

RUSIJA SE STRI- NJA Z AMERI- ŠKIM PREDLOGOM

Izrekla se je za diskuzi-
je o izravnavi razlik

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London, 11. maja. — Moskova-
ska radiopostaja je naznanila,
da se sovjetska vlada strinja z
ameriškim predlogom glede dis-
kuzij o izravnavi obstoječih raz-
lik med državama. Naznanilo
omenja izmenjavo diplomatskih
not med Sovjetsko unijo in
Ameriko.

Ruska deklaracija pravi, da je
ameriški poslanik Walter B.
Smith izročil noto ruskemu zu-
nanjemu ministru Molotovu 4.
maja. Vsebovala je opozorilo,
da Sovjetska unija ne more pri-
čakovati od Amerike, da bo re-
vidirala svojo zunanjo politiko.
Moskovska radiopostaja je citi-
rala besedilo ameriške note z
namenom, "da ne bo nesporez-
na." Glavne točke note so bile:

Ameriška politika, ki je po-
stala zadostno definitivna v zad-
njem času, ima oporo pri večini
ameriškega ljudstva. Izjavljala
se bo energično v bodočnosti.
Notranja politična situacija ne
bo vplivala na izvajanje politi-
ke. To velja za volitve v no-
vembra.

Ameriška vlada nima sovraž-
nih in ne agresivnih namenov
proti Sovjetski uniji.

Ekonomika kriza ne bo pri-
zadela industrijske zmogljivosti
Združenih držav.

Ameriška nota je zaključena
z zagotovilom, da Amerika drži
vrata odprta za diskuzije s Sov-
jetsko unijo o reševanju ameri-
ških in ruskih problemov.

Sovjetska vlada pravi v odgo-
voru na ameriško noto med
drugim:

Rusija je zavzela pozitivno
stališče glede izboljšanja odno-
šajev med njo in Ameriko. Stri-
nja se z ameriškim predlogom
glede diskuzij in izravnave ob-
stoječih razlik med državama.

Rusija zavrača ameriško trdi-
tev, da je ona odgovorna za ne-
zadovoljive odnose in napeto
mednarodno situacijo. Odnosi
med Sovjetsko unijo in državami
v vzhodni Evropi so se iz-
boljšali v povojni dobi s skleni-
tvi paktov prijateljstva in
vzajemne pomoči. Namen teh
paktov je preprečitev more
agresije s strani Nemčije in nje-
nih zaveznikov v bodočnosti.

Znano je, da Amerika izvaja
slično politiko z utrjevanjem od-

Lewis zahteva novo pogodbo

Predlagal je razgo-
vore z operatorji

Washington, D. C., 11. maja. —
John L. Lewis, predsednik ru-
darske unije UMWA, je informi-
ral operatorje na polju trdega
premoga, da bo pogodba, ki krije
okrog 80.000 rudarjev, kmalu po-
tekla in da mora biti nova skle-
nitvena do 10. julija. Predlagal je
pogajanja glede sklenitve nove
pogodbe. Pričela naj bi se 20.
maja, ali pa pozneje, ako bo pri-
šlo do sporazuma med unijo in
operatorji.

Lewis ni razkril zahtev, ki bo
predložene operatorjem. Ru-
darje krije pogodba, ki je bila
sklenjena pred dvema letoma.

Pogajanja med unijo in opera-
torji na polju mehkega premo-
ga se bodo pričela 28. maja v
Washingtonu. Pogajanja z
operatorji na polju trdega premo-
ga se običajno vrše v New Yorku.

Lewis je naslovil pismo Ral-
phu E. Taggartu, načelniku po-
gajalnega odbora operatorjev na
polju trdega premoga. Opozoril
je, da je prišel čas za pogaja-
nja o sklenitvi nove pogodbe,
zaeno pa je naglasil, da bo uni-
ja upoštevala sugestije operator-
jev glede plače, delovnih ur in
drugih pogojev.

Unija sprejela zvišanje plače

Chicago, 11. maja. — Preteča
stavka članov unije Stockhand-
lers CIO proti Union Stock Yard
& Transit Co. je bila odvrnjena.
Frank Monaghan, predsednik
unije, je naznanil, da je bila po-
nudba kompanije glede zvišanja
plače za šest centov na uro spre-
jeta. Zvišanje plače je retroak-
tivno od 4. aprila. Delavci bodo
prejemali dvojno plačo za delo
ob nedeljah in praznikih. Oni,
ki delajo 20 in več let za kom-
panijo, bodo deležni tritedenskih
počitnic s plačo letno.

nošajev s sosednimi državami—
Kanado, Mehiko in drugimi ru-
darskimi na zapadni hemisferi.
Sedanja sovjetska politika se
bo nadaljevala. Rusija se ne
vmešava v razvoj demokratič-
nih sprememb v vzhodni Evropi.
Na drugi strani se Ameri-
ka vmešava v zadeve drugih dr-
žav. Dogodki v Grčiji niso edi-
ni dokaz vmešavanja.

Sovjetska unija je zainteresi-
rana v razvoj mednarodne ekono-
mske kooperacije v povojni
dobi.

PRVI MESEC KAMPANJE PRINESEL 337 NOVIH ČLANOV

Na prvem mestu so Frances Debelak iz Milwau-
keeja, Polly Sladick iz Imperiala, Pa.,
in Mary Dermotta iz Salema, O.

Članstvo je najbrže radovedno, kako je z našo kampanjo v pro-
slavo 35-letnice mladinskega oddelka in 10-letnice mladinskih
krožkov, ki se je pričela 1. aprila in se konča 30. novembra.

To je prvo poročilo, ki kaže, da je kampanja prvi mesec kar
dobro izpadla. Agitatorji obeh spolov so pridobili 337 novih čla-
nov; od teh 194 v mladinski, 143 pa v odrasli oddelki, v slednjega
77 novih, 66 članov pa je prestopilo iz mladinskega v odrasli oddel-
lek. Kampanje se je prvi mesec udeležilo 115 društev, kar je
dobro znamenje.

Kakor znano, se ta kampanja razlikuje od preteklih v tem, da so
vsa društva razdeljena v štiri distrikte. V prvem distriktu, ki ob-
sega Pennsylvanijo, New York, New Jersey, Maryland, Florido in
District of Columbia, se je najbolje odrezalo angleško govilnoče
društvo 716 v Imperialu, Pa. Zasluga gre sestri Polly Sladick,
direktorici mladinskega krožka, ki je pridobila 14 novih članov.
S tem je bila tudi izpolnjena društvena kampanjska kvota—prvo
društvo, ki je doseglo to čast. Na drugem mestu v tem distriktu
je društvo 292 v Avelli, Pa., ki je pridobilo šest novih članov; od teh
jih je večino dobil br. Frank Zriman, ki je bil aktiven tudi v lanski
kampanji. Na tretjem mestu je društvo 231 v Aliquippu, Pa., s pe-
timimi novimi člani, na četrtem pa sta društvi 98 v Moon Runu in
297 v Burgetstownu, Pa., vsako s štirimi novimi "udi," kakor smo
včasih rekli.

V drugem distriktu, ki obsega Ohio, West Virginio, Michigan,
Indiana, Kentucky in Alabama, je na prvem mestu društvo 476,
odnosno sestra Mary Dermotta iz Salema, O., načelnica tamkaj-
šnjega mladinskega krožka, ki je pridobila 10 novih članov. Dobro
se je odrezal tudi John Pavlovic, tajnik društva 271 v Garyju,
Ind., s sedmimi rekruti, kakor tudi Joe Durn, tajnik društva 53 v
Clevelandu, društvo 258 v Belleairu, Ohio, in društvo 743 v L'An-
seju, Mich., vsako s petimi novimi člani.

V tretjem distriktu (Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Missou-
ri, Iowa in Arkansas), pa je na prvem mestu sestra Frances Debelak,
tajnica društva 584 (Badgers) v Milwaukeeju. Ona sploh nosi
krono, ker je pridobila 15 novih članov v mladinski in tri v odrasli
oddelenki. Posekale je vse kontestante. Ona je bila tudi pred pra-
letni med zmagovalci in častni gost 13. redne konvencije. Odkar
je bila izvoljena za tajnico svojega društva pred tremi leti, je pri-
dobila že blizu 100 novih članov. Vsekar izborni rekord. Na
drugem mestu v tretjem distriktu je sestra Mary Pahala, tajnica
društva 322 v Chisholmu, Minn., z devetimi rekruti, na tretjem
pa sta br. John Zuglich, tajnik društva 59 v DePueju, Ill., in D. J.
Lothric, tajnik člaskih Pionirjev 559 in član gl. odbora, vsak s pe-
timimi novimi člani.

V četrtem distriktu, ki obsega vse zapadne države, pa je bila
kampanja v glavnem koncentrirana v Montani in Los Angelesu,
Calif., kjer je društvo 615 naraslo za devet novih članov. Za to so
poskrbeli: tajnica Mary Koichnik, Ann Sador, Eva Bros, John
Peitris, član gl. odbora, in Helen Riberich, bivša tajnica društva
292 v Avelli, Pa., ki se je nedavno preselila na zapad in takoj stopi-
la v vrste aktivnih članov. Na drugem mestu sta Violetta Sta-
vanja, mladinska direktorica društva 308 v Anacondi, Mont., in
Anne Prosper, tajnica društva 608 v Butteu, Mont., vsaka s štirimi
novimi člani. Njima sledita sestra Ann Okora od društva 225 v
Adisonu, Kans., in br. Joseph Peitric od društva 296 v Spring Glen-
u, Utah, vsak s tremi rekruti.

Kot poroča kampanjski direktor br. Mike Vrhovnik, ki je pri-
pravljal to poročilo, so bili zadnji mesec pridni v kampanji tudi John
Wirant od društva 6, Sygan, Pa., Anton Ziberna od društva 33
Ambridge, Pa., Martin Urana od društva 87 v Hermineju, Pa.,
Matilda Skvarch od društva 288 v Fredericktownu, Pa., Mildred
Bomslar od društva 464 v Midlandu, Pa., Matt Petrovich od dru-
štva 53 v Clevelandu in član gl. odbora, Al Vonderhaar od društva
215 v Virginiji, Minn., Frank Tehovnik od društva 518 v Detroitu
Stanley Zupon od društva 590 v Clevelandu, Mike Machek od dru-
štva 603 v Samsulu, Fla., in Joseph Jeruc od društva 634 v Sheboy-
ganu, Wis.

Vsem članom in članicam (slednjih je več!), ki so poskrbeli, da
je bila kampanja v svojem začetnem štadiju prilično uspešna, vse
priznanje! Prav tako vsem aktivnim društvom. Slednjim se na-
pridužijo še ostala društva in kampanja bo na vsej fronti uspešna.

"Rebeli" napovedali poraz Trumana

Jackson, Miss., 11. maja. — De-
mokrati iz južnih držav so na
konferenci v tem mestu napove-
dali poraz Trumana pri volitvah
v novembru. Ti demokrati so v
"revoltili" proti Trumanu. Pre-
sednik jih je razkačil, ker je
predložil kongresu program ci-
vilnih pravic. Na konferenco je
prišlo okrog tisoč delegatov iz
dvanajstih južnih držav.

Zidje naskočili arabske barikade

Jeruzalem, Palestina, 11. ma-
ja. — Židovske napadalne čete so
naskočile arabske barikade na
cesti med Jeruzalemom in Tel
Avivom in poglnele Arabce v
beg. Blokada ceste je bila s
tem odpravljena. Naskok so iz-
vršile brigade židovske milice.
Pričakuje se, da bo Jeruzalem
proglazen za odprto mesto.

Dodatna ameriška pomoč državam

Truman predložil
zahtevo kongresu

Washington, D. C., 11. maja. —
Predsednik Truman je zahteval
od kongresa, naj sankcionira po-
trošnje dodatne vsote \$818.000,
000 za ekonomsko in vojaško po-
moč Grčiji, Turčiji, Kitajski in
Trstu. Prej je kongres dovolil
\$5.300.000.000 kot pomoč drža-
vam v zapadni Evropi na pod-
lagi Marshallovega načrta.
Kongresni odsek za apropra-
cije vodi zaslisanje o dodatni
pomoči. Kitajska naj bi dobila
\$463.000.000, Grčija in Turčija
\$275.000.000, Trst pa \$20.000.000.
Trst potrebuje to vsoto za zatir-
janje bolezni in nepokoja.

Trumanova zahteva je v so-
glasju z zakonom, ki je bil spre-
jet v kongresu pred nekaj ted-
ni. Ta je avtoriziral potrošnje
\$6.118.000.000 za pomoč zapadni
Evropi in Aziji.

Domače vesti

Slovenski profesor umrl
kot bogatin

Chicago. — Zadnje dni so či-
kaški listi poročali, da je pokoj-
ni Francis S. Kosmerl, bivši
profesor prava na Čikaški uni-
verziteti, ki je umrl 25. aprila, za-
pustil veliko premoženje—sodi-
se, da od dva in pol do tri mi-
ljone dolarjev! On je bil rojen
na Jesenicah in tamkajšnji ob-
čini zapustil \$10.000. Star je bil
81 let. Kdaj je prišel v Ame-
riko, ni znano, toda po okolici-
nah je soditi, da je prišel v ml-
adih letih in je moral študirati
v katoliških kolegijih v Minne-
soti, katerih se je spomnil tudi v
zapuščini. Svojo knjižnico in
\$35.000 v gotovini je na primer
zapustil Kolegiju sv. Tomaša v
St. Paulu, Minn., \$10.000 pa St.
John's University, Collegeville,
Minn. Po \$10.000 je zapustil tu-
di pravosodnima knjižnicama
University of Chicago in North-
western University, slednji tudi
dodatnih \$10.000 za tiskanje
njegovih spisov o rimskem pr-
vu. Eno tretjino svojega pre-
ostalega premoženja je določil za
ustanovitve F. S. Kosmerlovega
sklada za plačevanje štipendij
študentom obeh čikaških uni-
verzitet, eno tretjino svoji ženi
Ljudmili (stara je menda okrog
35 let in prišla iz starega kraja
po prvi svetovni vojni), ostalo
tretjino pa svojim štirim bra-
tom in sestram v starem kraju,
ako še žive. Profesor Kosmerl
med Slovenci ni bil poznan, ker
ni z nikomur imel vezi—sploh
se jih je branil. Baje je že
okrog 30 let živel v pokoji.
Kako je prišel do tako ogrom-
nega premoženja, ni znano, toda
sodi se, da z zemljiškimi in bor-
zniimi spekulacijami. V Chicagu
zapuščina nekaj daljnih sorodni-
kov.

V bolnišnici

Detroit, Mich. — Frances Jeg-
lič, članica društva 518 SNPJ, se
nahaaja v bolnišnici Providence,
kjer se je morala podvreči ope-
raciji. Članstvo ji želi hitrega
okrevanja.

Nov grob na zapadu

Cle Elum, Wash. — Dne 4. ma-
ja je po več mesečni bolezni
umrl Bartol Zevart, soustanovi-
tel in zvest član društva 371
SNPJ, doma iz Škale pri Vele-
nju, Stajersko, v Ameriki od
1910. Ves čas je delal tukaj kot
premogar razen pet let, ko je ži-
vel v Red Lodgeu, Mont. Lani
avgusta je bil pobit v rovu in
od takrat ni bil več zdrav. Zada-
nje tri mesece je bil v bolnišnici.
Bil je naprednega mišljenja,
vesele narave in priljubljen
med rojaki. Pokopan je bil ci-
vilno ob veliki udeležbi čla-
nstva in drugih. Zapuščina ženo
Mary, ki je tajnica društva 371
SNPJ, dva poročena sinova (v
Gentonu), dve poročeni hčeri
(eno tukaj, drugo v Seattleu) in
pet vnukov, v starem kraju pa
brata in sestro. — O pomladi tu-
kaj še ni sluha, ker vsak dan
dežuje, neprodne megle pa se
vlačijo s hriba na hrib.

Is Milwaukeeja

Milwaukee, Wis. — Po večletni
bolezni je v bolnišnici umrl Mi-
chael Thomas, star 60 let, rojen
v bližini hrvatsko-slovenske me-
je. Bil je samaki. Tukaj zapu-
šča brata Franka. — Naglo je u-
mrl Frank Dramelj, samaki, star
59 let, rojen na Dolenjskem, v
Ameriki 36 let. Tukaj ni imel
sorodnikov. Njegovo truplo je
bilo prepeljano v Sheboygan,
kjer je živel pred leti. — V noči
4. maja se je v avtni nezgodi
smrtno ponesrečil Joseph Luk-
sieh, star 45 let, rojen v Calu-
metu, Mich., član KSJ. Zapu-
šča ženo, tri otroke, mater, tri
brate in deset sester. — Dne 7.
maja je umrla Mary Kuzba, ro-
jena Urtef v Milwaukeeju, sta-
ra 36 let, članica JPZS in SZZ.
Zapuščila moža, tri otroke, dve
sestri, dva brata in očeta. Vse
pogrebe je oskrbel Ermencev
zavod.

Jeklarska indus- trija kritizirana

Letno poročilo urad-
nikov jeklarske unije

Boston, Mass., 11. maja. — Jek-
larska unija CIO je opazila
jeklarsko industrijo in jo obdol-
žila, da je ustvarila v zadnjih
dveh letih napačen vtis o pod-
vigu produkcije, da poveča pro-
fite, ne pa produkcije. Od kom-
panij je zahtevala raztegnitev
temeljnih naprav, da se bo pro-
dukcija jekla povečala za naj-
manj 10.000.000 ton letno.

Kritika je v letnem poročilu
uradnikov jeklarske unije, ka-
tere predsednik je Philip Mur-
ray. On je tudi predsednik
Kongresa industrijskih organi-
zacij. Poročilo bo predloženo
delegatom na konvenciji, ki se
je danes pričela v Bostonu. Na
konvencijo je dospelo 3.200 de-
legatov.

Poročilo trdi, da je jeklarska
industrija realni zamašek v o-
mrežju industrij. Pomanjkanje
jekla je v avtni, kovinarski in
drugih industrijah. Unija je ob-
sodila tudi druge industrije, ki
skušajo "zamrzniti" plače v času
grmadenja ogromnih profitov.

Poročilo naglašja, da bo jek-
larska unija, udeležena v ekono-
mski borbi, odprla tudi politič-
no drugo fronto. Vodila bo
boj proti političnim lakajem ve-
lebiznisa, ki hočejo uničiti de-
lavske organizacije. "Osemde-
seti kongres je stalni opomin de-
lavcem, da morajo na volitni
dan glasovati za zaščito duha
prosvetljenega ameriškega iz-
let Rooseveltove administracije,"
pravi poročilo. "Ako ljudje
ne bodo volili, bodo odgovorni
za neareto, ki bo sledila. Povezo-
čili jo bodo hlapi bogata in
bigotstva."

Uradniki unije trdijo v poro-
čilu, da je jeklarska industrija
nagradila čisti profit čez \$600-
000.000 lanske leto.

Prizadevanja za odrvitev stavke

Detroit, Mich., 11. maja. — Re-
prezentanti avtne unije CIO in
Chrysler Motor Corp. se bodo
danes ponovno sestali na konfe-
renci in obnovili prizadevanja
za odrvitev stavke. V konflikt
med unijo in korporacijo je po-
segel federalni posredovalec Leo
Kotin. Unija je naznanila, da
bo oklicala stavko v sredo, ako
ne bo prišlo do sporazuma. V
tovarnah korporacije je uposle-
nih okrog 73.000 delavcev.

