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Amerika in Velika Britanija priznali jugoslovansko vlado!

Jugoslovanski poslanik Simić informiran o odločitvi
LIKVIDACIJA MONARHIJE SANKCIONIRANA

Washington, D. C., 24. dec.—Amerika in Velika Britanija sta formalno priznali novo jugoslovansko vlado, katere predsednik je maršal Tito, in s tem legalno sankcionirali likvidacijo nadaljnje evropske monarhije. Jugoslovanska ustavna skupščina, ki se je sestala v svojem zasedanju 29. novembra, je odstavila kralja Petra in odpravila dinastijo Karađorževićev.

Mladi kralj Peter je prebil skoraj vso dobo od nemške invazije Jugoslavije v aprilu 1. 1941 v Londonu, kjer je bil tudi sedež jugoslovanske ubežne vlade. Ameriško odločitev glede priznanja Titovega režima v obliki, ki je bila formirana po splošnih volitvah, je sporočil Stanjoju Simiću, jugoslovanskemu poslaniku v Washingtonu, Dean Acheson, pomožni državni tajnik.

Acheson je dejal, da Amerika pričakuje, da bo jugoslovanska vlada prevzela odgovornost za notranje zadeve in izpolnila obveznosti pogodb in dogovorov, ki so bili sklenjeni med državama. Ko se bo to zgodilo, bo ameriški poslanik Richard C. Patterson prevzel svoje poole v Beogradu. Acheson je dejal, da je Patterson že dobil zadevne instrukcije. Dalje je rekel, da ustanovitev diplomatskih odnosov med Ameriko in Titovim režimom ne pomeni, da Amerika odobrava vse smernice tega režima in njegove metode prevzeta kontrole. Ameriško ljudstvo in vlada gojita prijateljske sentimente napram Jugoslaviji in upata, da bo razvoj omogočil zaželeno politično in ekonomske odnose med državama. Dogovor, katerega s'a sklenila maršal Tito in dr. Ivan Šubašić v februarju tega leta, vsebuje določbe o osebni svobodi, svobodi tiska, govora in zborovanja. Šubašić, ki je bil predsednik jugoslovanske ubežne vlade v Londonu, je po sklenitvi dogovora postal zunanji minister v Titovi vladi. Tej poziciji se je odpovedal in resigniral pred splošnimi volitvami v Jugoslaviji.

London, 24. dec.—Velika Britanija je sledila Ameriki in priznala vlado maršala Tita ter jugoslovansko republiko. S tem je končala kariero Petra kot jugoslovanskega kralja in započela usodo Karađorževićeve dinastije.

Britski zunanji urad je o akciji obvestil jugoslovanskega poslanika v Londonu. Potrdil je odločitev jugoslovanske skupščine, ki je proglasila Jugoslavijo za ljudsko republiko in odpravila monarhijo. Peter je sicer angleškega kralja Jurija. Po splošnih volitvah, ki so se vršile v Jugoslaviji pred tremi tedni, je Peter naznanil, da bo skušal osvojiti svojo deželo iz trdnosti Titove narodne fronte. On in njegova žena, bivša grška princesinja Aleksandra, bosta prebila božične praznike v samotni na podeželju. Peter ni komentiral priznanja Titovega režima po Veliki Britaniji in Ameriki.

Akcija Velike Britanije in Amerike se smatra ne samo za zmago maršala Tita, temveč tudi za zmago ruske zunanje politike. Tito je imel in še ima oboje pri Kremlinu. Pričačuje se, da bo v zunanji politiki sledil Rusiji. Peter in njegova žena sta živela skoraj ves čas v razkošnem hotelu Dorchester v Londonu.

Amerika odpre vrata beguncem

Predsednik Truman dal navodila

Washington, D. C., 24. dec.—Predsednik Truman je naznanil, da bo Amerika dala zavetje vojnim beguncem na podlagi določenih imigracijskih kvot, kar pomeni, da bo lahko prišlo v deželo 39.000 beguncem letno. On je odredil premešanje imigracijske liste in s tem dal prednost beguncem, ki so že v Ameriki, kakor tudi onim, ki se nahajajo v ameriških okupacijskih conah v Evropi.

Letna imigracijska kvota za vse evropske države je 153.879, od katere imata Anglija in Irski polovico. Truman se je tudi izrekel proti zakonskemu načrtu, ki je pred kongresom in se tiče ustavitve priseljevanja. Izjavil je, da je proti akciji, ki je zaprla vrata Amerike beguncem, ki so brez domovine.

Na podlagi Trumanovega načrta bo lahko okrog 900 beguncem, ki se nahajajo v taborišču v Oswego, Y. N., ostalo v Ameriki. Tam je dal zavetje pokojni predsednik Roosevelt pod pogojem, da bodo zapustili deželo po zaključanju vojne.

Truman je naznanil, da je dal zadevna navodila državnemu, justičnemu in vojnemu departmentu. Nanašajo se na status beguncem, ki so že v Ameriki, in one begunce, ki bodo dospeli v deželo iz ameriških okupacijskih con v Evropi.

Diskuzije o kontroli Dardanel

Turčija pripravljena za akcijo

Washington, D. C., 24. dec.—Državni departmet je naznanil, da je Turčija pristala na ameriški predlog glede diskuzij o reviziji pakta, sklenjenega v Montreuxu. Ta se nanaša na kontrolo Dardanel.

Amerika je predlagala diskuzije o reviziji pakta. Turčija naj bi dovolila prehod parnikom vseh držav skozi Dardanelsko ožino, kakor tudi ruskim bojnim ladjam, ki so v lukah ob Črnem morju.

Znamenja so, da bo Turčija revidirala svoje stališče. Doslej se je odločno upirala reviziji pakta iz bojznih pred izgubo kontrole nad Dardanelsko ožino.

London, 24. dec.—Dopisnik lista Times v Ankari citira izjava turškega generala Kazima Karabekira, da se bo Turčija upirala zahtevam Rusije, da ji mora odstopiti 180 dolg pas ozemlja ob Črnem morju. General je dejal, da je Turčija pripravljena na akcijo, če Rusija ne bo umaknila zahtev.

"Pas ozemlja ob Črnem morju je vitalnega pomena za Turčijo," je rekel Karabekir. "Ako bo Rusija vztrajala pri zahtevah, je vojna neizbežna. Svet mora vedeti, da je pas ozemlja, kateremu se Turčija ne bo nikdar odpovedala."

Domače vesti

Nov grob v Indiani

Indianapolis, Ind. — Dne 16. dec. je umrl Frank Skufca, član društva 34 SNPJ. Star je bil 55 let in doma iz vasi Spodnje Brezovo pri Višnji gori. Tukaj zapuša žena, hčer, sina in sestro.

Nov grob v Minnesoti

Gilbert, Minn.—Tukaj je umrla Polona Grm, bolj poznana pod imenom Kern, stara 58 let in doma iz vasi Vodic na Gorenjskem, od koder je prišla v Ameriko pred 37 let. Skoro vsa leta je živela v Gilbertu. Bila je članica društva 61 SNPJ 25 let in več let tudi SZZ. Zapuša žena, sina in dve hčeri, v Muskegonu, Mich., brata, v starem kraju pa sestro in brata.

Nov grob v Illinoisu

West Frankfort, Ill.—Tukaj je umrl Anton Kochevar, star 69 let, doma iz Vrhnice pri Ložu in v Ameriki 47 let. Pred leti je bil član SNPJ, toda vsled krize jo je moral pustiti. Ob smrti je bil član Progressivne rudarske unije, ki mu je priredila pogreb. Tukaj zapuša brata, v Clevelandu sina Edwarda, v starem kraju pa dve sestri, ako sta še živi.

Podlegel požarku

Clinton, Ind.—Dne 14. dec. je podlegel požarku, odnosno hudim opeklinam, ki jih je dobil 26. nov. v rovu Black Betty, Jakob Kosmach. Umrl je v tukajšnji bolnišnici, kamor je bil pripeljan po plinski eksploziji. Bil je dolgoletni član SNPJ in naročnik Prosvete in več let tajnik društva v Universalu. Ko je bil v bolnišnici, je njegova žena toliko bolela, da se še pogreba ni mogla udeležiti. Star je bil 59 let in doma iz Cerkna na Primorskem. Poleg žene zapuša dve hčeri, Frances in Josephine, vse članice SNPJ.

Zopet v civilu

Nokomis, Ill.—Iz armade sta bila častno odpuščena Frank Strazar in Frank Stimac, oba člana društva 209 SNPJ. K staršem sta se vrnila zdrava.

Nov grob v Chicagu

Chicago.—Dne 20. dec. je umrl Math Kobe, star okrog 80 let, po poklicu pek. Bil je vdovec, v Ameriki 50 let. Zapuša sorodnike.

Iz Clevelanda

Cleveland.—V državni umobolnici je umrl Frank Kovačič, samski, star 55 let, doma iz Zumberka na Hrvaškem in v Ameriki 36 let. Pri železnici NYC je delal čez 33 let, zadnjih 16 mesecev pa je bil v bolnišnici. Živel je v Collinwoodu. Umrla je Jennie Vatovec, rojena Mrtnik, stara 53 let, doma iz Erjavce vasi na Notranjem in v Ameriki 25 let. Bila je članica SDZ. Zapuša moža, štiri poročne hčere in vnuke.—Po dolgi bolezni je v Euclidu umrl Edward Belaska, star 36 let in rojen v Clevelandu. Zapuša žena, sina, dve hčeri (dvojčki), starše, brata in sestro.—Iz armade so bili častno odpuščeni: John S. Krornar, v službi 29 mesecev, v vojni v Afriki in Italiji; Louis D. Debevc iz Collinwooda, pri vojakih tri leta, bil v Angliji in na zapadni fronti.—Pri družini John Yapel ml. v Euclidu so se oglasile vile rojenice in pustile prvorodjenko.—V bolnišnici Huron rd. se nahaja Tony Švele iz Euclida.

Rekordna produkcija premoga v Ameriki

New York, 24. dec.—Institut mehkega premoga poroča, da bo produkcija premoga znašala v tem letu 570.000.000 ton, kar je rekord. Amerika bo producirala več premoga letos nego vse ostale države na svetu. Čez pol milijona rudarjev je tiposenih v premogovnikih.

Britska sila v Bataviji ojačena

Nacionalisti napadli bolnišnico

Batavija, Java, 24. dec.—Britske in indijske čete v tem mestu so bile ojačane potem, ko so nacionalisti napadli bolnišnico Kramat. Trije uslužbenci bolnišnice so bili ubiti, šest pa ranjenih v napadu.

Nacionalisti so vrgli več ročnih granat na bolnišnico. Napetost se je povečala med britskimi vojaškimi avtoritetami in nacionalisti. Sutan Sjahir, predsednik vlade nepriznane indoneške republike, ne more držati discipline in krotiti nacionalistov, ki se bore za neodvisnost in svobodo holandske Vzhodne Indije.

Nacionalisti so prej napadli iz zasede britsko vojaško vozilo in ubili štiri vojake. Bitke med nacionalisti in britskimi četami se nadaljujejo v Bataviji in drugih mestih.

Britsko poveljstvo je naznanilo, da so dospeli trije bataljoni vojaštva v Batavijo. Premier Sjahir je v svojem govoru v Malangi dejal, da je britsko poveljstvo mobiliziralo japonske čete za akcijo proti nacionalistom, da zatre revolto proti holandski nadvladi Vzhodne Indije.

Grška vlada zasegla tovarne

Komunisti paktujejo odpoklic britskih čet

Atene, Grčija, 24. dec.—Vlada, katere predsednik je Themistokles Sophoulis, je zasegla vse cementne tovarne v Grčiji, kakor tudi tovarne kemikalij in umetnih gnojil ter staklarne v Pireju. Te predstavljajo največja industrijska podjetja v deželi.

Zasego je sankcioniral parlament z namenom, da se poveča produkcija in pospeši izvajanje programa rekonstrukcije dežele.

Imenovan je bil odbor direktorjev, ki bodo upravljali tovarne v Pireju in drugih mestih. V odboru imajo predstavnštvo delavske unije in vlada. V zaseženih tovarnah je uposlenih več tisoč delavcev.

Giorgios Siantos, tajnik grške komunistične stranke, je govoril na shodu, katerega se je udeležilo 70.000 ljudi. On je zahteval odpoklic britskih čet iz Grčije, "da bomo lahko sami upravljali in reševali naše lastne zadeve."

Shod so aranžirale stranke narodnega odpora. Siantos je zahteval tudi takojšnjo amnestijo za one, ki so bili aretirani in vrženi v ječe v času okupacije Grčije in v civilni vojni v decembru preteklega leta, priznanje, odprtega gibanja in udeležbo predstavnikov tega gibanja v grški vladi.

Japonski admiral pred ameriško komisijo

Washington, D. C., 24. dec.—Mornariški departmet je naznanil, da bo japonski admiral Šigamatsu Sakaibara postavljen pred ameriško vojaško komisijo kot vojni zločinec. On je dal ustreliti 96 ameriških civilnih jetnikov na otoku Wake v oktobru 1. 1943. Sakaibara je bil poveljnik japonske posadke na tem otoku. On je dal povelje za ustrelitev jetnikov. Sakaibara je bil aretiran in odveden v ječo zadnji teden.

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VPRAŠANJE KONTROLE ATOMSKE BOMBE

Amerika, Velika Britanija in Kanada drže tajnosti

SEJA ZUNANJH MINISTROV V KREMLINU

Moskva, 24. dec.—Zunanji ministri sovjetske Rusije, Amerike in Velike Britanije so na svoji seji razpravljali o smernicah in svetovni kontroli atomske bombe, toda doznava se, da tajnosti produkcije atomske bombe niso bile razkrite Rusiji. Tajnosti drže Amerika, Velika Britanija in Kanada.

Ruski zunanji komisar Molotov, ameriški državni tajnik Byrnes in britski zunanji minister Bevin so se udeležili baleta v gledališču Bolšoj v Moskvi. Podali so si roke v gledališču in avdiencia jih je pozdravila s ploskanjem.

Byrnes je prišel v gledališče po konferenci s premierjem Stalinom v Kremlinu. Razgovor med njima je trajal dve uri. To je bil že drugi sestanek med njima, odkar je Byrnes došel v Moskvo. Byrnes je prišel v Kremlin v spremstvu ameriškega poslanika W. A. Harrimana in Charlesa E. Bohlena, načelnika ruske sekcije ameriškega državnega departmeta. Navzoč v Kremlinu je bil tudi Molotov.

Kako daleč so prišle diskuzije na konferenci zunanji ministrov glede kontrole atomske bombe, ni znano. To vprašanje je glavni predmet diskuzij. Byrnes in Bevin sta naglasila, da se bosta držala deklaracija predsednika Trumana in kanadskega premierja Kinga, da mora produkcija atomske bombe ostati tajnost, dokler ne bo ustanovljena posebna komisija Združenih narodov, ki naj bi storila potrebne zaščitne korake.

Trdi se, da se razgovor med zunanji ministri vrše v prijateljski atmosferi. Napoved je, da bodo uspešni. Molotov, Byrnes in Bevin so imeli prvo sejo v Kremlinu, po seji pa so bili gostje poslanika Harrimana.

Stalin se ni udeležil seje v Kremlinu. Dejstvo, da se je vršila v Kremlinu, ne pripisujejo nobene važnosti.

Senat potrdil imenovanje delegatov

Washington, D. C., 24. dec.—Senat je potrdil delegate, katere je predsednik Truman imenoval za organizacijo Združenih narodov. Delegati so žena pokojnega predsednika Roosevelta, Edward R. Stettinius in senatorja Connally in Vandenberg. Državni tajnik Byrnes je bil imenovan za načelnika delegacije, toda njegovo imenovanje ne potrebuje senatne potrditve.

Filipinski levičarji bodo menovali handidate

Manila, Filipini, 24. dec.—Vse levičarske stranke in grupe so se zedinile in naznanile, da bodo imenovalle handidate za predsednika, podpredsednika in poslanca. To se bo zgodilo na konvenciji, ki se bo pričela 27. januarja v Manili. Splošne volitve na Filipinih se bodo vršile v aprilu.

Letalo preletelo 900 milj brez pilota

Chillicothe, O., 24. dec.—Vojaško transportno letalo C-47 je preletelo daljavo 900 milj brez pilota in močvira in treščilo na tla na polju v bližini tega mesta. Pilot in člani posadke so prej skočili iz letala. Treščilo je na tla, ko je bila zaloga gasolina izžrpana.

General Marshall v Čungkingu

Pogajanja med centralno vlado in komunisti

Čungking, Kitajska, 24. dec.—General George C. Marshall, novi ameriški poslanik, je došel v to mesto. Na sestanku s časniki je dejal, da je Amerika zainteresirana v blaginjo kitajskega ljudstva in da bo on storil vse, kar bo mogel, da pride do združitve političnih grup, ki se zdaj kavsajo med seboj.

Marshall je dalje rekel, da se zanima za konferenco članov nvega političnega sveta, na kateri bodo razprave o končanju konflikta med centralno vlado in komunisti. Izrazil je upanje, da bo osvojen program, ki bo tvoril podlago mirni rekonstrukciji Kitajske.

Pogajanja med reprezentanti centralne vlade in voditelji komunistov se nadaljujejo. Pokazala so se znamenja, da bodo rezultirala v dosegi sporazuma. Rešiti je treba več problemov, da se odpravijo vzroki trenja med vlado in komunisti.

Srbska cerkev za ločitev od države

Slovenski duhovniki priznali krivdo

Beograd, 24. dec.—Sveti sinod srbske pravoslavne cerkve je informiral vlado maršala Tita, da ne bo vodil opozicije proti ločitvi cerkve od države. Ločitev določa nova jugoslovanska ustava.

Sinod je apeliral na ustavno skupščino, naj upošteva njegove želje glede sklepanja porok, verskega pouka in cerkvenih sodišč.

Ljubljana, Slovenija, 24. dec.—Na obravnavi, ki se vrši pred tukajšnjim sodiščem proti 34 voditeljem četnikov, so štirje duhovniki priznali storjenje zločinov, katerih žrtve so bili člani osvobodilne fronte in njihove družine.

Duhovniki so se izgovarjali, da so se morali pokoriti ukazom škofa Rožmana, ki je pobegnil iz Slovenije z nacisti vred pred osvoboditvijo dežele.

Diskuzije o Indoneziji v Londonu

Protest proti britski politiki

London, 24. dec.—Holandski premier Willem Schermerhorn, Johan Logeman, minister za holandske kolonije, in Hubertus Van Mook, governor Vzhodne Indije, bodo došli v London in konferirali s premierjem Attleejem o Indoneziji, pravi uradno poročilo.

Predlog, naj se povabilo pošlje voditeljem indoneških nacionalistov, naj se udeleže konferencie, je bil zavrnjen.

V odsotnosti zunanjega ministra Bevin, ki je v Moskvi, bo delegacija laboritor obiskala zunanjega podministra McNeila in protestirala proti britski politiki v holandski Vzhodni Indiji. Načelnik delegacije je Seymour Cocks.

Delegacija bo priporočala, naj vodilne zavezniske države prevzamejo odgovornost za izravnavo indoneškega problema in dajo zagotovilo, da bo Vzhodna Indija postala suverena in neodvisna država. Delegacija je obiskala britske čete, ki so uničile

RAZKOSANJE PREDVOJNE NEMČIJE PREDLAGANO

Porurje in Porenje naj prideta pod poverjenišтво

ODSTRANITEV INDUSTRIJSKE OPREME

Washington, D. C., 24. dec.—Zunanja ekonomska administracija je predlagala razkosanje predvojne Nemčije, da se ne bo nikdar več dvignila kot industrijska in vojaška sila ter kot taka ogražala svetovni mir.

Administracija, ki bo kmalu odpravljena, se je izrekla za mednarodno kontrolo in poverjenišтво Porurja in Porenja, industrijskih pokrajin. Ako se to zgodi, bodo Nemčiji odvzeta vsa sredstva za oboroževanje.

Poročilo je objavil H. H. Fowler, načelnik administracije. On je dejal, da bo predloženo vsem departmantom federalne vlade. Administracija je bila ustanovljena pred kapitulacijo Nemčije pred zavezniki. Glavne točke programa določajo:

Vojaško razorožitev Nemčije, ustavitve produkcije orožja, streliva in drugega vojnega materiala. Vsa industrijska oprema mora biti odstranjena.

Izločitev vladnih ustanov, ki so sestavile načrte za vojno, kakor tudi privatnih organizacij za produkcijo letal.

Polna kontrola nemških industrij, ki izdelujejo civilne potrebine.

"Za dosego popolne ekonomske in industrijske razorožitve Nemčije je potrebna drastična akcija," pravi poročilo. "Nemčiji morajo biti odvzeta vsa sredstva za industrijski razvoj. Mednarodna kontrola bo uničila nemško ekonomsko in industrijsko dominacijo v Evropi."

Administracija je predlagala zavezniško okupacijo Nemčije, dokler ne bodo vse vojne industrije uničene. Okupacijske sile naj bi kontrolirale tudi dovoz surovega materiala v Nemčijo.

Sličen program je priporočal bivši federalni zakladnik Morgenthau. Nemčija naj bi postala izključno poljedelska država, da se ostala Evropa zaščiti pred novo agresijo.

Načrt o kontroli uposlitive vetiran

Washington, D. C., 24. dec.—Predsednik Truman je vetiral v kongresu sprejeti načrt, ki določa, da kontrola uposlitive pride v območje posameznih držav. Akcija pomeni, da ostane kontrola uposlitive še nadalje v območju federalne vlade. Truman je ponovil svoja priporočila, da kongres odloži akcijo glede državne kontrole uposlitive do junija 1. 1947.

Papež Pij imenoval nove kardinale

Vatikansko mesto, 24. dec.—Papež Pij XII. je imenoval 23 novih kardinalov, med katerimi so štirje Američani. Ti so čikaški nadškof Samuel A. Stritch, newyorški nadškof Francis J. Spellman, st. louiski nadškof Glennon in detroitski nadškof Edward Mooney. Vsi so lret. Amerika bo imela zdaj pet kardinalov. Edini ameriški kardinal je bil do imenovanja novih Denis Dougherty v Philadelphiji.

Indoneško vas po umoru dveh britskih častnikov.

Premier Attlee bo pritiskal na Holandijo, naj stori korake, da Vzhodna Indija dobi status dominiona v okviru holandskega imperija. Prebivalci naj bi dobili tudi pravico do odcepitve od Holandije.

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POMOŽNA AKCIJA MED SLOVENCIMA NAPREDUJE

Dasiravno se zadnje čase ne vrši posebna kampanja za zbiranje finančnih prispevkov v korist pomožne akcije (radi 8. vojne posojila in Community War fonda take kampanje niso imele uradnega značaja), so se naše podružnice, podpirajoča društva in dobrodelni posamezniki vseeno spomnili potrebe in pomanjkanja v stari domovini ter z raznim priredbami, shodi in kolektami nabrali in poslali v SANSov urad \$8,505.68 od 1. novembra do 20. decembra. Prvi trije tedni v decembru so prinesli \$5,043.30 v ta plemeniti namen. Skupni prispevki, za pomožno akcijo, ki so bili poslani do dotičnega dne v naš urad, znašajo \$110,759.43.

