

Nova in velika zmaga Lewisovega odbora CIO!

Carnegie-Illinois Steel Corp., najmočnejša enota v jeklarski industriji, se bo pogajala z Lewisovo organizacijo. Druge jeklarske kompanije naznanile zvišanje mezde in skrajšanje delovnega tedna. Organizatorična kampanja dobila mogočen zamah

Pittsburgh, Pa., 2. marca. — Odočnost organizatorjev in jeklarskih delavcev v borbi za priznanje unije je bila večeraj nagajana, ko je Carnegie-Illinois Steel Corp. naznanila, da se bo pogajala z Lewisovim odborom za industrijsko organizacijo v svrhu sklenitve kolektivne pogodbe. Odbor bo pri tej pogajanjih reprezentiral vse organizirane delavce v 27 jeklarnah te korporacije. Koncesije, katere je izvajal Lewisov odbor, smatrajo za največji dogodek v zgodovini ameriškega delavskega gibanja.

Vest, da se je najmočnejša korporacija v jeklarski industriji uklonila Lewisovemu odboru, je presenetila druge jeklarske kompanije, ker je prišla nepričakovano. Šest nadaljnjih jeklarskih kompanij — Bethlehem Steel Co., National Steel Co., Republic Steel Co., Inland Steel Co., National Tube Co. in Youngstown Sheet & Tube Co. — je takoj naznanilo zvišanje mezde in skrajšanje delovnega tedna na 40 ur, kar pomeni, da se bo letni dohodek delavcev, ki so upošleni v jeklarnah teh kompanij, povečal \$125,000,000.

Naznanilo, da je Carnegie-Illinois Steel Corp. pristala na kolektivna pogajanja z reprezentanti Lewisovega odbora, je prišlo po konferenci med Benjaminom F. Fairlessom, predsednikom korporacije in Philipom Murrayjem, direktorjem CIO. Kampanja, katere cilj je organiziranje jeklarskih in železarskih delavcev v industrijski uniji, je s tem dobila mogočen zamah. Kapitlaciji te korporacije bodo nedvomno sledile druge jeklarske kompanije.

Carnegie-Illinois Corp. uposluje 125,000 izmed 550,000 delavcev v vsej jeklarski industriji. Ta je najmočnejša podružnica korporacije United States Steel, ki stalno naglašala, odkar je bila ustanovljena l. 1890, da noče imeti nobenega opravka z unijami in "zunanji" agitatorji.

Vest o konferenci med predsednikom korporacije in direktorjem Lewisovega odbora je bila zadržana, dokler ni newyorška borza zaprla urada ob zaključku večerajšnjih transakcij. "Konferenca, ki se je vršila v znamenju sporazuma, se bo jutri popolno obnovila," se je glasilo kratko naznanilo Lewisovega direktorja Murrayja.

Naznanilo o pogajanjih je iznenadilo eksekutivne uradnike drugih jeklarskih korporacij, a so odklonili komentar. Ti so v privatnih razgovorih izražali mnenje, da se bo Lewisov odbor obrnil direktno na Ameriški jeklarski in železarski institut in zahteval priznanje unije. Ta institut reprezentira skoro vse jeklarske korporacije v Ameriki.

Se v zadnjem juniju je v imenu članjenih korporacij v velikih oglaših v ameriškem časopisju naglasil, da se bo upiral organiziranju jeklarskih in železarskih delavcev. To se je zgodilo v času, ko se je Lewisov odbor lotil naloge, da potegne vse delavce v industrijsko unijo.

Bethlehem Steel Co., Republic Steel Co., Inland Steel Co., National Tube Co. in Youngstown Sheet & Tube Co. so večeraj naznanile zvišanje plače deset centov na uro vsem delavcem, Naznanila korporacija pa je izjavila, da bo minimalna mezda nezuprjenih delavcev povečana na pet dolarjev na dan.

Domače vesti

Nesreča v premovalniku

Mt. Olive, Ill. — Frank Pleterski iz Stautona se je 23. febr. hudo ponesrečil pri delu v premovalniku. Poškodovan ima prsni koš in po bit je na glavi. Nahaja se v bolnišnici St. Francis v Litchfieldu in rojaki naj ga obiščejo.

Nov grob v New Yorku

Cooperstown, N. Y. — V tej naselbini je umrl Matt Česnovar, podomače Matic in samec. Podlegel je vodenici. V Clevelandu zapušta brata.

Pionir umrl v Penni

Reading, Pa. — Tu je umrl Jožef Težak, po domače Ražničkov, star 66 let in rojen v Dolnjem Suhorju pri Metliki v Beli Krajini. Podlegel je operaciji na želodcu. V Ameriki je bil čez 40 let in ves ta čas je živel v Readingu kot pionir naše naselbine. Tu zapušta ženo in štiri sinove ter brata, v Steeltonu hčer omoženo Malešič in pastorko omoženo Vivoda v Pueblu, Colo. V društvu ni bil nobenem, odkar ga je depresija izrinila iz JSKJ pred nekaj leti.

Ubil bratrance, ki mu je "zaco-pral"

Butte, Mont. — Zadnjo soboto je Ilija Martinovič ustrelil na ulici v glavnem delu mesta svojega bratrance Mika Aleksiča, ki je bil dolgo let policaj. Ko so morilca aretirali, je povedal policiji, da je ubil svojega bratrance zato, ker "mu je zacopal" da potem ni več imel nobene sreče ...

Operacija

Monessen, Pa. — Frank Tegel, član društva 505 SNPJ, se je moral 27. febr. podvreči operaciji na vnetem slepiču. Nahaja se v bolnišnici v Charleroiu.

Turneja tamburaškega zbora

Austin, Tex. — Ameriški tamburaški orkester tukajšnje univerze odide na koncertno turnejo po srednjem zapadu in vzhodu od 1. do 20. aprila. V tem orkestru so štirje Slovenci, pet Hrvatov in eden Čeh, vsi dijaki na tukajšnji univerzi. Direktor orkestra je Mathew L. Gouze (Govže). Zbor bo potoval v avtobusu in pride v Chicago sredi aprila.

Iz Clevelanda

Cleveland. — V bolnišnici je umrla Mary Novak, stara 54 in rojena pri Brezčah na Dolenjskem. V Ameriki je bila 27 let in tu zapušta sina, v starem kraju pa mater in brata. — Staršem John in Frances Perko je umrl 14-letni sin Lovrenc.

Delegatje

Chicago. — Kolikor je uredništvo znano oziroma sporočeno, so doslej izvoljeni sledeči delegatje za 11. redno konvencijo SNPJ: Frank Perko in Frank Zajc pri št. 16, Milwaukee, Wis.; John Ban in Anton Barilar pri št. 118, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Anton Jurca pri št. 121, Detroit, Mich.

Charlie Gorup umrl

Chicago. — Zadnjo nedeljo je umrl v bolnišnici Kornelji Gorup, po domače "Čarli", star 66 let in samec, ki je bil čez 30 let agent znane Trinerjeve vinske trgovine in dobro poznan po vseh naših večjih naselbinah. Doma je bil od St. Petra na Krasu in v starem kraju zapušta sestro.

Ljudske čete iztrgale Toledo fašistom

Italijani še vedno prihajajo v Španijo!

Valencia, 2. marca. — Iz Andujara prihaja vest, da se italijanske čete še vedno izkrcavajo v Malagi in Cadizu kljub temu, da je londonski nevtralizacijski odbor "zaprl" Španijo zunanjim "prostovoljcem". Španska ljudska vlada se boji napada na svoje vzhodno obrežje s strani italijanskih in nemških bojnih ladij, ki imajo po dogovoru v Londonu — stražiti pristanišča, ki so pod njeno kontrolo.

Madrid, 2. marca. — Španska ljudska milica je večeraj navalila v Toledo, 42 milj južno od Madrida, kasneje se je pa umaknila v vzhodna predmestja, toda mesto je še vedno pod kontrolo vladnega topništva in fašisti ga ne morejo reokupirati.

Na južnovzhodni fronti ob Jarami je ljudska milica iztrgala nadaljnji kos teritorija fašistom in jih pognala daleč proč od vitalne madridske ceste. Nov napad milice je prišel tudi zapadno od Madrida, kjer so fašisti izgubili važno postojanko v vseučeljskem okraju in pustili čez sto mrtvih na bojišču.

Na severni fronti v Asturiji so rudarske čete osvojile več novih postojank v Oviedu, kjer traja ljut boj že deset dni za vsako hišo in kjer se poseščina oblegane fašistične posadke vedno bolj krči.

Nov 'manjka joči' člen odkrit v Afriki

Opičji človek živi v atlaških gorah

Pariz, 2. marca. — Med francoskimi znanstveniki je zavladalo veliko zanimanje za najnovejši "manjkajoči člen med opico in človekom", katerega je nedavno odkril francoski raziskovalec Marcel Homet v gorah Atlas na robu Sahare v Afriki. Homet se je vrnil v Pariz s perfektno fotografijo enega teh opičjih ljudi.

Fotografija dokazuje, da je omenjeni stvor napol opica in napol človek. Čelo ima kot gorila in usta, nos, ušesa in postava je tudi opičja, na drugi strani ima golo kožo, roke in noge kot človek. Ko je Darwin pred več kot 60 leti v svoji knjigi o evoluciji človeka opisal "manjkajoči člen", katerega ni nikdar videl, je vsekakor v mislih videl to afriško bitje, ki ne more biti boljše.

Mussolini dekretiral popolno militarizacijo

Rim, 2. marca. — Fašistični veliki svet, ki se je večeraj sešel na Mussolinijev ukaz, je večeraj sklenil, da se mora vse moško prebivalstvo Italije od 18. do 55. leta podvreči vojaški službi in od časa do časa podvreči popolni mobilizaciji. Prihodnjih pet let mora biti vse "življenje" v Italiji posvečeno oboroženju brambi italijanskega imperija. Nato je Mussolini naznanil: To je odgovor fašistične Italije na petletni oborožitveni program Velike Britanije!

Zmaga nogavičarskih delavcev v Penni

Reading, Pa. — Prva nogavičarska firma v okraju Berksu, ki je podpisala pogodbo z Zvezo nogavičarskih delavcev, je Traymore Hosiery Co. Pogodba določa zaprtje delavnice. Istočasno je bila končana stavka nogavičarskih delavcev pri Arlington Hosiery Co. v Philadelphiji, ki je trajala dva tedna. Stavkarji so se vrnili na delo, ko je kompanija priznala unijo, zvišala mezde in skrajšala delovne ure.

STAVKA V WOOL-WORTHOVH PRODAJALNAH

Stavkovni val se razširja po Ameriki

MASNO PIKETIRANJE PREPOVEDANO

Detroit, Mich., 2. marca. — Možnost, da se bo sedeča stavka prodajal pri F. W. Woolworth Co. raztegnila na vse prodajalne te kompanije v Detroitu, se je povečala. Prva sedeča stavka je izbruhnila v prodajalni v glavnem delu mesta, večeraj pa je zanjela dve drugi na Woodward ave. in Grand boulevardu. Stavkarice, ki so okupirale prodajalno v glavnem delu mesta, so zabranile vstop upravitelju in drugim uradnikom kompanije.

Louis Koenig, tajnik krajevne unije, v kateri so prodajalke vveljavljene, je odgovoril oklic stavke v vseh prodajalnah te družbe v Detroitu po telefonskem razgovoru s predsednikom mednarodne unije. Zadnjo soboto je kompanija zvišala plačo dolar na teden in naznanila minimalno tedensko plačo \$14. Stavkarice zahtevajo dodatno zvišanje in druge koncesije.

