveniles were accepted at last Friday's meeting which had a reasonably good attendance. Some of the old-timers were back again, including the Kukmans and the Olips. John Olip Jr. and Albert Luzar, two of our boys who have been serving Uncle Sam for a couple of years, were present. We heard the quarterly audit report, notes about bowling, Christmas party, the October 29 celebration, and we went into detail about our own Servicemen's Benefit scheduled for November 11. We also discussed the matter of recreation farm for the Federation and decided that we would make that a special order of business for the annual meeting in December. Milton Zavertnik, Frank Lotrich, and Myra Beniger won the monthly meeting awards. Refreshments were served.

The bowlers began their new season last Wednesday night at Bennett's Alleys. It was nice to see so many new faces and still nicer to see so many of the old ones, too. Among the new ones this year are such fellows as Leroy Basha, David Paisoll, Al Ormanice, Frank Bragar, Chick Zordani, Tony Cirar, Andy Obasla, Victor Komuchar, Jack Groser, Bob Andreas, and Michael Vrhovnik. It will mean twelve full squads and from now on they will roll every Wednesday night at Bennett's Alleys, 2645 West Cermak Road, at 8:15 p. m. John Alic and John Collins have already set up the men's squads and Anne Groser will take care of the women's division. Visitors are always welcome.

We will need a lot of help for wrapping the servicemen's parcels the week of October 10. Those who can spare the time should notify Anne Groser, Erna Vertnik, Frances Rak, or the Pioneer secretary. In addition to the regular committee, Agnes Krakowski, William Dzwiewicki, and Sophie Svoboda have volunteered thus far. A baby girl arrived in the family of Frank and Alice Reven. Both mother and child are doing well. Alice is at St. Anthony's Hospital. This means another member for the Pioneers. Congratulations!—Pioneers who wish to place greeting ads in the 40th Anniversary Program book of the SNPJ Federation should see Ida Simon or the Pioneer secretary. These ads cost 25c and 50c. More tickets for the program which will feature Zinka Milanov are still in the hands of the Pioneer secretary. Since the last report Ignace Kukman and John Simon have taken tickets. We must put them into circulation now if we are to reap our share of the benefits.

Another half dozen fine letters came in from our boys in the Service. The first from Henry Zonta who is in the Southwest Pacific and who writes that everything is in tip-top shape and who reports that the weather is getting warmer now. Likewise, he reports that he plays the bass fiddle in the band they have formed which plays for the dances. The next, from Stanley Maly, who reports that he is doing all right and will soon leave the hospital because the injury is nearly all healed. He was shipped from France to Italy for recuperation. He, like many others, expects the war to be over soon.—Arley Bozicnik writes from France that his outfit is doing a terrific job of pushing the Germans back and hopes that it will soon be over because he, too, would like to get some of that good beer at the Center. Like many others, Arley likes to read the Pioneer Bulletin, especially the notes from the boys.—Then we have a fine letter from an old-timer, Tony Strukelj, who has been in England for a long time. His outfit was in on the D-day invasion and received the President's citation for the good work they did. He compliments us on our membership record and speaks about our picnic with a promise to give a lift when he returns.—And Frank Norieko relates that he is now receiving the Prosveta and that he reads it with interest. He likes the pictures especially. Frank was originally in the Aleutians. Then he was shipped to Italy and from Italy he was in on that southern French invasion. He's aching to get back to some of the Pioneers' doings. All of these boys write about an early termination of the war in Europe.—The last letter comes from Richard Bayer, who has been in the service for a short while. He is now in boot training in Great Lakes and so far makes no complaint. Richard's parents operate a grocery at 1630 B. 61st Court in Cicero.

