

The Society shall insure to its members personal freedom of religious, philosophical, ethical and political creeds.

Declaration of Principles, SNPJ By-Laws.

PROSVETA

ENGLISH SECTION

FOR MEMBERS OF SLOVENE NATIONAL BENEFIT SOCIETY AND AMERICAN SLOVENCES

Those who would give up essential liberty to purchase a little temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety.

Ben. Franklin, Motto to Historical Review

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Editorial Comments

Special Junior Offer

To all English-speaking branches:—A golden opportunity awaits you during the next two months—October-November. Be sure to get at least one new junior member for your lodge during the Juvenile Membership Campaign which is now in progress. That is, every member should make it his duty to secure one or more junior members for his lodge during that period. For particulars about the campaign do not fail to read the Official Notice below. Get busy now and help make this campaign the most productive undertaking. Increase your lodge membership.

Energy the Motive Power

Be a live-wire. Do your share; be a loyal SNPJ member and do a good turn for YOUR organization. If nothing else, recommend just ONE good prospect for your Junior Department to your local secretary, and he will see to it that the juvenile is properly initiated. Remember that persistence overcomes difficulties; that you alone can take advantage of the chances offered; that energy is the motive power of achievement; that kind words naturally produce kind echoes; and that we must work our way up or rust our way out. Look backward for inspiration but you must look forward for progress.

Let Us Show Action!

More words in a lengthy lodge report may not always signify that your lodge is active in the true sense of the word. A truly active lodge is the one that is steadily growing and progressing in numbers and spirit. You must show your action by bringing into your lodge new members, new enthusiasm and interest. There are still many young Slovene-American girls and boys who are not yet within our ranks; they are not yet members of the SNPJ. It is your duty as members of this Society to bring them in now! You know your community best, and there is no more opportune time to get new members than the autumn months.

Speaking of Numbers

There are, at the present, about eighty-five English-speaking local lodges functioning under the banner of the Slovene National Benefit Society which are comprising some four thousand members. At the same time, the secretary informs us, that there are about ten English-speaking lodges having over one hundred adult members. But, to be sure, there are great many more of these lodges that have over one hundred members in both classes, the adult and juvenile departments. Some time later, after the termination of the present Juvenile Membership Campaign, we will publish the exact number of English-speaking lodges having over one hundred members in both departments, tabulating them according to their rank in membership. See to it now that YOUR lodge will also be classified among those lodges!

Official Notice

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION FROM PAYMENT OF TWO MONTHLY ASSESSMENTS FOR MEMBERS OF JUVENILE DEPARTMENT AND OTHER EXPLANATIONS

In accordance with the decision of the Supreme Board enacted at the semi-annual meeting in July, 1931, two regular monthly assessments in the Juvenile Department shall be suspended for the months of October and November, 1931. It is to be understood that this will affect all present members of the Juvenile Department as well as those accepted during October and November. However, members owing any assessments prior to the months of October or November, must pay up all back assessments in order to share in the benefit of the decision.

Therefore, lodge secretaries shall not collect any assessments from juvenile members for the months of October and November (with the exception of those who owe back dues, as mentioned above), even though they will receive monthly reports for the juvenile department. Reports will be forwarded to lodges so that the secretaries will have a chance to make any and all changes or corrections occurring in their Juvenile Department prior to and during the month. If there will be no changes, the secretary must return the report to the supreme office along with the statement to that effect.

There are several instances in which a lodge accepts a candidate for membership, forwards the application to the Supreme Office where all transactions are made and a certificate issued for the new member, and then the following month the lodge secretary returns the certificate and requests that we credit the charged assessments of that particular member to the lodge, because the member did not pay any initiation fee and decided not to remain in the Society. Section 3, Article XVI of the By-Laws reads as follows: "THE NEW MEMBER SHALL IMMEDIATELY PAY THE ADMISSION FEE, EXCEPT IF A MEMBER OF THE JUVENILE DEPARTMENT, AND ALL OTHER REQUIRED DUES." I request all lodge secretaries to strictly follow this provision of the By-Laws, and demand that every candidate pay his initiation fee at once. If lodges shall not comply with the above provision of the By-Laws, they will be held responsible for the initiation fees in the future. If some of our candidates desire to play a game with our lodges and the Society, I am of the opinion that they should do so at their own expense.

As you will note from the above announcement, all members of the Juvenile Department are released from two regular monthly assessments; THIS MEANS A SAVING OF OVER \$7,000 FOR THE MEMBERSHIP. What private insurance concern will give so much benefit to its members? I am positive that none will—regardless of whether or not the assessments for their juvenile members are higher than ours. This is possible only where an organization is organized for the mutual benefit of the membership as is the Slovene National Benefit Society, and not when an insurance company is organized for the benefit of a few.

IF YOU WANT SOUND AND SAFE INSURANCE AND IF YOU WANT LOW RATES, JOIN OUR SOCIETY. IF YOUR CHILDREN OR THE CHILDREN OF YOUR FRIENDS WANT INSURANCE, EXPLAIN TO THEM THE BENEFITS AFFORDED OUR MEMBERS AND BRING THEM INTO OUR SOCIETY.

FRED A. VIDER, Supreme Secretary.

Pioneer Frolic

THE ANNUAL FALL EVENT OF THE PIONEERS

An Invitation

Now that we have 500 members all willing to preserve the organization and build still farther on the solid foundation we are confronted with our annual fall event, the Sixth Annual Dance, "The Pioneer Frolic." We are trying hard to make this another of those outstanding Pioneer events to which we can invite every SNPJ member and friend in Chicago and vicinity. The rapid rise of the Pioneers is predicated to the astonishing social successes of the past. This parallel growth was made possible by the conscientiousness, ability and hard work of our members.

Unexcelled Music

It is an old custom and tradition of the Pioneers to acquire the services of expert musicians for the Big Annual Event. An orchestra that will first of all play unexcelled music to please and thoroughly satisfy our many patrons. That is the specification and requirement we have placed before the "Anastasi," and they replied, "we can measure up to them." So we have hired them at an alarming high price for the present times. But it will be worth it, because we feel that our friends will respond to our call in large numbers and be amused and entertained by these "nine genial gentlemen" who play them sweet and low fashioned after Wayne King, the great.