KNUDSEN OV REKORD IZPRIČUJE, DA JE BIL SOVRAŽNIK DELAVCEV

Detroit — (FP) — William S.
Knudsen, bivši predsednik kor-
poracije General Motors, ki je
umrl 27. aprila v 70. letu sta-
rosti, je bil prav tak sovražnik
organiziranih delavcev kot Hen-
ry Ford, ki je umrl pred enim
letom v starosti 83 let.

Henry Ford se je posluževal
špionaže in napadov proti delav-
cem, ki so zahtevali priznanje
unije. Podal se je šele potem,
ko so vse avtne družbe prizna-
le delavske unije. To se je zgo-
dilo leta 1941 po uspešni stavki
delavcev v njegovi tovarni.
Knudsen ni bil nič manj sovra-
žen delavcem.

Ko je bil Knudsen predsednik
korporacije General Motors, je
dovolil nakup plinskih bomb v
vsoti \$24.626.78 za rabo proti
unijam delavcev. Poleg tega
je ta družba pod njegovim vod-
stvom plačala velike vsote pro-
sluli Pinkertonovi špionski a-
genturi, ki se je specializirala
na zdozbirote stavk. Ta dejstva
je takrat dognal senatni prei-
skovalni odsek.

ŽELEZNIŠKE BRA- TOVŠČINE PREKLI- CALE STAVKO

Truman odredil zasego
železnice v imenu vlade

FEDERALNI SODNIK
IZDAL INJUNKCIJO

Washington, D. C., 11. maja. —
Stavka železničarjev je bila od-
vrnjena v zadnjem momentu.
Voditelji treh bratovščin so na-
znanili, da se bodo pokorili in-
junkciji, katero je izdal federalni
sodnik T. Alan Goldsborough.
Charles G. Ross, Trumanov
tajnik, je naznanil:

"John R. Steelman, delavski
avetovalec predsednika Truma-
na, je bil uradno obveščen, da so
voditelji bratovščin preklicali
stavko. Člani posebnega odbo-
ra bratovščin so se sestali na se-
ji, na kateri so se izrekli za pre-
klic stavke. Izjavili so, da se bo-
do pokorili injunkciji, katero je
izdal in podpisal sodnik Golds-
borough."

David B. Robertson, predse-
dnik bratovščine kurjačev, je de-
jal, da so bili železničarji takoj
obveščeni o akciji odbora. Pred-
sednik bratovščine strojevnikov
je Alvanley Johnston, predse-
dnik bratovščine kretničarjev pa
A. G. Glover.

Goldsborough je nedavno na-
ložil denarno kazen \$1.400.000
rudarski uniji UMWA, predse-
dniku unije Johnu L. Lewisu pa
\$20.000. Spoznana sta bila za
kriva žaljenja sodišča, ker ni bi-
la stavka na polju mehkega pre-
moga preklicana takoj po izda-
nju injunkcije.

Predsednik Truman je ugodil
pot izdani injunkcije proti bra-
tovščinam, ko je odredil zasego
železnice. Voditelji bratovščin so
prej zavrnili poziv vojnega taj-
nika Royalla, naj preklicajo stav-
ko. Truman je dejal, da je od-
redil zasego železnice v interesu
blaginje in varnosti ljudstva.

Royall je po zasegi železnice
naznanil, da je bil general Ed-
mond H. Leavey, vojaški šef
transportacije, instruiran, naj
operira železnice v imenu arme-
de. Ako bi se bratovščine upre-
le odredbi sodnika Goldsborougha,
ki je zahteval preklic stavke, bi
bile obtožene žaljenja sodišča in
kaznovane.

Truman je odredil zasego že-
leznic na podlagi zakona, ki je
bil sprejet l. 1916. Vladni odvet-
niki so izjavili, da ta zakon daje
predsedniku oblast do zasega.

VRHOVNO SODIŠČE BO ODLOČILO O ZADEVI POLITIČNIH AKTIVNOSTI

Washington — (FP) — V prihod-
njih tednih bodo ameriške de-
lavske unije dobile odgovor na
vprašanje, če smejo voditi politi-
čne akcije v prid kandidatov,
ki obetajo zastopati njihove in-
terese.

To važno vprašanje je sedaj
pred vrhovnim sodiščem, ki bo
podalo končni odlok v bližnji
bodočnosti. Protidelavski Taft-
Hartleyev zakon prepoveduje
unijam, da bi v svojih glasilih
agitirale za kandidate političnih
strank. To zadevo je tiral pred
sodišče justični department, ker
sta Kongres industrijskih uni-
j in njegov predsednik Philip
Murray podpirala kandidature
sedanjega kongresnika Edwarda
Garmatza, demokrata iz Mary-
landa lanskega julija.

Uradniki CIO so se takrat od-
ločili, da s tem preiskusijo ve-
ljavnost 304. točke Taft-Hartley-
evega protidelavskega zakona,
ki izrecno prepoveduje unijam
oglašanje političnih kandidatov.
Vrhovno sodišče se bo moralo
odločiti, ali je omenjena provi-
zija protistavna, kajti ustava
jamči svobodo tiska slehernemu

državljanu in skupinam. Taft-
tov zakon zanika to ustavno
pravo unijam.

Dne 28. in 29. aprila so se vr-
šila pred vrhovnim sodiščem za-
slišanja o tem vprašanju. Pravi-
dnik CIO je argumentiral, da je
omejena provizija v Taft-Hart-
leyevemu zakonu proti ustavi,
zato naj jo vrhovno sodišče pro-
glasi za neveljavno.

Charles J. Margiotti, pravi-
dnik CIO, je izjavil, da zadeva
na točka v Taftovem zakonu po-
meni, da ne bi smela nobena
unija rabiti denarja iz svoje bla-
gajne v politične namene. Unije
ne bi smele najemati dvoran,
plačevati za oglašje in potne
stroške v zvezi s političnimi
kampanjami. Niti ne bi smele
poslati svojih delegatov ali opa-
zovalcev na politične konven-
cije.

Vsi argumenti, ki jih je podal
zastopnik CIO, so dovolj prepri-
čevalni, da vrhovno sodišče pro-
glasi 304. točko Taftovega zaka-
na za neustavno. Unijski vodi-
telji in delavci sploh pričakuje-
jo, da bo končni odlok v prilog
ustavnim pravicam.

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Ameriški delavci so na splošno izredno mezdno zavedni in bolj malo razredno zavedni. To je njih glavna karakteristika ali značilnost. Na drugi strani so njih gospodarji in delodajalci ne samo profitarsko zavedni, marveč tudi razredno zavedni. Ta razredna zavednost ameriških kapitalistov je posebno očitna v meščanskem dnevnem in periodičnem tisku, v katerem je razredna družba jasno začetana. Zrcali se ne samo v novinarskih stolpcih in uredniških člankih, marveč tudi na "society page", v čemer velike meščanske dnevnike posnemajo tudi mali podeželski lističi, ki tudi dele svoje malomešne in podeželske čitatelje na "višjo" in "nižjo" družbo: na "gospodo" in "plebejce" ali navadno paro.

Ves ustroj ameriškega šolstva in tiska in filma in kulturnega prizadevanja je usmerjen za tem, da se ameriško delavstvo ne "okuži" z razredno zavednostjo, katero smatrajo vladajoči "free enterprizerski" krogi in njih politični ter intelektualni valpeti za "največjo nevarnost". Med te ljudi spada tudi liberalni republikanski senator Morse iz Oregona, ki je nedavno dejal po radiu, da bi bila "največja nesreča" za deželo, ako bi ameriško delavstvo postalo razredno zavedno. Razredna zavednost je dobra le za vladajoči razred, za kapitaliste!

V tej "free enterprizerski" intelektualni in politični klimi se gibljejo v pretežni večini tudi vsi tako zvani ameriški delavski voditelji, večinoma vse unije. Proti "nenasitnim profiterjem" in "izkoriščevalcem" je sicer dosti grmenja tudi med najbolj reakcionarnimi unijami voditelji, zlasti še v mezdni boj, bolj malo pa na glasanja delavske solidarnosti, delavske zavesti in zgodovinske misije delovnega ljudstva. Vse, kar šteje, so plače, seveda čim višje plače, krajši delovni in podobno — enako kakor pri kapitalistih profit, čim večji profit. Za delavstvo so plače res velike važnosti, kajti od njih je odvisen življenjski standard; enako je od profita odvisen tudi življenjski standard kapitalistov, kakor tudi njih politična in gospodarska moč.

Poleg mezdne zavednosti je ameriško organizirano delavstvo zadnje čase pričelo postajati tudi penzijsko zavedno — ne samo unionisti, marveč tudi stari ljudje. Med slednjimi se je v zadnjih desetih letih razvilo močno penzijsko gibanje pod vodstvom dr. Francis Townsenda, znano tudi pod njegovim imenom. Ta pojav je povsem naraven in socialno zdrav ter potreben. Nič ni bolj patetičnega in tragičnega kakor življenje v revščini in bedi na stara leta, ko človek ni več sposoben za delo. In tej usodi je obsojena velika večina delovnega ljudstva tudi v tej deželi; nekateri po lastni krivdi, ker si niso hoteli ali znali pomagati, dokler so bili mladi in sposobni za delo, velika večina pa vsled tega, kar jim življenje ni bilo toliko naklonjeno, da bi se lahko preskrbeli za stara leta. Ovir za to je nič koliko: bolezen, nesreča, družina, brezposelnost, slaba plača, izguba prihrankov etc.

Townsendovo gibanje sedaj zahteva sto dolarjev mesečne penzije za vse stare in onemogle ljudi. Postalo je bolj realistično nego je bilo pred nekaj leti, ko je zahtevalo \$200 mesečne penzije. Za tako penzijo se je izrekel tudi Henry H. Wallace in se bo gotovo izrekla tudi nova progresivna stranka na ustanovni konvenciji.

Enako penzijo kakor jo zahteva Townsendovo gibanje so si nedavno izvajali organizirani majnarji: \$100 na mesec, ko dosežejo 62 let starosti in ako so delali v premogovni industriji 20 let ali več. Do te penzije bodo upravičeni oni člani UMW, ki so delali v premogovni industriji do lanskega poletja, ko je stopila v veljavo sedanja mezdna pogodba. Kdor je prejel še v pokoj ali pustil čelo v-tej industriji, ni upravičen do te pokojnine. Med zastopniki Progresivne rudarske unije in prizadetimi illinoiskimi operatorji pa je bil sklenjen dogovor, da stopi penzijski sklad v veljavo s 1. majem tega leta. (To naj bo v pojasnilo onim članom, ki so nas pisмено vprašali.)

Operatorji računajo, da bo letos do te penzije upravičenih 10 do 20 tisoč rudarjev. To število pa se bo dvignilo, ker je danes povprečna starost majnarjev blizu 50 let. Njih sinovi se namreč branijo težkega rudarskega poklica in si iščejo lažje delo po mestih. Vsaj zdajnja leta in med vojno je bilo tako. Ta penzija bo morda ustavila ta beg mladih majnarjev iz premogovnih revirjev v druge industrije. Kljub temu pa se operatorji še danes upirajo inavguriranju te penzije iz blaginjskega sklada. Ezra Van Horne, njih predstavnik v odboru, ki upravlja ta sklad, ostalima dvema članoma (Lewis in senatorju Bridgesu, ki predstavlja javnost) meče polena pod noge. On skuša na vse načine preprečiti plačevanje te penzije, katero sta odobrila Lewis in Bridges. V ta namen se je zatekel na sodišče po sodnijsko prepoved (ko pismo te vrstice, je v teku sodno zaslišanje), s katero hoče zavezati roke ostalima dvema članoma. Obvestil je tudi vse banke, kjer je vložil denar blaginjskega sklada — čez \$34 milijonov — da brez njegovega podpisu ne bo veljaven noben penzijski ček. Z ostalima dvema članoma se je strinjal le v tem, da se denar blaginjskega sklada investira v kratkoročne vladne bonde — do zdaj je ležal v bankah brez obresti. Glasoval je tudi proti nastavitvi Josephine Roche za ravnateljico blaginjskega sklada. Njo je predlagal Lewis, ki ima na svoji strani senatorja Bridgesa.

Plačevanje te penzije kvalificiranim starim majnarjem torej še visi v zraku, dokler sodišče ne odloči glede Van Horneve zahteve po injunkciji, kakor tudi glede podpisovanja čekov. Stališče Van Horne (operatorjev) je, da plačevanje te penzije ne bazira na aktuarskem načrtu in da blaginjski sklad ne bo zadostoval za financiranje drugih davitev in poslug — bolnišnice, zdravniške oskrbe za majnarje in njih družine etc. — ki jih določa pogodba. Tega tudi Lewis ne zanika, toda on je postavil plačevanje te penzije na prvo mesto. Ko enkrat to doloži, bo zahteval zvišanje prispevkov v blaginjski sklad. Ti prispevki zdaj znašajo 10c od to-

35-LETNICA DRUŠTVA

205 SNPJ

Duluth, Minn. — Društvo Lev Tolstoj 205 SNPJ bo letos praznovalo 35-letnico svojega obstoja.

Meseca marca 1913 se je zbrala majhna skupina Slovencev v New Duluthu, kjer je bila v teku gradnja nove 25-milijonske jeklarne. Ta skupina je kramljala in prepevala v veseli družbi pri Antonu Blejcu. Tam je bila sprožena misel za ustanovitev društva SNPJ. Priglasilo se je takoj 12 kandidatov. Pisec teh vrstic pa je bil že član jednote, in sicer društva št. 69 v Evelethu. Pisal sem v glavni urad SNPJ po potrebne listine in na dan 23. marca smo se zbrali pri Leopoldu Jenku v New Duluthu, kamor smo povabili zdravnika, ki je vse kandidate preiskal in potrdil. Tako je bilo ustanovljeno novo društvo SNPJ.

Na poslovnici so zapisani sledeči ustanovitelji: Joe Novak, Anton Žukovec, Fr. Snidar, John Jerina, John Jamnik, Fr. Roth, Leopold Jenko, Fr. Torkar, Anton Gradisar, Steve Pezel, Steve Millich in Fr. Babnik.

Pri društvu sta še br. John Jerina in Frank Roth, nekaj pa jih je prestopilo k drugim društvom, nekaj odstopilo, ostali so pa umrli.

To pomembno obletnico bo društvo proslavilo s predvajanjem filmov iz Jugoslavije, katere bomo dobili na posodo od organizacije SANS. Predvajanje bo v gledališču State Theater na Commonwealth ave. v Gary-New Duluthu, in sicer na dan 25. maja.

Vse člane vabimo, da posežejo po vstopnicah in jih pomagajo razprodati, da bomo imeli čim boljše uspeh. Vaš odbor deluje, da bomo javnosti zopet pokazali, da v naselbini posluje društvo, ki spada k najboljši podporni organizaciji, zaeno pa bomo seznanili javnost z našim zavarovanjem in jo povabili, da se nam pridruži. Če bomo delali z združenimi močmi kot bratje in sestre, se nam ni treba bati, da ne bi uspeli.

Letos imamo spet kampanjo za nove člane, in sicer k 35-letnici mladinskega oddelka in 10-letnici mladinskih krožkov. Torej, bratje in sestre društva 205 SNPJ, pojdemo na delo vsi in povečajmo članstvo našega društva in jednote.

Na koncu pa ponovno opozarjam, nikar ne pozabite predvajanja kino-slik dne 25. maja. Imeli bomo pet filmov, kar bo vzelo dve uri predvajanja. Filmi so lepi, katere tu še nismo videli. Od petih filmov, so štiri govoreči, eden pa tihi. Videli boste razne aktivnosti naših rojakov v stari domovini po zadnji vojni. Kazanje se bo pričelo ob pol osmih zvečer. Vljudno vabimo na sodelovanje, da napolnimo gledališče.

Za odbor: John Kobl.

VABILO NA PLES DRUŠTVA 117 SNPJ

Yukon, Pa. — Članstvo našega društva 117 SNPJ in vse naše prijatelje želimo opozoriti na našo plesno veselico, ki se bo vršila v soboto, 22. maja. Za ples bo igral Ernie Benedict in njegovi polkatirji iz Clevelanda. Ples se bo pričel ob devetih zvečer in bo trajal do 12 ur.

Ernie Benedict in njegov orkester je dobro poznan vse povsod, zato pričakujemo veliko udeležbo.

Čez dva tedna po tem plesu,

ne premoga, za financiranje teh penzij in drugih davitev, ki jih predvideva pogodba, pa bo najbrže potrebno okrog 25c. Teh prispevkov sicer ne plačajo operatorji, marveč komunisti.

Ta sistem penzije in "free enterprizerske" zaštite je sicer dober za majnarje in njih družine, ne pa za deželo in delavski razred. Ustvarja namreč privilegirano delavsko kasto in zavlačuje ter preprečuje reševanje tega socialnega problema za vso deželo, za vse delovno ljudstvo. Primerne penzije — okrog \$100 na mesec — in dober sistem javne zdravstvene oskrbe je namreč treba uvesti za vse delovno ljudstvo, ne samo za to ali ono delavsko skupino na račun vseh ostalih slojev. Vsak drug sistem reševanja socialnih problemov po Lewisovi metodi vodi le v parazitski unionizem. Te metode so se začele oprijemati tudi druge unije, ki vidijo le sebe, namesto da bi se vrgle v boj za potrebno izboljšanje zakona socialne zaštite in uvedenje dobrega javnega zdravstvenega in sistema za vso deželo.

to bo na 5. junija, bomo privedli zopet ples, za katerega bo igral orkester "Vagabonds" iz iz Sharona, Pa.

Posetite oba plesa v velikem številu! Dne 1. maja je imelo plesno društvo 729 SNPJ, toda bila sem zelo razočarana, ker se je plesa udeležilo tako majhno število članov društva 117. Ali so starejši člani preveč trudni za plesanje? Če ne plešete, pa pridite pogledat mladino.

Torej udeležite se obeh zgoraj navedenih plesov. Odbor bo vsem dobro postregel. Dario bo oddano onemu posetniku, ki bo prišel na ples iz najoddaljenejšega kraja, prav tako bo dobilo društvo, ki bo imelo največ posetnikov na tem plesu.

Mary A. Kirk, blaginjska.

OTVORITEV PIKNIŠKE SEZONE 23. MAJA NA IZLETNIŠKI FARMI

Cleveland, O. — Sezona naših kulturnih in drugih priredb v dvoranih grh kraj, nakar pridejo na vrsto izleti ali pikniki.

Prvi piknik bo otvoritev vseh nadaljnjih piknikov v nedeljo, 23. maja na izletniški farmi SNPJ. Torej pihitimo vsi v naravo v nedeljo, 23. maja! Izletniška farma SNPJ je last vseh clevelandskih in okoliških društev SNPJ, torej kolektivna last vsega tukajšnjega članstva. Kot lastniki pa imamo tudi dolžnosti in naša prva dolžnost je, da posetimo v velikem številu prvi piknik in zaeno pomagamo odboru v vseh ozirih, da bo čim večji in lepši uspeh.