Now to touch up on a couple of interesting subjects! Let's report first that Illinois is a great petroleum producer and that petroleum was the main mineral product from 1939 to 1942 even topping coal, which has always been a major product of Illinois. Most of the crude oil is moved to Chicago by pipe lines or to Ohio or Pennsylvania refineries. The production of oil is declining. Rock Island-Moline is the farm implement center of the

world, at present producing large quantities of war material. It is surprising since Rock Island is not favorably situated for the transportation of iron or steel.—Much is being said about the development of fabricated homes and the construction of prefabricated homes after the war. Plans are already on foot to utilize the facilities of the large new plane factories for the mass production of this new type dwelling which will cost about five to six thousand dollars for a modern five-room dwelling. Especially is this going to be true because of the new G. I. Bill which will allow every serviceman who has been in uniform 3 months or more to borrow up to \$2,000 for the purchase of a home or a business. Lending institutions will be in power to make these loans and the government will issue the guarantees for such loans. Those desiring more information about his matter can secure it from the Yugoslav Savings and Loan Association which is one of such authorized lending institutions. A copy of the G. I. Bill is also available on request.

This and That

By Peter Elish

Giant Gone

On a brisk November morning in 1942, an old, gray-headed man was softly crying in front of the capital dome in Washington. Friends and newspapermen tried to console him in his grief, but the old man, deeply hurt couldn't be consoled. George W. Norris, the ranking Senator from Nebraska, and the outstanding progressive of his age, was repudiated the day before by the people of his state, after serving them for forty years in the upper and lower-houses of Congress.

A few months later, he bid Washington goodbye for the last time. Still deeply hurt, but like the gallant knight that he was, he defended the people's right to defeat him.

At McCook, Nebraska, he carried on his fight for the people, and his last act before he died was to accept the honorary chairmanship of the CIO's sponsored Citizens Political Action Committee.

A few days ago, the nation grieved at his passing, and praised him for his service to the nation. But there were days when this wasn't so, and there were times when he had to fight the Ali Babas of concentrated wealth, almost alone.

Father of the TVA

We still remember with a thrill his long and sometimes nearly hopeless fight for the TVA in the lush, crazy, Babylonian days of Harding, Coolidge and Hoover. Norris was never greater, he fought a tough, tenacious and at times bitter fight to preserve this great power works for the people of the United States. His rearguard action saved the day until Roosevelt came into power, and supported Norris in his fight.

Then his dreams of years came to a reality. After eleven years, today, the TVA has passed its initial test, and is recognized as one of our greatest assets. The achievements of the TVA are many and varied. It supplies cheap power for the neighboring seven states. It has been a "yard stick" for power rates in the nation, and it has forced private power companies to reduce their rates. It has contributed immensely to flood control, soil conservation and reforestation of this part of our nation. It has aided navigation on the Tennessee and other rivers. It has made possible for the state of Tennessee to become a rapidly expanding industrial state that has boomed our war mobilization program.

Indirectly, it has raised the standard of living in one of the most blighted regions of the nation. Now the southerners of this region can enjoy the blessing of electricity and electronics. An illustration of the people's appreciation of the TVA was recently amplified by old Senator McKellar's attempt to sabotage the activities of the agency. The newspapers and the people of this region, almost to a man defended the policies and activities of the TVA, and McKellar's hatchet act didn't get to first base.

The successful operation of the TVA has, also, clearly illustrated that a federal agency by decentralization of bureaucratic control, and free from political manipulation, and directed by technicians can successfully operate public owned enterprises.

It has been so successful that now the people of the great Missouri River basin are clamoring for a Missouri River Valley Authority. Sen. Thomas E. Murray, Montana Democrat, has introduced a bill in the Senate towards this aim. And already, the private power trust is marshaling its vast resources against it. This is expected to be one of the major battles of the future. Let us hope that the people of this region will have a MVA in the near future.

And this would be another tribute to the grand old man of the people, the late George W. Norris.

Official Proceedings

SNPJ EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Meeting of August 2

Meeting was called to order at 1 p. m. All members of the executive committee were present and minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

President reads letter from Joseph Owen of lodge 1 who was recently on a vacation in Mexico where he met several Slovenes who appealed through him to the executive committee of the SNPJ to send Prosveta for their library in order to become better acquainted with it and eventually become subscribers. Request is granted.