Stavka, ki je izbruhnila pred štirimi dnevi v tovarnah Chevrolet Co. in Fisher Body Co. v Janesville, Wis., je bila večeraj poravnana in tovarne bodo jutri obnovile obrat. Obe kompaniji sta podružnici korporacije General Motors.

Legalna akcija je bila večeraj podvzeta proti stavkarjem, ki so okupirali tovarni. Timken-Deokrit Axle Co. in Ferro Stamp-ling Mfg. Co. 18. februarja. Pozvani so bili pred sodišče, da navedejo vzrok proti izdaji injunkcije glede izpraznitve tovarne.

Sto slepih delavcev je zastavkalo v delavnici Pennysylvanske zveze slepcev v Pittsburghu, v Toledo, O., pa so oklicali stavko raznašalci telegramov. Zahtevajo zvišanje mezde in priznanje unije. Istočasno je izbruhnila stavka bolničark v neki bolnišnici v Norwalku, O., v znak protesta proti odločitvi nadzornice.

V Clevelandu so zastavkali skladiščni delavci in razvaževalci pohištva, ker so delodajalci pretrgali pogajanja z unijo glede sklenitve nove pogodbe.

V Readingu, Pa., je Zveza nogavičarskih delavcev oklicala stavko v šestih tovarnah, ki so morale ustaviti obrat. Več kot dva tisoč delavcev je zavojevalnih v tej stavki.

Chicago, 2. marca. — Fansteel Metallurgical korporacija v No. Chicagu je naznanila obnovitev obrata v svoji tovarni, iz katere so bili sedeči stavkarji izgnani z oboroženo silo zadnji petek, pod zaščito injunkcije, ki preprečuje masno piketiranje. Injunkcija je izdal sodnik Ralph J. Dady, ki govori, da mora biti piketiranje omejeno na pare. Vsak par mora biti oddaljen od drugega para piketov najmanj 300 čevljev.

Šest voditeljev stavke je še v ječi okraja Lake. Meyer Adelman, organizator Lewisovega odbora CIO, pa je zaprt v Kenoshi, Wis., kamor se je umaknil po masnem delavskem shodu v Slovenskem narodnem domu v Waukeganu in kjer je bil aretiran. Adelmann, katerega zahtevajo avtoritete v Waukeganu, ki so ga obtožile oviranje izvajanja injunkcije, je naznanil, da se bo boril proti ekstradiciji. V imenu svoje unije bo predložil evidenco, da avtoritete in korporacija kršijo civilne svobodščine, katere garantira ustava ameriškim državljanom, senatnemu odseku, kateremu načeljuje senator Robert M. La Follette iz Wisconsin. Temu odseku je bila poverjena prisilna

Položaj španske armade se izboljšal

Fašistična ofenziva na madridski fronti zlomljena

Valencia, Španija. — (FP) Situacija ljudske armade se je znatno izboljšala po padcu Malage, pristanišnega mesta ob Sredozemskem morju na jugu Španije, po izjavi Alvareza del Vaya, zunanjega ministra španske republike, katero je podal v razgovoru s poročevalcem Federalizirane tiska. Uporniška ofenziva v sektorju ob reki Jarami, katere cilj je bil izolacija Madrida, je bila ustavljena in vladne čete zdaj naskakujejo fašistične pozicije. Na to ofenzivo se je fašistični armadni štab dolgo pripravljaval, a ni uspel, čeprav je v napadih na vladne pozicije v tem sektorju sodelovalo okrog 60,000 italijanskih in nemških fašistov. Del Vayo je dejal, da bo ljudska armada izšla smagovita iz civilne vojne, ker je že prešla v protiofenzivo v Oviedu in pokrajini Baski.

"Dolga civilna vojna zavira od pomoči, katero bodo uporniki prejeli od svojih zunanjih zaveznikov, predvsem iz Italije in Nemčije," je rekel zunanji minister. "Vojna je bila takorekoč končana v decembru, ko je nastala velika demoralizacija v uporniški armadi po neuspešnih naskokih na Madrid. To so priznali tudi deseterjerji iz fašističnega tabora. Šele potem, ko so dospeli na to fronto Italijanske in nemške čete, se je upanje v tem taboru nekoliko dvignilo."

Na vprašanje, kaj misli o narzitu mednarodne konvencije nevtralizacijskega odbora, je Del Vayo odgovoril, da učinki zavilajo od izvajanja tega načrta. "Velika napaka je bila storjena, ker je odbor poveril kontrolo nad gotovimi pomorskimi conami italijanskim in nemškim bojnim ladjam, ki so v zadnjih mesecih večkrat napadle bojne ladje španske vlade", je dejal zunanji minister. "To bojno brodovje lahko počenja v odrejenih conah kar hoče. Efektivna kontrola bi bila mogoča le, ako bi patrolirala morje in vsa španska pristanišča flota združenih evropskih velesil."

Del Vayo je dalje rekel, da Španija ni sovjetska republika, temveč demokratična ljudovlada, ki se bori za svoj obstanek, socialne pravice in mir v tem konfliktu.

Čikaške učiteljice zahtevajo plačo

Nova finančna kriza

Chicago. — (FP) — Okrog tri tisoč učiteljice se je udeležilo shoda, kjer so protestirale proti školskemu odboru in mestnim uradnikom zaradi zadrževanja plače. Od 19. decembra niso prejemale nobene plače. Znižanje, ki je bilo odrejeno v prvih letih depresije in znaša 23 odstotkov, je še vedno v veljavi, dočim so vse druge grupe mestnih uslužbencev dobile zvišanje v zadnjih tednih, kar učiteljice smatrajo za zapostavljanje.

Mestna vlada je zabredla v novo finančno krizo. Arhaični davčni sistem je odgovoren za to krizo. Mesto ima dobiti več kot \$400,000,000 v zaostalih davkih na posnetu, toda te vsote ne more izterjati. Davčni sistem je kompliciran in ščiti veleposelnike, ne pa malih hišnih posestnikov. To je glavni vzrok, da je davčna mašinerija v Chicagu odpovedala.

va delavske špionaže v industrijah in zatiranja civilnih svobodščin.

Mussolini pošilja Slovence na Španisko!

Ceta slovenskih prostovoljcev v armadi španske vlade je ujela dva rojaka Primorca, ki sta se morala proti svoji volji boriti na strani fašistov. Zdaj sta med svojimi in se borita proti fašistom. V Španiji je mnogo Primorcev ...

Madrid, januarja 1937. — Sem Primorec in kot tak protifašist. Po odhodu iz Italije brez potnega lista, sem bil nekaj časa v Ljubljani, pa tudi v Zagrebu in drugod po Jugoslaviji, a zaposlitve nisem mogel najti. Iz bede in potepanja me je rešil prijatelj v Franciji, ki me je aprvil v Marselle, kjer sem pa moral delati kot pristaniški delavec.

Ko je nastala v Španiji državljanska vojna, je med v Franciji živčimi italijanskimi protifašističnimi emigranti močno zavladalo. Pojavil se je klic: "Pomagajmo Špancem v boju proti fašizmu!" Ta klic je dvignil tudi mene, da sem se odločil in javil kot prostovoljec v vrste bojevnikov madridske vlade. Sprašujete me, če sem morda komunist? Ne, ampak slovenski nacionalist. Prav zato sem tu. Tistega prepričanja so tudi skoraj brez izjeme vsi slovenski in hrvaški primorski emigranti, ki so z menoj, ali pa kje drugje na dolgi španski državljanski fronti. Nam vsem gre le za boj proti fašizmu, ki nam je uničil eksistenco in nas pognal z rodnega doma v potepanje po tujem svetu.

Primorski Slovenci in Hrvati smo večinoma tu skupaj in tvorimo svojo sicer malo, a neustrašno četo. Zelo veliko je pa italijanskih protifašističnih emigrantov, ki so prišli vsi iz Francije in s katerimi imamo prav dobre in prijateljske stike. Precej je tudi nemških protifašistov, ki so morali zapustiti svojo domovino Nemčijo, kakor mi svojo. Ker znamo skoraj vsi italijanski in za silo francoski, smo se tudi španščini kmalu prilagodili. Nekateri moji tovariši govorijo španski že tako dobro, da jih smatrajo kot kar pristne Špance. Slovenci imamo menda poseben dar za jezike in prilagoditev v vsakih razmerah.

Ako ostanemo živi in se doma razmere ne spremenijo, bomo najbrže ostali tudi po končani vojski tu v Španiji. Španci nam obljubljajo, da bomo imeli posebno prednost pri zaposlitvi. Razen tega imamo tu kot svojega zastopnika nekega Slovence, ki je že dolgo let v Španiji in uživa posebno zaupanje na najvišjih mestih. On zelo skrbi za nas in uživamo radi njega še poseben ugled. Ta ugled nam je dvignil tudi naš ubogi tovariš Križaj, ki no ga kot letalca ujeli nacisti in ustrelili, kar gotovo še veste. Njegova smrt nas je vse zelo potrla. Razen njega smo izgubili, kolikor jaz vem, Slovenci še tri tovariše, a več jih je bilo ranjenih.

Poseben dogodek smo doživeli pred enim mesecem, ko so se nam na bojišču vdali trije "francovi". Ker so španščino le lomili, smo takoj videli, da so Italijani, toda dva od teh "Italijanov" sta bila Slovenca-Primorca. Ko smo z njimi govorili v Italijanščini, je moj tovariš naenkrat zaklel "preklete barabe" in dva "Italijana" sta kakor iz sebe skočila k njemu in spoznali smo se. Saj si sami lahko predstavljate, kakšno veselje je potem nastalo za nas in za njih. Povedala sta, da sta bila v Abesiniji, od koder so ju že poslali domov, a po dveh tednih sta morala zopet z doma in bila sta odposlana kot "prostovoljca" Francu na pomoč. S tovarišem Italijanom sta več dni iskala priliko, da bi pobegnili na našo stran, in nazadnje se jima je to tudi res posrečilo. Sedaj sta oba v naši četi. Pozdravite vse naše rojake, primorce emigrante v Jugoslaviji!

— Iz Istre.

Ljubljana, 1. februarja. — Naročniku našega lista je poslal naš rojak T. V., ki se je prijavil kot prostovoljec na strani madridske vlade, par pismen, iz katerih prinašamo sledeče zanimivosti:

"Za danes mi ni mogoče pisati daljših poročil, ker nimam časa. Sem namreč telefonist in tolašč pri poveljstvu 12 brigade. Z menoj sta še dva Slovence, brata Marvin, oba Gorčiča in dva Hrvata. Prvič, ko odidem na odmor, Ti bom poslal obširne podatke, ker sedaj ne utegnem, ker imam dela čez glavo. Naša mobilna brigada je približno to, kar so bili v Italiji za časa vojne "arditi" in ne ostane nikjer več kot par dni. Pride, napade in odide. Do sedaj se je bojevala vedno s uspehom. Bolj kot drugi vedo to fašisti sami, ker okusijo na lastnih buticah, kaj je duh bojevnikov, ki so obenem in predvsem antifašisti. Rečem Ti še, da je nekaj lepega bojevati se ramo ob ramo s ljudmi, ki ne poznajo strahu. Med drugim povem še, da ni res, kar se po navadi misli in govori o bojevostni Italijanov. In da bo resnica popolna, moram še reči, da je italijanski bataljon najboljši izmed vseh. Prav tako ne pozna strahu njih poveljnik. Videl sem, kako so ga vojski potegnili v jarek, ker je bil preveč izpostavljen sovražniškemu ognju. (Imenuje se Pacclardi, je republikanec, po poklicu pa odvetnik). Italijanski bataljon nosi ime "Garibaldi". Ne bom pretereval, če rečem, da je on brkone najposobnejši izmed vseh republikancev, da nadaljuje delo, ki ga je započel Garibaldi v preteklem stoletju. Pred nekaj dnevi so ga povišali v polkovnika in vsi so tega prepričani, da ne bo dolgo, ko bo general. Govoril sem Ti samo o Pacclardiju, ker če bi hotel opisati vse, bi temu pismu ne bilo konca.

