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MIROVNI NAČRT POVZROČIL SPOR V LONDONU

Hoare obdolžen izdajstva načel Lige narodov

MALA ENTENTA ALARMIRANA

London, 10. dec. — Poročilo iz Pariza, da sta angleški zunanji minister Hoare in premier Laval skovala nov mirovni načrt, na čigar podlagi naj bi Italija dobila okrog 150,000 štirjaskih milj abesinskega teritorija, če ugotovijo vojno v Afriki, bo izrazilo člane proteste v britanskem parlamentu.

Ze na večerjšnji seji strškega kabineta je prišlo do ostrega konflikta, ko so bili člani informirani o pogojih mirovnega načrta. Naglasano je bilo, da Hoare ni imel pooblastila od kabineta niti od parlamenta, ko je v imenu angleške vlade ponudil dalekosežne koncesije na račun Abesinije Mussoliniju. Nekateri člani so odločno pobjali skemo, ki ni Italiji, katero je Liga narodov proglasila za napadalno, ko je invadirala Abesinijo, velik kos afriškega cesarstva.

Stotnik Eden, reprezentant Anglije v Ligi narodov, ki je zagovarjal stališče Zeneve, odkar so izbruhle sovražnosti v Afriki, je sedaj razkačen. Njegovo mnenje je, da je Hoare izdal načel Lige narodov, ko je zaenot z Lavalom predlagal nove koncesije Italiji.

Njegovi prijatelji so mu svetovali, naj resignira iz Baldwinove vlade v znak protesta proti Hoarejevi akciji. To je nameralno storil, a se je pozneje preumislil. Nato je bilo naznanjeno, da bo vseeno odšel v Zenevo ter se udeležil seje Liginega komiteja 12. decembra, na kateri se bo razpravljalo o oljnih sankcijah proti Italiji.

Dasi sta se Hoare in Laval dogovorila, da ne bosta objavila detajlov mirovnega načrta, dober ne dobita Mussolinijevega odgovora, je bila vsebina načrta objavljena v nekem londonskem večernem listu. To je povzročilo proteste proti Hoareju in Baldwinu, ki sta v nedavni volilni kampanji naglašala, da Anglija ne bo storila ničesar, kar bi bilo v nasprotju s stališčem Lige narodov. Zlasti Hoare je poudarjal, da ne bo podpiral nobenega načrta, ki bi izrazil opozicijo pri Ligi narodov in Abesiniji.

Nihče v Londonu ne pričakuje, da bo cesar Selassie odobril pariski načrt, na čigar podlagi bi Mussolini dobil skor polovico Abesinije. Male države, včlanjene v Ligo narodov, ga tudi ne bodo odobrile, če ne bosta Anglija in Francija izjavili pritiska in jih prisilili na kapitulacijo.

Tu se govori, da je belgijski kralj, ki je prišel v London zadnji teden, izročil osebni apel italijanskega kralja angleškemu kralju, naj slednji posreduje v prilog Italiji, da Liga narodov ne bo razglasila oljnih sankcij proti fašistični državi, ker bi to povzročilo resne notranje nemirnosti. Angleški kralj je nato pozval premierja Baldwin v avdijenco in za prošil, naj s svojim vplivom prepreči izvajanje oljnih sankcij proti Italiji.

Pariz, 10. dec. — Medtem, ko francoska vlada nestrpno pričakuje Mussolinijevega odgovora na novi francosko-angleški mirovni načrt, se je pojavila možnost, da bo v krogih Lige narodov, dogajalo se, da Rusija in druge male antante (Jugoslavija, Češkoslovakija in Rumunija) bodo razpravljale o načrtu, ki določa razdelitev Abesinije v prilog Italiji. Pričakuje se velika opozicija na ta načrt na prihodnji seji Lige narodov, ker Hoare in Laval sploh nista bila pooblaščenca za pogajanja s Italijo v imenu Lige narodov.

Akcije na društvenih sejah za Prosveto

Društvo Naprej št. 5 SNPJ v Clevelandu, O., je na svoji letni seji spet sklenilo, da še nadalje prispeva po tri dolarje mesečno kot naročnino na dnevnik Prosveto za one svoje člane, ki sami ne zmorejo naročnine.

To hvalevredno delo društva Naprej bi morala posnemati vsa večja društva SNPJ, ki imajo prilične blagajne. Pri vsakem društvu so brezposelni člani, ki bi radi prejemali in čitali dnevnik Prosveto, če bi zmogli naročnino. Zakaj ne bi društva pomagala vsaj enemu takemu članu do dnevnika?

Ker se ta mesec vrše volitve društvenih odborov, ne smejo društva SNPJ pozabiti na društvenega zastopnika Prosvete, ki je tudi društveni odbornik. Ako društvo ne izvoliti posebnega odbornika za ta posel, lahko to opravilo poveri društvemu tajniku. Če pa društveni tajnik neče prevzeti tega posla in se neče naročiti na dnevnik, naj društvo izvoli za zastopnika Prosvete takega člana, ki bo z veseljem vršil zastopništvo za dnevnik.

Bratje in sestre, naprej za Prosveto! Poskrbite, da se naš dnevnik razširi med člani naše organizacije! Ne pozabite, da je naš dnevnik Prosveta največja gonilna sila SNPJ!

Da ne pozabimo

V mesecu letnih sej naših društev smo. V decembru vsakega leta volimo društvene uradnike in delamo vse druge bolj glavne zaključke za poslovanje društva v nastopnem letu. Zato se decembrske seje imenujejo tudi glavne seje naših društev.

Ali se pa tudi vsi naši člani dobro zavedajo, kako važne seje so to in kako potrebno je, da se vsako udeležijo? Gotovo je, da noben ne postane član samo zaradi društva ali mogoče radi lepšega, pač pa zato, da bo imel koristi od našega združenja. Koristi pa smemo pričakovati le, ako se za društvo zanimamo, ako z društveniki sodelujemo in kooperiramo. In čim več je takega zanimanja in kooperacije, tem bolj uspeva naša organizacija in tem večje so koristi za vsakega posameznega člana.

Zato, bratje in sestre, posejajmo društvene seje kolikor mogoče redno in zanimajmo se za aktivnosti in vse afere svojih društev ter po svoji možnosti sodelujmo! To ni samo dobro za društvo, temveč je važno in koristno za vsakega posameznika. Posebno važno pa je, da vsak član sodeluje pri volitvah društvenih uradnikov in sprejemanju predlogov na glavnih ali letnih sejah društva.

Iz poročil društev, ki so že imela glavne seje ta mesec, posnemamo, da niso posebno zadovoljna z udeležbo. To znači, da je pri nas še veliko preveč brezizvolnosti in da se večina članov najraje zanaša na druge. To pa ni lepo, niti ni pošteno. Prvič je nemogoče izvoliti najbolj sposobne člane za društvene odbornike, ako ni zadostne udeležbe in ni v čem izbirati, drugi pa je nebratstvo in krivično pričakovati, da bodo društvene dolžnosti in aktivnosti opravljal samo eni ali nekateri, dočim koristi od društva in dobrote od organizacije pričakujejo vsi. Člani, ki zanemarjajo društvene seje, zanemarjajo svoje važne dolžnosti; in oni, ki se ogibljejo opravljanja društvenih poslov, slabo razumejo enakopravnost. Enakopravnosti se moramo zavedati tudi v dolžnostih in ne samo v koristih. V tem je prava smisel našega bratstva!

Med dolžnosti vsakega društvenika spada tudi pridobivanje novih članov. In ko se bližamo koncu leta, je na mestu, da se malo ozremo nazaj in se vprašamo, kaj smo storili v tem oziru. Ali smo storili vsak svojo dolžnost? In odgovor bo najbrž spet, da nismo. Kakor izgleda, se večina članov tudi v tem oziru najraje zanaša na druge. Tudi letos, ko imamo razpisano kampanjo s tolikimi milijonami koncesijami in smo olajšali agitacijo z izrednimi udobnostmi, ni tistega odmeva kot bi bil lahko. Eni člani so delali in nekatera društva so se dobro izkazala z novimi člani, večina pa tudi pri tem z malomarnostjo in nedelavnostjo. In to nikakor ni prav ne za jednoto, niti za posamezne člane.

Zasledujemo, kaj delajo drugi in vidimo, da druge organizacije pridobivajo nove člane in inšurenci izkazujejo uspeh. Torej izgovor, da so slabi časi in polje za agitacijo izčrpano, na kar se nekateri tako radi sklicujejo, ne drži. Mi imamo dobro organizacijo, dobro zavarovanje in nudimo članom večje udobnosti kot katera druga organizacija, ampak se očitno dovolj ne potrudimo in ljudem tega dejstva zadostno ne obrazložimo in dopovemo. — V tem je naša največja hiba. In v tem se moramo poboljšati. Nikar ne toliko ne udajamo resigniranosti in ne dopustimo, da bi nam težki časi popolnoma ubili voljo do društvenega dela in agitacije za dobro in potrebno stvar. Če je mogoče pokazati uspeh pri enem društvu, je mogoče tudi pri drugem, in skoraj vsak član lahko pridobi kakega novca vsaj v mladinski oddelki, ako drugega ne.

Do zaključka tega leta je še dobre tri tedne in v tem času se še lahko marsikaj naredi z agitacijo in se še lahko izkaže, kdor hoče resno poskušati. In vsak zaveden član bo še poizkušal, da pridobi kakega novca v svoje društvo ter tako zaključiti leto v zadovoljivi zavesti, da je storil za svojo dobro organizacijo, kar je mogel.

Na delo torej, bratje in sestre — zaključimo to kampanjo z dobrim uspehom za našo jednoto!

VINCENT CAINKAR, predsednik SNPJ.

Ponovni padec vlade v Španiji

Madrid, 10. dec. — Štirinajsta vlada španske republike, kateri je predsedoval Joaquin Chapaprieta, je večerj podala ostavko, ko je zbornica zavrgla njen program visokih davkov na dedščine. Španski predsednik Zamora je sinoči povabil liberalca Santiaga Albo in socialistično Juliano Besteira, naj se zedinita, če je mogoče, za organiziranje koalicijske vlade. Takoj pa se je pokazalo veliko nasprotstvo med tema dvema voditeljema. Dočim socialist Besteiro zahteva, naj predsednik odmah razpusti par-

Stavka voznikov tovornih avtov

Fresno, Cal. — Tu je izbruhnila stavka voznikov tovornih avtov, ki je paralizirala promet, ker so delodajalci odpustili več voznikov zaradi unijaskih aktivnosti. Clarence E. Dowd, tajnik tukajšnjega centralnega delavskega sveta, je obdolžil policijo, da štiti stavkožake, katere so delodajalci importirali iz San Franciscusa in drugih krajev.

Domače vesti

Star farmer umrl
Greaney, Minn. — Na tukajšnjih farmah je umrl Peter Skrabba, star 73 let. V Ameriki je bil 46 let in na farmi je živel 26 let.

Poškodovan v tovarni
Penn. Pa. — Simon Grošelj, član društva 252 SNPJ, se je zadnje dni telesno poškodoval v tovarni, v kateri opravlja kovaško delo. Moral je iti v bolnišnico West Penn v Pittsburghu, kjer bo operiran.

Nov grob v starem kraju
Clinton, Ind. — Matija Česnik, član društva 218 SNPJ, je prejel žalostno vest, da je v Palčji vasi pri St. Petru na Notranjem umrl njegov oče Janes Česnik v starosti 71 let. V Ameriki zapuša dva sinova, drugi John, je v Clevelandu, O., v starem kraju pa vdovo, tri sinove in tri hčere.

Čikaške vesti

Chicago. — Margareta Stonič, žena Antona Stoniča, ki stanuje na Kostner ave., se je morala zadnje dni podvreči težki operaciji. — Louis Aisch v sosednjem Ciceru je dal zapreti svojo 18-letno hčer Mary, ker mu je vzela \$350. Sodnik je postavil dekle pod policijsko nadzorstvo. — V pondeljek večer sta se boksala v Marigold Garden dva mlada Slovenci: Johnny Erjavec iz Dulutha, Minn., in Jack Kranz (Kranje) iz Garyja, Ind. Osemkrat sta se spopadla in dobro sta se držala, toda končna odločitev po izjavi razsodnikov je izpadla v prid Kranzu.

Clevelandke novice

Cleveland. — V bolnišnici je umrla Mary Bakar, stara 61 let in doma iz Terzina pri Mengru na Gorenjskem. Tu zapuša moža in dva sinova. Bila je članica društva 137 SNPJ.

Japonci invadirali kitajsko ozemlje

Protijaponske demonstracije v Peipingu

Peiping, 10. dec. — Vest iz kitajskega vira se glasi, da so japonsko-maščukške čete invadirale južnovzhodni del province Čahar in s tem izzvale bitko s kitajskimi vojaki. Okupirale so mesti Cinhaj in Tačeng ter organizirale samostojno vlado.

Sanghaj, 10. dec. — Polkovnik Tan Takahasi je večerj obdolžil dva odlična kitajska profesorja odgovornosti za protijaponske demonstracije v Peipingu, v katerih je sodelovalo okrog pet tisoč študentov tukajšnje kitajske univerze.

Obdolžena profesorja sta dr. Monlin Ciang in dr. Hu Sih. Prvi je predsednik tukajšnje univerze, drugi pa znan filozof in urednik revije "Peiping". Oba sta študirala na ameriških univerzah.

Obdolžena zanikata odgovornost v posebni izjavi, v kateri pravita, da so bile demonstracije proti intrigam japonskih militaristov, ki hočejo razkosati Kitajsko.

Studentje so demonstrirali tudi pred uradom Ho Ying-čina, ki ima pozicijo vojnega ministra v nankingški vladi. Ministra dolže, da tajno podpira avtonomistično gibanje v severni Kitajski in sodeluje v zaroti japonskih militaristov.

Voditelji CCF odklonili komunistični apel

Winnipeg, Kanada. — Eksekutivni svet Cooperative Commonwealth federacije (socialisti) je nagnanil, da ne bo sklepal zvez z drugimi kanadskimi političnimi strankami. To je bil odgovor na komunistični apel glede ustanovitve enotne fronte.

RUDARJI ZAHTE- VAJO SKRAJŠA- NJE DELOVNKA

Delegatje podprli kampanjo proti vojni in fašizmu

LEWIS DOBIL ZAUP- NICO

Washington, D. C. — (FP) — Po izvolitvi posebnega komiteja, ki mu je bila poverjena naloga, naj vodi pogajanja glede sklenitve nove pogodbe z operatorji, so trije rudarški distrikti UMWA (antracitni) zaključili svojo tridnevno konvencijo. Komitej bo šel sedaj na delo, da izvojuje šesturnik in pet dni dela v tednu za rudarje na polju trdega premoga.

Konvencija je zavzela tudi militantno stališče proti fašizmu v Ameriki in v drugih državah. Obsodila je fašistično propagando, ki jo vodi Hearstovo časopisje, ter odobrila kongres proti vojni in fašizmu, ki se odprl v Clevelandu 8. januarja prihodnjega leta. Zadevna resolucija je bila sprejeta soglasno.

John L. Lewis je izrazil navdušeno odobranje, ko je v svojem govoru pojasnil cilje pred kratkim ustanovljenega odbora za industrijsko organiziranje delavcev pod okriljem Ameriške delavske federacije. V svojem govoru je poudarjal, da so imele dosedanje kampanje ADF, da se delavci v industrijah masne produkcije organizirajo v poklenih unijah, malo uspeha. Voditelje teh unij je posvaril pred posledicami, če bodo še nadalje ovirali kampanjo zagovornikov industrijskega unionizma. Ameriška delavska federacija ne bo ničesar pridobila s pobjamjenjem industrijskega unionizma, izgubi pa lahko mnogo, če bo skušala kaznovati svoje namišljene sovražnike, ki jih vidi v zagovornikih takega unionizma.

Komitej je bil dalje instruiran, naj poleg krajšega delovnika zahteva tudi zaščito starostnih pravic, odpravo takozvanega kontraktne sistema, plače in pol za čezurno delo in izboljšanje delovnih pogojev. Namesto petletne pogodbe, ki poteka v marcu prihodnjega leta, se je konvencija izrekla za dveletno pogodbo, da se tako omogoči večkratne revizije v soglasju s razvojem in novimi potrebami, ki se pojavijo.

Nemški katoliki odbili apel Italije

Nočejo posoditi denarja Mussoliniju

Berlin, 10. dec. — Mussolinijevi diplomati v Berlinu so apelirali na papeškega nuncija in druge poglavarje katoliške hierarhije v Nemčiji, naj posodijo svoje rezerve v nemških markah Italiji, da bo kupila premog in drugo blago v Nemčiji. Apel je bil do danes odklonjen. Centralni katoliški urad v Berlinu se je pritožil, da niti "Petrovega noviča" ne more posiljati v Rim, odkar jim je Hitler s svojimi deviznimi zakoni zvezal roke.

Kardinal Bertram, nadškof v Vratislavi, dan za dnevom posilja proteste v Berlin zaradi aretacij katoliške duhovščine v Nemčiji. Te dni sta bila aretirana dva katoliška vikarja v Passauju in Ravensburgu.

Najvišje sodišče zavrglo apel Hauptmanna

Washington, D. C. — Vrhovno federalno sodišče je 9. t. m. odklonilo apel Bruna R. Hauptmanna proti smrtni obsodbi zaradi ugrabljenja in uboja Lindberghovega otroka.

Tokio očita "se- bičnost" Ameriki

Pobija predlagano redukcijo pomorske oborožene sile

Tokio, 10. dec. — Predstavniki mornariškega departmeta so večerj izjavili, da je ameriški načrt glede dvajsetodstotne redukcije pomorske oborožene sile, ki je bil predložen na navališki konferenci v Londonu, sebičen, ker zahteva žrtve s strani drugih, zlasti Japonske.

Ti so dalje naglasili, da Amerika še vedno vztraja, da se o hrani razmerje 5-5-3 med Združenimi državami, Veliko Britanijo in Japonsko. To pomeni, da je Amerika pripravljena učititi nekaj bojnih ladij, ki jih sploh ne bi mogla rabiti v vojni, Japonska pa naj bi žrtvovala moderne bojne ladje, ki jih je zgradila v zadnjih letih. Z japonskega stališča je ameriški predlog bolj v škodo Japonski nego oni, ki je bil predložen v Zenevi 1. 1927 in je določal splošno redukcijo 30 odstotkov.

London, 10. dec. — Med japonskimi in ameriški delegati je prišlo do novega konflikta, ko je angleški premier otvoril drugo sejo navališke konference, katere cilj je najti nadomestilo za navališki pogodbi, ki sta bili sklenjeni v Washingtonu in Londonu in katerih veljavnost poteče v prihodnjem marcu.

Na konferenci je okrog sedemdeset reprezentantov Anglije, Amerike, Francije, Italije in Japonske. Načelnik japonske delegacije je admiral Osami Nagano, ki je večerj ponovno ožigosal ameriški predlog glede dvajsetodstotne redukcije pomorske oborožene sile. Izjavil je, da Japonska ne bo odobrila nobenega načrta, dokler ne bodo ostale velesile pristale na zahtevo izenačenja števila bojnih ladij med Anglijo, Ameriko in Japonsko.

Thomas-Browderjeva debata v Chicagu

Chicago. — Socialistični voditelj Norman Thomas in komunistični voditelj Earl Browder v Združenih državah bosta debatirala o taktiki obeh strank in vprašanju enotne fronte v Ashland Auditoriumu dne 13. januarja.

Sestnajst rudarjev ubitih v Kanadi

Coalhurst, Atla., Kanada. — Pri razstrelbi plinov dne 9. decembra v rovin Lethbridge Collieries je 16 rudarjev izgubilo življenje. Štirinajst delavcev je bilo rešenih smrti.



Meta Berger, žena pokojnega kongresnika Victorja L. Bergerja iz Milwaukeeja in šolska odbornica, ki je bila prošla poletje več mesecev v Rusiji. Jutri večer (v četrtek) bo govorila o sovjetski Rusiji v Chicagu v soseski Workmen's Circle na Ogden in Kedzie ave. Vstopnina 25c. Shod prireja okrajna socialistična stranka.

RAZKOL V NEW- YORŠKI SOC. ORGANIZACIJI

"Militantje" ustanovili svoj osrednji odbor

THOMAS JE ZADO- VOLJEN

New York. — (FP) — Ze dolgo časa pričakovani prelom med "militanti" in "stare gardo" v newyorški socialistični organizaciji je prišel, ko je levičarska grupa a prepevanjem "Internationale" demonstrativno odšla iz dvorane, v kateri se je vršila seja centralnega odbora.

Militantje, katerih vodja je Norman Thomas, bivši predsedniški kandidat soc. stranke, so ustanovili svoj glavni stan v uradu svojega glasila "Socialist Call", ki so ga pričeli izdajati pred nekaj meseci. Ta stalno napada politiko "stare garde", dočim slednja naglašala, da so "militantje" povzročili spor v newyorški soc. organizaciji. Militantje so organizirali svojo eksekutivno ter imenovali Charlesa Gerkinkela, bivšega državnega poslanca, za začasnega načelnika.

Novi osrednji odbor pravi, da ima podporo pri 36 postojankah soc. organizacije v New Yorku. Število vseh je 60, med temi 40 angleško goviljočih, ostale pa so povečini židovske.

Do preloma je prišlo, ker ni hotel osrednji odbor preklicati odloka glede reorganiziranja soc. organizacije v New Yorku, ki je po mnenju "stare garde" potrebno, dočim so "militantje" v tem odloku videli nekakšno diktaturo. Pri ponovnem glasovanju je bil odlok podprt z 48 proti 44 glasovom, nakar so "militantje" zapustili dvorano. Norman Thomas se ni udeležil te seje, toda pozneje je izjavil, da ne namerava pretvoriti socialistične stranke v komunistično, ampak hoče, da postane bolj bojevit, kar ni bila pod kontrolo "stare garde."

