

## JUVENILE SECTION OF "NAPREDEK"

CLEVELAND, OHIO, OCTOBER 20th, 1937



# WITH OUR JUNIORS

By Michael Vrhovnik, Director of Vrtec and English Speaking Lodges

# SSPZ Junior Literary Champions 1937

Five beautiful trophies, emblematic of the highest literary achievements for the year 1937, were awarded to as many happy, surprised boys and girls of our Juvenile Department. Two of our literary champions, namely, Anne Gacnik and Valeria Artel, both members of Vrtec OUTLOOKERS, were present at Olympic "Victory Banquet" to receive their reward in person and, much to their surprise again, have movies taken of them while in the act of accepting the trophies from the hands of the Director of the Juvenile Department in the presence of a large attendance of banqueteers. The three remaining awards were wrapped, carefully, and then mailed to their respective winners a few days later. You can imagine how delighted they must have felt when the packages were opened and they had a chance to display them before the eyes of their parents, other members of the family and friends. What a grand and glorious feeling that must have been! . . . We're sorry they were unable to attend the "Victory Banquet" and get into the SSPZ movies with Anne and Valeria—but then—next year is another year and they'll have that much more to look forward

No doubt many of you already know who the winners of the Literary Achievement trophies are; but, officially, there has been no announcement published, so here goes-

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#### DON'T FORGET

When new Vrtec officers are elected, or the meeting place or date changed, or a member is lapsed who has been receiving the "Napredek"-NOTIFY THE DI-RECTOR!

# JUNIOR WHEEL OF PROGRESS

(Standings as of Oct. 1, 1937)

BIG TWELVE LEADERS

The winning Vrtec shall receive the Grand National Prize of \$100.00.

	Vrtec	No.	of New
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*A	11	Cleveland, Ohio	. 32
*A	72	Sygan, Pa.	
*B	33	Milwaukee, Wis	
*B	140	Pierce, W. Va.	. 12
*A	10	Strabane, Pa.	. 11
*A	139	Chicago, Ill.	. 11
C	131	-Coverdale, Pa.	. 10
*A	169	Bridgeville, Pa.	. 9
*A	1 '	Forest City, Pa,	. 8
*A	5	Cleveland, Ohio	. 7
*A	44	Ambridge, Pa.	. 7
*A	77	Center, Pa.	. 6
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*A	11	Cleveland, Ohio	32
*B	33	Milwaukee, Wis.	15
C	131	Coverdale, Pa.	10
D	23	Staunton, Ill.	3

<sup>\*</sup> Active Vrtec units.

Note: More campaign statistics are published in the ESL Section.

L-L-L-O-O-O-O-K-K-K!!! L-L-O-O-O-K-K!!-\$200.00 in collective prizes shall be awarded by the Society to Vrtec leaders in the JUNIOR WHEEL OF PROGRESS campaign!!! \$100.00 shall be awarded to the Vrtec unit gaining the highest number of new certificates by the first of the coming year and four \$25.00 prizes shall be awarded to Group leaders... And on top of that generous offer, the SSPZ shall pay additional individual prizes of 50 cents, for each Juvenile Certificate, to the proposing members... A gold JUNIOR EMBLEM shall be given to every new member... No medical examinations are required unless demanded by the Supreme Medical Examiner, the Supreme Administrative Sub-committee or some higher authority... SEND IN YOUR ORDER FOR NEW JUVE-NILE APPLICATIONS, TODAY! Let's all get busy and wind up this membership drive in a blaze of glory!

Gosh! It sure was swell the way the OUTLOOKERS (Vrtec No. 11) came through last month! Had it not been for them and the superlative work of brothers John Zaman and John Bohinc, Administrator and Secretary of the Vrtec and parent Lodge, respectively, the JUNIOR WHEEL OF PROGRESS campaign for the month of September would have been somewhat of a "frizzle"... But lucky for us, the OUTLOOKERS (Continued on page 4)

## Your Attenshun Please!

Boys and girls, I just want to call your attention to some very interesting "Camera Factoshots" in the English-speaking lodge section of today's "Napredek." I'm sure many of you will find them to your liking—Won't you read them? . . . And after you've finished, gather up alt the snapshots you've taken since last May 1, 1937, and if you wish, take a few more and send them all to the Contest Director . . . Don't forget to fill out the ENTRY BLANK before enclosing it with your pictures!