Naša brigada je zelo demokratično urejena in do napredovanja pridejo le najposobnejši. Dva Gorčiča, brata Marvin, sta bila prej navadna vojaka, sedaj pa je starejši postal stotnik, mlajši pa stotnik-adjutant pri bataljonu. In takih je večina. To so navadni delavci, ki naredijo "oficirake" izpite v ognju in ne v vojaških šolah. Moštvo je morda ravno zaradi tega zelo ubogljivo in poslušno. Disciplin je zelo stroga, a ne zvrha vsiljena. Primorcev je tu mnogo, a ne vem njih števila in dokler ne odidem na odmor, Ti tudi ne morem dosti o njih povedati, ker sem noč in dan na delu in le redko kdaj se mi posreči, da lahko spim štiri ali pet ur. Ko je obstreljevanje zelo hudo, smo ne-prenemaj na telefonski progi. Je to tako delo, da če nimam več kot trdnih živcev — "obcagaš". Gotov sem, da si čital "Na krvavih poljanah" in Ti ne bom zato pravil, kako se je v tem oziru s mano. Kdo sem slišal, imam še en napad in potem, če ne pridejo "komplicacije", pojdemo na odmor.

Ako Ti je mogoče, pošlji mi "Istro". Pošlji mi tudi stare številke zadnjih mesecev.

Op. ur.: Pisec tega pisma je bil v Italiji radi antifasizma že več let zaprt in preganjan, je po poklicu čevljar in zelo načitan ter inteligenten mladenič. Njegovega imena nečemo za enkrat objaviti, ker ne bi hoteli a tem prizadeti njegovim sorodnikom nepotrebnih sitnosti in skrbí, ker so jih imeli že tako preveč.

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Izvešček fed. zapisnika

Pittsburgh, Pa. — Glavne seje federacije društev SNPJ za Penno v Slov. domu v Pittsburghu dne 26. jan. se je udeležil vsa odboja in 72 zastopnikov, ki so skupno reprezentirali 35 društev. Zapisnik prejšnje konference se sprejme. Prečita se pismo iz urada Prosvetne matice in dostavi se poslane knjige. Sprejeto, da se obnovi članarina v omenjeni kulturni organizaciji.

Prošnje. Bratu Jos. Smrkolju, ki je pogorel, se daruje vsota \$10 in Lorencu Albljeru od dr. \$15 se potrjuje \$5.31 za 3 mesečni assement. Tajnik poroča, da je v blagajni \$402.15. Blagajnik in nadzorni odbor se strinjata s tem poročilom.

Br. Horvat in Barilar poročata za odbor Fraternal Orders Committee, ki sodeluje s C. I. O. za organiziranje industrijskih delavcev. Razpoložljive, volja in disciplina teh grup je razveseljiva in pogoj za gotov uspeh. Peternel in Tomsič apelirata na navzoče, da podpiramo akcijo na navzoče, da podpiramo akcijo na navzoče, da podpiramo akcijo na navzoče.

Ed Miklačić poroča, da angleško poslušajo federacija namerava letos privediti veliko slavnost kje v središču okrožja društev SNPJ. — Poročila zastopnikov o napredku društev so zadovoljiva. Prašnikov pravi, da so pridobili 15 novih članov. Bregrat tudi poroča o precejšnjem porastu članstva. Strupek iz Primrose se najbolj postavi s pomeno izjavo, da je njih društvo naraslo kar za 24 novih članov v ml. oddelku. Društvo v Midwayju noče biti zadaj, zato br. Sirc odgovarja prveemu, da imajo že ves slovenski rod v članstvu. M. Zigman pravi, da so dobili 12 novih članov v Cliff-Mine. Br. Ban za društvo 118 v svojem obširnem poročilu izvaja, da je treba proste pristopnine za mlajše novopristopne člane.

Br. Sirc je za kontrolo plač delegacij na konvenciji z ozirom na zborovanje in čas vožnje na potovanju ter predloži zadevno resolucijo. Sprejeto, da društvo lahko priobči resolucijo v Prosveti.

Rozanec poudarja, da je treba poudariti več pozornosti naraščanju jednote z ozirom na mladino, odnosno treba je odpraviti visoko pristopnino. Komentirajo Terčelj, Bogataj, Barilar, Rosenberger in Tomsič.

Sklene se, da izvolimo 5 članov poseben odbor, ki bo napravil posnetek novih pravil, oziroma spremembe, katere se bo priporočilo 11. redni konvenciji. Smrekar omeni kampanjo za mladinski oddelk in priporoča, da plačamo nagrado tajnikom za trud pridobivanja novih članov. Sklep se glasi, da federacija plača 25 centov za vsakega novega člana.

Na dnevni red pride letna prireditelj slavnosti federacije. Predlagane so razne naselbine. Peternel meni, da imajo v Willocku jako pripraven prostor za piknik. Po daljšem razmotrivanju se sklene, da se vrši prireditev tam dne 25. julija. Predno se preide na volitev odbora, se zaključijo, da zvišamo plačo predsedniku z enega na dva dolarja, podpredsedniku s 50c na en dolar in blagajniku z enega na dva dolarja, za vsako sejo. Tajnik in zapisnikar prejmeta vsak po 5 dolarjev za sejo. Nadzorni odborniki (trije) po en dolar vsak za vsako prireditev knjig.

Ponovno izvoljeni odbor je: John Terčelj, preds., Geo. Smrekar, podpreds., Jacob Ambrozich, taj., John Kvartich, blag., Louis Glaser, zapis. Nadzorniki: Bartol Jerant, John Koklich in Anton Barilar. Zastopniki za angleško poslušajo federacijo: Anton Rozanec, Anton Frank in Fred Steiner. Odbor za pravila: Adolf Tomsič, Anton Barilar, Anton Horvat, Rok Lesar, Frank Lavrich in Joseph Peternel. (Ker je bilo šest kandidatov, se sklene, da so soglasno izvoljeni.) Sledi še nekaj društvenih po-

ročil. Lesar omenja, da so pri njih v Veroni modernizirali društveni dom. Urašč priporoča, da se naj plačuje višja bolniška podpora in s tem balancira bolniški sklad. Br. Prijatelj omenja, da je treba nekaj ukreniti v dobrobit starih članov, posebno se to tiče onih, ki so prekoračili 60 ali 65 let. Priporoča, da bi bili prosti plačevanja assementa. Markovich se pritožuje, da je njih društvo pisalo več tajnikom v svrhu združitve za volitev delegata 11. konvencije, pa ni dobilo nobenega odgovora. Oglašajo se zastopniki društev New Brighton in Monaco, da so privolili združiti se s omenjenim društvom v McKees Rockau. Bartol poroča, da v Bishopu so se združili z društvom v South Viewu v isti namen.

John Yenko iz Cuddy poroča, da bodo proslavili 20letnico na Labor day in želi, da se ta dan rezervira za njih slavnost. Bregrat iz Universal vabi na 30letnico, katero priredi njih društvo na 27. julija skupno z angleško govorečim društvom št. 715. O-beta se vsestranski program, da se zadovolji občinstvo. Sklep federacije je, da si nabavimo 10 vstopnic v vsoti \$2.50 njim v pomoč.

Anton Horvat nagovori zastopnike v imenu španskega zavodnega delavstva, ki se bori za demokracijo proti Hitlerjevemu in Mussolinijevemu fašizmu. Daruje se primerna vsota \$25. Za Cankarjevo ustanovo se plača članarina \$10. Odboru, ki sodeluje s CIO, se daruje vsota \$25. (Darovali vsega skupaj \$75.31.) Na izpraznjeno mesto omenjenega odbora se izvoli Anton Horvat in Anton Barilar.

Na dnevni red pride pomen federacije, aktivnost in dolžnosti njenega delokroga. Jedro govora več zastopnikov je, da federacije dobe več moči, kar naj odbor za osnutek pravil upošteva; nadalje naj vsa društva SNPJ tega okrožja pošljejo svoja priporočila o spremembi katerekoli točke pravil enemu šestih članov omenjenega odbora.

Navzoč je tudi br. J. Rebolj iz Bridgeporta, O., ki nagovori zastopnike ter v daljšem govoru z dobrimi priporočili za prihodnjo konvencijo navdušuje in urigira zastopnike, da delajo po zadržani smeri za še boljše in večje SNPJ. Br. John Koklich iz Canonsburga (Strabane) poroča o napredku njihovega hranilnega in stavbanskega društva, katero je v kratkem naraslo na \$200,000 vlog. Apelira na posamezne člane in društva, da se pridružijo tej velekoristni gospodarski ustanovi.

Prihodnja seja federacije se vrši na Bishopu v Slov. društvenem domu 25. aprila.

John Terčelj, preds., Louis Glaser, zapisnikar.

Članom v Coloradu in Novi Mehiki v razmotrivanje

Raton, N. Mex. — Naj mi bo dovoljeno, da spoznam nekaj vprašanj glede federacije SNPJ za južno Colorado in Novo Mehiko. Ako mislimo, da bo federacija ostala pri življenju ob sedanjih prispevkih po deset centov od člana na leto, naj vam povem, da je obsejna na razpad prej ali slej. Za njen obstoj je potrebno, da jo postavimo na zdravo finančno podlago.

Tukaj vam podajam nekaj števil in računov za vse leto glede dohodkov in stroškov. Pri tem mislim, da nisem dosti v zmoti. Na zadnji seji, ki se je vršila v Pueblu, Colo., dne 31. januarja, je bilo zaključeno, da ima vsako društvo pravico poslati pet zastopnikov na federacijske seje. Ako se ne motim, spada v federacijo 11 društev. Ako torej vsako društvo pošlje pet zastopnikov, znaša skupno število 55. Naj vam bo povedano, da se zastopniki ne bodo vozili na seje na lastne stroške, kakor tudi odborniki ne, ker teh stroškov ne morejo plačati iz lastnega žepa.

Torej pojdemo do razprave. Članstvo vseh pridruženih društev šteje okrog 600 — ne dosti več ne manj. Ako bi vsak član prispeval deset centov mesečne članarine, bi bilo skupnih letnih dohodkov \$720. Vozni stro-

ški 55 zastopnikov povprečno znašajo dva dolarja na vsakega — eden bi dobil več, drugi zopet manj. Teh stroškov bi bilo letno za štiri seje \$440. Dvorana in muzikantje \$60 za vsako sejo, torej letno za štiri seje \$240. Raznih stroškov na leto \$20. Skupni dohodki na leto po deset centov na mesec od člana bi bili \$720, skupni stroški pa \$700.