Rooseveltova indu- strijska konferenca

Veliki magnatje so jo bojkotirali

Washington, D. C., 10. dec. — Večerj se je začela industrijska konferenca, katero je sklical predsednik Roosevelt z namenom, da predstavnikov kapitala in delavskih unij pridejo skupaj pri "okrogli mizi" in se pogovore o najbolj perečih vprašanjih. Prišlo je okrog 3000 zastopnikov, ki so večinoma delavski delegatje. Predstavniki industrij je malo. Največje industrije, kakor Jeklarska, avtomobilska, oljna itd., so docela bojkotirale to konferenco.

Zborovanje je odprl George L. Berry, Rooseveltov industrijski koordinator, ki je razložil namen konference. Tako nato se je pa začel kraval. Cikažan Alfred P. Haake, zastopnik zveze pohištvenih podjetnikov, je zahteval besedo za nasprotnike "New Deal", toda Berry mu je ni dal in obdolžil Haakeja, da je prišel na konferenco z namenom, da jo razbije. Haake je kričal, da se Berry laže, nakar je nastala splošna zmešnjava in Berry je zaključil prvo sejo.

Medtem je Roosevelt govoril na shodu v Chicagu, kjer je hvallil farmerski program AAA pred zborovalci American Farm biroja v amfiteatru v klavniškem okrožju. Poslušalo ga je okrog 15,000 oseb.



Uradne vesti društev SNPJ

Detroit, Mich.—Dne 22. nov. je preminil br. Steve Barišić, član društva Sunce sa istoka 711, ki je vodil restavracijo na 150 Theodore st., v bližini Fisherjeve tovarne št. 10. Pogreb je bil v nedeljo, 24. nov. v boju z banditi, ki so ga napadli na cesti pri belem dnevu, ko se je vračal iz banke ter mu hoteli vzeti denar. Ker se je postavil po robu in se branil, je bandit nanj streljal. Barišić se je zgrudil in čez nekaj časa, v bolnišnici Harper na operacijski mizi ranam podlegel. Policiji se je posrečilo izslediti morilce in na 29. nov. se je pričela obravnava. Pogreb se je vršil 25. nov. ob veliki udeležbi občinstva in članstva društva 711 SNPJ, ki je imelo pogreb v okoliščini. K SNPJ je pristopil leta 1922 v Harrisu, Colo. Tu zapušta brata in bratrance, v domovini pa ženo in sina. Doma je bil iz vasi Suica, občina Livno, Bosna, v Ameriko je prišel pred vojno in večinoma je delal v rudnikih. Postal je štev brezvestnih tovarnarjev, ki so izrodek sedanjega krivičnega sistema. Blag mu spomin!

John Rimac, tajnik.

Kemmerer, Wyo.—Na letni seji društva 267 je bil izvoljen sledeči odbor: John H. Kržišnik, predsednik, Frank Molihnik, podpredsednik, Anton Tratinik, tajnik, Frank Sedek, blagajnik, John Marinac, zapisnikar. Nadzorniki: Albin Zakotnik, predst., Mike Zakotnik in Louis Sajo. Društveni zdravnik dr. J. R. Newman. Seje se vršajo 1. ned. v mesecu ob 10. dop. v dvorani kluba Union.

Anton Tratinik, tajnik.

Warren, O.—Društvo 321 bo praznovalo svojo 18. letnico s plesno veselico na 14. dec. v Jugoslavanskem domu. Da se da našemu slavu do- stojen značaj, je društvo preskrbelo odličnega gosta in govornika, br. Matja Petrovich, predsednika gospodarskega odbora SNPJ. Vabilo se vsi rojaki od tu in iz vse okolice, da se udeležijo te proslave. Vstopnina samo 25c. Igrala bo Pirček orkester iz Girarda. Odbor bo preskrbel dobro postrežbo. Pridite v velikem številu. Pričetek veselice ob 7. zvečer.

Poteklo je 18 let, odkar je bilo naše društvo ustanovljeno. Mala skupina rojakov se je zavela, da se organizira v društvo SNPJ. Sprevideli so, da jim je tako društvo potrebno in ali so na delo. Naši pionirji so svoje delo izvršili. Za njih delo jim gre obilo zahvala!

Na svidenje na slavu 14. dec.!

Jon. Jež, tajnik.

Chicago, Ill.—Društvo št. 86 bo priridelo plesno veselico na 29. feb. 1936. Na letni seji, ki se bo vršila 15. dec. in se bo pričela ob 9.30, boste aljalsi poročilo pripravljajnega odbora. Na novembrski seji je bilo sprejeto, da se bo po letni seji vršila mala domača zabava za člane in članice. Društveni predsednik bo naredil domače klobase, tajnik pa bo preskrbel sodeček kalifornijskega. Pridite in se udeležite glavne seje, potem pa se zabavajte na domači zabavi!

John Moral, tajnik.

Joliet, Ill.—Leto se bliža koncu, kar pomeni, da se delajo bilance in računati letni inventarji. Naše društvo 115 lahko sporoči veselo novico, da je napredovalo v tem letu v članstvu in finančno. Napredek beležimo kljub depresiji in brezdelju. Naše članstvo je pokazalo zanimanje in napredek za društvo. Na zadnji seji smo pričeli z novim sistemom, in sicer s tem, da se dvigne številka člana. Če je dotični navzoč, dobi en dolar v gotovini. Na zadnji seji ni bil dotični član navzoč, zato bo nekdo, ki bo srečen, dobil na letni seji dne 15. dec. dva dolarja! Pridite, morda dobita dva dolarja — vi!

Na glavni seji 15. dec. pa bomo dali nekaj tudi naši mladini. Oddal se bo lep instrument, kakor običajno vsako leto, s to razliko, da bodo do njega imeli priliko le otroci, ki so člani mladinskega oddelka. Cigar ime bo dvignjeno, tisti bo dobil darilo v obliki tamburice. Kdor bo tako srečen, da bo njegova številka ali ime dvignjeno, bo dobil to darilo tudi, če ne bo navzoč.

Bliža se konec kampanje za pridobivanje novih članov SNPJ. Ako se niste člani te dobre organizacije, pristopite sedaj. Pripletite tudi svoje otroke! Za vse je dovolj prostora! Ne morete in boleli nam pretijo vedno. Nihče ni varen, posebno otroci in matere so vedno izpostavljene nevarnostim na cesti in drugod. Poskrbite, da boste vi in vaši otroci zavarovani pri SNPJ! Pomnite, da do 31. dec. je v veljavi sedanja kampanja in njene ugodnosti. Imate priložnost zdravniške preiskave in trimesečnega assement. Kaj ni to lepa ugodnost? Kar pridite k tajniku ali tajnici, ki vam bo preskrbel listine ter vas peljal k zdravniku. Storitve tako in nikdar vam ne bo žal, da ste postali član največje slovenske podpornice organizacije SNPJ!

Kakor omenjeno, se bo naša letna seja vršila 15. dec. Udeležite se v velikem številu. Treba je izvoliti odbornike in urediti marsikaj važnega in potrebnega, da bo naše društvo korakalo naprej, vedno naprej! Po seji bo domača zabava, prigrizek in pijača. Upamo, da bomo v novem letu spet tako napredovali kakor smo v tekočem, ki se bo kmalu izteklo.

Prosim, da plačate assement najkasneje do 25. dec. tako da ga lahko upošljemo na št. urad. prenosu. To je zelo važno in potrebno, v zadnjem mesecu pa še posebno. Poravnajte svoje dolgeve. Letna seja se bo pričela ob 1. popoldne dne 15. dec. Udeležite se vsi!

Helen Sterniš, tajnica.

Peoria, Ill.—Tukaj imamo tri društva SNPJ, o njih se pa le malo sliši ali čita. Naše društvo 489 je sklenilo, da bo dalo poleg kampanjskih nagrad in ugodnosti še posebno nagrado agitatorjem in novim članom, ki so stari nad 35 let, bi plačalo zdravniško preiskavo ter dalo prosto pristopnino. Šli smo na agitacijo. Pri tem pa so težave. Ljudem je težko dopovedati, kako potrebno je, da se zavarujejo pri dobri organizaciji kot je naša. Šele kadar jih zadene nesreča ali bolezen začnejo gledati okoli sebe, kdo jim bo pomagal. Treba je se pripraviti prej.

Dela je sedaj tukaj dovolj. Pred par tedni so uposlili par tisoč relig. delavcev, ki pa so večinoma ubogi starčki, da jih je žalostno gledati pri delu. Nekateri komaj na nogah stojijo, pa morajo delati s krampom in lopato. Na delo so jih pognali sedaj, na zimo, tople obleke pa nimajo. Religio delo je le sunaj. V tovarnah ne marajo starih ljudi. Le dokler si mlad in močan te potrebujejo, da jim nagrebe več profita potem pa te izgarane vržejo na cesto. Tak je sedaj sistem privatnega profita!

Se to, kar omenjam tudi na drugem mestu, da se bo letna seja našega društva vršila na 15. dec. ob 2. pop. pri br. F. Franku na 206 McReynolds st. Udeležite se vsi, ali pa boste plačali 25c v blagajno!

Anna Matelko, tajnica.

Joliet, Ill.—V nedeljo 15. dec. se bo vršila glavna seja društva 115 in se bo volil odbor. Pričetek seje ob 1. pop. Zavedati se moramo dejstva, da je odbor velikega pomena za društvo. Zato je tudi potrebno, da ima vasko društvo dober odbor, kar more koristiti le društvu in članstvu ter jednoti. Društva važna stvar je medsebojno sodelovanje med odborom in članstvom. Treba je razumevanja in dobre volje. Dober odbor lahko veliko stori za društvo. Društveno delo je zvezano z velikimi žrtvami. Član, ki se ne more žrtvovati za društvo, tudi če je sposoben, naj ne bi sprejel urada, ako ne more v polni meri izvršiti svojih dolžnosti, ki jih od njega zahteva društvo in članstvo. Mnogokrat se skromnega člana s pohvalo povzdigne, da postane dober odbornik in član, s pikirani opaskami pa boste potli voljo za delo tudi najneupogljivišemu članu. Kjerkoli so v navadi pikre opazke, bodisi pri našem ali katerem drugem društvu, se bi morale opustiti. To bi koristilo društvu in članstvu. Najboljše je, da sleherni član sodeluje z novoizvoljenim odborom v vseh oziirih. Edino na ta način izpolnjuje svojo člansko dolžnost napram svojem društvu in jednoti. Potem ste lahko prepričani, da vam bo vask novoizvoljeni odbornik hvalen za vašo pomoč. Želim mnogo uspeha na glavni seji!

F. Ferlin, podpredsednik.

Johnstown, Pa.—Med številnimi društvi SNPJ v Johnstownu in bližnji okolici, je društvo Triglav št. 82 gotovo najmočnejše po številu članstva, po starosti pa je na tretjem mestu. Ustanovljeno je bilo pred 27 leti na Moxhamu, gornja stran mesta Johnstown, iz vroka, ker je ta kraj precej oddaljen od Cambria City, spodnji del mesta, kjer je sedež društva Adria št. 3 SNPJ, ki je najstarejše društvo SNPJ v Penni. Da je bilo v tem kraju takrat potrebno novo društvo, je dokaz, kot že omenjeno, da je danes to društvo eno največjih po članstvu; šteje čez tri sto članov v obeh oddelkih.

Pripravi sem, da je SNPJ dobila takrat z ustanovitvijo tega novega društva v tem kraju veliko novih članov iz vroka, ker je bil sedež društva blizu in ni bilo treba hoditi milje daleč po društvenih opravkih. To je potrebno poudariti posebno radi tega, ker imamo v Johnstownu dve angleško govoreči društvi SNPJ. (Nekateri člani prvo ustanovljenega ang. društva, jako radi ob vsaki priliki predbacivajo, da se je drugo angl. društvo ustanovilo s namenom, nasprotovati prvemu, kar ni resnica. Drugo angl. društvo Flood City se je ustanovilo na Moxhamu prav iz istega vroka kot društvo Triglav. To je, zaradi preoddaljenosti prvga, ki je takrat zboračevalo na Franklin Boro, sedem milj od Moxhama.) Član v tem okraju mi bo potrdil, da je v Johnstownu dovolj prostora za dve angl. poslovalni društvi. Manj neopazoma in več sloge med mladimi člani pa bi bilo, ako bi vsako društvo imelo uradne prostore tam, kjer se je ustanovilo. Flood City na Moxhamu se drži svojega kroga, zakaj tega ni pri prvem društvu? Agitacija med mladino za nove člane bi na tako urejen način bolj uspevala, ker igovori, da je društvo predalno, ne bi držali. Toliko o tem.

Društvo Triglav skuša biti kolikor razmere dopuščajo v vrstah naprednih društev. K Prosvetni matici spada že več let in knjige, ki smo jih dobili od te kulturne ustanove, je članstvo z zanimanjem čitalo. Ko se je sprokila ideja ustanovitve federacije društev SNPJ v tem okraju, je bilo društvo Triglav eno prvih, ki se je pridruživlo federaciji. Naše je veliko pripomoglo k sgradi in v vzdrževanju S. D. doma, ki je nekakšno središče našega kulturnega življenja. Člani tega društva se na-

dalje udeležujejo pri takajšnji slov. Moxhamu godbi, pri pevskem društvu Jugoslavija in nekaj jih spada tudi k soc. klubu št. 5. Zato ni pošteno, da se iz gotove strani hoče društvo Triglav omaloževati in mu celo podkati nazadnjaštvo, poveličevati pa društva, ki so, kar se napredka tiče, morda na nižji stopnji kot Triglav.

Društvo Triglav prireja tudi veselice v korist svojih blagajni in od časa do časa tudi uprizori kako igro z zabavo članstva in občinstva sploh. Ena takih priredb Triglava bo zopet 14. decembra zvečer v S. D. D. Lorain Boro. Kdor želi biti par ur vesel, naj pride na to prireditev. Uprizorjena bo jako komična igra "Anarchist". Videli in slišali boste med drugim Martinka, kako zna nemški in kako je rešil domovino. Zaradi "safety first" je pa priporočljivo, da napravite "inspekcijsko" na vaših gumbih, da bodo dobro prišli, drugače se lahko pripeti, da bi vam od ameha popustili. Društveni sklep je, da vsak član plača vstopnico. Pridite torej vsi člani! Kaj bi plačevali in ne uživali? Vabilo se tudi člani drugih društev, da nas obiščejo. Po igri bo ples s izvrstnim orkestrom. Vsi na prireditev društva Triglav 14. decembra!

John Langerhole, član.

Cleveland, O.—Društvo št. 53 je na letni seji 8. dec. soglasno sklenilo, da se objavi v glasilu sledeči sprejeti predlog br. J. Jontezja: Društvo št. 53 odobrava idejo delavke svobodnomiselnice šole SNPJ, ki je bila izražena v uredniškem članku v glasilu z dne 2. okt. t. l. in želi, da gl. odbor o njej razpravlja na prihodnji seji ter izdela zadeven načrt, ki se naj potem objavi v glasilu v svoji diskuziji od strani članstva. — Naše društvo obenem strogo obsoja in protestira proti nesramnemu vmešavanju clevelandške A. D. v notranje zadeve SNPJ! Sprejeto, da se gornje objavi v glasilu SNPJ.

Ivan Jontez, zapisnikar.

Hermine, Pa.—Društvo 200 priredi veselico na 28. dec. pri br. Antonu Pregradu. Vabilo se vaa lokalna društva in posamezni rojaki. Pridite v velikem številu in mi vam jamčimo dobro zabavo ter postrežbo. Igrala bo dobra godba, namreč Fran Saje iz Westmoreland Cityja in Frank Korešin iz Yukona. Vstopnina 25c za moške in ženske.

Louis Pyer, tajnik.

Morgan, Pa.—Društvo št. 6 bo priridelo božičnico na 31. dec. Naše mladino bomo obdarovali s primernimi darili, za odrasle pa bo na razpolago okusen prigrizek ter dobra pijača. Stroški se krijejo iz društvene blagajne. Za ples bo tudi preskrbljeno. (Vp. o tem prihodnjč.)

Odbor.

Luzerne, Pa.—Društvo 204 je priridelo veselico na 28. nov. in bila je dovolj dobro obiskana. Prišli so od blizu in daleč. Ob priliki bomo poset vrnili. V imenu društva se lepo zahvaljujemo sestrji Angeli Ofack in rojakinji mrs. J. Stempel, ki sta nabirali prispevke in darila, kar je veliko pripomoglo k uspehu in društveni blagajni. Lepa hvala za ves trud!

Joseph Volker, predsednik.
Frank Baloch, tajnik.

Bridgeport, O.—Podpisani je spet prevzel tajniški urad društva št. 13, kar naj vzamemo na znanje oddaljeni člani, ki se niso udeležili letne seje. Sklenjeno, da vsak član, ki se ni udeležil omenjene seje, daj 50c darjke. Odsedaj najprej bo tajnik pobiral assement le na seji in na domu od 20. do 25. v mesecu med 6. in 8. zvečer. Na druge dneve ga ne bom sprejemal! Pri tem so javzete le oddaljeni člani. Tak je društveni zaključek z dne 1. dec. in tega se bom strogo držal. Zapomnite si to in se po tem tudi ravajte.

John Kocjanec, tajnik.

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Pismo iz Clevelanda

Dne 28. nov. sem se na prireditvi kluba št. 27 JSZ in njegove "Zarje" sestal z mladim, tukaj rojenim slovenskim inteligentom, članom bratske SSPZ in dobro znanem zlasti med našimi mladimi, in pogovor je nanesel na Prosvetno sugestijo glede ustanovitve svobodnomiselnih delavskih šol za naš naraščaj. Mladik rojak, ki spada med tiste naše mlade izobražence, ki odprto in brez strahu in sramu priznavajo, da so proletari in se zavajajo, da je njihovo mesto v vrstah delavstva, je pritril, da je ideja zdrava in njeno uresničenje potrebno. "Ko se je začelo ustanavljati angleško poslujoča društva", je dejal, "se je le preveč poudarjalo sport in družabnost, trdnje podlage se pristopajo mladini v preveliki in kratkovidnosti ni dalo in to se je začelo maščevati nad nami. Toda se je čas, da se zamudimo popraviti. Naši mladniki je treba odpreti oči, da bo vedela, kaj je in kaj ni in od koga lahko kaj pričakujemo. Predvsem ji je treba pomagati izpredelati, da bo videla, da je vznikla iz proletariata, da spada in bo spadala k proletariatu — hoče ali ne, mora! — do konca in da ji nihče drug ne bo pomagal kot združeni proletariati sam. Ko se mlad človek zave tega železnega dejstva, je brez nadaljnjega že izpuhjen za reakcijo. — To delo — čipirati oči naši mladini v tej smeri — bi seveda najlažje in najuspešnejše opravili zmogni izveščani učitelji, kakršne sugerira Prosveta. Učne knjige bi morale seveda predvsem poudarjati, da medzniki delavci ali pisarji, ki suženj in kapitalist in obratno in da slednji ne bo pomagal prvemu, temveč si bo moral prvi pomagati sam, in pokazati bi morale naši mladini, kdo so njeni prijatelji in kdo sovražniki. Prosvetina sugestija to zahteva pokriva, zato želim, da bi se jo izvedlo."

Tako približno je govoril moj mladi znanec in kar je rekel, držim.

Kakor vidite, doslej ni še bilo posebnega odziva na zadevno sugestijo urednika Prosvete, dasi se nas je oglašilo k stvari vseeno več, kakor trdi zloglasna Ameriška domovina, list, ki daje v svet zmirom samo in edinole tanejšije in točne vesti, če mu verjamete, jaz mu ne, saj se je v isti številki Prosvete oglašil k tej stvari tudi član našega društva — D., dan pozneje pa še Joseph Shoy iz Ohia, dočim je A. D. malo pozneje trdila, da se je oglašil samo eden. Seveda se je zgodila pri A. D. samo "neljuba pomota", kakopak, kakor po navadi. — No, in v zadnji uradni številki Prosvete se je oglašil k stvari A. Sular iz Arme, Kans., in tudi Fr. Barbič v svojem dopisu posredno poudarja potrebo takelne vzgoje naše mladine. Sebe je nas je torej že oglašilo. Ampak, kje pa ste vi ostali bratje in sestre, ki smo vajeni čuti vaše mnenje, kadar pridejo na površje važna vprašanja, tikajoča na naše jedrce? Zlasti Cleveland, ki ima v svoji sredi kar štiri glavne odbornike: ali sploh? Ali se pa morda bojimo, da nas ne bi kaka prodana duša naslovila "zgago"? Bratje in sestre, saj bi bilo vendar žalostno za vsakega izmed nas, če bi nas tak ljudje — hvalili! — In društva in federacije, o vsemčem razpravljate, zakaj ne bi razpravljali tudi o tem vprašanju, važnem, je zelo važno, gre se za to, ali bo ostala SNPJ to, kar so ji namenili njeni ustanovitelji — delavski podporni organizacija! Držite se iz mrtvila vi vsi, ki vam je pri sreči bodočnost delavskih SNPJ, razpravljajte o tej važni sugestiji in sugerirajte, svetujte sami, da bo prihodnja konferenca lažje ukenila nekaj konkretnega v tem pogledu! Beseda ima pri nas vsak član. Se stalov niti Mussolinijev in Hitlerja nimamo pri nas niti jk ne maramo, čeprav čveka tako brezglava A. D., ki bi rada postala napredni element v SNPJ, a ostani in dlako vred, a se ji bode pri tem polomile njene zobe verjame!