He also reads letter from the United Committee of S.S. Americans in which they asked for some of our films showing Yugoslavia, particularly Slovenia, to duplicate the films. President is instructed to reply that it takes too long to duplicate the films which are now being used by our lodges.

President also presents a bill for the State of Missouri Fraternal Congress fee which is approved, also a letter in which they invited us to their state convention October 19. John Spiller is delegated to represent the Society at the convention.

Supreme Secretary submits a letter from the secretary of Lodge 14, Waukegan, Illinois, in which they asked him to speak before the members of the lodges holding their meetings in the Slovene National Home on September 10 at which occasion the films of Yugoslavia will be shown. Proceeds of the affair will be used for Christmas presents to soldiers in the service of those lodges.

Secretary of Lodge 580 on behalf of lodges 56, 140, 580, and Circle 50, asked that since Bro. Petrovich could not accept the invitation to be guest speaker at the affair October 15, Bro. Lotrich would be their second choice. Request approved.

The following operation claims were approved upon recommendation of the supreme medical examiner: Mary Prosen (\$26), \$35; Ralph Konchick (\$13), \$35; Frank Sarich (\$59), \$80; special benefits: Anna Bratkovich (\$9), \$25; Eva Vujakla (\$14), \$25; Anna Murat (\$14), \$25; Frank Lesner (\$304), \$25; John Puhek (\$77), \$25.

Meeting adjourned at 5 p. m.

Meeting of August 16

Meeting was called to order at 1 p. m. All officers were present except editor due to work. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

President submitted a letter from the committee sponsoring a celebration of the 40th anniversary of the Society in Milwaukee, representing all the local lodges of the SNPJ, in which they ask for a speaker and showing the movies and also an ad in their program booklet. The committee approved the request, delegated Juvenile Director to show the movies and to give a full-page ad.

Supreme secretary submits letter from lodge 257, Cleveland, Ohio, which will celebrate the 40th anniversary of the SNPJ Sept. 3 and ask for president as a speaker, also for treasurer. It was decided to inform them that both hold important positions at the SANS and will be engaged at the convention at the time when the lodge asks for their participation. If the lodge can postpone the engagement for the speaker until 7 p. m., it would be possible to fulfill their request.

The Progressive Slovene Women of America in Cleveland, Ohio, ask for a donation to purchase an ambulance from the American Red Cross for the Yugoslav Army of Liberation; \$50 was approved.

He further reported that the committee approved the request of lodge 138, asking for Bro. Godina as a speaker at the 40th anniversary celebration of the SNPJ Sept. 3. Brother Juvenile Director will also attend the affair if possible.

After due consideration, compromise claim for Louis Gorse of lodge 214, Mullan, Idaho, is approved.

Juvenile Director Vrhovnik reports that he received a request from Circle 20 of Lodge 381 for financial appropriation. The sum of \$25 is approved. He also reported that the bowling team of lodge 632 failed to obtain upon request any compensation as part of the contribution for purchasing shirts for bowlers. Decided to appropriate \$25 for this purpose.

The following claims were approved upon recommendation of the supreme medical examiner: Anna Lovrine (\$5), \$500 (disability); John W. Merzel (\$36), \$35 (operation). (Other details in Slovene minutes).

Meeting adjourned at 3 p. m.

Meeting of August 30

Meeting was called to order at 1 p. m. All members of the committee were present except Juvenile Director who was on his vacation. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

Railroads Want Monopoly Over All Forms of Transport

The Secretary submits the following: Jennie Koshar, of lodge 8, had a major operation but she is not insured for disability and asks for some assistance from the special benefit fund in order to pay the doctor bill. The sum of \$35 was approved.—John Tish, lodge 65, a soldier, was ill and had an operation. On Bro. Shular's recommendation, the sum of \$60 is approved.

Juvenile Circle 31 of Warren, Ohio, asked for a financial contribution. The sum of \$15 was approved.