Morda še ni vsem znano, da je zadnja povodenj napravila precej škodo na izletniški farmi. Odbor ima sedaj veliko dela in stroškov, da zopet vse vsaj za silo spravi v red. Drugače ne kaže, kot da se vse to popravi z našimi skupnimi močmi.

Ob zaključku pa vam še enkrat ključem na videnje 23. maja na otvoritvi pikniške sezone na farmi SNPJ ob Chardon rd.

Anton Jankovich.

ČLANSTVU DRUŠTVA 240 SNPJ

Bentleyville, Pa. — Članstvu društva 240 SNPJ naznanjam, da se obdržujejo naše redne seje vsako zadnjo nedeljo v mesecu, začetek ob dveh popoldne zgodnji čas.

Naših sej se udeležuje redno le majhno število članov. Kaj je z ostalimi? Če nekateri niso posejajo seje, jih bi lahko tudi drugi. Prav tako opozarjam, da redno plačujete društveni assessment.

V društvo smo zadnje čase pridobili tri nove člane oz. članice. Ti so: Barbara Ann Guyoch, Joann Poye in George Gracher. Pojdemo na delo in pridobimo čim več novih članov!

Sestra Mary Lonchar je še vedno na bolniški listi. Obiščite jo!

Frances Škerbets, tajnica.

PLESNA VESELICA V LLOYDELU

Lloydell, Pa. — V nedeljo, 16. maja, bomo imeli v dvorani našega American-Slovene Social-kluba zopet plesno veselico.

Za ples bo igral Stan Novak in njegov orkester iz Sharona. Ta orkester je tu igral meseca januarja, a je vsem tako ugajal, da smo ga zopet najeli.

Na veselico vabimo vse tukajšnje rojake in iz bližnjih naselbin. Naša dvorana je sedaj predelana in dovolj prostorna. Torej pridite na plesno veselico in pozabite za en večer vsakdanje skrbi.

Mafilda Evancic.

ODHODNICA ZA LUDVICA MEDVEŠKA

Ne le kar vemo mu stan, kar more, to smo jo storiti dolžani

Cleveland, O. — Menda ga ni rojaka v ameriško-slovenski metropoli, ki ne bi poznal skromnega, poštenega in nadvse marljivega društvenega delavca Ludvika Medveška. Brez njega si naprednega Clevelanda sploh predstavljati ne moremo, kajti ni je skoro priredbe, da ne bi on bil zaposlen pri tem ali onem delu. Brez njega ne mine nobena seja številnih organizacij, pri katerih se on udeležuje.

Ludvik je bil v mlajših letih pisarniški uradnik pri notarju dr. Pozniku v Novem mestu. Kot tisoče drugih, tako je tudi on poizkusil svojo srečo v Ameriki. Ni se ustrašil trdega dela, čeravno je bila njegova roka bolj vajena sukatu pero. Vseled njegove zmoglosti, so ga takoj "pritisnili" kot prvega tajnika in obenem gonilno silo pri Slov. narodnem domu, kakor tudi pri društvu Naprej št. 5 SNPJ. Toda delavstvu možu s kipečo energijo tudi to še ni bilo dovolj. Postopoma se je pridružil še slededim organizacijam: Dramskemu društvu Ivan Cankar, društvu Slovan SDZ, Cankarjevi ustanovi, Slov. narodni čitalnici, Nar. odboru za svobodni tisk, podr. št. 39 SANS in socialističnemu klubu. Poleg tega je bil skoro stalni zastopnik pri več drugih organizacijah. Nekaj let je bil tudi upravnik pri listu Enakopravnost.

Leta 1938 je odstopoval v staro domovino, toda radi grozeče vojne in vsled življenjsko-obupnih in politično-birokratskih razmer v bivši Jugoslaviji, se je zopet vrnil in tukaj nadaljeval z narodnim delom. Medtem je s pomočjo svoje skrbne žene v domovini vzgojil številno družino. Navzlic skromnim dohodkom je dal nekaterim svojim sinom najlepšo doto — višješolsko izobrazbo. In tako je v Jugoslaviji sin Dolf podpolkovnik in vojaški zdravnik, Ludvik vojaški lekarnar s činom polkovnika, Mirko je poslovođa v državni zadrugi in hčerka Anica je poročena z nekim uradnikom. V Ameriki se nahajajo sledeči njegovi sinovi: Milan, pomožni urednik Prosvete, Janko in Jože. Sin Viktor pa je bil podčastnik v ameriški armadi, pa je bil ubit v letalski nesreči.

Dasi je Ludvik navzlic poznim letom še poln energije, si je kljub temu zažele počitka in domačega ognjišča. Srce ga vleče v novo in prerajeno domovino, za katero je veliko storil tudi v tujini. Srce ga vleče v krog ostale družine, s katero bo preživel večer svojega plovovitega življenja. Nekako v sredi meseca junija se bo odpeljal s parnikom "Radnik". Clevelandski Slovenci, zlasti društveniki, mu želimo srečno pot, veselo svidenje z domačimi in še mnogo sončnih dni v njegovem življenju. Naj mu bo v prijetno zavest, da je za svoj narod storil več kot je bil storiti dolžan. Z njegovim odhodom bomo izgubili moža, ki ga bo težko nadomestiti.

Z namenom, da se bomo do- stojno poslovili od tega zaslužnega moža, mu bodo njegovi številni prijatelji priredili odhodnico ali poslovilni večer, na katerega je prijazno vabljeni slovenska javnost iz vseh predelov Clevelanda. Ta odhodnica se bo vršila v spodnji dvorani Slov. narodnega doma na St. Clair ave. na Decoration day, 31. maja, začetek ob 3. uri popoldne. Cena vstopnicam za večerjo je \$2. Poleg večerje bodo na sporedu tudi pevске točke, govorniki in domača godba. K. Samanich je celo obljubil, da bo snemal premikajoče slike navzočih gostov. Po večerji se bo vršila prosta zabava in ples.

Ker se bo tiste dni vršila letna seja SANSovega eksekutivnega in širšega odbora, bodo sigurno na Medveškovi odhodnici navzoči tudi zunanji gostje. Zato prosimo vsa društva, posameznike in zunanje goste, da si nabavijo vstopnice kot hitro mogoče. Neprodane vstopnice morajo biti vrnjene najkasneje do 26. maja. Vstopnice lahko

dobite pri svojih društvih, ali pri JOHNU KREBLU v Slov. narodnem domu, 6409 St. Clair ave., tel. EN. 5115.

Za odbor: Frank Česen.

VABILO NA DOMAČO ZABAVO PODRUŽNICE 80 SANS

Chicago, Ill. — Prihodnjo soboto, 16. maja, bo priredila podružnica št. 80 SANS domačo zabavo v prostorih A. Tomažina, 1902 W. Cermak rd. Začetek ob 8. uri zvečer.

Naša podružnica je vseskozi svojega obstanka sodelovala in pomagala po svoji moči pri vseh akcijah, ki so bile podvzete v korist naših rojakov, bodisi tu ali v stari domovini. V isti smeri želi delovati tudi v bodoče, zakar pa potrebuje moralne in finančne pomoči.

Vsled tega vljudno vabimo vse člane in članice podružnice št. 80, da se te domače zabave udeležijo v polnem številu. Enako vabimo tudi člane iz članice ostalih bratskih podružnic, kakor tudi vse naše somišljenike, prijatelje in znance, da nas pose- titjo na ta večer.

Za plesalje bo igrala dobra godba, za lačne ter žejne pa bo dobro preskrbljeno. Pristne domače zabave bo za vse dovolj.

Na svidenje v soboto, 15. maja, pri Tomažinu. Za odbor podružnice št. 80 SANS vabi: Frank Smith, tajnik.

KONVENČNI PROGRAM PROGRESIVNIH SLOVENK

Cleveland, O. — Konvencija Progresivnih Slovenk se bo vršila 15. in 16. maja v Slovenskem delavskem domu, 15325 Waterloo rd., Cleveland, O.

Registracija delegatkin se bo pričela ob dveh popoldne v soboto, 15. maja, v čitalnici SDD. Ob treh popoldne istega dne zborujejo resolucijski odbor in odbor za pravila v SDD.

Zasedanje konvencije se prične ob 9. uri popoldne 16. maja. Konvenciji red:

- 1.) Pozdravni govor predsednice Cecilije Šubelj.
- 2.) Ameriško himno zapoje mladinski pevski zbor SDD.
- 3.) Volitev konvenčnih uradnic.
- 4.) Poročila glavnih odbornic.
- 5.) Poročila predsednic in tajnic krožkov. (Poročila krožkov bodo pripravljena za zapisnik.)

Ob 12.15 bo kosilo, ponovno zborovanje pa se bo pričelo ob 1.30 popoldne.

Banket

Začetek ob šestih zvečer. Sporred banketa:

- 1.) Pozdravni govor gl. predsednice Cecilije Šubelj.
- 2.) Nastop pevke Mary Grill-Ivanush.
- 3.) Govor: Etbin Kristan.
- 4.) Zapoje Florence Unetich.
- 5.) Govor: Mary Grill-Ivanush, urednice naše strani P. S.
- 6.) Erazem Gorshe poda poročilo o prvi seji PS.
- 7.) V duetu zapojeita Danica Hrvat in Frances Udovich.
- 8.) Na konvencijo so vabljene vse članice Progresivnih Slovenk. Glavni odbor zaeno pri- jazno vabi na banket vse naše prijateljke. Pričakujemo zastopnice od slehernega krožka.

Josephine Zakrajsek, gl. tajnica.

POZOR ČLANSTVO DRUŠTVA 87 IN PRIJATELJI

Hermine, Pa. — O čem so vse te govornice? Kaj se pripravila za soboto, 5. junija, v Hermineju? In kje se bo to vršilo? V kol? V Slovenskem domu? S čim se prav za prav sedaj ukvarja društvo Keystone 87 SNPJ?

Da, razposlana so bila pisma! Ali je vaše društvo prejelo pismo? Vprašajte vašega tajnika! Čitajte prihodnjo uradno številko Prosvete! Odločite se še danes, da nas obiščete v soboto, 5. junija!

Joseph Batia.

DRUŠTVENA VEST

Springfield, Ill. — Članstvo društva št. 47 SNPJ opozarjam na zaključke zadnje društvene seje z dne 18. aprila. Zaključek je bil, da na prihodnji seji meseca maja plača vsak član poleg rednega assessmenta tudi 50c izrednega assessmenta v društveno blaginjo. Ta zaključek naj tudi upoštevajo dotični člani, kateri pošiljajo assessment po pošti.

John Gorick, tajnik.

DRUŠTVENA VEST

Elbert, W. Va. — Naznanjam članstvu društva 366 SNPJ, da se vršijo redne društvene seje začetek ob desetih popoldne v vsako drugo nedeljo v mesecu, navadnem prostoru.

John Zele, tajnik.

NA ZNANJE ČLANSTVO DRUŠTVA SLAVIJE

Chicago, Ill. — Čas hitro teče in tako se bo vršila zopet redna mesečna seja društva Slavije 1 SNPJ v petek, 14. maja, začetek ob osmih zvečer, assessment pa bom pričel pobirati že ob sedmih, kakor običajno.

Druhih posebnih novic ni pri društvu, razen da smo pridobili v tej kampanji tri mladinske člane, kar seveda ni veliko, zato se bo morala "požuriti", da dosežemo predpisano kvoto.

Sedaj nimamo veliko bolni- kov na bolniški listi in upam, da ostanemo pri majhnem številu. Se vedno je bolan Anton Kukman, ki se zdravi pri bratu v Floridi. Na boljše gre br. Avgustu Grumu st. Br. Mautz pa se je moral podvreči težki operaciji, a sedaj se zdravi že na domu in mu gre na bolje. Na bolniški listi sta tudi stara "old-timerja" Mike Sifrar in Frank Rakovic, pred kratkim pa je zbolel H. Krebel. Obiščite jih, saj prijateljski obisk dobro de vsakemu bolniku.

Na petkovi seji bo tudi na dnevnem redu proslava 45-letnice našega matičnega društva SNPJ. Proslava se bo vršila 10. oktobra, torej še ne tako kmalu, vendar pa ne bo škodovalo, da se pričnemo že zgodaj pripravljati zanj, kajti na vsak način je potrebno, da priredimo res lep program za tako važno obletnico društva št. 1.

Milan Medvešek, tajnik.

VABILO NA DVODNEVNO PRIREDBO

Greenboro, Pa. — S temi vrsticami vabim na plesno zabavo, ki jo bo priredila federacija društev SNPJ za okraja Fayette in Greene 26. in 27. junija v Gregorjevi dvorani v Republicu, začetek ob osmih zvečer. Za ples bo igral prvovrsten orkester in tudi druga potrežba bo najboljša.

Dne 27. junija bomo videli staro domovino. Vem, da jo bomo mi, ki smo prišli iz Slovenije, vsi radi gledali, posebno še zato, ker večina izmed nas je ne bo nikdar več videla.

Za filmsko predstavo ne bo vstopnina, lahko pa boste prostovoljno darovali za SANS. Društvo št. 101 SNPJ bo zaeno praznovalo 40-letnico obstoja, to bo na nedeljo, 27. junija. Naj še omenim, da bo nekdo srečen in odnesel domov električni čistilec za preproge. Pridite mladi in stari in se bomo prav veselo skupaj zabavali in pozabili na naše vsakdanje skrbi. Na proslavi bo nastopil kot glavni govornik Mirko Kuhel, gl. blaginjak SNPJ.

Johana Pecjak.

VESELICA KROŽKA 10 PS

Johnstown, Pa. — Članice krožka 10 Progresivnih Slovenk bomo priredile plesno veselico v soboto, 22. maja, začetek ob pol devetih zvečer v dvorani društva 36 ABZ v Conemaughu.

Mislím, da ni bilo že dolgo nobene veselice v tej dvorani, zato upravičeno upamo, da bomo imele veliko udeležbo. Vabim vse stare in mlade, da nas posetijo. Za ples bo igrala izvrstna godba E. Lapanje. Želim videti čim več starih znancev in prijateljev, katerih nisem že dolgo videla, ker se nisem vsled bolezní mogla udeležiti nobene priredbe.

Naše članice bodo skrbale, da bo zadosti pristnih krajskih klubov, tako da ne bo nihče lačen, prav tako ne žejen. Za ar- beče pete pa bodo dobro skrbli muzikantje in z njihovimi poskočnimi polkami pregnali revmatizem iz naših nog. Torej na veselo svidenje dne 22. maja ob pol devetih zvečer v Conemaughu!

Za krožek 10 Progresivnih Slovenk vabi—

Mary Vidmar.

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Glasovi iz naselbin

NEKOLIKO O OBISKU IN SLAVNOSTI V STRABANU

Chicago, Ill.—Dne 2. maja sta skupne počastili društvi Postojnska jama št. 138 in Pioneer št. 589 SNPJ svoje še živeče ustanovitelje društva 138 SNPJ, katero je bilo ustanovljeno junija leta 1910 v Strabanu, Pa., in pridruženo SNPJ. Na iniciativo angleško poslujočega društva Pioneer so se odločili, da počaste z banketom še živeče ustanovitelje št. 138, katerih je še osem živih, skupno z društvom Postojnske jame.

Na dan 1. maja zvečer so imeli domačo plesno veselico v društvenem domu in v nedeljo, 2. maja, pa počastitveno slavnost z banketom.

Okrug četrte ure popoldne so pridne članice gospodinjstva kluba in njih hčerke obložile mize z raznovrstnimi fini jedili. Nato so gostje zasedli omizje in dvorana je bila nabito polna domaćih in drugih gostov. Na pozornico je prišla Klemenčičeva godba in igrala lepe komade. Nato je br. Frank Tomšič kot stoloravnatelj slavnosti pozdravil navzoče in pričel izvajati program.

Najprvo je nastopilo mlado Kocijanovo dekle in izvrstno deklamiralo v slovenskem jeziku deklamacijo "Slava njim". Nato je zopet zaigrala godba, za tem pa so bili poklicani društveni uradniki in navdušeno pozdravljali ustanovitelje. Br. Henry Mavrich, predsednik Pioneerjev, je govoril v angleščini, tajnik št. 138 Jacob Pavčič v slovenskem jeziku, kakor tudi razni drugi člani. Med govori sta peli dve mladi dekletki krasne domače slovenske pesmi in želi velik aplavz. Morali sta vedno dodati še po eno pesem.

Nato sem bil pozvan tudi jaz kot glavni govornik slavnosti v imenu SNPJ. Čestital sem slavljencem k obilnemu uspehu v naselbinah in k napredku obeh društev, ki sta sedaj močni društvi; dalje imajo dva mladinska krožka, svoj lep društveni dom, kegljišče in prostor za balinčanje. Vse to se več ali manj lahko smatra kot doprinos dela še živečih ustanoviteljev in onih, ki jih že krije hladna zemlja. Vse to je sad skupnega in slovnega dela za naselbino, za slovensko delavsko naprednost in v korist splošne človeške družbe.

Naj omenim še, da so pred kratkim tam ženske ustanovile tudi podružnico Progresivnih Slovencev, kar pomeni, da tam delajo roka v roki stari in mladi in so resnični bratje in sestre, člani in članice SNPJ.

Nato je stoloravnatelj poklical po redu vse ustanovitelje in jih nagradil v priznanje za njih delo s krasno, z imenom vrezo no uro, jaz pa sem jim izročil v imenu SNPJ po eno listino z znakom SNPJ.

S tem se je program končal, nakar smo odšli v splošne prostore, kjer smo bili natrpani kot sardine. Tam je vse polno, plesalo in se zabavalo pozno v noč. Godba je igrala svoje poskočnice v zadovoljstvo vsem.

Ob tej priliki smo se srečali z raznimi zunanji gosti in prijatelji iz raznih naselbin in se pogovorili o tem in onem kot stari znanici in bratje. Na tem mestu želim izreči vsem skupaj uradnikom obeh društev in članstvu prisrčno hvalo za prijazen sprejem in da bi še dolgo skupno delovali v bratski slogi živi in zdravi za našo dično mater SNPJ. Živeli!

Philp Godina, upravitelj.

ZADNJA KULTURNA PRIREDITEV V TEJ SEZONI

Cleveland, O.—Zadnja kulturna prireditev v tej sezoni bo v nedeljo, 30. maja, v Slovenskem narodnem domu na St. Clair ave. To bo velika varijantna priredba, ki jo bodo priredile vse tri clevelandске Sanove podružnice, in sicer ob priliki zborovanja izvršnega in širšega odbora SANSa.

Program se bo pričel ob štiri popoldne, po programu pa se bo servirala okusna večerja v prizidku, kjer se bo zaeno vrtila vesela zabava vseh zunanjih in domačih odbornikov ter drugih posetnikov, vmes pa bo igrala domača godba, tako da se bodo lahko plesale tudi malo zavrteli. Odsek za priredbo vseh treh podružnic se je potrudil, da

je sestavil pester program. Nastopili bodo pevski zbori: Jadran, Slovani in Zarja, kakor tudi solisti itd.

Na programu bo tudi nekaj dobrih govornikov in predstavljaj bodo ekskurzivni in gl. odborniki SANSa, ki bodo prišli v našo metropolo iz vseh krajev naše velike Amerike.

Dolžnost nas vseh, ki se strinjamo z delom organizacije SANS, je, da gotovo pridemo na to veliko priredbo in se pozdravimo ter spoznamo z vsemi glavnimi funkcionarji SANSa.