Moja sugestija je, naj gl. odbor na svoji prihodnji seji vzame stvar v temeljit pretes, pro-

učti, kako bi se dalo stvar najbolj praktično izvesti, pripravi načrt ter ga predloži članstvu, ki naj potem o njem razpravlja v glasilu. Inicijativno naj prevzame gl. odbor. — Kakšna naj bo ta naša šola, je dovolj jasno povedal urednik Prosvete: naraščaj delavske podpirne organizacije, kar je SNPJ od svojega začetka, bo morala izobraževati v razredno delavskem duhu. To je jedro. Učitelje si bomo morali seveda šele vzgojiti, toda brez strahu smo, da si jih ne bi mogli dobiti in vzgojiti. Važno vprašanje bo, kako stvar financirati, toda tudi to vprašanje nam ne bo delalo sivih las, samo nekaj dobre volje in ljubezni do naše organizacije bo treba, pa bo šlo.

Ameriška domovina je očitno docela pozabila, kako smo ji pred leti odločno in brez ovinkov povedali, naj drži svoje umazane kreme proč od SNPJ, ako želi dobro sebi. Čim je prišla Prosveta s svojo sugestijo glede ustanovitve svobodnomiselnih šol SNPJ, že se je zaletela v SNPJ, seveda pod prozorno krinko "prijatelja" našega članstva, katerega želi obvarovati pred "čikaškimi socialisti", t. j. gl. upravnim odborom, o katerem skuša na vse kriplje napraviti vtis, da bi bilo boljše za članstvo SNPJ, da ga ne bi bilo, oz. da bi bil drugačen — takšen, da bi mu A. D. z našimi kaplani in franciskani vred lahko dala svoj blagoslov. Glavna tarča je seveda zopet Prosveta, menda zato, ker je urednikov A. D. najbrž sram samih sebe vselej, kadar jima pride pred oči Prosveta in jo v duhu primerjati z njunim neslavnim revolveržurnalom. Je to SNPJ sovražna propaganda najbolj paglavske sorte. Namen te propagande je prozoren: diskreditirati naš gl. odbor, ki smo ga člani po svojih delegatih izvolili in ki vestno in pošteno upravlja in vodi našo jedrno na poclagi pravil in resolucij, sprejetih na naših konvencijah in referendumih, in urednika Prosvete, katero sovraži naša reakcija vsled njenega odklona in poštenega delavskega stališča; in potem se vriniti v vodstvo naše jednote ter napraviti iz nje klerikalno-demokratski privesek. — Kaj naj rečem k tej nepošteni paglavski propagandi mi, člani SNPJ, ki smo njeni člani predvsem zato, ker je delav. in svobodnomiselna podporni organizacija? Naš odgovor mora biti kratak: Umazane roke proč od SNPJ! SNPJ ne potrebuje nobenega zanimanja od strani urednikov A. D. in njima podobnih! Svoje probleme bomo rešili brez vas, kakor smo jih doslej! In naša mladina? Well, mi vemo, kaj imamo in česa nimamo, kaj hočemo in kaj bomo z vztrajnostjo in dobro voljo tudi dosegli! Vidva, "prijatelja" od Ameriške domovine, se pa pobričajta za vašo neslavno zavozeno banko — božič in Novo leto sta pred durmi in vlagatelj zamrzne njene banke: bi vama bili zelo hvaležni, ako bi jih vidva preskrbeli nekaj drobica iz "stoprocentno varne banke", "varnejše od zvezne poštne hranilnice" — in če vama bo pri tem še dolg čas, pa lahko nadaljujeta obljubljeno in v miru počivajeta "preiskavo bombnega atentata". In se tole: sicer je zima in sončni žarki niso več kdo ve kako močni, toda če ima človek preveč masla na lastni glavi, se jim vseeno ni dobro izpostavljati...

Zdi se mi, da sem se preveč razvnel, da sem paglavsko propagando Lajzeta in Jake preveč resno vzel, pa kaj se hoče, ljudem njune sorte ne dopoveš ničesar na lep način kot pametnim ljudem, po domače ju moraš obrecati, pa se ju še ne prime poseben, kajti njuna koža je trša od krokodilovega oklepa — skoro tako trda, kakor je velika njuna nesramnost...

Zadnje čase sem večkrat čul ime univerze Notre Dame in ker sem firben človek, sem vprašal v prvem odstavku omenjenega mladega rojaka, ki so mu take stvari bolj znane kot meni, v čem se ta slavni katoliški zavod posebno odlikuje. Pa mi je zaupal, kar je vsakemu Američanu itak znano, namreč, da se ta univerza ne odlikuje in postavlja

toliko s svojimi prizadevanji in uspehi na polju zbiranja in znanosti kolikor se odlikuje in postavlja s svojimi prizadevanji in uspehi na polju nogometa. Nakar sem hudomušno pripomnil, da kaže, da vseh svojih slušateljev tudi v tem pogledu ne podkuje posebno dobro in v mislih sem imel nekatere "nogometne" na konferenci ESL...

Ivan Jontez, 53.

Federacije SNPJ

Zapisnik federacijske seje

Luzerne, Pa. — Izvleček zapisnika federacije društev SNPJ za antracitno okrožje z dne 28. okt., Forest City, Pa. Navzgor so vsi odborniki. Zapisnik prejšnje seje se sprejme. Pismo društva 631 se vzame na znanje, tako tudi pismo društva 447, v katerem se zahvaljuje federaciji za pomoč. Poročila tajnika-blagajnika in nadzorneke odbora se tudi vzamejo na znanje.

Poročila zastopnikov. Društvo 124 poroča o inicijativi, da ni proti, toda stvar prepušča drugim društvom. Društvo 204 se strinja z iniciativo, tako tudi društvo 447, sprejelo pa je ne bo, dokler ni podprta z argumenti. Nato se prečita inicijativa, nakar sledi splošna razprava, inicijativi pa se dodajo navodila s pojasnili. Odboru za inicijativno se priporoči, da dodajo argumente ter inicijativno predložijo društvoma 204 in 447.

Br. Supan poroča o nekaterih nesoglasjih med njim in gl. urednikom. Priporoča se mu, da se posluži enotnih instanc. — Predlagano, da se federaciji pridruži društvo na Miners Millsu. — Zastopniki društva 204 vabijo navzoče na veselico na zahvalni dan, kar se sprejme na znanje.

Prihodnja federacijska seja se bo vršila na 26. jan. 1936 na Scrantonu, Pa., in se bo pričela ob 1. popoldne. Apelira se na vsa društva, ki so zastopana v federaciji, da vzamejo to na svojih glavnih sejah v poštov. Izvolijo svoje zastopnike oziroma, da društva pristopijo k federaciji. Kajti federacija je danes velike važnosti. Da pa postane federacija res to, za kar je bila ustanovljena, je treba, da se ji pridruži vsa društva SNPJ na polju trdega premoga.

Ker je s tem dnevi red izrpan, predsednik zaključuje sejo. F. Vratarič, zapisnikar.

Za svobodnomiselno šolo

Milwaukee, Wis. — Na zadnji seji milwausko-westalske federacije društev SNPJ smo vzeli v pretes nasvet uredništva Prosvete za ustanovitev svobodnomiselnih šol za našo mladino ter prišli do sledečega zaključka:

Ker je konferenca ESL jasno pokazala, kaj more pričakovati SNPJ, ako ta mladina prevzame njeno vodstvo in ker je naša dolžnost, da našo jedrno ohranimo še nadalje na principih razredno zavednega delavstva, zato smatramo edini izhod v tem, da damo naši mladini potrebno izobrazbo. Zato je naša federacija soglasno sklenila, da se popolnoma strinja z nasveti uredništva Prosvete, ki so bili priobčeni v glasilu dne 13. nov., da se ustanovi svobodnomiselna šola za našo mladino. Gl. upravni odboru se pa naroča,

da v smislu Molkevega priporočila izdela načrt in ga da na referendum ali pa prihodnji konvenciji v odobritev.

Da se ta ideja čim prej uresniči, se apelira tudi na druge okrožne federacije, da podajo svoja mnenja o tej tako važni zadevi.

Joe Vidmar, predsednik,
Frank Perko, tajnik.

Pojasnilo glede veselice

Benid, Ill. — Na zadnji seji illinoiske federacije društev SNPJ, ki se je vršila 22. sept. v Gillespiju, se je razpravljalo in sklepalo, da se na prihodnji federacijski seji, ki se bo vršila na 26. jan. 1936, priredi veselica v korist federacijske blagajne. Federacija je dala društvu 856 polno moč, da gleda, če se bi dala veselica prirediti. Društvo je na svoji redni seji o tem razpravljalo in prišlo do zaključka, da se veselica ne bo vršila. Federacijska seja se bo torej četrti nedeljo v januarju vršila brez veselice. Pričetek seje ob 9. popoldne. Zboroval bo v Zbojovski dvorani v Benidu. Toliko v vednost zastopnikom federacije za centralni Illinois.

Annie Vidmar,
tajnica društva 856.

Božična prireditve federacije

Chicago. — Federacija društev SNPJ za čikaško okrožje tudi letos priredi božičnico za mladino. Da prirejamo te prireditve, ni naš namen, kakor se nam je že mnogokrat očitalo, da "ponavljamo verske običaje." Ne, naš namen je, da enkrat v letu razveselimo našo mladino in zato, v to svrhu, izrabimo starega Miklavža, poleg tega pa ji damo še lep program delavskega značaja in ji pojasnimo naloge in cilje SNPJ.

Kakor prejšnja leta se bodo tudi letos delila lepa darila članom mladinskega oddelka društva, pridruženih k federaciji ter se jim bo tudi servirala brezplačna večerja, ker to bo dan mladine. Program bo zelo lep. Poleg pevskih in muzikalnih točk, katere bodo izvajali člani mladinskih oddelkov društev spadajočih k federaciji, bo tudi igra, za katero se pridno pripravljajo "Red Falcons", to je mladinski naraščaj klub št. 1 JSZ. Ves program bo pod vodstvom Mary Jugrove, kar je garancija, da bo res prvovrsten.

Sprememba bo to leto v tem, da se ne bodo pošiljale dopisnice, kot prejšnja leta, s katerimi ste se izkazali, da ste član SNPJ imeli znižano vstopnino. Pač pa bodo, kot za vse druge prireditve, vstopnice, katerim cena je v predprodaji 25c, pri vstopu pa 35c, in katere lahko kupite od članov, ki spadajo k društvom, ki so v federaciji.

Za prireditev vlada tudi letos veliko zanimanje, posebno še v South Chicagu; računajo, da bodo potrebovali letos za prevoz svojih članov na božičnico tri buse. Letos sodeluje prvič tudi društvo "Integrity", angleško poslujoče društvo s severne strani Chicaga, ki je zadnji mesec pristopilo k federaciji.

Ker je za vsako uspešno prireditev potrebna agitacija in kooperacija, zato apeliram na vse članke teh društev, katere imajo vstopnice, da jih razprodajo. Veliko število prodanih vstopnic pred prireditvijo bo najboljša garancija za uspeh.

Frank Aleah, tajnik.

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Gilbert, Minn. — Članstvu društva št. 61 se nanjaja, da se bo letna seja vršila 15. dec. ob 1.30 popoldne. Pridite vsi! Sklepali bomo o društvenih pravilih, izvolili odbor in reševali druge važne stvari. Andrew Zagar, tajnik.

Central City, Pa. — Prihodnja seja društva 247 dne 15. dec. bo glavna, nato tudi zelo važna za vse članke in članice. Izvolili se bo društveni odbor. Vabijo se posebno oni, ki se vse leto ne prikažejo na sejah. Odsotni se bodo kaznovali po pravilih. Izvesti bodo le bolni in oddaljeni člani. Frank Yuko, tajnik.

Cornwall, Pa. — Društvo 528 uljudno vabi vse svoje članke in članice na letno sejo 15. dec. točno ob 10. dop. v navadne prostore. Imeli bomo odbor. Odsotni bodo plačali 25c v društveno blagajno. Izvesti bodo le bolniki. Mary Simenec, tajnica.

Stauton, Ill. — Pozivam vse članke in članice društva 242 na glavno sejo, ki se bo odpravila 15. dec. ob 10. dop. in se bo vršila v prostoru na 339 E. Main st. Imeli bomo odbor. Caroline Thomas, tajnica.

Canton, O. — Društvo 315 opozarja vse svoje članke in članice, da se bo letna seja vršila 15. dec. v navadnih prostorih. Udeležite se vsi! Vršile se bodo volitve odborov. Odsotni se bodo kaznovali po društvenih zaključkih. Plačajte assessment ob času. Glavna seja bo zelo važna za vse. Mary Horvath, tajnica.

Filler, Kans. — Društvo 411 je na 17. nov. sklenilo, da se morajo vsi člani in članice udeležiti letne seje na 15. dec. ob 10. dop. v navadnih prostorih. Imeli bomo volitve odborov. Na glavno sejo! Martin Jusnik, zastopnik.

Warren, O. — Glavna seja društva 321 bo dne 15. dec. ob 10. dop. Vršile se bodo volitve novega odbora. Udeležite se v velkem številu. Sprejmite nominacije v ta ali oni urad, ker to je vaša dolžnost. Joseph Ječ, tajnik.

Kitaville, Minn. — Društvo 161 poziva vse svoje članke in članice, da se gotovo udeležijo letne seje 15. dec. ob 10. dop. v navadnih prostorih. Volitve odborov itd. Plačajte assessment najkasneje do 20. dec. Jacob Podlipnik, tajnik.

Rices Landing, Pa. — Društvo 501 uljudno vabi vse svoje članke in članice, da se udeležijo glavne seje 15. dec. Volitve in druge važne stvari. Odsotni bodo prispevali 50c v društveno blagajno. Izvesti so le bolniki. Matthew Barich, tajnik.

Hysota, Pa. — Letna seja društva 508 se bo odpravila 15. dec. in vsak odsoten bo moral plačati 50c v društveno blagajno, razen bolniki. Vršile se bodo volitve odborov. Na svidenje! — vsi! John Jurca, tajnik.

Park Falls, Wis. — Pozivam članstvo društva 436, da se gotovo udeležijo letne seje na 15. dec. Izvolili se bo nov odbor. Potrudite se in udeležite se vsaj letne seje! Emil Perkovich, tajnik.

Windber, Pa. — Vsi člani in članice društva 421 se pozivajo, da se gotovo udeležijo glavne seje na 15. dec. v Slovaki dvorani na 13. cesti. Rešili moramo važne zadeve in izvoliti odbornike za leto 1936. Z odtisnimi se bo postopalo po pravilih. Izvesti bodo bolni in oddaljeni člani. Matt Lavrnja, tajnik.

Oakmont, Pa. — Društvo 394 poziva vse svoje članke, da se sleherni udeležijo glavne seje na 15. dec. Na dnevnem redu bodo odbor. Odsotni bodo prispevali 50c v društveno blagajno. Izvesti bodo bolni in oddaljeni člani. Frank Mikoletich, tajnik.

McKinley, Minn. — Člane in članice društva 175 opozarjam, da se vsi udeležijo letne seje na 15. dec. ob 2. pop. Volili bomo uradnike za 1936. Nadzorni odbor naj pride pol ure prej. Anton Ohlin, tajnik.

Shinnston, W. Va. — Letna seja društva 533 se bo vršila 15. dec. pri br. Johnu Turkovichu na Bethlehenu. Vršile se bodo volitve uradnikov. Vsi na to sejo! Frank Pausel, tajnik.

Ironton, Minn. — Društvo 197 poziva vse svoje članke in članice na letno sejo, ki se bo odpravila 15. dec. ob 1.30 pop. Vršile se bodo odbor. Volitve in reševale druge zadeve. Udeležite se vsi! Marion Korach, tajnik.

East Helena, Mont. — Glavna seja društva 143 se bo vršila v petek 13. dec. ob 6. zvečer. Vaša dolžnost je, da ste vsi navzoči vsaj enkrat v letu. Poravnajte svoj dolg in prispevke ter assessment najkasneje do 25. dec. Jos. Mihelic, tajnik.

Brackenridge, Pa. — Letna seja društva 375 se bo odpravila 15. dec. Udeležite se vsi! Izvoliti moramo nove uradnike. Bratska dolžnost vam velewa, da pridete vsi na glavno sejo! Mary Svedl, tajnica.

Meadowlands, Pa. — Pozivam vse članstvo društva 359, da se gotovo udeležijo letne seje na 15. dec. ob 9.

dop. Izvolil se bo odbor za leto 1936. Odsotni se bodo kaznovali po pravilih. Plačajte asses. vsaj do 21. dec. Andrew Posega, tajnik.

Willard, Wis. — Pozivam vse članke društva 198, da se udeležijo letne seje na 15. dec. ob 1. pop. Izpolnite svojo dolžnost, pridite na to sejo vsi in izvolite društveni odbor po svoji volji! — Tajnik.

Springfield, Ill. — Društvo št. 47 vabi vse svoje članstvo, do se gotovo udeležijo letne seje na 15. dec. Izvoliti moramo odbora in rešiti mnogo važnih zadev. Mesečne prispevke plačajte prej ko navadno. Frank Cemasar, tajnik.

Warwood, W. Va. — Vabim vse članke društva 353, da se udeležijo letne seje 15. dec. Izvolili bomo odbor. Odsotni bodo prispevali 50c v društveno blagajno, razen bolniki. A. Zele, tajnik.

Slavko Jergović, tajnik.

York Run, Pa. — Društvo 144 poziva vse svoje članke na letno sejo 15. dec., katere se gotovo udeležijo. Vsi na to sejo! Odsotni bodo morali plačati 50c v društveno blagajno, razen bolniki. A. Zele, tajnik.

Maynard, O. — Vsi člani in članice društva 275 se vabijo na letno sejo dne 15. dec., ki se bo pričela točno ob 9. dop. Izvolili bomo odbor. Vabijo se vsi in izvolite si dober odbor. Na svidenje! Anton Skoberne, tajnik.

Lowellville, O. — Društvo št. 37 poziva vse svoje članke in članice na letno sejo, ki se bo vršila 15. dec. ob 1. pop. Volitve uradnikov. Udeležite se vsi in izvolite si dober odbor. Na svidenje! Martin Soldo, tajnik.

Canonsburg, Pa. — Pozivam vse članke društva 138, da se udeležijo letne seje dne 15. dec. ob 9. dop. Volitve uradnikov in druge. Vaša dolžnost je, da se glane seje gotovo udeležite. Po seji prost prigrizek in pijača. John Troha, tajnik.

Bedford, O. — Društvo 460 vabi vse svoje članke in članice, da se gotovo udeležijo letne seje 15. dec. ob 2. pop. Odsotni se kaznujejo po pravilih. Po seji bo nekaj posebnega za vse. Dopisnice se ne bodo pošiljale. Martin Martinšek, tajnik.

Mansfield, O. — Vsi člani društva 238 se vabijo na letno sejo, ki bo na 15. dec. ob 1.30 pop. Vršile se bodo odbor. Odsotni se bodo kaznovali po pravilih. Vabljene ste vsi člani in članice. John Carr ml., tajnik.

Racine, Wis. — Letna seja društva št. 68 se bo vršila 15. dec. na 203 Hawland ave. ob 2. pop. Udeležite se vsi, kajti ta seja bo važna za slehernega člana. Po seji bo domača zabava, prigrizek in pijača. Frank Jelenc, tajnik.

Helper, Utah. — Društvo 296 vabi vse svoje članke na letno sejo 15. dec. Na dnevnem redu bodo važne stvari in volitve odborov. Društvo priredi veselico na 31. 4. zvečer. O tem bomo sklepali na seji. Charles Bizjak, tajnik.

Claiborn, Pa. — Uljudno vabim vse članke društva 426, da se udeležijo letne seje dne 15. dec. Izvolili bomo odbor in uredili druge stvari. Udeležite se vsi! Pa izvolite si dobre uradnike, da ne bo pregovarjanja. Joseph Smrkolj, tajnik.

Canon City, Colo. — Letna seja društva 239 se bo vršila 15. dec. ob 10. dop. Pridite vsi! Če niste zadovoljni s sedanjim odborom, izvolite si drugega, tako da boste bolj posekali sejo! Anton Dremel, tajnik.

Gowanda, N. Y. — Glavna seja društva 325 se bo vršila v sredo 18. dec. Odsotni bodo morali plačati 50c v društveno blagajno, razen bolniki in oni, oddaljeni več ko 5 mil. in zvečer zaposleni v tovarni. Volitve uradnikov itd. Razdelili se bodo stenski koledarji. Po seji domača zabava. Joseph Feinik, tajnik.

Summit, Ill. — Vsi člani društva 707 se vabijo, da se udeležijo glavne seje na 15. dec. Vršile se bodo volitve odbora. Pridite vsi, razen oni, ki morate delati in bolniki. Poravnajte asses. malo prej. Frank Horvat, tajnik.

Calumet, Mich. — Društvo št. 62 poziva vse svoje članke in članice na letno sejo, ki se bo vršila 15. dec. ob 2. pop. Volitve odbora. Po seji bo prost zabava. Pridite vsi vsaj na letno sejo, ki bo važna. John Mukaver, tajnik.

Madrid, Iowa. — Članstvo društva 622 se opominja, da se udeležijo letne seje 15. dec. Volili se bo odbor za leto 1936 in treba je rešiti več važnih stvari. Joe Pierce, tajnik.

East Palestine, O. — Pozivam vse članke društva št. 55, da se udeležijo glavne seje na 15. dec. Na dnevnem redu bodo odbor. Odsotni se bodo kaznovali po pravilih. Volitve odbora. Plačajte asses. pravčasno. Rudolph Paulicha, tajnik.