And, I better remind you, again, that the prizes are going to be cash and will be paid before the XMAS HOLIDAYS .... Altogether, \$\$\$60\$\$\$ will be distributed among the adult and juvenile contestants . . . There will be 12 prizes in each division . . . Boy! Oh! Boy! Think of that! . . . TWELVE (12) cash prizes totaling \$\$\$24\$\$\$ have been set aside for those of you who will win . . . Come on "Bang"! . . . Are you or aren't you going to let us have the pictures? . . . Gosh, Thanks! . . . . I knew you'd come through okayokay-okay . . . See you in the next mail— So long.

Contest Director

#### HOW YOU CAN WIN A JUNIOR STAR EMBLEM

By contributing an article (story, essay, poem, etc.) to the Vrtec Section in two of the last three month of 1937, you will be rewarded with our latest SSPZ JUNIOR EMBLEM. The only requirements are that you make your contributions other than poems, of 100 words or more in length and that it be original . . . You might try suggesting ideas for our 1938 Junior Literary Contest-What would you like to have? Send them to the Editor of the "Napredek" or your Director.

# Life, Ambitions, and Hobbies of Junior Literary Champions 1937



(Secretary of Vrtec Outlookers, Cleveland)

She was born in Ambridge, Pa., January 13, 1920 . . . And—

Moved to Cleveland with her folks (of course) when six months old.

The first six and one-half years were spent mostly in hospitals . . . As Ann put it—

Having her bones polished, oiled and re-set . . . And then—

Began her school career and has been at it ever since.

Admits mathematics is her stumbling block . . . But even so—

Hopes to graduate next June 1938 . . . Her ambition is—

To matriculate at some good university for a preparatory course in medicine.

She is particularly interested in the study of bacteriology, disease and dissection.

Friends call her "Jack-of-alltrades" because of her diverse interests and hobbies.

Among her hobbies are listed —Writing, music, art sketching, sewing, knitting, crocheting and collecting science material.

Mottos: "If at first you don't succeed, try, try again," and "Do unto others as you would have others do unto you." . . . And to that—

We add that she's very thoughtful, outspoken, aggressive and has wonderful possibilities as a leader in her life work... We're right with you, Ann—Keep up your splendid work.

#### "GREENHORN"

When an animal begins to "cut" its horns, they are known as "green," that is, immature, undeveloped. A person known as a "greenhorn" is one easily imposed upon, as if he were inexperienced and undeveloped mentally.



VALERIA ARTEL
(Member of Vrtec Outlookers,
Cleveland)

October 20, 1937, will mark her sixteenth milestone . . . And was—

Born in Cleveland where she has lived ever since.

She is a Junior in Glenville High school.

Her ambition is to be a psychiatrist . . "But," she goes on—

"That really is my second ambition. The one on top is the desire to be a success in whatever I do and to attain happiness. Those two things mean more to me than anything else." ... She continues— "Every autobiographer has (usually) a 'love-life,' but in that I must disappoint my readers, as it is far too incomplete to interest anyone."

Her hobbies are—Reading, writing poetry, sports and school-work... "But," she says, "If I were asked to pick the one I'm most interested in, I'd choose getting educated (schooling)."... Proceeds Valeria—

"This is letting out the EGO-ISM in my system, but last year I was awarded 'French Medal' as the outstanding French student in school. At present I am the assistant-editor of the school's French paper." . . . She winds up by saying—

"Mine has really been an 'or-dinary' life." . . . But, what we think, and pardon our saying so, Valeria, is that for a "grown-up" youngster yours is quite an extra-ordinary beginning and we certainly hope you succeed in whatever you attempt.

#### REPORTER'S FIRST EFFORT

A man killed a dog belonging to another man. The son of the man whose dog was killed proceeded to whip the man who killed the dog of the man he was the son of. The man who was the son of the man whose dog was killed was arrested on complaint of the man who was assaulted by the son of the man whose dog the man who was assaulted had killed.



MARIE ERMENCE (Member of Vrtec No. 33, Milwaukee, Wis.)

She was born in Denver, Colo., March 25, 1925 . . . And—

When two and a half years old, came with her parents to Milwaukee.

She attends grade school and is now in 7-A.

