

PRODIRANJE JAPONSKIH ARMAD USTAVLJENO

Rusi predri nemško bojno črto na centralni fronti

OSIŠČNE DIVIZIJE V PASTI

Washington, D. C., 30. dec.—Poročilo iz glavnega stana generala Douglasa MacArthurja, vrhovnega poveljnika ameriške oborožene sile na Filipinskih otokih, pravi, da je bilo prodiranje japonskih čet ustavljeno. Iz tega je razvidno, da se napoved, izrečena v Tokiju, da bodo japonske čet zasedle Manilo pred novim letom, ne bo uresničila.

Moskva, 30. dec.—Rdeča zvezda, glasilo sovjetske armade, poroča, da so se ruski padalci spustili na tla v ozadju nemške bojne črte na centralni fronti, pobili 400 častnikov in vojakov in pogladi v zrak s dinamitom 29 mostov. Sovjetske čete se vajo naprej na tej fronti in po de Nemce pred seboj. Uradni komunikacijski omenja prebitje nacijske bojne črte v več krajih in reokupacijo nadaljnjih mest in vasi.

Hitlerjeve armade na fronti med Tulo in Možajskom so v pasti in preti jim uničenje. Nacijski pehotni polk je bil zdrobljen v bitki na fronti pri Kalininu, 95 milj severozapadno od Moskve.

Pravda, glasilo komunistične stranke, poroča o ruskih protinastopih na položju nemške vojske na leningradski fronti. Več tisoč Nemcev je padlo v bitkah z Rusi na tej fronti.

Kairo, Egipt, 30. dec.—Obroč okrog nemških in italijanskih divizij pri Agedabiju, 80 milj južno od Bengazije, se sojuje, poroča britsko vrhovno poveljstvo. Te divizije tvorijo ostanki armade generala Erwina Rommela.

Britske kolone prodirajo proti ozemlju, kjer so zbrane osiščne divizije, z dveh strani. Tudi v slučaju, če se izmotajo iz pasti z umikom v Tripolitanijo, bodo naleteli na poteškoče. Prve britske patrulje se že nahajajo tamkaj.

Batavia, holandska Vahodna Indija, 30. dec.—Holandske podmornice so napadle in potopile nadaljnje tri japonske vojaške transporte v luki Miri, Sarawak. V zadnjih desetih dneh so podmornice potopile dvanajst japonskih transportov.

Singapor, 30. dec.—Britske čete so zavojevale v ljutih bitkah z Japonci pri Ipohu, mestu v zapadnem delu Malajskega polotoka, v katerih sta obe strani utrpeli velike izgube. Vrhovno poveljstvo je priznalo japonsko okupacijo Kučinka, glavnega mesta otoka Borneo, ki leži 475 milj vzhodno od Singapora.

Sestanek predstavnikov zadružnih mlekarov

Chicago, 30. dec.—Reprezentanti zadružnih mlekarov v Illinoisu so se sestali na svoji seji in odobrili vladni načrt glede raztegnitve mlekarov, poroča J. B. Countiss, načelnik mlekarne divizije Illinoiske poljedelske zveze. Načrt določa porast produkcije mleka, sira in drugih mlekarov izdelkov za dvajset odstotkov v prihodnjem letu.

Naciji ustrelili deset Norvežanov

Stockholm, Švedska, 30. dec.—Nacijska sodišča v Stavangerju, Norveška, so obsodile deset oseb v smrt zaradi sabotaže, se glasi v smrt dodelo poročilo. Vse so bile takoj po obsodbi postavljene ob zid in ustreljene.

Hull zavrnil japonski protest

Aktivnosti petokoloncev razgaljene

Washington, D. C., 30. dec.—Državni departament je zavrnil in obenem obsodil japonski protest, vsebujoč pritožbo, da so ameriški vojniki ustrelili deset japonskih podanikov brez vzroka na filipinskem otoku Mindanaoju. Naznanilo o protestu japonske vlade je bilo objavljeno po v Washingtonu dospelih poročilih o vlogi, ki so jo igrali petokoloncev pred japonskim napadom na Pearl Harbor, Havajsko otočje.

Ta poročila pravijo, da so japonski vozniki tovornih avtov, uposleni pri konstrukciji letalskih baz na Havajih, pogladi te avte med ameriško bojno letala, preden so pričele padati japonske bombe na letališča. Čeprav so vojaške straže pobile več Japoncev, so ti prej razbili več bojnih letal, da se niso mogla dvigniti v zrak.

Najmanj dvajset japonskih voznikov se je udeležilo sabotaže samo na letališču Hickam pri Pearl Harborju. Vojni in mornarični departament se nista potrdila in ne zanikala poročil o aktivnostih petokoloncev na Havajskih otokih, dasi je znano, da so bili ti na delu več tednov pred japonskim napadom na Pearl Harbor. Vojni tajnik Stimson in mornarični tajnik sta priznala, da ameriška oborožena sila tamkaj ni bila na straži.

Protest japonske vlade je bil izročen državnemu tajniku Hullu preko švicarskega poslanstva v Washingtonu. Hull naglašava izjavi, da ni prejel nobenega poročila o incidentu, ki ga protest omenja. Državni tajnik je dejal, da so Japonci metali bombe na Manilo, ki so ubile veliko število civilistov, pred izročitvijo protestne note tokijske vlade, čeprav je bila Manila razglašena za odprto mesto.

Amerika ima dovolj živil

Poročilo poljedelškega departamenta

Washington, D. C., 30. dec.—Poljedelski tajnik Claude R. Wickard je v pravkar objavljenem poročilu zagotovil ameriške gospodinje, da ima Amerika dovolj živil vseh vrst in da je kopicenje teh neopravičljivo. Amerika je imela bogato letino letos in v prihodnjem bo še večja.

Zaloge sladkorja, potrebščine, kateri nekatere gospodinje mislijo, da je ne bodo mogle dobiti, so velike, dostavljajo poročilo. Amerika sama izdela tretjino sladkorja, ostale dve tretjini pa importira s Kube in iz karibjskih pokrajin. Produkcija sladkorja iz pese v Združenih državah je sicer padla, toda pričakuje se, da bo pridelek sladkorne trsa znašal sto tisoč ton več nego v preteklem letu.

Produkcija zelenjave vseh vrst, sveže in konzervirane, je dosegla nov rekord. Ceni se, da znaša čez enajst milijonov ton v tem letu.

Autobusna družba se bo pogajala

Chicago, 30. dec.—Predstavniki Greyhound Bus Co. so izjavili, da so pripravljani na pogajanja glede končanja stavke, katero je oklicala unija voznikov avtobusov. V stavki je zavojevanih okrog 1500 voznikov in promet z avtobusi na vzhodu in srednjem zapadu je ustavljen. Stavkarji zahtevajo zvišanje plače in izboljšanje delovnih pogojev.

MURRAY IN GREEN POJASNILA STALIŠČE UNIJE

Sporazum o delavski politiki

ODPOR PROTI ZAPRTI DELAVNICI

Washington, D. C., 30. dec.—Philip Murray, predsednik Kongresa industrijskih organizacij, in William Green, predsednik Ameriške delavske federacije, sta na konferenci, katero je sklicala delavska tajnica Frances Perkins, pojasnila stališče unije v smislu sporazuma, doseženega na sestanku reprezentantov delavcev in delodajalcev, s katerim sta se obe grupi obvezali, da bosta skrbeli za nepretrgan obrat industriji, ki so udeležene v proizvodnji bojne opreme. Konferenca med Murrayjem, Greenom in delavsko tajnico je trajala dve uri.

Sporazum določa ustanovitev posebne odbora, ki naj bi reševal vse sporne zadeve, ki nastanejo med delavci in delodajalci. Murray in Green sta sugerirala, naj odbor tvori devet članov. Stiri naj bi reprezentirali delavce, štiri delodajalce, načelnika pa naj imenuje vlada.

William H. Davis, načelnik federalnega posredovalnega odbora bo morda izbran za načelnika novega odbora. On je največ pripomogel k dosegu sporazuma na nedavni konferenci med predstavniki delavcev in delodajalcev. Ta določa odpravo stavk in izporov, dokler traja vojna, in mirno izravnava sporov.

Glavno sporno vprašanje je še vedno zaprti delavnice v tovarnah, kjer še ni uveljavljena. Znano je, da se industriji upirajo zaprti delavnice in so proti temu, da bi o tej odločbi novi odbor.

Reprezentantje industrijskega sveta bodo sestali z delavsko tajnico ta teden in pojasnili svoje stališče. Oni še vedno upajo, da vprašanje zaprtih delavnic ne bo reševal vladni odbor. To upanje bazira na Rooseveltovi izjavi, ki med drugim pravi, da vlada ne bo pritiskala za sprejetje načelne zaprti delavnice in da kongres ne bo sprejel zakona glede take delavnice.

Direktna komunikacijska zveza med Ameriko in Avstralijo

Washington, D. C., 30. dec.—Direktna radiotelegrafska zveza je bila postavljena med Ameriko in Avstralijo, ko sta predsednik Roosevelt in premier John Curtin izmenjala pozdrave. Vse komunikacije med Ameriko in Avstralijo so se doslej vršile preko Kanade in Anglije.

Stavka ustavila železniški obrat

Peoria, Ill., 29. dec.—Stavka železničarjev je ustavila promet na železnici Peoria, Toledo & Western Railroad. Železničarji so zavrnili nove delovne pogoje, ker določajo znižanje mezd in odpravo starostnih pravic ter zastavkali.

Letalska zveza med Čungkingom in Kalkuto

Čungking, Kitajska, 30. dec.—Nova letalska zveza med mestom in Kalkuto, Indija, je bila odprta. Črta med Kitajsko in Burmo je bila raztegnjena na Indijo.

Tifus zahteva žrtve med nemškimi vojaki

Bern, Švica, 30. dec.—Poročilo iz Helsinkia, Finska, pravi, da se tifus med nemškimi vojaki na leningradski fronti širi. Več sto vojakov je že umrlo.

Domače vesti

Jutri ne bo Prosvete
V četrtek, dne 1. januarja, je zakonit novoletni praznik in Prosveta tega dne ne izide.

Chicago, 30. dec.—Dne 29. decembra sta obiskala gl. urad SNPJ in uredništvo Prosvete John in Cecilia Knafele iz Denverja, Colorado, v družbi Angele Tičiček iz Summita, Ill., dne 30. decembra pa Vincent Tomšič iz Warrens, Ohio.

Poroča
Granville, Ill., 22. decembra sta bila v Chicagu civilno poročena Jimmy Angsten (22) in Josephina Verbič (20), hčerka Jerneja Verbiča, tajnika društva 186 SNPJ, katerega članica je tudi mlada nevesta. Poroča se je vršila na ženinovem domu v Chicagu, kamor je ženin prišel na dopust iz Fort Custerja, Mich., kjer služi vojaške.

Nov grob v West Allisu
West Allis, Wis., 28. decembra je naglo umrl Anton Kožlevar, star 70 let in doma iz Trebnja pri Novem mestu. Bolehal je za nadušo. V Ameriki je bil 36 let in tukaj zapuščal ženo, enega sina in sedem vnukov. Bil je član društva KS-KJ. Pogreb je skrbel Ermenčev pogrebni zavod.

Nov grob na zapadu
Cle Elum, Wash., 28. decembra je v bolnišnici umrla Gertrude Smergel, stara 52 let in rojena v Fort Smithu, Arkansas. Bila je članica društva 371 SNPJ in št. 92 bivše SSPZ. Zapuščala moža, dva sinova in dva brata.

Is Clevelanda
Cleveland, 24. decembra je umrl John Maršić, star 33 let in doma iz Dalmacije. Podlegel je poškodbam, ki jih je dobil na poti, ko se je vračal z dela. Zapuščal ženo, dva sinova, eno hčer, mater, dva brata in dve sestri. Dne 27. decembra sta bila poročena Frank Gorše in Mollie Ogrine. Antonia Kapel je prejela žalostno vest, da je na Kalu pri St. Petru na Krasu umrla njena mati Ivana Fidele. V starem kraju zapuščala moža, sina in hčer, tukaj pa omenjeno in več sorodnikov. Dne 28. decembra je v bolnišnici umrl Steve Potosky, star 57 let in doma iz Pine na Čehoslovaškem. Tukaj zapuščala dva sinova in dva brata.

Poslanik Earle došel v Turčijo

Dejal je, da so se Nemci naveličali vojne

Istanbul, Turčija, 30. dec.—George H. Earle, ameriški poslanik za Bolgarijo, in člani njegovega štaba so dospeli v to mesto. Earle je povedal reporterjem, da je zasedel vlak na postaji v predmestju Sofije in se odpravil proti Turčiji. To se je zgodilo potem, ko ga je bolgarska vlada tajno informirala, da hočejo naciji izkazati incident.

Earle je dalje rekel, da je dobil informacije iz zanesljivih virov, da so se Nemci naveličali vojne. Hitler jim je obljubil, da bo sovjetska oborožena sila kmalu strta, sedaj pa je moral priznati, da njegove armade ne bo pred Rusi. Nemci vidijo nevarnost poloma, odkar je Hitler odstranil feldmaršala Waltherja von Brauchitscha kot vrhovnega poveljnika in sam prevzel poveljstvo.

Poslanik je dejal, da so bolnišnice v Bolgariji in Rumuniji napolnjene z nemškimi vojaki, ki so bili ranjeni v bitkah z Rusi. Vlaki, natrpani z ranjenci, stalno prihajajo z ruskih front v Bolgarijo in Rumunijo.

KANADČANI POZDRAVILI PREMIERJA CHURCHILLA

Važne diskuzije o vojnem programu

SPLOŠNA MOBILIZACIJA NA VIDIKU

Ottawa, Kanada, 30. dec.—Angleški premier Winston Churchill je bil navdušeno pozdravljen, ko je došel v to mesto iz Washingtona s posebnim vlakom. Na kolodvoru se je zbrala množica več tisoč ljudi in mu ploskala.

Premier se je potem sestel s člani kanadskega vojnega kabineta, katerim je povedal, da se morajo Velika Britanija, Kanada in Amerika pripraviti za dolgo borbo. Zavedati se morajo dejstva, da imajo pred seboj brezobzirnega in brutalnega sovražnika, ki se poslužuje vseh sredstev, da zmaga v tej vojni. Churchill je obenem naglasil, da so glavne težave premagane, da zavezniki stoji zdaj na vrhu klanca, s katerega se jasno vidi cilj, za katerega se bore in ki ga bodo tudi dosegli. V svojem govoru je poudarjal, da rešitev sveta je v povojni organizaciji, katere jedro morajo tvoriti angleško govoreča ljudstva.

Poroča se, da se bo Churchill vrnil v Washington čez nekaj dni in obnovil razgovore s predsednikom Rooseveltom o vojnem programu.