Zborovanje ekskurzivnega in širšega odbora se bo pričelo v soboto, 29. maja, in se bo nadaljevalo v nedeljo zjutraj.

Naj ne bo nikogar med nami, ki se ne bi udeležil zgoraj opisanega priredbe!

Drugi večer, 31. maja, pa se bo vršil poslovilni večer našega kulturnega in društvenega delavca ter trdnega naprednjaka Ludvika Medveška, 28-letnega tajnika društva Naprej 5 SNPJ. Ludvik nam je veliko pomagal v vseh naših naprednih akcijah, zato je pravilno, da mu izrečemo malo priznanja pred odhodom v staro domovino, kamor gre za stalno.

Anton Jankovich, predsednik 48 SANSa.

ČLANSTVO DRUŠTVA 121 SNPJ

Detroit, Mich.—Članstvo društva 121 SNPJ vlnudno vam, da bi se v čim večjem številu udeleževali društvenih sej. Vse seje so važne in ne samo tiste, na katere ste vabljani. Več kot nas je skupaj, boljše so razprave in zaključki. Seja se bo vršila 16. maja ob običajnem času v Slovenskem narodnem domu.

V začetku tega leta smo pričeli z dviganjem imen. Ako je dotični član, kigar ime je klicano, navzoč, dobi dolar nagrade, ako pa ga ni, ostane v blagajni za drugo sejo. V mesecu februarju je bilo dvignjeno ime sestre Rose Forbes, marca pa Justine Lovšin. Ker pa nista bili navzoči, sta ostala \$2 v blagajni. Meseca aprila pa je izpraznila blagajno sestra Mallie Korsic, ki je dobila \$3 nagrade. Ne vem, če ta nova poteza kaj vleče, toda seje so prilično dobro obiskane, bile pa bi lahko še boljše. Od 330 članov se bi lahko udeleževala sej vsaj ena tretjina.

Sedaj je v teku kampanja za nove člane in članice. Tudi o tem bi se lahko dosti pogovorili, in sicer, kako izpolniti našo kvoto 25 članov. Ne strinjam se, da imamo kampanjo za kampanjo, kajti s tem izčrpavamo upravni sklad. Dostikrat tudi pridobimo nezaželjene člane. Dolžnost članov je, da vedno pridobivajo nove člane in ne samo ob času kampanje, ko so razpisane nagrade. Ker pa letos praznujemo kar dve obletnici, je potrebno, da gremo vsi na delo s podvojeno močmi. Vem, da se da še vedno dobiti nove člane, torej na delo vsi, da dosežemo našo kvoto 25 novih članov!

Veliko se govori in piše o bratstvu, da pa ne bo ostalo bratstvo samo prazne fraze, je potrebno, da to pokažemo tudi v praksi. To najlažje izkažemo ob času bolezni in nesreče naših bratov in sester, in sicer tako, da jih večkrat obiščemo. Ne čakajte obvestila od tajnika, marveč je potrebno, da se prostovoljno odločite in izvršite to samaritansko dolžnost, saj tudi star pregovor pravi, da je potrebno obiskovati bolnike.

Pri našem društvu imamo sestro Jennie Hochevar, katere je bolna že več let. Njej so ohromeli udi in vem, da bo vašega obiska zelo vesela. Br. Petra Jurčiča je zadel mrtvoud 30. avgusta in ves ta čas je primoran biti v postelji. Morda ne bo nikdar več hodil. Tudi on bo vesel vašega obiska. Živi na 9340 Georgia st. Pokazimo, da smo sestre in bratje v vseh slučajih, ne pa samo na sejah in tedaj, ko smo zdravi. V bolnišnici Harper pa je sestra Antonija Hubner. Prestala je težko operacijo. Želim ji, da si ji kmalu vrne ljubo zdravje. Obiski so dovoljeni.

Že večkrat sem opozoril članstvo našega društva, ako kateri ne dobi obilnatne številke Pro-

svete, naj takoj javi tajniku, da on uredi vse potrebno. Storitve takoj! Vsak član mora prejemati tednik, ki je podučljiv, posebno angleška sekcija. Potrebno je tudi, da imate plačan assessment do zadnjega v mesecu. S tem prihranite tajniku veliko nepravil.

Josef Korsic, tajnik.

KONCERT CLEVELANDSKEGA PEVSKEGA ZBORA V STRABANU

Cleveland, O.—Zakaj so koristne podporne organizacije? V prvi vrsti, ob času bolezni, nesreče in smrti, pa tudi drugače.

Kadar se podaš na kako priredbo, gotovo srečaš kakšnega rojaka, ki si ga poznal še v stari domovini. Lansko leto sem bila na obisku pri Demšarjevi družini v Washingtonu, Pa. Tisto nedeljo je imelo društvo SNPJ piknik in zelo so se trudili in skrbeli, da so boljše postregli. Pa je primahal na piknik tudi neki Žirovec. Vsi so ga pozdravljali s "hallo". Takoj sem vedela, da mora biti napreden mož. Nisem se motila. Bil je Vincent Peterel iz Strabana.

Ko se je lansko leto vršil dan SNPJ na izletniški farmi, je bilo tam tudi veliko članov SNPJ iz Penne in drugih držav. Ob takih prilikah se zgodi, da seznaniš z mnogimi rojaki, ki jih nisi še nikdar poprej srečal v tej deželi.

Beseda da besedo in ko je moj mož omenil, da je bil ustanovljen na zapadni strani Clevelanda pevski zbor Triglav, se je hitro oglašil rojak Peterel in sveto-

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prvič videla svojo sestro, odkar sem prišla v Ameriko. Seve, v starem kraju mislijo, da gremo z lahkoto na obisk k svojim sorodnikom, toda ta dežela je velika.

Ob zaključku pa vlnudno vabim rojake iz Strabana in bližnjih naselbin, da pošetijo koncert pevskega zbora Triglav dne 30. maja v dvorani društva Postojnske jame 138 SNPJ. S seboj bomo pripeljali tudi dobre godce, tako da se bomo po koncertu zasukali, da bo veselje.

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LOUIS BANIČA

kateri je za vedno preminul dne 13. maja 1946.

Dragi soprog in oče, odšel si od nas vse prerano in nas zapustil same, a ostal nam bodeš v trajnem spominu do konca naših dni. Počivaj v miru in lahka naj Ti bode ameriška zemlja. — Za Teboj žalujoci ostali: Rost Banič, soproga, ter sinovi in hčere v Indianapolis, Indiana.

V blagi in nepozabni spomin tretje obletnice smrti

mojega ljubega soproga in očeta

JOHN BERLISGA

kateri nas je za vedno zapustil dne 8. maja 1945.

Tri leta minula so, odkar je Tebo krhka smrt izrgala iz naše srede. V hladnem grobu sedaj počivaš, rešen ameriškega trpljenja in nadlog. S cvetjem kličemo Tvojo gomilo. Tebi v spomin in nam v tolažbo. Počivaj v miru v hladni ameriški zemlji. — Žalujoci ostali: Frances Berlisga, soproga; Miho, sin, in Frances Treč, hčer, Detroit, Mich.

V blagi spomin prve obletnice smrti

našega ljubega sina in brata

JOHN HOCHKRAUTA

kateri je za vedno preminul dne 11. maja 1947.

Minulo je leto dni odkar je nenadoma smrt pretrgala niti Tvojega življenja. Oh, kakaj si mesec maj nam vzel ono, kar smo najbolj ljubili, zaman se otiramo, kedaj se vrneš in prideš domov; ni ga ne dneva ne ure, da ne bi mislili na Tebe. V tistem grobu sedaj počivaš tam, kjer ni trpljenja ne nadlog. Utihoj se Tvoj glas za vedno, a v srcih naših pa še živijo in živijo boš do konca naših dni. Počivaj v miru, ljubi sin in brat naš. — Za Teboj žalujoci ostali: Mr. in Mrs. Frank Hochkraut, oče in mati, trije bratje Victor, Frank, ml., in August Hochkraut, ter sestra Amelija in njegova žena Mary.—Manifold, Penna.

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ALOJZIJA ROLIHA

kateri je bil priobčen dne 28. aprila 1948 ime mojega bratrance

Math Suhtarja iz Clevelanda, Ohio, v zahvali; zakaj prošim, da cprosti. Nadalje izrekam najlepšo zahvalo tudi mrs. Paulini Glagovick in njeni hčeri Frances Buch in miss L. Zika, vse iz Blaine, Ohio, ki so prišle, če ravno tako oddeljeno k njegovemu pogrebu. Enako tudi najlepša hvala njegovemu prijatelju Antonu Iskra iz Toleda, Ohio in njegovim sosačam in Exports, Pa., ki so prišli spreviti ga na njegovi zadnji poti. Srčna hvala tudi našim mojim sinov in mojem mojih hčeri in končno častno priznanje B. N. P. Jednoti za tako točno izpolnilo posmrtno. Za res čelo po njegovi smrti smo doznali, kako veliko številu prijateljev je imel pokojni. Torej se enkrat najlepša hvala vsem skupaj in za vse. — Margaret Rolih, Pittsburgh, Pa.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 12, 1948

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STRABANE PIONEERS

STRABANE, Pa.—On Sunday afternoon, the 2nd of May, members and friends of the SNPJ lodges of Strabane paid tribute to 6 charter members of Lodge 138 at a banquet held in the ballroom of the SNPJ Home.

Our charter members are John Chesnik, Anton Delost, Albin Flor-gancic, John Koklich, John Podboy, Andy Posega, Joseph Progar and Ignatz Tomic. The deceased are Mrs. Anna Mezek, Florijan Nagode, Frank Pelham, Mrs. John Podboy, Joseph Potoc, John Sedmak, Frank Sever and Frank Senicar.

Toastmaster at the dinner was Frank Tomic and the principal speaker was Philip Godina, manager of SNPJ publications in Chicago. The sec'y of Lodge 138, Jacob Pavic, Henry Mavrich, president of Lodge 589 and Miss Rose Kocian, representing the Juvenile Circles, spoke in high praise of the honored guests. The very lovely, popular Bertha Pavic and Betty Medofer rendered Slovene and American songs much to the delight of everyone present. Tony Mavrich, "Frank Sinatra" of Strabane, sang also.

The committee for this unforgettable day in our SNPJ history was Frances Podboy, James Tomic, Henry Mavrich Jr., Jacob Pavic and John Progar.

As a token of appreciation, for their 38 years of loyal service in the SNPJ, the charter members were presented, engraved Lord Elgin pocket watches by the two lodges and leather wallets from the Main Office in Chicago, which the gracious Bro. Godina represented.

It was the spirit such as these few people displayed that made our Society strong and secure, for our foreign born fathers and mothers that had such a difficult time learning the American language and customs. It gave them a happy social life and also financial security in time of sickness and death, so sorely needed among our immigrant parents.

All through the years, since that eventful day in July of 1910, when these charter members organized an SNPJ lodge in Strabane and other members going with them, they have made steady progress. Today the membership totals over 1100 persons in Strabane. Think of that! We have our own large social club and bowling alleys; besides, we have two very active Juvenile Circles. We are proud to say—because of these Circles Strabane doesn't have juvenile delinquency problems, something that has the rest of the country baffled. Our SNPJ lodges are leaders in sports and civic affairs, which has done much to insure its success and popularity.

These veteran members weathered a great depression, sent their children to two World Wars and yet, despite all of these dark days, they managed to keep steadily progressing. All of this we must admit, did take not only a stout heart, but hard work as well to achieve the enviable success our lodges so enjoy today.

We, your children, members of the English speaking lodge 589, Juvenile Circles 27 and 19 are proud to tell you how grateful we are to have the honor to pay homage to such a wonderful group of progressive people as our charter members and their followers are. We always hope to tread in your footsteps so that we may be worthy of everything you all have done for us.

Yes, we feel it is truly an honor to be a part of such a great fraternal organization as the SNPJ, which for 45 years now has been the most progressive fraternal society in America.

MARY KOVAL, 589

Detroit Federation Will Meet Saturday

DETROIT—Attention all Federation delegates. There is to be a meeting on Saturday, May 15, at 7:30 pm at 17153 John R. Plans are progressing for our SNPJ Federation Picnic on July 25, at Welcome Park. But we must all get to these meetings and work together. We also will need help from all the members of all the lodges.

HELEN STIMAC, Sec'y

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CLEVELAND, O.—All women who wish to bowl in the SNPJ bowling league, attention!

We have reserved the 7 o'clock shift on Wednesday night and the 9 o'clock shift on Friday night at the Slovenian Home on Waterloo Road for the SNPJ bowlers.

All members who want to bowl on Wednesday night please contact your writer at Ke 1799 as soon as possible. Please cooperate and get your name in early.

J. JELINEK, 604.

337 MEMBERS ENROLLED IN FIRST MONTH OF CAMPAIGN

Mary Dermotta, Lodge 576, Frances Debelak, Lodge 584, Polly Sladick, Lodge 716, and Lodge 615 Lead District Contests in 1st Section of Drive

The Juvenile Anniversary Campaign, honoring the 35th anniversary of the founding of the Juvenile Department and the 10th anniversary of the Juvenile Circles of SNPJ, got off to a good start in the opening month despite unsettled conditions and conflicting trends in various parts of the country.

Our records show that, at the end of the first month of the current membership drive, the combined efforts of all participating lodges proved successful to the extent of 337 new members. The records further reveal that 194 of these were juveniles, 77 were new adults, and the remainder were those who transferred to the Adult Department of the Society upon termination of their juvenile certificates. Altogether 115 lodges participated actively in the campaign in April, enrolling one or more new members each.

While it is true that 337 members, resulting from a whole month of campaigning, is too little for one to get excited about, considering that we are an organization of over 50,000 adults and nearly 20,000 juveniles, yet, because the records also disclose that this is the second highest number of new members enrolled in the opening month of our last six campaigns, we have good reason to stick out our chests and smile a smile of victory. We have reason, also, to feel confident that this campaign, like the preceding campaigns, will end very successfully for behind it is the loyalty, cooperation, and willingness to work on the part of the officers and members who form the backbone of the SNPJ and believe in the principles and ideals for which it stands.

Leading the campaign for 10 honors in District No. 1 (Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Maryland, Florida and the District of Columbia) is Lodge 716, Imperial, Pa., whose Secretary and Circle Director, Sister Polly Sladick, enrolled 14 new members and has the added distinction of being the first and only lodge and contestant to attain the assigned quota in April. By achieving this goal, Lodge 716 and Sister Sladick not only hold first place in their own district, but also lead the campaign in the contest for national honors. . . . Second place in the standings of this district is held by Lodge 292, Avelia, Pa., with a total of 6 new members to its credit, a majority of whom were secured by Brother Frank Zimm, a very active participant in the Lodge Campaign last year. Third place, with 5 new members, is Lodge 721, Aliquippa, Pa. and, tied for fourth, having 4 new members apiece, are Lodge 88, Moon Run, Pa., Lodge 287, Burgettstown, Pa. and Lodge 138, Strabane, Pa.

First in Campaign District No. 2 (Ohio, West Virginia, Michigan, Indiana, Kentucky and Alabama) is Lodge 478, Salem, Ohio, with a total of ten new members, only one short of its quota. All ten of the new members were secured by Sister Mary Dermotta, Director of the local Juvenile Circle and now one of our active campaigners. Close behind Sister Dermotta and the lodge she represents is Brother John Pavlovic, Secretary of Lodge 271, Gary, Indiana, who has enrolled 7 new members, and Brother Joseph F. Durn, Secretary of Lodge 53, Cleveland; Lodge 258, Bellaire, Ohio, and Lodge 753, L'Anse, Mich., each with 5 new members.

Most successful of all the contestants in District No. 3 (Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Missouri, Iowa and Arkansas) is Sister Frances Debelak, Secretary of Lodge 584 (Badgers) of Milwaukee, Wis., who has the honor of having enrolled more new members in the first month of the campaign than any other member, altogether 15 juveniles and 3 adults. Since her election as secretary, three years ago, Sister Debelak has accounted for nearly 100 new members in campaigns. She was one of nine contestants who won a grand prize in the ESL 20th Anniversary Campaign, receiving a free round trip to the 13th SNPJ Convention at Eveleth, Minn., in 1946.

Second place in this district is held by Secretary Mary Pahule, Lodge 322, Chisholm, Minn., who secured 9 new members in the opening weeks of the drive, while third and fourth places are occupied by Brothers John Zuglich, Secretary of Lodge 59, Depue, Illinois, and Donald J. Lotrich, Secretary of Pioneer Lodge 559 and Supreme Board member, Chicago, each lodge credited with 5 new members.

Campaign activity in District No. 4 (Kansas, Colorado, Wyoming, Montana, Utah, California and other western states) was concentrated mainly in Montana and California during the first month of the contest, with Lodge 615, Los Angeles, setting the pace with a total gain of 9 new members. Here, Secretary Mary Kotchnik, Ann Sador, Eva Bros. John Petrila, Supreme Board member, and Helen Ribarich, former secretary and active campaigner of Lodge 292, Avelia, Pa., who now makes her home on the west coast, are working hard together to make 1948 a banner year for Lodge 615, not only through results obtained for the Juvenile Anniversary Campaign but all other activities in which it will engage. Needless to say, the prospects here are bright for much success. . . . Tied for second and third places in this district are Sisters Violeta Stavanja, Circle Director of Lodge 308, Anaconda, Mont., and Anne Prosper, Secretary of Lodge 608, Butte, Mont., each with 4 new members to her credit. Fourth place is held by Sister Ann Okern, Lodge 225, Edison, Kansas, and Brother Joseph Petric, Lodge 296, Spring Glen, Utah, each credited with 3 new members.

Other membership gains, worthy of special mention, irrespective of districts in which they were enrolled, were made by John Wiant, Lodge 6, Sygan, Pa., Anton Ziberna, Lodge 33, Ambridge, Pa., Martin Uraha, Lodge 87, Herminie, Pa., Matilda Skyrach, Lodge 288, Fredericktown, Pa., Mildred Bomstar, Lodge 464, Midland, Pa., Matt Petrovich, Lodge 53, Cleveland, Ohio, Al Vonderhaar, Lodge 218, Virginia, Minn., Frank Tehovnik, Lodge 518, Detroit, Mich., Stanley Zupov, Lodge 590, Cleveland, Mike Machek, Lodge 603, Samsul, Fla., and Joseph Jeruc, Lodge 634, Sheboygan, Wis. . . . To all members and lodges participating in the Juvenile Anniversary Campaign, whether your gains are large or small, congratulations and best wishes for continued success all through the campaign.

MICHAEL VRHOVNIK, Campaign Director

Buckeye Bits

BARBERTON, Ohio.—The 20th birthday celebration of Lodge Buckeye 628 went over big, thanks to all the ones planning and working, and also to all the ones attending. You know, if I began to write and thank each one individually, it might take a whole page of the Prosveda, so again a million thanks to all who had even a small part in any way whatsoever, in making our 20th birthday a very great success. I was very glad to see everyone there, and meeting a great many old and new friends.

I wish to thank Frank Janiga, our president, and Violet Janiga, secretary, for the very beautiful corsages they presented to Alice Kroscec and to myself, on Sunday, April 18, and also for the carnations they presented to the boys, who have been in the lodge 20 years, who are also called charter members.