Fairpoint, O. — Vsi člani društva 439 se vabijo na letno sejo, ki se bo vršila dne 15. dec. Imeli bomo odbor. Odsotni se bodo kaznovali po pravilih. Pridite vsi brez izjeme. Louis Spendal, tajnik.

Chicago, Ill. — Letna seja društva št. 1 bo v petek 13. dec. točno ob 7.30 zvečer. Assessment se prične po birati ob 7. uri. Odborniške volitve. Plačajte assessment do 25. dec. najkasneje, da se ob času zaključijo knjige. Joseph Wershay, tajnik.

Duluth, Minn. — Odborniške volitve društva 205 se bodo vršile na letni seji v nedeljo 15. dec. ob 1.30 pop. Vabljene ste vsi člani in članice, da se gotovo udeležite, ne le 20%, temveč tudi ostalih 80%. John Kobi, predsednik.

R. Worcester, N. Y. — Opominjam članke društva 393, da se udeležijo glavne seje dne 15. dec. ob 10. dop. vsi do zadnjega, razen bolnikov. Volitve odbora. Poravnajte assessment pravčasno. Vsi na letno sejo! Frank Koren, tajnik.

Anaconda, Mont. — Pozivam vse članke in članice društva 308, da se gotovo udeležijo letne seje na 30. dec. Volili se bo društveni odbor. Važno in potrebno je, da pridete vsi ter da plačate assessment pravčasno. Tom Pavlich, tajnik.

Peoria, Ill. — Letna seja društva 489 se bo vršila 15. dec. na domu br. F. Franka in se prične točno ob 2. pop. Odsotni bodo plačali 25c v društveno blagajno, izvesti bodo le bolniki in oni, ki morajo delati. Vršile se bodo odbor. Odsotni se bodo kaznovali po pravilih. Plačajte asses. za ta mesec prej ko navadno. Anna Matelko, tajnica.

Yale, Kans. — Člani in članice društva št. 9 se opozarjajo, da se v obilnem številu udeležijo letne seje dne 15. dec. Volitve odbora. Vesele praznike, novo leto pa si bomo voščili na Silvestrovi veselici! John Pečar, tajnik.

W. Aliquippa, Pa. — Vabim vse članstvo društva 122, da se udeležijo letne seje na 15. dec. ob 1. pop. Sprejeli se bodo važni zaključki in izvolili se bo odbor, namreč tak, ki bo vsem povolji. Frank Strubelj, tajnik.

Cleveland, O. — Dolžnost slehernega člana društva 126 je, da se gotovo udeležijo glavne seje dne 15. dec. točno ob 8.30. Volitve odbora. Poravnajte svoje obveznosti ob času. Novi člani naj se zgledajo pred sejo. Odsotni se bodo kaznovali s suspenzijo. Vsi na letno sejo! J. J. Gabrenja, tajnik.

Collinwood, O. — Društvo 312 poziva vse svoje članke na letno sejo 20. dec., pričetek ob 7. zvečer. Volitve odbora. Društvo priredi veselico na 28. dec. ob 7.30 zvečer v agoriji dvorani 811 Holmes ave. Vstopnina 25c. Vabljene ste vsi. Dobra godba in postrežba. John Strancar, tajnik.

Joliet, Ill. — Glavna seja društva 115 se bo vršila 15. dec. ob 1. pop. Pridite vsi! Plačajte assessment pred 25. dec., da se tudi prej odpošlje na gl. urad. Po seji bo nekaj posebnega za mladino. Helen Sterniša, tajnica.

Forest City, Pa. — Pozivam vse članke in članice društva 124, da se udeležijo letne seje na 15. dec. ob 9. dop. Volitve odbora in druge važne zadeve, tako tudi ukrepanje v korist blagajne. Razdelili se bodo stenski koledarji. Frank Ratale, tajnik.

Cleveland, O. — Letna seja društva 139 bo dne 15. dec. in se prične ob

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Kriza bratstva

Ekonomska kriza, ki nas še vedno tlači, je položila na ogenj preizkušnje med drugim tudi takozvano bratstvo pri naših podpornih organizacijah.

Mi smo že večkrat poudarjali, kakšen je odnos članov naših podpornih organizacij napram organizaciji in kako članstvo pomeni to bratstvo. Pojmuje ga na ta način, da mora biti organizacija bratska z njimi! To je važno s stališča posameznega člana; koliko je posameznik član bratske organizacije, to je napram ostalim članom kot celoti — o tem nihče ne razpravlja.

Nedolgo tega je profesor ekonomije na čikaški univerzi, ki je član SNPJ, rekel na nekem sestanku, da v nebratskem svetu je pravo bratstvo nemogoče. Mislimo, da ni treba iti daleč po dokazih za to tragično resnico.

Izkušnja nas je že davno izučila, da bratstva je hitro konec pri marsikaterem članu podporne organizacije, če zahteva od organizacije več kot je upravičen in ne dobi tega. Takoj mu je organizacija nebratska, ampak njegovega nebratskega postopanja ne sme nihče upoštevati!

Naša jednota je tik pred krizo — ko pa ni še nihče slutil, da kriza prihaja — sprejela sistem posojevanja članom na posestva. S stališča članov je bil to namreč zelo bratski sklep. Stiri leta kasneje je bil ta "bratski sklep" odpravljen. Kriza je namreč pokazala, da princip bratstva in denarne zadeve ne gresta skupaj. Vse gospodarske zadeve spadajo v nebratski svet!

Danes ima naša jednota opraviti z velikim številom članov, ki imajo zelo nebratsko mnenje o jednoti. V stiskah so in ne morejo plačevati posojil, zato pa mislijo, da bi jednota morala pozabiti na svoja posojila. Ni bratsko, ker jih terjajo, ni bratsko, ker jim ne odpusti toliko in toliko pri dolgovih in še manj je bratsko, če jim preti s prodajo hiš, da dobi svoj denar nazaj. Na drugi strani pa nič ne pomislijo, kaj bi bilo s solventnostjo in obveznostmi jednote napram vsem članom, če bi bila tako bratska, da bi na posojila kar enostavno pozabila.

V angleškem delu Prosvete naši mladi energično debatirajo o bratstvu (fraternalizmu), a nič ne pomislijo, da je poleg bratstva treba še nekaj drugega.

Razprave o naši šoli

Člani, kolikor jih je do zdaj poseglo v razpravo o svobodnomiselni šoli SNPJ, so oboje — optimisti in pesimisti. So za šolo, obenem pa so mnjenja, da je realiziranje sistema, ki bi enako ustrezal vsem članom, težavna stvar.

Stvar je res težavna, če računamo s obveznim ascesmentom za vse članstvo. Zato ne smemo misliti na obvezni ascesment. Dalje ne smemo misliti na financiranje iz obstoječih skladov razen iz upravnega, ki pa že ima dovolj drugih obveznosti.

Br. Kavčič iz Virdena, Ill., svetuje korespondenčno šolo. Tudi to znači veliko dela in stroške, a malo upanja na uspeh. Sicer pa imamo Mladinski list, ki ga prejema vsi člani mladinskega oddelka in ta publikacija je šola do neke meje — brez nadzorstva in brez sistema.

Uredništvo je poudarilo že v prvem apelu za svobodnomiselno šolo, da je v prvi vrsti potrebna živa beseda. To besedo, ki največ izlazi, more dati le učitelj.

Omenili smo že, da sredstva se bodo našla, samo če je dovolj volje za našo svobodnomiselno šolo. To je glavno! Če je volja, ako je odločnost, je lahko vse!

Potrebno je, da o tej zadevi razpravljajo člani društev v večjih naselbinah, v katerih je več društev SNPJ. Potrebno je tudi, da o tem razpravljajo federacije naših društev. Morda bo še najbolj praktično, da federacije prevzamejo akcijo za uresničitev naše svobodnomiselne šole. Potrebno je, da slišimo mnenje naših federacij. Če se federacije izrečejo za to akcijo, gotovo ne izostane kooperacija gl. urada. In če se izreče dovolj federacij za to, kak, se lahko po direktivah in pripomočkih iz gl. urada izdelata enak sistem za vse.

Jednota lahko pomaga na ta način kakor danes pomaga mladinskim društvom pri atletiki. Če bi kdo ugovarjal šoli iz razloga, da vsi otroci mladinskega oddelka ne bi imeli priložnosti do te šole, bi enako veljal ugovor, da tudi atletike niso deležni vsi člani, čeprav se financira iz jednotne blaginje.

Bratje in sestre, naprej z razpravo našo svobodnomiselno šolo!

Glasovi iz naselbin

Jednotina šola in klerikalci

Cleveland, O. — Zadnje čase so klerikalci silno bojeviteli proti naprednemu elementu. Iz tega huroškega vriščanja pa se najbolj slišita glasova dveh "Coughlincov", kaplana Matije Jagra iz Clevelanda in loranškega župnika Milana Slajeta. Zelo razumljivo, moža imata aspiracije... in sedaj je najlepša prilika, da se izkažeta pred škofom Rožmanom.

Ameriška Domovina je 30. novembra prinesla na svetlo zelo dolg "literarni biser", ki ga je napisal župnik Slaje. V omenjenem članku je g. župnik "iznesel" vso svojo duhovnost in učenost ter vehementno napadel Slovensko narodno podporno jednoto, posebno pa urednika Prosvete, ker je napisal članek glede potrebe svobodnomiselne šole SNPJ.

Ves članek je prežet s srdom in sovraštvom, zavijanjem in podtikovanjem proti vsemu, kar ni katoliško, obenem pa glasno poje slavo katolicizmu in katoliškim jednotam — čisto po absurdu katoliški logiki!

V članku trdi, da jednota izkorišča — naravnost krade — denar njegovim bratom, ki so člani SNPJ. V jednoti vlada boljše diktatura! Pionirji SNPJ so navadni bački, ki imajo slamo mesto možganov etc., etc.

Tako piše gl. župnik, "literarni genij" med slovenskimi duhovniki v Ameriki. Ta njegov spis je krasna analiza njegovega značaja, slika "plemenitega" in "svobodoljubnega" katoliškega duhovnika!

Priliko za njegovo krščansko sikanje mu je dala konferenca angleško poslušajočih društev. ON je namreč prepričan (?), da sedaj, ko je nekaj delegatov mlajše generacije protistralo proti sedanjim jednotnim smernicam, se bo vse delo pionirjev SNPJ kar čez noč podrla in jednota bodo zavladali naši mladi Američani, ki vedo, kaj je kaj, in razumejo "fair play" kot ga razume on, svobodoljubni Slaje.

Ne verjamem, da je Slaje tako naiven, da bi kaj takega verjel, ampak trdi te stvari radi tega, da bi še drugi nasledili s škofom Rožmanom vred.

Načela in ideje se ne podirajo čez noč, posebno pa ne ideje, ki jih je rodil zdrav razum na realistični podlagi in ne na kakšnem megletem misticizmu. Če se bo kaj podrla, je to katolicizem, ki šepa med nami s srednjeveškimi doktrinami, medtem ko se zmaga industrijske demokracije (demokracije na zemlji in ne v nebesih) vedno hitreje bliža, pa četudi se temu upira na milijone Slajetov, toda pomagalo ne bo nič, kajti sedanja doba to neizogibno zahteva.

Nikar se preveč ne veselite radi tistega konflikta, ki je nastal med nekaterimi mladimi in sedanjimi voditelji SNPJ, g. župnik! Jednota je naredila imenitno potezo, ker je sklicala konferenco angleško poslušajočih društev, kajti sedaj jasno vidi, kaj tiči problem. Iz dveh nasprotujočih si elementov vedno nastane nekaj, in tako je tudi ta konflikt prinesel rezultat, in sicer rodil je misel na jednotno šolo, ki naj bi obvarovala jednoto napredno, da se bo še nadalje bojevala za poštene ljudi, ljudi dela, in ne za neotrebne parazite.

Torej tisti konflikt je prinesel sad. Prinesel je vprašanje o šoli, vsekakor važno vprašanje, in sicer še o pravem času. Brez dvoma, da se bo članstvo zavzelo za uresničitev jednotne šole — sedaj še prej, ko so se pričeli klerikalci rogati — kajti šola se bo na vsak način bogato obrestovala, obenem pa bo naša jednota veliko več let živala kakor pa kakšna slovenska katoliška jednota.

Se nekaj. Slaje hoče diskreditirati vse delo SNPJ in njenih voditeljev. Župnik je slep, ker ne more videti, da je skoraj vsak stebel ameriške Slovenije podprt od Slovenske narodne podporne jednote. Prav tako je več izobraženih ljudi med članstvom SNPJ kakor pa v kateri drugi organizaciji. Zakaj? Zato, ker ima SNPJ najboljše časopis, kar jih Slovenci imamo v Ameriki. Poleg tega pa tudi Mladinski List. Kdo pa so ljudje, ki pišejo Družinski koledar? Gotovo, da ne

učeni duhovniki! Sami boljševidi, kajne? — po vašem!

Kaj pa vi delate? Kolektate denar za svoje plače (večina katoliških duhovnikov ima višje plače kot pa duhovniki drugih ver — sicer pa po vaši logiki čisto pravilo, ker vi ste edini, ki izveličujete pregrešne duše) in gradite cerkve, da lahko iz lestve grmite proti vsemu, kar bi ljudstvu odprlo oči. Da, ljudi bolj onesrečujejo kakor pa osrečujejo. Koliko cerkva ste zgradili iz žuljev slovenskega imigranta! Kolikim ubogim ženam ste napravili več otrok kot pa jih je bilo treba — da sedaj stradajo! Kadar grem mimo ogromne slovenske cerkve v Clevelandu, ki se mogočno šopiri nad skromnimi in zakajenimi slovenskimi domovi, ki so večinoma zadolženi, vidim jasno tragedijo, ki jo vrši katolicizem med našimi ljudmi.

H koncu pa naj še pristavim, da je tista primera o Brdvasu in cesarju Janezu imenitna, kajti prišel je Martin Krpan in z lahkoto ukrotil Brdvasa.

Milan Medvešek,
Comrades št. 566.

"Učiteljem" pri A. A. v album

Cleveland, O. — Na prošli seji naše federacije 24. nov. je med drugim prišla na dnevni red tudi zadeva A. D. ter njene uredniškega članka z dne 19. nov., v katerem napoveduje pogin "stari gardi" pri SNPJ in poveljuje nekatere zastopnike zadnje konference ESL, vršče se 2. nov. v Chicagu. V tem članku je pokazal pisec svojo izobrazbo, običajno zavijanje, podpihovanje in natolevanje, nad čemer ima edino on patent št. 1. Napoveduje propast "stari gardi" pri SNPJ, sam pa propagira še starejšo in v vseh ozirom ozkostranejšo gardo, katere do danes še ni storila nič drugega kot narod zavajala v dogme, da je tem lažje narod izkoristiti in ga še vedno miali izkoriščati. Kajti s svojimi "principi", katere uči, ne more pokazati ničesar in tudi ne bo mogla. Za vašimi zavijanjem in lopovskim natolevanjem ni nič drugega kot domišljija, sloneč na megli. Kadar sonce posije, se megla razžene in domišljija pade v nič. Sonce bo posijalo!

Da je člankarju A. D. naša SNPJ trn v peti — in še komu drugemu — to je znano dejstvo. Mogoče so pa nalašč preskrbeli, da je slovenska banka zmrznila, da tako zaustavijo napredovanje društev SNPJ, ki so izgubila svoje tisočake, katere je članstvo naših jednot prispevalo po centih, se trudilo in prirejalo veselice ter nosilo svoj denar v "najzanesljivejšo" banko, v kateri "hrani tudi vlada" svoj denar. Tako je bilo povedano po radiu dan predno je banka zaprla svoja vrata.

Veliko se bi še dalo povedati o tej "prevzvišeni" gardi, ki pazi na vse drugo, samo na tisto ne, za kar je poklicana. Povemo vam, da nimate najmanjše pravice obsojati nekaj, za kar niste ničesar prispevali! Naj vam služi v pojasnilo SPOMENICA, katero so sprejeli zastopniki društev SNPJ na redni seji clevelandске federacije in katero je predložil br. J. Franciškin, zastopnik društva Vodnikov venec št. 147 SNPJ.

Pripomba "učiteljem" pri A. D.: — Raje ko brskati po stvarih, katere vas nič ne brigajo, podučite svoje verne ovčice, da kar je namenjeno nekomu drugemu, ni njihovo, zato naj pustijo tistemu, kateremu je namenjeno. Da vam bo jasno, kaj mislim: Nedavno tega se je vršil pogreb člana organizacije, za katero se vi jako ogrevate in njen urednik publicitete. Pogreb je bil po cerkvenih obredih in pri pogrebu so bili taki, ki tja spadajo. Ko so bili pogrebni obredi končani in je družbeni predsednik končal poslovljni govor ob krsti pokojnika ter pogrebni izmolil poslednji očenáš, se je vrgla čreda teh vernih ovčic na cvetlice, ki so bile poklonjene pokojniku v spomin ter si nabrala šope cvetja in jih odnesla domov. In to vpricho očeta, matere, sester in brata ter tistih, kateri so cvetlice pokojniku poklonili!

Jako lep vzgled, kako podučujete svoje ovčice! In to ni sa-

mo en slučaj, jih je še več. To pa zato, ker A. D. skrbi, da se narod drži v ignoranci, da se ne sme naučiti drugega kot tisto, kar ta svetohlince uči, da ne izve resnice. Ako bi izvedeli resnico, potem bi A. D. odzvonilo za vselej!

J. F. Terbizan.

Uspeh vzornega sodelovanja

Milwaukee, Wis. — Naprejev dan ob njegovem srebrnem slavu je minil ter se zaključil s sijajnim uspehom. Dvorana SST dne 17. nov. je bila nabito polna občinstva kakor že dolgo ne. Prišli so stari prijatelji Napreja in pokazali željo, da zbor Napreja nadaljuje svoje delo naprej kakor prošlih 25 let. Upamo, da se njihove želje uresničijo!

Priletel rojak je dejal, da rad poseja Naprejeve prireditve in ni še nobene zamudil. S programom je bil zelo zadovoljen. Občudovali smo moža, ki menda ni Slovenec, ima pa Slovenko za ženo, pa je z zanimanjem sledil drami "Rdeče rože" in pevskim točkam. Pozneje je dejal, da je bilo "everything just wonderful" in se bo udeležil vsakega programa "whenever Naprej offers anything like this". Jako mu je ugajalo petje, posebno pa Savino Vrbsko jezero.

Da je bil uspeh tako velik, gre zasluga našim prijateljem in sodrugom ne le v Milwaukeeju, temveč tudi vsem posetnikom iz Chicaga, Waukeganu, West Allisu, Sheboyganu in iz drugih naselbin. Iskrena hvala dramskemu odseku kluba št. 1 JSZ za uspešno uprizoritev socialne drame "Rdeče rože", s katero so napravili jako dober, globok vtis. Igrali ste to slovito delavsko dramo številnemu občinstvu, ki je z zanimanjem sledilo vsem prizorom ter uživalo pomen te sodobne drame. Nima dovolj primernih besed, da bi vam mogli povedati, kako vam je bila publika hvaležna za vašo uspešno uprizoritev "Rdečih rož".

Obenem gre zahvala Prosveti in Proletarcu, ki nista štedila s kolonami, tako tudi vsem oglaševalcem in jubilejni publikaciji Napreja. Nadalje zboru šava in lokalnim zbora Platinška roža in Zvon za sodelovanje, tako tudi našim delavcem in članom za pomoč. Zagotavljam vas, da bo Naprej pel še naprej in naprej, kakor je zadnjih 25 let!

Pripravljalni odbor Napreja.

Naša mladina in SNPJ

Detroit, Mich. — V Prosveti se je zadnje čase pojavila zanimiva polemika glede političnih in verskih smernic naše mladine pri SNPJ. Ogromna večina starejših članov je prenešana vsled drznega nastopa Becek-Lokarjeve skupine na prošli konferenci angleško poslušajočih društev. Toda, kdor ima ožje stike z mladino in kdor pazno zasleduje njih gibanje, ne bo zaenkrat pričakoval drugačnih rezultatov.

Naša mladina pohaja javne in farne šole. Te šole so kapitalistično usmerjene in imajo izborni organiziran aparat, potem katerega vcepijo učencem že v nežni mladosti znatno dozo šovinizma, "krepkega individualizma" ter verskih, plemenških in političnih predsodkov. Ta aparat ima pa napeljavne svoje žice na poznejši duševni razvoj te mladine, in sicer v obliki mestnih službic, radia, kina, šundromanov, cerkve in nešteto drugih propagandnih sredstev, katerim človek brez kremenitega značaja in jeklene vztrajnosti prej ali slej podleže.

Učinki te kvarne vzgoje se danes kažejo vsepovsod — v političnem, kulturnem in družbenem življenju. V Clevelandu sta na primer nedavno tega dva tu-rojena slovenska councilmana glasovala proti sprejetju resolucije, v kateri se obsoja nacijski režim v Nemčiji. S tem činom sta pač zaslužila — Hitlerjevo odlikovanje kljukastega križa. Istotam se mladina kulturno udeležuje v dramski skupini pod imenom "The Little Theatre" z igranji, ki se bavijo izključno s sijajem in udobnostjo višjih "400".

Vpricho take vzgoje je naša mladina z redkimi izjemami razredna borba in bodočnost delavskega razreda — torej njih

lastna bodočnost — deveta brigada. Ta oportunistična politika ji pa v ogromni večini ne donaja nikakih gmotnih koristi, kljub temu pa slepo drvi za sebičnimi voditelji Becek-Lokarjevega tipa, ki jo vodijo naravnost v klerodemokratski tabor.