Ameriške in kanadske oblasti so stisile vse za zaščito Churchilla na potovanju iz Washingtona v Ottawo. Ameriški in kanadski vojniki so stražili vsa železniška križišča ob poti, po kateri je vozil vlak.

Danes bo Churchill nastopil pred člani kanadskega parlamenta, ki se sestane v izrednem zasedanju. Pričakuje se, da bo apeliral za povečanje kanadskih vojnih naporov. Njegov predstavniki je namignil, da bodo sprejeti dalekosežni zahtevki na konferencah s kanadskimi voditelji. Po govoru v parlamentu se bo Churchill sestel z uredniki in izdajatelji kanadskih časopisov.

Sinoči je bil Churchill gost lorda Athlona, generalnega guvernerja Kanade, na banketu, katerega so se udeležili premier King, člani njegovega kabineta in drugi visoki uradniki.

Sentiment za splošno mobilizacijo v Kanadi narašča. Izgleda, da bo Kanada odredila obvezno vojaško službo, čeprav je premier King izjavil, da bo o tem odločilo ljudstvo po svojih reprezentantih.

Ameriška bojna mornarica pripravljena

Pearl Harbor, Havajsko otočje, 30. dec.—Admiral, ki poveljuje ameriški pomorski sili, je izjavil, da je ameriška bojna mornarica pripravljena na spopad s sovražnikom. Nauk, ki je prišel kot posledica nepričakovane japonskega napada na Pearl Harbor, ne bo pozabljen. Admiral ni hotel razpravljati o vojni strategiji, izjavil pa je, da se mora Amerika pripraviti na dolgo vojno.

Naval na fašistični urad v Urugvaju

Montevideo, Urugvaj, 30. dec.—Policija je udrila v glavni stan tajne fašistične stranke in aretirala več oseb. Ta se je nahajal v stanovanju italijanskega konzula. Policija je navelila tudi na urad nemške časnikarske agencije Transocean News Service in poslopje italijanske konstrukcijske kompanije. V vseh prostorih je zaplenila dokumente in druge rekorde.

Slovenska statistika ob koncu leta

V letu 1941 je umrlo v Ameriki 1115 Slovencev

Vaško leto umre več in več Slovencev v Združenih državah, Kanadi in Južni Ameriki. Običajna statistika, ki jo objavlja Prosveta ob koncu vsakega leta, izkazuje 1115 smrtnih slučajev v letu 1941 med ameriški Slovenci. V letu 1940 je bilo 975 teh slučajev.

To je šeststo število smrtnih primerov, ki jih Prosveta beleži dnevno v koloni Domače vesti. Smrtni primeri Slovencev v Združenih državah, Kanadi in Južni Ameriki v letu 1941 se dele takole:

Razne bolezni so pokopale 922 rojakov v Združenih državah in Kanadi in 45 v Južni Ameriki; avtomobili so jih ubili 68 (veliko več kot lani, ko je bilo 46 avtnih smrtnih nesreč); 33 Slovencev je bilo ubitih pri delu in drugače smrtno ponesrečenih je bilo 24; samomorov je bilo 13 (lani 20) in umorjenih je bilo pet; vlak je do smrti povozil pet rojakov.

Pri avtomobilskih nesrečah je bilo ranjenih 260—apet veliko več kot v prejšnjem letu, ko je bilo 148 rojakov pobitih pri avtnih nezgodah; pobitih in trajno poškodovanih pri delu je bilo 155 in drugače ranjenih 107.

Druga statistika: Pogorelo je pet Slovencev; aretiranih in deloma kaznovanih z globo ali zaporom je bilo 76.

Poročeni pari v letu 1941 so dosegli rekordno število 1085. Medtem so naše stare zakonske dvojice slavile 145 srebrnih porok, bisernih in blikavih (38, 40 in 45 let) 60 in 18 zlatih porok.

Glavni urad SNPJ in uredništvo Prosvete sta imela v preteklem letu več obiskov kot kdaj prej, odkar obstojita: 640 članov in nečlanov nas je obiskalo v letu 1941.

(Uredništvo Prosvete se ob tej priloiki toplo zahvaljuje vsem dopisnikom in poročevalcem, ki nam stalno pošiljajo novice z kolono Domače vesti. Nadaljuje tudi v bodoče, tako da bo ta naša kolona vsako leto popolnejša. Srečno novo leto-vsem!)

Formiranje separatne letalske sile

Senator McCarran predloži načrt

Washington, D. C., 30. dec.—Senator Pat McCarran, demokrat iz Nevade, je dejal, da bo pritiskal na kongres za ustanovitve separatne letalske sile, ker je vojna z Japonci na Pacifiku demonstrirala potrebo reorganiziranja oborožene sile.

McCarran je rekel, da je dobil zagotovilo od senatorja Roberta N. Reynolds, načelnika odbora za vojni zadeve, da bo ta odsek vodil zaslanje na načrto ustanovitve separatne sile, kakor hitro bo predložil.

Načrt, ki ga predloži McCarran, bo določal ustanovitev letalskega departamenta, ki naj bi prevzel funkcije, ki zdaj spadajo v področje mornaričnega in vojnega departamenta. Letalska sila naj bi operirala samostojno ali pa skupno z mornarico in armado kot bi zahtevali strategični oziri.

Italija omejila železniški promet

Rim, 30. dec.—Novi ukrepi glede omejitve prometa na italijanskih železnih so bili pravkar uveljavljeni. Avtoritete so izjavile, da je bil ta korak odrejen zaradi splošnih interesov. Več potniških vlakov je bilo že prej potegnjenih iz prometa.

RUSKA UDELEŽBA V VOJNI PROTI JAPONSKI

Poslanik Litvinov konferiral z državnim tajnikom

USTANOVITEV ZENSKIH ZBOROV

Washington, D. C., 30. dec.—Medtem, ko se uradniki vojnega in mornaričnega departamenta bavijo s problemom pomoči ameriški oboroženi sili na Filipinskih otokih, da bo lahko odbijala japonske napade, prihajajo poročila iz Londona o dosegu sporazuma s Stalinom glede ruske udeležbe v vojni proti Japoncem.

Maksim Litvinov, sovjetski poslanik, je imel dolg razgovor z državnim tajnikom Hullom po objavi naznanila, da se je Anthony Eden, angleški zunanji minister povrnil v London iz Moskve, kjer je konferiral s Stalinom in drugimi sovjetskimi voditelji. Naznanilo pravi, da je bil dosežen popoln sporazum o skupnih korakih v vodstvu vojne proti osi. Mnenje prevladuje, da je Stalin instruiral Litvinova, naj informira Hulla o detaljih sporazuma z Edenom.

Ta sporazum bo predmet diskuzije na seji članov ameriško-angleškega vojnega sveta, ki se prične po povratku premierja Churchilla v Washington iz Kanade. Vloga sovjetske oborožene sile v tej vojni je temo povezana s strategijo, katere cilj je popoln zlom osi in njenih erlav.

Predsednik Roosevelt in premier Churchill sta se sporazumela glede pomoči sovjetski Rusiji. Slednja mora dobiti več tankov, bojnih letal, streliva in drugega bojnega materiala vseh vrst, da bo lahko vodila uspešno borbo proti Hitlerjevi vojni mašini, ki dobiva strahovite udarce na ruskih frontah.

V Washingtonu in Londonu ni nobenega dvoma, da Rusija ne bo udarila po Japonci, ko pride čas za to. Sedaj je zaposlena v borbi proti nacijem in se ne bo bojevala na dveh frontah hkratu. Njena oborožena sila v Sibiriji bo šla v akcijo, kakor hitro bodo nemške armade strle. Gotovo je, da bodo ruske baze v Sibiriji na razpolago ameriškim bombnikom za napade na japonska mesta v bližnji bodočnosti.

Vojni tajnik Henry L. Stimson je v pismu kongresnici E. N. Rogers, ki je predložila zakonski osnutek glede ustanovitve prostovoljnih ženskih zborov, izjavil, da podpira osnutek. Ženske, ki bi tvorile te zore, bodo nosile uniforme, dobivale plačo \$21 na mesec kot redni vojniki v armadi. Ženske naj bi opravljale dela, kakršna zdaj opravljajo vojniki.

Stimson je dejal, da obseg ženskih zborov zavisi od militarističnih potreb in se zdaj ne more določiti. Vzdrževanje teh zborov bi po njegovem mnenju stalo tri milijone dolarjev v prihodnjem letu.

Lindbergh se javil za vojno službo

Washington, D. C., 30. dec.—General Henry H. Arnold, šef letalske sile, je naznanil, da se je Charles A. Lindbergh prijavil za službo v letalski armadi kot prostovoljec, zaeno pa je naglašal, da hoče pomagati svoji domovini v vseh ozirih. Lindbergh je bil do japonskega napada na Ameriko vodilni izolacionist in je kot govornik nastopal na shodih odbora America First. V svojih govorih je pobilj znanjo politiko Rooseveltove administracije in zadnje poletje je resigniral kot rezervni polkovnik.

Društvene vesti

Detroit, Mich.—Zaključki godišnje sjednice društva 711 SN-PJ: Društvena redovita sjednica ostane po starom običaju, t. j. svaku treću nedelju u 9:30 a. m. u Hrv. Domu na 1331 E. Kierby Ave. Za predsednika je preizabran br. Nick Suljak, podpredsednik August Prashnjak, tajnik br. Jos. Simon, blagajnik sestra Barica Gadžo, pečovodja James-Latin i predsednik nadzornog odbora br. Joseph Mihajevich. Društveni ličnik dr. Leopold Adler, 5320 John R.

Dalje je zaključeno, da se svaka člana globi sa \$1.00 ako ne sudjeluje na sjednici društva za vreme od 3. meseca, izgovor je samo tvornički posao ili bolest.

Ujedinio je društvo jednoglasno usvojilo bratsko sažaljenje za gubitku vrednoga člana i gl. blagajnika SNPJ br. John Vogriča, kojega je nemila smrt utrgla iz redova in sredine članstva S. N. P. J. Mi, kao društvo, ističemo najveće sažaljenje za vrednim dugogodišnjim gl. odbornikom, dobrim čovjekom i članom SNPJ, zato njegovim prijateljima, rodbini i ostalim želimo sautešće, a njemu neka je slava vječna. Neka njegov rad ostane među nama svima sjajna uspomena kao uzor cjelome članstva SNPJ.

Društvo se zahvaljuje sestri Anna Spear za dar, koji je donesao do danas u društvenu blagajnu svotu od \$45.00.

Društvo je usvojilo takodjer rezoluciju, sa kojom će stati za obranu naše zemlje te podupirati crveni krst i politiku našega predsjednika Roosevelta i voditi borbu do konačne pobjede nad neprijateljima ove naše zemlje. Napred zajednički jer je pobjeda naša.

John J. Rimac, tajnik.

Claridge, Pa.—Naznanjam članom in članicama društva Bratoljub 7 SNPJ in št. 2 bivše SSPZ, da se bodo naše seje vršile prvo nedeljo v mesecu ob 10. dopoldne v Slovenskem domu. Toliko v obvestilo članom bivše SSPZ, ker prejšnji tajnik Anton Menart tega ni sporočil. Ko sem bil tretjo nedeljo v Slovenskem domu, sem videl, da so nekateri prišli na sejo. On je tudi izpustil tajnikovo ime v svojem poročilu.

Bratje in sestre, nič strahu. Jaz uradujem za društvo in jednoto ne od leta 1915 in do sedaj še ni bil nihče oškodovan in tudi ne bo. Samo glejte, da boste plačali svoj assement o pravem času, da boste v slučaju nesreče ali bolezni deležni, kar vam pravila predpisujejo. Kar se tiče Prosvete, kjer je več članov v družini, si lahko pripišete tednike k dnevniku — pet tednikov za dnevnik; kjer jih je manj, je pa seveda treba doplačati. Kdor ne želi sam pisat na upravništvo Prosvete, naj pride do mene. Toda vas prosim, da ne hodite plačevati assementa ob 5. ali 6. zjutraj ali po 9. uri zvečer, kot je to nekaterih navada. Torej prosim one, ki ne plačajo na seji, naj pridejo zvečer med 6. in 8. uro, ker pozneje ne bom pobiral assementa. Izjema je samo v slučaju bolezni ali smrti člana.

Na letni seji našega društva je bil izvoljen sledeči odbor za 1942: Predsednik Frank Supančič, podpredsednik John Mlakar, tajnik Mike Baloh st., zapisnikar Frank Zorman, blagajnik Anton Menart. Torej vas vabim, da se polnoštevilno udeležite prihodnje seje 4. januarja in vsem srečno novo leto.

Mike Baloh, tajnik.

So. Chicago, Ill.—Letna seja društva 490 SNPJ je bila dobro obiskana po članstvu št. 490 in po članstvu št. 19 bivše SSPZ. Ko se je članstvo obeh društev seznanilo, se posedlo in čakalo otvoritve seje, sem opazil tako čimotnost, ko sem gledal njih obaze, kot da smo vsi člani enega društva že 15 let. Izvolili smo odbor za 1942, upam, da v zadovoljstvo vsega članstva. Za predsednika, podpredsednika, tajnika, blagajnika in zapisnikarja so bili izvoljeni vsi stari odborniki, nadzorni odbor pa trije zelo aktivni člani bivše SSPZ, namreč William Rus (predsednik), Jacob Tisot in John Levstik. Društvena zdravniška sta dr. Zaleti in dr. Janc. Pomagali smo

tudi Stricu Samu kolikor je nam društvena blagajna dovolila, ali rekli smo, da je to samo začetek, tako da tudi mi kot društvo pomagamo uničiti te grde napadalce, ki so zahrbtno napadli to našo stvar. Če vsi dobro misleči ljudje enako storimo, se bodo našim sovražnikom gotovo računski zmešali.

Storjenih je bilo tudi par važnih zaključkov, katerih se bomo držali prihodnje leto. Eden teh je, da smo spremenili naše seje s tretje srede na prvi torek v mesecu. Torej se prihodnja seja vrši v torek, 6. jan., v Calumet Park Field Housu ob 7:30 zvečer.

Po seji smo imeli domačo zabavo in opazilo se je zadovoljstvo s strani članov obeh društev. Upam, da bo zadovoljstvo vladalo tudi v bodoče. Dr. Zaleti nam je par finih povedal, potem pa smo še dobro naučili okusnih domačih klobas, katerim nam je napravila sestra Josephina. Hvala! Namočili smo tudi suha grla in se tudi zavrteli od akordih člana Vincenta, kateremu tudi hvala. Ko je prišel čas, smo se poslovili in objubili, da se vidimo na prihodnji seji 6. januarja. Srečno novo leto vsemu članstvu SNPJ.

Jacob Briljavac, predsednik.