Some of her hobbies show her to be quite "tom-boyish"— She likes baseball, swimming, sleighing and hiking. In her more serious moments, however, she studies the piano and does lots of reading . . . Last year—

Those two things mean more to me than anything else." ... She continues— "Every autobiogra- having read the highest number pher has (usually) a 'love-life,' of books.

Marie won first prize at the Southside Branch Library for having read the highest number of books.

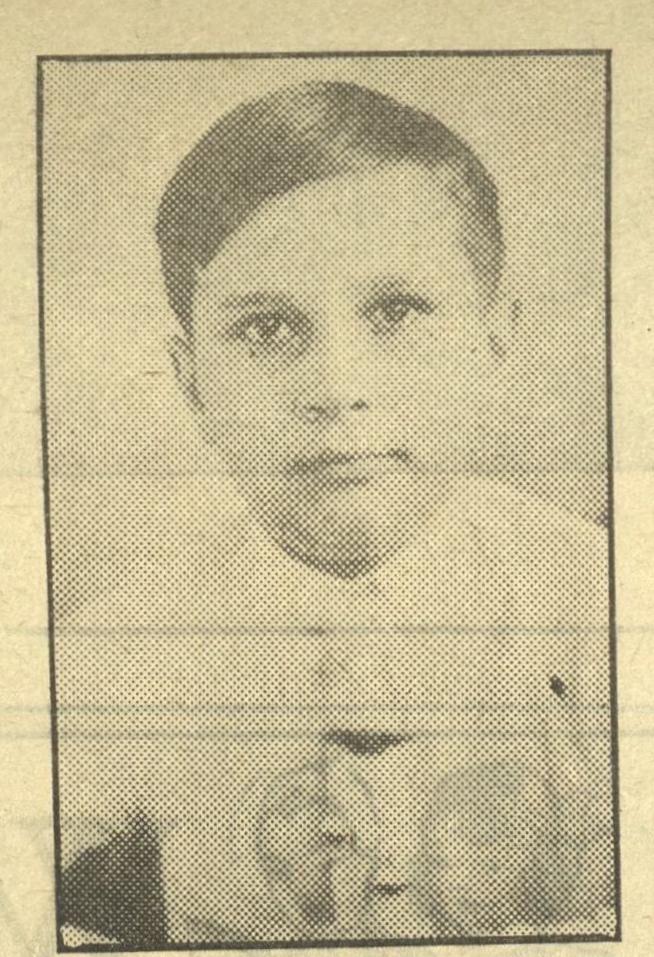
She looks forward to Vrtec meetings and social affairs and never misses one.

She believes it to be a great honor to belong to the SSPZ and thinks there is no other Slovene organization quite its equal . . . Thanks, Marie, and we certainly hope you continue to bask in the good deeds and ventures of our great Society.

# FRANKIE MIVEC FAILS IN PINCH

Some of you, perhaps, are wondering why the picture and autobriography of Frankie Mivec, the young lad who contributed "Pompadori! Pompadori!" and "My Energetic Sister" in the 1937 Junior Literary Contest and thereby won the highest award, is not in today's issue of the Vrtec Section-Well, to be right frank with you, your Director did everything except make a special trip to Indianapolis to get one of Frankie's pictures and a few notes on when and where he was born, what his hobbies are, etc., but still no results . . . Now, if we were under the impression that Frankie is the type of young fellow who shuns publicity and "spotlight" attention, we'd never attempt to drag his name through these columns; but knowing for certain that he doesn't mind, for

wasn't it Frankie, who, of all the



WILLIAM PEVC (President of Pioneers, Vrtec No. 1, Forest City, Pa.)

President Pevc says:

I was born in Vandling, Pa., on April 13, 1925.

I am now in the 7th grade and enjoy studying all subjects . . . But—

There are a few I enjoy more than others. My favorite subjects are spelling, geography and history.

The hobby I like a great deal is collecting pictures of baseball players. Among them are Lou Gehrig, Dean brothers, Mickey Cochrane, Carl Hubbell, Bill Terry, Joe Di Maggio, Jimmy Fox, "Lefty" Gomez and many others. (William, we see is no different from the average normal boy. He's quite a baseball fan and probably aspires to be a ball player someday.) . . . He adds—

I believe the Vrtec is a fine thing for children, because it can be educational as well as entertaining if one takes the right kind of interest in it . . . And—

The SSPZ is a splendid organization, not only because it provides the best protection for all members, but also, because it provides contests, athletic meets and other interesting features for the youth . . . (Good for you, William- Those were words wisely chosen and we know you mean every word . . . Incidentally, William has been president of the Pioneer Vrtec for the past four years, being at the time of his election and probably at this writing, the youngest and one of the most consistently active Vrtec leaders.)