Mnogi se vprašujejo, zakaj je ta mladina pri napredni jednoti, mesto pri katoliški, kamor logično spada. Odgovor na to je lahak. Pretežna večina te mladine je pristopila k SNPJ potom članov — staršev — bodisi že v nežni mladosti ali pa pozneje. Za načelno izjavo in principe jednote se ni nikoli resno zanimala, ker še ni poznala borbe za obstanek in ker so za njeno udobnost skrbeli starši. V mnogih slučajih so jo starši po lastnem nagibu pričeli uvajati v osnovne pojme delavskega gibanja — v drugih slučajih so jo pa prepustili svoji usodi, kjer se je vzgajala in rasla v kapitalistični verski atmosferi.

Ko je ta mladina odrasla, si je ustanovila angleško poslušajoča društva, kjer z redkimi izjemami goji le sport in zabavo, ali pa celo protidelavsko politiko. Za nameček si pa včasih privoščijo "čikaško klico" (Pioneers), ker porabi preveč prostora za svoje stvarne razprave, dočim ostane le malo za "zanimiva" poročila o žogometu, banketih, zarokah, obiskih, vsakojakih presečenjih itd.

Sodeč po argumentih, gojita Becek-Lokar (in nedvomno še kdo drugi) demokratsko-politične ambicije. Za uspešno politično karijero je pa treba agitatorjev, volilcev in pa časopisa z veliko cirkulacijo. Podjetna fantasta organizirala v ta namen del nezavedne mladine pri SNPJ ter prišla na konferenco nesramno zahtevno, da Prosveta pogazi svojo (jednotno) načelno izjavo, odnosno točko 12. jednotnih pravil, ter odpre svoje kolone korumpirani demokratski in republikanski politični mašini. Z drugimi besedami — da postane Prosveta letva, po kateri bosta fanta plezala do svojih mastnih služb.

Toda Jože in Janez sta se zaenkrat pošteno urezala, kljub temu, da tolačiča načelno izjavo, na svojo način. Zadelata sta namreč na znaten odpor od strani zavedne skupine z Lotrišem na čelu, kot tudi od urednikov Molka in Benigerja. Ta odpor se bo pa brezdvomno še povečal, ako gre levica na desno in organizira v svoj blok takozvane polovičarje in omahljivce, ki so sicer zavrgli verske dogme, niso pa še docela politično zanesljivi.

Iz tega sledi, da je bojazen naprednega elementa za bodočnost SNPJ deloma upravičena in da se sovražnika ne sme podcenjevati. Vseled naraščajoče nevarnosti od strani reakcije je pa tudi absolutno potrebno, da se do prihodnje konvencije ugleda pot za skupni nastop obeh radikalnih skupin in da se iztrebi level, ki ogroža delavski značaj SNPJ.

Frank Cesen, 518.

Z veseljem popraviljam

Chicago. — V svojem poročilu o postanku društva Francisca Ferrerja 131 SNPJ v zadnji številki Prosvete sem zalagal, da dvomim, če je razen mene še kateri ustanovni član tega društva pri SNPJ. Iz tajništva sem bil informiran, da nas je še pet pri jednoti, torej polovica ustanovnih članov, kar z veseljem popraviljam. — Ivan Molek.

LETNE SEJE

Massillon, O. — Društvo 516 poziva vse svoje člane, da pridejo na letno sejo dne 15. dec. ob 10. dop. na tajnikov dom. Z odsotnimi se bo postopalo po pravilih.

Frank Blazich, tajnik.

Lincoln Hill, Pa. — Uradno opozarjam vse člane društva 617, da se udeležijo letne seje na 15. dec. ob 2. pop. v Starniševih prostorih. Odborniške volitve. Odsotni se kaznujejo, razen bolnikov in zaposlenih.

John Razvoza, tajnik.

Hendersonville, Pa. — Vsi člani članice društva 343 se vabijo, da se gotovo udeležijo letne seje na 15. dec. ob 2. pop. Vršile se bodo odborniške volitve za leto 1936.

Josephine Grosseck, tajnica.

Fairport Harbor, O. — Vsi člani članice društva 355 se vabijo, da se udeležijo letne seje 15. dec. ob 6.30 zvečer na tajnikovem domu. Na dnevnem redu bodo odborniške volitve za 1936. Lovrenc Baje, tajnik.

Mladina pri SNPJ

Piše gl. tajnik

Sedaj, ko se je razburjenje nekaterih — za kar ni bilo podlage — glede prvega sestanka naše mladine v jednoti, nekoliko poleglo, upati, da se bomo mogli dostojno in razsodno ter brez vsakega očitanja pogovoriti na način, kot se spodobi za razsodne člane bratske organizacije, da tako preprečimo pretečo nevarnost principom jednote, če taka nevarnost res kaj postojbi.

Ko je bila na polletni seji gl. odbora predložena resolucija bratskega društva iz Detroit za to zborovanje, ni bil nihče od upravnih odborikov, v kolikor je meni znano, na resno pripravljen. Ker sem se na podlagi šenja iz preteklosti prepričal, da važni zaključki v naglosti storjeni niso rodili dobrih sadov sem priporočal, da se ta konferenca vrši prihodnjega pomlad, aprila ali maja, toda moje priporočilo se ni upoštevalo. Tudi en sam dan za tako zborovanje je bil premalo in če bi upravni odbor ne bil črtal štirih referatov, ki so bili od mladine priporočeni, bi bil izključen ves dan porabljen z referati. Ker je že bilo treba plačati vožnjo delegatom, bi bilo najbrž v interesu organizacije, če bi bili en dan ve zborovali kot so, s čimur bi bila dana prilika do resnejših pogovorov o raznih vprašanih jednote.

Neovrgljivo dejstvo je, da ljudi raznih razorov in mišljenj najdete v zmernih kakor tudi di radikalnih organizacijah in nič čudnega ni, če so tudi v naši jednoti, katera šteje do petdeset tisoč članov v obeh oddelkih. Tako idejne organizacije in tudi države ne bo nikdar da bi bila vsem in za vse prav, pa naj bo vodstvu kdorkoli že hoče. Na naših konvencijah v preteklosti so bili že resni načelni in tudi csebnii boji, katerim bi se ta pojav na konferenci lahko primerjal kot senca, a vzhodu temu jednota še čvrsto stoji na principih, na katere so jo postavili ustanovitelji. Kdor je razočaran nad našo mladino, indirektno prizna, kako malo pozna povprečnega, tu-rojenega državljanu, in zakaj naj bi bila naša mladina izjema, je meni nerazumljivo.

Vsakdo, ki se kaj zanima za javna vprašanja, ve, kako je usmerjena šolska vzgoja in komu služi. Vemo tudi, da je že veliko učiteljev in profesorjev izgubilo kruh, ker so imeli pogum, da so učencem povedali resnico. Tudi sam sem imel priliko prepričati se, ko sem slučajno hodil v večerno šolo, kako pazijo, da učenec ne izrazi radikalnejšega mišljenja, ki se smatra proti odredbam šolskih zakonov.

Časopisje! Ali si moremo mišljiti bolj pristinirana in zavajalna časopisja, (tj. vzemši delavskih) kakor ga imamo baš v te deželi? Niti najvažnejših dnevnih pojavov in delavskega življenja ne priobčijo, še toliko manj pa o strokovnih in političnih vprašanjih. In, ali niso otroci naših članov vzgojeni v te šolah in ali ne čita ta mladina na splošno te zavajalne časopise? Dalje je treba tudi upoštevati dejstvo, da je naša mladina zrastle popolnoma drugačnih razmerah in okoliščinah kakor smo pa na primer mi, in ker živi v svoj rojstni domovini, ima tudi drugačne pojme, nas, kakor bi marsikdo želel. Filozofirati, da so starši odgovorni za vzgojo otrok, je najlažje je tistim, ki otrok nimajo, oni, ki jih imajo, p vedo, da je v teoriji lahko veliko več povedati kakor v praksi izpeljati.

Vzlic omenjenim faktom smatram (o čemu sem se poučil preteklo leto na raznih sestankih jednotnih priredb z mladino), da je velika večina te mladine tolerantna, poslušna in s tudi zanima za jednoto. Ta mladina, kateri se ne more šteti v zlo, če ni bolje poučena o temelju naše organizacije, se da pridobiti za ideje in principe jednote, če bomo z njo tolerantni in prijateljsko postopali. Ko bomo mladina naša jednoti vzgajali dvajset ali petindvajset let kakor smo naše naseljenice, bomo od njih lahko tudi več pričakovali. Če ne moremo ne poučenega mladega človeka pridobiti z ugodno in prepričevalno besedo za našo stvar, ga drugače tudi ne bomo. Pregovor, da lepa beseda najde lepo mesto, še vedno velja! Oni, ki menijo, da bi bilo treba nekatere delegate na konferenci s strani upravnih odborikov počečiti z "lopajem", bodo končno sami sprevrželi, kako uspešna je taka metoda. Član, ki je cdprt, pa če tudi je nasprotni principu jednote, ni nevaren, ker ga poznamo, mnogo nevarnejši so pa oni, ki se javno odevajo z demokracijo, na tihem — v imenu demokracije — pa gojijo svoje osebne ambicije. Naša jednota, kakor ostale jugoslovanske bratske podporne organizacije, se mora za svojo bodočnost zanašati skoro izključno na tu-rojeno mladino. Zamerimo in odtujimo se tej mladini, pa so dnevi tem organizacijam šteti. S tem kajpada ni še rečeno, da bi morali brezpozorno sprejeti vse, kar mladina želi in zahteva v organizaciji, potrebno pa je, da ji pokažemo našo doslednost. Mladini je treba razložiti, zakaj je bila ta jednota ustanovljena in njene ideje, in ko bo dobro o tem poučena, bomo z njo lahko resnejše govorili, to je z onimi, ki bi se slučajno ne strinjali z delavsko ideologijo naše organizacije.

Dolžnost nas kot članov delavske bratske ustanove seveda je, vzgajati, učiti in spodbujati članstvo k razredni delavski zavesti in podprti, v kolikor to razmere, finance ter okoliščine dopuščajo, delavstvu naklonjene ustanove. Da bi pa naša jednota vodila ali resnevala svetovna ekonomska ali politična vprašanja, je pa sanjarija prve vrste. Kaj pa pomeni skupina kot smo mi, med stotideset milijonskim narodom in še tujzemci povrh?

(Dolgo na 5. strani)

FLASHES

Chicago.—We're lining up a lot of new members to make a final assault at our goal on Friday, Dec. 20, the night of the annual Pioneer meeting and we ask every other member to follow suit. It is the one meeting of the year that members should attend. In order to take care of all of our business the meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p. m. Officers for 1936 will be elected at this meeting. We invite any advice and information from our members which will help us chart a better and finer program for 1936.

New applicants have been gotten and proposed by Ida Simon, wife of one of our energetic young followers; Frank J. Zavertnik, Joseph Gratchner, August Marolt, the writer and others. We need 12 new initiations to make it 60 for the year. Help us get them. Such a figure will also carry us over the 550 mark in membership. So help now!

Santa Claus is coming to town on Sunday, Dec. 22, and will deliver gifts to the SNPJ Juveniles of Lodges 1, 8, 102, 559 and 631. These gifts will be prepayed by the Chicago District Federation of SNPJ. An excellent Juvenile program under direction of Mary Jugg and Dorothy Sodnik will be rendered. The program will consist of a variety of musical renditions, folk dances in three sections and a dramatization of "Christmas Then and Now." A worthy duet is also charted. We urge all you juveniles to come to the SNPJ hall and ask the parents to accompany them.

This annual Xmas party has two purposes, the main one of which is to acquaint our people with our Juvenile Department and secondly to bring the young people together at least once a year. The event is used primarily to attract attention and we have tried to see that our Society benefited therefrom. At last year's Xmas Party a number of new members were secured and examined right at the Party. We can do that on Dec. 22, also. We ask our SNPJ supporters to do their annual duty by attending the program and the dance which follows.

The Dec. 22 Xmas Party is the most important project before the SNPJ members for the remainder of this year. Your loyal support is solicited. We are confident that this year's program will be very attractive and that it will be rendered smoothly so as to give you the maximum of enjoyment. The future generation and our future leaders will parade before you. Come and encourage them. Admission 25c in advance, 35c at the door. Rudman's orchestra is booked to play.

Still going strong is our Tenth Anniversary publication, "THE PIONEER." The writer delivered some to the Y. A. Tenth Anniversary in Detroit, Mich., last Saturday. In a half hour Joseph Mihelich Jr. turned in the dough for 24 of them and Ray Travnik said people were actually asking him for it. To appreciate the book you must read its contents over carefully. The pictures, drawings, cuts and notes have meaning. A Y. A. Juvenile asked to sketch the cut which exemplifies vision, enlightenment, progress, freedom and youth.

(on page 11). A number of books are still on hand. You can still get your copy.

An important meeting of the Chicago District Federation of SNPJ will be held Thursday, Dec. 12, at the SNPJ hall. All delegates are expected to be present as a complete outline of workers and the program must be gone over. Invitations to all unaffiliated lodges in the Chicago area to affiliate with us have been mailed. We have plenty of work in Chicago if we care to do it in behalf of the SNPJ. Work that requires joint action for the mutual protection and self help of our entire membership. It was in that spirit that we again approach our lodges.

On Thursday, Dec. 19, the Pioneer Executive Committee will meet. Every officer should be present. Place, the new Slovene Labor Center, Time, 8 p. m.—The success of any lodge depends a great deal on the officers. We have something to show for our efforts but we must map out a campaign of activity and make recommendations for the greater advancement of the Pioneers.

Last week we erroneously reported that the Pioneers licked the Badger bowlers in 3 games. From the box score we note that it was in total pins and that the Badgers had the edge in two games.—We have another match on hand, Pioneers, Detroit's Young Americans, who in the years gone by were quite some "keggers," believe they haven't lost any of their skill. Yes, sir, the old timers of Babich, Hometz, Mihelich, Jurca, etc., are anxious to match up and we promised them that the Pioneers would come up and take them in camp. They agree to a return engagement.

Frank Truden of the Comrades seems to hold pretty much the same view I have held from the very start about athletics. As I glance over some of the notes of 1928, '29 and '30 I become more convinced than ever that athletics are a liability to any fraternal society. But I do not want to lose track of one important fact, that we must recognize athletics because young people are attracted to games and contests. Properly administered athletics would bring the SNPJ some returns for the expense so that it wouldn't be a total liability. It is in this spirit that we should use athletics because properly conducted games can and do develop new friendships and new contacts for our lodges and Society. The other angle of it is this: We have some mighty fine athletes in the SNPJ who devote time and, most of them, prepay their own expenses to further the SNPJ name.

We mustn't forget to mention that there are two lodges in Chicago this week-end. The Kansas A. C., a new organization, is holding their dance at the SNPJ hall. Admission 25c.—At the New Slovene Center they will be having their grand opening and house warming party. Admission free.

Frances Schoenfeld was given a surprise when her friends showered her with gifts. She's expecting the happy event.

Donald Lotrich, Lodge 559.

Badgerland News

Milwaukee.—First of all, I want to thank all who attended our dance and made it the success that it was, especially the out-of-town visitors—Pioneers, Stalwarts, Moderns, and the bowlers from the Pioneers who defeated the Badgers. (But the Badgers are out for revenge so don't be surprised if you will see them down there and beat you boys.)

Since our dance was a success, let us look forward to our Domata Zabaya which will be held on Saturday, Jan. 25, at Tamse's hall, and to the Federation's Dance which is still a while off but I may as well mention the date which is on February 22.

E. S. Conference

Now I wish to say a few words regarding our recent conference. Since Bro. Fleischacker has mentioned my name some time ago in these columns, some may have gotten the impression that I was one of the reactionary cliques at the conference. I just want to state here and now that I believe in the Declaration of Principles as set forth in the by-laws. And as far as some have mentioned in these columns that there were 50% against these principles, I for one, wholeheartedly disagree with that statement and I believe 90% of the other delegates will agree with me. According to these columns also 5 to

I have been mentioned by a certain writer. I think that is a very poor attitude to take and a poor policy to follow for you are hurting nobody but yourself. You will never get any place by knocking others.

This 'n' That

Read all about it, you Minnesotians. None other than John Martinek, our accordionist, will entertain you at the High Life Spa at 408 Hennipin ave. at Minneapolis beginning this Thursday.

If you get the Wisconsin News, you will have seen one of our Badgerettes' picture in the paper—note other than Frank "Pewee" Klavara's sister, Rose Klavara. She is in the Charm Contest. So all of you Badgers, give her a break. Vote for Group 18.

By the way, Joe Gradisher, our great game hunter, finally succeeded in getting one poor little innocent hare. Well, better luck next time, Joe.

Congrats to Frances Kastiger and John Ganzl who recently said "I do."

Meeting

Let's not forget our annual meeting on Thursday, Dec. 19. It is your duty to attend this meeting, and to elect capable officers for the year of 1936.

Leo Schwitzer, Sec'y.

Lodge 554.

Cardinals News

Bridgeport, Ohio.—At the December meeting of Lodge 640, SNPJ, all the old officers were elected for the coming year. Our lodge doctor will be Dr. Schafer.

I saw some faces at the meeting that I have never seen before at any other meeting. You members that come but once a year—how about making it a habit from now on?

The plans for the New Year's Party have been completed. The officers will be in charge. The January meeting will begin at 7 p. m. on Monday, January 6. After the meeting the party will begin. Free eats and drinks and dancing will be enjoyed. Each member will have the privilege to bring one prospective member to this affair.

The program and dance held by the J. S. F. Club Sat., Nov. 30, were a huge success. All the players played their parts well and the featured performers received great applause. Frank Barbic's orchestra of Cleveland made quite a hit at this dance.

Margaret Snoy.

Detroit News

Detroit, Mich.—This is a cordial invitation to all the Slovenes of Detroit and their friends to come to the New Year's Eve Dance, December 31, at the Slovene Workers' Home, 437 So. Livernois avenue. This is to be a gala affair with favors, noisemakers, etc., and the orchestra (Monte Carlo) will just lure you to the floor. The admission: Ladies 35c, gentlemen 50c. Also, the most delicious chicken dinners with all the trimmings will be prepared.

The Wolverine meeting was quite well attended for December, when the 1936 officers were elected. We have visions of the Wolverines putting over some big times with the live wire entertainment committee, which has been elected, prompting them.

The Young American banquet proved to be a success and from general appearances we are sure everybody enjoyed themselves thoroughly. Good going, Young Americans.

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Veronians' Views

Verona, Pa.—The Veronians' annual meeting will take place on Sun., Dec. 15, at the National Home. Members should endeavor to attend as elections of officers will take place and special business discussed. Absentees will be fined 25c. A social will be held after the meeting with Jerrick furnishing the music. The Veronians extend an invitation to neighboring lodges. Come and enjoy an evening of business and pleasure!

The Veronians will sponsor a Xmas Dance to be held on Wed., Dec. 25, at the National Home. Admission to be only 25c. So, come one, come all!

The Veronians Bowling League is composed of 8 five-men teams. Male and female bowlers combined. Bowling takes place each Thurs. at Merlo's Bowling alleys at Hulton. A fine attendance is reported and the competition keen. But to make a long story short, the League has a smooth sailing.

To the sick: To Mike Lipsey, who has been in the St. Margaret's Hospital with a serious operation, and who is again in our midst, we wish that the best of health will follow. To Frank Perrone (our musicians), we wish a speedy recovery.

A reminder: Keep in mind Veronians' Xmas Dance, Dec. 25.

Katie Zolet, Lodge 680.

LODGE 267

Kemmerer, Wyo.—The SNPJ Lodge 267 will take a party for its members and all of their friends who care to attend. There will be refreshments, lunch and music for those who wish to dance.—(You've failed to state date.—Ed.)

The Committee.

Integrity Broadcast

Chicago.—The annual election of officers will take place Dec. 20. All members of Integrity Lodge 631, SNPJ, should be present at that meeting. It is the duty of every loyal member to attend the annual meeting. If it were not for the hard work and diligence of the members and officers the Lodge would not be where it is today.

Sat., Dec. 14, the Kansas A. C. are giving a dance at the SNPJ hall. It is an affair where all Kansas people meet each other and revive old times. Johnny Kochevar's orchestra will furnish the dance music. Come one and all. Meet your friends in an atmosphere that makes you feel as though you were in Kansas.

Andy Podlesnik.

Clerical Propaganda Boring from Within

By Ivan Molek, Editor

It's very amusing, brothers, but, nevertheless, here it is. The same old thing is here again—emerging in our midst. The same old thing, with a different make-up—Slovene clerical propaganda.

We saw and heard the same thing thirty years ago. Nothing new, obviously enough, for those who have eyes to see and ears to hear. In the past, and almost up to the present time, it has spoken in Slovene, but now it speaks in English, too. However, whatever the language, it speaks the same old thing; it prates the same known phrases and uses the same time-worn jesuitic methods. It never changes inwardly! Old or young with Slovene or American headwear—it's the same old clerical propaganda!

How familiar to us are those clerical diatribes hurled at us year after year, decade after decade. For a thousand and one times we—that is the editors of the Prosveta and all those stalwarts in the SNPJ who never were and never will be knuckled down by such diatribes—have been accused of "dictatorship," of "camouflaging," of "unfairness" and so on; nearly every crime has been heaped upon us.

The only difference is that in the past such accusations were splashed from the outside of our Society, from the Slovene clerical press. Now you can read them right here in the Prosveta (and yet they will have the nerve to talk about the editor's censorship!) coming, as they are, from our own members, fresh from a Catholic college. That college, by the way, doesn't have to be under the control of Jesuits, yet it can and does pursue the jesuitic methods of "the end justifies the means" formula!