Lloydell, Pa.—Društvo 62 SNPJ in vsem članom in članicam jednote želim vso srečo, zdravlja in blagostanja v l. 1942.

Ralph Jerman, tajnik.

Midway, Pa.—Želim opozoriti vsa društva v tej okolici, ki prirejajo veselice, naj pošljejo svoje zastopnike na skupno sejo, ki se vrši tretjo nedeljo v januarju ob dveh popoldne v Slovenskem domu v Burgettstownu. Na tej seji se bomo dogovorili glede datuma naših veselice v letu 1942, tako da se ne bosta vršili dve ali več na isti dan. Vstop je prost vsakemu.

John Strc.

Pt. Marion, Pa.—Člani društva 494 in društva 101 SNPJ naj se gotovo udeležijo prihodnje seje 4. jan. v gledališču Greensboro. Naše društvo 494 je na decembrski seji oglašovalo za združenje z društvom 101 in na prihodnji skupni seji bomo izvolili odbor. Udeležite se torej vsi, ker gre za skupne koristi.

Anton Zupančič.

Sheboygan, Wis.—Članstvu društva Skala 42 SNPJ naznanjam, da se vrši prihodnja seja 4. jan. ob 9. dopoldne v Fluder-nikov dvorani. Udeležite se vsi, ker na tej seji bodo podani računi za leto 1941 in moramo rešiti več drugih važnih zadev. Prejel sem iz glavnega urada tudi večino certifikatov in pridite, da jih boste prejeli. Kjer je več članov v eni družini, apeliram tudi na vas, da se naročite na dnevnik Prosveto, ker z namenjanjem tednikov za dnevnik vam ni treba veliko doplačati, sploh nič, kjer je pet članov v družini in če ustavite tednike Prosvete.

Frank Jamnik, tajnik.

Harwick, Pa.—Članom društva 176 bivše SSPZ naznanjam, da se bo vršila prihodnja seja 10. jan. ob 10. dopoldne v Slovenskem domu v Acmetoniji. Torej pridite vsi, da boste dobili certifikate in stenske kole-darje in obenem mora plačati vsak član 15c za pogreb pokojne Anne Miklauič, kateri smo kupili venec. Tudi bom pobiral assement. Pridite torej vsi na sejo.

Frank Nose, tajnik.

Barberton, Ohio.—Naznanjam vsem onim članom društva Ljubljana 73 SNPJ, ki se niso udeležili letne seje, da so bili izvoljeni sledeči uradniki za 1942: Predsednik Frank Marković, podpredsednika Mary Suštaršič, tajnika Jennie Markun (583 Brady ave.), blagajnik Frank Markun, zapisnikar Joe Kosich, nadzorniki Mary Suštaršič, Joe Rupnik in Joe Lah. Seje se vrši v bodoče vsako prvo nedeljo v mesecu ob 10. dopoldne v dvorani društva Domovine. Zapomnite si to!

Prosim vas, da tajnici pravčasno plačate svoj assement. Radod se pripeti, da je član suspen-diran, ker ni plačal assementa, toda, ko zbolil, namesto da bi plačal assement, pa pošlje po bol-

niško nakaznico, potem pa zvali vso krivdo na tajnico (ali tajnika). In dobijo se člani, ki se jezijo na tajnika ali tajnico, zakaj ni zanje naložila assementa. Upam, da se naši tajnici ne bo pripetilo kaj takega. Na svidenje na seji 4. januarja ob 10. dopoldne v dvorani Domovine.

Mary Suštaršič.

Maple Heights, O.—Člani društva Cas 480 SNPJ ste vabljeni, da se vsi udeležite prihodnje seje 4. jan. ob 2. popoldne. Ta seja je zelo važna, ker bomo ukrepali glede prisahe 28-letnice našega društva. Slišijo se opazke in nezadovoljstvo. Zatorej ste prošni in je tudi potrebno, da pridele na sejo, kjer naj vsakdo pove svoje misli, da gremo naprej s pripravami za proslavo, ali naj se pa vse skupaj opusti. Društvo je last vseh članov in dolžnost vseh je, da se udeležite. Podani bodo tudi računi minulega leta.

Odbor.

Cleveland.—Pri društvu Mir 142 SNPJ je bil izvoljen sledeči odbor za 1942: Predsednik Frank Celin, podpredsednik John Prusnik, tajnik Frank Sustarsich, blagajnik John Habe, zapisnikar Anton Srebot, reditelj Joseph Koporc, nadzorniki Anton Bokal, Frank Ludwig, Stanley Sibenik; zdravniki dr. Carl G. Opaskar, dr. Anthony Skur in dr. Rotar. Seje društva vsako drugo nedeljo v mesecu v Slovenskem domu na Holmes ave.

Zastopniki društva k raznim ustanovam so: Za clevelandsko federacijo SNPJ John Prusnik in Stanley Sibenik, za Cankarjevo ustanovo John Prusnik, za farmo SNPJ Frank Celin in John Habe. Bolniški nadzornik je še nadalje Frank Celin. Naše društvo še nadalje podpira Prosveto, matico po 50c na mesec. Društvo je tudi sklenilo, da kupi za \$400 obrambnih bonдов zvezne vlade. O drugih važnih sklepih bom poročal pozneje.

Frank Celin, predsednik.

Kemmerer, Wyo.—Članstvu društva 267 SNPJ se naznanja, da je bil na letni seji izvoljen ves stari odbor za prihodnje leto. Nadalje se naznanja, da je bilo sklenjeno, da naše društvo ostane še nadalje v Prosvetni matici. Ker se nahaja naša nova domovine v vojni z barbar-skimi diktatorji Japonske, Nemčije in Italije in ker je naša dolžnost, da ji dejansko pomagamo, je bilo sklenjeno na letni seji, da naše društvo kupi U. S. Defense Bond za \$100.—Bodimo dobri člani SNPJ in lojalni državljani naše nove domovine. Vse za Ameriko in demokracijo, naj bo naše geslo.

Anton Tratnik, tajnik.

Toledo, O.—Društvo Novi pri-sejenci 666 SNPJ je na letni seji izvolilo sledeči odbor za 1942: Predsednik Anthony Rudess, podpredsednik Victor Wallace, tajnik Alberi Valencic (1324 Myrtle st.), blagajnik Tony Iskra st., bolniška nadzornica Anna Wallace. Na letni seji je bilo tudi sklenjeno, da društvo kupi U. S. bond za \$100. Letna seja je bila dobro obiskana. Hvala članstvu. Želim, da bi se tudi v bodoče udeleževali društvenih sej v takem številu. Na svidenje 12. januarja na seji.

Alberi Valencic, tajnik.

So. Chicago, Ill.—Na letni seji društva 8 SNPJ je bila povoljna udeležba. Toda lahko bi bila še boljša, ampak se nekateri člani drže izgovora, češ saj bodo še brez izgovora. Uradno je v se-stre, opustite ta izgovor in prihajajte bolj redno na sejo, ker to je vaša dolžnost, vsaj pa na tri-mesečne seje. Nič ni težjega od-boru, ki ga izvolite na letni seji, kot govoriti praznim stolom. Zeleti je, da se boste v prihodnjem letu bolj zanimali za društvo in redno prihajali na sejo.

Za leto 1942 je bil izvoljen sledeči odbor: Predsednik Frank Kosich, podpredsednik Michael Zatkovich, tajnik Joseph Kosich, blagajnik Joseph Vucich, zapisnikar Michael Chandick, nadzorniki Louis Mender, John Dejak, Sam Sarich, zdravniki dr. Paul J. Weimer. Seje se bodo tudi v bodoče vršile vsak drugi petek v mesecu ob 7:30 zvečer v Calumet Park Field Housu.

Društvo je na tej seji sklenilo, da kupi U. S. bond za \$100,

ko ob koncu leta dobimo izplačane zlate hipoteke, kot je bilo poročano, bomo kupili še nadalj-nje, ker se mi šli na rolo v vseh ozirih. Obenem hvala članom našega društva za poročeno darilo, ki so ga darovali našemu sinu, ki se nahaja pri vojakih v Camp Forest, Tenn. Za božič je prišel na dopust in je bil zelo vesel darila v vsoti \$5, se kar se članstvu še sam posebej zahva-ljuje. Na 26. dec. se je moral vrniti v taborišče. Kdaj sedaj pride, se ne ve. O tuzna nam majka!—Se enkrat hvala vsem skupaj.

Annie Widmar, tajnica.

Thomas, W. Va.—Naše društvo 29 SNPJ je za 1942 izvolilo ves stari odbor, nobene spremembe. Spremenili pa smo dporano. Od zdaj naprej se bodo naše seje vršile v City Halli vsako drugo nedeljo v mesecu ob 2. popoldne. Opozorjam člani in članice, da se udeležite seji v polnem številu. Na prihodnji seji boste slišali celoletni račun in tudi dobili kole-darje, vsaka družina enega.

Tukaj pri nas ne npremo pri-rejati veselice, ker nimamo pri-pravne dvorane. Kako se lepo sliši od drugod, ko poročajo, da prirede božičnico in pokličejo svoje male v dvorano da jih ob-dari Miklavž. Mi smo naročili Miklavžu, naj se 24. dec. pelje od hiše do hiše in obišče vse čla-ne mladinskega oddelka in jih obdari. In to je bilo še večje ve-selje za mladino, ker jim ni bilo treba nikamor iti. V resnici je imel Miklavž veliko opravka, da je obiskal vseh 176 članov mla-dinskega oddelka.

Joseph Kosich, tajnik.

Milwaukee, Wis.—Društvo Ve-nera 192 SNPJ je na letni seji izvolilo sledeči odbor za 1942: Predsednica Mary Musich, podpredsednica Christina Bevetz, tajnica Josephine Slapnik, blagajnica Alojzija Widmar, zapisi-narica Christina Mosely; nad-zornice Mary Schuler, Rosie Jenko, Anna Widmar; zdravniki dr. Frank Schuler; zastopnice za fe-de-racijo Mary Musich, Christina Kocjan, Anna Puncer, Christina Bevetz. Društvo zboruje vsak drugi torek v mesecu v navad-nih prostorih.

Članice so prošene, da bi se udeleževale društvenih sej pol-noštevilno, ker čim večja je ude-ležba na seji, tem boljše so za-ključki. Letna seja je bila po-voljno obiskana, upam, da bo tu-di prihodnja, ki se vrši 13. jan. in bo več važnih stvari na dnevnem redu. Slišale boste tudi ce-loletni račun. Obenem se zahva-lim vsem članicam, ker so mi šle precej na roko, in to posebno pri plačevanju assementa in se pri-poročam tudi v bodoče.

Josephine Slapnik, tajnica.

Benld, Ill.—Pri društvu 356 SNPJ so bili izvoljeni za 1942 sledeči uradniki: Predsednik George Veric, podpredsednik Matt Katalinich, tajnica Annie Widmar, blagajnik Joe Raukar, zapisnikar John Widmar; nad-zorniki Miloš M. Badulovych, Matt Plavanich, Marko Arle-šič; bolniški nadzornik za Benld je Marko Fudurich, za Soyerville G. Veric. Društvene seje se bodo vršile drugo nedeljo v mesecu ob 6:30 popoldne v na-vadnih prostorih, kar naj člani upoštevajo.

Ob koncu leta se želim čla-nom zahvaliti za kooperacijo in za sodelovanje pri društvu in vsem, ki so točno plačevali asse-ment. One, ki so netočni, pa prosim, da plačajo o pravem ča-su, kar je v veliko olajšavo taj-

niku. Bodite točni, pa bomo pri-jateljji. Nadalje se zahvalim tu-di glavnemu uradu za odelovar-nje, ker se mi šli na rolo v vseh ozirih. Obenem hvala članom našega društva za poročeno da-rilo, ki so ga darovali našemu sinu, ki se nahaja pri vojakih v Camp Forest, Tenn. Za božič je prišel na dopust in je bil zelo vesel darila v vsoti \$5, se kar se članstvu še sam posebej zahva-ljuje. Na 26. dec. se je moral vrniti v taborišče. Kdaj sedaj pride, se ne ve. O tuzna nam majka!—Se enkrat hvala vsem skupaj.

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L. Wardineh, tajnik.

Društvene priredbe

Veselica društva 549 ob 31. jan.

Sacramento, Cal.—Veselica našega društva 549 SNPJ se bo vršila 31. januarja, ne 31. decembra, kot je bilo pmtomata poročano v mojem dopisu ob 17. dec. (Pomota ni bila moja, marveč je bila storjena v uredništvu.) Torej apeliram ta članstvo in na drugo obsestavo v tem mestu in okolici, da to vzame-te na znanje in se v velikem številu udeležite naše veselice zadnjo soboto zvečer v januarju.

Joseph Rusich, tajnik.

25-letnica društva 115

Canton, O.—Društvo Canton 315 SNPJ je na letni seji zaklju-čilo, da priredimo veselico k 25-letnici društva dne 7. februarja zvečer. Prosimo druga društva v Cantonu in okolici, da ne bi prirejala svojih veselice ta dan. Vse članstvo in drugo občinstvo od blizu in daleč pa se sedaj va-bimo, da nas posetite na tej ve-selici.—P. Chufar, tajnik.

Glasovi iz naselbin

O društvu in drugem

Moon Run, Pa.—Letna seja društva 88 SNPJ je bila dobro obiskana. Zeleti je, da bo tako tudi v bodoče. Ni dovolj, da član plača svoje mesečne prapevke, marveč je dolžnost vseh članov, da se zanimajo za svoje društvo in prihajajo na sejo. Naj ome-nim, da je bila SNPJ prva slo-venska podporna organizacija, ki je priznala svojim članicam enakopravnost z moškimi. Le žal, da se večina naših članic ne po-služuje te enakopravnosti, da bi se v večjem številu udeleževale tudi seji.

Omenila sem prej o dobrem posetu glavne seje. Ta je stori-la tudi dobre zaključke, namreč

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Članstvo našega društva se je spomnilo tudi naših mladih bratov, ki se nahajajo v ameriški armadi in z malim darilom ob-darilo vse prizadete, da se bo-dijo spominjali svojih, kjerkoli se bodo še nahajali. To je lepo ravno v teh sezonskih praznikih, ko se nam spomini vračajo k našim dragim. Toda kaj nam po-magajo lepe božične pesmi — "mir ljudem pa zemlji". Dogod-ki so pač taki, kakršne more ljudstvo pričakovati v času, ko se ruši ves svet. Danes ne gre za mir ljudem, ampak kdo bo dru-gega prej uničil. Mir in počitek imajo le tisti, ki so na pokopališ-ču.

Med temi je tudi moj pokojni mož Mihael Jerala. Dne 5. jan-uarja bo štiri leta, odkar nas je vedno zapustil. Mi ga še vedno pogrešamo in naj mu bodo te vr-stice v spomin.

Jennie Jerala, 88.