Te številke so precej jasne. Prosim vse člane in članice društev, ki so pridružena federaciji severne Nove Mehike in južne Kolorade, da razpravljate o tej stvari na svojih sejah. Vprašanje je, ali bomo držali federacijo pri življenju ali jo bomo pustili umreti? Torej na delo, da bodo zastopniki lahko poročali na prihodnji seji, ki se vrši v Ludlowu v nedeljo dne 25. aprila v dvorani kluba 85 ob 1. uri popoldne. Želim bi, da bi se še kateri drugi član oglašil, na kakšen način bi nam bilo mogoče obdržati federacijo na dobri podlagi.

Louis Kopriva, 297.

Glasovi iz naselbin

Seja kluba brezposelnih Chicago, Ill. — Klub brezposelnih št. 61 Illinois Workers Alliance of Cook County bo imel redno mesečno sejo v četrtek 4. marca ob osmih zvečer v spodnji dvorani SNPJ na Lawndale. Na seji bo več zanimivih poročil. Naša organizacija je sklicala nekako konferenco o brezposelnosti in brezposelnostni podpori za prihodnjo nedeljo 7. marca v Hull Housu, 800 S. Halsted st. Mi se moramo malo pomeniti, kako prisostvovati tej prireditvi.

Omeniti je treba, da imamo precej članov, ki so zaostali z mesečnino. Take se posebno vabi, da se udeleže vsaj od časa do časa kake seje in poravnajo te male prispevke, ki jih naš klub pobira.

Organizacija je sedaj izdala novo člansko knjižico, ki vsebuje glavna pravila in načela organizacije. Tisti člani, ki poravnajo zaostalo mesečnino, bodo dobili to knjižico v zameno za staro. Ako je kdo knjižico izgubil, tudi lahko dobi novo, ker tajnik ima vse naslove in številke knjižic. Pridite torej na to sejo in obdržite stike s klubom.

Namen je bil dobiti za to sejo kakega govornika (slovenskega). To se še vedno namerava. Poskus je bil tudi napravljen, da bi se dobilo kake slike, kot smo jih imeli na januarski seji. To se tudi še poskuša dobiti. Vsekakor bo pa po seji malo prigrizka in tudi malo pozirka. Na svidenje na seji!

Simon Trojar.

Razna priporočila

Clinton, Ind. — Vaak član, ki razpravlja o pravih, skuša podati svoje sugestije z vidika, da se iste izboljša. Vsaka konvencija dela napake in jih bo tudi prihodnja. Zgodi se, da dobri predlogi propadejo, slabi so pa sprejeti z malo večino. Vzrok temu je, ker se dosti delegatov vzdrži glasovanja, kar je nedopustno. Glasovanja bi se moral udeležiti vsak član in bilo bi manj napak. Dosti je tudi delegatov, ki niso preudarni in premalo poslušajo ali pa včasih tudi kateri zadržani, potem pa ne ve, kaj se je govorilo. Jaz priporočam, da konvencija sprejme sklep, kateri delegat ali delegatinja se ne udeležijo glasovanja, da ni upravičen do dnevnice. Če se to stori, bo sprejetih več dobrih predlogov.

Iz pravil naj se vrže točka, ki pravi, da se za samskimi samomorilec plača le pogrebne stroške do vsote \$100. Bodimo toliko ašteni, da ne bomo delali razlik med samskim ali oženjenim članom, ki si konča življenje. Mogoče je sames plačeval 25 do 30 let za \$600 ali \$1000 smrtnine, omarči se mu um, ali ga kaj drugega tira v obup in stori samomor, toda za njim se izplača le sto dolarjev. Oženjen pa plačuje mogoče samo nad leto dni in se izplača vsa zavarovalnina. Proti tej diskriminaciji sem bil že na springfieldski konvenciji, kjer mi je neki delegat, ki je potem sam šel v prostovoljno smrt, zabil samomor, ker sem proti tej točki.

Za olajšanje pridobivanja novih članov priporočam, da se naj zniža sedanja pristopnina vsaj za polovico. Vsak agitator dobi vs, da je pristopnina previ-

soka in dostikrat odgovorna, da se ne more dobiti prospektivnega člana v sled visokega assementa prvi mesec. Ljudje navadno poizvedujejo, kje je manj za plačilo, in pristopijo v tisto organizacijo, katera jim nudi več ugodnosti.

Tudi naj se zniža assement v mladinskem oddelku za tri cente. Mladinski sklad je na dobri podlagi in ne bomo imeli višjega assementa kakor pri drugih organizacijah.

Priporočam tudi, da upeljemo "endowment" zavarovanje za o-ba oddelka. Ako bi SNPJ imela to zavarovanje, bi se lahko dobilo veliko več novih članov. Ko sem lani agitiral za mladinski oddelk, so me vpraševali, koliko bo dobil, ko bo star 18 let. Pojasniti sem moral, da pri naši organizaciji se plača le za slučaj smrti. Odgovor sem dobil, ako bi imeli endowmentno lestvico, bi ga starši dali v društvo, ker bi nekaj dobil, ko doseže 18 let.

Pri naši jednoti imamo tri smrtninske razrede ali načrte, namreč A, B in C. Član, ki je sedaj zavarovan v načrtu A na primer za \$1100 in želi prestopiti v načrt B ali C, mora znižati smrtnino na \$1000. Mogoče je plačeval že 20 do 25 let za \$1100, sedaj če hoče prestopiti, pa izgubi \$100 zavarovalnine. Seveda, če ni prestar, lahko stopi v razred \$1500. Če pa je član zavarovan za \$850 in želi prestopiti v načrt B, mora znižati zavarovalnino na

\$600, če je prekoračil 45 let starosti. Tu zopet izgubi \$250, čeprav je plačeval assement že dolgo leta za — nič. Da, imamo take razrede, odkar se je SDPZ združila s SNPJ. Združitev pogodba je jamčila članom enakopravnost. Priporočam, da taki člani kakor jih tu omenjam, lahko pristopijo v načrt B ali C, ne da bi jim bilo treba znižati ali zvišati smrtnino.

Drugo je tudi, da član, ki prestopi v načrt B ali C, mora čakati eno leto, predno dobi posojilo za assement. To se mi ne vidi praktično, ako hočemo člane obdržati v jednoti. Dosti je članov, ki so izčrpali svojo pasivnost. So brez dela in brez prijateljev, ki bi jim posodili za assement. Jednota posodi le za tri mesece za bolniško podporo. Jaz priporočam, ko član pristopi v načrt B ali C, da si lahko izposodi za assement po preteku treh mesecev. S tem bi bilo članom dosti pomagano in bi jih lažje obdržali v jednoti.

Frank Bregar, 50.

LISTNICA UREDNIŠTVA

Cleveland, A. K.: Pod razpravo mora biti popoln podpis.

Akron, O., M. B.: Agitacija za delegatstvo ni dovoljena v glasilu in vsi spori, ki izvirajo iz volitev delegatov, se imajo rešiti v društvu ali med društvi oziroma na drugih določenih inštancah, ne pa v glasilu.

NAŠI ODRI

Tone Šubelj bo pel na Savinem koncertu

Chicago. — Tretjo nedeljo v aprilu, na 18., bomo v Chicagu zopet imeli priliko slišati Tona Šublja, ki bo nastopil na Savinem pomladanskem koncertu. Zadnjič smo ga slišali ob priliki desetletnice društva Pioneer leta 1935. Predaval je na en del programa. Da je on najbolj priljubljen pevec med nami, ni treba omenjati.

Po prvotnem namenu bi se imel Savin koncert vršiti 11. aprila v dvorani SNPJ; ker pa Tone Šubelj ne more priti ta dan v Chicagu, je bil koncert premeščen na 18. aprila in v drugo dvorano. Vršil se bo v dvorani Sokol Pilsen na Ashland ave. blizu 18. ceste, kjer ima svoje koncerte hrvatski pevski zbor Zora in kjer se je pred več leti vršil tudi koncert Svetozarja Jovanova.

Vsem čikaškim in okoliškim rojakom torej priporočamo, da si rezervirajo tretjo nedeljo v aprilu za Savin koncert, kjer boste imeli priliko slišati koncertnega pevca Tona Šublja, ki zna predvajati posebno slovenske pesmi kakor nihče drugi. Vstopnina bo v predprodaji 50c, pri vstopu pa 60c.—Pub. odbor.

H komediji "Glavni dobitek"

Chicago. — Igralski zbor Slovenskega doma iz Waukegana je gostoval v nedeljo 28. februarja z Lipahovo tridejansko komedijo "Glavni dobitek" v Chicagu na odru avditorija SNPJ. Upriporil jo je za klub št. 1 JSZ. To je bila njihova tretja ponovitve komedije; prvič so jo podali na domačem odru in potem na milwauškem. Z njo so dosegli uspeh na vseh treh uprizoritvah. Pri nas je bila to prva komedija po večletnem presledku in občinstvu je ugaljala. Vsa tri dejanja so šla gladko naprej, dasi je bilo želeti krajšega odmora med prvim in drugim dejanjem.

Jedro igre je v tem, da se podeželski profesor najprej udaja v usodo ubožstva, kar ni pač "nobena sramota" za nikogar, temveč "v ponos" prizadetim, čim pa ga "doleti" sreča z lepim, praznično oblečenim glavnim dobitkom v obliki milijončaka, se seveda spremeni tudi profesorjeva filozofija o ubožstvu in bogastvu. Vsi prizori v tej tridejanski komediji se razvijajo po vplivu te sreče ali nesreče. Profesor zazna, da je zadel terno in namah zavre vso svetniško navlako, ki je kazila njegovo stanovanje. Sv. Neža, av. Stefan in drugi patroni naredijo dramatičen umik in dajo prostor na stene profesorjeve sobe modernim slikam, ki so predstavljale krasne deve v modificiranih Evinih kostumih. Gospa profesorica se pojavi v moderni frizuri, gospod profesor si obrije čestitljivo brado. Sploh

se spremeni vse ozračje na njihovem domu — v tem trenutku pa se izve, da je bila s terno "mala pomota" v številki in profesorjevi svetniki dobe svoje staro mesto na stenah, "pregrešno" slike, kakor jih krsti sorodnica branjevka, pa romajo na podstrešje. Končno, po žalostnem tarjanju, se vendarle izve, da je bila številka prava in profesor res zadene terno. Veselja, da kaj. Profesorjev sin, ki je do ušes zaljubljen v bankirjevo hčerko, se lahko nemoteno z njo poroči. Profesorjeva žlahta se seveda zelo veseli terne, saj se bo tudi nje prišlo nekaj evenka od tistega milijončaka.

Profesorja je igral Rudolf Skala, njegovo soprogo Rozi Skala, sina John Kogovšek, krojača Paul Peklija, njegovo ženo Jennie Miller, bankirja Babica Andrej Možek, njegovo hčerko Marico Miki Kirn, branjevko Marjeto Mary Hrovatin, daljnega sorodnika Kristofa Frank Pender, služkinjo Anko Loraine Miller in dijaka Martin Judnič, ki je igro tudi zrežiral. Vloge so dobro izvršili, krono igralske spretnosti pa je zlehka odnesla Mary Hrovatin, ki je pokazala, da poseduje za take vloge priložen talent. Profesorja je dobro markiral Rudolf Skala, ki se na odrskih deskah počuti domačega, prepričevalnega igralca. Ostali igralci in igralki so se tudi dobro udželi v svoje vloge in s svojimi nastopi pripomogli celotni igri do uspeha. Sufilirala je Mary Korser, maskiral pa Philip Godina. Waukeganski igralski zbor ima dobre diletantke moči in taki nastopi na drugih odrih morejo le služiti kot vzpodbuda k nadaljnjemu delu. Sploh so medsebojna gostovanja naših diletantskih skupin na odrih sosednjih naselbin zelo priporočljiva.