We do not care where such members are schooled or how they are schooled, or what they personally believe or do not believe. That's their private matter, and the Society never did and never will interfere with private matters of its membership. But when we are told by such members at the Society's sessions to disregard the Society's by-laws and resolution; when we are brazenly told in substance that we were wrong for the last twenty-five years, and that we don't know what we are doing; when we are told by youngsters, stuffed with all kinds of smart-aleckisms and "ripe with greenness" about the realities of life, that the Society's principles, we have cherished for so many years, are all wrong according to their viewpoint and that these principles should be interpreted in the light of their brand—a Catholic college's brand—of free thought, their brand of democracy, their brand of labor ideology and social justice (priest Coughlin also preaches a "social justice")—then WE KNOW that these are no more personal beliefs; then we know the same old clerical propaganda is dictating to us, using such youngsters like a willing tool planted in the SNPJ!

We are the "dictators" because we reject the propaganda's dictation! We are "unfair" because we abhor its falsifications! We are the "camouflagers" because we see through its too-transparent cloak of camouflage! We are the "brain-trusters" because we give a horse laugh at the biggest brain trust for the perpetuation of the greatest humbug that has ever enmeshed the world!

You are, no doubt, familiar with the old American prattle about college boys which seems partly true. The boys, upon finishing their courses, are ready to turn the world upside down! They burst with omniscience! They know everything, and they can solve everything! Such are boys. Even the terrible depression didn't cure them. But no sane person takes them seriously. Why, then, should the SNPJ take them seriously when they storm it, from without and within, to make it a perfect haven for clerical propaganda?

What's really amusing about all this business is the age-old denial that it is not what it is. Boys, your schools have done a thorough job of jesuitic teaching. Why deny it? Why babble that a spade is not a spade when we see it? Why tell us that you love our principles when WE KNOW that you have something else in your mind? Your tactics and your arguments, the same old argument, betrays you at every step. You can't fool us! No clerical propaganda can fool us!

You don't have to tell us that no question of religion has been brought up by you; you don't have to tell us that you didn't propose to turn the SNPJ office into a cathedral. No! The clerical propaganda has never told us that either. It has never said what the Society or Prosveta should do, but it has repeatedly told us what the SNPJ and Prosveta should NOT do! And you follow precisely the same line! So, there you are!

The names are new; the faces are new—but the THING remains the same old thing. And that's the THING we have to cope with everlastingly.

Jolly Juniors

Sygan, Pa.—The year 1935 is slowly coming to an end, and I will always remember Nov. 2 and 3 of this year, as being a delegate to the first E. S. Lodge conference. Thanks to members of the Jolly Juniors Lodge.

Meeting delegates from other E. S. lodges and one of the ten SNPJ members to have been appointed to prepare a topic for this conference, I may be late in expressing my appreciation to the Supreme board for this appointment. I also congratulate the Pioneers for their success.

We are in the last month of the 10th anniversary E. S. Lodge campaign. The Jolly Juniors are putting their shoulders to the wheel for the final drive, to uphold their leadership in this campaign. To date we have increased our membership 3 times since July 1, when the campaign opened. The credit is largely due to the campaign committee, namely—George Usnieh, John Baruffeldi and Arthur Dermotta.

Thanksgiving day saw Dot and Marion of Cleveland Commodore in Pennsylvania. Were at the J. Z. Jrs. anniversary dance. By the way, it seems to have been a delegates' reunion from the looks of things. The following delegates were present: F. J. Ambrosic, Frank J. Progar (Strabane), "Big Chief" Uranker, Anthony Prince, Dot and Marion from Cleveland and yours truly. The Reveliers and Strabane "Pioneers" lodge had the largest representation, with Clairtonian, Musketeers and other lodges that I cannot recall. Some of the Jolly Juniors traveled the opposite direction to Avella and they too, enjoyed themselves.

The Strabane Pioneers 9th annual Christmas dance on Dec. 25 promises to be a big affair. The Annual New Year's eve affair at Ambridge by the Reveliers; following day the E. S. Federation of SNPJ lodges of Western Penna. 3rd Annual New

LODGE 411

Filler Camp, Kans.—The election of officers of Lodge 411 for the year 1936 will take place at our last meeting on Sunday, December 15, at 10:30 a. m. I urge that each and every member attends this meeting.

Karl Kuder, Secretary.

Year's day Bowling Tournament and Dance at Canonsburg in the Alhambra and Bruswick A. C. Alleys. Participants are members of lodges affiliated with the Federation. Tournament starting at 1 p. m. Luncheon and dancing in the evening at the Strabane hall.

The Jolly Juniors are again entertaining the Tournament, but with the idea of bringing home one of the prizes, for other years we entered just to get a good kick out of it."

Tommy Ganter, Lodge 669.

Pioneer News

Chicago, Ill.—The Pioneer Athletic Ass. will have their next meeting Friday, Dec. 13, at SNPJ hall. Every Pioneer interested in the promotion of athletics in the SNPJ, please attend this meeting, as many important issues are to be decided on. Our coming Athletic Dance will be discussed. Also election of officers for the coming year. All you baseball players will be interested in the coming celebration next Labor day in Pa. That was the main purpose of this Ass., so that money could be raised. Please do your share in making the Ass. a success. Are the Pioneers going to have a basketball team? That will also be decided at this meeting.

Frank Groser.

J. Z. Jrs. Bright Spots

Library, Pa.—Our anniversary dance was a success both financially and morally, and "a good time was had by all," as all those present can attest. We were sorry our "amateur hour" failed to materialize as we were only able to find one amateur. Result: one hour more of dancing. The five dollar prize went to a fellow from Ambridge, Toucismack. Our sincere thanks to Reveliers, Pioneers, Coverdale, Clairton, Jolly Juniors, Moon Run and others not mentioned who helped to make the affair a howling success. Next week we will announce the names of our new officers.

The Phantom Scribbler.

Western Penna. SNPJ E. S. Federation Items

Ambridge, Pa.—On Jan. 1, 1936, the 3rd Annual Bowling Tournament, Luncheon and Dance will be sponsored by the E. S. Federation. This year it will be held at Canonsburg. At 1 p. m. the bowling events will take place at the Alhambra and Bruswick E. C. Alleys.

Each associate lodge is eligible to enter one men's team of five and one women's team of five in the principal event. A \$10.00 cash prize will be paid to the winning team in the men's division; \$7.50 to the women winners. In addition, the Federation shall assume all obligations of payment in this major event.

The doubles' and single's events shall be somewhat different. Each lodge can enter as many entrants as they desire. Entree fees of 50c per person per event shall be charged. Prizes, men's division, shall be Doubles' \$4.00 and Single's \$2.00; women's doubles' \$3.00 and single's \$1.50. Immediately after the bowling events a luncheon will be served to every person present at the Strabane Slovene hall. Cost for luncheon shall be 50c per person, which charge shall also admit the person to the dance without additional expense.

At 8:30 p. m. the dance shall begin at the hall. For those not having purchased admission to the luncheon, a fee of 35c shall be assessed. The Trombetta Brothers' orchestra will be featured.

All lodges of the E. S. Federation will participate in the day's program. It is urgent that all the necessary reservations for bowling and luncheon be announced in advance of Jan. 1. Likewise, members of lodge not affiliated with the Federation are welcome to attend. Reservations for the luncheon should be made in advance.

Thirty-four delegates from 13 E. S. lodges attended the last conference. Also present were two representa-

tives of the Slovene Federation, Br. Pleshe and Barilar.

Discussions and transactions taking place were:

Payment of \$10 to the lodges of Sygan and Burgettstown for their local sports.

A trophy to be purchased and presented to the Ambridge lodge was approved. This award was made to the winner of last summer's mushball league.

The Workers' Rights Amendment resolution was referred back to the lodges for study. Action to be taken at the next conference.

Lodge 729 of Yukon, Pa., was accepted into the Federation.

All plans for a Slovene or SNPJ Day next summer were tabled for the next conference.

No action was taken on a plan of inter-lodge support to each lodge's anniversary affair. This plan would call for the purchase of tickets to social affairs of lodges on a rotating basis.

No action was taken on a suggestion that the Federation purchase copies of books on parliamentary procedure and distribute same among the lodges. The Educational Committee's report on a summer school was tabled for the next conference.

Action for the Jan. 1, 1936, bowling tournament was outlined.

Bros. Uherik and Gaul were selected to attend the Slovene Federation conference.

Social dates announced were: Lodge 589's Dec. 25 dance; Lodge 706's affairs in 1936 on May 30 or 31 and June 20 or 21.

The Annual Conference will be held at Library on Jan. 19, 1936.

Mrs. Mitchell, the guest speaker, spoke on the Yugoslav quest at the University of Pittsburgh's Cathedral of Learning.

So long, until again,

Louis Kosela, Sec'y.

Universal Comets

Universal, Pa.—All Comets who like to bowl should watch for announcement of the Comets' bowling season. The Moose alleys were sought, but as yet no decision has been rendered. However, a favorable report appears certain and will be published just as quickly as it is received. Bear in mind that we must "tune up" for the Third Annual West Penna. Fed. New Year's Day bowling tournament and dance held this time at Canonsburg. Neither the boys' nor girls' teams have ever failed to win some first prizes and this must be no exception. Nor can the girls' team of five forget the defeat of last year handed them by the Ambridge quintet by one pin.

At the opening of the membership campaign the Comets were highly lauded as an active group for holding first place. Since then activity has so slackened and completely dropped that we are not even mentioned in the race. But here is an opportunity to redeem ourselves. The Comets are planning a Second Annual Christmas Party for Dec. 25 exclusively for the kiddies of SNPJ members at which time many new members should be initiated at a special meeting. Many can recall the first event as a very happy and successful one. It can be made even more successful with a little effort for at least ten are already willing to join. Let each one of us resolve to contact our prospects and be credited with at least one new member at initiation. There are only 2 weeks remaining to act, so line up that new member and place the Comets again in the lead.

The discussion of the conference proceedings is getting interesting. Reports indicate that it was a worthy venture and that the youth are able and ready to move forward. However conflicting our views may be at times, we will grow by following one sovereignty according to the principles of our society. The formation of factions is most harmful to the society; it will never serve it.

The Pittsburgh Post-Gazette has just run a full page editorial that is misleading and adds to the already too confused political front. Under the hypocritical guise of Americanism it assails the spending orgy and other policies of Roosevelt as "Un-American" and in violation of every Democratic party platform leading into inevitable chaos. What is most despicable is its declaration to link the Roosevelt regime with Socialism, thereby destroying individual initiative and enterprise.

There is humbug at its worst and there are chains of Post-Gazettes scattered throughout the country.

Socialism, which is fundamentally based on a planned economy and for the cooperative commonwealth, is associated with the planless Roosevelt administration whose every policy has been to save capitalism even when toying with private industry. And in the name of Americanism how hypocritically do they disgrace some of our greatest Americans at Lincoln and Jefferson who fought for liberty and justice and against the general prey of the rich on the poor. And this paper would profess in the same statement to be unbiased and non-partisan, yet fill its entire first page with Republican victories, many of them insignificant ones. But this "newspaper" gives at best an inconspicuous corner of a back page to the Socialist clean sweep in the large city of Reading, Pa., or Bridgeport, Conn., or to the fusion of the Republicans and Democrats in both these places to beat a truly working class party until a recent state law prohibited that.

But such humbug as the Post-Gazette champions is as old as the reign of plutocracy and maybe I shouldn't get so excited. There are lessons we can learn through from the examples of Reading and Bridgeport and here is one. Wherever the workers have awakened to bid for power as in these two cities and in a few others you will find the old parties unmasking, forgetting what insignificant differences they may hold, and combining to defeat the workers.

Louis V. Kumer, Lodge 715.

LODGE NO. 82

Johnstown, Pa.—The SNPJ Lodge Triglav No. 82 is sponsoring a play and dance Sat., Dec. 14, at the SDD, Moxham. A two act comedy, "An Artist," will be presented under the direction of Mrs. Theresa Glavick. Kozlick's orchestra will furnish the music for dancing. Admission 25c. Everybody invited.

Dance Committee.

"Sunflower Seeds"

Mulberry, Kans.—The November meeting of Lodge 609 was poorly attended. Here is our last call, Sunflower! Friday night, Dec. 20, is our regular meeting night, the last meeting this year. Important business to transact is election of officers, so there won't be any hard feeling after the election. Every member should attend. There is a secret that awaits for you at our regular meeting. What the secret is? Be there and find out for yourself.

V. W. K. C.

STRUGGLERS

Cleveland.—The Strugglers' ninth annual meeting is over, so are the elections. A very large attendance was present and a good time was had by all. The officers that will lead the Strugglers throughout 1936 are as follows: John "Lindy" Lokar, pres.; Ted Laurie, vice pres.; Frank J. Koss, sec'y.; Jos. Zabukovic, treas.; Anna Strauss, rec. sec'y. Board of trustees: Leo Perusek, chairman; Louis Urac and Vincent Rupnick, members.

Entertainment Committee
Entertainment committee consists of all the above mentioned and Sisters Mary Lekson, Frances Kernel, Tillie Klemen and Bros. Golob, Marinko, Zabukovic, Rupnick, Lampe, and Wm. Koss. It was unanimously decided by the Strugglers to hold their 10th anniversary celebration at the Slovene Nat. Home on St. Clair ave. the second Sunday during the SNPJ convention in Cleveland in 1937. This committee was given the word to proceed at once regardless of certain opposition being raised. With the enthusiasm shown at the meeting by the members this affair will, no doubt, surpass any prior affair ever held by the Strugglers. Full steam ahead for Strugglers' 10th anniversary Big Show in 1937.

Federation Representatives
Bros. Ted Laurie, Frank J. Koss and John Lokar will represent the Strugglers at the Federation meetings.

ON TO WEST PARK
Local interest is being centered upon the reorganization plans now under way in West Park. The New Era Lodge is going forward. Several new members are being taken in to be examined every week. Co-operation is in its full attire, and it's up to all of the Cleveland SNPJ members to attend the first regular dance and initiation party to be given by

the New Era Lodge on Friday eve, Dec. 20, at the Slovene Home, East 130th street and McGowan. Let's turn out in a large body and show them that we are with them 100%.

Bro. Becik is no Jesuit priest, at least I never knew him as such. I respect Bro. Becik from the standpoint that he had nerve to tell in the open what he thought was wrong and what he thought should be done to remedy certain things that are not right. All that Bro. Becik stated was that he did not believe Socialism in its present state could ever succeed. He added that he does not agree with the editorial policy of the Prosveda and felt that we should use all the space available for membership propaganda and leave political issues out of the paper. Bro. Becik DID NOT attack the principles of the SNPJ but the method used in trying to preach Socialism to its members only and forget that we are a fraternal organization. (Plus what I have already stated in my previous articles.)

Bro. Becik didn't come to the conference as a disciple of some politician, but to present views that were worthy of consideration. What started the entire blowup in these pages was merely that he and most of the delegates didn't agree with the type of socialist propaganda that is being played by a few Chicagoans. They got angry and are they angry. I didn't quit the Society and don't attempt to because a few politicians called me a democrat, capitalist, liar, etc. I have only one goal and that is to make the Strugglers the outstanding lodge in the country and the SNPJ the best Society of them all. I will continue to fight for what is right regardless of what the people say about me. I will never be a quitter. John Lokar, Lodge 614.

Excelsiors' Extra

W. Aliquippa, Pa.—Nearer and nearer draws the end of the campaign. Every member has, I'm sure, done his utmost in trying to secure members during the progress of the campaign, but the short time left can still be used for procuring additional ones. Take stock of all your friends and friends' friends and see which ones you have not contacted yet. It's not too late to talk "campaign." It is true that the existing economic conditions will have some effect on the campaign, but nevertheless, let's hope for a successful conclusion. No doubt, the Jolly Juniors will head the winners' list.

The final meeting for the year 1935 will take place on Thursday, December 12, at 8 p. m., at the Slovene hall, the usual place, and doubtless to say, every Excelsior member is aware of its importance. The electing of officers for the ensuing year should receive much consideration by the entire membership. Other matters of interest will have their importance at this meeting, too. To top all this importance, there will be an after-meeting social including "bingo" for members only. Seriously speaking, "make it your business to attend."

Success?
Whether or not the E. S. conference

Spirit-O-Grams

By Whoozit

St. Louis, Mo.—"We" wish to take this opportunity to thank Bro. John Buckowitz for his valuable advice, constructive criticism, and suggestions while acting as adviser on the Rules Committee for 1936.

The Committee met last Fri., Dec. 6, and will have the new rules ready for presentation to the membership at our Annual meeting which will take place on the Friday following our Regular meeting. Your presence is urgently requested at both meetings, the reasons being election of officers, adoption of rules, the officers' reports of the business of the year, summary of our activities besides many other matters of equal importance. Remember and set aside the dates of Fri., Dec. 13, and Tuesday, Dec. 17, for our Regular and Annual meetings, both at 8 p. m.

Land of Palms

Oakland, Calif.—Secretary Frank Slaby of "Land of Palms" Lodge 564 of SNPJ, who was a delegate at the first English speaking conference, returned recently and gave us an interesting account on what is going on at headquarters. He also gave us a few highlights of what happened at the first E. S. L. conference.

The most interesting and most surprising report was that the younger members of the SNPJ are more progressive than the older members. Frank Slaby made the prediction that the younger members will undoubtedly replace the older members before many more winters pass.

In calling the first ESL conference, the Supreme board deserves more credit than most people are willing to give, and the Supreme

sharp. Don't forget that immediately upon conclusion of the annual meeting we will have a free party for the membership. We will eat, drink, dance, and be merry, so please come early to accelerate the meeting.

Spirits, let's make our annual Juvenile Christmas Party to be held on Sun., Dec. 22, a success. Evidently the committee has something up its sleeve—? Anyhow, you are assured of lots of surprises because the Spirits have some very talented youngsters. Attend and you shall see.

To all lodges: When planning educational and social functions, consider the juveniles. Remember it is up to you to make the lodge interesting to the future adult members and to imbue them with the fraternalism and principles of our SNPJ.

board should make it a point to have this an annual affair, as much was gained from the first.

Since so many delegates are anxious to come to this Coast sometime or other, let's have the 1936 ESL conference in California. At that time there will be many points of interest to be viewed, such as the Exposition, the Oakland-San Francisco Bay Bridge, the Golden Gate Bridge and many others, too numerous to mention.

At this time, my sister and myself would like to take this opportunity to thank the many friends and relatives in Colorado, Kansas, Ohio, Illinois, Michigan and Canada, for the kindness shown and the hospitality accorded to our parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Komiec, Sr., on their recent sojourn to these states. We wish to acknowledge the wonderful articles

in the Prosveda and Proletarec submitted by Herman Rugel, Anton Jurca and Katherine Krainz of Detroit, Michigan, and the Snoy family of Bridgeport, Ohio.

According to the stories told us by our parents, each and every one of you merit a personal vote of thanks for the surprise parties, dinners, transportation and personal gifts, but it would be impossible to mention each person individually, so we take this means of expressing our gratitude. If at any time any of you should come to Oakland, California, look us up and we will endeavor to show you as good a time as was shown our parents.

They arrived in Oakland Friday evening, October 18, at 9:20. A welcoming reception, headed by an orchestra, which has two of the Tomsic brothers as members, greeted them at the house, where a surprise party awaited them in their honor. Usually a key to the city is presented to the honored guests, but in this case a key to a keg of beer was presented to Mr. Tomsic by his grandson, age two and a half years, and to Mrs. Tomsic a frying pan was presented, representing the key to the kitchen. Many of our friends were at the depot to greet them and later joined us at the house.

We all listened attentively while they told us of their travels in the different states. We are very happy that they were able to make this trip as they certainly deserved a vacation, but we are also very happy to have them back home with us again, as now it is "Home Sweet Home" once more.

Since the happy homecoming of our parents, we have been deeply saddened by the death of our Fraternal Brother, Jack Skorjance, who was a charter member of the "Land of Palms" Lodge, SNPJ, and its first Financial Secretary. He was very active up until the time of his illness. He was born April 24, 1889, in Lubno, Stajersko, and came to this country in 1903. He was a veteran of the world war. Funeral services were held on Monday, November 18, 1935, from Oakland to the San Francisco Presidio cemetery. Joe Tomsic, Lodge 594.

Keystonians

Herminie, Pa.—First of all I wish to announce that the Westmoreland County Federation dance was a success and well attended. The door prize was won by Mary Rumshack. The winner of the cake walk was Stella Turkey.

The general yearly meeting was very well attended. The business of the meeting was well disposed of and officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: Pres. Frank Gradisek; V. Pres. Leo Zornik; Sec'y. Martin F. Umana, Jr.; Treas. Anton Breger; R. Sec'y. Pete Vujuk, and Serg.-at-arms Joseph Drop.—I received eight transfers from Lodge 200, all members of the Nemec family. This makes our total 73 adults and 5 juveniles. The drawing of the \$2.00 prize went to Mary Andry after three drawings. Similar drawings shall continue next year.

Martin F. Umana, Jr., Lodge 613.

Front Porch News

By Mick 'n' Lee

Canton, Ohio.—This brings the last announcement of McKinley's annual Christmas Dance. This year we are going to hold it on Dec. 14 at the lower Bondy hall, 1208 Belden ave., N. E. Canton.

The hall will be gayly decorated in the festive colors of the season. Our juveniles shall again be in the past be recipients of their gifts from the lodge. Also a treat awaits all juveniles entering the hall with their parents.

For the dancing we will have the Massillon Harmony Jacks orchestra under the direction of Frank Kostelie. A good many of the young folks as well as the older ones have already heard and enjoyed their music. What else is necessary for an enjoyable evening we feel quite sure you will also find here with us on that night.

Last week in Barberton a number of Buckeyes and their friends assured the writer that they would be here in as large a group as possible. Massillon is coming in full strength too. From the surrounding vicinity, we cordially invite you all to be present.