Nasveti tajnikom

Enumclaw, Wash.—Tajni-ko in članom SNPJ priporo-čam, naj pazno čitajo pravila je-dnote, posebno pa glede vpraša-nja, kdo in kako sklicuje izred-ne društvene seje — tajnik ali predsednik. Vaak tajnik naj pa-zno prečita točko 120 (stran 234), kakor tudi točko 107 (stran 227) in točko 105 (stran 226). Tajnik bo potem vedel, kdo ima sklica-ti izredno sejo. Toliko v opo-min.—John Rosenstein, 738.

Veselice in drugo

Beggsley, Pa.—Tukajšnji družabni klub priredi plesno za-bavo v nedeljo, 4. jan. Godba Paula Dolnarja iz Ljubarja bo skrbela, da bo plesalom ustre-ženo. Pričetek ob sedmih zvečer, in traja do 11. ure. Prav prijaz-no vabimo vse znance od blizu in daleč, da nas posetite in vas zagotavljam, da ne bo nikomur žal. Vstopnina je nizka, užitka pa bo obilo.

Društvene volitve so za nam. Pri nas je bil ponovno izvoljen stari odbor, le pri nadzornem in pri bolniškem odboru je bilo ne-kaj spremembe. Upam in želim, da bi bilo med članstvom več kooperacije v prihodnjem letu kot je bilo v preteklem. Naj pri-pomnim, da je bilo pri društvu 318 v prav kar dokončanem letu precej težavno poslovanje v nekaterih ozirih; zadolženje nam je le to, da nam je prineslo novih izkušenj, ki nam bodo la-hko še koristile.

VAŽNO NAZNANILO ČLANOM IN TAJNIKOM BIVŠE SSPZ

10. dec. 1941 je izšla sadoja številka vašega glasila Napredka in v smislu društvene pogodbe ste od sedaj naprej dolžni kot glasila sredino tedaja Prosveto. Torej, ako želite, da se to pravilno izvrši, je zelo važno, da pošljete točno in prave naslove, da vam bomo lahko poslali Prosveto.

Mi smo kimali po konvenciji razposlali na VBA vsa društva potrebna listine in da danes je ali sta izvršili to okrog dve tretjini društvenih tajni-kov, ostali pa, ona tretjina ali takorekno 35 društev nam do danes še ni poslalo imen in naslovov svojih članov. Dokler tega ne napravijo, nam je žal, ne bomo mogli lista pošiljati.

Nadalje obveščamo VSE društvene tajnike, naše potovalne in druge lokalne zastopnike, da od sedaj naprej lahko pritejejo tudi člani bivše SSPZ k naročnim na dnevnik Prosveto, in sicer prav tako, kakor je do-loženo za članstvo SNPJ.

Ob tej priliki priporočamo vsem članom, da se poslužijo spodnjega ku-pona, katerega izpolnijo, prilošite potrebno vsoto denarja, Money Order, in si naročite dnevnik Prosveto. List je vaša lastnina in je vaša dolžnost, da ga po možnosti podpirate.

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Urednikove pripombe

STARO LETO, NOVO LETO IN SNPJ

V težkem času, ko je treba za
hip pozabiti na običajne tradici-
je in sentimentalnosti, se poslav-
ljamo od starega leta in pozdrav-
ljamo novo.

Kaj je naša organizacija do-
živela v starem letu in kaj jo čaka
v novem?

V letu 1941 je SNPJ dosegla
lep napredek z združitvijo s
SSPZ. To je bil največji in naj-
važnejši dogodek za našo jedno-
to v tem zgodovinskem letu.

Naša jednota je z združitvijo s
SSPZ zelo porasla na članstvu in
premoženju—in ta pridobitev od-
tehta vse materialne in moralne
obligacije, ki jih je SNPJ pre-
vzela s to združitvijo in katerim
bo morala zadostiti.

Z združitvijo in člansko kam-
panjo v minulem letu je SNPJ
skoro dosegla rekord v številu
svojega članstva, ki ga je imela
ob prihodu velike depresije pred
okrog desetimi leti.

Število članov SNPJ v obeh
oddelkih je ob koncu starega le-
ta preseglo 60,000 in premo-
ženje jednote je naraslo na okrog
deset milijonov dolarjev.

To je lep rekord, lep uspeh, na
katerega smo lahko ponosni.

S člani SSPZ je naša jednota
pridobila mnogo novih aktivnih
članov, ki bodo v novem letu in
prihodnjih letih posvetili vse
svoje moči in zmožnosti za intere-
se naše jednote; nekaj teh novih
delavcev je v novem gl. od-
boru, nekaj jih pride v vodstvo
federacije SNPJ in mnogo jih je
v novih odborih združenih dru-
štev obeh organizacij, ki sta zdaj
ena organizacija. Nobenega dvo-
ma ni, da bo naša jednota veliko
profitirala od teh novih moči—
potrebno pa je, da naši stari čla-
ni iskreno kooperirajo z njimi.

Dalje je SNPJ pridobila okrog
60 mladinskih krožkov, ki so se
pri SSPZ imenovali vrteci. Tudi
tukaj je potrebno, da te krožke
obdržimo pri življenju, da jih
ojačimo in jim vlijemo svežega
navdušenja za plodovite aktiv-
nosti.

Združitevna konvencija, ki se
je vršila zadnje jesen v Pitts-
burghu, je začrtala naši jednoti
nove smerne, nova pota, ki na
vsak način vodijo do napredka
in še večjih uspehov, če bodo od-
govorni faktorji previdno vozili
po teh novih potih. Zlasti se to
tudi začrtanih aktivnosti naših
mladinskih krožkov in sploh
mlade generacije pri naši orga-
nizaciji.

To je ena stran slike.

Druga stran ni tako svetla.
Nije se splošno, Amerika je
danes v vojni in v vojno je bila
potegnjena z vsem ameriškim
življenjem vred tudi naša jed-
nota.

To je velik udarec, ki nas je
zadel na splošno vse v starem
letu.

Novo leto 1942 začenjamo v
znamenju največje vojne v zgo-
dovini—in od izida te stranske
vojne zavisi tudi bodočnost naše
jednote in sploh našega življenja
v Ameriki.

Veliko število naših mladih
članov je že v ameriški armadi
in mornarici in nihče ne ve, ko-
liko jih bo še. Morda bo na sto-
tine naših članov ubitih in delo-
ma trajno poškodovanih, kar bo
pomenilo velike žrtve za SNPJ.

Vse to nas lahko čaka—če bo
vojna trajala dve leti in dalj.
Nočemo biti pesimisti in najraje
gledamo v bodočnost v najsijaj-
nejši luči, ampak realnost nas
sili, da moramo biti pripravljeni
na vse, tudi na najslabše.

Pomislimo samo, kaj se je v
starem letu zgodilo v starem kra-
ju—zgodilo se je nekaj, česar
pred enim letom ni nihče pričak-
oval, vsekakor ne v takšni
strašni skrajnosti. Popolne slike
trpljenja naših rojakov v stari
domovini še danes nimamo; ve-
mo le toliko, da je na tisoče mrt-
vih in na stotine izgnanih na
tuje—domala vsi štajerski Slo-
vinci so nekam pregnani. V ti-
soč letih zgodovine našega nara-
da se kaj takega še ni zgodilo.

Kaj čaka te naše nesrečnike v
stari domovini v novem letu?
Ali jih čaka osvoboditev in po-
vrnitev domov—ali ne bodo nik-
dar dočakali tega, ker jih bo na-
cijski barbar prej umoril?

Težko se te misli in slutnje;
niso nič kaj praznične. Kljub
temu ne smemo obupati. Nikdar
ne smemo izgubiti upanja na
boljše čase—na zmago, in svo-
bodo!

Za vsako nočjo pride dan, za
vsako temo pride sonce, za vsa-
kim viharjem blagodejna sap-
ca.

Ko se tako poslavljamo od sta-
rega leta in s trdnimi upi zremo
na zagrni in od novega, je pravi-
lno, da se spomnimo naših sta-
rih delavcev, ki so dolga leta ga-
rali za SNPJ, toda v novem letu
jih ne bo več med nami.

Predvsem se moramo spom-
niti starega blagajnika Johna
Vogrčiča, ki je po dolgi in mučni
bolezni umrl pred nekaj dnevi,
ki pred božičnim praznikom.

John Vogrič se je trudil za našo
jednoto, ko je še ni bilo. To se
pravi, da je bil med pionirji,
ki so gradili temelj naši organi-
zaciji in kot tak, delaven in mar-
ljiv, kot glavni predsednik in kot
glavni blagajnik, je ostal do dne-
va, ko ga je bolezen vzel iz gl.
urada. Tih in miren značaj, toda
odločen, kadar koli je šlo za prin-
cipe svobodne misli in, socialnih
prav, takšen je bil naš John
Vogrčič do zadnjega diha. Časten
mu spomin med brati, katerim
je zvesto služil!

Drugi pionir, ki pa še živi—in
mi upamo, da bo živel še mnogo
let—kateri odhaja danes iz gl.
odborna SNPJ, je John Goršek iz
Springfielda, Ill. Tudi on je do-
lgo let služil članstvu naše jed-
note kot predsednik gl. porotnega
odseka in kolikor nam je znano,
je delil pravico bratom in se-
stram po svojih najboljših mo-
čeh. Marsikomu je ugodil in
marsikomu se je zameril, ampak
njemu ni bilo ne do prvega in ne
do drugega—on je hotel, da bo za
vse po pravih, in nič drugega.
Starost ga je prisilila, da je od-
ložil ta posel na zadnji konven-
ciji, prepustil ga je drugim.
Članstvo mu bo hvaležno za nje-
gove zasluge—in naj bodo te
akromne vrstice kot priznanje
Johnu Goršku, staremu marli-
vemu delavcu.

Se en pionir zapuša gl. odbor
SNPJ in to je John Terčelj iz
Strabana, Pa. Kakor br. Goršek,
tako je tudi br. Terčelj pustil
svoja najboljša leta na gram-
pam polju agitacije za našo jed-
noto, za Prosveto in za delavsko
stvar v splošnem. Tudi on je bil
dolga leta gl. porotnik in pred-
stavnik SNPJ pri neštetih prire-
ditvah v Pennsylvaniji. Zadnja
konvencija ga je upokojila kot
porotnika—ampak ni ga upokojila,
kakor ni Gorška, kot agita-
torja, ki ostane do svoje smrti.

Tudi br. Terčelj gre priznanje
za njegovo odbojniško delo in
članstvo mu bo nekega dne hval-
ležno, ko spozna, kako ogromno
je bilo delo, ki ga je Terčelj iz-
vršil zato, da bo jednota žive-
la. Naj tudi on živi še mnogo
let!

Tudi br. Terčelj gre priznanje
za njegovo odbojniško delo in
članstvo mu bo nekega dne hval-
ležno, ko spozna, kako ogromno
je bilo delo, ki ga je Terčelj iz-
vršil zato, da bo jednota žive-
la. Naj tudi on živi še mnogo
let!

Glasovi iz naselbin

V slovo prijatelja in sobratu
Johnu Vogriču

Chicago, Ill.—Neizprosnost smrti
je dne 19. decembra stegnila ro-
ko in vzela iz naše srednje nad-
vse priljubljenega in široko spošto-
vanega našega prijatelja in so-
brata Johna Vogriča, gl. blagaj-
nika SNPJ. Nekako pred tremi
leti je dobil lahko poškodbo na
levo koleno. Nesluteč kaj resne-
ga, je vedno ipal, da bo bolečina
že nekako prešla. Tako mi je
večkrat pripovedoval in se tola-
žil, ko je bila noga še prilično
močna. Ampak noga je postaja-
la vedno šibkejša kljub vsemu
njegovemu prizadevanju in
kljub najboljši zdravniški in do-
mači oskrbi. Usoda je potegnila
črto in Johnu se ni več vrnila
moč, da bi nogel premagati po-
sledice. Končno so se mu pri-
dužile še sotrzanje boleznij, ka-
terim je polegel.

Smrt brata Vogriča nas je
hudo pretresla. Za njim žaluje
mnogo prijateljev, ki so ga spo-
štovali in so mu bili najbližji po
delu in misli. Pogreša ga član-
stvo društva št. 131 SNPJ, ka-
tereza zveš član je bil mnogo
let, toda zvest nas tolaži, da
smo storili kaj kar je bilo sploh
mogoče v danih razmerah. Po-
greša ga tudi Slovenska nara-
dna podpora, jednota, kot vest-
nega in plemenitega večletnega
glavnega blagajnika. Najhujša
bol in izguba pa je za njegovo
družino, posebno za ženo Aloj-
zijo, katere mu je ves čas nje-
gove bolezni stregla, ga tolažila
in mu pomagala kar je bilo sploh
v njeni moči. Poleg nje zapuša
tri hčere: Ann, Rose in Eleanor,
ter sina Johna.

Brat Vogrič je živel zelo
zmerno in pošteno. Bil je blaga
duša in poln najlepših lastnosti.
Vedno je želel, da bi zavladal
trajen mir med narodi na svetu
in človeštvo živelo brez sovrašt-
va. Za svetovni položaj se je
zanimal do zadnje ure svojega
življenja. Slovensko narodno
podporno jednoto, pri kateri je
pustil največ svoje življenjske
energije, je imel pri srcu do za-
dnjega. Dragoceno je njegovo
delo pri jednoti, in to je njegov
spomenik!

Bil je pošten in vester ura-
dnik in bil je tudi skrben gos-
podar, mož in oče. Vzgojil je vzor-
no družino. V svojem življenju
ni bil naklonjen kakim posebnim
ceremonijam in imel je do-
stojen in veličasten pogreb. Nje-
gove želje na zadnji poti so bile
izpolnjene. S to iskrenostjo smo
se ob velikem številu članstva
in lepim vevenc poslovlili od njega.
Dokončal si svoje koristno delo,
brat Vogrič, in zapustil si nas,
toda v duhu ostane med nami!

Hudo nam je in težko te bomo
pogrešali. Blag ti spomin, dragi
John!

L. Gradišek, 131.

To in ono iz zapada

Walsenburg, Colo.—To pi-
šem v nedeljo, 21. dec. Še par
dni in boč bo tu. Ko pridejo
te vrstice pred čitatelje, bomo že
v novem letu. Nekako čudno
izgleda letošnji božič pri nas, ker
tukaj je še jesensko vreme (le
enkrat smo imeli par palcev sne-
ga) in na vrtu za hišo še vedno
cveto mačke. Takega vremena
še ne pomnimo v tej okolici.