Indianapolis boys at Cleveland during the recent Olympic Meet at Cleveland, was caught talking to several girls without showing a sign of bashfulness? ... Or, was it Johnny Praprotnik? ... Or, it might have been their manager, Tony Qualiza (Boy! Can we jugglethings)?... No, it was Frankie, alright! ... So, the conclusion we've arrived

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#### Letters From Our Vrtec Members

#### AMBRIDGE DOESN'T EAT

Export, Pa. — Our little hamlet, White Valley, was very much honored on Sunday afternoon by being paid a visit by some famous boys from Ambrige. Yes sir, folks! A few of the more active members of Ambridge, Vrtec No. 44, are making it their business to become acquainted with members of neighboring Vrtec units. After having spent a few hours locating it, they finally dropped in at the home of the president of White Valley Vrtec No. 103. Poor boys! they were looking for Slovene people but could only find the "Grannish." Oh well, better luck next the same. time.

Imagine our surprise that we should be entertaining a part of the group of the SSPZ softball champions of 1937. We were quite pleased to have you, boys! After seeing a few of the husky males of the Ambridge Vrtec, it makes the feminine Vrtec members of White Valley appear very small. AMBRIDGE, please give us your formula for "growing up without food." It certainly must be easy for Administrator Clement Kosela to manage such a grand Vrtec for they never need spend any money for food or refreshments, since none of them eat. What do you do with all your money? It seems that our Vrtec spends most of its money for food and refreshments. We have them on their word of honor that they DON'T EAT. We would certainly ap-preciate having your method for we too would then have a grand Vrtec. We were given the impression that Ambridge lives on LOVE. More power to you champions, and may you continue to prosper on love (SANS FOOD).

It certainly shows a fine spirit of friendship when we find young members willing to travel miles to make friends with other members. I would have liked very much for them to visit other members' homes, but their time seemed so limited that they rushed back home. What's the matter boys, couldn't your dates wait? We are sorry that you boys were not informed that our meetings are held every third Sunday of the month at 10:30 a. m., but we enjoyed having you anyway. Wouldn't it be nice if our members would plan to visit members of other Vrtec units? How about that, members of Vrtec No. 103?

Notice how far the influence of a good deed extends. If it had not been for Ambridge paying White Valley a visit, brother Vrhovnik would not have the benefit of this article for the "Napredek." Come back aagin Clem Kosela (McCarthy) and Charlie Kerzan and bring back the remainder of the gang, including the girls. Come early, so you can visit all of us.

Tillie Mladenick, President of Vrtec 103 OUTLOOKERS' DOINGS

Cleveland, O. — Let's give three great big cheers for Andy Artel! He brought in thirteen new members all by himself! Andy was initiated into Outlookers' group in February. That's great work, Andy. I hope he gets the prize that Združeni Bratje are putting out for this "Wheel of Progress Campaign."

A party will be held after the next meeting. Let's have a large attendance. Parents are invited.

It may be a trifle late, but, I'd like to thank the judges who made it possible for me to receive that beautiful trophy, just

I'd like to congratulate Frank Mivec for receiving the first prize trophy. Let's see more of your creations in our Vrtec Page. Isn't it said that good things should be seen often?

The Outlookers are looking forward to the joint Vrtec Christmas Party to be given on December 11. Mr. Vrhovnik will be there, and we hope he brings his pictures with him.

And so, until November and Thanksgiving, au revoir.

Anne Gacnik

#### OUTLOOKERS' DOINGS

Cleveland, O. — At the last meeting of Vrtec No. 11 we decided to have a party after our next meeting which will be held on Nov. 5, 1937. This party will be even bigger than our last party, which was a success.

As you all know if you have been reading the "Napredek" the Outlookers are in the lead in the "Wheel of Progress" con-

On Dec. 11 the Outlookers and Spartan Jrs., the two Cleveland Vrtecs are going to have a combined Christmas party at the Slovene National Home, St. Clair avenue.

Our Vrtec orchestra again made a hit when it won second prize in the Collinwood High School Amateur Night.

Harold Tavzel and Lukance are both on the Collinwood Jr. High football team.