Udeležba na nedeljski prireditvi je bila nepričakovano velika, razpoloženje dobro in zabave obilo. Vse komične prizore, ki jih je bilo precej, je avdiencia spremljala s samoniklim odobravanjem, tako seveda vse posamezne "španske" dialoge, ki so si kar tekmovali med seboj, toliko jih je bilo. Prireditve se je vršila v korist Proletarca. Za ples po igri in med dejanji je igral Kočevarjev orkester, v spodnji dvorani pa godba treh muzikantov. Prihodnja klubova prireditve bo pomladanski koncert njegovega pevskega oddeska Save dne 18. aprila, na katerem bo sodeloval baritonist Tone Šubelj.

Louis Beniger.

Tenorisit Louis Belle

Cleveland. — Tenorisita Louis Belleta pozna v Clevelandu in okolici vsak Slovenec in Slovanka ter poznajo ga izven velikega Clevelanda, saj so ga vabila že

skoraj vsa večja slovenska mesta ali naselbine, da jim prednaša naoko lepo in v arce segajočo slovensko pesem. Louis Belle je naš domači pevec. Med nami je živ, med nami se je učil in igraval, med nami je pel in poje, zato je naš pevec ameriškega slovenskega naroda.

Leta 1913 je prišel v Cleveland. Ze takrat je rad popeval v veseli družbi ter kazal izreden talent. Leta 1918 je pristopil k pevskeemu društvu "Zarja". V njem se je vzbudila prava pevka žila, petje ga objame s tako velikilo silo, da zahaja k privatnim učiteljem. Pet let troši denar, žrtvuje prosti čas, poskuša in poje. Uči se tudi igranja na piano. Iz domovine prihajajo peveci: Šubelj, Banovec, Lovsetova. Bele prišlakuje petju starokrajški umetnikov. Približa se jim, povprašuje in uči se, da bi dosegel njihove možnosti in vrednosti. On kar vidno napreduje. Kjerkoli poje, povsod žanje hvalno odobravanje in priznanje. Narod ga vzljubi in vestno zasleduje njegove nove uspehe.

V "Kovačevem študentu" je pel naslovno vlogo, v "Rozamund" vlogu Trubadorja, v operi "Urh, grof celjski" se je odlikoval v vlogi Ivana, v operi "Gorenjski slavček" triumfal v vlogi Franja, v operi "Marta" v vlogi Lyonella, v operi "Il Trovatore" je pel vlogo Marinka in v operi "Nikola Subic Zrinski" vlogo Juranča. To so njegovi veliki in nepozabni uspehi, to vam jamči in kaže, da je tenorisit Louis Belle naš domači umetnik.

Pred šestimi leti v marcu je podal svoj prvi koncert v Slovenskem narodnem domu. Takrat je Belle žel krasen uspeh. Prvi koncert domačega tenorisita je bil pravi triumf. Med kritikami čitamo: "Z veseljem konstatiramo, da nas je Belle presenetil, presenetil v več kot v enem oziru. In da ne bo nikake pomote, naj konstatiramo še to: V Slovenskem narodnem domu do danes še ni bilo lepšega petja. Pevec, ki so prihajali med nas iz domovine, so morda tehnično bolj izpopolnjeni, toda več lepote nam ni dal še nobeden kot sinoči naš domači Belle."

Lahko bi se navajalo še več enakih in iskrenih izjav od naših kritikov, ki poznajo slovensko pesem. James H. Rogers, odlični glasbeni kritik pri angleškem listu "Plain Dealer", je pred leti zapisal o Belletu sledeče: "Louis Belle ima tenor prvega reda. Njegov glas izrazoviti v kakovosti in dovoljno močan. On izvaja visoke note, ki so za opernega pevca neizogibno potrebne, z lahkoto in uspehom."

Na večer 7. marca ima naš domači tenorisit Louis Belle svoj drugi koncert v Slovenskem narodnem domu na St. Clair ave. Pričetek točno ob 8. zvečer. To bo zopet večer slovenske pesmi v Ameriki. Vsak pevec ali pevka naših slovenskih pevskih društev v Clevelandu in okolici bi moral prisostvovati temu koncertu. Da, vsak in vsaka pevka, a s seboj naj bi pripeljali ljubitelje slovenske pesmi. Zato apeliram na vse pevce in pevke samostojne "Zarje", kjer poje z nami tenorisit Louis Belle, da ponudite našim ljudem vstopnice k Belletovemu koncertu. Vi, ki ljubite petje, pa sežite po vstopnicah predno poidejo! Frank Bradač.

Velik napredek uni-je avtnih delavcev

Vodja unije oplazil governerja Hoffmana

New York. — (FP) — Homer Martin, predsednik unije združenih avtnih delavcev, je na masnem delavskem shodu v tem mestu izjavil, da ima njegova organizacija več ko 200,000 članov in novi stalno prihajajo. V nekaj tednih bodo vsi avtni delavci organizirani. Shod je bil pričetek velike organizatorične kampanje v Fordovi tovarni v Edgewaterju, N. J., ki se bo raztegnila na Fordove tovarne v drugih državah.

Martin je dejal, da se je Chrysler Motor Co. že podala, ko je pristala na kolektivna pogajanja z unijo. Pričela se bodo v sredo in Martin pričakuje, da bo pogodba kmalu sklenjena.

"Bil sem zunaj Amerike prvi v svojem življenju, ko sem došel z letalom v Newark, N. J.," je rekel Martin. "To je bil moj prvi obisk države New Jersey, a ne bo zadnji."

To je bila kloveta governerju Hoffmannu, ki je nedavno izjavil, da ne bo toleriral sedečih stavk in drugih delavskih vprašanj, a se še ni odzval. Debatna naj bi se vršila v Newarku, kjer je bila nedavno ustanovljena podružnica Lewisovega odbora za industrijsko organizacijo.

"Oba govorita kot diktatorja, ne kot governerja," je rekel Martin. "Radoveden sem, če se bosta poslužila oborožene sile tudi proti federalnemu vrhovnemu sodišču, ki vodi sedečo stavko proti delavski zakonodaji."

Hoffman je bil zdaj povabljen na debato s predsednikom avtnih unije glede legalnosti sedečih stavk in drugih delavskih vprašanj, a se še ni odzval. Debatna naj bi se vršila v Newarku, kjer je bila nedavno ustanovljena podružnica Lewisovega odbora za industrijsko organizacijo.

Velikonočno kosilo

ne bo popolno brez naših okusnih, po starokrajški legi prekaženih klobas, prekaženih zelencov, fine prekažene domače šunk in prekaženih brezostnih pletet. Cena je 35c jut za vse vrste gori omenjenih jedi. Prekažena mala pleteta 25c. Positna vata v teh cenah, pošljemo v vse kraje v Združenih državah.

Pošljite velikonočna naročila hitro, ako dobita blago pravočasno. Hrenove korenike prosto s vsakim naročilom. Z naročilom pošljite Money Order ali gotov denar v priporočenem listu na naslov:

JOSEPH LESKOVAR

120 High Street Racine, Wis.

Naznanilo o smrti

Umri je dobro poznani (samec) santonik in prodajalec Joseph Trinerjevo trdke v Chicagu, Ill.

CHARLES GORUP

Ob smrti star 66 let. Umri je v Sv. Antona bolnišnici v nedeljo dne 28. februarja 1937. Pogreb se bo vršil v četrtek 4. marca 1937 ob 11. uri dopoldne iz pogrebniškega zavoda Cermak & Kostecka, na Cermak Road in 18th Court, Cicero, Ill., na Češko narodno pokopališče. Ako se kje haki sorodniki v Ameriki, naj se prijavijo. Menda ima živo še eno sestro v Jugoslaviji. Njegov naslov je bil 1615 Blue Island Ave., Chicago, Ill.

NAZNANIL O SMRTI

Po kratki in hudi bolezni je preminula moja draga soproga in mama

PAULINA ZAVERTNIK

(rojena Zetek)

Obola je za prehladom dne 19. februarja, kateri se je razvil v ERISPELAS in kateremu je podlegla dne 27. februarja 1937 ob 1:15 popoldne. Ob smrti je bila stara 40 let. Posrvali smo štiri najboljše zdravnike in med njimi specialista za take bolezni, a žal vanejo ji niso mogli ohraniti življenja. Ona zapušta štiri brate, namreč Frank, Rudolph, James in Charles Zetek. Nadalje zapušta svahe in moje brate Frank J. John J., Richard J., Lewis J., in Lincoln A. Zavernik ter Helen J. Heidenreich omožena sestra. Pokopnica je bila članica društva št. 56 S.N.P.J. v New Yorku, Alma Chapter No. 32 v Clontar, New Jersey, in Eastern Star. Društvo št. 56 S.N.P.J. in društvo Eastern Star sta ji priredila svoje poslovilne obrede doma na njenem domu dne 1. marca ob 8. uri zvečer, za kar jim lepa hvala. Pogrebni sprevid se je izvršil dne 2. marca ob drugi uri popoldne v Krematoriju Fairview v New Jersey, N. J., kjer je bila upepeljena. Ostanki pepela bodo prepeljani v Chicagu, Ill., na Češko Narodno pokopališče (isti prostor, kjer poživajo ostanki mojega očeta in matere) enkrat meseca junija t. l. Naka iskrena in lepa hvala vsem za sočutje, sožalje in pomoč dano v uri žalosti.

Zaljubljeni ostali: Joseph J. Zavernik, soprog, Joseph James, 16 let star, Dorotica Lucile, 15 let stara, La Vergne Virginia, stara 12 let in Otto Vernon Zavernik, star 6 let, otroci, vsi v 309 Tenafly Rd., Englewood, N. J.

Timely Topics

Election Blanks

It's convention year for us—for the entire family of the Slovene National Benefit Society.

Local lodges are now engaged in the election of delegates and alternates. A number of them have already chosen their representatives to the 11th regular convention to be held in Cleveland in May next. It is necessary that you abide by the rules and provisions in all cases. Follow the official instructions which have been repeatedly issued for your benefit in the organ and assure yourself of proper representation at the coming convention.

For the purpose of proper election procedure and filing of election returns, the Main Office has issued special election blanks which have been mailed to all local lodges. These blanks must be filled out by the local secretaries and returned to the Main Office immediately after the election of delegates takes place. Write the name and address of the duly elected delegate and that of the alternate. Please do not mistake election blanks for credentials, as these will be mailed to the local secretaries later.

Convention City

After long last Cleveland—our Slovene metropolis—will again be host to SNPJ delegates. Our local lodges in Cleveland under the management of their federation have assumed the full responsibility for an extensive convention program—in fact, for a series of convention programs which promise to surpass all previous undertakings staged at similar assemblies.

Extensive plans are in the making in "our convention city" and those actively engaged to prepare and execute every detail in connection with this national gathering vouch with their names for a unique manifestation such as rarely witnessed by our public anywhere.

It will be our youth in Cleveland cooperating with our veteran members who will carry out most of the convention preparations and other work connected with this task. It will take the united efforts of our loyal members in both the Slovene and English speaking lodges to bring the convention program to a happy conclusion. And we have enough confidence in both groups which are separated in language only but not in their mutual work, fraternal ideals and common interests. We regard them as a unit and rely on this unit for convention performance which will rival any and all.