THERESA SONOFF.

Lodge No. 60 Slates Dance Sunday, May 16

LLOYDELL, Pa.—May 2 has come and gone and they're still talking of Eddie Lopanja's orchestra. We certainly had a wonderful crowd in our newly remodeled hall. We hope to have just such a crowd on May 16. The orchestra for that day will be Stan Novak's Vagabonds from Sharon. We had this orchestra in January and by popular demand we booked them for May 16. So come all of you fans of the Vagabonds. Come, see and hear this wonderful orchestra from Sharon. This orchestra is well known throughout the Pittsburgh district. They play each Sunday at 4:15 at Sharon station WPIC. Don't forget Central City, Windber, Conemaugh, Johnstown, Tire Hill, Moxham, Dunlo and Krayin. Get ready and come prepared for a gala evening of fun.

MATILDA EVANICIC.

Third District Campaign Leader



Frances Debelak

The highest number of new members, altogether 15 juveniles and 3 adults, was enrolled in the opening month of the Juvenile Anniversary Campaign by Secretary Frances Debelak of Lodge 584 (Badgers), Milwaukee, Wis. This outstanding gain gave both her and the Lodge the leadership in District No. 3. Congratulations!

Lily Social Club, SNPJ Lodge 764

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—We all want to thank our former president, Johnny Skusek, for doing such a wonderful job in getting our group started. We also want to welcome Dick Tarkowski as our new president. A quick recovery is wished for Tillie Butcher, our secretary, on her recent illness.

The emblems signifying our club were secured and distributed to the originators of the club at our monthly meeting which had a very good attendance. All other members will have to earn their emblems by merits. We were happy to see Art Gardner come into town to be with us at our meeting.

The following dates planned upon at our meeting to be remembered are: May 15—bowling tournament in Madison. May 16—card party at Rebernik's, which is being given by the older men's lodge. May 22—our Lily Social bowling party, and May 23, a hike.

One of our outstanding members, Leonard Skibinski, will be undergoing an operation on May 16. We are all plugging for him so he returns to us happy and gay.

We wish to give our thanks and full gratitude to Mr. Rebernik for the use of his hall, free of charge, so that we could get a start with our singing club. We, the Lily Social Club, appreciate it very much. Our next singing rehearsal will be held next Wednesday at the National Clubhouse on 8th and National at 7 p.m. sharp.

To all friends who would like to enjoy happy days in the future, we wish to invite you to join our club. The Lily Social Club has many things to offer young, ambitious men and women. Our main interest in this club is to see that the men and women have fun and have a chance to get ahead in the senior lodge. For some day the younger group will be holding offices in the senior lodge and therefore we will have a little experience in lodge activities. You can participate in bowling, swimming, dancing, hiking and for people who love to sing, we have a singing chorus of our own and are building it up so that we can tour the Slovene Homes in the United States.

Our next bowling season will consist of a mixed league of three men and two women. All those who are interested in bowling and want to join in the fun with the rest, you may contact John Skusek, 1411 West Mineral Street, Orchard 6116R, and receive all the details regarding the winter league. For those who would like to bowl, we would appreciate it very much if you would contact John as soon as possible as we would like to get started. Our present plans are for a ten team league. There will be plenty of bowling parties and get-togethers during the league season. BUTCH, 764

Give Benefit Dance For Circle No. 36

SYGAN, Pa.—A dance for the benefit of Circle 36 will be held Sunday, May 16, at Sygan Hall. Music by Johnny Krek and his Polkadettes.

On May 30 (Sunday) Lodge 6 will celebrate its 44th anniversary by holding a dance. Music by Frank Klemencic and his Slovenes.

A campaign for new members has opened April 1. This is a good time for all members to get at least one new member to join the SNPJ.

LEONA WIRANT.

FLASHES

By Donald J. Lotrich

CHICAGO.—Bowling is now over for this season, except for scattered participation in individual tournaments. We wound it up last Friday night with an enjoyable party at the Center. Dr. John J. Zavertnik and James Kolar were awarded the winners' trophies for the men and women, respectively. All bowlers were remembered with cigars and candy by Dr. Zavertnik while the winning ladies were bedecked with an orchid each from their sponsor. Erma Vertnik prepared the eats which were contributed by Frank Vertnik, Louis Zefran and Edward Mijalski. The Snyder boys furnished music for dancing.

In the next season we are scheduled to roll on Wednesday nights. Those wanting to bowl should sign up in advance. It is possible that more than 16 teams may compose the league next year, but it is necessary to know in advance. Pioneers are urged now to turn in your name to Josephine Mersal, Frank Kulhane, Frank Groser or the Pioneer secretary.

Rose Gorman's youngest baby, a third girl born April 17, is all signed up as a Pioneer member and will help us to attain our quota. A baby girl arrived in the Sallie Ritchie family. We hope to get her enrolled, too.—We've taken Fred Plahutnik off the sick list, though he'll be hobbling around on crutches for a while, yet. Our sick list still contains ten members.—Joseph Kosnik postcards from Portland, Ore., where he has purchased a business.—Already he has met up with Frank Vidmar, a former Pioneer.—The Derby gave Mary Gekada a lacing, a note tells us. Working for Uncle Sam enables Mary to get around a lot.—Attending the Socialist convention in Reading, Pa. Jane Fradel reminds us of our old place and old times when I participated in those sessions.

An advance copy of the second quarterly issue of Times and Trends has reached me. It's bristling with sparkling items to sharpen one's opinions. The information proves how unjust our democracy can be if it is misused by pseudo-economic royalists and their lackeys against good, honest and decent people. Be sure you get a copy. Better still, be sure you subscribe. It is published by Louis Adamie in Milford, N. J. The featured story about Czechoslovakia is especially notable.

They talk about dictatorship elsewhere, but overlook it at home. The decision of one judge that the miners must not strike is just that. And now, the same judge says that the railroad workers can't strike for more pay. That's fine. I'm sure that such judges and decisions do more to upset conditions in the country and make the common people think of radicalism than all the preachings of the 70,000 alleged communists here. Indeed, these railroad workers should learn that breaking two strikes by decree, within a year, makes their democracy a mockery. Maybe, more of them will learn to think for themselves, politically. It's all possible that this judge may be the signal for an awakening. It's all possible that Wallace will gain many votes because of these injunctions. And it's high time that our labor leaders wake up to the need for a change, before their unions are crushed by just such injunctions.

Fire losses in America set a record in 1947 and totalled nearly twice as much as the German blitz on Great Britain, according to figures released by Underwriters. There were 33 major fires in our country last year involving damages of one million dollars loss or more each.

The starting time has been changed from 7:30 pm to 6:30 pm. Also those that don't have an established average this year may use last year's average, providing that a minimum of 21 games have been bowled. In any event the highest average must be used, as of May 1. The entry fee including bowling is \$3.70 (\$1.85 per person) per team. Any SNPJ member may participate.

This tourney is being held at the Recreation Bowling Alleys, Water and Genesis etc., on May 22. The starting time is 6:30 pm.

A dance is being held the same night. Music that everyone enjoys.—Stan Gregorin's orchestra. Dancing starts at 9 pm.

VIC BELEC, 568

Waukegan Pin League Tourney-Dance May 22

WAUKEGAN, Ill.—Attention all bowlers who are or who plan to participate in the Invitational Mixed Doubles tourney.

The starting time has been changed from 7:30 pm to 6:30 pm. Also those that don't have an established average this year may use last year's average, providing that a minimum of 21 games have been bowled. In any event the highest average must be used, as of May 1. The entry fee including bowling is \$3.70 (\$1.85 per person) per team. Any SNPJ member may participate.

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The major losses were the Texas City explosion, Bar Harbor, and Kennebunkport, Me., pier fire at Weshauken, N. J., and Manhattan, grain fire in Tacoma, etc. The Florida-Gulf Coast hurricane precipitated 60,000 claims, alone. These wastes, for that's what it amounts to, harm the entire country. It's a wonder they haven't discovered some communist plot somewhere, to blame these disasters on.

I just can't help but put in another plug for "In Fact," that little weekly paper with loads of information. The last issue relates how the National Ass'n of Mfrs. is changing its attack to liberals and socialists, and proves its contention by reproducing copies of letters. Oh, yes, this issue also shows why informed people condemn the Chamber of Commerce. They are partners in fact with the NAM. They buy and bribe the newspapers and magazines; also the radio and get everything they want, and more, for their money.—You, who work for a living—yes, common people—it's high time you awaken to the truth. If you would support your labor papers, those who work in your behalf and for your interests, half as much as you support the "prestigious" press and commentators, to use Louis Adamie's term, things would be different for all of us.

News and Comments

By J. F. Fitoli

CLEVELAND, Ohio.—Comrades' monthly meeting will be held Tuesday, May 18. Frank Ross is arranging to have movies of the Cleveland Browns, the Indians, etc. shown. Refreshments will follow the meeting. Let's make a date for next Tuesday.

General.—Congratulations are in order: Rudy Turk and Mary Orenik were married; likewise Johnny Stritof got himself hitched to a very nice girl. Vic Vehar took unto himself a charming bride. Never a dull moment in the Vehar clan. Jackie and his wife are the proud parents of a bouncing baby.

SNPJ Farm—Agnes Jeric called me up the other day to keep me up-to-date on the latest developments at the Farm. The group under Blas Novak and John Sore have been busy getting the place ready for opening day, Sunday, May 23.

The kitchen stove that the women purchased has been connected; running water into the hall will be available; the enclosure around the kitchen and barroom will be in place; the enclosure for the gas tank is completed; the dance hall floor has been given the finishing touch by our friend Malnar. The merry-go-round donated by Lodge Strugglers will be in full swing; play (sand) boxes for the children will be made.

With a break in the weather everything should be set for a large crowd to open festivities for the coming year. Keep this date in mind and plan to be there, also bring the kids along. They are going to have a lot of fun at the Farm this season.

Bowling—Marge Slabe informs me that the deal has been closed for Grdina alleys on Thursdays at 9:20 p.m. shift, for the coming season. This will be good news to the girls on the east side who have been traveling all these years out to Collinwood. Twelve teams are expected to be lined up. As you know, the gals decided to split their teams, the Collinwood gang bowling at the Waterloo alleys and the others at a spot closer to home.

Now is the time to start planning affairs that will bring in revenue for bowling outfits, the Eastern Invitational and the National to be held in Indianapolis. The idea is to get an early start.

Membership—Anna Znidarsic called regarding the possibility of securing a new member. Dr. Beljan turned over two prospects.

Lodge 153 Will Give Dance Sunday, May 16

YOUNGSTOWN, O.—SNPJ Lodge 153 will hold its May dance Sunday, May 16, at the Mikie Hall, 1545 Poland ave. Time 8:30 to 12 p.m. Music by none other than the Airliners, artists of RRN radio station, Warren.

I've never had the opportunity to thank the neighboring lodges for attending our last dance held Feb. 8. That is Sharon, Struthers and Girard. Hoping to see you all again May 16.

HELEN FABIAN, Chm.

BADGERLAND NEWS

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—With the rain coming down in sheets this Sunday morning, we are darn happy to be in a warm home writing this column. First we want to ask all of you who have plaques and don't intend to buy them to please return them to the sec'y. The price is \$1.35 for those who want them.

The sick list at present has two members on its roster. They are Matt Smole Sr. and Agnes Martin. Matt's address is 1327 S. 61st st. and Agnes lives at 6744 W. Monona place. This is a short street in the vicinity of 68th and Lincoln. Also glad to state that Frances Kurrie has fully recovered from a recent operation.

Richard Schweiger and Rita Fuelle have transferred into the adult class.

Don't forget all you Badgers that the May meeting will fall on the 28th of May. A real time is promised for all who attend, so make it a date and try to bring some other member along who has not been to a meeting lately. And again reminding other SNPJ lodges that the annual Badger picnic will take place July 25 at Sagadin's Grove, S. 38th and W. Burnham. We would also like to see the other lodges in this vicinity make it a practice to publish their dates far enough in advance so that there would be no conflict.

The Badger gals are still pounding the setups. Being gluttons for punishment they are bowling a 105 game schedule which will end next week. In the past week Mickey Nowak was in the groove as she set up two honor scores. She cracked a 501 set and a 531 with a 237 record game. Nice going, soon-to-be Mrs.

Two Badger businessmen were handed team trophies which their teams won in bowling leagues. Johnny Spek's tavern and his team copped the championship in the Raffels loop. Max's tavern took the women's team trophy in the recent Sloga tourney. This team was captained by Millie Kukec. Congrats to you all. SALTY, 584

SNPJ Farm Board Picnic May 23rd

CLEVELAND, O.—The SNPJ Farm Board will hold their first picnic of the season on the Farm on Sunday, May 23, and the second big picnic will be held August 25. With cooperation from our SNPJ lodges and members, we'll make these picnics successful.

Last Saturday we organized a big group of workers to work on the Farm, and they did a lot of work in one day: running water in the bar and in the kitchen, while some of the workers worked on balina courts that were washed out by the flood. There is still a lot of work to be done before our opening day, May 23, so the committee organized another group to work and prepare for our picnic on Saturday before May 23. Members of the Svoboda lodge will prepare the dinner for all the workers on the Farm.

Our faithful members, Vice Pres. John Marolt and his brother Frank, are helping with the work on the Farm every Saturday. Where are members from the other lodges? Louis Zadel promised that he will try to bring a group of members from his lodge Loyalties to the Farm to work. Lodge Utopians made the same promise. Lodge Strugglers donated a merry-go-round to our playground; they put these playthings there for the kiddies, right next to the swings which were donated last year by lodge Comrades. You should see John and Frank Marolt how proud they were when they finished putting the merry-go-round up.

Last Sunday we were on the Farm. It was a chilly day, then the rain started. Frank Marolt was there too with all his family. He made a big fire in our new fireplace right in the dance hall. The fireplace was built last year by lodge Comrades. We were sitting around the fireplace, it was very nice and warm. It proves that the fireplace will come handy to older members, too.

Don't forget our regular meeting which will be held on May 20 in the SWH on Waterloo rd.

THERESA GORJANC, Sec'y

SND Women's Club

DETROIT.—Ladies that are interested in joining the Women's Balina League, come down to the SND on Saturday, May 15, at 7 p.m. The teams will be organized and the first game will be rolled that night.

HELEN STIMAC

Slovene National Home of Detroit

DETROIT.—Let us quote from an article by Michael Vrhovnik, SNPJ athletic director, in last week's Prosveta, which read as follows:

"The Slovene National Home on John R. was crowded to capacity during all three days of the bowling tournament. The Home could have been twice or three times as large and still would not be able to take care of the throngs of people who wanted to be there but couldn't just because space did not permit. Detroit certainly needs larger quarters badly, and we hope that before another year has gone by it will have the ground broken and the walls of a New Home going up which will be a real credit to our Slovenes and SNPJ lodges."

In this article, Bro. Vrhovnik gives you a picture of the desperate need of a new and bigger Slovene Home in Detroit, and the many hundreds of visitors that came for the national bowling tournament will agree that the only thing lacking in Detroit was a bigger and better Slovene Home. We here at the Slovene National Home have not been sitting back in regard to improving this situation. We have been planning for a long time and now we are ready to break the ground for construction.

As we all know that in building a structure such as we have in mind will cost thousands of dollars, so we are asking all Slovene Homes, SNPJ lodges, clubs, and all other Slovene organizations in these our United States to give us a helping hand. Here is how you can help.

We have organized a Slovene National Home building fund here in Detroit and tickets are now on sale at 50c each. The following prizes will be given away: a Style Master Chevrolet 2-door sedan, Philco refrigerator, combination radio. The drawing will take place at the SNPJ Federation Picnic, Sunday, July 25, at Welcome Park at 15 1/2 Mile rd. To our many friends in Strabane, Universal, Verona, Pittsburgh, Girard, Barberton, Cleveland, Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Louis, Johnstown, etc., if you want tickets or if you have tickets and want more please write me, H. Rupert, 15848 Princeton, Detroit 23, and I will see that you and your organization gets a supply.

One of the first Slovene organizations to give us a helping hand in our drive for funds was the Slovenian Workmen's Educational Home, Sharon, Pa. So to the officers of the Sharon Slovene Home, Frank Steibly, pres., Frank Kramer, secretary, Joseph Garm, treas., and to all of your members we say thanks a lot for your fine cooperation and we hope many more organizations will follow Sharon in asking for tickets.

The popular Women's Club of the Slovene National Home are sponsoring a drawing to be held Saturday, May 15, at the SND, 17149 John R. Mix master, wool blanket and waffle iron will be given away. The tickets are 3 for 25c with the proceeds going to our building fund, so be on hand on May 15 and help make this event a success.

To all Wolverines who wish to join the Wolverine softball team, please contact Al Radar at once at 137 Wayne, Pontiac, Mich., or phone Pontiac 3773. For more information in regard to Wolverine sports attend the next Wolverine regular lodge meeting May 21.

HANK RUPERT, 677.

Yukon News

YUKON, Pa.—Again we wish to remind all neighboring lodges and friends of our coming dance on Saturday, May 22. Music by Ernie Benedict's Polkaaters from Cleveland. Dancing will be from 9 pm to 7. Ernie seems to be pretty well known all over the country, so we are looking forward to a large crowd of people at this dance. This will be one of the largest affairs so far this year.

Then, within two weeks, which will be on Saturday, June 5, we are sponsoring another dance. Music will be furnished by the Vagabonds from Sharon. Dancing will be from 9 to 7. So let's see you folks at this dance also.

At the May 1st dance given by the Silver Stars Lodge 729 of Yukon, I was disappointed in seeing only a few members of our Lodge 117 present, as I really expected more would show up. What seems to be the trouble? Even though you feel you are "too old to dance," at least pay your admission and watch the young folks dance, and you can visit the bar downstairs or the lunchstand. Let's see more of you at their next dance, which will be on Saturday, June 12, I believe.

We would like to see every member of our lodge attend our dance. Come and enjoy the homemade klobase, potica, krofe, etc. We are serving everything to make it a real Slovenian-like party. A prize will be given to anyone coming from the farthest distance; also, a prize will be given to the lodge that will have the most members attending the dance on May 5. Let's see you all at our dance! MARY A. KIRK, Treas.

New York City had more pool parlors and bowling alleys before the war than all of New England and nearly as many as the entire group of South Atlantic states, says a Twentieth Century Fund report.

Veronian News

VERONA, Pa.—First social activity for the month of May is the dance, Saturday, May 15, beginning at 10 pm when Frank Porovne and his Musical Stylists will again entertain for your dancing pleasures.

The dance is sponsored by the Juvenile Circle of our lodge who are trying to raise funds to purchase new equipment for the club grounds. To mention only a few, in the past years they purchased a volley ball and net, small swimming pool for the tota swings, etc., so they ask your cooperation and invite all members near and far to help contribute to this organization. So come on you members, be with the crowd at this time and bring along your friends for all attending our dances enjoy themselves and look forward to the next dance. See you then.

Quite a few of our members attended the pretournament dance in Pittsburgh, but missed seeing some members of other lodges, for a larger crowd had been expected. A nice time was had by all and the following day found more old and new friends meeting at the bowling tournament. The Veronians were indeed glad to see the Lauter boys from Mountville, W. Va. again and pleasantly surprised that they were again able to compete against them. The tournament proved a huge success and I know many of the members will look forward to the next one. After the tournament many gathered at 57th and Butler Hall and spent an enjoyable evening dancing, singing and chatting with one another. The committee wishes to thank all who participated and helped conduct the affair.