Na tem mestu bomo omenili le največje vsote, ki so nam bile poslane, ne moremo pa radi omejenega prostora vključiti imena posameznih darovalcev, ki so nam bila poslana zaeno z denarjem. Uradnikom podružnic, društev in drugih organizacij priporočamo, da sami sestavijo svoja poročila in jih odpošljejo listom za priobčitev.

V tej dobi smo prejeli od podružnice št. 1, Detroit, Mich., \$1,144. Po \$650 sta poslali podružnici št. 36, Waukegan, Ill., ter št. 50, Denver, Colo. Podružnica št. 39 v Clevelandu je prispevala \$500 in enaki vsoti podružnica št. 48 v Collinwoodu ter *Progressive Slovenes*. Podružnica št. 33 v Bridgeportu, Ohio, je poslala dva zneska v skupni vsoti \$323.25, št. 53, Johnstown, Pa., pa \$240. Za Milwaukee je kreditirana vsota \$258.23, kar pa ne vključuje prispevkov, ki so bili nabrani na shodu dne 9. decembra. Podružnica št. 30 v Sharonu, Pa., je prispevala \$100, št. 12 v West Allis, Wis., pa \$53.05.

Centralni odbor podružnic SANSa v Clevelandu je izročil nadaljno vsoto \$800. Centralni odbor podružnic v Chicagu pa \$710.

Zavedni rojak Joseph Janes iz Neelyville, Mo., je pričel agitirati med ondnotnimi rojaki in drugimi somišljeniki ter nabral lepo vsoto \$211. Postojanka JPO v Coverdalu, Pa., je prispevala za pomožno akcijo \$100, Ameriška slovenska zveza iz Sheboygana pa \$50.

Istrski družinski klub v So. Chicagu se je pridružil darovalcem z zneskom \$70; enako vsoto je klub poklonil tudi za SANSovo politično delovanje.

Manjša darila v skupni vsoti \$97 so poslale tudi sledeče podružnice: št. 18, Sheboygan, št. 24, Virden, Ill., št. 90, Kirkland Lake, Kanada; št. 90, Kirkland Minn., št. 94, Hostetter, Pa., št. 96, Auburn, Ill., in št. 97, Newark, N. J.

Federacija SNPJ za Westmoreland County, Pa., je darovala \$50 in enako vsoto tudi krožek št. 10 SNPJ, Salem, Ohio. Društvo št. 476 iz Salema je darovalo iz blagajne \$25. Društvo št. 237 SNPJ, Conneaut, Ohio, je zbralo za reliefno akcijo SANSa \$49, prireditelj društva št. 50 SNPJ, Clinton, Indiana, pa je prinesla čistega \$98.05. Društvo št. 398 SNPJ, Brownsville, Pa., je darovalo iz društvene blagajne \$25, na društveni veselici pa so darovali posamezniki \$26, torej skupaj prejeto \$51. Društvo št. 240 SNPJ, Bentleyville, Pa., se je spomnilo stare domovine z zneskom \$20, pri št. 356, Bendi, Ill., pa je bilo nabrano \$38. Društvo št. 91 SNPJ, Johnstown, Pa., je darovalo \$5, št. 266 SNPJ, Muskegon Heights, Mich., \$6, št. 388 SNPJ, Pursloves, W. Va., pa \$14. Hvalevredno bi bilo, da bi se na isti način pokazala še druga podpora društva bodisi pri SNPJ ali drugih podpornih organizacijah.

Posamezniki, ki so poslali svoje prispevke naravnost v naš urad, so bili iz Chicaga sledeči: Minka Aleš \$25, po \$10 John Borše in Betty J. Sears (Sajovic); po \$5 Louis Beniger in Leo in Alma Gratchner, iz Berwyna, Ill., Jacob Zupan, iz Hudsona, Wyo., John Pinter ter Jack Tesovnik iz Roundupa, Mont. John Dekleva in Math Karmelj, Somerset, Colo., sta prispevala po \$10 vsak. Prispevki od drugih posameznikov so znašali \$4.25. Omenjeno naj bo še enkrat, da smo od postojanke št. 4 JPO-

SS, Sheboygan, Wis., prejeli znesek \$1000 za tokojšnje pomoč Jugoslaviji. O tem smo sicer že poročali v novembru, toda so nekateri zainteresiranci poročilo prezeli.

Vsem zgoraj omenjenim, kakor tudi posameznikom in organizacijam, ki so pomagale zbrati omenjene vsote, se na tem mestu pristočno zahvaljujemo. Dasiravno je to poročilo dokaz aktivnosti ameriških Slovencev za pomožno akcijo, vendar nabrane vsote niti malo ne zadostujejo veliki potrebi nesrečnih ljudi v stari domovini. Medtem ko nekateri neprestano žrtvujejo in prispevajo v ta fond ob vsaki priliki, je med nami še premnogo takih, ki kažejo le umetno sočustvo in govorijo o veliki potrebi, osebno pa ne storijo ničesar. Taka moralna podpora ne bo nastila niti enega lačnega želodca niti ne oblekla enega gola telesa.

Očividci, ki prihajajo iz Jugoslavije, pač ne širijo kake politične propagande, ko omenjajo, da je stanje naroda v domovini skrajno obupno, da so ljudje lačni in golji, da v govorih krajih v daljavi 150 milj ni niti enega sela ali poslopja, da se člani družine skrivajo pred tuji, ker nihče niti niti, da bi se z njo pokrili svojo nagoto.

Sedaj deli največ pomoči UNRRA, katere relief jugoslovanskemu ljudstvu do konca tega meseca bo predstavljal ogromno vsoto PET STO MILIJONOV DOLARJEV vrednosti. V primeri s tem so naši prispevki kot kapljica v morju. Vendar pa od ameriških Jugoslovancev prejeto blago navdaja narod z zavestjo, da jih rojaki v tujini niso pozabili, in jih bodri in vzpodbuja, da še z večjo vne- mo gradijo in obnavljajo svojo porušeno domovino in si postavljajo nov dom za svojo srečnejšo bodočnost.

Poglejmo si globoko v oči, različimo si svojo dušo in srce, potem se pa vprašajmo: ALI SEM STORIL SVOJO DOLŽNOST?

NAŠ POLITIČNI FOND

Slovenski ameriški narodni svet je bil ustanovljen v prvi vrsti, da vodi politično akcijo v prid Slovenije in Jugoslavije med ameriški Slovenci; reliefno delo je njegova sekundarna naloga. Nekateri med nami se zanimajo le za prvo, drugi le za drugo. Vendar brez političnega delovanja bi ne bilo, oziroma bi bilo zelo malo reliefnega. Ogromno delo reliefnega dela vršijo naše postojanke in politično nam naklonjene organizacije, društva in posamezniki, ki prispevajo tudi v politični fond. Iz tega fonda se krijejo vsi naši stroški v zvezi z reliefno akcijo, tako da gredo vsi reliefni prispevki, poslani v SANSov urad, 100% za pomožno akcijo. V raznih naselbinah se vršijo shodi, predvajajo se filmi, prireja- jo se veselice in predstave. V mnogih slučajih pa odgovorni odborniki pozabijo, da je mnogo stroškov plačanih iz našega političnega fonda, in odločijo, da gre ves preostanek od prireditve za pomožno akcijo. SANS pa mora plačati stroške filmov, stroške govornikov, voditi kampanjo itd., vse na račun političnega fonda. Pravilno bi bilo, da se v takih slučajih že naprej odloči gotova vsota tudi za politični fond. Denar, na primer, ki je darovan ali nakoletan za pomožno akcijo, naj bo porabljen izključno v ta namen—za relief; od računane vstopnine in drugega čistega dobička pa naj gre gotova vsota za stroške SANSovega delovanja, v politič-

ni fond. Le na ta način bo mogoče držati ravnovesje med obema akcijama in ju nadalje vršiti.

NAŠE PRIHODNJE PRIREDITVE

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Stojimo na pragu novega leta in pred nami se odpirajo vrata k novemu delu. Priprani smo, da bo leto 1946 eno najvažnejših za slovenski narod, torej najvažnejše za članstvo našega SANSa. Sklenjen bo mir med bivšimi sovražnimi državami, sklenjene bodo pogodbe in določeni pogoji za sožitje narodov sveta, postavljene bodo meje, ki bodo delale okvir nam priljubljene rojstne domovine.

V novem letu bo odločeno, bo li ves slovenski narod prebival skupno pod eno streho, skupaj v svoji federalni državi, ali bo še vedno ločen in raztresen in razcepljen pod tuje države, kamor so ga vedno potiskali močniki.

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Mirko G. Kuhel, tajnik.

Društvene vesti

Cleveland, O.—Društvo Naprej 5 SNPJ je na svoji letni seji 2. dec. 1945 izvolilo za l. 1946 sledeče uradnike: Joseph Skuk, predsednik, Louis Kocjan, podpredsednik, Ludvik Medvešek, tajnik, Joseph Batis, blagajnik, John Krebel, zapisnikar, John Boštjančič, John Lazar in Anton Miklich, nadzorniki, dr. F. J. Kern, društveni zdravnik, Joseph Skuk, zastopnik za delničarsko sejo SND, Joseph Skuk in Joseph Batis, zastopnika za klub društev SND, Ludvik Medvešek in Louis Kocjan, zastopnika za clevelandsko federacijo SNPJ, John Krebel, zastopnik pri mladinskem pevskem krožku SNPJ, Joseph Skuk, Frank Vidrih in Ludvik Medvešek, zastopniki farme SNPJ. Ludvik Medvešek in Joseph Skuk, zastopnika pri podružnici 39 SANSa, Jacob Marinko, zastopnik za delničarsko sejo Slovenske zadružne zveze.

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Mladinski pevski krožek SN-PJ, Slovensko narodno čitalnico, čitalnico SDD, Prosvetno matico, slovensko šolo SND, muzej SND in SANS. Za pomoč našim bratom in sestram v stari domovini je darovalo letos \$500 in pravo tako \$500 novembra 1944. Poleg tega je tudi darovalo večkrat za pomožno akcijo SANSa, za Ameriški rdeči križ, za ruski relief itd. Prav tako podpira pevski in dramske zbornice z nakupom vstopnic ali z oglasi.

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Bil je častno odpuščen iz mornarice (Navy) 24. oktobra 1945, služil je štiri leta in od tega bil je 2 leti na Južnem Pacifiku. Rojen je bil 31. julija 1917 v West Mineralu, Kans. Štiri tedne na tem, ko je prišel domov, je bil s svojo lomo in hčerko v Haskell, Texas, na farmo k starišem njegove lome in bil tam pri njenih stariših 14 dni. Dne 2. decembra so bili na lov on in trije drugi— in ko je on iskal v avtomobilu, mu je padla puška in rok in se izprožil in ga je strel zadal nazavost v srce, na kar je bil na mestu mrtve. Dne 4. decembra je bil pripeljan domov k svojim starišem v West Mineral, Kans., ter drugi dan 5. decembra pokopan na Mt. Olive pokopališču v Pittsburgu, Kans. Zedajo čast mu je izkazala Ameriška veteranska legija s vojaškimi častmi. Nasa najlepša hvala vsem sorodnikom, prijateljem in znancem, ki ste ga obiskali ob njegovem mrtnem odru, hvala za obilno šte- vilno darovanih krasnih vencev in vsem, ki ste nam poslali žalostne- ke, ter nas tolažili v uri žalosti. Srčna hvala mrs. Katherine Kralac, ki je prišla iz Detroita, Mich., k pogrebu našega ljubelega sina. Na- dalje se lepo zahvalimo društvu št. 19 SNPJ, katerega je bil pokoj- nik član skozi 28 let, za obilno udeležbo pri pogrebu, ter vsem s- plohi, ki so se pogrebu udeležili. Tebi, dragi sin, pa želimo, počivaj v miru in lahkaj si Ti bode ameriška semlja. Zelo Tebo bomo pogrevali, a ostal nam bode v vednem spominu do konca življenja našega.—Zalujoci ostali: Adeline Zalokar, soproga in mala hčera; Vincent in Teretja Zalokar, stariši; Elizabeth Lea, Olga Sherwood, Washington, D. C., in Medwig Zalokar v Wichita, Kans.; sestro: Robert Zalokar na South Pacificu, brat in mrs. Katherine Kralac, leta; Stanley Kralac, bratranec in Helen Kralac, sestrična v Detroitu, Mich.—West Mineral, Kansas.

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MARY ILERŠIČ

rojena Zalar v vasi Cohovo, št. Vid pri Cirknici na Notranjskem. Dolino nas veže, da se s temi skromnimi vrsticami najiskrenejše zahvalimo za vso naklonenost in tolažbo v uri žalosti, ter vsem in za vse, kar koli ste nam pripomogli v lajšanju ob igubi nenado- mestljive in vsem, ki ste darovali krasne vence in cvetlice, ki so krasile krsto pokojnice. Srčna hvala tudi vsem, ki ste dali na ras- pologo avtomobile in vozili pri pogrebu ter spremili pokojnico k mirnemu počitku na mirovdvor. Hvala lepa društvu št. 174 SNPJ, katerega članica je bila dolgo let, za dano pomoč in tolažbo. Tebi, draga soproga in mati naša, pa želimo, počivaj v miru v hladni ameriški semlji.—Zalujoci ostali: Marija Ileršič, soproga; Math. John in Frank, sinovi; Angela, Mary in Anna, hčere, ter pet vnukov in ena sestra v starem kraju, ako je še živa. Krayn, Pa.

In Memoriam

V blagi spomin prve obletnice, odkar je 17. decembra 1944 padel na vojnem polju v Belgiji naš ljubljani sin, soprog in brat

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JOSEPH SVIGEL

Rojen je bil 13. februarja 1917 v Fairport Harborju, Ohio. Služil je pri H.Q. 2nd Div. Artileriji.

Predragi in nepozabljeni Jože, še leto je minulo, odkar si dal svoje mlado življenje za domovino. Kam si odšel, in kdaj se zopet vrneš? ... Tvoja življenjska pot je končana, utihnil je Tvoj glas in nastal je Tvoj korak. Zapustil si v tebi žalosti nas. Tvoje stan- je, seno in brate. V tui semlji adaj počivaj, toda blagi spomin ta Tebo bo vedno v naših srcih. Počivaj v miru!—Zalujoci ostali: Louis in Ana Švigel, stariši; Albina Švigel, soproga; Leon in Louis Jr., brata.—Fairport Harbor, Ohio.

V blag in žalosten spomin prve obletnice smrti

od kar je preminul in dal svoje mladi življenje za svobodo in mir vsaga sveta naš ljubi sin in brat

Harry Jos. Smrkolj

kateri je padel v vojni dne 18. decembra 1944. Na Pacifiku v Novo Gvinejo je šel 15. decem- bra 1941. Ob smrti je bil star 31 let. Potihnil je vojni vihar, topovi so umolkli, sinovi in brate so se vrnili, a Tebo, dragi Harry, pa od nikoder ni. Tova- rišem si številnim tudi Ti moral slediti. Sin in brat najmlajši, moral si za svobodo sveta tega umreti. Mrtev si, a vsemo živ- lju in bodeš živel v vsemem spo- minu med nami, dokler ne vri- demo tudi mi za Teboj. Počivaj v miru.

Zalujoci ostali: Joseph in Johana Smrkolj, stariši; Rudolf, brat in Sofija, sestra, vsi člani jednote. Clariton, Pa.

Zalostno naznanilo

Naznanjamo sorodnikom in prijateljem žalostno vest, da smo prejeli od vojnega oddelka poročilo, da je naš ljubi sin, brat in soprog

Anthony R. Skarl

proglasen za mrtvega. Pogre- ban je bil od 12. septembra 1944 in sicer nad Italijo. Služil je pri 15. gradnem oddelku in bil stro- koc na bombniku B-24 L. Na- pravil je 18 polstov na sovra- nika in na 17em letu je bil pogreben, ko se ni več vrnil k vojnemu oddelku. Rojen je bil 15. januarja 1920 v Beaverdale, Pa., ob smrti star 25 let. Bil je član SNPJ skozi 24 let. Oh, kako nepopolna žalost trga nam srce, ko ne vemo, kaj se je spo- dilo s njim in kje počiva. Dal si svojo mlado življenje, dragi sin, brat ter soprog, za svobodo in boljšo bodočo slovensko državo. Mi se bomo Tebo spominjali do konca življenja našega. Počivaj v miru, kjer holi si hvalal življenje Tvoje. Naj Ti bode lahka tula semlja.—Zalujoci ostali: Joseph in Mary Skarl, stariši; Eleanor Skarl, žena; Joseph, Frank in Edward, bratje; Angela, Mary, Jo- sephine in Margaret, sestre in več drugih sorodnikov. Hillside, New Jersey.

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Manor, Pa.—Društvo Delavsko zveza 78 SNPJ je na letni seji 2. dec. izvolilo sledeće uradnike za leto 1946: Joseph Bole, predsednik, John Bozic, podpredsednik, Thomas Oblak, tajnik, Martin Kukovich, blagajnik, Louis Bonach, zapisnikar. Na letni seji je bilo tudi glasno sklenjeno, da se bodo v prihodnjem letu vršile društvene seje pri Filipu Zakonjaku na 4th st., Westmoreland City, Pa.

Odbor želi, da bi se članstvo bolj redno udeleževalo društvenih seji. Želim vsemu članstvu vesele božične praznike in srečno novo leto.

Thos. Oblak, tajnik.

Detroit, Mich.—Članstvu društva 121 SNPJ naznanjam, da nisem več tajnik. Tisti, ki pošiljate poštne in bančne nakaznice, jih pošljite po novem letu na tajnika: Joseph Korsich, 1947 Florence ave., Detroit 3, Mich. Vsa čeka, ki bi bil narejen name, vam bo vrnjen.

Uradniki za leto 1946 so sledeči: Predsednik Joseph Mihelich, podpredsednik Albin Serdoner, tajnik Joseph Korsich, blagajnik Math Urbas, zapisnikar Katherine Krainz. Nadzorniki: Frank Rezinis, Anton Čedilnik, Joseph Koshir.

K. Junko.

Chicago, Ill.—Na letni seji društva Slavije 1 SNPJ so bili izvoljeni sledeči odborniki za leto 1946: Frank Zaitz, predsednik, Frank Alesh, podpredsednik, Milan Medvešek, tajnik, 2610 So. Lawndale ave., vhod v ozadju, prvo nadstropje, Matt Vidergar, blagajnik, Peter Bernik, zapisnikar, John Težak, reditelj. Nadzorni odsek: Joško Oven, preds., Frank Bizjak in John Jurečič, nadzornika. Bolniški odsek: Milan Medvešek, Matt Vidergar in Joško Oven. Društveni zdravnik dr. John J. Zavertnik.

Zastopniki pri čikaški federaciji: Frank Alesh, Frank Zaitz, Louis Mohar, Anton Trojar in Matt Vidergar. Zastopnika pri Centralnem odboru čikaških podružnic organizacije SANS Anton Garden in Milan Medvešek.

Društvo obdržava redne seje kot v preteklosti: vsak drugi petek v mesecu; pričetek ob osmih zvečer v spodnji dvorani v poslojpu SNPJ, 2657 So. Lawndale ave.

Odbor.

Peoria, Ill.—Pozivam članstvo društva Gora 311 SNPJ na letno sejo, katere se bo vršila 30. dec.; pričetek ob dveh popoldne. Volili bomo nove odbornike za l. 1946 in ukrepali o drugih važnih stvareh.

Joe Mrezar, tajnik.

Springfield, Ill.—Letna seja društva št. 47 SNPJ ni bila tako obiskana kot bi morala biti. Vzrok temu je gotovo neugodno vreme oziroma prehoda zima, katere je prav gotovo zadržala mnogo članov doma pri gorki peči. Toda z majhnim številom na seji navzočih članov in članic so se povoljno rešile vse zadeve, katere so se nanašale na sejo.

Odbor je z majhno izjemo ostal ves stari, in sicer: Louis Aidich, predsednik, Frank Kalan, podpredsednik, John Goršek st., tajnik, 319 West Elliott ave., Joseph Ovca st., blagajnik, John Goršek ml., zapisnikar. Nadzorniki: Antonia Church, predsednica, Julia Krmelj, Mildred Ovca. Bolniški odsek: Ann Ovca, predsednica, Frank Lazar, Anton Per. Društveni zdravnik dr. Mautz. Torej spremembe pri odboru so le v nadzornem in bolniškem odseku. Društvene seje se bodo vršile kot vedno v preteklosti.

Članstvo smo obdržali pri istem številu kot je bilo v letu 1944 v mesecu decembru v odraznem oddelku in tudi v mladinskem. Smrtne slučaje smo imeli tri in prestopili k drugim društvom so trije člani. Suspendacije so bile samo tri, črtan ali izključen ni bil noben član, kar je dokaz, da je članstvo redno plačevalo asessment vsak mesec. In drugih neprilic ali nerednosti pri društvu ni bilo na nobeni seji in niti ne v splošnem. Društvo je tudi zaključilo, da ostane še nadalje včlanjeno v Prosvetno matico. Nadalje je tu-

di seja vzela na dnevni red obhajanje 40-letnice društvenega obstanika. Po kratki razpravi je bilo zaključeno, da bo društvo obhajalo 40-letnico meseca maja 1946 in društvenemu odboru je bila dana naloga, takoj pričeti delovati za priprave za dostojno obhajanje.

Takoj po zaključanju društvene seje se je pričela seja podružnice št. 15 SANSa. Po kratki razpravi je bilo zaključeno in določeno dan 24. februarja 1946, da se bo vršila prireditev za pomoč našim rodnim bratom in sestram v stari domovini ali Jugoslaviji. Na tej prireditvi se bo predvajale premikajoče slike "Osvoboditev Beograda" ter "Zvezde in pesek" (iz življenja jugoslovanskih beguncev v Egiptu). Prireditev se bo pričela popoldne in tudi slike se bodo predvajale popoldne. Vse podrobnosti o tej prireditvi bodo pozneje in pravočasno objavljene. Prireditev se bo vršila v dvorani in v prostorih SND.

John Goršek, tajnik.

Raton, N. Mex.—Na letni seji društva 297 SNPJ je bil izvoljen sledeči odbor za l. 1946: Predsednik Felix Peterlin, tajnik Vinko Polz, Box 257, Raton, N. Mex., blagajnik John Cash. Društvena zdravnik dr. Whitecomb in dr. Elliot.

Društvene seje održavamo vsako drugo nedeljo v mesecu, pričetek ob devetih popoldne v običajnem prostoru. Prosim članstvo, da se bolj redno udeležuje seji v l. 1946. Vsem voščim vesele božične praznike in srečno novo leto.

Vinko Polz, tajnik.