The American Slav Congress holds meeting Sept. 23-24 and is planning to issue a booklet for which they are soliciting ads. A full page ad was approved.

Head editor asked if it would be proper to have the Prosveta send a reporter to the SANS convention in Cleveland, Sept. 2-3. Since our Society is supporting this movement, decided that head editor be delegated.—He also presents a protest of the Ohio-W. Va. federation against the decision of the supreme board in reference to the case of the former head editor. Since the decision was made by the board, the protest shall be submitted to the supreme board at its annual meeting.

Supreme treasurer reports that he attended the 40th anniversary celebration sponsored by two federations of the SNPJ Aug. 27 as a speaker in Sygan. The subject of his speech was about the 40th anniversary and he devoted some time to the SANS which organization is closely connected with the Society. The attendance was large and general satisfaction about the program was obvious. The moral as well as the financial success was undoubtedly attained.

He also asks the committee to express its opinion in regard to his position in connection with SANS and its convention, whether he could obtain three months leave of absence in the event that he is elected secretary. The committee members agree that SANS is an extremely important organization and that if he is elected by SANS convention, he should be given the requested leave of absence, and it will be the duty of the rest of the executive officers and employees to cooperate in performing his work at the office during his absence.

Applications for special benefit: to Joseph Dolanc, lodge 434, three months assessment, to Frank Eganc of lodge 513, \$20 benefit, and to Pauline Boben of lodge 585, \$35 benefit.

Meeting adjourned at 4 p. m.
Vincent Cankar, President.
F. A. Vider, Supreme Sec'y.

Jobs for Britishers

By Stuart Chase

When Britain went off gold in 1931, an historical era came to an end. World War I had undermined that era, but the financiers and elder statesmen, headed by Montague Norman, moved heaven and earth to restore the economic holy trinity of free trade, balanced budgets and the gold standard. 1931 recorded their abject failure.

Historians will make much of the date. They may make more, however, of 1944. In this year the British flabbergasted the sound money school again, but even more severely. The Tory government has just come out for a compensatory economy, thus handing the trinity another dreadful jolt. No free enterprise but the government is to see to it that every Britisher has a job after the war. This is the big news in the recent White Paper presented by Lord Woolton.

For fifty years, as I have failed to point out in this column, economic systems the world over have been retreating from laissez-faire. But the tight-lipped guardians of the Market have never admitted it. Their story is that the lapse is temporary, and the wanderers will shortly return, much chastened, to the green pastures of Disraeli and Rutherford B. Hayes.

Now comes the party of the great peers and landlords, the tycoons, the upper crust, to announce that it has no intention of returning to the 19th century, but proposes to push on into the 20th. It proposes to base its policy not on the eternal verities, but on the world as it is.

You can imagine the consternation in the editorial offices of the New York Times! It is rumored that the Times had sternly warned the British against the Woolton report before its release. But the British government was listening to other, and perhaps more formidable, masters. It was listening to the millions of young men in the armed service, who were more interested in jobs than in economic theology. There was no way to get them jobs on the ancient formulas of free trade, annually balanced budgets, and gold standards. Indeed there was no way for the under crust itself to survive under these formulas. The Tories had the sagacity to perceive this—and broke not only the great heart of the Times, but the lesser hearts of the Wall Street Journal and the Journal of Commerce as well.

My scouts inform me that few hearts were broken in Britain. Indeed the opposition was even less than for the Beveridge report, though Lord Woolton goes much further than Sir William did. This is

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—"In order to continue their restrictive policy on all forms of transportation, the railroads have now come forward with a plan for fastening upon the nation a complete transportation monopoly under their domination," said Wendell Berge, assistant attorney general of the U. S., in a talk before the Kansas City Advertising and Sales Executives Club. "This plan, which is advanced in the name of free enterprise, contemplates the development of regional integrated transportation system, which would control and operate rail, motor, water, and air transport facilities throughout large geographical areas. To achieve this plan they advocate the repeal of the 'charter of American freedom,' the Sherman antitrust act, as it applies to transportation. The sponsors of this program in one of their public pronouncements remarked that—'They (the railroad owners) are not concerned whether their returns come from water, rail, bus or air services.' This expression of the railroads' case leaves no question but that the purpose of this scheme to bring all forms of public transportation under the domination of the railroads is designed to preserve the excessive capitalization of the railroads regardless of the economic effects upon the nation."