Novelties and Souvenirs

This will not only be a dance, it will be a "Frolic" as well. The old dances, where just any old orchestra performed, and where there was nothing else to amuse, are now passed. The new dogma of dances are full of life, action, fun and cheer. That's why the Pioneers have attempted this "Carnival Frolic," where each will be given different kinds of novelties and remembrance souvenirs.

Colorful Settings

Many can still tell from past experiences that the hall for the Pioneer Annual Dances has always been colorfully decorated in styles, designating the specific occasions. "A Night in Slovenia," "Garden of Eden," "Gypsyland," "Venetian Kingdom," each had their respective colorings and designs. Those are the names of four of the finest dances and incidentally some of the most beautiful and illustrious decorations. This year the hall is going to be a little differently decorated, nevertheless, the refinement and color will be just as conspicuous. Our boys have become proficient in this work and will not recede from the old standard but rather improve and increase the colorful settings.

Special Lights

Another popular feature which will be more noticeable than ever will be the lighting system and spotlights. We believe that the Pioneers were the first to arrange a special semi-dimmed lighting effect at the SNPJ Hall. We are acquiring two lights regularly used in illuminating the faces of the dance patrons elsewhere. This time they will do the "trick" for us.

Other Features

What we have set forth above is not all. We couldn't possibly put it all into a short note. Above everything else, the "Frolicers" will find the most appetizing and delicious refreshments in the kitchen and the refreshment room, with a galaxy of nice young ladies and young men ready to serve and assist you.

We again most cordially invite you to participate in the Frolic festivities of the Pioneer Lodge on Saturday evening, October 3, 1931, at the SNPJ Hall. Admission 50 cents.—D.J.L.

Joliet Hooters

Joliet, Ill.—All members of Lodge No. 717 are hereby notified to attend a special meeting which is to be held Sunday, Oct. 4, at 3 p. m. at Bro. Sternshar's home, 1616 N. Wilcox st. This meeting will be of great importance to all members. So you are all urged to be there as it will be for your own benefit. I have been notified that speakers from the Main Office will pay us a visit on this day, and I know that they will be expecting a 100 per cent attendance. So make it your business to be there Sunday, Oct. 4.

Frank C. Mandel, Sec'y.

LODGE VERONIANS

Verona, Pa.—The Veronians wish to announce their First Fall Dance to be held Sat., Oct. 10, at Costa's Hall, Front St., Verona, Pa. Music by Dom Domico and his Romancers, a popular orchestra of the younger set. Dancing from 8:30 to 12. We cordially invite our neighboring lodges and friends to attend and help make this affair a success.

Mary-A. Kaularich, Rec. Sec'y.

Wolverine News

Detroit.—Now that our outing and picnic season is over we will have to look elsewhere for entertainment. Here's a chance for the Wolverines and their friends. After our next regular meeting Thursday night, October 1, at 7:30 p. m., we will hold our regular after-meeting party where there will be fun galore and dancing to the music of the Wolverines' popular accordionist, Ed. Straus. Everyone be sure and attend and bring some juvenile and adult applicants.

The Wolverine baseball team concluded the baseball season on September 13, with a ten inning victory over the Blue Bengals, Champs of the Highland Park League, by a score of 8-7.

The Wolverines started off rather slow at the first part of the season but gradually improved until they turned out to be probably the best team we have had. Out of the last eight games, the Wolverines won seven and tied one which lasted fifteen innings.

Manager Vincent Straus requests through this column that all baseball players having baseball suits out, to have them cleaned and returned to his home as soon as possible.

One of the finest and most interesting programs will be staged by the Wolverines on Sunday, October 4. We will open the theatrical season with a bang by presenting the Slovene play "Uboj pri Kapelici" and the English play, "Unexpected Company." After the plays there will be dancing for the younger set to the tune of Doran's Vagabonds and for the elders, "The Werholts Trio."

The play "Uboj pri Kapelici" is sure to please everyone for its comedy and its pathos. You will laugh with Jurcek from beginning to end; you will sympathize with Ivan and Metka; you will hiss at Lipe. All in all an enjoyable afternoon will be spent.

The cast is composed entirely of young Slovenes and is as follows:

Jurcek, Joe Treven; Lipe, Pete Verderbar; Bepar, Anton Steffler; Metka, Velma Obed; Ivan, Edward Straus; Lina, Angela Straus; Foster, Daniel S. Obed; Agata, Matilda Knapp; Jera, Charlotte Antick; Oroknika, Martin Obed and Vincent Straus; Kucel, John Debelak; Frank Snyder, and Frank Straus; Perice and Zencile, Lenore Obed, Ann Raunkar, Antonia Lepar, and Matilda Knapp; Prompter, John Sochibins and Director, Anton Chesnik. Frank Snyder, who was such a great hit on the Easter Sunday program, will again entertain between acts.

The cast of the English play "Unexpected Company" is as follows: Lucille, Mary Ann Antick; Lucille, Goldie Potochany; Expressman, Adolph Snyder; Dave, Albin Obed; John, Adolph Snyder; and Julius, Joe Kern.

The program begins at 3 p. m. and the admission will be 50c to all until 7 p. m. after 7 p. m. ladies 25c.

We heartily welcome one and all to be present on Sunday, October 4, at the Slovene Workers' Home, 437 South Artillery avenue.

The Wolverines have organized a Soccer Club and have a team entered in class B of the Detroit American Soccer League which will be known as the Wolverine SNPJ Soccer Club. We had a loyal following for the baseball team, now let's have the same support for the soccer team; as loyal followers inspire a team to do its utmost in trying for a victory. For those wishing to see the games all schedules will appear in all Detroit Sunday Newspapers. Come out and see the boys boot the ball!

It is with regret that we write of the passing of Frank Kopemeyer, brother of Joe Kopemeyer of the Wolverines. He had been ill for quite a while and on September 16 he quietly passed away. We wish to offer sincere sympathies from the Wolverine Lodge to all relatives.

Obed and Steffler.

FLASHES By Incognito

Frank Maras, president of the new English Speaking lodge of Peoria, Ill., writes that they have held a good meeting. "If things keep up the way they have started and if work picks up we can't help but make a big success of our lodge," he says. The Pioneers are happy to learn of your beginning and wish your lodge and members every success.