Euclid, O.—Članstvo društva Cvetiči Noble 450 SNPJ je izvolilo na svoji letni seji vse stare odbornike za prihodnje leto, in sicer: predsednik Frank Podboršek, podpredsednik Frank Tegel, tajnika Mary Dodič, 977 E. 239 st., blagajničarka Frances Tegel, zapisnikar John Knific. Nadzorniki: Andrew Jerman, Frank Mihelich in Matt Klemen. Zastopniki: za clevelandsko federacijo Frank Podboršek, za

delničarsko sejo Društvenega doma v Euclidu Frank Podboršek in Frank Mihelich, za klub društev Frank Habič in Frank Gregorich, za podružnico SANSa Frank Tegel.

Društveni zdravniki: C. W. Rotter, A. Skur, L. Perme. Seje se bodo vršile vsako drugo nedeljo v mesecu v Društvenem domu. Društvo je še nadalje ostalo pri clevelandski federaciji društev SNPJ, Prosvetni matici in SANSu. Asessment bom pobirala vsakega 25. v mesecu v Slovenskem društvu, ako pa pride nedelja ali praznik na 25., potem pa bom pobirala dan pozneje in zadnji dan na domu tajnice.

Prosila bi vas za boljše kooperacijo v prihodnjem letu, namreč da bi bili bolj točni s plačevanjem asessmenta, ker v obratnem slučaju bom postopala z vami v smislu pravil. Ne mislite, da bom vsakemu na razpolago kar ves mesec, ali kadar se bi komu zljubilo, da bi prišel plačat. Tudi jaz imam svoja opravila, izjema je samo bolezen. Pomnite, da se moram tudi jaz držati pravil in poslati denar pravočasno v gl. urad, ako ne, je celo društvo suspendirano.

Mary Dodič, tajnica.

Milwaukee, Wis.—Na glavni seji društva Venere 192 SNPJ je bil izvoljen sledeči odbor za l. 1946: Mary Musich, predsednica, Jennie Jenko, podpredsednica, Mary Vasil, tajnica, 814 W. Walker st., telefon Mitchell 8274, Mary Glavan, blagajničarka, Ursula Ruppe, zapisnikarica. Nadzorni odbor: Frances Rozman, pred., Anna Puncer in Antonia Zayber, nadzornici. Zdravnik dr. Frank X. Schuler. Seje se vrše vsak drugi tork v mesecu, pričetek ob osmih zvečer v običajnem prostoru.

Prosim članice, da mi gredo na roke in plačajo asessment ob pravem času, to je konec meseca, kajti jaz ne morem in ne bom več zalagala. Jaz moram poslati asessment ob pravem času v glavni urad. Prosim članice, da upoštevate to. Na koncu pa želim vsem članicam društva Venere 192 SNPJ srečno novo leto, prav tako glavnim odbornikom in članstvu SNPJ.

Mary Vasil, tajnica.

Federacije S. N. P. J.

ZAPISNIK CLEVELANDSKE FEDERACIJE

Cleveland, O.—Seja federacije clevelandskih društev SNPJ se je vršila v soboto, 24. novembra. Predsednik Matt Petrovich je odprl sejo ob osmih zvečer. Zapisnik seje z dne 24. oktobra je sprejel s popravkom, da je bil na farmi SNPJ oddan kontrakt samo za temelj in ne za celo poslopje.

Računi zadnjih treh mesecev so sprejeti kot čitani. Odbor farme poroča, da sta bila izvoljena za okrbnika farme mr. in mrs. Hlavaty z zapadne strani mesta.

Za atletični odbor SNPJ poročajo, da se bo liga zopet oživela, ker se vračajo domov člani vojakov. Skušajo dati priliko vsakemu vojaku, da keglja; prireajo krajevne turnirje.

Br. Stokel poroča za podružnico 39 SANSa. Priredba z igro "Vražja vdova" je zelo dobro uspela. Napravili so lep dobitek. Tudi kolekta je bila lepa. Nekaj naprednjak je zopet daroval \$500, drugi \$50 itd.

Pevski krožek SNPJ: Zastopniki poročajo, da bodo otroci zapeli 5. dec. na prireditvi za osmo vojno posojilo in na božičnici 22. dec. Tisti dan oz. na prireditvi bo božičnice se bo vršila tudi kratka federacijska seja.

Poročila društvenih zastopnikov: Društvo 26 izgubilo dva člana; bo priredilo veselico. Društvo 28 izgubilo enega člana; letna veselica društva 53, ki se je vršila na Martinovo nedeljo, je lepo uspela; pridobili so enega člana v odrasli in enega v mladinski oddelki. Društvo 129 bo praznovalo 35-letnico 1. dec. Društvo 137 bo praznovalo 15. dec. 35-letnico; 35-letnica društva 142 lepo uspela. Članstvo tega društva je darovalo \$325

za farmo SNPJ; umrlo je deset članov v l. 1945. Pri društvu 147 kar naprej pobirajo prostovoljne prispevke za farmo; gledali bodo, da bo prispeval vsak član; pridobili so enega člana v mladinski oddelki. Društvo 321 poroča, da bi federacija odločila en dan v letu kot dan naših veteranov. Pri društvu 442 so pridobili enega novega člana. Kartna zabava društva 450 dobro uspela. Člani darujejo za farmo. Zastopniki društva 566 poročajo, da je bila zadnja društvena veselica najboljši uspeh v zadnjih letih. Pridobili so dva člana v odrasli in dva v mladinski oddelki. Večina članstva se strinja, da prispeva društvo farmi dolar na člana. Društvo tudi vodi kampanjo za osmo vojno posojilo. Društva 135, 158, 544 bodo sklepala na letnih sejah glede prispevkov farmi SNPJ. Društvo 604 pridobilo dva člana; darovalo \$25 farmi in \$25 SANSu.

Razno: Sprejet je predlog, da ima odbor polno moč, da pripravi vse potrebno za božičnico pevskega krožka SNPJ, ki se bo vršila v dvoranah št. 1 in 2 v Slovenskem narodnem domu na St. Clair ave. Na to božičnico naj bodo povabljeni tudi člani drugih krožkov SNPJ. Stroške za darila izplača federacija iz svoje blaginje.

Br. Blaž Novak poroča, da se v bodoče priredi božičnico za vse mladinske člane SNPJ v Clevelandu, seveda pod pokroviteljstvom federacije.

Končno je bil sprejet predlog br. Lischa, da se sedaj najame dvorano v mesecu februarju 1947 in federacija naj priredi banket za člane-vojake SNPJ v Clevelandu. Društva so prošna, naj ne prireajo svojih prireditev na dotični datum, tem-

Na delu za stari kraj

PIREDBA V POMOČ JUGOSLAVIJI

Benwood, W. Va.—V soboto, 29. decembra, se bo vršil koncert in ples v dvorani Blue Ribbon. Ker je namenjen ves čisti dobitek te priredbe za naše jugoslovanske brate in sestre v stari domovini, vabimo vse tukajšnje Jugoslovane, da nas gotovo posetijo.

Ta priredba bo prva po štirih letih. Sedaj prihajajo domov naši sinovi in moške, zato je popolnoma pravilno, da se stari zopet malo razvedre v krogu družine. S tem, da se bomo malo razveselili, bomo zeno pomagali našemu ubogemu jugoslovanskemu narodu, ki je krvavo zaslužil naše pomoči.

Vječe ameriških Hrvatov dela s polno paro, da čim več pomaga novi republiki Jugoslavije. V zadnjih petih tednih smo poslali blizu tri tisoč funtov obleke in drugih potrebščin. Poslali smo jugoslovanskemu relifu v New York, 161 Perry st.

Naj še omenim, da bo na tej prireditvi igral izvrsten tambura-

ški zbor iz Monesena, Pa. Ves program bo pester in dobro izvajen, tako da bo občinstvo zadovoljno.

Torej ne pozabite udeležiti se te priredbe 29. decembra in prijeteljite s seboj vašo družino in prijatelje, tako da bomo res uspeli v vseh ozirih in skupaj spravili čim več za trpeči jugoslovanski narod, posebno pa za jugoslovansko dečo, katere potrebuje naše pomoči.

Odbor ameriških Hrvatov zeno apelira na vse, da preiščejo doma vse prostore in darujejo nerabno obleko in druge potrebščine, ki jih sami ne potrebujejo.

Če pa nimate potrebnih ali obleke, pa darujte v gotovini. Nagovorite tudi vaše sosedo, da bi kaj darovali za herojski jugoslovanski narod. Ako bo vsakdo storil nekaj, bo pomoč velika. Štiri osebe smo šle na delo in v enem tednu dobile oglasov za \$508. To delo smo izvršili bratje Baron, Duranović, Rulčić in podpisani.

Zaključujem in vam kličem na veselo svidenje v soboto, 29. decembra! Vesele božične praznike in srečno novo leto želim vsem dobrim Jugoslovanom!

Mila Perković.

Glasovi iz naselbin

SILVESTROVA VESELICA

Springfield, Ill.—V ponedeljek večer, dne 31. decembra, bo priredil Slovenski delavski dom veselico ali Silvestrovo zabavo; pričetek ob 8. uri zvečer. Vsem posetnikom, kateri posejajo naše veselice v domu, je znano, da so vse veselice prijetne in izvrstne in da je na vsaki dovolj raznovrstne zabave za vsakega, kdor se jo le hoče poslužiti. Pa saj kdor enkrat pride ali zaide na naše veselice in druge prireditve in zabave, ta gotovo ne ostane potem več ob nobene.

Odbor SDD zagotavlja, da bo tudi na starega leta večer izvrstna veselica, na katero vabi vse delničarje in društvene članice, rojake in ostalo občinstvo.

Odbor.

POTREBNO JE VEČ ZANIMANJA ZA DRUŠTVO!

Joliet, Ill.—Nerad pišem, toda sila kola lom. Članstvo ne mara zahajati na društvene seje, zato je potrebno, da se ga seznanj z društvenim napredkom. Društvo 115 SNPJ je imelo prireditev v mesecu oktobru v korist članov-vojakov. Naredili smo lepo vsoto, in sicer \$206 čistega dobika. To je dokaz, da je nekdo delal, da je bil tako lep uspeh. Kaj pa vi, ostalih 83 odstotkov članstva? Vprašajte se same sebe, da-li ste člani našega društva in največje naše organizacije SNPJ? Pokažite vaše delo in sodelovanje!

Povabili smo vas v Prosveti, da bi se udeležili letne seje, ki se je vršila 16. decembra, ali na žalost se ni odzval niti en procent članstva. Ako ne bi bila aktivna in skrbela majhna skupina za društvo, potem bi enostavno morali prenehati s poslovanjem društva. Vi se samo naslanjate na druge. Toda to ni demokratično, kajti vsi imamo enake pravice in obveznosti pri enotnosti. Tudi jaz bi lahko samo plačal asessment in mirna Bosna! Ali to ne bi bilo pravilno!

Na decemberski seji nas je bilo samo 15 članov, društvo pa šteje 150 članov. Torej se je udeležil seje vsak petnajsti član. Bili smo eni in isti—deset uradnikov, kateri so seboj pripeljali svoje ženske, tako da nas je bilo 15 vseh skupaj. Torej šest ali sedem družin je zastopalo ostalih 135 članov.

Stari odborniki so se že navežali in bi radi videli, da bi jih drugi zamenjali, toda hočeš, nočeš, morali ostati v odboru. Toda nekateri ne morejo nadaljevati, kajti ne dopuščajo njihove osebne razmere, toda pri najboljši volji ni namestnikov, ki bi zavzeli njihova mesta in tako so prisiljeni ostati v odboru.

več prepuste ta dan v čast tem fantom in dekletam.

Zastopana so sledeča društva: 5, 26, 28, 53, 126, 129, 135, 137, 142, 147, 158, 312, 442, 450, 477, 544, 566, 576, 604. Od glavnih odbornikov so navzoči: Matt Petrovich, Rudi Lisch in Josephine Močnik. Predsednik zaključil sejo ob 9:50 zvečer. (Dospelo prepozno za objavo zadnje sredo. Ured.)

Carl Semanich zapisnikar.

ru isti uradniki. Pridite na sejo in prevzemite odborniška mesta, saj smo plače zvišali vsem uradnikom. Mogoče se bo kdo jezil radi teh besed, upam pa da ne bo zamere. Tako sem tudi jaz prisiljen biti vaš zapisnikar.

Mimogrede se naj lepo zahvalim sestri Agnes Mihelič iz Chisholma, Minn., ki je v Prosveti z dne 21. dec. napisala kratek dopis. Sestra Mihelič je povedala več v četrto kolono kot pa Barbič v dveh kolonah. Pisanje o krava, kokoli in mleku nima pomena za javnost. Sicer pa je bil v toliko zmeren v tem dopisu, da se ni obregnil ob partizane. Mogoče pa ga je tista bolezen minila. Hvala, sestra Mihelič!

Mati Paver.

POROČILO O PRIREDBI IN VABILO NA SILVESTROVO

Detroit, Mich.—Zabava gospodinskega odseka SDD, ki se je vršila 16. dec., je dobro uspela. Čistega dobika smo imeli \$165. Če kateri želi še kaj darovati v ta namen, lahko izroči kateri koli odbornik gospodinskega odseka. Ta denar je namenjen za pomoč našim trpečim bratom in sestram v stari domovini.

Ob tej priliki se vsem najlepše zahvaljujem, ki so se udeležili priredbe in s tem pomagali do boljega uspeha. Prav tako lepa hvala vsem, ki so delali brezplačno!

Sledeči so dali darila za tombulo: Mrs. Surrey, Skaly, Agnes Kržišnik, Rant, Potočnik, Kapel, Barič, Lukach, Tehovnik, Stifek, Kirar, Gabrček, Strossberger (?), Gregorič, Kovačič, Modic, Klančnik, Slemenik in Kumar. Joseph Jeglič pa je daroval \$5. Vsem skupaj prav lepa hvala! Naznanjam, da ženski gospodinski odsek in Slovenski delavski dom prireditvi skupno veselico na Silvestrovo večer, 31. decembra, v SDD, 437 S. Livernois. Za ples bo igral Pinkov orkester. Vabljeni ste vsi, od blizu in daleč. Pridite in bomo skupaj skočili leto! Potrebno je, da gremo drugo leto naprej po začrtani poti in nadaljujemo z našim delom.

Sedaj imamo tudi kampanjo za novo članstvo. Bratje in sestre, nas vseh veže dolžnost, da se podamo na agitacijo in pridobimo vsak vsaj enega novega člana, da bomo dosegli kvoto pri našem društvu. S tem bomo pokazali, da delamo za napredek društva in nasebine.

Na svidenje 31. decembra v Slovenskem delavskem domu!

Mary Tehovnik,

predsednica gospodinskega odseka SDD.

DOPIŠNIKOM IN ČLANOM JEDNOTE

Kadar pišete Prosveti ali v glavni urad SNPJ, ne pozabite v naslovu napisati pošte številke 23 za bazo "Chicago". Na kuverti vaelej napišite: Chicago 23, Ill. To bo olajšalo delo na čikaški pošti, nam pa po spoštilo dostavljanje pošte.

VAŽNO NAZNANILO DRUŠTVENIM TAJNIKOM IN ČLANOM

S tem se uradno naznanja društvenim tajnikom in članstvu vobče, da je glavni odbor potom glasovanja sprejel naslednjo odredbo za one člane, ki so ob vstopu ali vpoklicu v vojaško službo podpisali odstopne listine (Waivers) za bolniško podporo in odškodnine (operacije) in se po odpustitvi iz vojaške službe zopet želijo zavarovati za prejšnje podpore:

Is vojaške službe odpuščeni člani, ki se želijo zavarovati za prejšnjo bolniško podporo ali odškodnino, so sprejeti v to zavarovanje brez zdravniške preiskave in od katerih se tudi ne zahteva predložitve vojaške odpušnice (Discharge paper). Podpisati pa morajo prošnjo, v kateri potrdijo, da so pri dobri zdravju ob času sopetnega sprejema v bolniško ali odškodninsko zavarovanje; zadošna prošnja pa mora biti vložena v teku 60 dni po odpustitvi iz vojaške službe.

Ta zaključek ali odredba stopi v veljavo s 5. decembrom 1945 in od tega dne dalje ni potreba pošiljati v glavni urad vojaških odpušnic, niti se ne zahteva zdravniške preiskave od članov, ki so odpuščeni iz vojaške službe, za zopetni sprejem v prejšnjo zavarovanje za bolniško ali odškodninsko podporo.

Tajnikom se priporoča, da naj nemudoma sporočijo v glavni urad, koliko približno bodo potrebovali novih zadenih prošelj v omenjeno svrhu, da jih zadostno in pravočasno prejmejo.

F. A. VIDER, gl. tajnik.

DEVETINDVAJSETI NOVEMBER

Spisal Etbin Kristan, predsednik SANS

Zdi se, kakor da je minila že dolga, dolga doba, odkar so partizanske čete in oddelki rdeče armade po krvavem boju vkorakale v Beograd; tudi je preteklo že precej Ljubljano, odkar je zaviral trobojni prapor z zvezdo nad belo Ljubljano. Toda dejansko je bila Jugoslavija osvobodjena v petek—29. novembra 1945—ko je pred kratkim izvoljena skupščina razglasila federativno republiko Jugoslavije. Brez dvoma bo to v bodoče največji praznik v deželi in prav bo tako. S tem bo obenem praznovan 29. november 1943, ko je bila v Jajcu, obdanem od sovražnikov, proklamirana demokratična, federativna Jugoslavija. Borec, ki so se zbrali tam, so gotovo tudi imeli republiko v srcu, toda zavedali so se, da zastopajo samo osvobodjene kraje in da se tako važen korak ne sme storiti brez volje vsega naroda, pa so rekli, da bo narod sam s svobodnimi volitvami odločil o bodoči obliki vlade.

In kdaj se je to zgodilo. Sedaj Peter, ne drugi, temveč prvi, ki je šel v prvi vojni s srbsko vojsko skozi vse pekel in ni iskal zavetja v tujini, je enkrat dejal: Pašću, ki je takrat še popolnoma pozabil, da je sam nekdanji član prve internacionale: "Pazi, Nikola, Jugoslavija če se razvija v socialnu demokratijo!"

Mlad Peter, ki bi storil najbolje, če bi dovršil svoje študije in se pripravil za kakšno koristno delo, pa protestira. Kdo ga bo poslušal, kdo se zmenil za njegove proteste? Subašič in Grola ključ za svoji priči in žugla. Subašič in Grola sta imela vso priliko, da kandidirata za skupščino. Zakaj nista? Zakaj so njihovi pristajali morali glasovati brez kandidatov? Dobro sta vedela, da bi se pri volitvah izkazala le slabost njunega nazadnjaštva in sta rajša ostala za pečjo.

Sedaj govoriči Peter o nesvobodnih volitvah in se vede kakor da se ne boji glasnega smeja vsega mislečega sveta. Če bi bila opozicija, ta zmes najraznovrstnejših, med seboj si nasprotujočih elementov—dobila vsaj toliko glasov, da ne bi utonili v poplavi združenih osvobodilnih strank, bi se človek še za trenotek ustavil in vprašal, ali ni bilo morda res kaj na pačnega štetja ali kakšnih mahinacij. Toda večina, katero so dobili bojevnik za svobodo, se ne da prigrizniti. Lahko bi se po krivem doslegla le s porabo metod, katerih se se posluževali tisti režimi, katerim je v Jugoslaviji odklenalo za vedno.

Nasilstvo pri volitvah se pa ne da skriti in na to, kar se je na volilno nedeljo godilo v deželi, je pazilo na tisoče oči, tudi dvesti takih, ki niso nič kaj prijazno gledali na novi razvoj. In če bi bile opazile kaj nepravilnega, bi se bil slišal odmev iz Londona in Washingtona. Pa se ni...

Na kaj se more Peter še opirati? Da je zapustil deželo, ko je bila napadena, bi se še odpuščalo. To so storili norveški, danski kralji, holandska kraljica, celo De Gaulle. Ampak slednji je odšel v Anglijo, da bi se od tam uspešneje boril proti fašizmu. Peter pa se ni boril, temveč je rotli ljudstvo, naj čaka. Na kaj? Da bo vse odpeljano v nemška taborišča in da bo vsa zemlja naseljena z Nemci? Na-

Devetindvajseti november pomeni začetek, ampak ta začetek je dober, ker so ga prizvale silne muke in bolečine, ker je vstal iz potokov krvi, ker so ga želele neštete žrtve, padle za svobodo. Tak začetek prerokuje—ne še za danes ali jutri, ampak kadar bodo vse težke rane zaceljene in bo opustošena zemlja zopet rodila—slajno bodočnost. Glave so bistrs, roke so pridne—to se je pokazalo v štirih letih krutega, junaškega boja. In v svobodi bodo izvršile čudeže.

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V Prosveti se dnevno odvijajo in delavne vesti. Ali jih čitate vsak dan?

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Ob koncu leta

Sedanja generacija je že šla skozi dve svetovni vojni — upamo, da ne bo šla še skozi tretjo, kajti ta bi bila lahko usodna za vse. Doživeli smo torej več človeških stupidnosti, trpljenja, sprememb in dogodkov kot katere koli druga generacija v vsej zgodovini. Koliko smo se iz vseh naših izkušenj in doživetij naučili, se seveda drugo vprašanje. Sigurno je to, da med politično mentaliteto današnjega človeka in zahtevami novega časa zija velikanski prepad. Vzrok temu je, ker se človek mentalno le počasi razvija, medtem ko moderna veda naglo ustvarja pravečo revolucijo v njegovi okolici, njegovi socialni družbi.

Če se ob koncu leta ozremo preko tega, kar je svet doživel skozi 1945, vidimo tako veličanske dogodke in spremembe, kakršnih sedanja generacija še ni doživela v enem letu in sigurno ne nobena druga pred nami.

Največji zgodovinski dogodek tekočega leta je bil poraz osi. Ravno zdaj je minilo leto dni, odkar je "nepremagljiva" Hitlerjeva armada napravila svoj zadnji sunek s pretrganjem anglo-ameriške fronte v severovzhodni Franciji in Luksemburgu. Bil je Hitlerjev zadnji desperatni sunek, po zlomu katerega je prišlo do bliskovitega prodiranja zavezniških armad od zapada in vzhoda v osrčje Nemčije. Prve dni maja je bil konec Wehrmachta in nacijske Nemčije. Zdrobljena je bila največja militaristična sila do danes, za kar pa so bili potrebni gigantični napori združenih narodov.

Z zlomom nacijske Nemčije je bilo le vprašanje časa, kdaj se bo sesula tudi militaristična Japonska. Do tega je prišlo dobre tri mesece pozneje — 13. avgusta, ko je Hirohito sprejel zavezniške pogoje. S tem je bil zadan smrtni udarec japonskemu militarizmu in imperializmu.

Poleg temeljitega poraza osi je bila iznajdba atomske bombe največji dogodek tekočega leta, sploh eden največjih in najpomembnejših dogodkov v vsej zgodovini človeštva. Sprostitve atomske energije človeštvu faktično odpira popolnoma novo dobo. Ta iznajdba mu je dala v roke sredstvo, s katerim se lahko doberedo uniči, ali pa si zgradi nove vrste mehanizirano civilizacije, v kateri bo atomska energija postala glavna gonilna in kurilna sila. Če se človek hoče izogniti izgnitvi s to silo, si bo moral zgraditi popolnoma novo kolektivistično civilizacijo, popolnoma nov gospodarski red s ciljem svetovnega miru, svobode in blagostanja vseh ljudstev. To ali pa pogin. Druge poti ni.