When it comes to doing things—leave it to Cleveland!

Recommendations

Recommendations for changes in the by-laws are now in order, as they have been during the past several months.

Local lodges engaged in the election of delegates usually take time out also for the discussion of the by-laws. They offer their opinion and recommendations on the various problems which they think need different treatment; they are trying to solve them either from their own standpoint or from the standpoint of benefitting the membership and the Society. All major and minor problems should at all times be discussed and solved from a constructive point of view so that they in the end will benefit the majority of members and at the same time enhance the opportunity for further growth of the organization.

In our organization majority rules. This is in accord with our democratic principles and procedures. We are a democratic fraternal institution in theory and practice, and the membership must strive to preserve this priceless heritage at all cost.

Promptness

Probably one of the greatest factors in bringing popularity to a fraternal organization is promptness in paying sick and death claims. If it isn't, when time elapses to any great extent after the required evidence has been filed, the member involved becomes dissatisfied, or in the case of the beneficiary, he becomes worried. It is only natural in such cases that the individual concerned begins to think that some sort of procedure is in order.

There is no reason for any member of the Slovene National Benefit Society or for any beneficiary to come to such conclusions, no reason to worry, provided of course that his claim is justifiable. Our Society pays these claims with a promptitude which is really remarkable. Our membership knows it and appreciates the speed made in payment by our organization.

In this our convention year let us resolve that we will enroll many new adult and juvenile members into our lodges.

Let us insure all who are insurable!

A New Type of Insurance for Members of the Juvenile Department

A new type of insurance was adopted for members of the Juvenile Department by the Supreme Board at its annual meeting in February of this year, prepared and recommended by the Administrative Committee, which will prove valuable for our youth. In addition to the death benefit insurance up to \$1000, the new certificate shall also provide for the so-called "Educational Fund" from which an amount up to \$300 in cash shall be paid to a member upon attaining the age of 18 years. The scale for the new insurance is as follows:

Age Rate	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Death Benefit	\$ 20	45	75	100	130	160	200	250	300
Cash Value	\$300	275	250	225	200	185	165	145	130

Age Rate	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Death Benefit	\$400	500	600	700	800	900	1000	1000	1000
Cash Value	\$110	95	80	65	50	40	25	—	—

Assessments for the above insurance shall be from \$1.30 to \$1.45 monthly.

Another favorable decision rendered by the Supreme Board concerning the Juvenile Department was that the reserve for ALL JUVENILE MEMBERS who transfer into the Adult Department shall be increased from \$11 to \$15 after the 1st of March, when the new provisions for the juvenile membership have become effective. Furthermore, after March 1, the local lodge secretaries may retain 2c from each juvenile member's assessment as compensation for their work.

Better less expensive insurance for the money paid for the above-mentioned type of insurance cannot be obtained elsewhere. Therefore, we sincerely recommend to our members and others who do not have their children insured in our Society, to enroll them at once in the new or old class, because from now on the Society shall have two distinct classes of insurance in the Juvenile Department.

We further recommend that our members take advantage of the establishment of the new insurance as a means of advertising and campaigning for new members. Juvenile members are accepted into the Society from the date of birth up to 16 years of age.

F. A. VIDER, Supreme Sec'y.

Integrity Broadcast

CHICAGO.—To whom it may concern: I did not retire from the "Integrity Broadcast." I will keep it up as it has been started by Bro. Frank Mejasch and myself six years ago. Only I regret that Bro. Mejasch retired from the column before I did. How about it, Frank, are you still alive? How about coming back to Chicago?

Entertainment Committee special meeting at the Secretary's home on Monday, March 8, 8 p. m. All members of the committee and officers should be present as we must make final preparations for our April 3 dance.

One reason why boys do not get their temper from father is that father has not lost any.

The best way to keep up a good front is to keep up your dues.

If a lot of people would catch up on their sleep they would not be so far behind in their dues.

All members of the local lodges around Chicago should see that the letter that was mailed out by the Integrity Lodge in regards to the Basketball and Bowling Tournament, April 3 and 4, be present at your meeting. If you are interested in the tournament, the more lodges will be represented the bigger the event will be. And this will give the Society good advertising—and will show what sport really mean in the Society. This affair is an SNPJ affair. The Integrity Lodge is the sponsor by the courtesy of the Mid-West League. If any other Lodge of Federation wish to be represented in this tournament and did not get a letter from the Lodge, please write to Bro. Leo Morelle, 1435 N. La Salle st., or read the Integrity Broadcast in the Feb. 24 Prosveda. The committee in charge of this event are working hard to produce a wonderful event out of this tournament. Not only for the present, but for the future events that will be held in the future by the other Lodges that are members of the

Mid-West League. It is the Integrity's wish that as many Lodges could participate in this event as possible, as this will brighten the future of such event.

We have left the 9th year of hard work at the dock and have just commenced to plow our way through the waters of the 10th year, be they rough or calm to the port of 1938 when we will celebrate the 10th anniversary. All good members, no matter what their beliefs are, should stand by ready to reef the sails at a moment's notice, because from past experiences we must expect a rather stormy voyage. O yes, we will reach our destination as we always have to sail and paint the old boat before she starts out on another trip. Some of the members will be seasick, some will accidentally be washed overboard, some through fear and discouragement will throw themselves into account the length of the voyage and the number of members carried, the survivors will look back on the years as having been very exciting but for the main part pleasant and profitable. Those who will get the last enjoyment out of the trip will be the timid members who are always looking far and expecting a storm even when there is no cloud in the sky. Life is full of squalls. We meet them on land or sea, at home, but a good member stands ready to battle all things away for the sake of the Lodge.

The Annual Spring Dance sponsored by the Integrity Lodge on April 3 is a part of the Big Event that is to be held in Chicago on April 3 and 4. The dance will be held at the beautiful Crystal Ballroom, 2705 W. North ave. North ave. is 1600 north. The music will be furnished by the Harmony Hi-Hatters, well-known orchestra on the Northwest side. Admission is 40c. Wardrobe free. Entrance will be at 8 p. m. All out-of-town visitors should notify the secretary of Integrity Lodge at 1642 N. Fairfield ave.

We'll see you in Chicago on April 3 and 4.

MICHAEL FLEISCHHACKER, Secretary Lodge 631.

Spirit-O-Grams

By Whosait

Important Announcement!
ST. LOUIS, MO.—Spirits please do not fail to attend the special meeting on Thursday, March 4. We cannot too strongly emphasize the necessity of your attendance at this all important meeting which has been called for the election of delegates for the SNPJ convention in Cleveland in next May.

"We" wish to impress upon you that it is your moral duty as a mem-

ber of the lodge to attend this meeting and to cast your vote for the one that you think is the most capable and conscientious nominee for the position as delegate for the convention. Please abide by this call and appear at the Sokol hall, 1439 Chateaufort avenue, at 8 SHARP and in full numbers.

(Editors Note—Names of candidates not allowed to be printed in the organ.)

Comments on This and That

By IVAN MOLEK, Editor

HOW CAN WE SHORTEN THE CONVENTION?

Suggestions from the members are cropping up for the purpose of making the next SNPJ convention shorter and equally effective. The complaints are that our conventions last too long and, therefore, are costly. The American fraternal societies do this thing differently; they come together, have a good time, and accomplish everything in as many days as it takes us weeks.

Of course, we want to conduct our convention in our own way. That's why all the suggestions of a few well-meaning members are of no avail. There have been attempts in the past to reform, or even "Americanize", the system of the Society's supreme legislative body, but without success. It is not the question of a smaller or larger assemblage of delegates, rather it is the question of efficiency of all those who assemble every four years to make the Society's laws.

We know from long experience how it is. All kinds of elements and temperaments make up our conventions—and this fact, in the main, accounts for a good deal of loose talk and slow work in the convention halls. We are what we are, and we cannot remake ourselves. For this reason I do not expect the approaching convention to be any better or shorter than others in the past.

Anyway, I cannot see any plausible reason for the SNPJ convention lasting more than one week. The only condition is that the members of the convention sacrifice some of their talk on the floor, especially when they act on some minor question. It is a supreme folly, and also a disgrace, when a thousand dollars worth of time is killed on a matter worth but ten dollars for the Society. Yet this very thing has happened many times over.

The trouble with us is we are apt to stretch our cherished democracy too far. Our conventions are too doggone democratic; that is, we atrociously abuse our democracy. Some people have their say on every question, no matter how unimportant, and they are the first to raise a cry of "Dictatorship!" if some one tries to limit their spell-binding. It never occurs to them that they are not alone and if everybody else would insist on having the same freedom of talk as they, the convention must last two months. But all are not like these. Those of calm and patient nature, although of sober minds, rather keep quiet; they voluntarily surrender the floor to the noisy ones rather than acquire notoriety as die-hards or time-killers.

The best way to shorten the convention proceeding is to avoid repetitions. No sensible person will repeat the words of a previous speaker. Discussions on a matter which is sure of passage are waste of time. Much preliminary work is being done by the main office and this should help to cut down the work of the convention.

The provisional by-laws are already prepared. Moreover, these by-laws printed in English and Slovene will be mailed on time to each delegate who will have ample time to look them over. In order to save time at the convention, let each delegate mark any section of the by-laws which he desires to amend or to strike out, and then speak only on the marked section if nobody else raises the same question.

The most desired changes in the by-laws—pertaining to Sick Benefit, operation compensations, sexual diseases, reduction of the admission fee, no increase of assessments, etc.—are already made provisionally; there is no need to discuss these further. You can be sure that there will be many changes for the better.

Nobody wants our convention to hurry with reckless speed or under any kind of a "steam-roller"; on the other hand, every honest member is against spending time and money for the sole purpose of assuring those of lusty lungs and smooth tongue of one hundred per cent freedom of speech!

Every delegate who has something worthwhile to say should have the opportunity to say it, and those who have nothing to say should not abuse the opportunity!

This is the only democracy that makes sense.

SCREENINGS

SPRINGFIELD, ILL.—It was eleven years ago, on January 31, 1926, on a cloudy Sunday afternoon that a number of young people met in the old Slovene Dom, and organized the fourth English speaking lodge in the SNPJ—the Lincolntonites. Gradually the Lincolntonites' influence and power increased until 1932, when it reached its peak. Then the lodge was well known thruout this area because of its socials, and because of the athletes who played under its colors.

About this time, the depression reached its depths, and our membership seemed to melt away. The struggle to make a living became increasingly difficult, in fact, as we had never known it in our young lives. And today, altho conditions have shown a slight upturn in the last 18 months, it has not been enough to be reflected in our membership.

But we're carrying right on—plugging for the SNPJ and our Lincolntonite Lodge, in loyalty to the workers' cause, and a New Social Order.

We will revive old memories of 1926 when we stage our Anniversary Dance, on March 14, in the Redmen's Hall, 419 1/2 East Monroe street. The dance will start at 8:30 p. m. and the admission charge is only 25c. Therefore, we ask the membership and our friends, put your shoulder to the wheel, let's put this affair over in a grand fashion.

In the afternoon, at 1 p. m., a banquet will be held at the St. Nicholas hotel. The charge is \$1 per plate. All are welcome, and we especially

invite our Brothers and Sisters in the other local lodges. "Spirits," we noted your remarks in the Prosveda. We hope our plans will permit you to be with us on the 14th.