Don't forget our next meeting on Nov. 5, 1937 at which we will definitely decide when and where our Slovene School will be held.

"The Two Collegiates"

#### VRTEC NO. 44 NEWS

Ambridge, Pa. — Hi everybody, here comes the Ambridge Vrtec gang again. The first thing I wish to discuss is the attendance at our meetings. It was better than usual but I hope it will increase.

I want to remind all the members of our Vrtec once more of the SSPZ "Wheel of Progress." Only three more months remain of the Wheel of Progress Campaign!" This means that we have to work harder than ever to get more new members to make our Vrtec larger and more successful. Boost the SSPZ and keep the "Wheel of Progress"

moving onward. I think that it and then Johnny got a good is a great honor and joy to be look at the disfigured man. He an active member of this great organization—the SSPZ. By joining the SSPZ you gain everything and lose nothing. So come on, let's push and pull the wheel until it turns.

I am very much interested in the various letters submitted to the "Napredek" by the juvenile members of the SSPZ. They all deserve praise.

I have noticed that not many of the members from our Vrtec write to this paper. Come on Ambridge, wake up! Many of our members are a bit lazy. Is the weather getting you or what? I think that more of our Vrtec members can write articles to the "Napredek" if they made up their mind to do so. Don't you think so?

Fall is here again. This is the season when the leaves fall off the trees. We are having some very odd changes in the weather here lately. But it is kind of cold-

One of our members Joe Sumrok is now playing football for the Ambridge Jr. High School and is doing good. Keep up the good work Joe.

Here are some riddles:

1. If a store costs \$85, what would a ton of coal come to? Ans.: Ashes.

2. What is the president of the U. S. doing? Ans.: Breathing.

So in conclusion let me suggest our motto to be: "Keep the "Wheel of Progress" a-rolling and stop at nothing.

In Slovene I'll say: Le naprej! Le naprej! Dokler nas je še kaj?

I could go on writing forever but since space does not permit, I'll say so-long and I'll have to sign off.

Agnes Tekstar Comets' Sec'y

#### THAT UNFORGETTABLE NIGHT

Cleveland, O. — Johnny, a boy of fourteen, was walking home from a party. It was midnight, and the street was deserted. Johnny whistled and it echoed back quickly. He turned down his street and his heart was at ease. Suddenly from nowhere came a thumping noise and was quiet again. The noise was heard more clearly now, shaky. He turned around to see a man with a peg for one leg, and a hook for an arm coming at a rapid speed after him. Johnny waited no longer, but ran as fast as he could. The disfigured man's voice was heard, chuckling and laughing crazily. Johnny had but one more house to pass, and he would be safely at home. Johnny ran as fast as he could, but his feet seemed to stay in the same place, while the crippled man was by nowonly a yard away. Johnny heard the chuckling clearly which said, "I'll get you yet." Suddenly a hand grasped Johnny's arm and Johnny was too paralyzed with fright to yell for help. A jerk sent Johnny to the ground

had only one eye, his nose had been eaten away leaving a hole for his nose and his mouth had but two teeth in. He was at least six foot, and his clothes were made from bags. The man chuckled and said, "Well boy. you're coming with me for a long time." Johnny tugged and pulled but could not jerk away.

(Read Johnny's next adventure with the man with the wooden leg.)

> Frank Vadnal Vrtec No. 11

#### SPARTANS JUNIOR VRTEC NO. 5

Spartan Juniors News Flashes Cleveland, O. — Stand by for some red hot Spartan Juniors News Flashes!

Triple Star Flash No. 1 Two dollars will be given away at our next meeting.

Triple Star Flash No. 2

A joint party, movies, dance and Santa Claus's visit in the bargain, comprises what we hope will attract a large attendance at our gathering on Dec. 11th.

Now for a series of One Star Flashes:

Teachers for Gym and Dramatics will be available if the required amount of Spartan members are interested. So, here's a chance for all you gals who've just been itching to get rid of some of that avoirdupois. Come on out then and show us that you appreciate us for having your good interest at heart.

Now a few words to our more handsome lads and lassies who aspire to climb the ladder of success in the theatrical circles. Opportunity knocks but once so hearken to its summons and make your appearance on Nov. 12. We'll be expecting you, so don't let us down, will you?