Remember to keep in mind SNPJ Day, Sunday, June 27, at South Park. The committee again asks the cooperation of members of the different lodges to offer their assistance during the day, for this affair is a large job and many are needed to work at that time.

CORNELIA GORUN.

Young Americans

DETROIT, Mich.—Attention bowlers of the SNPJ Bowling League. Your bowling party will be held at the SND, 17149 John R. Saturday, May 15, starting at 8 o'clock. Bowling trophies will be presented to our league champions, the Wolverine girls' team captained by Lena Yerman in the girls' division, and the Young American Ringers captained by Joe Junko in the men's division.

All bowlers of the men's league are entitled to attend and each may bring his wife or girl friend free; members of the girls' division are cordially invited to attend for a nominal fee of one dollar per bowler.

All SND Club members who do not have tickets for the drawing sponsored by the Slovene National Home, please contact Joe Sone. Everyone is aware of the wonderful prizes given away, such as a 1948 Chevrolet stylemaster two-door sedan, refrigerator, and combination radio. All proceeds of this drawing go into our building fund. The plans for our new building are in the final stage now. Let's all get busy and get rid of all tickets printed before July 25 when the drawing will be held in conjunction with the SNPJ Federation picnic at Welcome Park, Livernois and 15 1/2 Mile road.

Members, Young American monthly meeting, Friday, May 14, 7:30 pm, 19149 John R.

JOSEPH GOLIA, 564.

Lodge 333 Will Hold Dance on May 29

BLAINE, Ohio.—SNPJ Lodge 333 will hold a dance on May 29 at the Slovenian Home here. Dancing will begin at 8 o'clock, music will be furnished by a well known orchestra, the Moonlight Serenaders. Admission is 50c. I'm inviting all members of Lodge 333 to attend this dance in a large number. The proceeds will go toward repairing the Slovenian Home. I also want to ask members of neighboring lodges to attend this dance.

We the officers of Lodge 333 are urging old and young members to attend meetings in a greater number. For the younger members we wish to say that business is transacted in English, and for those members who do not understand English, we translate in Slovenian. So please try to attend the meetings regularly which are held the first Sunday of each month at 2 p. m. I also would like to ask all members to be prompt in paying their dues on or before the last day of each month. This will accommodate me and all the members in every way.

KATHRYN BURLINSKI, Sec'y.

Lodge No. 41 Plans Series of Dances

IRWIN, Pa.—Spring adds a gay and colorful look to many things. Gay and colorful too is the new Pleasant Valley Hall, featuring the appearance of orchestras that promise music that will be versatile and danceable.

May 15, music by John Adamie
May 22, music by Buddy Mauro
May 29, music by Frank's Trio
June 19, music by Bill Regina
June 27, music by Frank's Trio
July 4, music by ———
Any other time your favorite pieces are played on our new juke box.
F. WODNICK.

RULES OF SNPJ JUVENILE ANNIVERSARY CAMPAIGN

The JUVENILE ANNIVERSARY CAMPAIGN of the SNPJ is designed as a series of membership building contests for lodges and members, the primary purpose of which is to celebrate the 35th Anniversary of the founding of the Juvenile Department and the 10th Anniversary of Juvenile Circles through extensive enrollment of new adult and juvenile members.

This Campaign shall be in effect for a period of eight consecutive months, from April 1 to November 30, 1948. It shall consist of district and national contests open to any adult or juvenile member who desires to participate.

The campaign shall be divided into two sections of four months each, making provision for separate contests, the first ending on July 31 and the second on November 30. The results of the two sections shall be combined in the end to complete the campaign and to determine the grand prize winners.

FOUR DISTRICTS

The lodges shall be divided into four campaign districts, according to the states in which they are located. They are as follows:

DISTRICT NO. 1—Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Maryland, Florida and Washington, D. C.

DISTRICT NO. 2—West Virginia, Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Kentucky and Alabama.

DISTRICT NO. 3—Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Missouri, Iowa and Arkansas.

DISTRICT NO. 4—Kansas, Colorado, Wyoming, Montana, Utah, Arizona, California, Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Nevada, Oklahoma and Nebraska.

QUOTAS

Each lodge shall be assigned a reasonable quota of new members to secure, this based on the adult membership of December 31, 1947, as provided in the table below.

Adult Membership	Quota New Members	Adult Membership	Quota New Members
50 or less	5 to 10	251 to 350	21 to 25
51 to 150	11 to 15	351 to 450	26 to 30
151 to 250	16 to 20	451 and over	31 to 35

The quota of each individual contestant shall be the same as that of his lodge, except when there are two or more contestants. In that case, each contestant's quota shall be equivalent to one-half of the lodge's quota, but in no instance less than five.

AWARDS

There shall be REGULAR, SPECIAL and GRAND PRIZES awarded for new members enrolled in this campaign. Members canceled prior to the expiration of six months membership, shall be deducted from the credit of the contestant and lodge before payment of prizes.

REGULAR PRIZES

REGULAR PRIZES shall be awarded to individual contestants according to the following scale:

Each juvenile insured under Plan 1	\$1.00
Each juvenile insured under Plans 2 or 3	\$2.00
Each adult insured for \$250 or \$500	\$2.00
Each adult insured for \$1,000 or more	\$4.00

DISTRICT CONTEST PRIZES

SPECIAL PRIZES shall be awarded to the four highest individual contestants in each campaign district who secure the most new members over their respective quotas, as follows:

FIRST SECTION OF CAMPAIGN

(April 1 to July 31)

	District No. 1	District No. 2	District No. 3	District No. 4
1st prize	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
2nd prize	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00
3rd prize	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00
4th prize	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00

SECOND SECTION OF CAMPAIGN

(August 1 to November 30)

1st prize	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
2nd prize	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00
3rd prize	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00
4th prize	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00

NATIONAL CONTEST PRIZES

GRAND PRIZES shall be awarded to the four highest lodges and four highest individual contestants credited with enrollment of most new members over their designated quotas in the two campaign sections combined, embracing all four districts in a national contest, as follows:

THE LODGE PLACING FIRST IN THE NATIONAL CONTEST SHALL BE AWARDED AN ATTRACTIVE MEMBERSHIP ENROLLMENT plaque, emblematic of the highest honor and achievement in the campaign, and a cash award of \$100.00. SECOND, THIRD AND FOURTH PLACE LODGES SHALL EACH RECEIVE A SMALLER PLAQUE AND A CASH AWARD OF \$50.00. The four plaques will be engraved with suitable information about the campaign, including in each case the names of all members of the winning lodge who enrolled FIVE or more new members.

THE INDIVIDUAL CONTESTANT, PLACING FIRST IN THE NATIONAL CONTEST, shall receive a 21 JEWEL GOLD WRISTWATCH. THE WINNERS OF SECOND, THIRD AND FOURTH PLACES will each receive a 17 JEWEL GOLD WRISTWATCH. All four will be beautifully and appropriately engraved.

SUPPLEMENTARY AWARDS

If, at the end of the campaign, A LODGE HAS FINISHED FIRST IN ITS OWN DISTRICT, but failed to place among the grand prize winners, THE SNPJ SHALL AWARD IT A MEMBERSHIP ENROLLMENT plaque befitting this achievement. In the case of an INDIVIDUAL CONTESTANT, who is FIRST IN HIS DISTRICT but not listed among the grand prize winners, THE SNPJ SHALL AWARD HIM A 15 JEWEL GOLD WRISTWATCH.

Each individual contestant, who secured ten or more new members in this campaign and is not included among the special or grand prize winners, shall receive a personal certificate of merit from the SNPJ and a copy of the book, "The Silent People Speak," by Robert St. John.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

a) Medical examination fees up to \$2.00 for new adult members and 50c for juveniles shall be paid by the Society. However, no examination is required for adults insuring for \$500 or less, if under 35 years of age, or for juveniles, unless insurability is doubtful or questioned.

b) Transfers from the juvenile to the adult department shall not count as new members or be entitled to any campaign awards.

c) Each membership application shall be accompanied by a credit card showing who secured the new member. Credit is not transferable once the card is received and filed at the Main Office.

d) Applications for all new members, secured in the final month of each section of the campaign, must be mailed to the Main Office of the Society not later than the 5th day after the official closing dates—July 31 and November 30, 1948, respectively. The postmark shall determine the date mailed.

e) THE JUVENILE ANNIVERSARY CAMPAIGN of the SNPJ shall be directed by a Committee of three executive officers, namely, Vincent Cinkhar, Supreme President, Fred A. Vider, Supreme Secretary, and Juvenile Director Michael Vrhovnik, as Campaign Manager.

Keystone Lodge

HERMINIE, Pa.—We are preparing for the celebration of the juvenile and Lodge 87 anniversaries. There will be a concert and dancing to the Duquesne University Tamburitz orchestra. Details will be announced in the coming issues of the Prosveta.

What are these rumors about? What is going on Saturday, June 5 in Herminie? At Slovene Hall? What is the Herminie SNPJ Keystone lodge doing? Letters are being mailed. Did your lodge get one? Ask your secretary. Read next week's issue of Prosveta and reserve Saturday, June 5, now!

JOSEPH BATIS

California Capers

LOS ANGELES, Calif.—A big thank you to Fontana for their hospitality. Our bus trip to Fontana was an experience we won't forget for a while and surely will repeat.

I wish everyone of you could have been with us as we hi-balled down Route 99 through the San Fernando Valley. Such a riot of color on every side! Then came the orange groves, one after the other. They are in full bloom now and the heavenly scent from the orange blossoms is beyond description.

The next amazing point of interest was the famous vineyards. I believe the report there are six thousand acres of grapes. As far as you could see in any direction were grapes, grapes, and more grapes.

For the information of local members who did not go with us the 110 mile round trip cost each person \$135, tax included. I don't think you can match that anywhere any way. The trip was worth many times that from a fraternal angle. It couldn't have been cuter if the "Conductor" had arranged it, but did you notice how the bachelors and the widows changed their seats going home? All in the interests of better harmonizing, I'm sure.

The main topic of conversation is the First California SNPJ Day on July 3 and 4. As a member of the entertainment committee I assure you all there will be a variety of things to see and do. In the sports field we have a ballina tournament.

Any lodge wishing to enter a team contact Bro. John Olip of 7526 De Longpre ave., Hollywood 46, Calif. A handsome trophy will be presented the winner. Fontana has promised at least two teams and Lodge 615 is entering one. How about some competition, San Francisco, Sacramento, and you other lodges? It is almost certain there will be a match between the Fontana women and Lodge 615 women.

Other lodges interested in this angle be sure to let us know and we will do the right thing by the ladies also. The only restriction is that only SNPJ members may play on the teams. There will be no entry fee.

Lodge 615 is guaranteeing that this SNPJ Day absolutely will not be commercialized. Prices for rooms, meals, etc., will be placed at the lowest level possible. More details in the near future.

HELEN RIBARICH, 615.

Attention, Members SNPJ Lodge No. 240

BENTLEYVILLE, Pa.—Attention, members of SNPJ Lodge No. 240. Please be advised that the next regular monthly meetings will be held on the last Sunday of each month at 2 pm daylight saving time.

There are only a few members who attend the meetings regularly; if these few can attend, surely others can also. Let's resolve that from now on more members will come to the meetings. And remember, members, that dues must be paid on time, so please see that yours are paid on time.

We have three new members, namely, Joann Poye, Barbara Ann Buyach and George Grachen. Let's all try and get new members. Sister Mary Lonchar is still on the sick list. Please visit her.

FRANCES SKERBETZ, Sec'y

"Just Remindin' You"

The above title was given to the article reprinted in Prosveta of April 21, in which President Philip Murray of CIO was quoted praising Henry Wallace at the CIO convention in 1944.

Just to remind you that Murray did say that about Wallace after Wallace made the following statement at the same convention:

"Here you may wish me to express my personal faith. I am a Democrat. I believe in the two party system as the best system for our America. I want the Democratic Party to work always for the welfare. I believe the road ahead calls for every effort possible in keeping and enlarging the human element—the voter influence—with in the Democratic Party. Take back to the millions you represent the message that through the Democratic Party there is the maximum of hope and effectiveness for all men who grow and make the things to human happiness in the century of the common man in America. And if we follow this lead the world will be more prosperous because America must lead in the critical two years ahead."

FRANK VRATARIC.

Editor's Note—Wallace said the above four years ago. Since then many things have changed, including the Democratic Party which, especially since Roosevelt's death, has been competing with the Republican Old Guard as the servant of Wall Street and militarists. It is this fact, apparently oblivious to the conservative trade union leaders and right-wing "liberals," which turned Henry A. Wallace against the Democratic Party and made him the spearhead of the new political movement in which he can preach his "century of the common man" to his heart's content.

At the close of the war, says a Twentieth Century Fund report, American merchant shipping had reached 37 million gross tons, three fifths of the world total.

Trojans to Sponsor Yankovic on June 2

JOHNSTOWN, Pa.—By yourself, you can't do much about the tremendous job of sponsoring a dance on a large scale. By yourself, you can only gripe about the non-support given you by the rest of the members of your lodge. By yourself, you can only complain about the member who, when approached with dance tickets, accepts them, puts them into his or her pocket and that is where they are when you return and hope the member has given you his or her support by selling their quota of tickets.

Together we can sponsor a large scale dance, and come out on top, successful both morally and financially. Together we have had very successful affairs, proven last fall when each member bought or sold a dance ticket. It is so easy for each member to buy or sell one ticket, but it's a different story, when four or five active member try to sell two or three hundred tickets.

Together we are doing something about our lodge problems, both morally and financially, by getting behind the committee you have selected, and when given tickets to sell, get out amongst your friends and relatives, and you'll be surprised to see just how easy it is to get rid of a few tickets, and you'll have the satisfaction of getting behind the cart and helping to push.

The above is a little pep-talk prior to our scheduled dance for June 2, to be held in the Westmont Grove, dancing starting at 8 pm and the music will be furnished by none other than Frankie Yankovic and his Yanks, the famous Columbia Recording Artists. Rumor has it that the SNPJ Boosters from Claridge plan to charter a bus, and come to Johnstown and be the guests of the Trojans for this dance. Nothing would be finer. We hope to see all of you at the beautiful and spacious Westmont Grove June 2.

On May 2, the Trojans chartered a bus and sent three women's teams and one men's team to the SNPJ duckpin tournament held in Pittsburgh. We didn't bring home the bacon but we did have a wonderful time, and it was swell meeting old friends and making new ones. It would be nice to have some of our Universal, Verona, Strabane, Ambridge and other friends, too numerous to mention, make the trip to Johnstown June 2.

I have just been informed that Stan Kobal, of the Airliners from Girard, Ohio, when in Johnstown last, left his newest records to be sold at the Al Page Electric Center at the Moxham Slovene Hall. I heard the records and they sure are grand. There is a limited amount available so hurry and get yours while the supply lasts. I also wish to inform you that Al Page has agreed to be on hand June 2, at the Westmont Grove, to sell you records of both the Airliners and Frankie Yankovic and his Yanks.

We have on our sick list Stella Depolo and Verne Allendorfer. We wish them a very speedy recovery. When in their locality, drop in and cheer them up, or leave this little message at their door, "Won't we have fun when you are out and feeling fine once more?"

I wish to again remind all our members, that our meeting date has been changed to the second Friday of each month. This change has become necessary due to the activities planned by the Moxham Slovene Hall. They plan to sponsor dancing in their newly remodeled hall every Saturday and Sunday, and remember—in order to take part in these activities you must be a member in good standing, so renew your membership cards for it will be necessary to present them to the person at the door. Watch for the opening night, which will be announced shortly.

Our sincere sympathies to the Jacoby family of Bon Air on the recent death of their father. Most of the Jacoby family were members of our lodge until during the wartime when gas was so scarce, and due to the distance and the inconvenience of public transportation, they were forced to transfer to their local lodge. Again, on behalf of the lodge, Trojans I say, words lose their power at a time like this, but may these simple words convey a bit of that deep sympathy that's sent to comfort you today.

Here's a little good advice I just read in the Steel Labor newspaper: "However you do it, make sure that you, your family and your neighbors are registered to vote. You can do something about that haunting fear that tomorrow may sneak up and slug you with a war or depression. You can do something to put an end to the menacing upward march of prices. You can do something toward the building of decent homes at decent prices. That something is voting. And you have to register to vote. Do yourself a favor. Register!"

Remember June 2, Westmont Grove, music by Frankie Yankovic and his Yanks.

• ELSIE CULKAR, 749

In 1910, says a Twentieth Century Fund report, there were 600 museums in the United States, housed in buildings worth \$36 million. By 1939 the number of museums had increased to 2,500 and the value of their buildings to \$180 million.

Detroit Wolverines

DETROIT.—Another month has rolled around and it's time for our Wolverine monthly meeting. Plans will be discussed about two coming events seemingly far away but in reality they are not a moonlight picnic and our annual Halloween dance. Plan to attend this meeting on Friday, May 14, at the John R. Hall at 8.

Saturday, May 15, is the Slovene League bowlers' banquet at the John R. Hall. Each of the men bowlers is allowed one lady guest for an additional \$1. All the women bowlers are invited but they cannot bring any outsiders. There will be music and dancing included so anyone who was bowling with the Slovene league make this a night for ending a good season of bowling. Also on the same night the SND women's club will hold a drawing. All proceeds will go to the building fund.

Once again I want to urge everyone to get out and sell those tickets for the new car, refrigerator, and radio to be given away at the Federation Picnic at Welcome Park, July 25. All proceeds go toward our New Home, so every ticket sold is a step further in the building of it.

Saturday, June 5, the Jugo-Forward club of Detroit is having a moonlight picnic at Welcome Park. Music will be by the Zvezda Tamburitz orchestra. This will be one of the first picnics of the year so let's see how many early birds we can get together.

Did you see the pictures of our two Detroit juvenile bowling teams published in last week's edition? We've some up-and-coming bowlers in the juvenile league and it's in this league that they are having an opportunity to prove themselves. Nice going, kids!

Frances Rovsek recently went to a secretarial convention held in Battle Creek. Larry Bernick spent a week's vacation fishing in the north woods while Millie was helping the Benedicts with their new son Peter John III, born on April 24. Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Mativi of Dearborn are in Kansas due to the illness of Mrs. Mativi's father. Frances Yeglich of Lodge 518 was in the hospital for an operation. Get well soon, Frances. A recent visitor from Washington, D. C., was Dorothy Kapel.

Although the war is over, we still have some SNPJ members serving our Uncle Sam. One of our West-side boys is now down in Panama with the air force ground crew. Any fella that's been away knows that he can't receive too many letters. Let's write to Pfc. Leo Moecknik, 1st Base Comp. Detach. Prov. Sqd. 141, A. P. O. 832 Postmaster, New Orleans, La.

LOUISE PINK, 677.

Hearts of America

KANSAS CITY, Kans.—The Hearts are having a dance Sunday, May 23, at the Croatian Slovene Home, 5th and Elizabeth, featuring the outstanding Sunflower Polka Kings with Emil Bogatay and his accordion. You folks have heard him and enjoyed his music; have one more evening of good entertainment. We cordially invite Lodge Future 408.