Danes se nahajamo v kritič-
nem času vojne furijs. Koliko
časa bo trpelo to klanje, je tež-
ko reči. Namesto miru in sprave,
kot se poje o božiču, je pa to
klanje. Teško je človeku pri sr-
cu, ko odhaja mladenič k na-
boru in potem k vojakom v slu-
žbo Strica Sama. Tako je že tu-
di nekaj članov našega društva
299 SNPJ obleklo vojaško sukn-
jo, in sicer Pete Verbich, Ed
Kopini, Tom Vuković in Tom
Huttman.

Letna seja našega društva je
bila zelo dobro obiskana s strani
obejega spola, kakor tudi od
strani mladine. Bil sem zelo za-
dovoljen s to sejo, kajti vsi kot
eden smo se zavedali, v kakšnih
daših se nahajamo. Darovali
smo za Rdeči križ, kupili ob-
rambne bonde in dali vsakemu
izmed starih članov, ki so pri vo-
jakih, pet dolarjev za božično da-
rilo. Vem, da bodo fantje tega
veseli in se zavedali, da se jih
njih bratje in sestre spominjajo,
ako ne z drugim, pa vsaj z malim
božičnim darilom.

Seja je bila pri tako veliki u-
deležbi zelo stvarna in v odbor
smo izvolili sledeče: Predsednik
Ed Tomic, podpredsednik Ignac
Urban, tajnik George Stiglič,
blagajnik John Zorman, zapisni-
karica Mary Tomic, pred. nad-
zornega odbora Joe Zupančič,
pred. boln. odbora George Stig-
lič, zastopniki federacije so dru-
štveni odborniki, upravitelja
mladinskega krožka Ed in Mary
Tomic.

Po seji je bila prosta zabava,
seveda z "železno" dejmenov-
cem in sodavico. Slišal sem od
starejših članov, ki so se zelo po-
hvalno izrazili o seji, kar je na-
redilo dober vtis tudi na člane
bivše SSPZ, kajti to je bila naša
prva ali združitevna seja. U-
pam, da bomo sedaj vsi skupaj
delali za napredek društva in
jednote. To leto je bilo še pre-
cej pomembno za naše društvo,
kajti praznovali smo 25-letnico.
S ponosom tudi zapišem, da naš
društvo šteje okrog 175 čla-
nov v odraslem in 110 v mladins-
kem oddelku. Torej živelo dru-
štvo 299 SNPJ!

Prosim vse stare otroke, ki so
v našem mladinskem oddelku in
pri krožku, da jih opozore na ne-
deljo, 4. januarja, kajti ta dan
bomo skupno posetili gledališče
— "Sov"—točno ob 1:45 popol-
dne. In tudi starejših ne bomo
prezrili, za kar bom že jak s-
prezli in preskrbel vstopnice. Ne
pozabite, da ste prosti vstopnice.
To bo skupen poset članov SN-
PJ.

Naj omenim, da z mladinskim
krožkom dokaj dobro napredu-
jemo, za kar gre priznanje otro-
kom, posebno pa njihovim star-
šem. Skupni program treh krožkov,
ki se je vršil 14. dec. v šolski
dvorani v Delagui, nam bo ostal
v spominu. Ti krožki so št. 1 iz
Walsenburga, št. 20 iz Aguilar-
ja in št. 25 iz Delagui. Vsa tri
društva so lahko ponosna na
svoje krožke. Posebno prizna-
nje pa gre upravitelji krožka
20 Frances Kostirnikovi in Joevu
Prunku, upravitelju krožka 25,
ker se toliko trudita za napre-
dek njih krožkov. Upam in že-
lim, da bi dobili posnemalce tu-
di v drugih naših naselbinah po
zapadu. Dvojana je bila precej
napolnjena in med občinstvom
sem videl tudi Valencičeve in
Marinacove iz Trinidada.

Hvala društvom za koopera-
cijo, posebno pa društvu 201 v
Delagui za delo in skrb. Da bi
jednota imela še več takih od-
bornikov kot so pri tem društvu
in bil bi vedno napredek.
Ampak to je šele začetek. Na-
prej za SNPJ po naši načrtani
poti napredka!

Kaj pa čakajo ostala društva
SNPJ po zapadu glede ustanovit-
ve krožkov? Vprašajte se na pri-
hodnji seji.

Z novim letom pride novo de-
lo za SNPJ. Odbori so že več-
nomra izvoljeni in tisti, ki janu-
arja prejemate svoja odbojniška
mesta, je vaša prva dolžnost,
kako povečati vaše društvo z no-
vimi člani in kako ustanoviti
mladinski krožek pri vašem dru-
štvu, če je le kolikšna prilika.
Vprašajte sami sebe, ali ste bili
izvoljeni za predsednika samo
zato, da predsedujete sejam, pod-
pišete listine in to je vse. Ampak
to ne odgovarja napredku. Pri-
dite skupaj na seji, pa se va-
sam takoj muditi domov. Kakšen
prav: "Danes je bila pa fajn mi-
tenga — 15 minut pa smo bili
"finiš".

Tako se včasih sliši, kar pa ni
pravilno, kajti seje niso samo
zato, da pridemo skupaj, hitro
in površno izvršimo formalnosti,
potem pa domov ali kam dru-
gam. Seje so zato, da se medse-
bojno pogovorimo in preudari-
mo, ako je možno kaj dobrega
zaključiti za društvo in potem
izvršiti, predvsem pa, ako je
možna dobiti kakšnega novega
člana pri sosedu, pri novincu ali
kjerkoli. To je dolžnost in nalo-
ga predsednikov, ne pa, da zdr-
rajo s sejo, potem pa hitro do-
mov ali kam drugam. Isto dol-
žnost imajo podpredsedniki.

Društveni tajniki bi pa morali
biti poučeni o vsem in gledati za
napredek društva. Tajnik ni sa-
mo zato, da pobira aasment in
ga pošilja v glavni urad, marveč
je treba skrbeti za naraščanje
društva. Tako naj si mislijo vsi
ostali člani in kooperirajo z od-
borom.

Na našem žirnem zapadu je
precej društev SNPJ, sedaj pa
je z združitvijo SSPZ njih šte-
vilo še nekaj naraslo. Radi te-

ga prosim vse članstvo SNPJ po
zapadu, da greste takoj na delo
za nove člane. Če se ne motim,
je na zapadu okrog 150 društev
SNPJ. Ako se vsako društvo
potrudi in dobi v prihodnjem le-
tu vsaj pet novih članov, bo to
lep napredek. Storitve to uslugo
svoji organizaciji SNPJ, za kar
vam bom kot vaš reprezentant
v glavnem odboru zelo hvaležen.

Ne pozabite tudi, da imamo
list Prosveto. Priporočite jo
prijateljem, kajti kadar jo pri-
nejo čitati, potem ne bodo več
brez dnevnika Prosvete. Imamo
tudi Mladinski list za mladino,
katerega pa tudi starejši radi čit-
tajo.

Sedaj so razmere malo boljše
in upam, da ne bo samo pet no-
vih članov na vsako društvo,
ampak vedno in vedno več.
Končno voščim veselo in srečno
novo leto vsemu članstvu SNPJ.
Ed Tomic.

Seja za pomočno akcijo

Chicago, Ill.—Dne 1. decem-
bra so bila razposlana vsem chi-
kaškim društvom, klubom in
organizacijam vabila na sejo po-
stojanke št. 8 Jugoslovanskega
pomožnega odbora, slovenska
sekcija, ki se bo vršila v torek,
6. januarja 1942, v dvorani pod
slovensko cerkvijo sv. Stefana,
22nd Place in Wolcott Avenue.
Pozivajo se torej vsi tajniki in
tajnice, da izvoljene zastopnike
opozorijo na to sejo, ki se bo
pričela točno ob pol osmi uri
zvečer.

Ta seja se bo vršila brez ozi-
ra na to, da so se — imere pre-
drugečile vstopa Amerike
v vojno, ker to ni nikakoli politi-
čna organizacija in nima nič o-
pravka s tako imenovanim Slo-
venskim narodnim kongresom,
kateri je bil odložen na poznejši
čas. Toliko v naznanje vsem za-
stopnikom in zastopnicam in se
pozivljate, da se udeležite te se-
je. Vabljen je na to sejo tudi
vsak poedinec, ki se za to zani-
ma.

John Gottlieb, začasni tajnik.

Kako je pri društvu Orel

Pueblo, Colo.—Dne 12. dec. se
je vršila glavna seja društva
Orel 21 SNPJ, kateri so prislo-
stvali prvič po združenju čla-
ni prejšnjega društva Francisco
Ferrer SSPZ. Predsednik Orla
je pozval uradnike Ferrerja k
predsedniški mizi, kar je bilo ze-
lo umestno. Udeležba je bila
precejšnja, ampak s tolikimi čla-
ni kot jih ima društvo Orel, bi
morala biti napolnjena velika
dvorana, ne samo mala. Eden iz-
med vzrokov je, ker skoraj po-
lovica možkih dela počni, žens-
ke pa morajo ostati doma, ker
je nevarnost, da bi našle hišo
prazno, ko bi se vrnile domov,
kot se sliši ali pa kot čitamo v
naših lokalnih listih zadnje ča-
se.

Seja društva Orel je prestav-
ljena z drugega petka zvečer na
drugo soboto v mesecu ob pol
osmih zvečer. Vzrok je, ker je
večina delavcev doma ob sobo-
tah. Volitev odbora se je izvr-
šila mirno, brez prerekanja, kar
je hvalevredno. Za predsednika
je bil ponovno izvoljen Frank
Starc, prijazen fant, ki je do-
kazal, da je kos svoji nalogi.
Podpredsedništvo je prevzel
John Stonich. Prav tako je
Frank Pechnik dokazal s svo-
jim sodelovanjem zadnjih osem
let, da je eden izmed najboljših
tajnikov, kar jih je imelo društvo
Orel. Zato smo mu pripeli to
"šaržo" tudi še za naprej. Za bla-
gajnika je bil izvoljen Charles
Telc, prejšnji tajnik društva SS-
PZ. Mike Gabrijan je dokazal,
da je dober zapisnikar in bil za-
to ponovno izvoljen. V nadzor-
ni odbor pa so bili izvoljeni
John Petric, večletni tajnik dru-
štva Francisco Ferrer, Martin
Krašovec in Tončka Klun, ki se
precej razume na račune.

Da se člani društva bolj in
bližje spoznajo z brati in se-
strami od bivše SSPZ, je bilo
sklenjeno, da se v ta namen vrši
plesna zabava v Narodnem do-
mu v nedeljo, 11. jan., ob osmih
zvečer. Na to zabavo so vablje-
ni vsi člani in njih družine. Ker
se vsakdo najbolje počuti v kro-
gu svojih zvrancev, naj vsakdo
pripelje s seboj svoje prijatelje,
če so člani društva ali ne. Da se
pokrijejo stroški vsaj nekoliko,
se bo računala vstopnina 20c za
moške in 15c za ženske in dva
centa davka.

Kaj pa naši walsenburški
bratje in sestre? Zelo bi nas ve-

selilo, če bi se odzvali našemu
vabilu in prišli v čim večjem
številu na našo zabavo, da bi se
v našem krogu pozabavali in za-
par ur pozabili razburljivo sada-
njost, v kateri se nahajamo. Ve-
seli bomo, če nas obišče kdor
more iz Canon Cityja in Colo-
rado Springsa. Ne objubljam
velikega orkestra, pač pa enega
naših najboljših harmonikarjev,
ker to je bolj domača zadeva.

Društvo Orel apelira na vse,
da se snidemo 11. jan. zvečer v
Narodnem domu in s tem poka-
žemo, da smo bratje in sestre
ne samo po imenu, ampak tudi
po srcu.—Za veselčni odbor—
Rose Radovich.

O starostni pomoči

Manfield, O.—Pazno zasle-
dujem vse dopise v Prosveti, po-
sebnost pa glede pomoči starim
članom. Jaz mislim, da noben
član ne zahteva penzije, če mu je
jednota in članstvo pri srcu, ker
po mojem mnenju bi morali zvi-
šati aasment najmanj 25c na
mesec, ampak aasment je že se-
daj dovolj visok.

Jaz svetujem, ko je član 30 let
v jednoti in skozi vso to dobo pla-
čuje v smrtinski sklad, naj bi
se mu aasment opustil v ta
sklad, v ostale sklade bi pa mo-
ra plačevati. Po mojem mne-
nju bi bilo to dovolj ugodno za
stare člane in bi ne bilo treba
povišati aasmenta. To je moje
priporočilo in bi prosil, da bi se
še kdo oglašil k temu.

Joseph Keck, 238.

Opomba uredništva: Kar vi
svetujete, je 30-letno dosmrtnin-
sko zavarovanje, za kar pa bi bil
potreben dokaj višji aasment v
smrtinski sklad, sploh nova le-
stevica in nov certifikat. Jednota
ima že več let 20-letno smrtin-
sko zavarovanje in kdor hoče, se
ga lahko posluži.

Napredne Slovenke

Cleveland, Ohio.—Ko bodo čla-
nice čitale ta dopis, se bo pisalo
že leto 1942, pred katerim se bo
zdržnila marsikatera mati in že-
na ob misli, kaj nam bo prineslo
to leto, ki nam nič dobrega ne
obeta. Priučiti se bomo morali
marsikateri nevšečnosti in spo-
rijaznosti z vsemi nepravilnostmi,
ki nam jih more nuditi vojni čas.
In po mojem mišljenju nas še
zdaleka ne more doseči tak vojni
kaos, kakršnemu so bili in so še
priča naši dragi v domovini.
Mi upamo biti na vsak način na
boljšem stališču, ker smo v de-
mokratični državi. Naj bo torej
moje novoletno voščilo izraženo
z običajno željo: Bilo to leto za
vse in za vsako izmed nas srečno!

Kot izgleda, so se naše članice
že tako privadile staremu dru-
štvenemu odboru, da pri vsakih
letnih volitvah zakričijo eno-
glasno: "Vse po starem!" In pri
tem tudi vztrajajo. Tako se je
tudi zgodilo, da je ostal ves iz-
vršni odbor neizpremenjen. Za
klub društve SND nas bo zastop-
ala Frances Spick, za prosvetni
klub SND Ursula Mulej, za Can-
karjevo ustanovo in federacijo
SNPJ Jos. Tratinik, za farmarski
odbor Maggie Tancek, na kon-
ferenci SND pa Frances Can-
don.

Nad minulim letom se ne bi
imeli prav nič pritoževati, ako
nam ne bi smrt ugrabila kar
šest priljubljenih članic. Nado-
mestilo za te bo seveda prišlo iz
mladinskega oddelka. Na račun
združenja s SSPZ bomo izgubile
tudi neko število članic. Treba
bo gledati, da si pridobimo no-
vih. Za pridne agitatorje je še
vedno prilika, toda treba se je
potruditi.

Gotovo bo vesel farmarski od-
bor clevelandskih društev SN-
PJ, ker smo postale stoodstotno
članice teh pikniških prostorov.
V ta namen smo plačale dolar za
vsako članico. To bo pomagalo,
da se bo naša farma vedno bolj
modernizirala.