"Economic Power"
"It requires no extended analysis to understand the economic power of such 'integrated transportation systems.' Such regional monopolies of all forms of transportation would possess the power of life and death over every community and every industry. Their rate policies would determine the location of industry, the sources from which raw materials would be drawn, the markets to which finished products would move, the possibilities of geographical shifts of population and industry, and the employment opportunities for a large proportion of the workers in industry, trade, agriculture and mining."

"Public Ownership"
"Indeed, any such extension of private monopoly power would make public ownership and operation of their transportation facilities inevitable unless the people are to accept a freezing of progress and economic expansion. In short, such regional monopolies in the basic industry, whose tentacles reach out into all industry and trade, would have power exceeding that which the government itself can exercise. The creation of regional systems of integrated transportation is sponsored by the Transportation Association of America and has strong railroad endorsement."

an official government postwar plan. Parliament will have to vote on it, but its chances are good. It would hardly have been proposed in the face of stiff Parliamentary opposition.

Says the London Morning Post: "With in the framework of democracy, no government has ever put forward so comprehensive a set of proposals for promoting full employment." Ten or fifteen years ago continues the Post, many of the ideas would have "appeared revolutionary. Today they belong to the common stock. . . . For the first time the State assumes direct responsibility . . . for creating the conditions in which full employment may be as nearly attained as is possible within the limits set by a dynamic economy and an uncertain external world."

The financial editor of the Morning Post goes on to sum up the plan as "an enlightened statement of new principles which will rank high in the history of British finance." This is calculated to break the hearts of the Times, the Wall Street Journal and the Journal of Commerce, all over again, together with the hearts of Professor-Doctors Lewis B. Hancy, Raymond Moley and Louis Hacker. When such statements are made by financial editors of sound conservative journals, what is the world coming to?

Yet there is nothing revolutionary about the White Paper, except for one point. The state guarantees virtually full employment. If business men cannot place the people who want to work, the government will finance their employment in public works and services. It will not "take over" anything. It just compensates for the ups and downs in the trade cycle, thus checking booms and depressions. Financial techniques are now available to do this. All that is needed is the national will to stop the cruel nonsense of starving in the midst of plenty.

This the British have now resolved to do. The government has expressed the national will, and outlined the specific steps to be taken, both during demobilization and for the long swing. The whole country applauds.

Friends, the world moves. It is doubtful if even the New York Times can keep everything perfectly quiet and perfectly lifeless, in the face of this breach in the sound money front. The Times has always looked to the City for spiritual leadership, and now the City has become a den of heretics. A compensatory economy is no blaring heresy, but when the high priests of financial orthodoxy come out for it, history is made.

—Common Sense.

DULLES MEETS HULL FOR TALKS



JOHN FOSTER DULLES, foreign affairs expert for Gov. Dewey, Republican presidential candidate, arrives at the U. S. State Department on crutches for his discussions with Secretary of State Hull. Dulles, who is recovering from a foot injury, will talk over post-war peace.

Your Dollar

By CONSUMERS UNION

Quality Dehioration & Indexes

The Fairchild Publications, publishers of many trade papers and of a retail price index, report that their index has remained unchanged since March 1, 1944. But they add this explanation, which is confirmed by the experience of consumers:

"With the index based chiefly on staple items, and with quality deterioration not reflected in the index, it is expected that the index will continue comparatively stable until the end of the European war, but that a downward revision in prices will develop soon after that time. According to A. W. Zelomek, economist, under whose supervision this index is compiled, the decline will occur in those products which have been most seriously affected by wartime quality deterioration; distributors will tend generally to liquidate these goods before post war items are made easily available."