There is a meeting May 19 and a party to follow; try and be there and turn your tickets in or money to Treasurer Mary Rodina.

Bro. Charles Land and Sister Edith Lukinac are on the road to recovery. Sorry to hear they were ill.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Land who are the proud parents of a baby boy. We know he will grow to be a big boy soon.

The Hearts are happy to have two new transfers from Rock Springs, Wyo., Mary and Jerry Kornik.

Remember meeting May 19 and the dance May 23. I'll be seeing you and your friends.

MARY BILECK, Rec. Sec'y.

Mental hospitals throughout the country are overcrowded by 16.3% of their capacity. The U. S. Public Health Service reports.

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

Members who submit items such

PSWA's Fourth Convention

May 15 and 16

CLEVELAND, O.—As previously announced, the 4th regular convention of the Progressive Slovene Women of America will be held on May 15-16 at the Slovene Workers Home, 15355 Waterloo rd. Here is the official convention schedule:

At 2 p.m., Saturday, May 15, registration of representatives to convention. Library room, SWH.

At 3 p.m., resolutions and by-laws committee meeting at SWH.

At 9 a.m., Sunday, May 16, opening of first business session. Supreme President Cecelia Subelj to greet representatives. Star Spangled Banner by Juvenile Chorus of SWH. Election of convention officers. Reports of national officers, reports of circles by presidents or secretaries, circle reports to be prepared and presented for record.

At 12:15, luncheon.

At 1:30 p.m., second business session.

At 5 p.m., banquet and program. Address of welcome by Pres. Cecelia Subelj. Slovene song by Mary Grill Ivanusch. Guest speaker, Ethel Kristan, subject: "Women and Their Part in World Affairs for Peace and Security." Slovene song by Florence Unetich. Address by Mary Grill Ivanusch, editor of our Progressive Women's Page. Mr. Erasmus Gorshe, as one of the men who helped to organize PSWA, to outline briefly the first meeting. Slovene song, duet, by Danica Hrvatin and Frances Udovich. Farewell. Adjournment.

All members of PSWA everywhere are cordially invited to attend the convention. We, the Supreme Board, extend a most cordial invitation to all of our progressive friends everywhere to attend the splendid banquet and program we have prepared for our enjoyment and entertainment. We are expecting representatives from every circle, from different states, to the convention. Can we also expect all of our progressive men and women from the different states to attend our banquet? Plan to spend Sunday, May 16, with the Progressive Slovene Women!

JOSIE ZAKRAJSEK, Sec'y

Family Helpmate

By Dorothy Sodnik

Wouldn't it be wonderful if at spring cleaning time all the housewives would suddenly acquire a twin? Superman can do it, so could we! One would rush about the house, washing walls, curtains and windows, scrub up floor, polish furniture, tackle the drawers, closets and such, while the other would calmly go about her regular everyday tasks of straightening up and preparing meals. And there you have it—for no matter how busy a homemaker is, her family still expects to be fed on time and palatable delicacies along with plain substantial food.

Since in this very realistic and workaday world we can't conjure up a twin, we must do the work of two. So it's up to us to find shortcuts to all kinds of homemaking tasks.

If your family craves pastries and you don't have time to fuss around with fancy recipes and a lot of pots or pans, try my trick of disguising and juggling recipes; it always works.

If you're planning on a pie, try this: Make a regular pie shell of 1½ cups sifted flour, ¼ teaspoon salt, ½ cup shortening, 3 or 4 tablespoons cold water. Blend shortening into flour and salt mixture until it is the size of small peas, add water, knead very lightly, toss on floured board, roll out and bake in hot oven. This recipe makes one 9-inch shell.

Next cook up any flavor of packaged pudding (1 package for one pie shell), while pudding is cooking add a few tablespoons of shredded coconut, or ground nuts, or both. When done, pour into shell and place pineapple slices in halves and quarters in a design around the top of pie. Place marshmallows in curved sections of the pineapple to make it interesting and it adds a different flavor. Especially good with vanilla pudding.

While you're making pie pastry, make enough pastry for a few extra shells. The shells keep nicely for a few days and if you find yourself short of a dessert, stir up a pudding mixture, look in your pantry for odds and ends to add to the pudding and surprise and delight your guests or family.

The last time I made this particular pie one of my guests asked me for the recipe. While I stammered around trying to remember just what I did put into it, my friend and co-worker who was also present, snapped, "Why bother her for the recipe, she just mixes up all kinds of things and something always turns up." And that's the way of it. With a little imagination and lots of daring you can make a hit with your family.

In the Sewing Room—If you've just finished laundering your nice woolly blankets and are stuffing out preparatory to storing them away for next fall, now is the time to prepare them for longer service. Scout around in your scrapbag for lengths of cotton in print, check or what have you and bind the tops of the

MOUNTING COSTS OF MOBILIZATION REVEALED AT HEARING

WASHINGTON—(FP)—A glimpse of rapidly mounting costs of military preparation was given at a hearing before the House armed services committee May 3.

The committee met for final hearings on a selective service bill. By a vote of 28 to 5, the bill was sent to the House. The five congressmen opposing mobilization were Dewey Short (R. Mo.), C. W. Bishop (R. Ill.), James J. Heffernan (D. N. Y.), Philip J. Philbin (D. Mass.) and Frank R. Havenner (D. Cal.).

Revelation of skyrocketing costs came during interrogation of Defense Sec. James Forrestal by Rep. Leon H. Gavin (R. Pa.). Gavin pointed out that while the present federal budget calls for military expenditure of \$11 billion in the next fiscal year, new armament and mobilization measures already in the works would nearly double that figure.

In addition to the original \$11 billion, a supplemental appropriation of \$3.4 billion has been set up, Gavin said. Another \$822 million for air force expansion was approved by the House. These three items, Gavin declared, would put the military budget over \$15.2 billion.

Even the \$15.2 billion is only a beginning, Gavin brought out from the reluctant Defense Sec. Forrestal. The simple draft measure sent to the House would cost another \$2.1 billion. Besides that, Gavin referred to earlier testimony by Gen. Dahlquist that the draft would be used to organize 25 divisions of troops and that equipment for these 25 divisions would cost an extra \$9.9 billion.

Thus, without Universal Military Training or other programs under serious discussion, military expenditures for the coming year will probably exceed \$21.3 billion.

Gavin could obtain no answer from Forrestal on the cost of equipping some two million troops from western European countries. Furnishing such equipment on a lend-lease basis has been discussed in administration circles. While no information could be drawn from Forrestal or his military aides during the hearing, other figures given indicated that cost of such a lend-lease operation could be more than \$10 billion, pushing the total expense for military purposes past the \$30

billion mark. The present total federal budget is only slightly greater. While Forrestal evaded most of Gavin's questions, he did say that he considered expense an important consideration. He indicated that over-expansion of the military services could put too great a strain on the U.S. economy.

Forrestal also declined to say that present requirements for manpower represented a ceiling. Rep. Leroy Johnson (R. Cal.) said that the committee had been persuaded to back the draft as a means of establishing peace. Presumably, he said, if the number of men asked for by the armed services were enough to maintain peace, more men would not be needed.

Forrestal refused to say that present armed services estimates were a maximum. He said the international situation had deteriorated since last fall. He looked forward to a long period of big power tension. He hinted that still more men might be asked for.

As approved by the committee, the bill would revive the selective service apparatus and build the armed services to a two million man total by drafting men between the ages of 19 and 25.

However, further questioning of Forrestal brought out the fact that the bill also contains the seeds of general industrial mobilization. He was asked by several congressmen whether the U.S. was on the road to industrial controls.

Forrestal indicated he did not like the word "controls." He used the phrase "pre-emptive powers." Many of his former associates in finance and industry are sensitive to controls if used to prevent inflation.

The defense secretary pointed to Section 17 of the selective service bill as giving him the right to order a particular factory to start production on some special item of armament. He also indicated an immediate need for raw material priorities and controls.

Juvenile Circles of the SNPJ

Circle No. 31 Will Meet Sunday, May 16

WARREN, O.—The "Reorganization Dance" of Circle 31 on May 1 was a huge success. The Circle would like to thank all who attended and to those who participated in any way.

Quite a few of our neighboring towns were represented such as Sharon, Girard, Youngstown, Bessemer, and we also had a few guests from New York City. Of course we had none other than the Vagabonds from Sharon, Pa., to fulfill our dancing pleasure, who are always obliging to their patrons. I think everyone had a wonderful time and the Circle is looking forward to another gathering in the future and we are hopeful of having just as big a success.

A special meeting was held on April 25 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Petrich at which time final plans were completed for the dance. At this meeting we also elected a secretary, being that there are more members in the Circle, and the office of secretary and treasurer was too much for one person. Our new secretary is Frank Savor. We'd like to thank Mrs. Petrich for the wonderful party she had for the Circle members honoring her son Frankie's birthday.

Our next meeting will be held at the home of Co-Director Dorothy Tomazin on May 16. Please be present, members, as there are important business matters to be discussed including social affairs to be planned for the summer.

LOUISE SAVOR.

DOROTHY TOMAZIN.

Co-Directors, Circle 31

Circle's Birthday Party Was Success

CLEVELAND.—The month of April was anniversary month for Circle No. 2, for on April 7, 1938, the first Juvenile Circle in Cleveland was organized. To commemorate this event our present Circle held an anniversary party on April 30, 1948.

A short program was presented to the members and guests. First on the program was a history of the Circle during the past ten years given by President Anne Lipold. Rudy Abramovich entertained us with a few polkas and waltzes on the accordion. A vocal solo by Betty Avsee "That Night in May." Shirley Sedlak accompanied on the accordion. Next came a tap number by the Skodlar sisters, Elaine and Christine. A Slovene folk song was sung by Anne Lipold, Delores Kauke, and Marian Rosenman. Marian also sang "Serenade" with Delores accompanying. Brief speeches by Mr. C. Zarnick, Mr. J. Fifolt, and Mr. C. Samanich, members of the Cleveland federation, completed the program. Also among the guests were Mrs. J. Tratinik, secretary of the federation and a few charter members of the original Circle No. 2, Marian Tratinik Adams, Irma Nank, and the present directors, Alma and Nada Zagar.

Refreshments of punch and cake were served. The cake was decorated in the colors of the Circle, white and maroon, and signified the 10th anniversary of Circle No. 2, SNPJ. Dancing, community singing, and the taking of pictures by Mr. and Mrs. C. Samanich brought to close a perfect evening.

NADA ZAGAR, Assist. Director

U. S. Post Office Urges Use of Zone Numbers

The Post Office Department is urging all persons to use their own zone number as a part of their own address, and to use the zone number of the person to whom they are writing. This is always necessary but particularly so during the holiday season. The Chicago Post Office has arranged to enter the zone numbers on local mailing list without charge to the patron. Write the addresses of your Chicago friends and relatives on a sheet of paper and send them to: The Postmaster, Room 429, Main Post Office, 433 W. Van Buren St., Chicago 7, Ill.

In 1896 the Sons of Vulcan, union of iron puddlers, won the first national agreement with management providing a sliding wage scale.

Always there was a need for more.

GIVE!

St. Louis has 569 blocks of housing under restrictive covenants.

THE WASHINGTON SCENE

By Richard Seely

A PLACE TO LIVE

You might think everyone would favor a housing program. Only the most case-hardened real estate lobbyist can deny that there is a housing shortage. Like the politician's slogan "I'm against sin," housing ought to be a sure bet.

Even so two and a half years after V-J Day, a major housing bill is only half way through Congress. On April 22 the Senate passed the Taft-Elliender-Wagner housing bill. At that time no one was making book on how soon the House would follow suit.

The housing shortage has been so much with us for so many years that we all are a little numb on the subject. The actual figures on the need for homes are startling.

At least 3½ million American families are living doubled up. Back in 1940, the U.S. census showed that more than 7 million houses were in such bad shape they ought to be torn down. About 7 million homes had no private bath, while 8 million had no gas or electricity.

The bare facts in the census showed that 4½ million homes had no central heating or stoves. It took last winter's blizzards to show what the statistics mean. The feature writers for the big metropolitan dailies had a field day writing about people in cold water flats who woke up to find their goldfish bowls frozen.

Best estimates by housing experts indicate at least 1½ million homes should be built each year to make a dent in the problem. The most private builders have been able to construct in any one year since the war started is 750,000. At that rate the housing problem will keep on getting worse.

The root of the problem is the simple fact that the people who need housing are people with low incomes. Low income housing is not profitable. The real estate lobby has put on a masterful campaign to stop a government housing program.

Arthur Binna of the Natl. Home & Property Owners Foundation said that people use too much space. That is the reason for the shortage. There is no record that Binna said this face to face with veterans who are still living with in-laws.

Rufus Lusk of the Natl. Assn. of Home Builders told a Senate com-

mittee that the shortage could be solved by raising rents. Then more people would be forced to double up and there would be enough vacancies to go around.

The lobbyists have had a direct effect on the Republicans in Congress. At the same time, there is little enough for the administration to point to.

Back in February 1946, Pres. Truman set up the veterans emergency housing program. The program lasted all of 11 months. At the end of that time Housing Expeditor Wilson Wyatt quit, completely blocked. The emergency program had turned out a record breaking total of 1,025,000 housing units. But the administration cancelled "order L-41", ending the rationing of construction materials. Race tracks and night clubs were able to outbid low-cost builders.

Meanwhile, the slums stay where they were—dingy, dirty and dangerous as ever. Infant mortality rates remain six times greater in slums than in average residential areas. Tuberculosis rates remain ten times greater.

The real estate lobbyists who have blocked public housing would probably go on record against crime. They could well note the fact that the slums, which they have kept from being cleared, produce five times as much crime as ordinary districts.

Against this background, the Taft-Elliender-Wagner bill is a notable achievement. It bears the name of one of the two leading Republicans in the Senate. It would increase residential building. It receives at least some support from most liberals and from organized labor.

The main flaw in the T-E-W bill is the fact that it depends almost entirely on stimulation of private construction. Private construction means homes too expensive for low income families to buy. But Sen. Taft's bill will do for a start.

WALL STREET AND YOU

By the FP Economist

BIG STEEL'S PHONY PRICE DEAL

The halo the U.S. Steel Corp. has just donned is as crooked as its new spring wage-price formula.

Accompanied by salvos in the press, Big Steel turned down the request of the CIO steelworkers' union for announced it was reducing the prices of such products as nails, tin plate and wire netting. The corporation claimed both actions "may be helpful in bringing about an early stabilization of reduction in the cost of living."

Analysis of the facts discloses that U.S. Steel is giving its workers a raw deal and that the announced price cut is largely a public relations stunt aimed at erasing the bad taste left by its midwinter price boosts.

The truth is that the corporation could have given the workers a substantial wage increase, reduced prices on ALL its products and still made larger profits after taxes than it did before the war.

To begin with, since last summer the corporation has raised its prices by more than 10%—more than enough to give its workers an increase of 15¢ an hour. The productivity of the corporation's workers has also gone up more than 10% in the past year. This would have enabled the corporation to give the workers another increase of 15¢ an hour. In other words, out of previous price boosts and increased productivity, U.S. Steel could raise wages now 30¢ an hour or \$12 a week without any additional price increases.

And then if the corporation really wanted to combat inflation, it could roll back prices at least \$5 a ton. This would still leave it with profits after taxes higher than before the war.

Instead, here is what Big Steel did: It cut prices on some of its products amounting to a total reduction on over-all tonnage of \$25 million, or less than \$1.25 a ton. For its total sales, the reduction in Big Steel's prices will run around 1%.

Compare this with the price increases Big Steel has put over in the recent past. During the last two years, Big Steel hiked its prices three times. The total increase was more than \$250 million a year. The much-heralded rollback, therefore, amounts to only one-tenth of the increases U.S. Steel has forced on the American public.

Early in 1946 Big Steel raised its prices 2½ times as much as the direct cost of the wage increase won by the steelworkers. Last summer it raised prices three times as much as the wage increase gained by the steelworkers a few months earlier. During the fall and winter it raised prices again—this time without even the pretext of having to make up for a wage increase.

A Sop to the Public

Now Big Steel has turned down the justified demand of the steelworkers for a third round wage increase. And as a sop to the public, it has announced a minor price cut

FIGHT FOR HEALTH

By the Physicians Forum

Health in the 1948 Elections

Health has already become an issue in the 1948 election campaign. The candidate of the third party, Henry Wallace, presented his health program last week, and it may be expected that the Republican and Democratic candidates will state their views on health issues in the coming months. This column will report on the various party programs on health as they are developed during the campaign.

Speaking at the Natl. Conference of Social Work in Atlantic City, Wallace declared that: "The old parties reject every demand for a program to guarantee the American people against want on the grounds that military measures and war preparations come first."

He urged adoption of a system of maternity insurance, stating that "We can provide continuity of income to every working mother at a cost which is trivial compared to the price of a few fighter planes."

"We can provide for mothers, for a reasonable period before their children are born and for a reasonable time thereafter—and protect the health of both mother and child. We can provide the clinics where expectant mothers can be advised and cared for, and places to which they can bring their infants to give them a decent start in life."

Declaring that "we are shamefully backward in protecting the health of our people," Wallace urged provision of "a comprehensive health insurance program, covering every family and individual in the nation, saving not only the vast amounts of money lost annually through illness, and the millions of dollars worth of production, but saving human lives and preventing human suffering."

He also urged "cash disability benefits during sickness which would involve the extension of the familiar principle of workmen's compensation to the entire field of disability."

He pointed out that "a federal health insurance system must be supplemented by other measures to raise the standards and spread the benefits of medical care. We need more trained personnel, more doctors. I advocate federally-financed grants to institutions and professional students. Our medical, dental, and nursing schools must be assisted in raising the quality and quantity of their graduates to the level of the national need for medical personnel."

"Subsidy scholarships must be provided to students for their professional training. And to make full use of our resources, our human resources, we must utterly and completely eliminate the shameful practices of discrimination and segregation and quotas not only in medical schools, but in the practice of medicine."

"There are fewer than 150 doctors graduated annually from the two Negro medical schools and not more than a dozen Negro doctors from all the other medical schools in the country. We must open the doors of our medical schools to all young men and women with the desire and ability to practice medicine. We need them. We need them here at home and we can use them. We can afford whatever it may cost to improve the health of the people."

"If we have peace, we can provide all this, and we can provide and maintain a total environment which encourages and supports the health of our people, and the real strength of our country. We can build the houses, install the plumbing, lay the sewer pipes and do the other things which make healthful living possible and prevent disease. We can train the doctors, the dentists and nurses to look after the physical well-being of our people. All this is possible. . . . All this is attainable. . . . If we have peace."

Wallace castigated those members of Congress who have strangled the health insurance bill on the one hand, and have prevented U. S. participation in the World Health Organization on the other. He concluded on this note:

"Peace will make possible our own progress and will make us honorable partners of other nations in conquering disease, ignorance and poverty, the enemies of all mankind."

In Memoriam

In loving memory of our dear husband and son

JOHN HOCHKRAUT

who passed away one year ago. May 11, 1947.

Today recalls sad memories Of a dear one gone to rest: And the ones who think of him today.

Are the ones who loved him best.

Sadly missed by wife, Mae Hochkraut of Srebene, parents Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hochkraut of Mantfield, sister Amelia Japp of Moninger, and brothers, Victor of Mantfield, Frank and August of Lorain, Ohio.