Glavna društvena prireditev
tega leta se bo vršila prvo
sobotno po novem letu, kar bo 3.
januarja. Prejšnje čase smo
imeli več veselja, a danes ni mo-
goče dobiti dvorane na razpolo-
go kot bi želele, zato se moramo
omejit na edino prireditev, ki
pade vedno na prvo soboto v ja-
nuarju.

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Problemi starostne podpore

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II.

Ko govorimo o starostni podpori, naletimo mnogokrat na člana, ki se sklicuje na dejstvo, da je bilva SSPZ že imela starostni sklad, torej, če ga je znala upeljati toliko manjša organizacija, čemu ga ni bil jednota, ki je bila pred združenjem petkrat toliko. Onim, ki niso imeli prilike proučiti razvoja zveznega sklada, bodo sledeči podatki pripomogli, da bodo lažje razumeli, s čim imamo opraviti pri jednoti.

Pri bivši Slovenski svobodnomiselni podporni zvezi je bil "starostni sklad" ustanovljen na konvenciji v Indianapolisu leta 1928 kot samostojen podporni sklad, kojega obstoj tedaj ni ovirala nobena postava ali zavarovalni oddelek kake države, kjer je zveza povalovala.

(Ilinoiški zavarovalniški oddelek si sedaj tolmači zakonik, da starostno zavarovanje ni dovoljeno v smislu postav države Illinois, izvzemši, ako kaka organizacija upelje takozvano "doživljeno" zavarovanje (annuity), ki je izplačljivo na mesečne obroke do smrti, potem ko je kdo dosegel predpisano starost in plačeval v sklad zahtevano število let po gotovi "annuity" lestevici. Primeru za tako zavarovanje je podal gl. tajnik Vider v Prosveti z dne 17. decembra, vsled česar ni treba ponavljanja. Dostavim nam le, da naši ostareli delavci, ki bi sedaj želeli prejemati tak penzijo, nikoli ne bi zmogli plačevanja zahtevanih prispevkov, ako bi tudi jednota pred leti upeljala tako zavarovanje. Država Illinois sedaj dopušča izplačevati le "izredno" podporo ostarelim članom, ki ima sleteti popolnoma na dobrodelnem in prostovoljnem temelju.)

Da krije nove obilicije, je bilva SSPZ zvežala vsem članom assement za 36 mesecev, v pričetku 1. januarja 1929. Tedaj je vladala v Združenih državah največja "prosperiteta", razen pri naših premogarih, in za eno leto na mesec se ni gledalo. Do mesečne podpore DVAJSETIH DOLARJEV so imeli biti upravičeni vsi člani, fizično in finančno izčrpani, seveda, ki so dosegli starost 60 let in bili člani zveze 15 let, in sicer takoj, ko se v skladu nabere rezerva \$10,000. Ta rezerva je imela biti nedotakljiva, dokler sklad obstaja.

Podpora se je pričela izplačevati leta 1930 na podlagi priporočil lokalnih društev in po odobritvi vsake prošnje od strani gl. odbora. Toda po kratkem prakticiranju načrta se je pokazalo, da mesečni dohodki niso krili izdatkov, in ako bi se podpora ne omejila, bi se rezerva začela zmanjševati. Toda resnici na ljubo naj bo tudi povedano, da je tem težavam pripomogla tudi "pasivnost", katero so spravili v pravila tedanji stavkajoči premogari—delegati. Nad eno četrtino članov in članic je postalo pasivnih, in ti so prenehali prispevati tudi v starostni sklad. Podpora je bilo potreba znižati na \$10,00. Pa tudi ta redukcija ni rešila položaja, kajti nastalo je drugo vprašanje: bratstvo ali enakopravnost?

Ali je bil zvežen način delitve podpore enakopraven napram onim članom, ki so bili člani organizacije isto število let, ki so bili istakotiki stari nad 60 let, toda ker so bili toliko srečni, da niso bili fizično in finančno izčrpani in niso bili deležni iste? Prispevati pa so morali vseeno, ker so verovali v bratstvo in enakopravnost. Glavni point v tem argumentu je seveda bil, da so morali ti člani v starosti delati pokoro za "greh", ker niso v mladosti vsega zapravili; ker so si ohranili zdravje in premoženje, ker so vzgojili sinove in hčere, od katerih bi v potrebi lahko bili odvisni, toda pri organizaciji sedaj "ne štejejo". Upravičeni pa znajo biti do podpore le oni, ki so v mladih letih vse zabunkali, ki si niso ničesar prihranili, ki so se mogoče po svoji krivdi izgubili iz zdrave človeške družbe, toda v starosti pa naj bi za te "čednosti" dobili nagrado v obliki mesečne podpore na račun VSEH članov. Je li to enakopravnost? Konvencija SSPZ je v Pittsburghu leta 1932 (tedaj se je manj "kadilo") priznala enakopravnost vsem članom in delila podporo po tem geslu. Toda zvišati je bilo treba starost, kajti 60-letnikov je bilo preveč, podporo pa znižati. To se je zgodilo pred in po konvenciji leta 1936, ko je starost poskočila na 65 let, podporo pa se sklenilo iz \$10 na \$6 in celo \$3 v slučajih, kjer člani niso bili zavarovani za bolniško podporo. Poleg rednega assementa pa je starostni sklad prejel iz bolniškega sklada ves assement v znesku \$9,00 letno od vsakega prizadetega člana na starostni podpori, ter še nadaljnjih \$31,00 na leto za vsak tak slučaj. Ti vsoti skupaj sta tvorili letni narastek v bolniški kreditni lestevici. Ker člani niso bili upravičeni do bolniške podpore, se je "čisti" kredit prenašal v starostni sklad. Na ta način se je sklad vzdrževal in obdržal ne samo rezervo \$10,000, temveč se je ista celo zvišala nad \$14,000.

Leta 1937 pa je država Illinois uvedla nov zavarovalni zakonik ali "code", in po tej postavi ni bila priznana nobena podpora, ako ni bila v smislu kake priznane lestvice garantirana vsem onim, ki so plačevali za tako podporo. Da je Zveza mogla obdržati svoj starostni sklad, ga je združila z dobrodelnim skladom, iz katerega se je delila "izredna podpora", zvišala prispevke iz 5 centov na 7 centov, mesečno, ter tako nadaljevala izplačevanje "penzija" za kot popolnoma dobrodelno podporo. Zveza je torej imela "vir" za dohodek starostnega sklada vseh 11 let skladovega obstanka, in skušnja je pomagala ugotoviti vso, ki so bile na razpolago ostarelim članom. Toda ali bi ta sklad izhajal tudi v bodoče? Brez nadaljnjih omejitev—ne! Starost bi bilo treba zvišati na 70 let, opet odpraviti "enakopravnost" in deliti podporo le najpotrebnejšim, sicer bi se rezerva izčrpala in z rezervo—vsa taka podpora. To je torej zgodovina starostne podpore bivše SSPZ. Mnogi člani in članice je ne bodo nikoli pozabili, kajti prejeli so več iz tega sklada kot pa znaša njih posmrtnina.

Ali ima jednota vir za starostno podporo? Ne! Sklad izrednih podpor ima še sedaj določene obveznosti. In za koliko se bodo te obveznosti povzdale radi nove vojne, je težko sedaj določiti. O povzemanju pa nimam dvoma. Ne smemo se tudi zanašati—in varati samega sebe,—da bi smeli črpati druge sklade za te svrhe. Vsek sklad ima svoje obveznosti na podlagi zakonov države in pravil organizacije, in prevoženje takih skladov—smrtninskega, bolniškega, poškodninskega itd.—spada skupno članom, ki so v njih zavarovani, in ne nobenemu posameznemu članu ali skupini članov. Če ima smrtninski sklad nadzerno ali "surplus", spada ta nadzerna proporcionalno vsem članom na podlagi članske dobe, načina smrtninskega zavarovanja, plačilne starosti in vsote zavarovalnine. Porabiti se sme le za te določene namene in za ničesar drugega. Ako bi se ta nadzerna hotela rabiti za starostno podporo, kot je bilo že večkrat in od več strani predlagano, tedaj bi se moral absolutno vsak član odpovedati od svojega deleža po pismeni odpovedi (waiver), in še tedaj bi dotični "dohodek" ne koristil za dolgo časa. In če bi se kaj takega resnično zgodilo, kakšno bodočnost pa naj jednota pričakuje? Če bi novim članom metali vrvi za vrat, pa bi jih še ne "privabili" v našo sredjo!

Ali je kak drug izhod? Da! Samo eden! Zvišanje assementa v sklad izrednih podpor brespopojno za vse člana. Ako smo pripravljeni potegovati se za starostno podporo, moramo biti tudi pripravljeni plačevati v ta namen. Je li članstvo pripravljeno to storiti? Konvencija je neovrgljivo dokazala, da se mladina ne boji tega bremena. Nasprotno pa je ista konvencija pokazala, da so stari člani delali največ opozicije glede starostne podpore in so bili instrumentalni, da je prvotna resolucija bila ovržena. Vzrok za to sem omenil zadnjič. Nekoliko nas je po nasledjo na prigovarjanje, češ, naj članstvo samo odloči, ako hoče višji assement. Po konvenciji se je mnenje o tem marsikateremu izčistilo.—Drugo sredo bomo pa nekoliko računali.—(Še sledi.)

RAČUN MED DRUŠTVI IN JEDNOTO

mesece novembra 1941

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

November, 1941

Lodge No.	Odrasli člani		mladi člani	
	Adult	Juvs	Adult	Juvs
1	\$ 441.20	10.20	194.00	
2	399.28	12.28	150.00	
3	280.49	16.88	170.00	
4	130.71	1.50	134.00	
5	1,406.27	24.98	1,000.00	
6	228.27	2.56	37.00	
7	277.17	6.26	87.50	
8	470.90	27.00	17.50	
9	194.40	2.80	64.00	
10	753.62	18.30	172.00	600.00
11	26.70		14.00	
12	264.37	3.80	84.50	
13	268.71	11.30	145.00	
14	552.69	16.50	206.00	
15	24.22	.36	9.00	
16	622.49	15.18	690.00	
17	381.23	9.86	87.00	
18	103.01	3.16	5.00	
19	320.14	1.25	1,127.00	
20	536.01	20.13	208.00	
21	173.55	7.10	51.00	
22	82.45	2.44		
23	146.88	5.94	65.00	
24	53.72	.80		
25	126.77	3.40	131.00	
26	126.77	20.14	134.00	
27	121.90	4.28	78.00	
28	156.60	10.40	30.00	
29	19.49			
30	268.93	8.10	28.00	
31	419.92	11.54	114.00	
32	205.35	5.14	86.00	
33	70.69	1.00	427.00	
34	130.86	3.98	75.00	
35	262.23	9.12	120.00	
36	127.20	1.48	52.00	
37	142.08	4.66	31.00	
38	110.25	1.22	36.00	
39	197.38	5.82	28.00	
40	180.05	5.00	30.00	
41	47.13	2.50		
42	344.06	6.80	39.00	
43	207.29	8.12		
44	275.65	7.25	72.50	
45	104.62	2.70	32.00	
46	126.45	2.82		
47	431.77	7.68	131.00	
48	1,275.81	40.79	249.50	
49	106.93	8.54	684.00	
50	88.12	4.42	69.00	
51	260.33	10.20	177.00	
52	137.41	4.98	157.00	
53	23.04	.40		
54	162.98	3.50	13.50	
55	200.99	11.70	54.00	
56	145.17	7.20	29.00	
57	160.34	3.48	664.00	
58	123.81	15.02	30.00	
59	226.33	3.68	125.00	
60	178.16	2.20	19.00	
61	107.66	2.44	48.00	
62	12.38		21.00	
63	52.58	1.80		
64	621.30	11.51	120.00	
65	40.42	7.4	53.50	
66	41.25	.20		
67	56.90	1.00		
68	40.22	.38		
69	209.97	1.64	180.00	
70	275.65	1.14	20.00	
71	95.21	4.01	650.50	
72	156.84	8.2	204.00	
73	72.19	1.68		
74	160.97	2.22	1,012.00	
75	421.81	11.98	38.00	
76	127.44	2.40	142.50	
77	50.59			
78	108.11	11.20	52.00	
79	275.65	4.74	28.50	
80	254.54	5.70	708.50	
81	58.56	6.78	487.50	
82	338.64	22.50	33.00	
83	147.16	4.90		
84	134.63	1.82		
85	172.84	1.98		
86	72.42	.61		
87	107.72	2.80		
88	264.79	7.51	55.00	
89	200.97	4.28	155.50	
90	197.78	4.94	60.00	
91	414.28	10.04	1,875.50	
92	70.08	2.50		
93	123.84	5.92	30.00	
94	286.02	5.20	95.00	
95	200.70	15.42	315.00	
96	420.25	3.92	115.00	
97	215.22	4.06	30.00	
98	171.09	1.20	90.50	
99	736.49	11.94	305.50	
100	153.40	3.28	100.00	
101	112.85	4.00	142.00	
102	84.06	1.04		
103	154.70	2.80	90.00	
104	262.85	15.52	91.50	
105	82.67	7.70		
106	264.79	4.92	690.00	
107	680.62	22.24	122.50	
108	223.91	7.70	97.00	
109	300.30	11.82	1,005.00	
110	411.36	9.00	1,153.00	
111	287.40	15.38	140.00	
112	46.90	1.20	26.00	
113	212.49	14.72	100.00	
114	125.32	3.22	162.00	
115	820.44	18.45	231.00	
116	5.30			
117	326.38	9.70	128.00	
118	349.41	11.00	80.00	
119	316.05	9.22	102.00	
120	279.86	5.64	50.00	
121	174.57	7.40	74.00	
122	129.42	2.20	80.00	
123	11.28			
124	680.62	20.40	2,223.00	
125	88.15	30.40	302.00	
126	197.09	6.08	14.00	
127	96.97	.50		
128	140.91	94	124.00	
129	1,218.51	36.18	2,063.50	
130	125.52	5.48	220.00	

VPLAČILA

St. dr. Lodge No.