We'll give the directions as explicit as possible.

To locate Bondy hall from the Canton public square, take Market avenue north for 12 blocks to 12th St. Turn right and follow this street to the second traffic light. At this point take the street to the right and this is Belden. The hall is located within one block of this turn. In case you do get lost, a simple inquiry should put you right.

We note—"On" from Barberton expressed an opinion that delegates were better looking than the picture indicated. That the Massillon 4 A. M.'s are becoming quite frequent. That the Massillon, Barberton, Canton triangle is becoming stronger. Saturday, Dec. 14, however, it's Canton McKinley Day and we'll see you all there.

EDITOR'S NOTE

Universal, Pa., L. V. K.—The only reason was lack of space.

An Appraisal

The Tenth Anniversary Celebration of Pioneer Lodge No. 559 SNPJ

Anton Subelj, our operatic baritone, made a big hit. So did Sava and Lucille Trdin. The four talks by Vincent Cankar in behalf of the SNPJ, Frank Alek of the Chicago District Federation of SNPJ, Prof. Maynard C. Krueger as guest speaker and the writer for the Pioneers rattled off some fine meaningful words.

The response to the broadcast was great. We weren't mistaken in picking a late hour when the air channels would be clear. And so in came telegrams from Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ermene of Milwaukee, John Underwood and family of Somanuk, Ill., John Underwood Jr., Milwaukee, Raymond Travnik of Detroit, Mich., Frank Klun of Chisholm, Minn., Mr. and Mrs. Val Videgar of Aurora, Ill., and a long distance phone call from Mrs. Bozich of Detroit, Mich., all congratulating the Pioneers on their anniversary and the broadcast.

A clear reception of our program was acknowledged by some of our members great distances from the SNPJ by letter, as follows: Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Slogar, Oglesby, Ill.; Mary Jane (personally) from De Pue, Ill.; John Gorsek, member Supreme Board, Springfield, Ill.; Mrs. Ester Mihauc and Roman Leskosek, Nokomis, Ill.; Mrs. Mary Smoltz and Matija Pogorelec, Chisholm, Minn.; Albin Stanko, Little Falls, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Primozich, Rillton, Pa.; Andrew Maren, Mt. Olive, Ill.; and L. Tereck, Toronto, Ont., Canada. All put in a good word for the broadcast. Hundreds of Chicagoans and those living nearby told us of the delight they had in hearing the program.

An added expense was the fee for a union accompanist. We had our own accompanists in Mary Owen for Anton Subelj and Dr. F. Nachmann for Lucille Trdin, but had to pay \$18.00 for a "standby fee."

And now that it's all over, we're satisfied even with that expense, because the broadcast was by far the best feature of the banquet.

Last week we wound up by telling you that we were not sorry to have gone thru with our broadcast direct from the Auditorium hotel. The expense entailed added charges of \$18.00 for a standby accompanist, so that we could use our own people.

One Hour's Radio Broadcast
Mr. Anton Subelj, our guest artist, informed us later that professional people practice for 16 hours or more before putting on a radio performance and even then they fail to conclude as per schedule lots of times. He feared that our broadcast would be a big mixup and that he can't understand how it came out so perfectly in timing and renditions. We'll grant that it is no small matter to arrange a program and hope that it comes out right. Our arrangement was threatened twice and even in the last moments we had to make two switches of which the audience knows nothing. But we've had some experience in that before and in an emergency know that a cool head is essential.

Our broadcast created a lot of interest. Just today one person said: "I've seen how they broadcast in the movies and in the high ritz places, but I never expected to participate in it myself. It was really thrilling."

We had hardly started our third rendition when telegrams began to pour in. And even today, 3 weeks afterwards, we still receive words of encouragement. The Underwood family from Somanuk, Ill., was the first to respond. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ermene and John Underwood Jr. of Milwaukee, Wis., followed. Mrs. Bozich of Detroit, Mich., sent us a long distance phone message and then came telegrams from John Underwood, Milwaukee, Frank Klun, Chisholm, Minn., and Mr. and Mrs. Val Videgar of Aurora, Ill.

These were followed by messages from Mary Smoltz and Matija Pogorelec, Chisholm, Minn.; Antonette Bernik, Aurora, Minn.; Jacob Semich, Eveleth, Minn.; L. Tereck, Toronto, Ont., Canada; Albin Stanko, Little Falls, N. Y.; Anthony Drasler Jr. and Joseph Drasler, Forest City, Pa.; Stanley Pike, Imperial, Pa.; Frank Primozich, Rillton, Pa.; Thomas Podbevsek, Belle Vernon, Pa.; Martin Gorence, Arma, Kansas; and the following in Illinois: Andrew Maren, Mt. Olive; John Gorsek Sr., Springfield; Esther Mihauc and Roman Leskosek, Nokomis; Frances Homez, Auburn; Anton Mahnich, La Salle; Mrs. Mary Slogar, Oglesby; Mary Jane, De Pue; Lucille Trdin, Peru and Jennie Yasbee, Lyons.

Besides these, hundreds of Chicagoans phoned or otherwise transmitted messages of cheer and satisfaction on the broadcast.

IT WAS something new for an SNPJ lodge to get an hour's hearing on the air. It was something to have our message heard within a radius of nearly 700 miles.

It seems to me that our Society should set aside a certain amount of money to create a radio fund and get regular weekly broadcast on one of the stations. It would be money well spent. Our people want to listen to our programs. This program has convinced us that.

Anton Subelj

We were indeed happy to be able to present Mr. Anton Subelj to our vast following. He added pep and excitement to an already rich and

refined program. Our celebration, as good as it was, would never be what it was without Mr. Subelj. The expense of bringing Mr. Subelj to Chicago ran into three figures. Why, the specially reduced fare alone was \$72.05 without any other expense. But we felt, all the while, and even more so now, that it was money well spent, for Mr. Subelj has a radiant and magnetic personality and completely satisfied our senior folks. It was for them that we secured him.

The Committee of 100 gave due consideration to getting our popular star to Chicago and we encountered little opposition.—D. J. Lotrich.

(Continued Next Week)

OUR LODGE PROCEEDINGS

Universal, Pa.—On January 1, the Western Pennsylvania Federation of English Speaking Lodges is sponsoring their Third Annual Bowling Tournament, following a policy initiated two years ago. This social affair can be recognized among SNPJ circles as one of the largest undertakings of SNPJ affairs, and certainly is deserving of considerable advertisement and merit. Unfortunately, however, little or nothing has been done through the medium of the Prosveda to make the occasion the successful venture that it should be. Let's get going, members, and give this affair plenty of publicity and make of it a huge success. Everyone out to Canonsburg—the locale selected this year for this celebration—on New Year's Day, to start the new year off in the good SNPJ way, talking, singing, dancing, bowling, and eating together. The committee should give us more information about this affair.

The meeting of the Comets held on Sunday, December 1, ended after approximately three hours of continuous session with not a few accomplishments. In accordance with the regular December routine of electing officers and committees, we used excellent judgment in our selection. Our present secretaries were retained, Joseph Caesar and Helen Yereb, financial and recording, respectively, with John Kumer as president, ably assisted by vice-president William Demshar, with Stanley Kokal the caretaker of the "dough," and Frank (Poe Wee) Previc acting in the capacity of Sergeant-at-arms.

The Comets transacted other matters in a spirit of true co-operation and determination. Following their practice of attending the Federation sponsored bowling tournaments, they will again travel by bus, afforded by the lodge, to this looked forward to function of our Federation, leaving in the a. m., about 10:30, from the Moose Temple. The Arrangements Committee of the Comets for this affair, composed of Joseph Caesar, and William Radovich and the writer, should be noticed at once by all Comets who intend to make the trip.

The present membership campaign was given thorough consideration and a special meeting will be held to initiate the new members obtained this month. Numerous proposals were made, and it is hoped that we will close this campaign with approximately 25 additional members, and a total of about 100 adult members in the Lodge.

In accordance with our actions of last year in sponsoring a Children's Christmas Party, arrangements are in process for another such affair this year, this time with the willing, ever ready co-operation of our senior Lodge 141. This much appreciated social will be held in the Slovene hall on Christmas Day, at noon, and all juvenile members together with sons or daughters of adult members are invited. A lunch will be served, entertainment will follow, and dear old Santa with his presents for the good little boys and girls will climax this year's party.

A dance in conjunction with Lodge 141 was arranged for Saturday, December 28, in the Slovene hall. You're all welcome; the committee will report further on this affair.

The above is a partial report of the proceedings of our last regular meeting for 1935; it contains the highlights of the meeting. I think it shows very definitely that there is activity in the SNPJ English Speaking Lodge in Universal. And I am willing to be ego enough, maybe more, to say that we are one of THE active lodges in the SNPJ. And operation between our own members we're progressive, I think, too. Co- and our senior lodge is quite obvious, and we recognize our work is not in vain. Such co-operation is essential; such work as planned is necessary for the continued success of any organization. Enough eulogizing; enough comments. (I'm all in). LET'S GO ON!

Michael R. Kumer.

(Editor's Note—First part of this letter will be printed at first convenience.)

LODGE 235

Cokerill, Kans.—Our Lodge 235 takes the pleasure of inviting all SNPJ members and their friends in Kansas and everywhere to attend our regular annual dance that will be held on Dec. 15, Sunday, at the Community Club in Franklin. Doors open at 5 p. m. with good, popular music for young and old. Plenty of refreshments, acres of electric lighted parking space. Adm. 15c, ladies free. An evening of good time is always in store for you at any of the SNPJ dances or celebrations.

Dance Committee.

Lodge Letters

Brief Notes Concerning Activities of Local Lodges

"STRUGGLERS" SHORTS

Collinwood, O.—Yes, indeed, it takes the December meeting to see new faces, that is faces who were active at one time—but now—as "old age" creeps upon them, they simply disappear from view—"what's wrong?" Surely we haven't failed in trying to make our meetings interesting? For instance we have free refreshments and drinks at every meeting and dancing added as an extra feature plus those wonderful prizes (4 every meeting) given by the following: 1. Dragas Dry Cleaning; 2. Ward Jewelry; 3. Mandel Drug; 4. Dollar (Strugglers).

Last Wednesday was the "night of nights," mainly "Strugglers Electric night." What a night that turned out to be—our President's fiery speech kept the members spell-bound and all responded 100% loyalty. Bro. John Cernik donated a beautiful "Table Lamp" as the fifth prize and Sis. Frances Krasovec was the lucky winner. After the meeting each member received 25c worth of refreshment, tickets, and did we go to town. And so until the January meeting—I'll be seeing you.

Ann Strauss, Rec. Sec'y., Lodge 614.
(Editor's Note—Names of officers elsewhere in this issue.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Harmarville, Pa.—Ramblers, at this time will take note that only one week remains until our December and final meeting of the year. That should be of vital importance to each and every one of you. Election of officers, to guide us through the new year will be in order. Make special note of this and reserve Fri. eve of next week for this purpose. Set all other dates or events for other than this date, and let's make it a 100% attendance. We give you this ONE WEEK NOTICE for that purpose. Members of W. P. E. S. Federation reserve these dates: Jan. 1st for the Federation Bowling Tournament, Luncheon and Dance at Canonsburg, and Jan. 19 for the annual election meeting at Library. These two should receive top interest; and more on these later.

Frank J. Progar, 713.
(Remainder at earliest convenience.)—Editor.

BUCKEYES' HITS

By Oh

Barberton, Ohio.—This week's big announcement concerns the new officers for 1936: President Joseph Poja; Vice-president Alice Janesch; Secretary Olga Valencheck; Treasurer Ann Janesch; Rec. Sec'y. Frances Yankovich; Serg.-at-arms Frank Carr. Congratulations to the new ones, and to the retiring officers we give our thanks.

Another big announcement: This dept. will function under a new management next year and maybe a new name. So we're shouting huzzahs for Mary Apchak and Stefie Matozel, who, we are sure, will carry on the Buckeyes' publicity in a grand manner! And so Miss "Oh" is ready for retirement. (Don't sigh your relief so soon, tho! I kinda hope some one will mourn my absence!)

This dept. was delighted to see so many of our members present. In fact, our delight knew no bounds. As you may have noticed, we were always hobnobbing with one thing or another! But would that every meeting was so well attended! A motion was made and carried that a special assessment of 50c be levied on every member who fails to be present at every third meeting of the Buckeyes.

We want all of our friends and neighboring lodges to spend their evening with the Buckeyes on Feb. 8, 1936. We'll be celebrating our Eighth Anniversary with a big dance!

Only two years to go and we will have passed a decade of memories. The following people are on the committee to choose an orchestra before they are all booked up. (We don't want that trouble again!) Chairman, Alice Janesch; Frances Yankovich; Joe Poja and Frank Ocepik.

XMAS DANCE

Strabane, Pa.—"Bigger and Better" is the promise of the committee in charge of the Penny Pioneers' Ninth Annual Xmas Dance. This dance will be held at the SNPJ hall, Strabane, Pa., on Christmas night, Dec. 25.

Dancing will be in order in both the upper and lower halls. Starting at 8 p. m., the music of Johnny Lann and his Club Biltmore orchestra will be featured in the upper hall. In the lower hall a well known Polka orchestra will play.

The following were elected officers of the Pioneer Lodge 569, for the year of 1936: Joseph Holsey, pres.; Jacob Cernic, vice pres.; Frank Podboy, sec.; John Podboy Jr., rec. sec'y.; Frank Tomsic, treas.; Frank Progar, chairman, sick committee; Frank Tomsic, Max Cernic, and Tony Progar, auditors; and Josephine Ambrose, publicity director.

The meeting was a lively one, and nearly fifty members were in attend-

ance. Although this was considered a fine turn-out, it is still far below the attendance we should have. We have better than one hundred members, and an attendance of fifty is less than fifty per cent of the total membership.

John Podboy Jr., Lodge 589.

RAMBLERS LODGE 713

Harmarville, Pa.—The Ramblers will please take notice that the next regular and very important meeting will take place on the third Thursday, December 19, 1935, at the usual place at 7 p. m. Election of officers will take place, and basketball will be discussed more fully.

All male members who wish to play basketball will report for practice to Joseph Langus, at the Oakmont High School gym, at 7 p. m. sharp every Friday.

Remember, Ramblers, the meeting was changed from the third Friday to the third Thursday, so that it will not conflict with the basketball practice.

Joseph Langus, Sec'y.

PIONEERS' PRESS

Canonsburg, Pa.—A campaign is being held within the Lodge 589 with the boys opposite the girls. The boys promised the girls a good fight, so there will be a lot of action going on from now until July. The losers will have to treat the winners, so come on gang, let's fight and see who will have the honor of receiving the most members.

Dance

Yule Dance will be held Dec. 25. At two o'clock the juveniles of Lodges 138 and 589 will be entertained by a play given by some of the juvenile members, after the play they will be given a Xmas treat.

Bowling

With Mamie Progar the leading bowler, the Pioneer Girls' team is ready for the Bowling Tournament, and hope to end up in a better position than last year. Come on, girls, see if you can't beat the Aliquippa Girls this year.

Anniversary

After the excitement of the Bowling tournament and dance the Pioneers will start right in and make plans for the 10th anniversary to be held July 4 and 5 which we hope will be the largest affair held by the Pioneers in its tenth year of struggling to make the lodge a success.

A Member.

RESOLUTION

Detroit, Mich.—The following resolution was adopted by SNPJ Lodge 564 on Oct. 13, 1935, and ordered released for publication:

Whereas, There have been many cases of members who are ill applying for aid from the SNPJ lodges; Whereas, In certain cases, lodges have been unable to proffer sufficient financial aid for physician and hospital expenses;

Whereas, There are adequate institutions for free medication and hospitalization for just such needy persons in every state, although an individual without recommendation is unable to make connections with such institutions;

Whereas, The SNPJ is a nationwide insurance organization, and it would be a more influential agent with private physicians and medical institutions; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That a central committee with branch committees for each SNPJ lodge be elected for the care of members who are ill and in dire need of financial aid.

Explanation: The member applies for help from the lodge, whereupon the lodge committee makes a thorough investigation of the case, then refers to the central committee for approval, on account of the member's financial and physical condition with any additional information.

The central committee rejects or recommends the member's case to the lodge committee. If the case is recommended, the lodge committee refers the patient to a private physician who is to take care of the member's illness and hospitalization, if necessary, for the amount of the said member's sick benefit alone, if he is unable to pay in part or in full.

This RESOLUTION was adopted by Young American Lodge 564, SNPJ, at its regular meeting on October 13, 1935, with 64 members present.

Signed:
Herman Rugel, President;
Andrew Grum Jr., Vice Pres.;
Raymond Travnik, Sec'y.;
William Travnik, Treasurer.

Mrs. Berger to Speak on Soviet Russia

Chicago.—Mrs. Victor L. Berger, wife of the late Socialist Congressman and Socialist leader, Victor L. Berger, will speak in Chicago Thursday, December 12th, at 8 p. m. in the Workmen's Circle Lyceum, Ogden and Kodie Avenue, west side. Her subject will be "What I saw in Soviet Russia and What it Means to Us."

Mrs. Berger spent several months in the Soviet Union this summer and has an unusual and striking report to make. Admission of 25c is being charged to cover expenses of the meeting.

About This and That

WHAT KIND OF POLITICS?

Chicago, Ill.—August Prusnick of Cleveland in a recent issue of the *Prosveta* mentioned the battle that took place at the E. S. L. conference between Lotrich, Lokar and Becek. According to his article, he does not take sides with either party because of his political experience which has brought him nothing. Like so many others, his only object in politics was to gain something for himself.

Johnny Lokar was more successful. His work boosting a Democratic judge for office (even thru the columns of the *Prosveta*) brought him results in a personal way, but not to the lodge to which he belongs. That proves Lokar was more practical. Becek likewise gained a political job in Ambridge on the Democratic ticket, not because he is a graduate from Notre Dame, but because he was able to deliver something in the way of votes to the Democratic party.

When these men opposed the SNPJ principles at the conference they had a reason for doing so. They do not want the Society and *Prosveta* to propagate working class ideology among its members. According to their views *Prosveta* should refrain from telling its readers the truth about graft, corruption and racketeering that involves the Democrats and Republicans. We should not be told about the economic evils supported by both of these parties. In short, we as a workers' fraternal organization should not act as a unit on problems that would enlighten our members about their livelihood, but just contend that the social evils are a case of—have to be.

The early SNPJ pioneers were well aware that they organized a workers' fraternal organization, of people who must work for a living and as such it must have something else in character besides sick and death benefit insurance. Besides insurance benefits, they also adopted a principle to help enlighten their members about their economic struggle for their every day existence which the Lokar-Becek-Kosela faction now seek to dump into the ash can. If it were only a matter of insurance the SNPJ would not exist. There were clerical organizations, also with adopted principles of domestic superstition and promises of all eternity somewhere above the skies, already serving this purpose before the SNPJ was organized. Their principles do not deal with the realities in life but are only false promises and help keep the masses in ignorance for the benefit of the exploiting class.

To classify the principles of the SNPJ as politics in the same terms as that of the Democrat and Republican parties, as the critics would have us believe, just shows how ignorant they can be, intentionally or otherwise. Politics in the language of a Democrat or Republican means graft, corruption, racketeering and nothing else. Both strive to get the most for themselves and their masters whom they serve at the expense of the exploited workers. Both parties have been exposed even by the capitalist newspapers for their scandalous work. Can the same be said of the Labor movement to which the *Prosveta* acts favorably? The critics fail to bring out the facts. August Prusnick also failed to mention from what source a Socialist leader receives compensation for his work. Big business does not contribute funds to a party that seeks to do away with the system under which they reap profits. Such being the case, socialists receive no riches for their services to the party. If they did, Becek, Lokar, Kosela and others of their tribe would be members of the Socialist Party. But Socialists maintain principles above the mighty dollar.

The opposite is true of Democrats and Republicans. Dollars to them come first, last and always. They cannot have a true conception of the economic conditions for this reason so they lend their support to a continuation of a system that breeds unemployment, poverty, starvation, war and fascism just so the almighty dollar rolls into their pockets. Anyone that labels himself a Democrat or Republican, not only supports these things, but approves of them.

Now then, should the SNPJ accept this sort of thing for its members? Or should it continue its traditions of the past by working for the interest of its members on the fraternal, industrial and political fields, fight for their cause in time of strife and strikes which will be acting not only in line with the SNPJ principles, but promote labor fraternalism that is worthy of its efforts?

John Rak, Lodge 559.

LET'S TALK IT OVER

Chicago.—Speaking of the conditions and feelings that recently swept through the Integrity lodge, more so since the conference, I find myself somewhat handicapped as to just how to express my thoughts and those of my fellow members. At the conference statements were made which could have been avoided. I and the members of Integrity feel that the conference was not the place to discuss personal affairs or, what's more, personal grievances. Yet these grievances did crop up, and as it comes to me, little or nothing was done to prevent them. I do not wish to discredit those who were fortunate enough to be able to start such a noble venture as a conference of this sort. It is not my wish to discredit anyone, I only wish to advance some criticism, which in itself, I believe, is constructive.

The time allotted the conference was too short and the representatives of the lodges found themselves pressed for time. The time limit for representatives was five minutes. Some who did not have much to say finished within the specified time, others who didn't, were forced to sacrifice the latter part of their talk. Such was the case of Bro. Becek. The time allowed him was the usual five minutes, but undoubtedly he had more to say than some of the others and consequently did not finish in time. Some good hearted representatives who finished their talk in a few minutes offered their remaining time to him. But for some unknown reason these well intended offers were refused. Why wasn't he allowed to finish what he had to say? Did he say something which would hurt the Society? I do not believe so, for up to the time he was stopped he had brilliantly criticized and suggested methods of improvement, which at least should have been heard if not acted upon.