We are hoping for a big attendance at the annual Pioneer dance—this Saturday, October 3. Each annual dance thus far has been successful and we hope our members will get busy and bring their friends to the Frolic this year. One thing above everything else will assure us a big crowd, the advance sale of tickets. If you haven't sold your small allotment yet, if you haven't reached your friends, there is still time until Saturday.

We have learned that Sister Ann Golub has been tagging the dancers at the Olympic Ballroom with Pioneer tickets. We also know that Frank Groner has asked for a considerable extra lot. Both of these members and undoubtedly others have sold five times their quota. It would seem to us, from this that every member should be able to sell at least two tickets.

Interest is not aroused unless there is great agitation. That too is an essential for our dance. One person can do but little; a dozen can do a good deal more; one hundred can do a whole lot more and five hundred should be able to do it all, at least for the present dance.

The Pioneers, having a lot of members, naturally have big monthly expenses. We have tried to emphasize, that to date, we have relied upon the good will of our members to bring in the needed revenue to continue operating the Pioneer Lodge at this high speed, through their social activities. And we rely on you Pioneer members to understand the need of your lodge once more and to again fill the SNPJ Auditorium to capacity as we have filled it before.

This is not merely a clamor to have a dance and a good time. As important as that may seem the fact that it is a revenue bearing undertaking makes it doubly important. We want everybody including the Pioneer treasurer to rejoice the night of October 3 if the hall will be filled with happy dancers. It is your moral duty that calls you to work.

Because the experiment of a Slovene Juvenile School has been a complete success last year the Pioneer Slovene Juvenile School will open its second term on Saturday

afternoon, October 17. Our enrollment was upward of 45 last year and it was quite a task for our teacher, Sister Katka Zupancic. For that reason she will need an assistant so we have procured the services of Bro. Louis Beniger.

We will have two divisions. One for the younger and another for the elder children. The Pioneer School Board will meet next week and prepare further plans. We hope that the children will respond in as great numbers as they did last year. A suggestion has also been made by some of our members to open an evening Slovene School for adults. The committee will determine the possibilities next week.

Workers in the Steel Industry have had their wages reduced. Simultaneously other industries carried out the same orders. This will help cut expense for the rich and show greater profits for the corporations. It will also mean less buying power for the workers and the lowering of the already low standard of living among the steel workers.

Who can deny that the whole scheme of readjustment was not to lower wages? Slashes have been recorded all of last year and this but still the workers have not seen the folly of uniting to put a stop to it by taking an interest in the control of the government. Nevertheless great forward strides have been recorded by the Socialist Party everywhere.

Rocky Mountaineers

Denver, Colo.—What is the matter with "Baby Breath" and "Just Me"? Haven't heard from you for a long time. We hope to hear from you soon.

I see the play "The Ghost Bird" is coming along fine. We will try to give the play the later part of October. We hope all members will help us sell tickets and bring a big crowd.

We would like to see the members of Colorado Springs and Pueblo come up for our big event.

After the play we are going to dance to a good orchestra. After one of the rehearsals we all went on a wienie roast and had a great time. After that we all went to the "Aravada Harvest Festival."

We are sorry to hear Bro. John Malavrh is ill. Wish him a speedy recovery.

Why don't you all come to the meetings?—For the announcements regarding the date and place for the play watch the Prosavets.

Title and May.

Excelsiors

W. Aliquippa, Pa.—Excelsiors, it is up to us and us alone to make our Lodge what we want it to be in the future. Maybe what we are yet to see will help us in our goal.

I wonder how many who read this article have already made up their minds to be in West Aliquippa at our dance on Oct. 19? Every single out-of-town lodge or member will be welcome. When you're in West Aliquippa, make your presence known. A good orchestra will be one of the feature attractions, and a peach of a good time is promised to everyone and refreshments will also be on hand (remember the kranjske klobase).

It would be a good idea if each president from each lodge would read at his next meeting the editor's words on the "Opportunity to Advance."

It is good news to know that Jane Pradel is at the helm of Latrobe, Pa. Her comrades made a good choice in electing her, it is certain the future of that lodge spells success with a capital "S."

Nature has its nights and days—life its shadows and sunshine, and every season its overhanging clouds and clear skies. It is natural that you encounter an occasional "off day" in your work of getting new Excelsiors when everything seems to combine to defeat you. But through the nite you anticipate the coming of the day—you endure shadows, always hopeful of the sunshine that is to follow. So why loosen your grip or give up when obstacles cross your path or make faces at you. Discouragement—when mastered, becomes a tonic. So master it and do your share.

Josephine Sivec, Excelsior.

Muskego's Musings

Moon Run, Pa.—Do you want friends? If you do, then smile and be pleasant. It costs nothing, and encourages and develops good dispositions. Good dispositions pay large dividends—dividends such as we all desire, and which cannot be bought with gold.

Just think what an asset is the pleasant way today with every one with whom you come in contact. No one likes to look at or talk with a grudge, but a pleasant countenance attracts and invites even one's enemies.

If you would have friends, be a friend to others. Practice courteousness, the sympathetic manner, the brotherly spirit. Advocate and practice good fellowship. Be slow to condemn or criticize, but be quick to respond to the appeal of one in distress. Defend your buddies—don't kick them when they are down.

Brothers and Sisters, suppose we follow the pleasant method in our everyday life. At school, at work and the most important plan of all—our monthly meetings. Think a little more of the other fellow's feelings. Don't say things in a harsh way as you are bound to be sorry sometime, sooner or later. Show the true brotherly and sisterly spirit.

All surrounding lodges are urged to watch the Prosavets for the Muskego's Second Anniversary celebration. We certainly intend to have a treat in store for all of you.

See you all at 3:30 Sunday, October 12. Rose Jerala.

Friendly City

Johnstown, Pa.—Friendly City Lodge was about one of the best represented at the "East-Meets-West" ball at Latrobe, Pa. Every member of the Friendly City enjoyed it. Our President, Elsie Dimic, was chosen the most popular girl, winning the prize and then leading the Grand March with John Likar of Ambridge, the most popular boy. We hope that Louis Kosela is satisfied now by seeing some Slovene red-heads at the dance.