Phony Nylons

Women who purchase nylon stockings from black market sources, are being victimized by a new racket. They are paying \$4 to \$25 a pair for rayon stockings that have been treated with resins to make them look like nylons.

A testing company reports that it has been investigating stockings stamped "Dupont Nylon" which were nothing but rayon hose that had been treated chemically. The company states that the bootleg hose have the sheen and slippery feeling of nylon but under the microscope they show up as rayon. In some cases the resin comes off with the first washing.

Consumers should remember that no nylons are being produced. Women who purchase nylons are either buying fakes or are getting hose made of nylon that has been diverted from war purposes to black market channels.

Rent Rackets

With vacancies down almost to zero in most large cities, new forms of gouging tenants are rapidly developing. People forced to look for new quarters often find it necessary to play bonuses to superintendents and other building employees in order to get leases on vacant apartments.

Many landlords have stopped paying commissions to rental agents. Tenants who get apartments through such agents now find themselves soaked for the commissions.

Other tenants are forced to pay the costs of painting and other repairs.

OPA reports that the gratuity racket has spread to hotels. Individuals who want to make reservations in advance may have to give the room clerk something for his "trouble." Consumers should report all such violations to OPA.

Dates and Figs

There is little likelihood that imported dates and figs will be available to consumers until 1945. The British need fruits with high sugar content that can be shipped without cold storage and they have been taking what supplies are available in the Near East.

Trade sources point out that until the overall food situation in England improves, these shipments will continue. Otherwise, the British would be forced to call upon the United States for an equivalent tonnage of dried fruits, thereby wasting critically needed shipping.

Moreover, American packers who process imported dates and figs for consumption in the United States have diverted their facilities to the packing of Army rations. They will be unable to resume normal operations until there is a substantial cut-back in the Army ration program. Consequently the holiday markets later this year, will depend as they did in 1943 on domestic dates and figs.

Fruits & Vegetables

There will be more fresh fruits

and vegetables this Fall and Winter, but less are expected to be commercially canned for civilians, as a result of large war requirements. Crops of apples, peaches, pears, apricots and cherries are all larger than last year, and the citrus crop will be of a record-breaking size. Only the grape and prune crops will fall below last year's crop.

For vegetables the situation is about the same as for fresh and canned fruits—larger supplies of fresh vegetables are expected but smaller supplies of commercially canned items.

Grocery Prices

Two weeks ago Bread & Butter reported that OPA had abandoned its plan to distribute to consumers 10,000,000 price lists which had already been printed. Yielding to industry pressure, OPA instead had launched a fall campaign to popularize the posting of prices in grocery stores and in general to educate the public with respect to price ceilings.

The general aim is a "strengthening of mutual confidence between grocer and customer" by stressing "that both consumer and grocer have a stake in the success of food price control and that, in addition to being a government responsibility, a democratic price control program is also an individual and a community responsibility."

Housewives Should Check

Bread & Butter still believes that the distribution of individual price lists is the best way to implement this program, but thinks that consumers should try to make the best of the current campaign. Housewives should insist that prices be posted where they can easily be seen, they should check these ceilings with the prices they pay, and they should report violations immediately to local rationing boards.

As for the grocers, we hope that they will pay heed to this statement by a spokesman for the National Association of Retail Grocers:

"Any retail grocer who remembers the wild inflation during and immediately after the last war and the bankruptcies that came on its heels knows that he has as big a stake in the success of price control as his customers have. He really has more of a stake because he has an investment in his business."

Higher Postwar Prices

Reports from government and trade sources confirm previous indications that consumers will pay higher prices for postwar durable goods. Cars, refrigerators and washing machines will cost 20 to 35% more than prewar models.

According to the Journal of Commerce, "The Office of Price Administration while inclined to doubt that prices must climb to the full extent claimed by industry, nevertheless indicated it would avoid any price clampdown so severe as to obstruct the rapid reconversion of industry when the time comes."