We recently heard something that pleased us very much. And what we heard was this: that Oglesby was organizing an English branch on Feb. 28. We hope to see this report verified shortly, in the Prosveda. Then we will know it was not a dream.

Sometime ago, I sent President Cankar \$1.50 for the Spanish anti-fascists, as my second money order for this cause. The donations were made by the following: Louis Stolsch, \$1, Frank Volk, 25c; Albert Spanenberg, 25c. Contributions are still being received by the writer for the Spanish anti-fascists.

Anniversary Committee—
JOE G. BRINOCAR, Lodge 567.

Lodge No. 513

SCRANTON, PA.—The Committee of Lodge 513, SNPJ, wish to thank the Prosveda for the assistance of our dance held on Jan. 27, and also the members from other lodges who attended our dance. In the future, when your lodge will hold a dance or entertainment, we will be only too glad to attend and reciprocate.—We wish to inform our members to attend the next meeting of March 21 in full numbers. Important business will be discussed pertaining to the next convention and other matters taken care of in the right manner.

FRANK AUBEL, Recording Sec'y.

Convention News

CLEVELAND, O.—News of the Eleventh S. N. P. J. Convention will be given in the columns and those written by Bro. Otto Te kautz to all delegates attending the convention. In the Slovene section, information will be given by Bro. Petrovich, Barbich and Siskovich.

Few articles have been written in past issues due to the fact that the various committees have just been formed and have not yet had previous meetings. Details of all committees and their programs will be given in detail in future issues of the Prosveda.

In the first place, all delegates will be mailed cards asking if they have housing quarters. On this card they will also be asked how they intend to travel and just when they will arrive, also whether they plan to have meals at the Slovene Home. One may wonder why this information is being requested but it is necessary to the various committees in charge in order to make reservations for the housing and meals. Delegates should be prompt in answering thereby cooperating with the committees.

On Saturday, May 15, in the afternoon and evening, the Slovene Home will be open to welcome the delegates and the evening will be spent in introductions, food and dancing to follow. Then the placing of delegates in various homes or hotels.

Sunday, May 16, the Cleveland SNPJ Federation, composed of twenty-five lodges of Cleveland, will celebrate its Tenth Anniversary with a Variety Program and Dance. A Souvenir Book will be published and will also contain the entire program of the Convention. It will be a souvenir that the people will wish to keep for a long time. The program itself will consist of a play, various singing societies, speakers, etc.

Monday, May 17, opening day of the Convention. The delegates will be welcomed by Bro. Frank Somrak, president of the Federation. The Convention will begin at 9 a. m. and continue through to 5 p. m. The evening will be taken over by the younger group from Chicago for a symposium.

Tuesday, May 18. On this day Lodge Comrades 566 will hold their regular monthly meeting and open house for the delegates. The meeting will be held in the lower hall and entertainment and dancing will follow the meeting. Plans for the entertainment are already in progress.

Wednesday, May 19—Dramatic Club Ivan Cankar will entertain with a play, one which will be of interest to all.

Thursday, May 20—A Symposium will be held, sponsored by the JSF.

Friday evening, May 21—Will be Juvenile Nite. Various Juvenile groups will entertain with a concert.

Saturday, May 22—The Convention will last until noon. In the afternoon, sight-seeing trips will be arranged and also pictures of the delegation may be taken. The evening affair will be one of the largest of the Convention. A banquet will be given for the Delegates and other members and friends. Bro. Durn is chairman of this committee and promises a delightful evening of entertainment and dancing.

Sunday, May 23—Will be a big day for the English Speaking lodges of Cleveland. On this day, they will be hosts to the delegates. All lodges, Commodores, Beacons, Strugglers, New Eras, Loyalties, Progressives and Comrades will have a hand in a variety program and dance. At this time let it be known to the above lodges that a meeting for this purpose will be held Sunday, March 7, at 2:30 p. m. at the Slovene Home. All of these lodges are asked to send as many representatives to this meeting as they possibly can. Please be prompt—this will be a large affair and will entail considerable work and planning.

The rest of the program will be made out according to the duration of the Convention.

Plans are being made to broadcast the highlights of the Convention for a brief period each day and perhaps for the banquet and Sunday programs. The radio committee in charge will give a report of their decision concerning stations and material at the next Federation meeting.

This is a tentative program of the Convention and is subject to change.

Further details of all programs and information will be given as plans progress.

The Federation of Cleveland has taken over Room 7 in the old building of the Slovene Home on St. Clair avenue, where information concerning Convention may be had at all times.

PAULINE SPIK, Publicity Committee.

Mohawks News

LA SALLE, ILL.—On the eve of the Pioneer's Athletic Dance we hope is a great success. To this group of people we tip our hats to the progress they have shown and original ideas which have hatched. A fine group of boys and girls who have always showed up at all of the Mohawks' events. Sorry we can't show some large groups at your events. A few of us know we had a good time, and show a small representation; our intentions are good.

The Eleventh Anniversary program of Lodge Mohawks is in progress. It is to be held one week after the Mid-West League conference, which is to be held April 3 and 4. The dramatic parts of the play are to be in the hands of Agnes Dular and Lud Grich. The play is to be the one which drew such great comments when presented at our Fifth Anniversary. "Deacon Dubbs," a hilarious comedy with a new cast with the exception of a few. Deacon Dubbs will be played by none other than "Tony" Jovan who played that character before. You will enjoy it I am sure.

A group of Mohawks report that they are planning on renewing relations with the Springfield Lincoln and travel down there to celebrate their anniversary. We hope to renew the old time friendship with the Lincolns of years ago. They have won in fine numbers when last year about a time we all had. How about it Ann & Ann—haven't heard from you girls a long time. We missed reading your lines in the L-L-N-K's.

From a good source of information we found out our Prexy Lud Grich is in the running for Alderman in the city of La Salle. Hope you have the honors of representing in our city government. I must say you have a wonderful chance. So don't forget to do your stuff, lads, and assist him.

In the past few months we found very nice attendance at our meetings. I must say it was grand to see

Badgerland News

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—Do you know that out of 191 adult members there are 84 in either class B or C? Do you know what it means to these members who are in three classes? These members in Class "B" pay only a few cents more each month and have the right to borrow on their policy if they are unemployed or for any other reason they are unable to pay their assessments and thereby keeping you and your family protected at all times in the event of sickness, death or accident.

And Class "C" is a little higher than Class "B", but this is a 20-year paid up for life policy. And you may also borrow on this policy for assessment loans.

Anyone member may transfer into either of these classes no matter how long you have been a member of the present class. And you also get credit on your old policy in case you transfer. So think it over and next time you pay your assessment ask your sec'y about it, and I will explain more in detail. This information is only for your protection, and don't be afraid to ask about it.

This 'n That

The stork called at Mr. and Mrs. Frank Progar's home and left a baby girl. Well, another Badger, Frank, eh?—Frank Ermace, our mortician, now has new funeral home open for business, and he had open house last Saturday and Sunday. Quite a few visitors called and the comment was, "Isn't this a beautiful place? I wholeheartedly agree that it is beautiful. We wish him success."

Coming Events

Jolly Allis dance on April 24. Badgers' May ball at S. S. Turn hall. Little bit early to write on the picnic, but the place is at Sagadin's grove and the date July 11. So all other lodges please take note.

LEO S. SCHWEIGER, Lodge 584.

Jolly Allis Lodge 686

WEST ALLIS, WIS.—Next Wednesday meeting night again. You don't want to miss this one, 'cause besides electing our delegate, our Prexy Tony will celebrate his birthday, he says, and there will be plenty of eats and drinks, and I'd like to see 100% attendance.

Tony Planinshek has gone and done it. Congratulations, Tony and see that you propose your wife this meeting. We are battling 5 out of 6 for the past year, can make it 6 out of seven.

Angela and Emma Dergants have returned from a trip to Minnesota where they attended the funeral of their beloved father. We wish to express our sympathy.

It's getting to be a habit, that is, the second team beating the first team. They done it again last Tuesday taking two out of three from them, also a like number of beer frames. See the seconds, "You'll never catch us now you're so far behind now that you think a horseless carriage is a fig of the imagination."

March will be the lull before the storm, with no special events listed, but April will burst forth with events scheduled every week. April 3 and 4 are the dates selected for the Midwest

Canonsburg Pioneers

STRABANE, PA.—Last month's Penny Pioneer meeting was well attended, and I hope that our next one will see more of you "absentees" present. The winner of last month's award was not present at the meeting, so the award will be combined with the award for the March meeting. Attend the next meeting, you will probably be the award winner.

On Sunday evening, March 14, the Pioneers will serve a "spaghetti dinner" at the SNPJ hall. Sam "Boom"

signed the task of staging a "Penny Pioneer Variety Show". No date has been selected for the showing of this "Colossal Production", as yet, but further announcements will be made in future issues of the Prosveta.

Saturday, April 17, the Pioneers will hold a dance, at the SNPJ hall in Strabane. Music for the occasion will be furnished by one of the best orchestras obtainable. Various other attractions are also being planned by the committee in charge. Watch future issues of the Prosveta for complete details.

On Sunday afternoon, April 18, the Pioneers will be host to the Western Pennsylvania Federation of English Speaking Lodges, who will hold their meeting in Canonsburg. As this is the final federation meeting prior to the convention, it is more than likely that member lodges of the Federation will all be represented at this meeting. The Pioneers will endeavor to make the delegates and other visiting SNPJ members feel "at home", both during and after the meeting.

So, Pioneer members, with all these events confronting us, it is imperative that you attend our next meeting, for you may have an idea which you can offer the committee and make the aforesaid events more successful. The next meeting will be held at the SNPJ hall on Sunday afternoon, March 7, at 2 p. m.

JOHN PODBOY, Lodge 589.

Lincolmites

SPRINGFIELD, ILL.—Our meeting on Feb. 19 was fairly well attended. Among the business matters taken up was the resignation of our secretary. Brother Joe G. Brinocar has taken up that office, resigning as president. Brother Frank Collins is now our president and Brother William Stone our sergeant at arms.

Well, folks, the time is coming nearer and nearer. What? Why haven't you heard? It's our Eleventh Anniversary Celebration. Of course you're coming. We're starting the day in a fitting and proper way with a banquet at the St. Nicholas hotel. Dinner will be served about 1 o'clock. We're expecting both young and old. Our banquet committee promises fun and entertainment for all, besides a dinner that will be worth every bit of the dollar you put in it.

After the banquet there will be a dance in Redman hall, with Charley Rogers and his Rhythm Masters sending out the strains of the finest music in Springfield. There'll be refreshments and beer to be had for the convenience of the hungry and thirsty.

We're expecting to see members from other lodges here for the event on March 14. Now don't disappoint us. And also, the Spirits-of-St. Louis. How about that promise, Spirita? We'll be seeing you.

Tickets at one cent each are being sold by our members. That gives you an opportunity to win a beautiful ten dollar combination waffle iron and grill. Each member selling three hundred tickets will get a free ticket to the banquet. Hurry up, only two more weeks.

Don't forget March 14, the day you've planned to come to Springfield to attend that banquet and dance. Plan to stay all day.

CHRISTINE NADVESNIK, Lodge 567.

LODGE NO. 687

MANVILLE, N. J.—We will hold our quarterly meeting on March 14 at 2 p. m. Make sure all members attend this important meeting.

JOHN DOBISH, Sec'y.