Friendly City is going to sponsor a dance at the Franklin Hall Oct. 3. We are going to have a surprise for everybody; the music is going to be something different than we ever had. It will begin at 8 o'clock (Standard time). Plenty to eat and drink for everybody. We would like to see everybody there as at the Friendly City dance you can always have a good time.—Watch for the date of Friendly City's Halloween dance, one of the big features of the year.—Our Party, Sept. 17, certainly was a wow. Don't forget, members, that these parties will be held every third Thursday of the month, and you are allowed to bring a friend.

Reserve Oct. 3 and come to our dance.—Anna Brieley.

LITTLE PORT NEWS

Waukegan, Ill.—Bro. Anthony Pierce of this lodge left recently for New York, where he will attend the Brookwood College. We shall miss him very much at our meetings, for he was a very active member. We wish him all the luck and success!

A Member.

NOT GUILTY

A Defense of the Bottom Dog

By Robert Hatchford

To give an idea of the working of a changed environment in the case of these children, I will quote from the report of the Birmingham Daily Post:

Mr. Jackson's view ranges over some three thousand children of both sexes rescued from the very lowest haunts of misery and vice, plied up forlorn and deserted from the gutters of Birmingham, snatched from the evil influence of parents who had carried active cruelty or passive neglect to such terrible lengths that the retributive hand of human law had at last fallen upon them, from parents who would have deliberately forced their offspring to mendicancy, to thievery, or to prostitution. These three thousand worse than destitute little ones, these infants "crying in the night, and with no language but a cry," who had started their sad lives on the very threshold of that dark door over which is written, "All hope abandon," were rescued by kindly hands and carried into the sunshine. For a time they were fed, and clothed, and schooled, taught that there was something more in life than squalor and selfishness and vice, and then they were taken thousands of miles away from those foul slums in which their eyes had first opened to the murky light, their tender sensibilities first awakened to the bitter lesson of human pain and misery. They were taken to where God's fresh, free air sweeps across leagues of virgin forest and prairie, to where existence is vigorous, it may be, but healthy, and pure, and invigorating, to where conditions of manhood, instead of debased and neurotic criminality. It was in the complete and sweeping character of the change that lay the wisdom of the scheme. On the lone backwood farmstead of Canada the slum child had no opportunity, even had he wished, of once more coming within the range of vicious influences such as he had left. There was no temptation to many of the vices with which cruel circumstances had made him so terribly familiar. Heredity of evil was cheated of its chances, and whatever tendencies to good remained were fostered and given full scope for development. Further, the degraded relatives were no longer able to act the part of a millstone around the child's neck, to fetter his every aspiration to a better life, to drag him down or keep him down to their own dark state. . . . Hundreds upon hundreds of prosperous farmers in Canada at this day can look back to the dim past, when they sold matches or papers, or picked up as best they could, in the streets of Birmingham, a few stray coppers to take home to their dissolute parents; to the time when, with empty stomachs and with the rain and snow beating through ragged garments onto their little pinched bodies, they cried through the rigors of winter nights on a sheltered doorstep rather than face the blows and curses which awaited them in the only place which they could call home. They were born to poverty and crime "as the sparks fly upward," and they have lived to thank God for that kindly agency which rescued them from their inheritance of misery.

Of these three thousand children two thousand nine hundred and forty were saved—by a change of environment. Had the environment been left unchanged probably not 2 per cent. would have escaped ruin. As their parents were, so would they have been. Had their parents been rescued in their youth only 2 per cent. of them would have failed.

The experience of Dr. Barnardo and his friends with the children taken from the slums was very similar. The percentage of failures was small, and the London papers, in their obituaries of the good doctor, speak enthusiastically of the value of his work, and say that thousands of children rescued by him and his agents "are now steady and prosperous citizens beyond the seas." Since Dr. Barnardo took up the work over fifty-five thousand children have been saved—by changed environment.

From an article by Mr. R. B. Suthers in the Clarion of August, 1904, I quote the following account of the George Junior Republic, an American institution, founded by Mr. William R. George, in 1896.

The Junior Republic is a collection of 100 hogan, juvenile criminals, and unfortunate boys and girls who live under a constitution based on that of the United States. The government is government of the citizens, for the citizens, and by the citizens. Children of all ages are admitted, but the rights of citizenship are not granted to those under 12, and at 21 the juniors are drafted into the great republic outside. Schooling is compulsory up to the age of 16, after which the citizen has the choice of many trades, in the Junior Republic, including farming, carpentering, printing, dairying, or he may be a cook, waiter, store keeper, or office boy. The girls may go in for dressmaking, cooking, and laundry work.

These boys and girls, recruited from the slums and the criminal forcing beds of the great cities, govern themselves. They make their own laws, appoint their own officials, run their own gait, and are practically as free as the citizens of the big republic of which they become full-fledged members when grown up.

Mr. George asserts that he has never known them when administering the law, to give an unjust or foolish decision.

Remember they were hooligans, criminals, and wastrels. It ought not to be necessary to argue that children well brought up will turn out better than children ill brought up. We all know that such must be the case: we all know the power of environment for good as well as for evil. But facts are stubborn things, and the above are stubborn facts.

I have hitherto dealt almost wholly with the environment of the poor, but it is needful also to say something as to the environment of the rich, as Mr. Chesterton's mistakes have shown.

The chief evils of the environment of the rich are wealth, luxury, idleness, and false ideals.

It is not healthy for young people to be brought up to do nothing but spend money and hunt for excitement. It is not good for young or old to have unlimited wealth and leisure. It is not good for men, or women, or children, to be flattered and fawned upon. Flunkeyism and slavery degrade and debase the master as well as the servant: the snob lord, as well as the snob lackey.

(To be continued.)

Silver Stars No. 729

Yakima, Pa.—This week does not bring in the beginning of a new month, but also marks the beginning of the Juvenile Members' Campaign. Have you at least one juvenile to be nominated at your next meeting? If not, begin your search now. If you have a son or daughter, a brother or sister, your nephew or niece, or even a friend's child, that do not yet belong to the SNPJ, get them now! Remember it will be this youth that will carry the doing of the SNPJ on into the future. Let's get busy, bring the youth into the SNPJ to help it prosper and glorify in oncoming years.