IZPLAČILA

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Receipts Disbursements

Adult Juvenile Adult Juvenile

153	145.51	2.90	12.00
154	4 52.54	2.82	12.00
155	22.99		
156	203.31	18.76	5.00
161	120.93	3.28	90.00
162	65.79	1.84	28.00
163	78.00	1.68	43.00
165	90.45	2.60	129.00
166	102.61	2.76	15.00
167	77.28	2.24	28.00
168	246.70	12.40	705.00
169	85.39	6.46	
170	81.99	4.74	28.00
171	119.17	2.04	79.00
172	115.13	3.22	28.00
173	281.78	2.98	600.00
174	215.74	7.28	272.00
176	197.67		
177	178.00	6.00	785.00
178	65.79	2.04	24.00
180	27.72	.40	
182	248.00	3.96	77.00
183	114.73	2.26	
184	26.74	.40	600.00
185	49.31	.86	14.00
187	69.41	1.22	85.00
188	92.45	1.90	
189	129.14	2.06	130.00
190	204.13	10.04	743.00
191	86.30	3.98	
192	199.71	7.04	59.00
193	64.18	.50	
194	82.73	.80	95.50
197	127.63	4.48	22.00
198	291.80	10.20	25.00
199	82.69	4.26	78.00
201	188.36	5.26	
202	122.84	27.24	
203	69.51	5.08	23.00
203	116.88	1.52	42.50
204	248.13	10.00	127.50
205	209.20	5.74	56.50
206	70.27	1.02	27.50
207	244.26	12.18	229.00
208	44.89	.58	
209	206.73	9.40	
210	82.73	9.40	53.52
211	23.67	.95	5.00
212	53.52	1.70	26.00
213	99.43	1.84	97.00
214	99.85	1.88	679.50
215	102.14	2.22	49.00
216	226.41	3.28	28.00
217	43.29	2.28	
218	248.29	18.26	5.00
219	54.75	.22	26.00
221	75.72	2.24	
222	24.24	2.84	14.00
223	217.60	12.28	102.00
224	46.73	2.72	28.00
225	178.14	4.80	17.00
226	62.91	1.26	
227	24.82	.90	20.00
228	267.70	2.04	1,108.00
229	87.10	.22	
231	69.72	7.72	
232	126.60	1.42	24.50
233	29.46	1.88	
234	217.61	4.48	29.00
235	69.47	2.24	52.00
236	147.24	2.40	26.00
237	62.24	.24	
238	112.96	1.12	8.50
239	62.12	11.22	
240	146.43	4.88	
241	175.21	4.86	56.00
242	55.32	1.02	24.00
243	75.48	2.00	261.00
244	109.08	5.88	
245	128.72	7.26	
246	205.99	9.24	128.50
248	26.72	2.28	
249	112.96	11.22	62.00
254	269.00	12.50	1,267.50
257	192.54	2.24	28.00
258	114.08	4.88	
259	102.24	2.28	107.00
261	94.25	.50	
262	200.25	9.22	45.00
263	76.20	2.24	117.00
264	221.26	6.60	62.00
265	146.21	7.88	21.50
266	106.85	7.92	
267	150.23	29.07	26.50
268	267.76	7.78	24.00
269	128.00	5.10	42.00
270	194.00	2.24	22.00
271	284.50	2.28	202.50
272	124.69	18.42	97.00
274	91.43	2.64	27.00
275	197.24	5.78	21.50
276	99.56	5.88	48.00
277	164.28	9.42	25.00
278	197.19	19.24	
279	64.24	2.12	
280	87.25	2.22	
281	26.27	1.24	126.00
282	122.26	2.24	14.00
283	51.26	18.12	
284	4.26	.22	25.00
285	58.25	16.48	250.00
286	102.29	19.28	27.00
287	204.15	16.42	127.00
288	167.04	7.22	24.50
289	279.71	17.70	120.00
290	128.15	5.48	20.00
291	29.28	2.60	
292	267.61	12.88	92.50
293	22.26		
294	4.60		
295	154.23	5.20	27.00
296	220.66	6.24	1,000.00
297	247.20	11.10	688.00
298	128.15	4.28	25.00
299	278.58	21.20	227.00
300	205.43	20.28	25.00
301	21.42	.60	
302	22.67		
303	49.97	4.28	219.00
305	67.04	2.10	

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Our Duty and Responsibility in 1942

We are on the threshold of a new year, facing new problems and responsibilities of tremendous importance created by the present war.

We must be aware that the first and most important job of the country and its citizens is to win the war.

And the first step toward victory is the creation of a war machine which will make this possible by defeating the Axis powers.

This is our first consideration above everything else.

The people of America already understand that this war we are fighting is a people's war and the army we are raising is our own people's army to fight for and protect the things we cherish.

It is the duty of each and everyone of us to help our country crush the ruthless aggressors.

This is America's main objective in her war effort.

Next in importance to all our members is the Slovene National Benefit Society, and all its institutions, which we must endeavor to make stronger and larger by applying its democratic principles to the fullest measure possible.

We must place our Society next in importance only to the all-important defense efforts, subordinating all other considerations.

It goes without saying that the SNPJ publications will carry on the educational program of freethought and democracy as laid down in our Society's constitution and by-laws.

Also, we will continue the policy set by the last convention by helping all bona fide labor unions in the hope of eventually bringing all labor into one great labor union.

We will also continue to support our worthy cultural and co-operative organizations.

With the first major 1942 SNPJ event—the 9th annual national SNPJ duckpin tournament—successfully concluded, our Society will promote a number of major and minor annual events in various large and small communities.

Of interest particularly to our younger generation will be such events as the Ninth Annual National SNPJ Bowling Tournament in Milwaukee the latter part of April. Earlier in the season there will be several sectional bowling tournaments.

Then will come a series of our annual SNPJ Day celebrations in the East and West. First on the list is the one observed by the Kansas SNPJ Federation, which is the oldest federation of SNPJ lodges in our organization.

This is followed by the Pennsylvania SNPJ Day event, the Ohio SNPJ Day celebration, the Colorado-New Mexico observance, and finally, the National SNPJ Day affair on Labor day.

For 1942, an extensive membership campaign is being planned by the SNPJ, the rules and particulars to be worked out by the Supreme Board at its annual session in February.

Also, in 1942, our Juvenile Circles are due to receive greater consideration according to convention plans. Various new features will be put into operation and an effort will be made to put the Circles on a more solid foundation.

Let us resolve to make 1942 a victory year for our country, and let us also resolve to make it another banner year for our Society!

FLASHES

By DONALD J. LOTRICH

CHICAGO, ILL.—These lines will see print on the last day of 1941, a year which brought about many changes and a year of many horrors. The new year holds no better promises. There will be changes, new horrors and new problems brought about by the changing times.

We in the SNPJ must be alert and prepared to take advantage of every opportunity to promote our common interests and to improve our services and conditions so as to benefit an ever greater number of our people. Above all, we must know the real causes for our ever pressing problems and tackle them in the proper way and spirit. We hope for good health and happiness for all our SNPJers in the new year.

Mary Kocine was very seriously injured Christmas eve. While riding home from work in an automobile, another car struck the car in which she was riding and she was made unconscious for many hours. From Los Angeles, California, Mike Reading writes to tell us about their blackouts and the confusion which arises from such drills. He tells us that the people are not as fearful there as the newspapers would make us believe.

Mike Sojka has returned to Chi-

Attention, Members of SNPJ Lodge No. 41

IRWIN, PA.—Notice to all members of SNPJ lodge 41. Beginning with the month of January, 1942, and continuing through February and March, all members, except those in military service, will be assessed as follows: All members insured in the sick benefit class will pay 15c more along with their regular assessment for three months, and all those members insured for death benefit only will pay 10c for three months.

WM. BOHINCE, Sec'y.

cago on a ten day leave. He is stationed at Cape Cod, Mass., and is in the Coast Guard service, which is now a part of the U. S. Navy. Henry Zonta, too, has come home on a furlough. He is with the 33rd Division, Field Artillery, at Camp Forrest, Tennessee. And, Larry Gradisek has come from Fort Brady, Michigan, for a short visit again, his second in 2 months.—Thirteen Pioneers have thus far joined the service. We wish them every luck.

Pioneer juvenile members who have not received their Christmas gifts should bring or send in the tickets to the lodge Secretary so that we can get the gifts for them. However, be sure you turn in your tickets by January 21.

Last week a lot of people paid their last respects to our friend and member, Brother John Vogrich Sr., Supreme Treasurer of the SNPJ, who died on Dec. 19. The funeral took place December 22, and he was buried at the Woodlawn Memorial Park where the SNPJ Federation has its special SNPJ section. In all these years, we have learned to know Brother Vogrich intimately and we know that he was the type of a soul whose main desire was to help his fellow men. In his death, the family lost a good provider and the SNPJ a staunch supporter. All four of Brother Vogrich's children are members of the SNPJ, three of whom are members of the Pioneer lodge. To them and to the bereaved widow, we extend our sympathies.

Entry blanks for the Midwest Bowling Tournament which is to be held in La Salle, Ill., on February 7 and 8, have been received and the blanks placed in the hands of our bowling committee. Pioneers should start thinking about entering teams in the tournament. The trip to La Salle is a nice one and we can make it a pleasure trip as well as a business trip. See John Alie or Leo K.

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Little Fort Lodge News

WAUKEGAN, ILL.—Bowling highlights: Much competition prevailed Sunday afternoon when the SNPJ League bowled. It was "turkey day"—two lucky persons would each win a turkey. With each bowler trying his hardest to win, there was stiff competition for Marge Gerzel and Eddie Laben—the winners!

Don't forget the Midwest Bowling Tournament to be held in La Salle in February. Although Little Fort Lodge is sponsoring only two teams, it appears that more teams are going on their own hook-up.

Friends and relatives gathered on Christmas Day to witness the marriage of two well-known Little Fort members—Frances Gregorin and Frank Jebb. And the past Saturday, this couple were given a party to celebrate their marriage. Seen in attendance were many Pioneers and Badgers. All reported a very enjoyable time and thank the Gregorin and Jebb families for their hospitality.

A toast to the New Year: May good health, happiness and peace prevail throughout the world in the coming year!

MILLIE SIMCIC, 568.

Strabane Pioneers

STRABANE, PA.—True to expectations, the Strabane Pioneers' 15th annual Christmas Dance was a huge success.

The Pioneers wish to express their thanks to all those lodges attending and helping make our yule dance the success it was. We took a good glance at the crowd and from their beaming faces, we know everyone had a really good time.

All Pioneer members are urged to attend our next monthly meeting on Sunday, Jan. 4, at the SNPJ Hall at 2 p. m. Installation of officers, report of our Kmas dance and more news of the merger of the local SSPZ and the Pioneers are important business on the docket. Also the monthly award of nine dollars will be given to the member whose name is called at the meeting. A fine attendance of members is requested at this meeting.

On Saturday, Jan. 3, the Postojnska Jama Slovene Social Club is holding an affair for its members. There will be dancing in the ballroom to Jack Martinic and his band while downstairs in the social room, refreshments will be served. This is the Social Club's annual treat for its members.

The Pioneers wish to all SNPJ members and their friends a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

PUB. COMM., Lodge 589.

Veronians' Corner

VERONA, PA.—Well, here I am writing my first report to the Proslovet. Being my first, there are bound to be many mistakes, but I know that you all will overlook them.

The annual meeting has just been completed and the following have been elected to office: Elmer Elfer, pres.; Larry Cassol, vice pres.; Martin Vrabec, sec'y; Anna Leplesky, rec. sec'y; Adna Gaskey, treas.

Many things were discussed which are of importance to all members. I will not have time to tell about it in this report, but will do so in the next.

The Veronians are planning to attend many social gatherings this winter. (Please note.) We are having a President's Ball on Jan. 24 in Oakmont, featuring our good friend Tuffy. Those who have danced to his orchestra know that he is very good and a good time can be had by all who attend.

We are having our first social Sunday, January 4. Music will be furnished by a recording machine, until an orchestra can be obtained. Please try and make this first social a success. So long from your new reporter.

MARY ELLEN MEHLICH, Lodge 680.

Wake Up, Americans!

Wake up, Americans! Make America's answer roar out over the world. Every citizen must back the United States Army and Navy to victory—back them with work and money.

Do your part: Buy United States Defense Bonds and Stamps at your post office, bank, or savings and loan association. Get Defense Stamps at your retail store or from the carrier boy of this newspaper.

SNPJ Wolverines

DETROIT, MICH.—The Wolverine lodge meeting held Dec. 21 was well attended and a grand success. The following officers were elected to lead the Wolverines for the year of 1942:

Henry Rupert, President; Josephine Klarich, Vice President; Rudy Bernick, Financial Secretary; Dan Obed, Treasurer, and Sis. E. Steffler, Recording Secretary.

To the retiring officers, Anthony Steffler, Toni Bogatay, and Anne Stgmar, the entire Wolverine membership extend a hearty thanks for the swell job you three have done in leading the Wolverines in 1941.

Wolverine Bowling Bits: In the Class A team standings the Wolverine Wolves are in second place with 33 won and 19 games lost; the Wolverine Growlers are in 7th place with 23 won and 29 lost, and the Wolverine Bernicks are in 11th place with 19 won and 33 lost.

High individual one game is T. Golear with 255. High team 3 games holding 4th place with 2806 are the Wolverine Bernicks. High individual 3 games is Larry Bernick holding 4th place with 849.

The following are the first best 10 Wolverine bowling averages in the league: Larry Bernick 185, Al Maccani 177, A. Golear 177, A. Bernick 172, F. Bernick 169, L. Bernick 167, T. Steffler 165, A. Klarich 159 and R. Bernick 159. Al Maccani came thru with the best 3 game score of 611 in last week's play.

In the Girls' League the Wolverine Girls No. 1 are holding 1st place with 28 games won and 11 lost, and the Wolverine Girls No. 2 are in 7th place with 19 won and 20 lost. The best Wolverine girl bowlers are C. Benedict 141, A. Bogatay 139, A. Padar 136, H. Martinic 133, D. Bozich 126 and M. Golear 125.

In the Class B Men's League the Wolverine Challengers are in 6th place, Wolverine Caboose 4th place, Wolverine Bachelors in 17th place. Joe Carme still leads with a high game of 240. The best averages in the B league are Ed Widmar 165, F. Sternik 162, F. Stih 155, J. Cerne 153 and F. Kern 151. Also the Carson Buicks a team made up of all Wolverine members, are now in 1st place in the Palmer Park house league.

Friendly Views: The Wolverine-Young American combined dance was a grand success. Of the many out-of-town SNPJers that could be seen in the crowd were Steffie Matozel, Dot Miller, Mary Aphak, with Ed and Mickey all of Barborton Buckeyes. From Chicago came Luka Grosner and Lefty Lotrich, and from Cleveland came "Lady," A. & P. Joe, Al Raines, and many others too numerous to mention.

We were hoping to see the Rossa sisters from Cleveland at this affair, but we see by their recent article that they were held back by bad weather and a promise to attend the next Wolverine affair.

Al Paterel was again elected as President of the Young Americans. Jo Klarich informs us that there were a few tears shed at the Omira recently. Maybe "Berehy" Naprudnik can explain.

Do you know that the Wolverine lodge was formed in 1928 and the organizer was Detroit's most popular Slovene business man—Pete Benedict?