Če se človek hoče izogniti poginu, mora tudi hiteti z ustvarjanjem nove civilizacije, kakršno zahteva sprostitve atomske energije. Časa mu ni ne preostaja. Ako tej novi civilizaciji ne po loži temelje v bližnji bodočnosti, bo čez 10, 20, 30 let lahko že prepozno — to je, ako ga prej zaloti tretja svetovna vojna. Iz za zgradnjo nove civilizacije je kardinalna potreba v tem, da si sleherni država odpravi svojo suverenost in postane del svetovne federativne vlade, katere edina more preprečiti novo svetovno klanje in sploh uničenje velikih delov civilizacije. Yes, tudi mo gočni Amerika in Rusija bosta morali kreniti na to pot, se odpo vedati absolutni suverenosti in postati član nove svetovne federa cije enakopravnih narodov.

Tudi na polju mednarodne politike je bilo letošnje leto zel epohalno. V San Franciscu je bila ustanovljena nova Zveza na rodov, ki bo imela svoje prvo zborovanje po novem letu v Lon donu. Nesreča s to Zvezo je v tem, da je bila rojena "prehitro". Če bi se bila vršila ta konferenca nekaj mesecev po iznajdbi atomske bombe, bi bil čarter nove Zveze narodov najbrže prece, drugačen kot je bil izdelan in San Franciscu. Danes na splošno priznavajo, da je ta čarter v pričlo atomske bombe zelo pomanj kljiv, kajti svet danes potrebuje veliko bolj efektivno svetovno organizacijo kot je začrtana v pravilih nove Zveze. Faktično je potrebna taka svetovna organizacija kot je omenjena v gornjem odstavku. Da-li se bo mogla Zveza narodov razviti v to smer, je vprašanje. Glavni zapreki sta Amerika in Rusija, ki se branit povezati svojo suverenost v višjem vladnem organu, v novi sve tovni federaciji.

Poleg konference v San Franciscu smo bili letos priča tud dyema, oziroma trem drugim konferencam zmagovitih sil. En teh se je vršila po zlomu Nemčije v Potsdamu. Na tej konferen ci je velika trojica mastila s poraženim Nemčijo, ji odsekali Vzhodno Prusijo, Gornjo Šlezijo in velik del Prusije ter par dru gih provinc — približno 20% čisto nemške ozemlja. Dekretirala je tudi industrijsko uničenje Nemčije, prozorično razdeliti vojni plen in začrtala okupacijsko politiko. Ta potsdamska mon stroznost se je izkazala za velik fiasko, kar smo takoj napove dali na tem mestu. To priznavajo danes tudi v Washingtonu in Londonu.

Popoln fiasko je bila tudi londonska konferenca zunanjih mi nistrov petih velisil. Da-li bo sedanja konferenca, ki se vrši v Moskvu, kaj bolj uspešna, bo pokazala bližnja bodočnost.

Po porazu osi je na polju mednarodne politike prišlo med zmagovalci tudi do onega trenja, katerega so napovedovali vodil ni naciji in v njem videli svojo resnično blizo. Sploh je do tega trenja prišlo že prej. Nastalo je z obrambo Varšave, zajelo vse poljsko vprašanje, potem preskočilo centralno Evropo in eksplo diralo s trzaskim incidentom, nakar je med Rusijo in med Angli jo in Ameriko na drugi strani nastal pravi prepad. Rezultat tega je bil, da je v Ameriki nastala velika gonja proti Rusiji in proti njenim satelitom na Balkanu, posebno pa proti Titovi Jugoslaviji in Bolgarski. — S tem pregledom nadaljujemo jutri.

Glasovi iz
naselbin

VAŽNE VESTI

Bridgeport, O. — Te vrstice pišem v nedeljo, 16. decembra. Moral bi iti na letno sejo kluba 11 JSZ, ampak sem bil včeraj pri specialistu za oči in ušesa. Ker mi je poslušal precej odpovedal in vlada zunaj prava sibirski zima, ne smem iz hiše, da ne nastanejo še slabše posledice.

Ves teden smo imeli zelo mrzlo in suho vreme, kar je dosti pomagalo ustaviti val influence, katere razsaja skoraj v vsaki hiši v teh krajih. Najprvo je napadla otroke, tako da so morali zapreti skoro vse šole s tednom 3. dec. Sedaj pa prijema tudi odrasle, tako da je tudi industrija zelo prizadeta radi te bolezni.

Influenca je milejša kot je bila l. 1918. Ako greš takoj v posteljo, si v enem tednu dober. Seveda, paziti moraš, da se še bolj ne prehladiš, ker lahko se razvije pljučnica, kateri je tu podlegla neka učiteljica.

V mojem dopisu z dne 12. dec. so pomote, kar naj prizadejati uradniki društva 13 SNPJ oprostite in prav tako uradniki podružnice 33 SANSa. Kar se tiče priredbe podružnice 33 SANSa, sem poročal, da bo skupnega prebitka s kolekto vred do \$400, ne da je kolekta znašala \$400. Kar pa se tiče uradnikov, ki so bili izvoljeni na letni seji 2. dec. pri društvu 13 SNPJ za leto 1945, je pomota, zato jih ponovno najvajam: Predsednik Peter Krotič, podpredsednik John Blatnik, tajnik Joseph Snoy, blagajnik Frank Wočko, zapisničarica Mary Potnik. Nadzorniki: Frank Matko, preds., Alfred Bradač in Rose Mihelič, nadzornika. Matt Strauss, vratar, John Grill, maršal, Joseph Strauss zastavonoša, zdravnik dr. Frank Harris. Zastopnik pri Društveni dvorani, katero lastujeta društva št. 13 SNPJ in 23 KSKJ, Joseph Snoy.

Morda bo kdo mislil, da smo stvarni, ker imamo urad maršala. Vzrok je, ker ima društvo 33 KSKJ 11 uradnikov, zato jih moramo imeti tudi mi in vsled tega razloga imamo urad maršala. Uradniki obeh društev so obenem direktorji Društvene dvorane.

Oba odbora imata skupno sejo po letnih sejah obeh društev, na kateri si odbora izvolita izmed uradnikov obeh društev odbor Društvene dvorane, ki sestoji iz predsednika, podpredsednika, tajnika-blagajnika in zapisničarja. Poleg teh pa še iz dveh nadzornikov. Ta odbor potem vodi poslovanje društvene točilnice in vsega, kar spada zraven. Ako e potreba, skliče izredno sejo, ako pa ne, pa se vrše na leto dve seji skupnega odbora direktorjev, to je glavno letno sejo v januarju in polletno sejo v juliju. Vse delo se vrši na demokratični podlagi in z dobro kooperacijo obeh društev. Društvena dvorana kaže napredek v finančnem pogledu zadnja leta. Vendar pa si lahko članstvo obeh društev malo bolj podpiralo svoje podjetje. Ako ne podpirajo Društvene dvorane, ne podpirajo sebo! Menda ne bom svoje lastne bojkotiral.

Zadnjih nekaj let je Društvena dvorana dala lepe vsote obna društvoma, da smo mogli vzdrževati in poslovati brez kakšnih naklad. In to bomo vršili tudi v bodoče. Vsak ima prijatelje, ki jih pripelje v svoj lastni dom. Yes, poleti je bilo vse suho, naš dom je pa vedno potregel in imel zalogo. To pa je zasluga gotovega uradnika. Ako je bila dobra naša postrežba poleti, ko se ni pijače dobilo drugje, potem naj bo tudi sedaj, ko se dobi povsod. Bodimo ponosni na svojo Društveno dvorano, naj bo zbirališče vseh Slovencev v eh krajih, kajti to je edini slovenski dom v teh krajih, ki ima točilnico s klubovo licenco.

Kakor je razvidno iz sklepa gl. odbora z dne 5. dec. ne bo treba članom-vojakom podvreči se zdravniški preiskavi za po-noven pristop v bolnišnici in odškodninski sklad. Ker sem bil sam nasproti zdravniški preiskavi, ne radi svoje osebe, pač pa,

ker vem, kako se člani-vojaki počutijo, posebno tisti, ki jim ni so znani principi SNPJ, je s tem sklepom ustrezno bivšim vojakom, ki so člani SNPJ.

Ker smo zaposleni in smo se že precej postarali od zadnje kritike stenskih koledarjev SNPJ, danes ni nobene kritike, to menda radi gori omenjenih vzrokov. Se za vse koledarje, od tistega, ko si fahtek puli ten iz noge, do danes so mi dali priznanje kulturni izobraženci v prid koledarjev.

Joseph Snoy.

VAŽNO ZA ČLANSTVO
DRUŠTVA 59 SNPJ

DePue, Ill. — Na letni seji društva 59 SNPJ, ki se je vršila 16. dec., je bila tako slaba udeležba, da nismo mogli izvoliti odbora za prihodnje leto. Naše društvo šteje 138 članov v odraslem oddelku, na letno sejo pa nas je prišlo samo sedem. Žalostno, a resnično!

Večje število članov in članice živi samo en, kvečjemu dva bloka od Slovenskega doma, vzlic temu pa izostajajo in ne pridejo za sejo brez vsakega zadržka. Bratje, tako ne bo šlo! Na ta način društvo ne more poslovati in eksistirati. Potrebno je, da imamo nekoliko več zanimanja za društvo.

Ker nismo mogli izvoliti društvenega odbora za prihodnje leto, zato odbor skliče je enkrat izredno sejo, in sicer v nedeljo, 30. decembra; pričetek ob desetih dopoldne v Slovenskem domu.

Bratje, zaključek seje z dne 16. dec. je, da kdor se ne bi udeležil te izredne seje, bo kaznovan v smislu društvenega sklepa; izvzeti so samo tisti, ki bodo delali v tovarni, in bolniki. Bratje, to je zadnji poziv od strani društvenega odbora. Prosim, da ga upoštevate in pridete na izredno sejo, če hočete imeti odbor za l. 1946.

Se to: Sklenjeno je tudi bilo, da bodo na tej izredni seji čitana imena članov in zabeležena tistih, ki ne bi bili navzoči, nakar bomo postopali z njimi v smislu društvenega sklepa.

Takoj po izredni seji društva 59 SNPJ pa bomo odprli letno sejo Slovenskega narodnega doma, s katero pa bomo hitro gotovi. Torej bomo imeli dve kratki seji. Na svidenje 30. dec. ob desetih dopoldne.

John Zuglich, tajnik.

PO KONTESTU

Mt. Harris, Colo. — V Prosveti je bilo naznanjeno, da ima pravico vsak član udeležiti se kontesta za povojne načrte SNPJ. Kontesta sem se udeležil tudi jaz, toda mojega članka ni bilo v Prosveti. Vse kaže, da se moje sugestije zavrgli ali pa da niste dotičnega rpisa prejeli.

Vodilna kontestanta članske kampanje



John Shaffer

Na sliki je videti **JOHNA SHAFERJA**, tajnika društva 537 v Crivitzu, Wis. Ta farmarska naselbina v gornjem Wisconsinu ni posebno velika, toda br. Shaffer jo je sadnje leto kraspo postavil na "mapo". V tej kampanji je že pridobil 36 novih članov in je na čelu častne liste. "Ampak on ni samo la-vešan agitator, marveč ona tudi drži člane v društvu. Od 112 novih članov, ki jih je pridobil v r-dnjih štirih kampanjah, je obdržal v društvu vse razen pet, kar je lahoren rekord."

Toda če ga ne bi prejeli, bi morali pismo priti nazaj. Svojo sugestijo sem podal na kratko, ki je bila popolnoma drugačna od drugih kontestantov.

V spisu sem dejal, naj bi vsako društvo izvolilo agitatorja, pa če bi bil član dotičnega društva ali, seveda, moral pa bi biti prijatelj dotičnega društva, ki bi radevolje pomagal nagovarjati svoje prijatelje, da bi pristopili k društvu SNPJ. Najpripo- ročljivejši za to bi učitelji in učiteljice, odborniki krajevnih unij itd. Mislim, da bi lahko prišel v poštev tudi kakšen izgovoren brivec, ki ima priliko.

Ne mislim, da bi moglo v tem oziru kaj dosti storiti majhno društvo kot je naše, vendar pa bi bila priporočljiva ta sugestija v nekaterih krajih. Naše društvo tudi ne more prirejati veselice, ker nas je tu premalo, poleg tega pa kontrolira vse samo ena kompanija.

Težko je slišati, čes, ta in ta društva so mrtva in zaspala, toda nahajamo se pač v takih razmerah, da drugače ne more biti. Vsi tukajšnji Slovenci so člani društev. Naš predsednik ima nekaj majhnih otrok in upam, da bodo časoma pristopili k društvu. Drugi Slovenci prihajajo v našo naselbino in zo- pet odhajajo. Če ga vprašam, da bi pristopil k društvu, ali da bi vzel prestopni list, pa ti odgo- vori, da ne ve, koliko časa bo ostal v našem kraju.

Zadnjič sem pisal, da je teža- va z lažnimi člani. Ne sramujem se podpisati pod moje besede. Pri nas bi lahko imeli več članov, če ne bi bilo tako. S tem nikogar ne kritiziram, pač pa povem svoje mnenje. Zapisal sem, da se lahko moje sugestije popravi in izboljša. Ali so ravno moje sugestije sme- ti med zrnje? Anton Delnar.

Pripomba uredništva: Od vas nismo prejeli nobenega dopisa za kontest.

DELNIČARSKA SEJA
SLOVENSKEGA DOMA
V LA SALLU

La Salle, Ill. — Ker je 95% tukajšnjih članov SNPJ, ki so delničarji Slovenskega doma v La Sallu, je dolžnost direktorjev družbe Slovenskega doma, da o- pozorimo vse delničarje in del- ničarje v našem glasilu Pro- sveti.

Letna delničarska seja Slo- venskega doma se bo vršila 6. januarja 1946, začetek točno ob dveh popoldne v spodnji dvorani. Izvoliti je treba tri direk- torje za dobo treh let, kajti ter- min poteče trem direktorjem.

Na delničarski seji boste sli- šali poročilo o poslovanju druž- be za l. 1945. Potrebno je, da ste navzoči vsi delničarji in daste priporočila direktorjem ter smernice za poslovanje v l. 1946. Vsak dober nasvet ali na- vodi o bo dobrodošlo za nove in stare direktorje. Udeležite se te važne seje vsi, kajti vaša na- vzčnost je prav tako potrebna kot direktorjev. Več ljudi, več vel!

Rojaki in rojakinje, delničarji in delničarke, pridite vsi v Slovenski dom na glavno letno sejo Slovenskega doma, ki se bo vršila 6. januarja; začetek točno ob dveh popoldne.

Vodilna kontestanta članske kampanje



Rose Radovich

Na tej sliki se pa smehljiva se- tira **ROSE RADOVICH**, tajnica društva 21 v Pueblo, Colo., ki se je na "jagi" za novimi člani povzpela na drugo mesto na častni listi. "Do zdaj je še prija- vila 21 novih članov. Lahoren rekord je napravila tud' v lan- ski kampanji. In kot brat Sha- fer, ona tudi ona drži nove čla- ne v društvu. Od 122 članov, ki jih je pridobila v lanski in se- denji kampanji, so bili člani le trije, kar je gotovo "excellent".

ob dveh popoldne v spodnji dvorani. Pri društvih in klubih iz- volite tudi svoje zastopnike za delnice, ki jih lastujete.

Veselo božične praznike in srečno novo leto želim vsemu članstvu SNPJ!

Matt Vogrich, direktor SD.

ZABAVA NA STAREGA
LETA VEČER

Chicago, Illinois. — Na stare- ga leta večer, 31. decembra, se bo vršila družabna zabava čla- nov in prijateljev družabnega kluba Slovenskega delavskega centra. Za plesaljelne bo igral poskočnice John Stebly iz Wau- kegana.

Za želodčnega ministra bo dobro preskrbljeno; servirane bodo pristne kranjske klobase in drugo, kar bo ministra zado- voljilo. Kajpada, ne bo manj- kalo žlahtne kapljice, ene in druge vrste. Pridite, da se po- slovimo od starega leta in da začnemo novo leto z družab- nostjo in veseljem, ter da se snidemo s starimi prijatelji in se spoznamo z novimi. Ta večer boste zopet videli svoje sta- re in mlade znance, ki so se ravnokar vrnili iz armade. Za člane in prijatelje je vstopnina prosta. Na svidenje! Odbor.

**PRIREDBA PROGRESIVNIH
SLOVENK**

Cleveland, O. — Pod okriljem vseh krožkov Progresivnih Slo- vensk in s sodelovanjem SANS- ovih podružnic, se bo vršil tako- zvan "Baby Shower" za bedne otroke v Sloveniji. Vršil se bo v petek zvečer, dne 28. decem- bra, v Slov. narodnem domu na St. Clair ave.

Ta "Baby Shower" je zamiš- ljen takole: Naše vrle ženske so sklenile, da vsaka članica oble- če enega slovenskega otroka od vrha do tal, bodisi deček ali deklica. V ta namen bo vsaka prinesla na to priredbo, kar si je že pač zamislila. Seveda, to ne velja samo za članice, tem- več za vsako žensko, ki ima ple- menit čut za 10,000 slovenskih sirot, ki so izgubili starše in po- stali brezdomci. Te sirote, za- vite v cunje in lačne, tavaajo po deželi in iščejo odpadkov. Obla- sti napravijo zanje kolikor mo- rejo, ampak vsled omejenih sredstev, je položaj vzlic temu brezupen. Poročila pravijo, da je v Jugoslaviji 800,000 teh si- rot. Pridite torej na ta "Baby Shower" in oblečite vsaj eno siroto v Sloveniji. To bo naj- lepši božični dar v vašem živ- ljenju. (Vabilo za veselico kluba 49 JSZ je dospelo prepozno. —Ured.) Frank Česan.

**VESELICA DRUŠTVA 104
SNPJ NA STAREGA
LETA VEČER**

West Allis, Wis. — Ob zaključ- ku starega leta, 31. dec., bo pri- redilo društvo 104 SNPJ v West Allisu domačo zabavo v Kraje- vi dvorani. Začetek ob sedmih zvečer, konec pa bo drugo leto. Vstopnina bo en dolar, to je za večerjo in ples. Za ples bo igra- la Sizačova trojica, mož in žena in še nekdo drug bo pomagal pi- hati. Seveda, na razpolago bo tudi dobra kapljica, da se bomo malo zalili.

Ker društvo 104 SNPJ vedno podpira organizacijo SANS in pomožno akcijo, ste vabljeni na rojaki, da tudi vi podprete naše društvo. Ako bo več dohodkov kot stroškov, potem bomo goto- vo zopet darovali za naše trpeče brate in sestre v stari domovi- ni. Naše društvo je že večkrat darovalo za SANS in pomožno akcijo. Tako smo na zadnji glavni seji 14. dec. darovali iz društvene blagajne \$25 za jugo- slovanski relief. Omenjena vsota je bila priložena k svoti, ki je bila zbrana 9. dec. na prired- bi, ko so bili predvajani filmi o nemških grozodejstvih. Na omenjeni priredbi je bilo zbra- nih nad \$800 za naš potreben narod v stari domovini.

Torej, rojaki iz Milwaukeeja in West Allisa, obiščite nas na starega leta večer v Kraljevi dvorani, kjer se bomo zabavali z najdljakrat v tem letu. Vsem jugoslovonom, posebno partiz- nom, želim bolj srečno novo leto kot so ga imeli zadnja štiri leta!

Anton Denshar.

**VESELICA V POČAST
VOJAKOM**

Forest City, Pa. — Vsa sloven- ska društva v Forest Cityju so se združila in bodo priredila na starega leta večer veselico v počast vojakov. Vsi vojaki bodo prosti vsega. Vstopnina za ne- člane vojake pa je 25c.

Na veselico vabimo vse voja- ke, neglede na narodnost ali prepričanje. Prav tako vabimo vse stare in prijatelje in druge, ki žele pozdraviti vrnivše vo- jake.

Veselica se bo vršila v dvorani društva Zvon 124 SNPJ. To- rej na veselo svidenje na stare- ga leta večer. Vabi vas odbor skupnih društev.

Louis Sasso.

SILVESTROV VEČER
V PITTSBURGHU

Pittsburgh, Pa. — Silvestrov večer je starodavni praznik. Stara navada in običaji so nan velevali, da se zadnji dan v le- tu malo razveselimo, da pozabi- mo križe in težave starega leta obenem pa upamo, da bo novo leto prineslo veliko več zado- voljstva in sreče. Tudi v Pitts- burghu smo tega navajeni. Le- tos bomo končno lahko rekli da smo veseli, da je pravilcolu- ben svet zmagal v vojni prot najkrvoločnejšemu Hitlerizmu in japonskemu militarizmu.

Silvestrovo veselico prirejak skupna podpora društva in Slov. dom. Društva in odborniki želijo, da se ta večer zbere- mo vsi tukajšnji Slovenci in Slovenke v skupni domači hiši v Slov. domu, da sežemo drug drugemu v roke in voščimo srečno novo leto, kakor ena ve- lika družina, katere člani se po- časi izmičejo iz naše sredine. Čisti dobiček je namenjen iz- gradbi novega Slovenskega doma v naši lepi naselbini, kaj- ti istega v resnici potrebujemo. Zato se še enkrat vlijudno pri- poročam, da se gotovo vsi, prav vsi udeležite ter pripeljete vaše prijatelje.

Celokupni slovenski javnost.

zlasti pa še v Denverju in ok-
lici, voščim in želim srečno no-
vo leto.

Anthony Jordin, preds. S. D.

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Ob novem letu

Ravno ko gre ta številka Prosvete v tisk, se začne obhajanje božičnih praznikov in tik pred nami je že novo leto. Naglo so minevali dnevi, tedni in meseci, veliko hitreje kot včasih in leto 1945 se je prehitro približalo svojem koncu. Tako se nam zdi in najbrž vsled prevelike zaposlenosti ter posebnih skrbi radi vojne in neprijetnih vojniških posledic, ki se že kažejo. Naj bo, kar koli že — večina ljudi je imela še marsikaj v načrtu in več reči smo nameravali izvesti še to leto tudi mi, pa nas je čas prehitel.