> Daniella Homovec, Sec'y Vrtec No. 5

I don't quite know-what gave me this spontaneous burst of enthusiasm that makes me want to conquer worlds. Perhaps it's the bracing weather but I have a slight suspicion it may have been the cheering sight of the unusually large attendance at our last meeting. I can tell you and Johnny's heart became it was a sight for sore eyes. But I know we can do a lot better, so how about some of you latent Spartans coming to the surface and showing yourselves at our next meeting on November 12? In case you forgot the place is Slovene Nat'l Home, room 2. Remember?

> Just to show you we mean what we say Mr. Candon, Mr. Stokel and the ever-suggestive Charlie Koman went into a huddle and came out declaring that as an extra inticement \$2.00 will be given away that evening. Interested? I thought so:

> Cooperation and suggestions are always needed to make anything turn out successfully and let me tell you bushels of both

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#### HALLOWE'EN'S RUINS

By Anne Gacnik

Hallowe'en is drawing near With its corn, its pumpkins, and its frippery.

The black cats prowl, and the dogs, they how!!

And the windows with soap are slippery.

I don't feel safe on a night like that

When ghosts and goblins wander,

And the hideous faces scare me SO

That it makes me run for cover.

People have parties And everyone is gay In spite of the fact that the decorations they had Were funny and weird, or so they say.

A scavanger hunt is usually planned.

We look for cats, and policemen's hats, we generally look for junk

While the folks at home sit and talk 'round the fire

And say that modern Hallowe'ens are just the bunk!

Then on our way home, around three or four

And even at break of day We're tired and sleepy and spent

And we're wishing we'd a-stayed at home and never would 'a' went.

Then the next day we look outside

And behold! our nice neighborhood's a ruin!

The garbage is scattered, and the fences are broken,

there rotten tomatoes all around,

And the poor black cat, which was strung

up the night before, Uttered nary a little sound.

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will be needed at our next gathering for there are dozens of ideas brewing right now that promise to need a lot of consideration and thought. So brush the cobwebs off that dormant mind and make your appearance for an argumentive evening.

> Helen Poklicky, Recording Secretary

Now that a new season is being ushered in, heralded by the rustle of the orange-gold tinted leaves, it seems to have given me an inspiration to achieve great literary heights.

The most important problem at our former meetings was to find a suitable maxim for our ever-growing Spartan Junior Continued on page 3 of Slolodge.

### Trail Blazer Juniors Newsy Bits

Hello, boys and girls! How are you, today?

Boy! You should have been to our last meeting a couple of weeks ago! We had the "dandiest" attendance, nearly 50 per cent being present—And that's mighty good when one considers that about half of the total membership is made up of youngsters under school age . . . But, I'll bet we have a better attendance the next time, because we're already planning the Christmas program and a Committee of three have been appointed to search for literary material, such as poems, readings, plays, etc.

> And on October 30th, in the afternoon starting at about 3:30 we're going to have a big Hallowe'en Party with games, music, picture-taking, eats and, maybe, movies. All members are invited to participate in this event and we hope as many parents, as are able to leave their "home-work," celebrate with us. Gosh! I'll bet most of the little tots will be there and won't they be surprised when they see what's in store for them when they get older and are able to come to all the meetings and Vrtec affairs?

Our Supreme Administrator, Michael Vrhovnik, substituted for brother Frank Pintar, our regular Administrator, at the last meeting . . . A Committee of five members, namely: Steve Lavric, Katherine Zadnik, Emil Brolick, Frances Trsar and Frances Torkar were appointed to make all necessary arrangements for the Hallowe'en program. The Committee is scheduled to meet at the Home Office, 247 W. 103rd St., on Saturday afternoon, October 23 at 2:30 ... It is urgent that all members of the committee be present.

Our latest addition is Lillian Sutton and at the August meeting Nino Peter Varoni was accepted into our ranks . . . Neither has been initiated as yet, but as soon as a few more new members are corraled, we'll give them the works, won't we "gang"? . . . The youngest member at the last meeting was Caroline Musich and the first to

Some mottos considered were:

"It shall be done," which seemed to make a hit with our popular secretary, Daniella Homovec while "Work, Wait, Win" seemed to have got the recording secretary which by the way happens to be Helen Poklicky the inseparable pal of Daniella.

How about giving us a helping hand in the debate by bringing some of your favorites to our next meeting and settling the dispute.