Things of this nature cause hard feelings among our members and this feeling if carried far enough and long enough will eventually form into groups opposing each other, and that leads to many difficulties.

The editor in his article of Nov. 13 states that the young generation wants to "knock to pieces everything that does not suit them", which is not the case. We want only to better our Society, and if we do or say anything wrong it's because we are young and inexperienced.

Bro. Becek sent us a writup for the "Integrity Broadcast", a paper we published for the sole purpose of advertising our fall dance. This paper was printed in the SNPJ printery and the officers of the SNPJ refused to print his article, due to the fact that they thought that if it were printed in our paper it would not be read by enough people who belong to

the SNPJ and also because they could make no comment on it and consequently could not answer the charges he is alleged to have made. Because of this there arose among our members the feeling that we should demand a reason for it. A committee of five was sent to interview the president. I was on that committee and I wish to state that we were received properly and discussed our grievances to everyone's satisfaction.

William A. Depner, Lodge 631.

MORE ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

Ambridge, Pa.—Something tells us that this article should begin with "And so it came to pass," what with the rabid accusations of clericalism, priestliness, etc., which have been forwarded to us. Let us say that this article would never have been written were it not for the bad sportsmanship and insincerity of those who claim to be "sincere good sports"! Those of you who have followed the matter in the *Prosveta* and *Proletarec* during the past month well know with what matters we are concerned. Were the "front" sincere and fair in their tactics we probably wouldn't answer—we wouldn't have to answer! But when the tension reaches an explosive point, and when the "united front" stoops to printing falsehoods in order to hide the arguments of the critics, and in order to CAMOUFLAGE their own, then an answer is necessary! We might remind those of you who haven't yet read it that an article informed us that "we had to appear in court recently for fraud"! Incidentally, said article was signed "Reporter"!

This article might be a series of "Whys" and "Whats"—so many questions can be asked! Why, for instance, doesn't the "front" stick to the issues that were actually discussed? Can they point out any delegates who were against organized labor? Were there any delegates who didn't want the *Prosveta* edited in the spirit of organized labor progressively? Did any delegates bring up the question of religion, until the "front" brought in the KSKJ, certain religious institutions, and remarks very insulting to those delegates who themselves have "cherished ideals"? Can the "front" point out ONE delegate who attempted to make a cathedral out of the SNPJ headquarters? Isn't it a fact that the critics stressed the need for "fair-play" for all members? Isn't it a fact that we were not trying to undermine principles, by asking the "front" to uphold them according to the by-laws? Isn't it true that one of the "front" (the night before the Conference) told us that "they were ready for us, East or West"? Why challenge, if you're sure that you are above criticism?

Isn't it a fact that one of the Supreme board members (who is one of your biggest backers now, and who wasn't visible at the Conference) admitted that "things weren't as they might be"? Isn't it a fact that Church was not a factor of debate at the Conference? (Of course, many of us discussed the important game of the day before the Conference began, and we believe one of the schools concerned is a Catholic institution!) Now, be frank, you generals and commanders of the "front", aren't you, of the "front" trying to camouflage your real intentions by pointing the finger at your critics and calling them "priests", demagogues, capitalists, etc., because you couldn't—and never shall—break down the evidence presented! Didn't it hurt, when you found that everybody didn't fall for "your stuff" at this Conference? Aren't you trying to defame the characters of your critics now, because they "opened their eyes" and criticized the self-formed SNPJ brain-trust? Aren't you trying to defame characters in order to focus the attention of the public away from the issues at hand, because such atten-

tion might hurt your stand? Isn't it a fact that the critics were fighting FOR ideals on the basis of evidence at hand, while you, of the "front", were backing the ideals which you never upheld sincerely? Delegates and visitors alike, if they answer these questions honestly, can make their own decisions! There isn't any need for brow-beating!

The SNPJ principles are the best in the land—if they were upheld in the interests of the SNPJ membership! But they were never meant to uphold a dictatorship comparable to dictatorships existing in governments today, only on a smaller scale! These principles were never promulgated with the idea that the "chosen few" could wield the "big stick" and subjugate all criticism by claiming that they (the critics) wished to uproot "principles of thirty year solidarity"!

Were some unforeseen critic to come forth and battle to repeal those principles, we would be among the first to oppose him, be he for or against us personally! But you have the principles in the by-laws, why don't you practice what you preach? Here you are talking about cherished ideals and how much they mean to you, and how hurt you are when someone attempts to trample upon them (though you have yet to prove it), and then you turn around and trample upon religious ideals (which were never brought up at the Conference) and insult those who cherish them, and don't forget that there are many such in the organization.

We don't like to bring such things up and never would have, but your camouflaged attempts to capture the attention of "your groups" have brought it forth. Why don't you admit that on the basis of the evidence presented something was wrong? Why don't you present evidence to the contrary? Why didn't you question the evidence at hand, and prove it false? Wouldn't that have been the gentlemanly thing to do—and wouldn't you have gained ground if you could have proved it false? But, nay, you "astonished" brethren, you knew that it was true—and truth always hurts, doesn't it?

Why aren't you fair about it all? You know that you're not sincere when you attack us on the grounds that we're opposed to labor. We're for organized labor and always shall be, and we regret that such organization is lacking today! We know that there aren't greater evils than low wages, sweat shops, and lack of aid for the aged, even though one of your prominent Chicagoans says there is! What we are opposed to—and you know it and feel it—is the dictatorship which has been foisted upon us through your camouflaged tactics of "upholding" principles—principles which we fought to uphold! The question remains, however: "Shall the principles of the SNPJ be used to perpetuate a dictatorship group within an organization established in the interests of 'social and industrial democracy,' or shall they be used to defend the common membership?"

Meanwhile we wait to see what new deprivations of character have been formulated by the "unquiet western front"!

Joseph F. Becek, Lodge 669.

(Editor's Note.—Bro. Becek's diatribes are answered elsewhere in this issue, in general. He should be more explicit when speaking of "we" and alluding to a "Reporter's" article and court summons. Also, who is meant by "your biggest backer" who supposedly "admitted" to him that "things weren't as right as they might be"? Is this the same person whom Bro. Becek quoted at the conference saying that "even he condemns the editorial policy of the *Prosveta*!")

THE REAL ISSUE

Chicago.—In previous week's *Prosveta* Bro. August Prusnick gives his

opinion on the ESL controversy. His opinion, however, isn't coherent. Unconsciously, he tries to defend local politicians. The little fellows wind up "broke and wrecked." That's partly so. In Chicago Democratic Switzerland is short \$540,000 with which he, no doubt, paid his way by buying off the votes of little fellows. That's precisely what we want to do away. I say, anyone that helps such crooks is an accessory to the crime. The leadership of both the republican and democratic parties buy votes at their price \$10.00 a dozen or less. Their subordinates are protected when they dig up "floaters" and employ illegal tactics to gain votes. All such fellows deserve no more than being "wrecked and broke."

Bro. Prusnick admits there is an alignment between the Cleveland and Pennsy groups. I suspected as much long ago. It is primarily because the leaders willingly misunderstand the issues. It is to their personal interest, primarily B & L, to say what they do. Otherwise, there would be no difference between us and hence, they could not seek personal gain at the expense of the organized group. We don't want any SNPJ lodge to be used and delivered to the robbing, bluffing, grafting, fooling politicians of the capitalist owned, controlled and run, parties. Because, what chance have you to elect your men against your bosses' men if your boss owns and runs the party? None! And we know that and we have been trying to tell our people so. To have the SNPJ remain a true workers' organization should be the aim of everyone of its members who aren't politicians. Why? Because we seek no personal gain but we retain the pride and honor and glory of our Society. We show that we have a principle. That we can't be bribed or bought, like others are. That we will not be bluffed or fooled, like many are. They vote republican for prosperity only to be disillusioned and then switch to the democrat, again to be fooled, year in, year out. We say, it is time that we quit kidding ourselves.

We must be honest with ourselves first, as individuals, and then, only, can we expect others to be honest. And when we know that others are dishonest we must shun them and refuse to support them.

That's hard to do for weak people, for people who willfully vote against their own interests everytime they march to the polls and then cry against the contemptible grafters, crooks and fools they elect to office.

You're right, Bro. Prusnick, I derive no personal gain for propagating workingclass consciousness in our Society. The other two brothers receive personal gain from what they try to propagate. That's just the point! The logical conclusion for intelligent members is to insist on strict adherence to the tactics pursued by the SNPJ to date.

This is not a question of individuals. It's a question of policy, principles and honesty. Let's be honest.

Bro. Prusnick is totally unfamiliar with the practices of the Socialist Party. Hence, he is in no position to say how they are paid. Let me inform him that we Socialists not only fail to receive pay, but must sacrifice our own money and time in order to propagate our belief. We have no millionaire bosses to back up our party. If we did, then it would not be a workers' party. It would be another capitalist party. Capitalists oppose us, for well they know once the workers awaken to the truth there will be no more need to feed parasites. Hence, they do all they can to throttle us. It is because the workers support their own enemy that things are so bad.

We have the firm conviction that we can change the system. Eventually, the change will come whether Bro. Prusnick disagrees or not, because that's evolutionary progress.

It takes study to understand. We may not live to see it come, but we're working for a noble goal and the we may not have Socialism in our time we'll win, positively, just the same.

Donald J. Lotrich, Lodge 559.

A FIRESIDE STORY

Latrobe, Pa.—Take an easy chair, brothers and sisters, use the poker on the fire, settle down, get your box of chocolates on your table and now I'll tell you a little story about the conference. Since we all have an equal right of conviction and expression, I'll endeavor to tell you what I think—remember I'm only one person.

During the last month I've been reading articles about the conference in *Prosveta* and *Proletarec* with great interest. And now for my stand at the conference: (1) I was one of the backers of the SNPJ principles as they are in the by-laws today; (2) I was for SNPJ and not for any one person; (3) I gave a 40-minute report on the "History and Principles of SNPJ" and endeavored to give the delegation a fair idea of the progress made by the SNPJ, the opposition our organization has encountered the last 31 years and why our SNPJ stands out as a guiding star of Slovene fraternal organizations in America.

I still maintain that the conference was rich and interesting and that the body worked together as well as one could expect. When one heard some of the delegates talk one could see that they had their heart and soul in the movement. This group are the "builder-upers" and not the "breaker-downers." And fellow members, I want to tell you we had plenty of boosters. By reading some of the articles we would be led to think that the conference was a "reign of terror." There were two sides to every question, there were plenty of arguments but that's what one expects when attending a group meeting. Don't you think the meeting would be dry if we all agreed?

What I Did Not Like About the Conference

In the first place—as soon as I arrived at the SNPJ auditorium, which was only five minutes before the conference convened, I overheard an individual say to another delegate, "How do you stand to-day?" My eyes popped out a mile. Just imagine a question like that to be thrown among a group of fraternalists, what do you think? The individual that asked the question belonged to the group that told us delegates politely to leave matters like that in our satchels at the hotel. He must have forgotten to leave his satchel at the hotel and furthermore the member he asked that question had a mind of his own. My answer to this gent would be, "I stand for the SNPJ and not for cliques, fronts, wings, or so-called leaders."

The second item which did not appeal to me was this "over the backyard fence conversation" we had to listen to. That's what it sounded like to me. It was amusing indeed to listen to some people air their private business such as place of marriage, etc. We did not come to the conference to hear what delegates are running for home-town offices. That's home-town news. Because we had to listen to private business like this—we did not have time to discuss the last two topics. Did you know that, members? The last two topics were not discussed at all. Such an important topic as "Federations" I feel should have been considered at least.

Another item which was disgusting was the way the word "politics" shot into the air like a bombshell—and then the "fun" began. The conference was going very smoothly before this but I guess it was going too smoothly. This was just another person that brought his satchel to the conference.

Now, fellow readers, let's take another chocolate and I'll give you a few comments on the various articles I've read in the *Proletarec* and *Prosveta*.

A SNPJ delegate and member in trying to tell you that Bro. Becek had 50 delegates behind him. On what grounds he made such a statement, I don't know. Maybe there was a census taken around at the conference, but he must have missed me; I didn't encounter any. All voting at the conference on important issues was done by raising the right hand. I noticed that the delegation was more or less evenly divided. It isn't always the group that makes the most noise and applauds the loudest that is the winner. I believe that on all issues the delegation was more or less evenly divided.

A Supreme board member (Bro. Lokar) is telling us that what the conference revealed "is only part of what he thinks." That's what he thinks! The conference revealed that at least half of the delegation were not in favor of what he thinks and not even the delegation from his home town was 100% behind him. He tells us that some individuals have been "chased under cover." I didn't see anyone "under cover," and remember that anyone that disagreed with that got a chance to get the floor told everyone plenty. Even though you didn't lend us your ears. But the question was, Try and get a chance to get the floor, when a handful of people monopolized it. When certain individuals got the floor they didn't have it to themselves either. Even an ex-supr. board member in his article recently spoke about a delegate that had his hand up several times and even stood up to get recognition from the chair—but no. He didn't get recognition. Perhaps this delegate, like many others that didn't get a chance to say one word—had good ideas, too.

Right at this moment I wish to comment on the article I read in *Proletarec* in reference to my article in which I classified Kress and Lokar and a few others as SNPJ agitators and boosters. 'Tis true, I think that Bro. Lokar has done a lot for the SNPJ—and I remember on numerous occasions Lokar and I spoke from the same soap-box for the SNPJ, but that doesn't mean I like the attitude he has taken toward certain issues at the conference.

And now for Bro. D. J. Lotrich who made the statement that the Pennsylvania delegation was solidly organized behind Becek, Kress and Lokar. Is that so—Bro. Lotrich? There were seven delegates from Pennsylvania that wouldn't run after any shepherd's whistle. At the conference were FOR SNPJ. And we didn't fall for anybody's line.

Many of our contributors complain because their articles aren't published. I could easily join the parade. I sent an article in to be published the week before the conference and to this day I've been trying to think why it wasn't published, but that's just a little thing in life, so why worry.

A lesson for us all: Let's keep the simple tool—a hammer in mind. It keeps its head and never flies off the handle. Let's keep pounding away like the hammer and—Onward, upward striving for the good of SNPJ.

J. Fradel, Lodge 725.

MOUNTAIN BREEZES

Trinidad, Colo.—All members of Lodge 714, are invited to attend the annual meeting which will be held on Sunday, December 15. Make it a point to attend the most important meeting of the year, as election of officers and other vital matters will be taken up. Also remember that all members not attending every third meeting are subject to a fine, so do your duty as a member by attending your lodge meeting whenever possible.

Frank Potocnik, Lodge 714.

Proceedings of First E. S. L. Conference

Held at the SNPJ Auditorium November 2nd, 1935

In 1909, in Cherry, Illinois, a mine catastrophe occurred which involved 12 SNPJ members. So the SNPJ with its ever ready helping hand investigated the matter and helped the afflicted families. The SNPJ again showed the American Slovenes that her heart is in the right place. In two years following the 4th convention the SNPJ had increased to 169 lodges, 7,355 members.

At the beginning of the year 1912 attacks against SNPJ began to appear in Glas Naroda and in a short time, Cleveland's Amerika began to do the same. The SNPJ didn't pay attention to this at first but the persistence made it necessary and M. Potocnik answered them. We can readily see how much harm was done by the knuckers when we see that the SNPJ grew and prospered more than ever. The membership increased and ten lodges sprung into existence. We come to the conclusion that it is not an easy task to tear down a well built organization. We are ready now for the next convention.

THE FIFTH CONVENTION (Sept. 16, 1912) was held in Milwaukee, Wis. The SNPJ numbered 88 branches and 8,332 members. Significant points about the convention are:

1. It gave the members the right of initiative and referendum.
2. It accepted a resolution whereby the editorial policy of the official organ became socialist; it laid down rigid rules against strike breakers.
3. The size of the official organ was increased to eight pages.
4. Supreme board was vested with the power to employ a manager of publication.
5. A motion to establish a juvenile department was passed. (Note: SNPJ was the first fraternal society to institute a juvenile department, while the National Fraternal Congress of America followed suit in 1915.)

6. The assessment was increased to \$1.40 with slight change in benefits.

No sooner did our delegates settle at their firesides when the attacks appeared in Glas Naroda but the members like never before defended the outstanding fraternal organization—the SNPJ. What did the SNPJ lose? Nothing at all. It has continued to grow.

Following this convention, in the fall of 1912 a referendum was held. It was the first referendum to take place in the history of any Slovene benefit society. The members voted on four questions:

1. Election of members to auxiliary board.
2. Question of building new society headquarters.
3. Approval of a juvenile department.
4. Election of a manager of publications.

The majority voted in favor of society headquarters; they approved the establishment of a juvenile department; and they elected Philip Godina of Indianapolis, Ind., manager of publications.

In 1910 our SNPJ again extended its helping hand to the miners and their families in the coal strike which swept Westmoreland county. To this day SNPJ members tell us how their burdens were lessened by the SNPJ during this coal strike.

In 1913 our Society aided some of its members that were engaged in a strike in copper fields in Michigan.

In 1914 another referendum took place, to vote whether the SNPJ should become a member of the National Fraternal Congress. The result of the vote showed that the members approved SNPJ's affiliation with N. F. C. of A. and as a result the system of insurance was changed. According to the new system every member paid according to an age-rate scale calculated upon the amount of insurance.

It's 1914 and also the Tenth Anniversary of our Society. In ten years we grew from 9 to 220 branches, and from 276 members to 12,218. A special edition of Glaslo was issued. It contains photographs of the various delegations and the Supreme boards. Various lodges celebrated the occasion in fine style.

THE SIXTH REGULAR CONVENTION (Sept. 20, 1915) convened in Pittsburgh at the Slovene Home on 57th st.; 121 delegates were in attendance. Outstanding points about the convention are:

1. The convention decided that a building be purchased or erected for the Home Office of the Society.
2. The delegation made a decision that SNPJ merge with any other organization of free-thought principles providing it was free from deficit.
3. The weekly organ Glaslo became a daily newspaper, the *Prosveta* (with more than 3,000 voluntary subscriptions on hand).

The first daily edition of the *Prosveta* was issued July 1, 1916. In the same year the SNPJ moved into its own headquarters. Up to this time the office of the secretary had been in the secretary's home. The Glaslo was edited at the editor's home. In general all the business was transacted in private homes.

In 1916 a campaign for new members and subscriptions for the *Prosveta* was launched. The result of the campaign: 87 new branches and 1,100 new subscriptions for the official organ.

In 1917, the 248 members that were in army service were on the passive list. In this year the membership increased to 21,000 and the number of branches to 260. The SNPJ has already surpassed the remaining Slovene organizations in America in the number of members.

We shall now travel to Springfield, Ill. It is Sept. 16, 1918, and time for the Seventh Regular Convention. There were 164 delegates present. Highlights on the decisions of the delegates are:

1. That a monthly magazine for juveniles be published in both Slovene and English.
2. A students' fund for SNPJ members attending schools of higher learning was established.
3. Književna Matica was established for the issue and distribution of fiction and educational literature.
4. Establishment of a sick benefit department with its own secretary apart from other society departments.
5. It was decided that the Society send \$1,000 from the funds of the juvenile department to Slovenia for war victims.
6. A motion was passed that the SNPJ pay one-half of the death benefit of members killed during the war. That it admits any member upon returning from service with all previous rights after submitting to a medical examination and wounded or crippled soldiers without medical examination for death benefit only.

During this convention a great manifestation for the Yugoslav Labor Republic was held at the site of Lincoln's tomb. The delegation placed a wreath on the tomb. The ceremony was so impressive that the caretaker requested a short history of the SNPJ to be placed in the Lincoln Memorial Museum. The Supreme board furnished the document. And so the Convention ended.

In the same year a fire occurred in Cle Elum, Wash., which involved SNPJ members. The SNPJ members collected and donated \$1,777 for the afflicted members and families and again the SNPJ showed the American Slovenes that it is interested in its members.

Spanish influenza in 1919 took her toll among our members. The demands upon the organization at this time were great. The Society was forced to sell bonds in order to meet its obligations. The Supreme secretary reported that 19 members out of every thousand died but the SNPJ came through very well. It shook off this unexpected burden and carried on her noble work.

In 1920 the membership had increased to 24,800. A second special convention was held in Chicago, Ill., in March, 1921. Fifty delegates attended. An agreement was accepted for a merger with the Slavonic Working Men's Union (which had previously merged with St. Barbara's Lodge) and the Slovene Labor Benefit and Pension organization. This leads up to the Third Special Convention in Cleveland the following September. The merger took place at this convention. The total membership resulting from the merger was over 39,000 members. Thus concludes this convention.

Once more the SNPJ is a friend in need. Mr. X, a Slovene in Colorado, was accused of murder. He was not an SNPJ member and did not have any close friends or relatives. Some of his fellow workers, Italians, found out that there exists in America a Slovene organization that seems to help fellow Slovenes. For this case the SNPJ found an attorney and the SNPJ members collected and donated \$1,707. The verdict was not guilty.

In 1922 there were 42,969 members, 458 branches and an increase of 3% in solvency. This year, in July, the Mladinski List made its first appearance. In 1923 the members by a referendum decided that all members of the Supreme board be elected by referendum. The first time and the only time that this was done was in 1924. This year the SNPJ set-up its own printery and a new building was constructed which was opened officially on Dec. 21, 1924.

The doors now open on the 8th regular convention in Waukegan, Illinois, Sept. 1925. It's composed of 294 delegates and officers. Points of interest:

1. Provided for a finance committee of the Supreme board for the purchase of bonds and investment of money of the Society.
2. It abolished funds for students.
3. It decided that the Supreme board be elected by the convention.

At this time the SNPJ had 55,800 members.

(To be continued next week)