Five members of the Silver Stars journeyed to Imperial, Pa., to share in their second anniversary dance and festivities. It was a splendid affair and the Lucky Stars are congratulated by the Silver Stars on their wonderful treatment and hospitality. May your lodge prosper and grow among the leaders in the coming years. Congratulations.

Our old friends Revellers, Midway, Torch of Liberty, Coverdale, Colonial, Trail Blazers and Keystonians were seen beside meeting the morning Stars of Pittsburgh and the hosts of this anniversary dance, the Lucky Stars. Eddie Chapman and his Virgilians made wonderful music and was hardly possible to refrain from turning off the floor whether you danced or not.

By the looks of things the first anniversary dance of the Silver Stars to be held on Jan. 21, 1932, promises to be the grandest affair ever held in our community. Are you coming? Are you, are everybody is. It's the Silver Stars—so enough said.

Sometime in the near future a dance will be held to help the Silver Star athletics over this winter. New suits for the basketball team are wanted. A little help will be appreciated, more particulars later.

Do you ever look in the first column

being considered. We want to please our many friends who will be present that evening by supplying the best music obtainable within the Pittsburgh section for the occasion. Chairman John Korzan and his committee are busy outlining plans that will meet your approval. Put in a personal appearance so that you can take in evening's enjoyment. The name of the orchestra and other details will follow later.

The Revellers' bowling league has taken definite form. League games will start this Wednesday, Sept. 30, at Labens' bowling alleys. Games will start at 7:30 p. m. sharp and all players are requested to be always on time. The league's business throughout the season will be handled by the following players: chairman John Liker, secretary George Maletich, treasurer Nick Pavlic, Tony Grandovic, Rudy Peltz, Matt Senic, and Louis Kosels. Members as yet not on any team and wishing to bowl, get in touch with the above committee.

Let sportsmanship prevail throughout the year and we'll have a great season.

Members, bear in mind that the Revellers' monthly meeting date has been changed from the 1st Sunday to the 3rd Sunday of the month at 8 o'clock. Govern yourselves accordingly.

Aliquippa Excaliburs are holding their 1st Anniversary dance on Oct. 30. Here is a lodge that during this past year has done quite a bit of visiting to other lodges. The Excaliburs are a fine group when one knows them, and it would be a fine gesture of friendship towards them to see many of the lodges represented at the dance. The Revellers will be there strong.

This column has been carefully following clues that will lead to the recovery of the Quacks' Official Runabout and also may soon unearth some startling news concerning its red-headed driver. Watch for developments.

We extend sincerest sympathies to the family of Miss Helen Novak and the Badgers' lodge upon their loss of a beloved daughter, beloved sister and a beloved lodge sister.

Louis Kosels—Reveller.

Progressive Patchos
By Giger.

Excalib, O.—Was our Frolic a wow! Pa se kake! With the first dance of the season a success, how can we fail with the rest of the season's entertainments. Above all, this dance proved that we still have the pep and spirit that have been missing for a long time. With everyone striving for success we won't stop until we are on top. Keep this in mind, every venture we undertake must prove a success.

The Progressives have come back to life again and now with more vigor than ever before. You notice this by reading our articles in the Prosveda every week, you will notice that every week we have more and more news for all of you. This makes the members feel as though everything we do is appreciated. Keep this up and make everyone take notice of the Progressives.

Last you forget—Progressives are sponsoring a Goodwill Dance Sat., Oct. 10. Admission will be 35c. Music by the Harmony Aces. Bring along your friends with you and show them the wonderful time they can have in the so-called "sticks."

New that we have enough candidates for basketball practice, we will be able to have a girls' basketball team this year. The girls will practice one night a week at the Roosevelt school gymnasium. The date and time will be brought up at the regular meeting next month.

Oct. 13 will be a record meeting, we hope. With free beer and wieners sandwiches we should be able to have our hall packed. We will also have a delightful surprise for all those present. Besides having free cats we will also have free entertainment, cards and dancing. Imagine what all that would cost elsewhere, so why not come and enjoy yourselves at our expense.

Once again you will be reminded about our 4th Anniversary May 29, 1932. This is expected to be a great event, so please remember about it.

Young Americans
ONLY TIME WILL TELL.
By Herman Nagel.

Detroit, Mich.—Sat., Sept. 26, and all is well, at least as far as I can tell.

The old saying, "If it rains on the day of your marriage, you become wealthy in later years," Mary Grum and John Malaker should feel grateful that it was raining. The Young Americans and all your friends wish you much happiness. Congratulations.

The Young Americans held their dance at Six Mile Rd.—during the first rainfall in months. The hall was filled with a merry group, mostly young couples.

Sunday, Sept. 13, the Young Americans held their meeting. Reason for such long delay in commenting on this meeting is due to the small yet quite serious conflict among the membership. As there has been nothing printed as yet, I take it for granted that the members choose to debate this at our meetings only. In fact looking at last week's Prosveda a member would think that all the Detroit people died from bad booze during the Legion convention.

Let's have more members at our next meeting to help discuss, and let others hear of your plans on how to make our lodge grow bigger and better than ever.

Lodge News Notes
VINYARD DANCE
Bridgeport, O.—The SNPJ Lodges 640 and 13 will open their fall activities with their annual Vineyard dance, Oct. 10, at the Boydville Hall at 7:30 p. m. The committee is hard at work to make it a real success; the proceeds going toward giving the children their annual Christmas party. So let's get together and make it a real treat, turn out 100% and bring along a friend. Music will be furnished by a well known popular orchestra and will satisfy both, young and old. If you come this time, you will come again, for every one is assured a good time. Don't forget Oct. 10 at the Boydville Hall for a good time and at the same time you will help make some one happy for Christmas. A Member.

HEARTS OF AMERICA
Kansas City, Kans.—The meeting Sept. 10 was well attended and had some very good discussion. Some of the members think that is the time to get new members and build up our Lodge up to 100. Brothers and Sisters, our President, Stan Baloh, really means business. He offers \$1.00 prize for every new member. Let's all get together. That isn't all. The Lodge is giving a prize of \$5.00 to the one who gets most members. The Contest lasts 3 months.