Gladys Mohorich, Vrtec No. 5

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"WHEEL OF PROGRESS" CAMPAIGN

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happened to be out "gunning" for new members and bagged a total of 10, all of whom were proposed and accepted at the September meeting and admitted into the Society's ranks as of October 1st . . . And now, for the first time in the campaign, the OUTLOOKERS have taken a commanding, if not impregnable, position right next to the base of WHEEL OF PROG-RESS. With a total of 32 members to their credit, which is 15 more than that of their nearest competitor and less than THREE months to go, it is beginning to look more like a victory for the OUTLOOKERS-BUT-

The 31st of December is still quite some distance away and the roadway anything but smooth and straight . . . There are a score or more Vrtec units that could, with the proper spirit and determination and leadership, step into the picture close to the top, practically, over night. With the new Juvenile By-Laws now in full force and effect, and with the proper application of their many favorable features, it should prove an easy task for an organized Vrtec unit to enroll 25 or 30 members before the close of the campaign. What say you to that, Administrators and Vrtec members? . . . The final drive is on! . . . Let's not be satisfied with merely thinking that IT CAN BE DONE, but think, talk and act so that IT SHALL BE DONE! If you've a brother or sister or cousin or friend who are not members of the Vrtec, live-up to the motto: THEY SHALL BE ENROLLED during the WHEEL OF PROG-RESS campaign!...ONWARD and UPWARD, in membership and achievement shall be the AIM of every Vrtec and adult member of our Society! . . . Build-up in numerical strength as well as community influence! ... Today is not too late!

leave was Lillian Bezlaj . . . Her brother Frankie doesn't like to attend meetings, either, but I'll bet you he doesn't miss the next one . . . Two of our boys play football for the Pullman Tech Lightweights and they're going great guns- They are William Trsar and Henry "Hank" Bezlaj and from reports received, they helped to win both their first game. Keep up the good work boys; hope you trim all of your opponents-except-when you meet Fenger . . . How about that Steve and Katherine? . . . Well, anyway - Rah! Rah! Rah! Pullman Tech and Fenger! . . . Well so-long boys and girls, till we meet at the Hallowe'en Party and the next monthly meeting . . . DON'T FORGET TO COME! ... YOUR CAMERA WITH YOU!

The Junior Reporter

#### S. S. P. Z. JUNIOR LITERARY CHAMPIONS 1937

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Group "A"

(Ages 13 and over)

Frank Mivec, Vrtec No. 9-Indianapolis, Ind.—1st prize. Anne E. Gacnik, Vrtec No. 11

-Cleveland, O.—2nd prize. Valeria Artel, Vrtec No. 11—

Cleveland, O.—3rd prize.

Group "B"

William Pevc, Vrtec No. 1— Forest City, Pa., and Marie Ermence, Vrtec 33-Milwaukee, Wis.—Duplicate prizes.

Honorable Mention

Wanda Cebron, Daniella Homovec, Tillie Mladenick, Julia Kosmach, Helen Previc, Louis Znidarsich and Katherine Zadnik.

How proud of you must have been your parents, brothers, sisters and friends when they read your contributions in the Vrtec Section and how proud must they have been when you were rewarded for your literary efforts . . . I, too, am proud of your achievements and hope you continue writing for the "Napredek" not only as a Vrtec member, but also, later, when you transfer to the Adult Department of the Society. While in session, recently, every member of the Supreme Board was loud in his praise of your work and all unanimously agreed that much had been accomplished in the short space of six months. How surprised most of you would be if you knew how many other members and non-members of the Society are following your progress through your literary expressions and how keenly delighted they are when you succeed in putting across your ideas. Yes, we're all mighty proud of our Junior writers and I'm sure everyone congratulates and thanks you for the work you have done. CONGRATULA-TIONS, boys and girls, and do keep on writing!

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at, is that Frankie hasn't a picture on hand that would do him justice. (It's quite possible that he's a bit afraid that that little girl in Cleveland might not approve of it) or else his "Energetic Sister," who has already caused him much trouble, has hid them and won't tell where... Well, Frankie, if you'll pardon us for what we've said about you up there, we'll forgive you for not favoring your readers with your picture and autobiography and providing you write another short story for the Vrtec Section . . . What say to that? . . . How about another of your masterpieces for the Christmas edition? . . . Okay?... That's fine— We'll all be looking forward to it.

Director