Že stara navada je, da se ob tem času ob srečanju pozdravljamo z "veseli božič ter srečno novo leto!", v cerkvah pa pojejo "mir ljudem na zemlji" itd. Poslednje čase izmenjavamo božične in novoletne pozdrave tudi s pošiljanjem sorodnikom, znancom in prijateljem posebnih sezonskih kartic in pisem. Te tradicije se več ali manj držimo tudi člani SNPJ, ker tudi mi živimo v isti človeški družbi in smo del tiste opevane krščanske civilizacije, ki je visoka upanja in goreča pričakovanja svobode in pravičnosti zatiranih in izkoriščanih že od pametveka, osvobodila in spremenila v verski in posvetni biznis. Lepe misli izražene v božični pesmi o miru in voščilih za božične in novoletne praznike imajo seveda dober namen in v namenu samem ni nič napačnega. Ampak to se ponavlja leto za leto in vse od časa, kar je krščanstvo proglasilo uboga nazaretskega tesarja, ki je rebeliral proti tedanjemu izkoriščevalnemu sistemu rimskih mogotcev in denarnih mešetarjev, za "Odrešenika," toda vse ta čas je bilo miru in pravičnosti bore malo, še manj pa sreče in zadovoljstva.

Na svetu je, kajpak, dovolj vsega za srečo in blagostanje vseh ljudi. Narava je ustvarila rodovitno zemljo več kot dovolj; dovolj je premoga in drugih rudnin ter raznih naravnih zakladov; in dovolj je tudi pridnih delavnic rok za obdelovanje polja in pridelovanje kruha, za kopanje premoga za gretje domov in obratovanje parnih lokomotiv pa tovarn za pretvarjanje raznovrstnih naravnih zakladov v orožje, obleko in drugih življenjskih potrebščin. Vendar pa nekaljenega veselja in prave sreče le ni, zlasti ne za delavske sloje, in še manj je pravega miru ter dobre volje med ljudmi na zemlji. In ni jih iz razloga, ker božičnih in novoletnih voščil in takih lepih reči ne jemljemo dovolj resno in jih v praktičnem življenju skoraj nikdo ne upošteva. Zato imamo namesto ljubezni in bratstva, ki ju naj božič simbolizira, še zmeraj preveč medsebojnih preprirov in sovraštva — med posamezniki in narodi — ter zatiranje in izkoriščanje človeka po človeku; zato imamo namesto miru in sreče delavska izprtja in stavke, splošni industrialni nepokoji in krvave vojne. In dokler bodo vladale take posledice krščanske civilizacije, ni in ne more biti blagostanja za splošno ljudstvo in prave sreče na svetu.

Pravi in pravičen mir ter prijateljski odnosi med narodi ter lepše in srečnejše življenje za vse človeštvo je mogoče in bo enkrat tudi prišlo, toda ne, dokler si bomo izmenjavali taka lepa voščila samo iz navade, niti ne bomo priklicali teh reči samo s požnostnimi željami, temveč potem resnega razmišljanja o stvari in trajne borbe za ljudske pravice. Premogokopi, rudniki, oljni vrelci in vsa naravna bogastva, kakor tudi tovarne, železnice in vsa druga izdelovalna in prometna sredstva, ki služijo splošnim ljudskim potrebam in so predpogoj za splošni ljudski blagor, bodo morala po vseh božjih in človeških pravicah pripadati ljudstvu in naša dolžnost je, da delamo za to, da čimprej postanejo ljudska last!

Ko stopamo v novo leto, zremo radovedno, češ, kaj nam bo prineslo. In dobro je, da zaeno malo pomislimo in naredimo nekakšen inventar o svojem delu in dosegah v ravnokar odhajajočem letu. V našem ožjem društvenem življenju lahko rečemo, da smo bili precej delavni in najboljša priča za to je veselo dejstvo, da smo kljub vojni in neugodnim razmeram za agitacijo vpisali lepo število novih članov in tudi drugače vestransko napredovali. Baš nam pa daje nove vzpodbude za tem večje aktivnosti ter nade za večje uspehe v novem letu.

Leto 1946 vsekakor čakajo težki problemi in velike obveznosti. Kati prevzeti bo moralo vse neprijetne posledice dolgotrajne vojne in teh ne bo malo. Toda znano je, da se v vsaki večji ljudski krizi pojavijo novi geni in si ljudstvo zna najti rešitev. In tako bo tudi v naši organizaciji. Nova vprašanja in nove probleme bomo rešili z novimi idejami in naporom.

Veliko je seveda, da čim prej mogoče spet poživimo po naselbi-tah koder postojajo naša društva, tista gibanja in aktivnosti, ki smo jih včasih imeli, pa radi vojni razmer morali večinoma opustiti. Med te spadajo predvsem prireditve dnevnih SNPJ in razne druge društvene, federacijske in jednotne slavnosti, ter kampanje za nove člane. Čas prihaja, ko se bo naša mlajša generacija spet lahko udeleževala v atletičnih aktivnostih in morda bolj z tekočimi razmere za potovanja in medsebojne društvene obiske in imeli bomo lahko spet večje in manjše turnamente itd. In to bomo gotovo spet podprli tudi akcijo za zbiranje materialne pomoči vojniškim žrtvam v starem kraju. Skratka: zahteve in bo-jeve možnosti so velike!

Ko torej — bratje in sestre — stopamo v leto 1946, stopajmo od-ko-eno in s svečano zaobljubo, da bomo šli na delo za našo dobro-jednoto in po njej sankcionirane aktivnosti z novo energijo in po-vojnimi silo, v trdni zavesti, da smo člani najboljših delavske bra-

LETO GRE K ZATONU, TODA NAŠA KAMPANJA SE NADALJUJE

Ob zaključku leta 1945 bo Slovenska narodna podporna jednota dopolnila približno 42 let dobredelnih nalog in požitovanja v splošno korist članstva v tej deželi, in po možnosti tudi naših trepih bratov in sester v stari domovini. Jednotina dela v medseboj-nem podpiranju in prvi vrsti vsebujejo zavarovalniški del, ki je danes temeljito izpopolnjen in nudi članstvu sigurno pomoč v potrebi in nesreči. Drugi del pa vključuje naloge delavske izobrazbe, katera je danes kot v preteklosti silno potrebna in nikdar preveč poudarjena. Kljub potežkočam, ki se od časa do časa pojavijo, je naša jed-nota kot zagovornica delavskih principov tudi v tem oziru vsa ta leta uspešno vršila svoje na-loge.

Ampak bratje in sestre, navede-na dejstva ne pomenijo, da bo jednota v bodoče kar avto-matično žela uspehe. Niti od-daleč ne smemo misliti, da smo dosegli vrhunec. Pridobivanje novih članov in vse druge dobre stvari se morajo nadaljevati tu-di v bodoče. Pred tremi mese-ci v letu, ki ga pravkar zaklju-čujemo, se je pričela kampanja za pomnožitev članstva naše jednote. Kampanjo uspešno vo-dita br. Cainkar, gl. predsednik, in br. Vrhovnik, direktor mla-dine, in se nadaljuje v novem letu do 31. marca. Torej imamo še tri mesece časa, da izvr-šimo našo dolžnost in tako pri-pomremo zopet do čim večje-ga uspeha.

Zadnji dve kampanji sta se dobro obnesli navzile vojnimi potežkočam. In sedaj, ko je vojne konec, in konec težkih skrbi, kdaj bo padel ta ali dru-gi, smelo pričakujemo še večjih uspehov. Vestni jednotlivci član-i, posebno med starimi, kater-im je bila jednota vedno pri-sreca, je opaziti, da so zopet pri-dno na delu. Priporočljivo in hvalevredno pa bi bilo, da bi tu-di oni, ki so v preteklosti zaosta-li, doprinesli svoj delež.

Leto, ki ga sedaj zaključuje-mo, je bilo za jednoto uspešno na celi črti. Napredovali smo v premoženju in prav gotovo tu-di v članstvu, kar je zelo važno in se razume, da je k temu pripo-moglo članstvo v splošnem s so-deloivanjem in požitovalnostjo do jednote.

Veseli nas tudi, da je naša stara domovina Jugoslavija po-stala republika. Napredno in svobodnomiselno ljudstvo je to pričakovalo stoletja. SNPJ je treba pripisati precej zaslug, da je danes Jugoslavija demokra-tična država. Vsa čast in pri-znanje voditeljem in boriteljem osvobodilne skupine! Vsa čast ljudstvu, ki je z glasovanjem od-ločilo, da ne mara kraljevine in želi imeti demokracijo in svo-bodno državo.

Želim se zahvaliti vsemu član-stvu, posebno pa društvenim od-bornikom, za bratsko sodelova-nje v minulemu letu ter ključem: Da bi bilo novo leto še bolj uspešno za vse in SNPJ!

L. Gradishek,
tajnik bol. oddelka.

Določbe kampanje ob dvajsetletnici angleško poslujočih društev

KAMPANJA ZA 20-LETNICO ANGLEŠKO POSLUJOČIH DRUŠTEV SNPJ je za odrasle in za mladinski oddelak, za dobo šestih mesecev ter prične 1. oktobra 1945 in konča 31. marca 1946, z geslom: **DELAJMO ZA BRATSTVO IN BOLJŠO BUDOČNOST.**

NAMEN — Pomnožiti članstvo SNPJ v proslavo 20-letnice orga-niziranja angleško poslujočih društev, v počast članom, ki so v vojaški službi tekot druge svetovne vojne in se tako hrabro bo-rili za doseg svetovnega mira.

KDO SE JE LAHKO UDELEŽI — Te kampanje se lahko udeleži član mladinskega oddelka ali oddelka odraslih, torej — vsak član jednote. Vsaki prošnji novega člana mora biti priloženo ime do-tičnega, ki je pridobil novega člana, poleg drugih informacij, ki se ji-jh zahteva.

KVOTA — Vsakemu društvu je določeno posebno število novih članov, katere naj pridobi v teku te kampanje; najmanjše število določenih novih članov je pet za ona društva, ki imajo 20 ali manj članov, in za vsakih nadaljnjih dvajset članov enega novega člana. Določeno število novih članov bazira na številu članov oddelka odraslih pri društvih 30. junija. Naslednja tabela prikazuje določeno kvoto za društva:

Članov v oddelku odraslih	Kvota	Članov v oddelku odraslih	Kvota
20 ali manj članov	5 novih	181 do 190 članov	13 novih
21 do 40 "	6 "	191 do 200 "	14 "
41 do 60 "	7 "	201 do 210 "	15 "
61 do 80 "	8 "	211 do 220 "	16 "
81 do 100 "	9 "	221 do 230 "	17 "
101 do 120 "	10 "	231 do 240 "	18 "
121 do 140 "	11 "	241 do 250 "	19 "
141 do 160 "	12 "	251 do 260 "	20 "

NAGRADE — Redne in izredne nagrade, kakor tudi glavne na-grade so določene v vzpodbudo agitacije za večjo pridobitev novih članov:

Redne nagrade: Redne nagrade so določene za vse nove člane na podlagi zavarovalnine za smrtnino in te nagrade bodo izplačane za one nove člane, katerih trimesečni asessment bo plačan, katere nagrade so sledeče:

Za člana mladinskega oddelka zavarovan v naftu št. 1 \$1.00
Za člana mladinskega oddelka zavarovan v naftu št. 2 ali 3 2.00
Za člana oddelka odraslih zavarovan za \$500 smrtnino ali manj 2.00
Za člana oddelka odraslih zavarovan za \$1000 smrtnino ali več 5.00

Izredne ali posebne nagrade: Izredna ali posebna nagrada v vsoti \$5 je določena za ne manj kot 5 članov, in za vsakih nadaljnjih pet novih članov dodatno \$5, in kdor pridobi najmanj dvajset novih članov, še dodatnih \$5. Kdor pridobi še nadaljnjih dvajset članov, skupaj torej 40 članov, prejme še dodatno k prej navedenim na-gradam \$10 za vsako skupino po 20 članov, kot prikazuje naslednja tabela:

Za 5 novih članov \$ 5.00 nagrade	Za 55 novih članov \$ 70.00 nagrade
10 " " 10.00 "	60 " " 80.00 "
15 " " 15.00 "	65 " " 85.00 "
20 " " 20.00 "	70 " " 90.00 "
25 " " 25.00 "	75 " " 95.00 "
30 " " 30.00 "	80 " " 100.00 "
35 " " 35.00 "	85 " " 105.00 "
40 " " 40.00 "	90 " " 110.00 "
45 " " 45.00 "	95 " " 115.00 "
50 " " 50.00 "	100 " " 120.00 "

Glavne nagrade: Glavni nagrad je določenih deset in sicer za onih deset neuspešnejših kontestantov, ki pridobijo najvišje število novih članov, toda vsak izmed teh desetih mora pridobiti nad 20 novih članov, da pride vpoštev pri razdelitvi teh deset glavnih nagrad. Glavna nagrada je prosta vožnja na 13. redno konvencijo in nazaj ter dve dnevni; vožnja in za čas na potovanju se plača po istem redu kot bodo plačani delegati. Na konvenciji bo tak tekmovalce smatran kot časten gost in primerno počaščen. V slu-čaj, da bi bil kateri od tekmovalcev, ki pridejo vpoštev pri raz-delitvi glavnih nagrad, izvoljen pri svojem društvu za delegata 13. redne konvencije, ni upravljen do dvakratnih voznih stroškov in tovrstne in da bo naša organizacija tudi v bodoče trdno stala v boju za pravice delavskega ljudstva ter tvorila časten vzgled brat-ske zavednosti, obširne demokracije in pravega napredka. V tem pomenu — srečno vam novo leto!

V. CAINKAR, gl. predsednik.

ne do dodatnih dveh dnevnic, ampak samo do voznih stroškov in dnevnic kot redno izvoljeni delegat.

ZDRAVNIŠKA PREISKAVA — do vsote \$2 bo povrnjeno iz gl. urada za vsakega v jednoto sprejetega novega člana oddelka odraslih. Nove člane mladinskega oddelka se sprejema brez zdravniške preiskave, v slučaju pa, da bi bila zdravniška preiskava zahtevana iz gl. urada, se povrne \$0c za vsako zdravniško preiskavo.

RAZNO — a) Nagrade, katere predvideva "Načrt letnih odškodnin društvenim tajnikom," ostanejo v polni veljavi tekot te kampanje, razun točke "C," ki se tiče nagrad za nove člane; te nagrade so tekot kampanje nadomeščene z nagradami, kot določeno pod točko 7 teh določb.

b) One člane, ki prestopijo iz mladinskega oddelka v oddelk odraslih v času te kampanje, se ne smatra za "nove člane" in se tudi ne plača nikakšne nagrade za te člane, brez ozira, za koliko se kdo zavaruje za smrtnino.

c) Na "častni listi (Honor Roll)" bodo navedena vsa društva, ki tekot kampanje dopolnijo svojo kvoto, in vsi posamezni tekmo-valci, ki dobio pet ali več novih članov v tej kampanji.

d) Agitator lahko pridobi nove člane za katero koli društvo jed-note. Kredit za nove člane se ne more prenesti z ene osebe na drugo potem, ko je že sporočeno v gl. urad, kdo naj dobi kredit za novega člana.

e) Cilj te kampanje je pridobiti najmanj 2,000 novih članov. Vse prošnje novih članov, ki so sprejeti v zadnjem mesecu kam-panje, morajo biti poslane v gl. urad najkasneje 5. v naslednjem mesecu; dan odpošiljave v gl. urad se bo vpošteval poštni pečat na kuverti, v kateri bodo poslane prošnje.

d) Kampanja ob proslavi dvajsetletnice angleško poslujočih društev je pod vodstvom oddelka treh, namreč glavnega predsedni-ka Vincenta Cainkarja, glavnega tajnika Freda A. Vidra, in mladinskega direktorja Michaela Vrhovnika, ki je vodja te kampanje.

IZKAZ IZPLAČIL SMRTNIN V NOVEMBRU 1945

REPORT ON DEATH CLAIMS

Paid in November, 1945

Ime umrlega člana	Vredn. M. Člana	Člana društva	Member of Lodge	Vredn. M. Člana
Name of Deceased	File No.	File No.	No.	File No.
Jean Refresco	10000	8 Bryan, Pa.		10000
Marcella Florence	10001	7 Chicago, Pa.		10001
John Markos	10002	8 Chicago, Ill.		10002
John Podpelen	10003	9 Valo, Kans.		10003
John Sajec	10004	10 Milwaukee, Wis.		10004
John Maynor	10005	17 Lorain, O.		10005
Dale Krasanich	10006	18 Chicago, Ill.		10006
Josephine Musie	10007	26 Cleveland, O.		10007
John Kuchav	10008	34 Cleveland, O.		10008
Frank Turc	10009	34 Indianapolis, Ind.		10009
Frank Baric	10010	42 Aurora, Minn.		10010
Joseph Barish	10011	44 Cleveland, O.		10011
Manda Milich	10012	75 Des Moines, Ia.		10012
John Maric	10013	90 Houston, Pa.		10013
Anna Stojan	10014	111 Aurora, Minn.		10014
John Vrbas	10015	126 Cleveland, O.		10015
Frances Korn	10016	136 Cleveland, O.		10016
Jerny Malesedec	10017	138 Strabane, Pa.		10017
Anton Bragan	10018	141 Universal, Pa.		10018
Bert Elmpman	10019	143 Cleveland, O.		10019
Frank Mucinhar	10020	143 Cleveland, O.		10020
John Supon	10021	150 Cleveland, O.		10021
Anna Glavan	10022	157 Des Moines, Pa.		10022
Anna Kadek	10023	173 Cleveland, O.		10023
John Arbach	10024	218 Denver, Colo.		10024
Mike Dubich	10025	241 Slaven, Pa.		10025
John Pirih	10026	241 Slaven, Pa.		10026
Ignac Miholic	10027	247 Central, Cal. Pa.		10027
Frank Golac	10028	248 St. Louis, Mo.		10028
John Mladic	10029	251 Elv, Minn.		10029
John Mladic	10030	253 Kammor, Wyo.		10030
John Mladic	10031	264 New Air, Pa.		10031
John Mladic	10032	270 Lyons, Ill.		10032
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John Mladic	10050	270 Lyons, Ill.		10050

IZKAZ IZPLAČANIH OPERACIJ IN ODŠKODNIN

REPORT ON OPERATIONS AND DISABILITIES

Paid in November, 1945

Ime člana	Člana društva	Member of Lodge	Vredn. M. Člana
Name of Member	File No.	File No.	File No.
Mary Janica	00775	8 Chicago, Ill.	
Steve Kaucich	00843	10 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
Mary Schwab	00852	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
Virginia Vraneski	00853	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
Edith Kozlovich	00854	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
Antonia Dolanek	00855	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
Rose Marie Starcer	00856	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
Mary Vostel	00857	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
Antonia Zonich	00858	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
Louise Ralich	00859	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
Frank Janovich	00860	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
Mary Zieber Jr.	00861	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
Frances Svolach	00862	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
Frank Monck	00863	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
John Siroch	00864	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
John Siroch	00865	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
John Siroch	00866	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
John Siroch	00867	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
John Siroch	00868	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
John Siroch	00869	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
John Siroch	00870	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
John Siroch	00871	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
John Siroch	00872	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
John Siroch	00873	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
John Siroch	00874	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
John Siroch	00875	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
John Siroch	00876	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
John Siroch	00877	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
John Siroch	00878	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
John Siroch	00879	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
John Siroch	00880	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
John Siroch	00881	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
John Siroch	00882	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
John Siroch	00883	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
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John Siroch	00886	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
John Siroch	00887	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
John Siroch	00888	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
John Siroch	00889	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
John Siroch	00890	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
John Siroch	00891	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
John Siroch	00892	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
John Siroch	00893	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
John Siroch	00894	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
John Siroch	00895	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
John Siroch	00896	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
John Siroch	00897	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
John Siroch	00898	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
John Siroch	00899	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	
John Siroch	00900	11 Rock Springs, Wyo.	

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NEW MEMBERS

ADMITTED DEC. 1, 1943			
3	Svilar Rade F.	117400	\$1,000.00
3	Svilar Anthony	117401	500
3	Svilar Helen M.	117402	500 1.00
3	Svilar Henry J.	117403	500 1.00
6	Bregon Anthony L.	117404	1,000 1.00
13	Eliash Chester	117406	500
3	Kosel Dorothy J.	117407	1,000 2.00
1	Rpakovich Frank	117408	500
17	Kannikar Louis E.	117410	500 1.00
20	Kramer Edward	117411	500 1.00
3	Gutierrez Josita	117412	500 1.00
81	Tonsick Donald J.	117413	1,000
32	Klarich Albert	117414	500
29	Bray Harry H.	117415	500 1.00
31	Bogulin William	117416	1,000 1.00
33	Kocjan John Jr.	117417	500 1.00
36	Noll Albert H.	117418	1,000 1.00
59	Banich Angelina	117419	1,000 1.00
6	Gutierrez Josita	117420	500 Dhs.
6	Notich Frank	117421	500 1.00
6	Notich Joseph	117422	1,000 1.00
6	Notich Rudolph	117423	1,000 1.00
81	Gabrion Regina	117424	500 1.00
82	Kopriva John J.	117425	1,000 1.00
87	Higberger Paul H.	117426	500 1.00
9	Kosel Joseph	117427	500
9	Nagode Joe	117428	1,000
9	Stachewsk Theod.	117429	1,000
104	Marine Clara	117431	500 1.00
105	Batie Elmer Frank	117432	500 1.00
105	Batie Esther Mae	117433	500 1.00
105	Kronoshek Gordon R.	117434	500 1.00
105	Lampert Joseph	117435	500 1.00
105	Rabos Olga J.	117436	500 1.00
115	Hochevar John	117437	500 1.00
115	Hochevar Bernary	117438	500 1.00
121	Loe Leopold	117440	500
124	Cebular Victoria	117441	500 1.00
128	Harble Edward	117442	1,000 1.00
133	Renko Eugene W.	117442	1,000 1.00
147	Bregor Robert J.	117444	1,000 1.00
148	Moran Florence J.	117445	1,000 1.00
156	Gallo Raymond H.	117446	500 1.00
156	Sturman Bebe	117447	500 1.00
156	Sturman Charles	117448	500 1.00
156	Sturman Mary	117449	500 1.00
174	Naglich Frank	117450	500 2.00
174	Oshaben Richard	117451	500 1.00
183	Kszenich Nicholas	117452	500 1.00
185	Dusa Grace	117454	500 1.00
194	Khavrich Sam	117455	500 1.00
195	Bogel John	117457	500 1.00
209	Robert J.	117458	500 1.00
209	Jachimo Peter	117459	500 1.00
209	Jachimo Doris	117460	500 1.00
283	Marovich Helen	117461	500 1.00
283	Marovich Malt Jr.	117462	500 1.00
283	Sedmak Helen M.	117463	500 1.00
283	Kencese Steve	117467	250 1.00
273	Christiansen F.	117468	1,000 1.00
284	Pilath Anna M.	117469	500 Dhs.
287	Hrbir Dorothy M.	117470	500 1.00
289	Seginos Susan	117471	500 1.00
289	Shemerl Alice K.	117472	500 1.00
289	De Philippis Rose	117473	1,000 1.00
300	Vargasko John	117474	1,000 1.00
308	Strong Ester R.	117475	1,000 1.00
315	Pamovar Albin	117476	500 1.00
322	Arko Mary Jane	117479	500 1.00
322	Elsbink Mary E.	117480	500
347	Mrvon Donald	117482	500 1.00
347	Hervatin Andy	117483	500 2.00
347	Onderlein Steve A.	117484	1,000 1.00
353	Tuseck Dorothy G.	117485	1,000 1.00
353	Tuseck John A.	117487	500 2.00
360	Reichle Joseph	117488	500 1.00
367	Mikulich Pauline	117489	500 1.00
419	Raymond Anna K.	117490	500 1.00
446	Litvinovich Andrew	117490	1,000 1.00
446	Chumura Steve Jr.	117492	1,000
473	Kuklich Mildred	117493	1,000 1.00
473	Bereh William A.	117495	1,000 1.00
503	Conzatti Charles M.	117496	1,000 1.00
513	Logan	117497	500
513	Zupanec Paul J.	117498	500 1.00
513	Zupanec Rose	117499	500 1.00
550	Chernocky Joe	117501	1,000 1.00
550	Zhanick Rose Mary	117502	500 1.00
550	Kallich George	117504	500
550	Kerns Catherine	117505	1,000
550	Gorenz Olga	117507	500
550	Kiesel John D.	117508	1,300 2.00
550	Kerns Edward	117509	500 1.00
550	Pilak Mary	117512	500 Dhs.
550	Dernusick Myrtle E.	117513	500 1.00
613	Mara Victoria	117515	1,000 1.00
613	Wilps Anthony	117516	500 1.00
613	Wilps William	117517	500 1.00
650	Rhodus Christine	117519	500 1.00
677	Johnson Mildred	117520	250
714	Hribenich Dorothy	117522	1,000 1.00
714	Swift Virgil	117523	1,000 1.00
715	Fiala Mary	117524	500
721	Morrow Charles W.	117525	2,000 2.00
728	Ogryzek Jean K.	117526	1,000 1.00
728	Panepinto Joseph C.	117527	500 2.00
747	Brinovec John	117529	500
747	Hughes Pauline	117530	250
747	Palmer John	117531	1,000
763	Zito Margaret	117532	500

The New Year Assumes Big Role

BY THE TIME THIS ISSUE of Prosveta reaches you, the Old Year, which brought us victory with a good prospect of global peace, will have almost disappeared into history.