Let's see who will get the 1st prize. The conditions: The new member must be a new member for 90 days and pay full dues to the Society before any prize is given out.

The Hearts' 1st opening dance Sept. 19 was well attended and everyone enjoyed it. The Hearts sure appreciate to have visitors from the Rangers and Sunflowers.

Remember, Hearts, our Anniversary Dance Oct. 31. Let's all be at the next meeting Oct. 8. We have some important business to transact.

Fraternally,
Frank and Val.

SHENOYAN NEWS
Shenoyan, Wis.—Shenoyan is to have an opportunity to hear the well-known writer and lecturer, Sia Anna P. Krausa of Johnston, Pa., who will lecture here October 25, at Fludernick's Hall at 7:30 p. m.

It is hoped many will avail themselves of the opportunity, as it is not often that Shenoyan is able to obtain as noted a speaker as Anna Krausa. W. W. W.

KANSAS RANGERS
Cherokee, Kansas.—The Kansas Rangers' dance at Frontenac "was neither a failure nor a success," is the report given by President Fred Glendon and Brother Martin Premk, who were in full charge of the dance. They had the dance well advertised and everything ready to go, but it seems as if the crowd just didn't come out. What is the matter with the Rangers? Why don't you ever give us your support? Of course this can't be said of all the Rangers, for it is the same group that attend all the meetings and dances, and are willing to give their support whenever anything comes up to benefit the lodge. No wonder it is said that the Rangers are going downward instead of upward. The Sunflowers never meet any new Rangers; it is the same crowd they meet whenever they attend our dances. We Rangers owe the Sunflowers many thanks for their cooperation; it seems that if the Sunflowers did not attend our dances that we most surely would be a total failure. Is this always going to be said of the Sunflowers? Aren't we ever going to give ourselves any credit for anything we attempt and is a success?

Yes, we are!

From now on we're not going to give the Sunflowers full credit, but only a part, for from now on we Rangers are going to attend 100% strong!

We started the dance by charging 50c admission, but finally cut down to 25c.—We hope that Tony Pader and Mac Setina will always "remember" our dance. I am sure we will always remember their wonderful amount of "pep" and being able to have such a good time with the "rest of the fellows." We were pleased to see the Sunflowers' president and Joe Kncs of Yale there, but were wondering where the vice-president was hiding himself.

The Rangers were to have a meeting at our home before the dance, but on account of busy preparations for the dance we failed to hold a meeting. Rangers, watch for the date announced to hold another meeting for we have some special business to attend to. Don't forget to bring your ballots to the meeting.

Mollie Tolban,
Sec. Kansas Rangers.

Shenoyan News
Do you know that—
Frank Zapetel is the proud and adoring papa of a brand new baby girl?

Margeta Urbanec was married August 1st.

Jeanne Pale has taken up nursing at the St. John's Hospital, Springfield, Ill.

Any member who has any news pertaining to the Lodge or Lodge members, let them down and bring them to meetings, or see to it that some member of the Publicity Committee gets them for publication.

W. W. W.

STRUGGLERS

By Lady

Collinwood, O.—Strugglers, do you want to bowl this winter on Strugglers' own nite at Five Points Recreation Parlors? Just imagine, only Strugglers will be admitted plus SNPJ members, and there will be girls as well as boys' teams. A grand prize each week, a royal banquet at the close of the season, why not come along? If you are interested, get in touch with yours truly at Mandel's.

Just another date when the Strugglers won't be home; this is Oct. 24, when the gang will journey to Girard, Mo. to attend a Mask Dance sponsored by Golden Eagles.

Wouldn't it be nice to get 30 Strugglers, charter a bus, everybody mask up and go and bring all the prizes home? What say, gang, are you for it? So, let us know.

Times have changed. Women wearing these "I-don't-care" hats and Kanary's Koss smoking a pipe. What say?

Yes, we mustn't forget that Strugglers' big Mask Ball on Oct. 31 is going over in a top-notch way, and any of our neighboring lodges plan to attend. Are you coming to show your spirit and maybe win one of the many prizes?

April 17, 1932, that much awaited day when the Strugglers' 5th Anniversary takes place. Most of the out-of-town lodges have made or are making plans to attend and distant ones are "Daddy" and his Stalwarts, "Spud" and Spirita. If you miss this grand celebration, the largest in our history, you'll be sorry.

Bro. John Zajc, formerly of Ely, Minn., and father of two eager Strugglers, is in a serious condition in a hospital. Bro. Pregal and Bro. Ka-

ferle have given blood transfusions and we wish Bro. Zajc a speedy recovery.

The "Mystery Car" is held captive with a red-head driver somewhere in St. Louis, according to special who received from "Spud." The Quack officials plan a hurried trip by plane to bring back the "lost mystery."

"Goslow" Backer plans to become a full-fledged Struggler next meeting. Girls, stay your distance.

Don't fail to attend your next meeting to be held Wed. nite, Oct. 7. Bring along your brother or sister member. Dance to your heart's content. Free play cards, sing-and-maybe even win a grand prize. Everybody invited. What do you say, gang? Let's put things over in a big way this winter. Come and see the "Big Surprise."

We see where king George gave \$250,000 from his yearly income to the British emergency, but in the meantime the British workers will continue to give him enough to fill his pockets.

With more than 1,000,000 unemployed and the list growing larger each day, relief now is a federal responsibility, because only the federal government is in a position to rectify the abuses which brought the collapse in this country. A special session of Congress to consider and act on relief legislation must take place.

Hoover once more spread his line of bunk at the Legionaires' convention in Detroit and as he concluded his speech he was applauded by the Legionaires, and the next day or week will find some of them dying of hunger because Hoover said: "Don't put a drain on national treasury."

ATTEND YOUR MEETINGS!

Universal, Pa.—The regular meeting of the Comets will be Oct. 4. Will all members try to be present on that day, as our main discussions will be on our coming dance? The success of a lodge depends largely upon the cooperation of its members. Perhaps you may have a few suggestions to offer which would be of great benefit to all. We are considered by many as "that lively bunch of Comets," and I believe that on the evening of Oct. 31, we shall prove to visitors that we can live up to our name.

Teanie Kumer of the Comets.