Some OPA officials point out that labor costs will drop after the war when overtime, upgrading and premium payments are largely or completely eliminated. In addition, industry in seeking higher prices for postwar products conceals the cumulative effects of increasing output per man hour which will reduce postwar operating costs.

Olive Oil

Imported olive oil—which has become something of a collector's item during the war—will be sold to civilians, according to trade reports. The supply that will be made available will amount to more than 3,000,000 quarts and no ration points will be required.

The story is that the War Food Administration is importing the olive oil from the Mediterranean area and will release it to the civilian trade. But when the oil will arrive is still not known.

WORLD EVENTS

By Scott Nearing

(Concluded)

Those of us who try to follow the course of world events have had more than one occasion to be thankful for Winston Churchill and the British House of Commons. While the Washington Administration conducts U.S. foreign policy under a cloud of equivocation and in the utmost secrecy, Mr. Churchill has gone before Commons three times in this calendar year with a detailed report on Anglo-American foreign policy.

Secretary Hull's meaningless platitudes and Moscow's habitual silence on the course of world events have given Mr. Churchill a virtual monopoly as spokesman for the anti-Axis forces. In his report to Commons on August 2, he again took advantage of his unique position to give the waiting world a British Tory's survey of European politics.

Churchill's May 24 report to Commons outlined British plans for Mediterranean supremacy. On August 2 he handed Eastern Europe to the Soviet Union. Russia offers "freedom, sovereignty and independence to the Poles. They ask that there shall be a Poland friendly to Russia. This seems to me to be very reasonable." Turning southward, he said, "Rumania primarily must make their terms with Russia." For Bulgaria: "The moment of repentance has not passed." After announcing Turkey's break with the Axis: "I hope the new step will contribute to the continuity of friendship of Turkey and Russia."

Thus officially does Churchill recognize a Soviet sphere of influence in Eastern Europe and warns the smaller states to "repent" or take the consequences. Thus officially there is established, even before the armistice, a line of buffer territory under governments "friendly to Russia." In 1919 these same states were friendly to France. It is the cordon sanitaire in reverse.

Churchill's speech contained a cordial handclasp for France. As lately as May 24 he was explaining why Anglo-American recognition could not be extended to De Gaulle's provisional government. On August 2: "For forty years I have been a constant friend of France and of her brave army. All my life I have been grateful for the contribution which France has made to culture. . . . It is one of the main interests of Britain that friendly France should regain and hold her place among the major powers in Europe and in the world. Show me a moment when I have swerved from this conception and I will show you a moment when I have been wrong."

What is in the wind? Mr. Churchill answers: "The course of the war, the whole tide of events, show quite clearly that we shall presently once again have to deal with the problem of France and Germany along the Rhine." The Churchill government is preparing to balance a strong France against a moderately strong Germany. There is no further mention of Germany in the August 2 political report. That will come later, when the reversal of Anglo-American policy on Germany is announced. The reversal on France was enough for one speech.

Another item in the August 2 report is of major significance. Mr. Churchill began, "On every battlefield all over the world the armies of Germany and Japan are recoiling before the armed forces of many nations which in various groupings form the Grand Alliance." Churchill speaks now, not for the United Nations, but for the Grand Alliance. This phrase appeared incidentally in his May 24 report. On August 2 it is in his first paragraph.

Mr. Churchill has officially repudiated the Atlantic Charter. Now he is throwing overboard the United Nations, which has never been much more than a paper organization and which has now become an encumbrance. "United Nations" has about it a flavor of equality, democracy, common aims and common participation in reaching decisions. The Grand Alliance is a political clique, headed by the rich and powerful, with the poor and weak tagging along, taking orders and picking up crumbs, if any.

On August 2 Mr. Churchill repeated what he said on May 24, "I still hold the view that, as the war enters its final phase, it has become and will become increasingly less ideological."

Right again, Mr. Prime Minister of the British Commonwealth and Empire. And thanks a million for telling us. From now on, the armistice directive will read, "Hold what you have and grab what you can reach."