At the same time, the New Year, which is destined to inherit myriads of vital problems, will be ready to assume its role. Just how well the New Year will play its role, depends on many factors which will steer its course.

The Old Year is leaving behind a series of unsolved problems of national and international scope. The year that witnessed victory over tyranny has been unable to bring peace to the world. Predatory imperialistic interests are denying the right to self rule on democratic principles to the people in Indonesia and other parts of the world, in spite of the fact that the war has been fought for the expressed purpose of extending democracy to all oppressed nations.

On the home front, the Old Year fared no better. As soon as the war was over, the industrial lords declared open war on labor, aiming their offensive particularly against labor unions. The fact that it was our soldiers of production who enabled our fighting forces and our Allies to bring about the crushing defeat of the enemy, did not prevent the profiteers from turning their power against those who won the war, namely, against the workers and against the returning veterans. Right now they are engaged in a terrific propaganda campaign to divide labor and veterans. Lower wages and the breaking of labor unions is the order of the day. Labor's magnificent war record means nothing to industrial lords and labor haters.

Indeed, the New Year will inherit a tremendous responsibility on the national as well as international scene.

TREMENDOUS TECHNICAL STRIDES have been made during the past few years, while social legislation has been lagging far behind. This fact of unequal technical and social progress is solely responsible for the present industrial unrest.

While the government is "trying" to solve the problem by lip-service, the methods used proved entirely ineffective; the controlling interests continue to pile big profits and millions of workers live under deplorable conditions. Thus we see that the year of 1946 will inherit all the unpleasant effects of the postwar problems mainly because the government is trying to appease the money interests. Who, then, will solve the industrial strife, the government or big business? The latter does not care as long as it reaps fat profits, and the government with a reactionary Congress in the saddle, is obviously incapable of meeting the situation. Therefore, it must be up to the people to let the government know what they want.

The problem concerns each and everyone of us; it concerns everyone who earns his living by honest labor. Therefore, we must do our part with the rest of the workers to try to solve it in a democratic way.

Our Society proclaims and defends the fundamental principles of democracy as an inalienable right of the people. We believe in open discussions and in hearing both sides of any controversial question set forth, for this is a device which makes for better democracy.

Let us do our part in 1946 to bring about a much bigger share of social justice through political democracy, which will bring us closer to economic and industrial democracy.

WHILE WE ARE CONSCIOUS of our national and international problems which can and must be solved on the principles of justice for all, let us not forget our duty to our own Society.

Let us resolve to make 1946 another banner year for our Society's continued success and progress!

First of all, it is the duty of all of us to place the SNPJ and all its institutions first on the list of activities, subordinating all other considerations, for by doing our utmost for our Society we are strengthening its position as leader of our cooperative fraternal societies.

The ESL jubilee campaign, now in full swing, is scheduled to close on March 31, 1946. We must resolve that this campaign will be successful.

It is the duty of all members, lodges, and federations—to support our Juvenile Circles. It is our duty to urge juvenile members to read their organ, The Voice of Youth, which offers a splendid opportunity for development along the lines of democracy and freethought and labor ideology.

With this as our program, we are confident we will have the cooperation of all of our members who desire to share in our progress in 1946.

Integrity Broadcast

CHICAGO.—All members of the Integrity lodge 631 are urged to attend the annual meeting Friday, Dec. 28, at 8 p. m. at 2436 Diversey ave. Election of officers will take place and many other important matters will be on the docket. Be present.

The Integrity members and officers extend their season's greetings to all our friends in the SNPJ, and the secretary and his family extend their season's greetings to all the Integrity members.

We hope that 1946 will be something to look forward to, with activities and hope that you will all attend the monthly meetings more regularly.

M. R. FLEISCHACKER, Sec.

L'Anse Lodge 753 Elects New Staff

L'ANSE, MICH.—The annual meeting of SNPJ Lodge 753 was held Sunday, Dec. 16, at the home of John Testen, and the following officers were elected for the year of 1946:

President Paul Shalts Sr., Vice President Steve Verbonac, Secretary Alben Testen, Treasurer Matt Murrin, Sgt.-at-Arms Mills Uren, Trustees Lillian Verbonac, Stephan Barbo and Rudolph Supanich, Lodge physician Dr. F. F. Marshall.

Refreshments were served after the meeting and were enjoyed by all who attended. The next monthly meeting will be held on Jan. 20 at the home of Matt Murrin.

ALBEN TESTEN, Sec'y.

Young Americans

DETROIT, MICH.—Yaur Sec'y for 1945 urges every member of Lodge 564 who has not paid his or her lodge dues for Nov. and Dec. to do so immediately. All members who do not pay their dues by the 5th of January 1946 will be automatically suspended. Your new Sec'y for 1946 is B. A. Frank Hostnik, 8107 Forest St. Ave., Detroit 5, Mich. Telephone TW 1-8870. If you are anticipating mailing your dues—mail your delinquent dues to me. My box as for 1945 must be closed by Jan. 5, 1946.

CHAS. P. KAITNER, Sec'y.

Lodge No. 59 Holds Special Meeting

DE PUE, ILL.—The annual meeting of SNPJ Lodge No. 59 on Dec. 16 was so poorly attended that we were unable to elect lodge officers for 1946. Our lodge has 138 adult members and out of this number only seven were present, in spite of the fact that many of them live only one or two blocks from the Slovene Home, which is our meeting place. It is quite evident, then, that the lodge cannot function without the members showing more interest for its meetings, especially the annual meeting.

For this reason, a special meeting will be held Sunday, Dec. 30, at 10 a. m. at the Slovene Home, at which time election of officers will be held and other important matters discussed. Therefore, it is your duty to be present without fail. Only those who are working at the time of the meeting will have sufficient reason to be excused. Our young members are especially invited to attend this important meeting.

Immediately after our lodge meeting, the annual meeting of the Slovene National Home will take place, which will be rather short. In fact, both meetings will be short and no one needs to be afraid of long sessions. Will be seeing you Sunday, Dec. 30, at 10 a. m.

JOHN ZUGICH, Sec'y.

NOTATIONS

By Frances L. Rak

CHICAGO, ILL.—This week's notes will be as brief as possible. Only the highlights will be included from our last week's activities.

Pioneer meeting was lengthy last Friday evening. Reports by various committees and election of officers took place. In some instances salaries were increased fifty percent. Those elected were: President John Rak Jr.; Vice Pres. John Simon, Sec'y D. J. Lotrich, Treasurer Anne Beniger, Rec. Sec'y Mae Cerkony, Sgt.-at-Arms Frank Widmar. Auditors: Steve Cerkony, Edward Hudak and Ida Simon. Federation Committee: Anne Beniger, D. J. Lotrich, John Rak, Ida Simon and Louis Zorko; sick committee visitors: Anne Goste and John and Ida Simon; entertainment committee: Wilma Gratchner, Frances L. Rak and Ann Sannemann. Meeting dates, time and place and physicians are the same.

Meeting awards were won by Joseph Kristan (adult) and Jo Anne Marie Rak (juvenile). The blanket was won by your scribe, which pleased her. Delicious refreshments were served by Ida Simon and Mary Vertnik, the committee.

PERFECT CIRCLE.—We enjoyed Perfect Circle's annual meeting last Saturday evening at SNPJ hall. Attendance was excellent. Officers for 1946 are: Marion Cervenka, pres.; John Rokavec Jr., vice pres.; Sylvia Trojar, sec'y; Myra Beniger, treas.; Edward Podbevsek, sgt.-at-arms.

Meeting was conducted in good fashion by Marion Cervenka, after which the Juvenile Director, Michael Vrhovnik, presented 17 members with perfect meeting attendance awards and numerous prizes and awards for their efforts. Details all in next week's issue.

After meeting there was a grand party with gifts for all children. Refreshments were swell, music from juke box for dancing and then time again to go home.

NEW YEAR'S PARTY.—We'd like to invite you to a New Year's Eve party held by the Slovene Center Social Club at its headquarters, 2301 S. Lawndale ave. We will have the opportunity to be reunited with many ex-service members and probably both Frank and Luke Grosen. The admission is free.

SERVICEMEN.—Carl Jantz won the December meeting award.—We were glad to see Al Goste, Stanley Zbancnik and Anton Trampush at the meeting on Friday, and also former Marine Captain Louis F. Cankar.—We wonder where Tony Perman was?—Luke Grosen Sr. received long distance phone call from son Frank who landed in Virginia and his son Luke Jr. wired from California. It should be a grand reunion for the Grosen family—and especially for Mae Grosen, who's been so patient.—S. Sgt. L. Langerholc of Johnston arrived home on a 23 day furlough from Camp Butler, N. C., after which he gets his discharge.

Here's wishing all you SNPJs a very Happy and Prosperous New Year!

Comrades' Note Book

By J. F. Fikol

CLEVELAND, O.—Stan Delong stopped over the house to inform me of their new arrival, a girl named Patricia. Incidentally, he came over specifically to sign up the youngster for the juvenile department. Mother and child doing excellently.

"Vi" Antonic, wife of Heine Martin, was rushed to the hospital recently and is coming along in good shape.

Each year the Cleveland Press selects 12 individuals in the City of Cleveland as "Santa Claus". The writer recommended Mr. A. J. Grdina's name who was one of the 12 chosen.

"March of Dimes" campaign will start in January. The local committee under the sponsorship of F. A. Danton and John Gornik had their preliminary meeting recently. A dance and entertainment program will be sponsored at the Slovene Hall on Wednesday, Jan. 30.

Sick and ailing: Our old time ex-bowler, Joe Zalokar, also Anna Banich.

Now that Lou and Betty Jantz are back in the city after relinquishing their post as caretakers of the SNPJ Farm, we should see more of them.

Comrades Annual Meeting

We had one of the largest attendance in years at our December meeting, it seemed like old times. Prior to elections we cleared up the following business: Appropriated \$5 for the purchase of ten tickets for the Slovene School affair Dec. 23; voted \$10 for the Fisher Body fund; agreed to renew our membership in Citalnica at \$3 per year; voted to contribute to the Women's Progressive Club for the Yugoslav baby shower Dec. 28, check for \$50; to the Farm Board towards the construction of the new building check for \$30. Special benefit application for Rudy Fels, wounded in action, wearer of the Purple Heart; sick reports for Mary Watts, Joe Malovec and Frank Chapierlo, passed for payment.

Reports.—Bro. Joe Zorman, retiring president, expressed his pleasure in serving the lodge in 1945. He relinquished his post to give the younger fellow a chance. Thanks for the good job, Joe. Pauline Spik, Vice President, Pauline Ross, Treasurer, and Frances Presern, Recording Secretary, commented on this year's progress and thanked the members for their cooperation. Secretary made his financial report which showed healthy progress along membership, social and financial lines during 1945 over the previous three years. This was only possible thru the cooperation of the officers and members as a whole. He expressed a hope for continuation of this fine record.

Elections.—Meeting place and date: 3rd Tuesday of the month, National Home. Lodge Assessment: To remain as at present 25c per adult member. Salaries: An increase was voted for the secretary, other salaries to remain as at present. President: Tony Kerze was elected to serve the lodge in 1946. Congratulations, Vice President, Pauline Spik, who has done a swell job the past few years, ditto for the following members: Treasurer, Pauline Ross; Recording Secretary, Frances Presern; Auditors: Tony Debeve, chairman; Joe Sireel and Joe Prijatelj. Secretary, Joe Fikol. Representatives: Athletic League: Mollie Koren and Joe Prijatelj. Farm Board: Gus Valentine and Ed Grum. Klub društvo, "Ed Grum. SNPJ Federation: Marie Stefania and Joe Fikol. Norwood Community Council, John Alden. SANC, Mary Krizmanic. Stockholders, Joe Fikol.

Among Those Present.—Ex-servicemen, Johnny Kerzianik, Frank Grum, Rudy Turk, Heine Martin, Frank Tushar, Joe Koren, Frank Ross showed up. We had Matt Petrovich, sup. board member present, also the Aldens, Koren sisters, Mollie Koren, Beljans, "Grange" Laurich, Pinal Sr., daughter Marge Haberle, Stefania sisters, A. Skok, A. Vehar, Marie Zak, N. Shine, Jean Yarshan, Orenik sisters (hope Ann is all over her illness), Prijatel, Kerze family, Reinmann, Grmsek sisters, Helen Bonac, Stritof, Jantz, Valentine, to mention a few.

Miscellaneous.—Andy Frelich was not present for the \$2 award, the \$1 drawing was won by Gus Valentine. Bond and special awards for the workers during the social affairs during the year 1945 were distributed. After the meeting dancing to the music of Ray Gobec was enjoyed. Delicious roast beef sandwiches prepared by Marie Zak were gobbled up fast. Eats, music and refreshments kept the crowd around until the early hours of the morning.

A fine spirit of cooperation existed between the Spartans who were holding their meeting next door, and the Comrades. The door between the two meeting halls was soon opened and the crowds wandered from one room to the other.

Columbine Lodge "Out of Hiding"

PUEBLO, COLO.—Columbine Lodge No. 577 met in regular session on Dec. 11 at 1426 E. Routh, transacting regular business and electing officers, after which refreshments were served.

Now that we have come out of hiding, let us surge out to the front in the years to come.

Glad to see the new faces at the past few meetings, and hoping to see more at our next regular meeting, which will be on Jan. 15, 1946, at the above address. Refreshments will be served after the meeting.

At our last meeting we elected officers for 1946, so, Brothers and Sisters, don't let the new officers down, but keep the second Tuesday of each month open and attend the meeting, as we are back in circulation again and are out to give Lodge Orel competition.

See you all at the meeting in January, and a Very Happy New Year to all. JOHN G. HREN, Pres.

Veronian News

VERONA, PA.—The annual election of lodge officers was held at our past meeting, Sunday, Dec. 9, and we wish to thank all members who were present. Elected to be the Veronian president for another year was Elmer Effler, Vice President John Lesar, Secretary Larry Cassol, Financial Secretary Mike Lipecky, Treasurer John Lipecky, Recording Secretary Marge Markovitch, Press Reporters, Cornelia Gorun and Bartender and Steward, Mike Pavelko. Re-elected for another year as Auditors were Steve Ruskevic, John Kubala and a new member, Kenny Hulton.

Important matters were discussed at the meeting which concerned all the members. The lucky winner of the door prize was Martin Slivsek.

Plans are in full swing for our New Year's Eve dance, Monday, Dec. 31, music by the ever-popular Billy Pernesik. As in the past, dancing will be from 10 to 2. A gala evening is planned and we'll be looking for you at the dance, so let's all join the Veronians and bring the New Year in with a bang. The Bowling League is well under way, the top bowlers being John "Fergie" Ferguson for the men and Mary Cassol for the women. Our league consists of six teams, each being named after a general. We list below the teams and their captains.

Hodges, John Lesar; Patton, Elmer Effler; Eisenhower, John Ferguson; Clark, Mike Lipecky; McArthur, George Lipecky; Wainwright, John Varoga. At the present Hodges is leading on top with Patton and Eisenhower running a close second. Clark takes fourth place with McArthur and Wainwright battling for fifth. After bowling, it is our custom to gather at the club for refreshments and enjoy singing and dancing.

The main topic of discussion is the 12th Annual National SNPJ Duckpin Tournament, to be held on Jan. 1st, 1946, at Carrick. The Veronians anticipate having four teams to enter the tournament. As yet no definite teams have been made up and anyone bowling should get in touch with Elmer Effler immediately. Plans are being made to charter a bus to take those who wish to bowl and also spectators to Carrick and in the evening to the dance at the Slovene Hall in Libary. Music will be furnished by Billy Pernesik and his band.

It is beginning to be like old times again seeing the familiar faces of our discharged Veronian members. The latest to be discharged are John Zibreg, Victor Jackovac, Charles Zibreg, Joe Rodriques and Andy Sepelyak. Welcome home, fellows. The return of our servicemen is a gradual and there are many others whom we wish will be able to come home soon after the new year.

I'll close for now again reminding you to be with us on Dec. 31 to "ring out the old year and ring in the new" and to wish each and everyone of you a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

CORNELIA GORUN, 680.

Charlie Kumin, Ann Opeka, Matt Debevec, his wife, Joyce Gorashe, helped to keep the crowd in fine humor.

The zero weather caused some of the group to be in difficulty, however, the crowd helped each other to get started. All in all everyone voted the Spartan and Comrade meeting to be one of the best in many, many years.

In conclusion thanks to everyone for the successful year we enjoyed and appreciation to my efforts. Greetings of the season to my many friends.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO LODGE SECRETARIES AND MEMBERSHIP

All local lodge secretaries and membership in general are officially notified that by a referendum vote the Supreme Board has made the following provisions for those members, who at the time of induction into the armed forces signed waivers for sick and disability benefits and who, upon discharge from military service, wish to be reinstated in said benefits:

Ex-service members, who desire to be reinstated for previous sick and disability insurance shall not be required to submit medical proof of insurability or discharge papers to the Main Office of the Society. They shall, however, sign an application prepared by the Office of the Supreme Secretary, certifying that they are in good health at the time of reinstatement, providing that application is made within 60 days from date of discharge from military service.

This decision became effective on December 5, 1945. From that date on, discharge papers do not have to be sent to the Main Office and medical examinations are no longer required of the ex-servicemen who wish to be reinstated for previous sick and disability benefits.

Lodge secretaries are requested to notify the Main Office immediately, approximately how many applications for their ex-servicemen members they need, so that we may send them at at once and thus avoid possible delay.

F. A. VIDER, Supreme Secretary.

Waukegan News

WAUKEGAN, ILL.—A great deal of business was enthusiastically accomplished at the Little Fort Lodge annual meeting last Thursday.

Arranged were all preliminaries for the "Night in Slovenia" dance, which will be held in honor of returning veterans at the 20th anniversary of the Little Fort lodge, on Feb. 25 at 8 p. m. at the Slovene Nat'l Home.

Chairman of the dance committee is Josephine Bezek; general manager, secretary, treasurer, ticket seller and ticket collector will be Tony Kerzic, man of many duties, or is it "titles"? Don't you worry, members, he will handle all these responsibilities and probably a few others thrown in.

On the program committee are Christine Stritar, Josephine Bezek, Dorothy Gabrovsek and Frances Jerab. Bar was taken over by Frank Jerab, Frank Kovach, Henry Belec, Frank Kerzic and Albert Johnson. On the refreshments committee are Angeline Korenchan, Rose Kovach and A. L. Furlan; waiters' supervision will be under Richard Peklay.

We were glad to see the returned servicemen Frank Jerab, Frank Kerzic, Henry Belec and Albert Johnson at the meeting. Albert Johnson is a new member accepted at this meeting. He is the husband of Frances Dobrovole Johnson, who with her son Jerry also transferred to our lodge at this time. Present at the meeting was also Anton Konell Jr. He wore his navy blues yet but hopes to be discharged before our anniversary dance.

Officers elected for the year 1946 are: Josephine Bezek, president; Angeline Korenchan, vice-president; Christine Stritar, secretary; Anthony Kerzic, treasurer; Dorothy Gabrovsek, recording secretary; Edith Dobnikar, Dick Pokley and A. L. Furlan, trustees; Henry Belec, alternate trustee; Dr. Louis Kompare, physician; Dorothy Gabrovsek and A. L. Furlan, publicity. Meetings will be held each third Thursday of the month at 8 p. m. at the Slovene Nat'l Home.

Frank Jerab, Henry Belec, Frank Kovach and Frank Kerzic are members of the athletic board, all three good athletes. Didn't give our veterans much time for adjustment, did we?

Christine Stritar, Josephine Bezek, Dorothy Gabrovsek and Frances Jerab together with the athletic committee will serve on juvenile guidance committee.

On the sick list were reported Louise Sustersic, Sylvia Smolich, and Mary Sveit. We wish them a speedy recovery. Reported well were Walter Brunet and Agnes Konchan.

Meeting was going along just fine until the end, but with our after-the-meeting plans interfered Vincent Pinky's party for his servicemen. We will get even yet with Pinky; we will invite him to our party next time!

Edith Dobnikar, our well known sportswoman, became Mrs. Jack Strazer last Saturday. Her husband, who just returned from the service, is also a sportsman. Maybe he too will join our ranks some day in the near future. Congratulations and best of luck to both of them.

Slovene Nat'l Home is giving a "Farewell" party on New Year's Eve on the occasion of moving from the old quarters to the new ones. Eats and beer will be free of charge. Everybody is cordially invited to come and have a good time. Special invitation is extended to the servicemen on furlough and the returned veterans. Grand opening will be announced at a later date. Sometime ago we stopped to make a purchase at the Gantar's Shoe

Store. Vic Gantar greeted us, "Say, are you still collecting for the Yugoslav Relief? I can give you plenty of shoes now with rationing over." We assured him that the shoes will be very welcome in Jugoslavia, so when we stopped in the next time Victor and his father John had 90 pairs of new shoes packed! This makes exactly 120 pairs of new shoes given by Gantar's Shoe store. I am sure that their contribution will make 150 people in Jugoslavia happy.

The Yugoslav Relief is collecting not only new shoes but also old wearable clothing. Maybe you have something that is too small for your children, or that you do not need any more. Bring it to the No. 1 hall of the Slovene Nat'l Home on Thursday evenings—Happy New Year.