Comet Flashes

Universal, Pa.—In my opinion a lodge is the child of an idea—of human brotherhood conceived as an aid to members and their families. It is the foster child of the men who have built it and maintained it. What man would willingly let his child starve? He would go the greatest lengths to provide sustenance.

So with the man who genuinely cares for the welfare of his lodge. To him it will ever be as a child whose welfare is of vital interest. He will not permit it to suffer for lack of new blood. He will want his members to enjoy its fellowship and its protection. The cooperation of each member is necessary for the highest good of any lodge. In spite of the fact cooperation is the backbone of every lodge, therefore cooperation is necessary to attain the best results.

On this coming Sunday, Oct. 4, the Comets' monthly meeting will be held at the usual time and place. Initiative of the referendum will take place at this meeting which is now before all members of all lodges. Members are asked to be present in full numbers to determine the referendum.

Arrangements have been carefully prepared and carried out, so that Oct. 31 will see the culmination of hard work made by the committee. The local dance of the season is expected to be a large turnout, will be over ready in the best possible manner to handle an enormous crowd.

The Juvenile Campaign, beginning Oct. 1 and lasting thru Nov., is now under way. It is hoped the Comets will take advantage of this unusual opportunity to increase their lodge membership. Let's see how many can be proposed at the October meeting.

Fraternally,
Joseph Caclor.

A SUCCESS

Bridgeport, O.—The conference and picnic held Sunday, Sept. 26, at Boydville was a success. Jane Pradel of Latrobe, Pa., gave a good speech. Victor Tussot of Power Point could not be present to speak because of illness. Have you have a speedy recovery, Vito?

The watch, the biggest event of the picnic, was won by Joseph Owen of Chicago.

The Singing Club "Naprej," sub-branch of Socialist Club No. 1, and the Socialist Club are going to have a play and dance Oct. 24. Everybody welcome.

Margaret Booy.

BLAZING NEW TRAILS

Meadowlands, Pa.—On Sept. 12 a party of Trail Blazers traveled to Latrobe, Pa., to attend the "East-Meets-West" ball sponsored by the "Torch of Liberty," and there had the pleasure to meet the active members of the SNPJ lodges of western Penna. and a good time was had by all. On Sept. 19 the same party motored to Imperial, Pa., and attended the Lucky Stars' First Anniversary dance. Lucky Stars, the next time you give out souvenirs, save a few for the Trail Blazers. The Blazers will blaze their trail to Midway on the 26.

Bro. Adam Jr. has resigned his office as President; Bro. Chocovin was elected. All members please attend our next regular meeting, and try to make this a 100% attendance. For there will be important matters to transact. Members, don't forget, assessments are due on the 25th of each month. You can save your secretary a lot of trouble by paying your dues on time.

Fraternally,
Raymond Prandini, Pub. Dir.
Frank P'ernell, Sec'y.

Verona Views

Verona, Pa.—The Narodni Dom is an organization formed by the senior SNPJ and CPU Lodges of Verona several years ago for the purpose of raising sufficient funds to enable them to purchase or build a Home wherein could be confined their social activities, meetings, and in general to provide a gathering place for their members in order that they could come in closer contact with each other and enjoy themselves. Through years of hard work, and unceasing effort of overcoming many obstacles a substantial treasury was built.

In 1930 at a regular meeting of the Narodni Dom the Veronians were extended an invitation to join their ranks, free, without any financial assessment or obligation. All that was asked of the Veronians was that they pledge to show an active interest and co-operate. This membership included the privileges of sharing all the benefits with equal voting and governing power as those who were members for years. The Veronians, of course, gladly accepted the membership in this worthy organization, and voluntarily contributed a sum of money to show their deep appreciation.

Due credit must be given to the Senior SNPJ and CPU Lodges of Verona for their splendid spirit of true fraternalism when they voluntarily voted a membership in the Narodni Dom to the Veronians. Especially so, when so much is read of the hostile stand taken by some of senior lodges against English Speaking lodges in various localities. It is a pleasure to state that since the Veronians' inception have the senior lodges rewarded our progress, but have always given us their full support.

Three years ago, one of the dreams of the Narodni Dom was realized when ground was purchased in the heart of the Slav settlement of Verona, and transposed into a recreation center. Now the important announcement of Home Committee was made at the last Narodni Dom meeting, that ne-

LODGE LUCKY STAR

Imperial, Pa.—Again the Lucky Star Lodge makes SNPJ history by a successful celebration of their 1st Anniversary. The time and place was a perfect setting for the renewal of old friends and the making of new ones.

Thanks to the many who attended to make this affair an outstanding success, and to wish us on to higher achievements in years to come. The affair was very well attended from both far and near.

Frankie and Johnny.

AKRON ZIPPERS 447

Akron, O.—All Zippers are requested to attend a special meeting at the clubhouse on October 6, to discuss a dance that we plan to hold in the near future. Try to be there at 7:30 p. m. All of the younger generation living near the vicinity of the Zippers and who wish to transfer or join the Zippers, may come to this meeting with your transfers or otherwise.

Zippers, let's get more members! Our organization is coming along good now, so let's keep it growing.

See you at the meeting, Snooky.

MUSKETEERS' MUSINGS

Moon Run, Pa.—And so the Musketeers made another trip! This was to Imperial, attending the Lucky Stars' Anniversary. What a great crowd, and such good music. The Musketeers wish to state right here that a very enjoyable time was had by all. Success, Lucky Stars!

This writer had the privilege of attending a Socialist meeting at Canonsburg and met several Pioneers. What's the matter, Pioneers? We haven't heard much from you lately.

Sept. and Oct. certainly seem to be months of social activities. Entertainments being sponsored by the Lucky Stars (already attended by the Musketeers) Midway 89, Excaliburs and Revellers. (We've heard all about the latter two!) Let's see how many Musketeers can be present at these affairs.

All surrounding lodges are requested again to please watch the Prosveda for the important date of the Musketeers' Second Anniversary.

Mildred Jerala.

LODGE STRUGGLERS

Cleveland, O.—Now that the hot summer days are over and the cold weather is coming, the Strugglers have decided to start winter meetings with a lot of pep.