Semi-officially the Soviet Union has taken its stand with the Churchill declaration of May 24 and the Roosevelt declaration of June 15 in favor of a world managed by the Great Powers. The Leningrad Star has published a detailed description of an International Organization for Safety (IOS) dominated and directed by the Big Four. "The responsibility for peace must not be divided among sixty or more governments. . . . It must be put upon large governments, which possess real strength for it. . . . The IOS must be built on the basis of firm, active leadership of the Great Powers" (N. Y. Times, August 4, p. 14).

China is included among the Great

Powers, largely as a matter of convenience during a period in which the Japanese ruling class has overstepped its authority as Britain's policeman of the Far East.

The Great Powers are, of course, the strong powers, those with the wealth, weapons and productive tools necessary to impose their will on their neighbors. While they agree, the world will sweat under an armed truce. When they fall out, the resulting struggle for world power will probably be referred to by historians as World War III.

World War II is drawing to a close. Germany is in the impossible position of defending three active fronts. Japan is fighting a defensive war to save as much as possible of her newly-won empire. The reported attempt by high-ranking German generals to bomb Hitler out of power and the overturn of the Japanese cabinet indicate that both Axis countries are feeling the war strain, as well they might. Five years of organized destruction and mass murder must leave their marks even on a country as elaborately prepared for the job as 1939 Germany. Japan was and is a poor country in every war-essential except manpower. Japan's rulers were so late in reaching the imperial grab-bag that they had no time to consolidate their Asiatic-mainland grab-bags. The seven-year war in China, plus the three-year war in the Pacific, have drained their material resources. War's end seems a matter of weeks or months in Europe and perhaps even of months in the Far East, though officially expressed opinion still describes the Pacific war perspective in terms of years.

After World War II? After World War II will come World War III. For it, plans are being formulated and active preparations are being made.

The armistice terms are said to be ready. Post-war plans are being drawn up. Unconditional surrender will be followed by a power-struggle, a new armaments race, a wild last-minute effort to avert the catastrophe, and then a power-drunk, profit-glutted, disillusioned, disintegrating world will reel and stumble once again into the shambles.

May Not Need Shampoo, Says Co-op Shampoo Ad

CHICAGO (CLNS)—"If your hair or scalp is neither too oily nor too dry, is easy to manage and is naturally lustrous, it may not be necessary to use a special shampoo."

This is a strange statement to find in a booklet designed to sell shampoo. But that is exactly what appears in the booklet Co-op Cosmetics and Shampoos which is now being distributed through consumer cooperatives through the country. The booklet was "unveiled" at a meeting of the Sales and Advertising Committee of National Cooperatives, Inc., which met at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin late in June.

Striving better to serve the member-patrons of America's ever-expanding cooperative enterprises is the function of the Sales and Advertising Committee, according to James L. Proebsting of National Cooperatives.

Whatever product or group of products is up for consideration, the objective remains the same: how best to give accurate, honest and complete specifications in the interest of the user—how best, in the user's interest, to give limitations as well as advantages of given commodities. In other words, how better to earn the right to speak for the consumer.

According to Proebsting, "The booklet, Co-op Cosmetics and Shampoos, well illustrates one type of consumer informational service co-ops should render. No claims are made in the booklet that Co-op cosmetics and shampoos will bring the answers to a maiden's hidden prayer. To the contrary, it is frankly stated that no cosmetic can 'feed' or 'nourish' the skin or 'build' tissues. 'Cosmetics may improve the appearance of the skin and protect it,' the booklet points out, 'but no cosmetic can permanently alter its natural characteristics or physiological processes.'"

"The section on shampoos contains detailed information on the care of the hair. Carefully truthfully, it is stated: 'Much of the so-called dandruff is nothing more than the natural sloughing off of the dead layer of outer skin cells.'"

A list of unbiased, scientific references is included in the booklet for those persons who want to do some research of their own.

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