Fifth Anniversary

BURGETTSTOWN, PA.—It is getting around that time of the year when a young man's fancy slightly turns to love, and the Cavaliers' fancy turns to promoting one of the best and biggest anniversary dances ever held by the Cavaliers. This being the 5th anniversary, the Cavaliers are using every effort to make this affair the outstanding of the year. A well-known and very popular orchestra has been selected to furnish the music for the dancers. Prizes will be given, but more will be said about that in a later issue of the Prosveta. Refreshments will be served. So that young and old will have enjoyment and all are invited to participate in our celebration. Oh, yes, I must not keep you in suspense about the date of this huge celebration. The date is Saturday, April 24, so reserve that date to celebrate with us.

The Cavaliers ranks were increased by three new members. Virginia Pompe and Kathryn Pawlow are two new members while Math Klemencie was transferred from Lodge 287. We welcome them into our fold. The Cavaliers are beginning to become more active in securing new members, and let us hope that this activity will not cease, but the effort to secure new members may be doubled.

Two of our members, Hanna Pompe and Marye Jeram are on the sick list. The rest of the Cavaliers wish them a speedy recovery.

On Sunday, March 14, at 2 p. m. the Cavaliers and Lodge 287 will have a combined meeting in order to elect a delegate to represent the above mentioned lodges at the coming convention. All Cavaliers are urged to attend this meeting and we should have 100% attendance. We also urge more Cavaliers to be present at our regular monthly meetings. Some members seem to lack interest in the lodge affairs. If more members would attend meetings more regularly our lodge would progress faster and there would be more interest created at meetings. The meetings are not held for the benefit of only a few but for all members, so Cavaliers, let's have a better response at future monthly meetings.

Cavaliers held a pre-lenten dance on January 29, which was not so great a success as was anticipated mostly through the lack of interest taken by some members. Credit is due to Joe Vajentic, John Leskovic and Tony Jeram for working so hard to make that affair a success. Also Mary and Ann Korosec, Mary Delfrate and Lillian Taucher deserve credit. We owe it to these members that our pre-lenten dance wasn't a failure. Their interests are very much appreciated. If the rest of the Cavaliers would follow the above mentioned members' example every officer that the Cavaliers promote would be a great success. Thank goodness that the Cavaliers have shown great interest and more cooperation to insure a great success out of the 5th anniversary celebration.

Again let me remind you to reserve the date of the Cavaliers' 5th Anniversary dance, April 24, 1937.

JOS. MOSKUN, Sec'y Lodge 741.

J. Z. Jrs. Bright Spots

LIBRARY, PA.—Another Gala affair sponsored by the J. Z. Jrs. has passed, the Valentine Dance which was attended by a number of neighboring lodges and friends.

The J. Z. Jrs. want to thank the

following lodges who attended: Clairtonians, Comets, Veronians, Pioneers, Colonials, Bridgeville, Jolly Jrs. and others which I have failed to mention. The music (Stan Vinton and his band of Many Styles) seemed to make a big hit that evening. There is a great demand to bring him back, which we hope to in the near future, so please keep your eyes open.

Glad to hear that Pres. Arthur Pernel's mother is recovering from her long illness. She is a member of SNPJ Lodge 386. — Jacob Semchur and a few of his friends from Cleveland visited Library last Sunday. He now is a great Struggler. Some of the dates the J. Z. Jrs. expect to attend are: Comet's Spring Dance, April 3, and Canonsburg, April 17.

A few of the J. Z. Jrs. attended a dance on Feb. 20, held by the Jolly Jrs. at Sygan. A good time was had by all.

Members, please do not forget the J. Z. Jrs. monthly meeting on March 5 at 7 p. m. The election of a delegate to the Convention at Cleveland will take place. We have merget Lodge 715.

FRANK J. AMBROZIC, Treas. Lodge 682.

Progressives

EUCLID, O.—With our dance (Lodge 641, SNPJ) a success, we wish to thank our neighboring lodges that were present, especially the New Eras from "way out" W. 130th st. We appreciate your presence and hope to be able to reciprocate in the near future.

At the meeting of the Directors of the Slovene Society Home, the directors appointed four members to attend the meeting of the Ljubljana Club. With the consent of all our five lodges, to have the directors go ahead with their plans of reincorporating our present Home owned by five lodges and to permit any lodge or club to join in and assist in bringing about our present plans of building a New Slovene Society Home at the present location or any other site on E. 200th st.

If any of you young Slovenes have any suggestions please let us know for we are always open for any suggestions with appreciation. And don't forget you young Slovenes that this is going to be OUR Home. Our fathers are giving us this start so don't let it pass up. Now is the time to start a project of this kind. This project is not an idea of a few; it is a demand from all our people.

Not so long ago Euclid, Ohio, was called Euclid Village, now it's called Euclid City for it is a very fast growing city. With the new home in Euclid, Ohio, to my estimation it will be worthy of its location. And as for any dance or any other affair held in the New Home, I am sure will always be of success.

ALBERT C. MEGLAN, President.

Zipper

AKRON, OHIO.—Well, here we are again with a little bit of stretchy news from the rubber city. Most of the Zipperers are so busy working that little time has been devoted to lodge affairs, however, our last meeting was well attended. With election of delegates and our Ninth Anniversary coming on, it is requested that all members do their part by attending the next meeting.

Due to the fact that we have so few members in our Lodge No. 647 it was necessary for us to merge with

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Comrade Commentator

CLEVELAND, O.—The activities of the Little Comrades have not been reported lately. Their present board consist of Edw. Stefanie, president; Victor Vihar, vice president; Mary Vihar, recording secretary; entertainment committee, Ottila and Mary Stefanie and Tony Hirsch. One of their members, Jack Vihar, is in the hospital recuperating from an appendicitis operation. We hope he will soon be with us again.

These young people are already planning to make their contribution toward the Convention program in the form of a skit. They are anxious to begin rehearsing and promise to work diligently toward a good performance.

The Comradea Lodge shares in the convention program, besides their participation in the English Speaking Lodge Day program, with their Open House held on their regular meeting night. Plans are being formulated and preparations are under way.

After our next meeting, which will be held on the 16th of March, there will be a discussion on the Slovene cultural background and fraternal organizations. Vatro Grill, editor of Napredek, Frank Sodnikar, editor of the English Supplement in Enakopravnost and A. J. Klancar, editor of the English Supplement in American Home, will give their viewpoints on this important subject. A general discussion period will follow.

At our last meeting, the decision was made to pay the initiation dues and medical fees for all new members. The Supreme board has provided a sum of \$300 to the Cleveland Federation, to be used in the campaign for new members from now until the convention. All new members will be formally initiated by the Supreme President at the Convention.

The painting of Mr. Perusek given to the Cleveland Museum of Art by the Slovene groups will soon be exhibited. The Comrades did their bit

Buckeyes' Bits

By Steple and Mary

BARBERTON, O.—It's no gag, we're actually writing a piece!

A number of our members spent a most enjoyable evening at the party given by the boys in honor of the winners of the recent ticket selling contest. We journeyed to Smithville for a delicious chicken dinner. Before the meal was served favors were distributed and opened. If you glanced around you'd think you were at a Firemen's last course of the meal, valentines were passed out, creating more merriment. In due time we learned it was also an appropriate occasion to celebrate Anne Janesch's birthday which fell on Valentine day.

On the sick list we still have Sis. Agnes Yearman and Bro. Louis Novak. The latest report has it that Bro. Novak is gradually improving but Sis. Yearman may have to be laid up for some time yet. All members please pay them a visit!

Now, Friday evening, March 5, at 7:30, is the time for all members to come to the aid of their monthly meeting. The last meeting was rather well attended. Keep up the good attendance and let's see you all there again Friday.

DOTS and DASHES—Welcome again to our newest member "Snitz" Znidarsic... Veronians Fanny Luser and Anthony Ocepak of the Zipperers were guests of honor at our party... Alice even answers the phone in a business-like manner when at home. And "Eagle" believes in early morning hikes. He walked 3 miles the other morning—training, on doctor's orders? P. Mesek gets all excited over a supposed-to-be long distance call... The Poje Brothers are making good use of their new Plymouth... For more discussions we'll see you at the meeting Friday evening.

(EDITOR'S NOTE:—Signature, please.)

About This and That

WAKEGAN

NO. CHICAGO, ILL.—Put on your Easter bonnet and join the parade at the Slovene Home on March 28. After working hard for the past two months, the Slovene National Choral Society will be ready to present its third concert on Easter Sunday. The men are working hard at the very amusing operetta "Snubael". A gypsy scene, featuring the chorus and the Fusborg dancing stars, should prove very interesting. Of course, the program would not be complete without duets, solos, quartets, etc. Further details on the concert will be announced later.

The club has done very well in its two years existence and has a fine program outlined for the entire year. Up to date, there are 40 active members. Practice is held every Friday night from 7:30 until 9:00 o'clock. A special practice is held on Wednesday night for those taking part in the operetta. Our most recently initiated members are Jennie Kutler, Christine Grom, and Joe Kosir.

The newly installed officers for 1937 are: Christine Stritar, Pres.; Julie Zelenik, Vice-Pres.; Ignace Gerzel, Treasurer; Mary Svete, Sec.; Anne Gorishek, Recording Sec.; Ralph Skala, Matt Kirn, Trustees; Thomas Troha, Frances Mesek, Librarians; Paul Sifler, Instructor.—A Member.

KEYSTONIANS, ATTENTION

Hermistie, Pa.—The first quarterly meeting of Lodge 613 will begin promptly at 1 o'clock Sunday, March 7. The time has been advanced one hour due to the fact that the important business of the day can be disposed of in the correct manner. This being a quarterly meeting all members are requested to attend so that they may be exempt of the 25c levy that must be paid by all absent members. Also if you attend you may be the lucky winner of the monthly cash award.

The chairman of the entertainment committee reports that it may be possible to arrange another social such as the one held after our last monthly meeting. The last one proved to be very successful and if there are

to be more in the future the Keystonean membership must decide. Voice your opinion at our meeting.

Marie Belts, a Keystonean member, is destined to be a patient in the West Penn hospital, Pittsburgh, for quite some time. All members in that vicinity please pay her a visit. I'm sure it will be very much appreciated.

P. S.—Don't forget the time of our next meeting at 1 o'clock.

JOSEPH BATIS, Sec'y.

UNIVERSAL COMETS

UNIVERSAL, PA.—This is the last call to round-up all Comets to the regular meeting next Sunday, Nov. 7. The important election of a delegate to the convention takes place. Reports will be heard from our Spring Dance Committee, Campaign, and from our Athletic Committee with regard to its dance at Slovene hall on March 17, as well as plans for mushroom, bowling, and golf this year. Oh, yes, there is also that \$3 bank nite award.

About ten of us Comets journeyed to Ambridge last Sunday to attend the forum conducted by the Federation Educational Committee. The subject was, "Endowment Insurance in the SNPJ", a subject certain to arouse some discussion at the convention. With few exceptions, the audience seemed opposed to the idea of endowment insurance in the SNPJ. "It would commercialize our organization and tend to destroy the fraternal spirit and cultural objective of our Society," argue the opponents of the idea. "Furthermore," it is argued, "our Society is and will always be made up of people who join for protection and security, and who want the most insurance they can afford at the lowest rates. If it's investment that you want, put your "surplus" money into government securities from which you will derive at least as much percentage."

LOUIS V. KUMER, Lodge 715.

Secure New Members for the S. N. P. J.