The next monthly meeting will be held Oct. 7 at 7:30 and everyone is requested to attend, because we are going to have music, card games, bedtime stories and what not. Just come around and find out for yourself. Seeing is believing.

Oh, yes, we are also going to have one dollar (\$1.00) drawing. A member will have to be present in order to win \$1.—We have also received a check for \$30 from the Cleveland Federation, for winning the first prize in the last membership campaign.

Don't forget, if you have a young brother or sister at home who is not

The Reveliers' Column

Ambridge, Pa.—In Western Pennsylvania it has been noticeable within the past few months that the English Speaking lodges are willing to co-operate with one another in putting across successfully social affairs. It is commendable to see young Slovene men and women present at an SNPJ picnic or whatever else the occasion may be. Gathering together, knowing one another is the most practical method of making the young realize the place they must fill in their own fraternal union. Also take in the best encouragement that can be given to them to continue work in behalf of the Society. Then again there is the side that appeals to the older folks to see their children mingling with others who are also of Slovene parentage. Such gatherings do nothing but reflect due credit to the organization responsible for bringing them together. The Society does in every way possible encourage this mingling of members.

Wanderings of Ambridge Slovenes. Sept. 13 Young Sam and his Jane Clowns filling in a busy engagement at Castle Shannon. On Sept. 19 quite a number of Reveliers were present at the Lucky Stars' 1st Anniversary dance at Imperial. Sunday, Sept. 25, found Pres. Louis Uherik, of lodge Nal Dom, Ambridge, and his family at Bridgeport, Ohio. Supreme Board member, Bro. George Smraker of Aliquippa, also made the long trip. Three Sunday two machine loads of Reveliers journeyed to Pittsburgh to take in the super-presentation of the Boosters' Minstrel show.

One can call that person a friend who can give helpful, constructive criticism of one's actions or works or opinions.

Oct. 24 is the date when the Reveliers will sit on their Mammoth Fall Dance. The best orchestra in the district will be secured as money isn't

yet a member of the Strugglers, get them to join now, because all Juvenile assessment is free for the months of October and November.

All members that were active during the last membership campaign, have some prize money coming. Those that have not yet received their share, please come to the meeting and get it.

Due to the fact that there are so many sick members lately, the Strugglers have elected a special Sick Committee. They are: Anthony Jereb, Josephine Podpadee, and Anthony Zaverl.

Please do not forget to vote on the Initiative. Members that got their ballots at the hall the 24th and took them home, don't forget to return them at the meeting or before Oct. 15.

Here goes the news about the Strugglers' Mask dance, Oct. 31, at Slovene Workmen's Home, 15325 Waterloo rd., at 7:30 (Eastern Standard Time). Music by "Strugglers' Harmony Aces." Refreshments like you never had before.

This will be one of the biggest and best dances you ever had a chance to attend. So, by all means, don't miss this dance.

Let's wait and find out if the Pros. of the Loyalties, Justine Zelo and "Lindy" of the Strugglers can do out some way, so that the Loyalties and Strugglers will show more co-operation. Here's hoping that we join hand in hand and be like one big lodge. Where there is co-operation, there is strength.

Notice: All members insured sick benefit will have to pay \$5 special assessment starting with the month of October, and will continue until official cancellation from the Supreme Office.

The Cleveland Federation is again planning on having another big unemployment dance, as they had last year. The committee is hard at work, even the dance is about four months off. Frank J. Koss, Sec'y.

YOUNG AMERICANS

Detroit, Mich.—The last Young Americans' dance turned out to be a great success; the next affair will be a "feather party" to be held at 116 W. Six Mile Rd. on Nov. 21. Live turkeys will be given away to the lucky ones who attend. All lodges and clubs are asked to keep this date open, and also to publish dates of their doings.

On Oct. 11 will be our next regular monthly meeting. It has been decided that at this meeting a beautiful prize will be given to the lucky one who attends.

On Oct. 11 at the Ferry hall the Slovene National Home Ladies' Society will sponsor a play called "Domen." There will be more than 50 people in the cast which has been rehearsing for many weeks to make it a great success. Tickets sell in advance at 50c and at the door at 40c.

On Nov. 14, the English Sub Branch of No. 114 will sponsor a debate with the English Sub. Branch of Club No. 1 of Chicago, at Detroit, at 116 W. Six Mile rd. Everyone is invited to attend.

Young American baseball players are requested to return all baseball equipment to the custodians as soon as possible, also the last year's basketball players, three of them have not turned their suits in. These suits must be in before Oct. 11; otherwise a bill will be sent to them.

Congratulations, Torch of Liberty; your undertakings seem impossible, but with good leadership you made a great success. More doings of that kind should be in store.

Andrew Grum Jr.

LODGE "J. Z. JRS."

Library, Pa.—Last week's edition of the Prosveda sure brought happy memories of the grand "East-Meets-West" ball sponsored by the "Torch of Liberty" Lodge. It seems to be the unanimous opinion of everyone who attended the affair, that it lacked nothing of a perfect evening. On behalf of the "J. Z. Jrs." I wish to state that it was indeed a pleasure to attend the affair—and above all, to make so many new acquaintances. Sis. Jane Pradel is to be complimented on her good work.

Let us, at this date, mark our calendars for the coming events. Let us forget—the "Excaliburs' 1st Anniversary Dance" on October 10—"Revellers' 1st" Mammoth Dance on October 24—"Comets' 1st" Halloween Dance on October 31—"Colonials' 1st" dance on November 7, and various others plus the "J. Z. Jrs." Second Anniversary celebration on Thanksgiving day.

It is with regret that we announce the resignation of our President, Frank Lickovitch. We trust, however, that his interest and cooperation will continue. Bro. Andy Prijatelj was elected President for the remainder of the year.

To the "J. Z. Jrs."—Keep up the good work. New members are coming in fine. Be a booster. Remember, that a winner never quits and a quitter never wins. Fraternally,
Bertha Iltah.

IN MEMORY

Johannston, Pa.—In sad, but loving memory of our dear husband and father, Frank Umek, who passed away six years ago October 1, 1925.

Our lips cannot tell you how we love you,
Our hearts cannot tell what to say,
No one knows how we miss you,
In a home that is loneliness today.
Mrs. Matilda Umek and children.