GUNS BEFORE BUTTER

One may well wonder whether the American people are not looking back to the days when Hitler, Goering and Company were being held up to ridicule and the German people to scorn.

What bothered a large section of our population was the fact that the Germans being offered guns before butter, and that they were accepting the idea as their way of life.

Well, we spoke to one of those 100-per-cent democratic Americans the other day in an effort to question his present opinion about the Truman recommendation for militarizing America and supplying arms and other supplies to a large section of the outside world. And we were surprised to discover that what aroused his ire when imposed upon Germans isn't bothering him at all, now that he and his fellow Americans are the victims.

Armament, he told us is "necessary." So is universal military training. Likewise a selective service draft. Likewise billions for selected nations in Europe and Asia.

When we asked whether he liked the prospect of accepting rationing, inflation, controls, job freezing and lower living standards generally as a means of militarizing the United States and its friends, he stolidly—and stubbornly, we thought—replied that those things are "necessary" too.

It was only when we suggested that this nation was headed for a "guns before butter" policy that was essentially the same as that imposed upon the German people that he showed any real interest. He told us then that he didn't like our question. He was willing to accept the fact but he shied at the name.

It was not with the desire to "rub it in" that we drew the parallel of what is happening now in the U. S. A. and what happened a few years ago in an enemy country. The point we consider important is that we are traveling a road that has led other nations to dictatorship. And we can't believe that we can continue along that road without arriving at all the nasty landmarks that Germany passed as it goose-stepped to ruin.

Moreover, we have an alternative to the things that are portended by present-day policies and proposals. If we must have a controlled and planned economy—yes, even if we must plan for war—we would prefer to go into the thing with a profit-less economy here at home.

As far as we are concerned, it would be more satisfying to yield to compulsions which had the general welfare for its purpose than to be straitjacketed in a class society.

The probability of controls that differ little in fact or in method from those which we hated and fought when they were exercised by other nations ought to make us more anxious to establish socialism now and grow into the new world of planning and controls by processes that are democratic.

One big point that should be seen and understood by people who think it necessary for them to sacrifice personal freedom and material abundance is that it is not necessary to permit a small group of owners to profiteer upon us while we are conforming to "necessity."

If we go along with the Truman plan under a capitalist economy we are virtually certain to end up a fascist nation. That, too, will be "necessary." But it won't be necessary to sacrifice freedom and democracy if we inaugurate democratic socialism as the American way of life in time. (Reading Labor Advocate)

WORLD-WISE

By ISRAEL EPSTEIN—Allied Labor News

As real war grows in Palestine, sharp light is cast on the true facts of the situation on the spot, and in United Nations halls as well.

Within Palestine, the almost bloodless capture of the strategic oil port of Haifa by the Haganah forces proves the Jewish army to be the strongest military power in the land. The Haganah, which represents the whole Jewish community in its composition, also represents its aspiration to create a Jewish state within the borders awarded by UN partition. Haganah's prompt granting of relief and minority rights to Haifa Arabs distinguishes it from the small semi-fascist Jewish Irgun, which unilaterally and unsuccessfully attacked Jaffa.

On the Arab side, loss of Haifa exposed the military incapacity and unrepresentative character of the patchwork battalions of the Arab Higher Committee of Palestine, led by a former Nazi collaborator, the Grand Mufti of Jerusalem, and actually commanded by men who fought under the Germans. Most of the Mufti's men came from outside Palestine. His officers included anti-Semitic Britains and quelling Poles and Yugoslavs. Ninety percent of Palestine's Arab villages gave him no recruits or aid, even to avoid defeat.

The politics of neighboring Arab countries were also illuminated. The Mufti's smash-up found Egypt, Iraq and Syria unable to follow through on threats to invade the Holy Land in force. The Arab League, which includes the rulers of all these states, appealed frantically to King Abdullah of Transjordan, whose undeveloped country borders conveniently on Jewish Palestine. In fact they went for help, through Abdullah, to Britain.

What warrants this statement? The answer was given realistically by Walter Lippmann in the New York Herald Tribune April 27. Lippmann recalled that Transjordan was originally a part of Palestine as placed under temporary British trusteeship by the old League of Nations. It was pocketed by London in 1923, becoming "in effect a crown colony and after that a nominally independent kingdom bound by a treaty which makes it a British protectorate." Lippmann said, Abdullah, a native of Mecca, not Transjordan, was enthroned by Britain under this deal. His "independent" state was brought into the UN.

Abdullah, Lippmann continued, is now "entirely dependent upon Britain for money, since his army has been trained, equipped and officered by the British." That is why Iraq and Syria, much richer in their own resources and population than desert Transjordan, approach him to do what they lack funds and strength to do themselves. Meanwhile Britain manipulates Abdullah. When he declared that he would march on the Jews at once, London said he would do nothing of the sort till after May 15, when Britain's formal responsibility for Palestine ends. Abdullah subsided. It was London's money.

Now Britain proposes that Abdullah negotiate with the Jewish Agency, the Jews' chief authority pending the formation of their own government. The terms are that Abdullah will "guarantee" local administration rights to Jews if they agree to make him king of all Palestine, both Jewish and Arab. Since

Abdullah has no resources of his own, this means that all Palestine returns to British control. The Jews have refused, saying they were promised a country, not a new ghetto.

Lippmann remarked correctly that the British-backed Transjordan Legion and the Jewish army are now the only two real powers on the scene. Britain can make Abdullah do what it wants, whether he also wants it or not. But who can force the Jews, who have proved their fighting capacity and don't like the smell of this "settlement"? The answer: the U.S. is supposed to do the job.

The U.S. is putting pressure on the Jews already. First it reneged on its own UN vote on partition. Now it has acceded to Britain's request to cut all mail communication with Palestine, meaning that Jews there can no longer get money, supplies or even moral encouragement from American friends.

What is in the wind now is not a division of Palestine among its own inhabitants, Arabs and Jews, but a new division of power in Palestine between America and Britain, each with its own "protected" community but both controlling the country as a colony and strategic bridgehead.

BALL'S BILL TO WEAKEN THE WAGE-HOUR LAW

WASHINGTON.—Minnesota's Republican Senator, Joe Ball, one of the big pushers behind the Taft-Hartley Act, has now gone to work again.

This time he has written his own bill to emasculate the ten-year old Wage and Hour Act.

When hearings began last week on the Ball bill Harvey W. Brown, president of the International Association of Machinists, took the occasion to tell Mr. Ball and several other senators exactly what the labor thinks of the Ball proposals.

Wages. Ball's offer to raise the minimum wage level from the present 40 cents an hour to 60 cents an hour has a false bottom that would allow industry "if it wishes" to lower the rate to 50 cents an hour. Government, labor, and even industry leaders have agreed that the 40 cent limit is outmoded and should be raised to 75 cents to make up for the increased cost of living. A bill offered by Senator Elbert D. Thomas (D. Utah) calls for the raise to 75 cents and Mr. Brown placed the A. M. squarely in favor of that figure.

Coverage. Instead of getting more people the benefits of the law, Ball's bill wants to get more people exempt from it. The present law is bad enough. Mr. Brown told the Senate subcommittee, with its provisions that allow almost two million people—who ought to be covered—to be exempt. Government and labor have been working to get

It's a Great System!

By John Paine

Spring is here, but Big Steel has decided it's time for a freeze. On wages, of course. Not profits.

The Hearst press is currently featuring a series on The Life And Loves of Lana Turner. To be continued, no doubt.

LITTLE LUTHER

"Luther," Mr. Dilworth announced, "the time has come to buy you a new suit."

"Oh, that's not necessary, Pop," said Little Luther. "Really, I'm getting quite used to this old barrel. Of course, it COULD stand a new paint job."

"Shut up!" said Mr. Dilworth. "People might think I never gave you anything, the way you talk."

"Okay, Pop, I'll be good. What's my new look suit to be—Little Lord Fauntleroy or buckskin breeches?"

"Neither," Mr. Dilworth said firmly. "You're getting a soldier suit. Haven't you heard of UMT?"

"Yeah, it stands for Unnecessary Military Torture, doesn't it?"

"Really," said Mr. Dilworth, "you're giving me all the wrong answers. According to an Inspector J. J. McGuire of the FBI, there is, and I quote, a very wholesome, inherent love of weapons on the part of our youngsters. Unquote."

"Un-nuts!" said Little Luther. "Who was the guy talking to?"

"The Daughters of something or other," said Mr. Dilworth.

"Let him tell that to the Mothers of something or other," Little Luther suggested, "or better still, let him talk to their sons. Anyway, I'm too young to be a soldier!"

"I just want to give you a head start," Mr. Dilworth said.

"I'd rather have a head, Pop."

Rep. Merrow of New Hampshire has introduced a bill which would set the fighting borders of the U. S. at "the approaches to the Atlantic, Gibraltar, the nations of western Europe, the Dardanelles, Greece, Turkey, Iran, the Near East, the Persian Gulf, China and the islands of the Pacific."

And look at how hard Britain had to sweat to get ITS empire.

While in 1945 corporations made \$1 in profits for every \$7 paid out in salaries and wages, in 1947 corporations netted \$1 in profits for every \$4 in salaries and wages.

The cost of housing and household utilities is the second largest item in the consumer's budget, says a Twentieth Century Fund report. Only less important than food, it accounts for almost a fifth of total consumption expenditures in the United States.

Read "The Silent People Speak"

THE SILENT PEOPLE SPEAK is the title of the latest book about Yugoslavia written by Robert St. John. The author spent last year nine months in Yugoslavia, studying the conditions by contacting the rank and file of the people, rather than the government officials. The book should be of interest to all Americans who are still confused about that country, and particularly to those of Yugoslav descent. It can be ordered from SANC, 3424 West 28th St., CHICAGO 23, ILLINOIS. (In Cleveland, contact the Secretary of branch 39 at the Slovans National Home). Members of SANC can purchase the book at a special discount (\$3.50), otherwise the book sells for \$4.00.

THE UPPER CRUST



"Oh, poor darling, I suppose those awful union negotiators spent the afternoon with you."

FIGHT FOR HEALTH

By the Physicians Forum

HARDENING OF THE ARTERIES OF THE HEART

More people die of heart disease in the United States than from any other single cause. Among the important types of heart disease is that due to hardening of the arteries of the heart. Some information has been acquired over the years but many mysteries remain about this important killer. Recently a great deal of interest has been aroused by the possibility that hardening of the arteries may have something to do with the body's use of fatty substances.

The arteries of the heart are called coronary arteries. Disease of these arteries is known as coronary artery disease or coronary disease, and hardening of these arteries, coronary arteriosclerosis. Coronary arteriosclerosis is by far the most important and most common type of coronary disease.

Coronary disease is mostly a disease of middle-aged and older people. It occurs most frequently in the fifties and sixties. However, it sometimes develops in very young people. During the war a number of young soldiers died from coronary disease, and exceptional reports have appeared of the disease in 18 and 19-year old persons.

The disease occurs more frequently in men than in women. The reason is not known. Women in general develop hardening of the arteries of the heart at a later age than men. The disease is most apt to strike women who are fat and who have diabetes or high blood pressure.

It seems that the disease has been increasing among women in recent years. The reasons for this are not known, since the causes of the disease itself are not known. Some people claim that increased smoking among women is responsible, but there is no conclusive proof that smoking causes hardening of the arteries.

A number of guesses have been made as to the cause of coronary arteriosclerosis. Years ago when our knowledge of the infectious diseases was developing rapidly, scientists looked for an infectious cause, but this has never been proven. It has also been suggested that certain substances taken into the body in our food, or substances made from the food by our bodies, may injure the blood vessels, but as yet no such substances have been found.

Many students of the subject believe that the strain, worry, insecurity and fast pace of modern living may in some way be responsible for hardening of the arteries. If this is true it has still not been shown just how these characteristics of modern society operate on the arteries.

In the early stages of hardening of the arteries a fatty substance is laid down in the lining of the arteries. This has suggested to some scientists that in some people there may be something wrong in the way fatty substances are used in the body and that in these people this may start the hardening of the arteries.

In a recent study Drs. Ernst P. Boas, Albert D. Parets and David Adlersberg of Mount Sinai Hospital, New York, found that people with hardening of the coronary arteries in general tend to have more fatty substance in the blood than other people. This had previously been shown by other scientists, although not all scientists agreed.

Furthermore the Mount Sinai doctors found that several people in one family may have this high level of fat in the blood. Some people in the family may have hardening of

the coronary arteries, others may have other signs of fatty disease such as yellow spots in the eyelids, and still others may have hardening of the coronary arteries plus other signs of fatty disease.

It is too early to say what will be the final outcome of these researches. Some doctors are recommending that people with hardening of the arteries or with a high level of fatty substances in the blood go on a low-fat diet and get other medical treatment to reduce the blood fat. Whether this is advisable for everybody is still a question.—(F.P.)

Within little more than a century, says a Twentieth Century Fund report, the United States has changed from a primitive agricultural economy to one of the most highly industrialized countries. Only 5 percent of its 4 million inhabitants lived in urban communities in 1790. By 1890, with a population of 63 million, 35 per cent lived in urban territory, and by 1940 nearly 87 per cent of a population of 132 million was urban.

MUST WE FIGHT TO SAVE AVIATION INDUSTRY?

WASHINGTON.—The world outside Russia and the United States is watching both of us—the only two nations capable of early three to other nations, wondering whether we will cripple ourselves and each other so effectively by vast armaments, if not warfare that we will remove our threat to them, for several years.

Crippling of the two giants would open the way for a smaller nation like Argentina, to attempt expansion, but it would for some years at least have to be in contiguous or near by lands, not across the seas.

Arthur M. Hill, Chairman, The National Security Resources Board, recently told the Annual Meeting of Pittsburgh Post American Ordnance Association:

"Under no circumstances can we afford the risk of not being able militarily to support our diplomatic commitments."

"This Nation has fallen heir to world leadership, and we cannot avoid our responsibilities with honor or safety."

Two aviation policy government bodies have recently reported, revealing similar national conceit, which is a convenient cover up for the now privately conceded imminent shrinking of our national economy toward the collapse stage, unless vast Government spending starts.

The report of the President's Council of Economic Advisers is restrained but significant.

The war "fat" is being used up, and pay day is here, while the stupor Congress this observer remembers in his thirty years in the Nation's Capital, celebrates the arrival of pay day, by reducing taxes, —except on the poorest.

GIMMICKS IN WAGE BILL

By THOMAS L. STOKES

WASHINGTON.—Another chiseling operation to weaken a basic social welfare law, so familiar in this 80th Congress, is under way.

Like others, this "revision" is offered under the cloak of sweet charity.

The basic law affected is what has come to be known as the Wage-Hour Act prescribing minimum wages and maximum hours for industries operating in interstate commerce.

The attack on this law comes in a bill by Sen. Joseph H. Ball (R-Minn.). While it provides for an increase of the minimum wage—the sugar-coating in this case—it also makes many legal and technical changes in the present law. They would remove an estimated two to three million workers now covered by the law from protection, as well as weakening safeguards for other workers in the way of overtime aid in other respects.

Labor, consumer organizations, church groups, women's organizations and others are joining in the fight against the Ball bill.

They are urging, instead, enactment of a bill sponsored by two Democrats, Sen. Elbert D. Thomas (Utah) and Rep. John W. McCormack (Mass.).

That measure not only would raise the minimum from the present 40 cents an hour to 75 cents, as urged by President Truman, but also would expand coverage to many workers not now included.

The danger in the Ball bill is that it is sponsored by a Republican, and an influential one, in a Republican Congress. The strategy behind it is that, because of the increase in the minimum wage provided, it might be difficult for President Truman to veto it.

The Ball bill would raise the minimum to 60 cents an hour, which would become effective upon enactment of the law. But there is a trick. The minimum could be lowered to 50 cents an hour or raised to 70 cents, or anywhere in between, upon recommendation by industry committee set up by the bill if the wage-hour administrator approved a change after a public hearing. While the rate could be lowered to 50 cents an hour, raising it to 70c would be more difficult because of other conditions in the complex measure.

There is also another device, an exaggeration of the apprentice system, so-called, whereby new employees would be taken on for nothing or for a very low wage during a "training period" of varied duration. Some employers would constantly drop such apprentices on one pretext or another and hire new ones on the apprentice basis and get their labor very cheaply.

This, of course, would be practiced by only a chiseling minority. But workers must be protected against such employers.

—(Chicago Sun-Times)

"To Secure These Rights . . ."

LAND OF THE FREE—SOMETIMES

By Labor Reports

It was in Detroit before the War, in the days when the shadow of Hitler had already fallen over much of Europe. A Negro woman walked to an election booth, shoulder to shoulder with the white woman who employed her.

"You know," the white woman said optimistically, "this is wonderful, our going to vote this way, you and I. It couldn't happen in Germany."

"No," her colored companion agreed, "and it couldn't happen in Alabama."

Labor leaders, spokesmen for minority groups, and other liberals—all have long known that in America there is a wide gulf between the ideal and the fact of equality. They have pointed out over and over again that large portions of our population are deprived of civil liberties, that there are entire areas of our country where constitutional rights are ignored.

However, something new—and important—has been added: our government has at last recognized the problem. More than a year ago President Truman created a Committee on Civil Rights to study violations of civil liberties and to recommend ways to correct the abuses.

Members of the Committee came from all walks of life. They included the president of a big corporation, officials of the AFL and CIO, presidents of two universities, church leaders, prominent attor-

neys, social workers, authors. Their findings—a report of more than 50,000 words—has been published under the title, "To Secure These Rights," a phrase taken from one of our priceless American documents.

"Man is endowed by his Creator with certain inalienable rights," says the Declaration of Independence. "Among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. To secure these rights, governments are instituted among men."

In Washington, the Nation's Capital, symbol to all the world of human freedom and equality—Marian Anderson, the great contralto singer was barred from Constitution Hall because her skin was dark—barred by the daughters of the American Revolution!

In Washington, the Nation's Capital, South-bound trains go Jim Crow—Negroes must change to separate cars.

In Washington, the Nation's Capital, a Negro cannot eat in a downtown restaurant, go to a downtown theater, sleep in a downtown hotel.

In Washington, the Nation's Capital, even the young are not immune from the seeds of bigotry! In the annual marbles tournament there are separate contests for black and white youngsters. The white child who wins is automatically City Champion; the colored boy is runner-up.

To those who, ostrich-like, can see no wrong in American life, the Committee replies that "the American ideal still awaits complete realization." In this series of articles highlights of the Committee's testimony will be presented.

You will hear from witnesses who lost their "inalienable rights" . . . Jews, Negroes, Indians, minority groups of all sorts. These are the forgotten ones in whose behalf the Committee's report was made. It is to them that our consciences must pay heed.

We might even call as witness, could he still speak, the man who, in the words of the Committee, "was arrested on a charge of stealing a tire, taken to the courthouse, beaten by three officers until his head was a bloody pulp, and then dragged unconscious through the streets to the jail where he was thrown, dying, to the floor."

But that is getting ahead of our story . . .

More than three fourths of the American nation's labor force were engaged in the production of physical goods—agriculture, forestry and fishing, extraction of minerals, and manufacturing and mechanical industries—in 1870, with more than half in agriculture. By 1930, says a Twentieth Century Fund report, only 21 per cent were in farming and only 53 per cent in all phases of production.

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