ALBINA L. FURLAN.

News from Newark Fraternalites

NEWARK, N. J.—Hello members! On Dec. 16, we held our annual meeting and the following officers have been elected:

President, Lawrence L. Bettys; Vice Pres., Stanley P. Kaltnecker; Rec. Sec'y, Justine K. Petard; Secretary, Angela K. Bettys; Treasurer, Joseph J. Kaltnecker. Auditing Committee: Michael Rebernick, Joseph Leban, Frank Petrick Sr.

At this meeting it was decided to change the hour of our meetings to three o'clock instead of the former hour of 2 o'clock. Also that the meetings be started promptly at three, thus enabling more members to attend. Although the hour has been changed, we will continue to hold them on the third Sunday of each month.

The coming year should decide a lot of changes. Our attendance should be larger due to the fact that many servicemen are returning to civilian life. The new officers will need the support and cooperation of each member to bring back life to our lodge.

We are planning to have an affair after one of our future meetings in gratitude of all our servicemen. In order to do this successfully, we naturally will have to have a large attendance at that and all other meetings.

It cannot be stressed too strongly, that in order to have a successful lodge, and any affair that we may plan in the future, we will need the members to attend the meetings and give their wholehearted support.

It was again requested at this meeting, that the members please gather all and any clothing that is no longer useful to themselves but still in wearable condition. This clothing will be turned over to the Yugoslav Relief Committee for the tortures of war but are now facing a fierce winter without clothing or as in most cases, no shelter either. A call to Brother Leo Burjak at Unionville 2-2375 will gratefully be appreciated when you have a bundle of clothes.

So, fellow members, please do your utmost in attending all of the meetings and help make the Fraternalites a huge success that it can and should be.

LAWRENCE AND ANGELA BETTYS.
SNPJ Lodge 756.

To be a man's own fool is bad enough; but the vain man is everybody's.—WILLIAM PENN.

Our Times

By Louis Beniger

BY THE TIME these lines see print, the annual Christmas rush will be over but the hangover will remain.

Immediately before us is still another national holiday, the New Year, which will also contribute its share of hilarity and the resultant hangover.

As the Old Year is about to disappear into oblivion, it will leave behind a string of top problems for the New Year to tackle and try to solve. Some of these problems are domestic and some international, but all of them are somewhat interrelated. What happens in one part of the world is usually echoed in another, which means that today we live in one world, each nation interdependent on the others.

The year of 1945 witnessed not only the defeat of armed aggression and the downfall of the Axis powers, but also the emergence of a new era—the Atomic Age. It is the atomic energy, if employed wisely, that can revolutionize our industrial production and bring about economic democracy.

The very near future will show whether modern man is able to utilize his inventive genius by applying it so that it will benefit humanity.

IN SPITE of the fact that victory has been won, world peace is still to be won, for fighting is still going on in some parts of the world.

The British are dropping bombs on the natives of Java and other islands in the East Indies. The natives report devastating results, and the British say they are confining their activities to "military targets."

Java doesn't belong to England; it belongs to Holland. The Dutch were unable to defend it against the Japs; neither were the British able to defend their Pacific possessions against the invader. The natives organized an underground movement to resist the invaders. Some of them succeeded in getting to this country, where they were given special training, in order that they might render more telling service against the common enemy.

A lot of American boys died in order to recapture Java. Did they make this sacrifice in order that British airplanes and British troops might reconquer Java for its Dutch masters?

It is said that the Javanese are displaying placards reading like this: "Gentlemen! What is the meaning of the Atlantic Charter?" and "Better be in hell than be colonized again!"

AS THE YEAR 1945 draws to a close, a few personal remarks would not be amiss.

This column has been pecking away week after week, month after month—for six long years, beginning in December of 1939.

At first, the column contained mainly short personal observations on many current events. Later, as it grew in maturity, it concentrated on one or two subjects at a time, which has been the practice of late.

As was to be expected, I have received many letters from my readers during the past six years; some were complimentary and some critical of my stand, the former far exceeding the latter, which, naturally, does good to one's soul.

It is very seldom that I answer these letters either privately or in this column, and in this respect I must confess that I am a big sinner. I know that each letter, favorable or otherwise, deserves a reply, yet I go along completely disregarding this rule of common practice and courtesy. Forgive me. Yet, it is not impossible for the old sinner to atone for this and reform.

One of the unanswered letters in my files is from Frank Kloppe of Seattle, Wash., former member of our supreme board. I humbly ask his forgiveness for my unpardonable negligence, thanking him for his kind remarks and invitation. Another letter is from Charles Pazman of Oakmont, Pa., containing a clipping about Slovenia, for which I am very grateful, as well as for the compliments expressed therein.

And so—the season's greetings to you and all.

A Word for Conscientious Objectors

President Truman is urged to grant amnesty to conscientious objectors. About 3,000 are in Federal prisons and 6,000 more are working under the direction of government agencies. It is said that seven times as many conscientious objectors are in prison as during World War I.

It is difficult for the ordinary American to understand the conscientious objector. Probably some are just "crackpots." Others may be seeking to avoid dangerous military service. But a considerable percentage—and those are the ones we are interested in—really believe that the killing of a human being, under any circumstances, is a crime against God. They are willing to go to jail, or face a firing squad, rather than commit that crime.

The government had to be strict with them during wartime. Now that the war is over they should be let loose. —Labor.

Nominate Candidates for National Athletic Board

Lodges are hereby notified that the term of the present members of the SNPJ National Athletic Board will expire in February, 1946. The new Athletic Board will be elected at the annual meeting of the Supreme Board held in the same month.

The National Athletic Board consists of the Juvenile Director as Director of Athletics, who is elected by the convention, and five other members elected annually by the Supreme Board, one from each district.

The rules provide that candidates for the Athletic Board may be nominated by the various Lodges, English and Slovene speaking, in each of the five Athletic Districts of the SNPJ, and that every lodge has the right to nominate a candidate for the district in which it is located.

All lodges are instructed, therefore, to nominate candidates for the National Athletic Board at the regular meeting, either in December or January. The name, certificate number, and address of the candidate in each case shall be mailed to the Director of Athletics on or before January 31, 1946.

The five Athletic Districts of the Society for which candidates are to be nominated and the members who now represent them are as follows:

DIST. 1—Eastern Pennsylvania and New York—John Loushe Jr., Johnstown, Pa.

DIST. 2—Western Pennsylvania (West of Cambria County) and West Virginia—Frank Tomalc, Strabane, Pa.

DIST. 3—Ohio and Michigan—John J. Spilar, Cleveland, Ohio.

DIST. 4—Indiana, Illinois and Missouri—Frank J. Lotrich, Chicago, Ill.

DIST. 5—Wisconsin and Minnesota—Marco Shappack, Milwaukee, Wis.

We urge all members, particularly the youth in our lodges, to attend the meetings and take a special interest in this election. Nominate as your candidate the best qualified member in your lodge or any other lodge in your district. Report your nomination, as directed above, on or before January 31, 1946.

MICHAEL VRHOVNIK, Juvenile Director.

NATIONAL ATHLETIC BOARD

Michael Vrhovnik, Athletic Director, 2657 S. Lawndale Ave., Chicago 23, Ill.; Dist. No. 1—John Loushe Jr., R. D. 3, Box 204-X, Johnstown, Pa.; Dist. No. 2—Frank Tomalc, Box 271, Strabane, Pa.; Dist. No. 3—John J. Spilar, 13513 Darley Ave., Cleveland 10, Ohio; Dist. No. 4—Frank J. Lotrich, 1937 Trumbull Ave., Chicago 23, Ill.; Dist. No. 5—Marco Shappack, 2736 N. 2nd St., Milwaukee 12, Wis.

Joe Zupanec, Joe Matthews, Nick Spehar and yours truly attending the Cleveland Rams—Washington Redskins pro football championship game at the stadium with the thermometer hovering at zero. Br-r-r!

Earl Flagg also at the game but missing the League session that night. Must have played the full sixty minutes. Earl... A fine crowd at the Utopians' Xmas party for the juveniles the night before. Carl "Santa" Krause in the garb of St. Nick thrilled the kiddies immensely passing out gifts, candy and popcorn balls. Besides being besieged with questions of "What I want for Xmas," Santa also had to explain why he was wearing a blue shirt under the uniform and the absence of boots. Kinda warm, eh, Santa!

JOHN J. SPILAR, (Sec'y.)

Midwest SNPJ League Conference Jan. 20th

CHICAGO.—The SNPJ Midwest Athletic League will hold its conference on Sunday, Jan. 20, at 10 a. m. at the Slovene Home in Waukegan. We urge all SNPJ lodges in the Midwest section to send two delegates each to the meeting. Many important matters will be discussed and settled for the future in the Midwest section. Athletics are important to the SNPJ and if you have interest in the Society, then it's your duty to be present. Watch Prosveta for further action on athletics in the Midwest section.

M. R. FLEISCHACKER, Sec.

Dudes Wallop Dukes' Lead by Four Games

CLEVELAND, O.—Rolling off the first of two knockdown series scheduled for the season the Utopian Dudes increased their league lead to four games after blanking the Utopian Dukes who skidded down to third place. Joe "Whitney" Matthews polished off his second "600" in as many weeks in recording a 602 series to pace the Dude chargers. Carl "Santa" Krause with a 643 series was high for the Dukes.

The Lunder Adamc Hotshots captured the runnerup spot in the standings by taking the Concordians over the hurdles in two tilts. Louie "Klobasa" Strukel with a 557 series and Tony Dusa with a 530 series were tops for their respective squads.

After losing the initial fracas by two pins the Loyalties roared back in high gear to nab the final clashes from the Utopian Dandies. Chuck Drasler hit a 525 series for the winners and Adolph Perdan 495 for the losers.

The Spartan boys breezed in with three victories over the Comrades. Frank Spehar spilled the maples for a 580 series for the Spartans. Eddie Grum led the Comrades with a 571 series.

200 Circle: J. Matthews 227-205, L. Strukel 221, J. Pretner 220, F. Spehar 218, G. Jelinek 215, R. Lisch 214, J. Zupanec 213, S. Zupan 212, J. Spilar 200.

Sideline Slants: Doc Garbas, Spartan member fresh out of Uncle Sam's service dropping in to see the boys. Also took a crack at the press headpin tournament. . . . Frank Strehovec and Nick Spehar on the loose again. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Lisch.

OFFICE GIRLS, ATTENTION!

A position is open in the headquarters of the SOCIETY for a girl who desires office work, is able to TYPE and is interested in GENERAL OFFICE duties.

Forty hours and 5 days per week with better salary than paid to average office employees.

Anyone interested in the position, please get in touch with the Supreme Secretary immediately.

F. A. VIDER, Supreme Sec'y.

Official Proceedings

SNPJ EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Meeting of Oct. 24

Meeting is called to order at one afternoon in presence of all officers; and minutes of the previous meeting are approved as read.

President reports receipt of reply to his letter urging the passage of UNRAA budget from two Illinois senators and three congressmen.

Secretary submits application for disability benefit of discharged serviceman William Lah, lodge 146, who lost his left arm in the war; special benefit of \$200 is approved. A letter from the Fraternal Age asking for an ad; a quarter page ad of \$35 is approved.

He further reports receipt of a letter from the beneficiary in Yugoslavia of deceased Anton Kralj, lodge 71, stating that the money sent in December of 1940 was never received; steps were taken to find out what happened to the money sent.

Assistant secretary asks for use of the sound projector at local SANC affair Nov. 18, which is approved, and Juvenile Director promised to show the films, Liberation of Belgrade and German Atrocities.

Secretary of the sick benefit department reports that Bertha Renko of lodge 433 asks for reimbursement of \$61.24 assessment which she paid for the late John Uter; since sufficient proof is submitted, payment is approved.

Juvenile Director submits a request from the Cleveland Athletic league for bowling shirts in the amount of \$52.50, which is granted.

Secretary and Treasurer report on the meeting of the United Committee of South Slavic Descent Oct. 20-21 in Cleveland and of the Yugoslav War Relief fund.

The following operation and special benefit claims of \$35 each are approved upon recommendation by the medical director to: Vivian M. Cvetich (183), Mary Ellen (841), Joe Ujele (407), Della Marson (458), Thomas Elmick (564) and Cecilia Murin (580); \$35 to Frances Sierle (53) and \$10 to Colla Reasavage (427). Assessment loans: John Prijatelj (5) and Peter Jencic (91), six months each; Louis and Mary Cisar (208), Peter Yenko (238) and Simon Dolanek (341), three months each. Special Benefit: Frank Babic (51) \$15; Matthew Jurkovich (54) and Vincencia Jurman (102), \$25 each; Frank Kemperle (201), \$10.

Meeting adjourned at 3:45 p. m.

Meeting of Nov. 7

Meeting is called to order by the president in presence of all supreme executive committee members. Minutes of the Oct. 24 meeting are approved as read.

President reports that considerable damage was done to the fence on the property at 27th and Pulaski on Halloween night, and that he hired a carpenter to do the repairing.

Secretary submits a letter from M. Kumer asking to send either D. Lotrich or M. Vrhovnik as speaker to the federation banquet held in honor of the ESL 20th anniversary Dec. 2; because Vrhovnik is already engaged for that date, Lotrich is approved as speaker at the affair.

A letter from the Indiana Fraternal Congress inviting us to send delegates to the annual convention Dec. 7-8 in Indianapolis; decided not to send any delegates at this time. Also a letter from the central committee of SANC locals in Chicago asking for an ad for the Nov. 18 affair; a full page ad for \$20 is granted.

Juvenile Director submits a letter from Frank Rezek in behalf of lodges 49 and 643 and circle 7, asking for a donation for the promotion of athletic activities in Girard, Ohio; the amount of \$45 is approved.

The following special benefit claims are approved upon recommendation of the medical director: \$25 each to Anne Dolinsek (85), Mary Kalfes (123), Milan Vozel (143), Violet Jelich (323) and James Klavovich (405); \$15 to Angela Blatnik (205) and \$10 to Lucy Mazina (988).

Meeting adjourned at 4 p. m.

Meeting of Nov. 12

Meeting is called to order at ten forenoon in presence of all executive officers. President explains that he called a special meeting because of important matters.

Head editor submits a letter from E. Gorzha, Cleveland, Ohio, asking for permission to reprint certain material from the juvenile magazine for a reader to be issued for the Slovene school; request is granted.

He also reports there were nine contestants from senior lodges and six from youth lodges taking part in the pistol plans for SNPJ contest; the committee in charge decided that no one was entitled to the first prize, but that the awards were given in the senior lodge group to the following:

Anton Udovich, lodge 1, \$25; Leo Poljak, lodge 147, \$15; Joseph Malackar, lodge 142, \$10; John Shuler, lodge 206, \$5; Mary Udovich, lodge 102, \$5; Christina Mosely, lodge 102, \$5; Rose Radovich, lodge 21, \$2.50; Frank Ruzal, lodge 72, \$2.50; Anton Ermenec, lodge 234, \$2.50; youth group: John Alden, lodge 566, \$25; Mary Brincoar, lodge 577, \$15; Ann Sennemann, lodge 559, \$10; Frank Rezek, lodge 643, \$5; Jennie Padar, lodge 599, \$5; Mary Meklan, lodge 129, \$2.50.

Treasurer reports he had been asked to appear as a guest speaker of lodge 344 in Sheboygan, Wis. Nov. 24, at which occasion he will also speak for SANC; request is approved.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 a. m.

QUIT YOUR SHIPBOARD



When starting out, get the "feel" of the ship by trying your brother while driving slowly and when no other vehicles are near.

Meeting of Nov. 14

Meeting is called to order at nine forenoon; present are all officers except treasurer and head editor. Minutes of Nov. 7 meeting are approved as read.

President announces the death of Martin Potokar, former supreme president; decided that a wreath be placed at the bier, that all executive officers attend the funeral as pallbearers, that the president deliver the farewell address in behalf of the organization, and that other supreme board members in the vicinity be invited to attend, if possible.

Secretary submits a letter from lodge 299 concerning the late Martin Korman; the Society was designated as beneficiary to the mortuary insurance; since he was insured for only \$250 death benefit, and the funeral expenses were for the same amount, decided that the amount be applied toward the funeral expenses.

Letter from lodge 613 concerning Philip M. Belts, blind in the right eye, who wants to transfer to the adult department and wants to insure for \$1 sick benefit and disability in addition to mortuary; decided that he may be insured for sick and disability benefits if he signs a waiver that he will never claim any benefit for that eye, or any consequence caused directly or indirectly because of the loss of the right eye.

A letter from lodge 721 asking that a candidate who is blind in one eye be permitted to join the organization; decided that before a final decision is made the application should be submitted and he must be physically examined; the mortuary insurance should not exceed \$500 and on the basis of a waiver to certain claims.

Manager reports that pressman Christian Senn quit due to poor health, and he is trying to find a qualified man to take his place.

The following benefit claims are approved upon recommendation by medical director: \$25 each to Edward Zimperman (53), Ernest Polance (405) and Christine Nestor (876), and \$10 to Catherine Lakner (131).

Meeting adjourned at 10 a. m.

Meeting of Nov. 27

Meeting is called to order by the president at 1 p. m. Present are all officers. Minutes of the No. 12 and 14 meetings are approved as read.

Secretary submits a letter from a member of lodge 304 asking if it would be permissible to conduct a campaign by mail for the election of lodge officers and for delegates to the next convention; opinion prevails that such a campaign shall not be permitted in our democratic organization.

A letter from secretary of lodge 289 asking for information about ex-service members and criticizing supreme board ruling that veterans must be medically examined, submit their discharge papers, etc.; similar letters came from other lodges; supreme secretary suggests modification on this question; out of 100 veterans who applied for reinstatement only one was rejected. Decided to submit a new motion to a mail vote of the supreme board for revision of the previous decision.

A request for special benefit from lodge 281 for Donald Cozic, juvenile, who had a tonsillectomy; \$5 is granted, advising the lodge that juvenile members are not insured for operation benefits and not entitled to same; only in case the parents are in financial stress they may ask for special benefit.

He reports that as per previous decision he contacted the match corporation which makes the match advertisements in two colors at the price of \$3.25 per 1000; decided to order 100,000 pocket matches for advertising purposes.

He appeared before the meeting of lodge 559 on Nov. 18 as per previous decision, at which meeting the 20th anniversary of the lodge was observed.

Secretary of the sick benefit department reports that John Guni of lodge 3 passed away and left sick benefit, which his nephew asks for; since he was taking care of him; payment is approved. Frank Farenchak of lodge 286 passed away and left sick benefit, which his nephew and niece ask for since they were taking care of him during his illness; payment is approved.

Juvenile Director reads a letter from lodge 877 requesting a donation for bowling shirts from the athletic fund; \$25 is approved. On his recommendation, the purchase of 1000 SNPJ athletic emblems is approved.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 a. m.

Blatnik Defies Death In Yugoslav Carnage

(The following revealing account by Capt. John A. Blatnik, member of SNPJ lodge 110, Chisholm, Minn., appeared in the Duluth Herald of Dec. 8th. Bro. Blatnik spent seven months with the Partisans in Slovenia, in state senator from his district and was a delegate at the SNPJ convention in Pittsburgh in 1941.)

After 18 months of foreign service, during which he spent seven months behind enemy lines with Tito's Partisans in northern Yugoslavia, in Slovenia, paratrooper Capt. John A. Blatnik, state senator from Chisholm is back in Minnesota.

Capt. Blatnik's first assignment was with the Yugoslav Partisans in setting up an escape system for American airmen who had bailed out over Yugoslavia. They were picked up by Partisans and friendly peasants and brought to secret landing fields where they were flown back to their bases in Italy. Later the captain was head of a military intelligence unit following enemy movements and activities.

Dressed in U. S. army combat clothes and with a small American flag sewn on the left sleeve of his outer garment for good measure, Capt. Blatnik and his men were told that in case of capture they would be treated as regular prisoners of war. However, after the Americans got into Yugoslavia, they learned that on direct orders from Berlin the Germans would treat all such Allied personnel captured behind enemy lines as espionage agents, which meant the death sentence if captured.

Usually outnumbered and poorly equipped, the Partisans relentlessly waged their amazing guerrilla war. "It was obvious," said the captain, "that the Partisans knew not only what they were fighting against, but clearly understood what they were fighting for." Considerable arms and supplies were flown in by the Allies during the last year of the war but during the first three years, Partisans had to rely entirely on captured enemy arms and clothing. Hardships they endured were described as "unbelievable" by the captain.

IN ADDITION TO THE NAZI and Fascist program of mass extermination of Yugoslavs, the Nazi technique of "divide and conquer" brought about an internecine warfare that was ghastly and tragic. There was a revolution, a counter-revolution, a civil war, and the war against the invader all rolled up into one complex situation. The people were divided into about a dozen different parties or movements. Many of these groups fought against each other occasionally, but all of them fought the Partisans at all times. The Partisans were the only ones who consistently fought the German invader, the captain asserted. Their war aims were expressed by the slogan: "DEATH TO FASCISM; FREEDOM TO THE PEOPLE."

"Death was everywhere. No one was safe. Combatants and non-combatants, military and civilians, young and old, men and women—all were victims in a tragedy which ended with 10 per cent of the country's population killed in the four years of war. If we in America lost in dead by that same ration, we would have had 13,000,000 dead. I met person after person who was the only surviving member of his or her family," Blatnik averred.

The captain worked with Russian and British officers attached to the Partisans. He had an interesting six weeks working with Maj. Randolph Churchill, son of the British war-time prime minister. "On the whole," the captain said, "Americans got along better with the Russians than with the British."

"March and April of this year found us in a rather tough spot. As the British would say, we thought we had 'had it', or in plain American 'our goose was cooked'. We were in Slovenia, the northern part of Yugoslavia, completely surrounded. Coming towards us from the south were German and Yugoslav Quisling troops being pushed northward by the regular Yugoslav Partisan Army. Crowding us from the northeast were the Germans retreating from Hungary under heavy Russian pressure. To the west the Germans were pouring in from their retreat from northern Italy. The route through northern Yugoslavia was the enemy's main escape route into Austria and Germany, and even that was being narrowed down by the Russian drive into Vienna. We were really right in the middle of a big traffic jam, and for a while it looked as though this was 'it'. Toward the end of April we finally broke through the enemy line south of us and joined up with the regular Partisan army. We marched on up with them.

A request is made by the relatives of the late Lieut. Col. Martineck of lodge 259 to have a picture of the recreational field dedicated in his memory published in the official organ, which is approved.

Manager reports that he hired a new pressman, and he also signed the contract with the printers' union for two years.

Applications for special benefit and assessment loan were approved (details in Slovene minutes).

Meeting adjourned at 3:45 p. m. VINCENT CAINKAR, Pres. F. A. VIDER, Secretary.

and got into Trieste as the war ended."

THE CAPTAIN SAID he got his biggest thrill in picking up American airmen who had bailed out of crippled bombers. "Most of them were pretty young and they had gone through a lot of hell before bailing out. They certainly were surprised to find an American officer 'way up there in the sticks' and plenty thrilled when we were able to get planes to land in meadows or corn fields and evacuate them and the Partisan wounded."

As a boy, Captain Blatnik visited Slovenia in northern Yugoslavia with his mother 23 years ago. "In January of this year I was in the village where my father was born and where I had visited 23 years ago. I visited my two aunts, but as an enemy garrison was only six miles away, I didn't dare reveal my identity to my relatives for fear they might become victims of enemy reprisals. Two days later the enemy was in the same village and it took five days for the partisans to drive them back." The captain visited the relatives again after the war ended. Only one of his mother's four brothers survived.

Captain Blatnik joined his wife, formerly Beth Arnold, and their son at the home of her mother in Minneapolis. They will spend December and the holiday season with the captain's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Blatnik Sr., in Chisholm.

The captain has been in the army air corps for 40 months and is now on terminal leave until Jan. 22, 1946, at which time he is officially discharged. He earned his paratrooper wings at a British Royal Air Force parachute school in Italy. In addition to three battle stars which he wears on his European theater ribbon, he has the Air Medal and the Bronze Star Medal with Oak Leaf cluster.

The Archbishop of Toledo

The pastoral letter of the Archbishop of Toledo and Primate of Spain, published on Sept. 2, is a most typical document of what is the mentality of the Roman Catholic upper clergy.

If we are to believe the New York Times, Sept. 3 (and in this particular case there is no reason for disbelief), that saintly servant of God and official mouthpiece of the Vatican in Spain "has been a close friend of General Franco since the civil war, when he loaned the General his Bishop's place at Salamanca." Moreover, in his pastoral letter he stated that "the past civil war and crusade was an armed plebiscite which put an end to religious persecution." Yet he had the effrontery to affirm that "the Church in Spain has kept perfect neutrality," (even when he loaned his palace to Franco) and it has no responsibility in the affairs of State though there is "close concord between State and Church." The Primate of Spain told us also that "the Spanish ecclesiastical hierarchy has not been, and will not be the slave of anyone."

"Christian liberty is opposed to State totalitarianism." The word State gives the key to the trick. Christian liberty, that is the liberty of the Roman Catholic clergy, is opposed to State totalitarianism, that is secular totalitarianism, not ecclesiastical totalitarianism on the condition it is Roman Catholic. If secular totalitarianism puts itself at the service of clerical totalitarianism, no opposition exists any longer.

The Spanish hierarchy does not intend to be the slave of anyone. The whole population, starting with its secular officials, has to obey the hierarchy. Franco obeys. This is why the Vatican and the Primate of Spain support him. They intend to be masters and not slaves. But they disclaim any responsibility for what Franco has done or will do. "One should not confuse the activities or responsibilities of the Church with those of the State."

The receiver of goods does not have the responsibility of the gangster who makes the coup. The Spanish clergy enjoys the advantages but rejects the responsibility of the receiver of goods.—(Free Italy)

Easily Solved

He—You're good at conundrums, try this one.

She—Sure, go ahead.

He—Take away my first letter, take away all my letters, and I am still the same. What am I?

She—That's easy. You're a mail carrier.

Better This Way

Charitable Lady—Here, my poor fellow, is a quarter for you. It must be terrible to be lame, but I think it must be worse to be blind.

Parhandler—You're right, ma'am. When I was blind, people was always handin' me counterfeit money.

A VISION FOR YOUTH

By Ernest L. Meyer

After all other arguments fail, and even after the coming of the atomic bomb demonstrated the uselessness of vast standing armies as a technique of war, the supporters of peacetime military conscription fall back on one line of thought. A year of forced Army service, they maintain, is desirable for every youth because the training builds bodies, creates self-discipline, and fosters a group morale valuable as an asset to democratic citizenship.

The body building argument has been often and successfully exposed as folly. It is disproved at the very outset by the fact that the weaklings, the chronically diseased, the neurotics—in other words the very men who are most in need of medical and psychiatric help—are automatically screened out of the Army which wants only the sound and the able-bodied.

Add to this the fact that no competent authority recommends the stilted mechanics of military training as an adequate course in physical culture, and the fact that camp life itself incubates aberrations and neuroses that might never have developed in civilian life, and the whole case for the "body-building" benefits of the Army falls flat.

The case for military training as a creator of discipline, morale, and the ethics of patriotic citizenship deserves special scrutiny because it is one easy to advance and not so easy to disprove. Recent events, however, notably the alarming increase in crime and hoodlums in sections of America and Europe, cast doubt on the validity of the argument that Army service fosters either self-discipline or respect for community law.

For if the argument were true, the world right now would be enjoying a season of unparalleled civility, orderliness. Because today we have many millions of men trained in the Army not merely for one year but for as long as five or six years. Yet a wave of crimes of violence, of sex crimes, of looting, larceny, and black-market profiteering is sweeping many countries, including even regimented Russia where extra police have been mobilized. And what is most significant is that a large percentage of these crimes are being committed by soldiers and ex-soldiers, graduates from the vaunted Army school of discipline.

During the war, of course, these same men performed valorously, submitted to the whole good-naturedly to compulsion, and were capable of self-sacrifice and real nobility. The compulsion was directed toward one end: the annihilation of the enemy, and in the attainment of that end the soldier's self was submerged to the welfare and efficiency of the group.

The war ended, but for millions still in uniform on many of the late fronts the compulsion remained. The reasons for their remaining in uniform are, for many of them, ill-defined and obscure, and the more obscure the reasons are the greater the degree of resentment against compulsion. Hence the breakdown in morale and widespread increase in violence and crime. The situation demonstrates that the type of discipline inculcated by the Army and effective during combat does not in a great many cases carry over into peacetime modes of life.

What aggravates the case is that soldier offenders are armed and trained in the use of arms. During war the act of killing is a mark of valor and virtue. War's end removes the ethical sanction for homicide, but expertness in the technique of murder remains. Give war veterans insecurity, doubt, discontent, and no ascertainable goal to strive for, and you have the makings of a fraternity trigger-happy and quick on the draw.

That is the weakness of Army discipline built on universal conscription: the fact that it requires actual war to make it function and to

make it stick. We are learning that now, and the lesson should unite all reasonable people in resisting the attempt to foist upon this nation a system of permanent peacetime military draft.

There are alternative plans for the enlistment of youth in the service of the country which are more sane and workable. Something, perhaps, along the line of the National Youth Administration which under the able leadership of Aubrey Williams some years ago hung up a record for remarkable accomplishment. The NYA, to be sure, was sneered at and eventually scuttled by the same rabid and reactionary forces that sniped eternally at the "leaf raking and bonedoggling" of the WPA, totally ignoring the thousands of projects that stand as a monument to that agency's labors.

Given an army of young men, enlisting voluntarily for national service, it would be good to give them an aim and a dream for which to strive. A conducted tour and survey of the operations of the Tennessee Valley Authority would outline a goal with a tremendous grip upon the imagination. A goal not transitory and destructive such as war, but enduring and constructive in which plowshares preempt the sword.

They would see a vast valley of people working voluntarily together toward the accomplishment of good and ascertainable ends. Fill their eyes with this vision, then transplant them to another valley, say the Missouri, and set them to work to tame its turbulence, build dams, conquer floods, spread security and well-being. Give them the dream to hold, and the tools with which to labor, and they will not fail us.

—The Progressive.

A LETTER AT CHRISTMAS TIME

For the first time since that day "that will live in infamy" America prepares for a Christmas, when the guns have been silenced and there is once again "peace on earth and good will towards men." Yes, it will be a real old-fashioned Christmas, with gifts and parties and merry-making.

But no such Christmas awaits the people of war-torn Yugoslavia. They face a bleak and desolate Christmas, with hunger, cold and disease taking a daily toll of precious human lives.

Brave Yugoslavia, whose unarmed people struck such telling blows at the Nazi-Fascist armies and whose sacrifices saved thousands of American soldiers' lives appeals to us in America for help.

Please remember them at Christmas time and send the American Committee for Yugoslav Relief a gift of new clothing for the people in Yugoslavia—or send a donation with which to buy them some warm winter clothing, a pair of shoes, a sweater, an overcoat or a blanket. Your gift will save a life. Someone will live to see another Christmas, thanks to your generosity.

If you will enclose a message of Christmas cheer with it, you will receive the everlasting thanks and gratitude of someone whose life you helped to save.

Send your gift to the nearest depot that is working with the American Committee to bring relief to the people in Yugoslavia.

Please accept my heartfelt appreciation and warmest season's greetings.

BURGESS MEREDITH,

National Chairman

Clothing Campaign.

More Than Just a Trimming



QUIT YOUR SKIDDING



When you have to stop, apply your brakes lightly and intermittently... coming from so many feet and so many cars or trucks into a dangerous slide.

More Important Than A-Bomb

A scientific discovery more important than the atomic bomb—the new AC serum which may start you off on middle age at ninety, grow a new shock of black hair on your head when you're a hundred, and prolong your life from 120 to 150 years— isn't going to help the jaywalkers and reckless motorists, opines the Greater Chicago Safety Council.

What does it profit a man if science gets the know-how for making him a light-footed Methusalem, and he neutralizes it all with bad traffic manners, asks Joseph F. Stech, manager of the council.

Stech refers to a recent article by William Laurence, famous science reporter who was handed the scoop on the atom bomb by the war department. Laurence describes how the Soviet physician, Prof. Alexander A. Bogomolets discovered anti-premature age serum. And premature age, according to the professor, is the accepted span of three score and ten. He points out that the normal life of an animal exceeds its period of growth from five to seven times. Since man's bones continue their growth until he is twenty or twenty-five—his normal span should be about six times higher, or from 120 to 150 years. After years of work to prove his theory, Bogomolets discovered that the "fountain of youth" exists in everyone's connective tissues, and perfected a regenerative serum that has already been tested and proved successful on the Russian battlefronts.

However, the discoveries of science in stopping the degenerative disease of age are not going to assure the average American of Old Testament longevity unless he brushes up on his traffic-manners, says Mr. Stech, pointing to the mounting record of traffic casualties.

You may get the chance to celebrate quite a few Yules in the 21st century, says Stech. Therefore, he asks speeders and hurrying pedestrians who dart out from behind parked cars, "In the light of science, what's your hurry?"

Pension No Bar To Federal Benefits

Workers over 65 years of age who stop work and draw pensions from the firm which had employed them may also be able to get federal monthly social security insurance payments.

If a man or woman qualifies for old-age insurance payments under the Social Security Act, and files a claim for them, he or she is entitled to those payments regardless of other income, savings or property. These payments are based on the individual's previous employment in jobs that came under social security and the amount of wages earned on such jobs.

Every worker who is 65 or older and who stops work, even if only for a short time, should find out immediately whether he is already "insured" and eligible for payments under the Social Security Act. Any field office of the Social Security Board will be glad to help individuals find out whether they are "insured" and, if not, how much longer they must work on jobs that come under social security in order to become insured.

Old-age insurance payments may be made to insured workers over 65, even though they have not stopped work permanently. The payments may be made during months when the worker is unemployed, is ill, earns less than \$15, or is at work on jobs that do not come under social security. If the individual goes back to work on a job that is "covered" by social security, he notifies the Social Security Board and his payments are suspended until he stops work again. If the worker has a wife who also is 65, she may get old-age insurance payments for the same months as her husband.

Appeal for Tools And Machines For Yugoslavia

The American Association for Reconstruction in Yugoslavia, Inc. (AARJ) is initiating a campaign to collect tools and machinery for Yugoslavia.

Today the Yugoslav peoples are engaged in the reconstruction of their war-torn industries, and the rebuilding of their homes, schools and institutions. These heroic peoples who were in the forefront of the struggle against fascism, are now faced with another and equally difficult task. The task of rebuilding their devastated country is a tremendous one, and this they are doing with practically bare hands.

The spirit and enthusiasm of the Yugoslav peoples is high even though they are working under the severest handicaps. Aside from the lack of food, clothing and medicines, they also lack the basic tools with which to rebuild their homes, factories, and farms.

Homes Built Without Tools

Stoyan Pribicevic, well-known writer and journalist who has recently returned from Yugoslavia, after spending 11 months there, reports on the shortage of simple basic tools. In many towns and villages of Yugoslavia, a saw, axe, or even a hammer cannot be found. Mr. Pribicevic tells of a town in Bosnia where log cabins were built by binding logs with twine and with wooden pegs driven in with stones, because of the lack of small hand tools and nails.

In spite of these handicaps the Yugoslav peoples have rebuilt their industries to the extent that they are now operating at 80% of the prewar level. This is a great achievement in itself and there is no doubt that an even greater recovery would have been possible if they had been equipped with a few basic tools.

It is our duty to help our heroic brothers, and one way in which we can all help is by contributing small hand machines and tools. Yugoslavia needs tools such as hammers, screw drivers, saws, hand drills, chisels, axes, pliers and a variety of other small tools. The AARJ is also collecting machinery such as lathes, drill presses, and electric saws.

What You Can Do to Help

We are appealing to all Yugoslav Americans, individuals and organizations, to cooperate with us in this most important campaign. Organizations can participate by holding affairs for the purpose of raising money to purchase tools and machines for Yugoslavia. The association is arranging for the use of a warehouse in New York City as a collection depot from which the tools can be shipped to Yugoslavia. The address of this warehouse will be announced in this paper as soon as arrangements are made. Meanwhile tools and machines that are collected by organizations should be sorted, made ready for shipment and stored at the organization headquarters or some central depot until they can be shipped to New York.

We urge you all to exert every effort to make this campaign a success. By visiting carpenter and machine shops it is possible to obtain donations of tools in good condition. Search your attic, basement, or tool chest for tools. Visit your neighborhood friends for contributions, or buy a hammer, saw or an axe. Remember, every hammer sent to Yugoslavia will strike another blow for Democracy. Send to: The American Association for Reconstruction in Yugoslavia, Inc., 405 Lexington Ave., New York 17, N. Y.

GEORGE MLADINICH,

Executive Secretary.

"Big Business" Didn't Risk a Cent

Corporations made huge profits out of the war, but did not risk a nickel to help Uncle Sam win. On the contrary, during the war years corporations reduced their total "plant and equipment investment" by \$3,600,000,000.

That startling fact is revealed by a Federal Reserve "Bulletin." It shows that, when the Japs hit Pearl Harbor in December, 1941, all corporations in the United States, except banks and insurance companies, had \$100,300,000,000 invested in plant and equipment.

By March, 1945, when the war was almost over, they had reduced their investments to \$96,700,000,000. There was a great expansion of factories and production machinery during the war, but it was paid for by the government. The "Bulletin" explains, in other words, Uncle Sam took all the risks.

Now the war is over, but the country faces another great emergency—peacetime unemployment. Will the corporations continue to play "safety first"? Or will they invest billions of dollars in new plants and equipment, and thus help provide jobs for millions of men?

Hint to Granny

"Grandmother, were you a little girl like me once?" "Yes, dear." "Then I suppose you know how it feels to get ice cream cones when you don't expect them."

QUIT YOUR SKIDDING



Use tire chains on ice and snow. You may reduce braking distance as much as 40 or 50 per cent. Remember... chains are no cure-all for winter accidents but they will help a careful driver.

Myth About "Rich Unions" Is Hit

Recently "Labor" called attention to a particularly nasty bit of propaganda in the New York "Times"—an effort to make it appear that labor organizations were the principal beneficiaries of the Federal government's refusal to tax certain non-profit-making organizations. The "Times" story was based on a survey made by the Treasury Department, at the suggestion of certain interests which are anxious to discredit labor unions and tax farm and other cooperatives out of existence.

Someone in the Treasury, in sympathy with this movement, gave the "Times" advance information concerning the survey, and the "Times" proceeded to twist the facts so as to smear labor unions—a proceeding which may be described as the "Times" favorite indoor sport.

Now the Treasury survey has been made public, and it completely deflates the propaganda of labor's foes. For example, it reveals that the total assets of these tax-exempt organizations are \$30,200,000,000. How much of those assets do you imagine belonged to the "rich labor unions"? According to the survey, only \$40,000,000, or a little more than one-tenth of one per cent. Of course, the "Times" hastens to explain that all the unions reporting did not list any tangible property. The explanation is simple—they haven't any tangible property to report.

Who owns these tax-exempt assets which the Treasury has been surveying? Mutual savings banks come first, with over \$7,000,000,000; then Federal Land Banks, building and loan organizations, literary, scientific, educational and charitable organizations, and farmers' cooperatives. As to income, the survey shows a total of a little over \$3,000,000,000 each year, and of this labor organizations get \$389,666,000. Included are all national, international, state and local labor bodies, with a membership of 14,000,000 or 15,000,000 men and women.

There are a lot of duplications. For example, the largest item is \$98,358,000 for dues to affiliated organizations. This sum is recorded twice—once when it is collected from the rank and file and again when it is turned over to the A. F. of L. or C. I. O. state or national bodies. But the members only pay it once.

While Uncle Sam doesn't tax the income of labor organizations, cities and states levy on their real property. Altogether the unions pay each year \$5,872,000 in taxes, and in contributions to worthy causes the very impressive sum of \$8,532,000. Also, each year about \$25,000,000 in cash benefits to members.

Farmers' cooperatives have the largest income, about \$2,233,000,000, but, of course, that includes all their sales. Literary, educational, charitable societies are high on the list, with total receipts of \$828,000,000.

"Organizations whose primary functions are business activities," and these include chambers of commerce, account for about \$1,000,000,000 of income, or more than double the total for all labor organizations.

In the entire survey there is not a single item for which the unions need apologize.

Thus, the myth about "rich labor unions" has exploded in the face of the propagandists who originated it.—Labor.

Relief Supplies Reach Ljubljana, Slovenia

The American Committee for Yugoslav Relief disclosed that \$91,421 pounds of relief supplies had arrived in Yugoslavia on the S. C. Albert F. Ryder and is being distributed from Ljubljana, capital of Slovenia.

The cargo includes such diversified items as clothing, sewing machines, suits, drugs, baby foods, soap and seeds. This is the committee's third shipment of the year. The Yugoslav Red Cross has advised the committee that all three shipments had arrived without loss due to spoiling or other causes, an unusual record, according to the Red Cross.

Tolerance Is Not Enough

By Walter P. Reuther

How Many Bilbos Will Break a Democracy's Back?

Sometimes it seems that the American people are playing around with this question, seeing how close they can come to an answer. We pay lip-service to our national creed, summed up in the declaration that "all men are created equal"—but in our everyday relations with our fellow-citizens we are prey to the same old habits of mind and behavior, full of the same old prejudices, and failures of understanding.

In short, we are drifting. We are sitting around, twiddling our thumbs while the time-bomb of race hatred and group animosities ticks away the hours left for a solution. The newspapers (some of them, at least) reflect the embarrassment of all men of good will over the antics of Rankin, Bilbo, Gerald L. K. Smith and other crackpots of the lunatic fringe. And we all applaud. But do we soberly confront that fact that Bilbo and other celebrated peddlers of primitivism have been spawned and nourished in an environment which each of us helped to create by the petty prejudices we have not bothered to root out from our minds and hearts?

The Bilbos thrive amid ignorance, confusion and indifference. Every time we call a fellow-worker a Wop or a Kike or a Pollack we help the Bilbos and the forces of reaction. Organized workers are human, and they are part of the broader community. They share in varying degree all the blindness and shortcomings of that community. But they have had certain experience denied to other members of the community which should enable them more easily to grasp the folly of group hatreds. The history of the struggle between labor and management should teach them the high value of solidarity. They have known the strength which comes from uniting for common goals and they have felt the effects of the employer's ability to divide and conquer, to exaggerate and exploit the differences among them.

I have spoken of racial tension and hostility toward minorities as the products of irrational emotions and impulses. But these emotions and impulses, in turn, have been bred and have grown strong in an economic environment of scarcity, in which group could easily be pitted against group in a sheer struggle for survival. The plight of Europe today is evidence that the world has not yet emerged from a state in which there simply is not enough to go around under the old methods of production and distribution.

But the scene is changing before our eyes. We are still trying to talk ourselves into believing it—but whether we believe it or not the Atomic Age is here to stay, and this new era poses, in an intensified and final form, an old problem which we have been dodging. We have our backs to the wall now, and we must find an answer to our dilemma—or be written off in history's books as another casualty in the eternal process of change and adjustment, the change which downed the dinosaurs, the ancient Romans and the bicycle built for two.

That dilemma can be briefly stated. We must learn how to organize our economic life, in America and throughout the world, in such a manner that the potential abundance of fields and factories can be made available to the common man; so that the common man can enjoy both freedom and security, without having to face the recurring threat of depression and unemployment. We must learn now to live with plenty and with each other—or we must perish.

This is a problem of achieving a higher national and world output and of distributing it equitably, not a problem of carving up the same old, inadequate output to the satisfaction of some particular sector of the economy. We cannot solve this problem by finding employment for veterans at the expense of organized labor or by finding jobs for white men at the expense of Negroes, or by firing women or Jews or foreigners.

Nor can we solve this problem by building underground cities. Whether we live above or below the ground, we must find a progressive and a just solution of this problem—a solution which enables us to achieve an economy of abundance and economic democracy within the framework of political democracy.

Machinery will help. The UAW has its own Fair Practices Committee and we are for a permanent FEPC and every other measure designed to combat discrimination and persecution. But such machinery is not enough. The old hatreds will remain as long as the old economy of scarcity remains, as long as there is not enough to go around. Nor is tolerance enough. We may congratulate ourselves upon our broadmindedness. We may even remember, some of us, that it was a Jew, Emma Lazarus, who wrote the inscription on the Statue of Liberty calling upon the "huddled masses" of the Old World to seek the justice and opportunity of the New. But we must go beyond tolerance to positive action on all fronts for the purpose of attaining an economy of full production, full employment and equitable distribution.

By all means let us criticize the Bilbos. But let us look inward too. Let us awaken to the link between group hostility and the discredited old economy of scarcity and monopoly which in too many instances has been neither free enough nor enterprising enough. And let us remember that the sands are running out, and that history doesn't wait forever.

Cancer Service

With increasing public awareness of the cancer problem there has arisen a growing need for various types of service. To fill such need, the Field Army of the American Cancer Society performs many such services within its program. Here are a few:

1. It stimulates the setting up of tumor clinics by bringing to light the urgent need for added facilities for care of advanced cancer patients.
 2. It provides transportation for indigent patients.
 3. It supplies hospitals and nurses with surgical dressings and other needed supplies.
 4. It equips and loans cabinets of articles and equipment for needy cancer patients.
 5. It provides Tumor Clinics, Prevention Clinics and Industrial Health Clinics with clerical and nursing aides.
- Above all, the Field Army volunteers are constantly working toward the eventual breaking down of public fear, ignorance and prejudice through a program of cancer education. Cancer can be cured! Help the Field Army to help you—AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY, 350 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

Beating Time

BUNGRUST—I hear that Henmore Farms Dairy stamps all its eggs with its name and the date laid, so you can tell just how fresh they are.

Piebust—Yes, the last dozen eggs I bought from them were the freshest I ever had—got them a week ahead of the date of issue!

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