Laddie Zindar again takes over the reins of the hardest job in any lodge as Chairman of the Entertainment Committee. Don't forget to watch for and attend the next Wolverine social event.

Finally, the Wolverines wish all of you, you and you a very happy and prosperous New Year.

H. RUPERT, 677.

Scranton Lodge 513 Elect New Officers

SCRANTON, PA.—At the last meeting of the year of SNPJ lodge 513, the following officers were elected for 1942: President, Martin Blatinick; Vice President, John Anderson; Rec. Sec'y, Ralph Konchik Jr.; Fin. Sec'y, Ralph Konchik Sr.; Auditors, Mrs. F. Vogrin, Frank Rataic, and Felix Vogrin, Chairman.

An important change in the by-laws of the lodge was made which every member should take notice of. The members must pay their dues at the regular monthly meeting or on the last day of the month at the home of the financial secretary.

It was also decided that each member be assessed seventy-five cents per year, besides the regular monthly lodge assessment, in order that all expenses for the entire oncoming year will be paid without drawing upon the fund remaining in the bank.

Meetings will be held on the third Sunday of each month, at 1 p. m., at the home of Frank Vogrin.

FELIX VOGRIN, Lodge 513.

Integrity Broadcast

CHICAGO.—The following officers will lead the Integrity lodge 631 in 1942:

President, Julius Abram; Vice President, Albert Roycht; Secretary, Michael Fleischhacker; Treasurer, Louis Kozuk; Recording Secretary, Nick Tersins; Sergeant-at-Arms, Martin Abram. Auditing Committee: Jennie Abram, Chairman; Agnes Mejasch and Helen Kon. Lodge physicians, Dr. John J. Zaveritnik and Dr. Birmingham. Prosveda representative, Michael R. Fleischhacker. Juvenile Circle Manager, Michael R. Fleischhacker. Midwest Athletic Committee, Louis Baffetti, M. R. Fleischhacker. Sick Committee, Martin Abram, Fred Imperl, Albert Roycht. SNPJ Federation representatives: Fred Imperl, Louis Baffetti, Nick Tersins, Julius Abram, Michael R. Fleischhacker.

Lodge meeting each fourth Sunday of the month at 1804 N. California Ave.

A fairly large number of members attended the Dec. meeting. We would like to see more members at our 1942 meetings.

The members voted to join the District SNPJ Federation.

Mrs. Mary Kallinger, mother of Sis. Marie Fleischhacker and Sis. Josephine Mikottis, spent one week in Chicago visiting her daughters and sons, Rudy and Fritz Kallinger, and also Bro. John Kallinger, her brother. Mrs. Mary Kallinger is the treasurer of SNPJ lodge 198 at Willard, Wis.

Bro. Edward Beckus spent the Christmas holidays in Willard, Wis.

The Integrity is sending one man and one woman bowling team to La Salle for the Midwest Athletic Bowling Tournament in February.

MICHAEL R. FLEISCHACKER, Secretary Lodge 631.

SNPJ Lodge 540 Elect Board; Note Progress

ELIZABETH, N. J.—Lodge 540 held their last general meeting of the year on Sunday, December 14, 1941. There was a record turnout of the members and it certainly was great to see so many new faces, especially those who are rarely seen.

Among the important business and discussions that were held, we had our usual election of new officers for the year 1942. They are as follows:

President, Anthony Pezdirc; Vice President, Mike Bratinik Sr.; Financial Secretary, Joseph Pasarih Sr.; Recording Secretary, John Bratinik; Treasurer, Mary Skarl. Chairman of auditing committee is Joseph Oblak, and Mary Pezdirc and Joseph Cipoth Sr. form the other members of the committee.

Congratulations to all of you, and we know you will do splendid work throughout 1942 with the best interest of Lodge 540 at heart.

An important change has been made which should be remembered by all members in the future. Our meeting date has been changed from the second Sunday of the month to the last Sunday of each month. Meetings will be held still at the same place, 111 First Street, in the Polish National Home, Elizabeth, N. J., at 2 p. m. This change will also make it easier for all members to pay their dues at the same time they are attending the meeting.

After the meeting we held our Christmas party, with everyone in the good old holiday spirit, enjoying the delicious refreshments. Thanks go to Joseph Oblak and Henry Kolar for making the kranjske klobase and to Joseph Pasarih Sr. who took care of the drinks.

Our best wishes and congratulations go to Josephine Kosar who became the bride of Ernie Bauth on Thanksgiving day, November 20, 1941. May you both be very happy.

We welcome to our ever-growing lodge two new members, Alex Koreizan to the adult department and Helen Gorczna to the juvenile department.

Thanks go to each and every member of Lodge 540 for attending the meetings every month and helping this to be a most active lodge.

We wish every one the season's greetings and may the new year bring all health, happiness, and success.

Make it one of your resolutions to attend your meetings each and every month. Let's all start the new year in right by having another well attended meeting on Sunday, January 25, 1942, at 2 p. m. Remember the date, time and place.

Publicity Committee: MARY PEZDIRC, Lodge 540.

Slow Fall?

Boas: "You're late this morning, Mr. Bolcker."

Mr. B.: "Yes, sir, I fell down stairs."

Boas: "Well, that didn't take long, did it?"

Badgerland News

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—Well, a new year has started and, unless you are different from the average, you will have made a set of stock new year resolutions. There are innumerable resolutions that you might have made, and they all started the same way. You, first said to yourself, "What can I resolve to do that will benefit both myself, those with whom I come in contact and those who are affected by my actions."

With this noble gesture in mind, you drew up a set of resolutions, most likely carefully avoiding anything which would hamper your previous way of life. In other words, you started out with a wonderful idea, and then by the time you had finished doctoring it up to suit your taste, you were again back in the same old rut.

How much better it would have been if, after your initial idea, you had decided that it would be your new year's resolution. Thus, when you would be confronted with a situation that you would have forgotten in your detailed list, you could deal with it quickly by deciding if it would be a benefit or not.

All of this has been leading up to certain suggestions that I would like to make to each and everyone of the readers, Badgers or other. Just consider these as subsidiary thoughts which would bolster your initial resolution.

We Are at War

By this time we all know that we are at war, that this war has prevented many soldiers from coming home for the holidays, and even those who have been able to come home, have been away so long that we have become a little lax in our concern of them. I know that everyone of the readers is concerned directly with the well-being of at least one of these protectors of our liberty. Every one of us would like to do something to show his appreciation and to indicate he had not forgotten those friends of his who had to leave so that the rest might be ably protected.

There are many things which we can do for them. Buying defense bonds and stamps is about the best. But a direct indication to those we know, who would like to know that we also remember them individually would be a great boost to their inner feelings and would at the same time give a warm glow to us because we would then feel that we were trying to do our bit.

Soldiers' Benefit Party

In Milwaukee, we have been trying to organize a "benefit party" for these soldiers. On Saturday, Jan. 3, such a party will be held at the Labor Hall, S. 63rd and W. National Ave. There will be a small charge per person. As an inducement, we offer free beer, soda and music. All of the proceeds from this affair, over and above direct expenses, will be used for gifts to the soldiers. The soldiers present will receive them immediately. Those who are not as fortunate will receive them by mail. A parting gift will also be given to those fellows who have signed up to leave in those days immediately ensuing.

So, I give to you, as a worthy resolution, the thought that this cause is worthy of your consideration, and should therefore make you firmly resolve to be there. Don't refrain from coming because of a fear that it will be poorly attended. With the idea only at its infant stage, a large turnout has already been assured. All of you Milwaukeeites should be present. If you have any friends who haven't heard about the affair, bring them along also. Those friends of ours in Chicago, Waukegan, West Allis and other neighboring centers are cordially invited. It would be a wonderful asset if we would be able to get Stan Gregorin to come and join with Pugal in a little leading of the festivities. Another good suggestion is that Fran and Fozy come up as a sort of extra wedding celebration.

Slovenski Dom

By now it is no longer a secret that Milwaukee has a definite chance to obtain a Slovene Home. But, all of the organized work of the hard working committee will come to naught unless sufficient funds can be secured to meet a down payment. Everyone who possibly can, should try to aid in the increasing of the fund. If one is not able to aid financially, it might be possible to offer to solicit the necessary funds or at least to encourage others to aid. Just think what a nice thing it would be if, when the soldiers do come back, we would be able to point at the building and say, "That

is our Slovenski Dom." Come on, let's get behind it and do everything in our power to secure such a home. We've always wanted one, now is our big chance. Let's get it. Let's resolve to get it.

Badger Meetings

Another thing that each Badger member can do, is to attend more of the Badger meetings, and to give the organization much more support than had been given during the past year. Attendance during the past year was so poor that at times it was almost non-existent.

I know that there are excuses for such poor attendance. But they are usually weak. The December meeting is a standing proof that the members can find the time to come, if only they would want to. The Lodge has already offered many inducements for a larger attendance. Maybe the proper ones haven't been offered. But when members must be coddled into coming, they must be losing strength of character. The friendships that could be cultivated at the meetings and the knowledge of what the lodge is accomplishing should be of sufficient inducement.

Let's make this a banner year and set a new attendance record. Maybe one of you have an idea that the lodge would like to hear and that would do it a lot of good. Unless you come to the meetings and express yourselves on such ideas, neither you, the lodge, nor anyone else can benefit by it.

A Thought

That one who does not get fun and enjoyment out of every day in which he lives, needs to reorganize his life. And the sooner the better, for pure enjoyment throughout life has more to do with one's happiness and efficiency than almost any other single element.

—George Matthew Adams.

This 'n' That

The next Badger meeting is only two weeks off. The Badgers' Athletic Club is holding its annual dance at the Harmony Hall, S. 6th and W. Mineral St., on Sat. Jan. 17. Shares for the Slovenski Dom are on sale. (Always have room for a plug.) The Badgers are expecting an increase in the membership roll since Mr. and Mrs. Frank Klancer became the proud parents of a baby girl. And, before I forget, I want to wish a Happy New Year to all of you.

JOE WENE, 584.

LINCOLNITES

SPRINGFIELD, ILL.—A jolly congenial crowd of Lincolnites and Juveniles attended our Christmas party at the Dom on Dec. 19.

The following officers for 1942 were elected: President, Frances Homez Luzar; Vice Pres., Frank Volk; Financial Secretary, Frank Klasing; Treasurer, Mary Huckyak; Recording Secretary, Mary Brinocar; Sergeant-at-Arms, Dom Lazar. Auditors: Mary Feiber, Joe Brinocar and Tony Feiber.

The address of the new Secretary is 1934 N. 9th St.

The meeting night was changed from the third Friday to the third Monday night. This was done because some of our members have Union meetings on the third Friday night.

So don't forget Lincolnites—the Dom—8 p. m., Monday, January 19, at 8 p. m.

MARY BRINOCAR, 567.

Slovene Home to Give Benefit Dance Jan. 4

BAGGALEY, PA.—Pipetown Slovene Home will hold a benefit dance on Sunday, Jan. 4, dancing from 8 to 12 midnight, featuring Paul Dolinar's orchestra of Library. All neighboring lodges and friends are cordially invited to attend.

Our annual Christmas treat was a huge success due to the fine cooperation of the members. There was a jolly and eager group of youngsters who waited patiently for the arrival of Santa. We sincerely thank the ladies for their lovely decoration of table and home and all the members for their wonderful cooperation. May the future Xmas treats be as grand as the past one.

This was one of the largest gatherings of Slovene people here in Pipetown this year, as both young and old attended in large numbers. The music by young Kukar was excellent.

JOSEPH MOZINA, Sec'y.

We are made for cooperation, like feet, like hands, like eyelids, like the rows of upper and lower teeth. To act against one another then is contrary to Nature, and it is acting against one another to be vexed and turn away.

—MARCUS AURELIUS

This Week

By Lode Beniger

This week 1941 passes into history as the most eventful year in modern times. Its 52 weeks were filled with important events, few of which will be marked as outstanding.

One of these will undoubtedly be the treacherous attack by Japan on the United States and the unavailing entrance of the latter into the world war. And it was this attack, too, which united our nation, leaving the appeasers and isolationists in the cold.

Another, all-important happening came towards the end of 1941 when the Russian armies finally blasted the myth of Hitler's invincibility once and for all. This historic achievement will, no doubt, have far-reaching consequences on the future course and outcome of the present war.

This column, winding up its second year of existence and entering its third, is proud of its past stand. It has unflinchingly supported the national administration in its foreign policy from the beginning. On the other hand, it vigorously opposed all appeasement and isolationism, and was always opposed to labor-baiters in their endeavor to curb labor's rights.

Moreover, this column tried to mention all important events of the SNPJ, offered comments on many matters and urged support to our worthy cultural and cooperative organizations. To be sure, the limited space reserved for this column does not permit lengthy discussions—for which it was never intended, anyway.

In last week's Prosveta an announcement was made to the effect that the intended Slovene National Congress—scheduled to be held in Chicago on February 12—has been postponed until such time as conditions will warrant its assembly. The main reason for calling off the congress was that the national administration does not wish to see various groups devote their energies to anything else but the national emergency.

One can readily agree with the desire of the national administration in these serious times when divided interests would tend to reduce full cooperation in the present war effort. However, in view of the fact that the congress would be primarily fraternal in character, its secondary political aspect would not hinder our national unity. For after all, we are fighting a common enemy and we all stand for democratic principles.

Ann Beniger Acclaimed in Cleveland at SNH

CLEVELAND, O.—On Sunday, December 14, the Conkar Foundation sponsored a great program in memory of the great Slovene writer Ivan Cankar, in Slovene National Home.

The main attraction was Ann Beniger, a young dramatic soprano from Chicago. Miss Beniger sang several operatic arias as well as classical and Slovene folk songs.

Miss Beniger is a delightful singer with a glorious, colorful voice which delights the ear of any music lover, and has the power to soothe and to move even the simplest of souls. At the end of each number she was greeted by great applause.

Without a doubt Miss Beniger has all the potentialities of attaining great heights in the world of music, for she is truly a great singer.

It is not everyone who has the honor of being highly complimented by as famed a star as Zinka Milanov of the Metropolitan Opera Company, when she heard her some time ago. Miss Beniger was accompanied on the piano by the very capable Mrs. Vera Milavec-Slejko.

Miss Beniger is continuing with her vocal studies in Chicago.

—E. J. in "Enakopravnost"

ACCIDENT FACTS

Last year, in the age group from 25 to 44 years, five of every six deaths resulting from accidents were suffered by men, a higher proportion in favor of female prudence than was found in any other age group.

This indictment of the male as the more careless of the species was contained in one of the many statistical analyses of accidents in the new edition of Accident Facts, the National Safety Council's annual statistical volume.

Motor vehicle accidents were the nemesis of the 25 to 44 year-olds—46 per cent of the accident deaths resulting from this cause. Falls killed 12 per cent. Burns and railroad accidents each were responsible for eight per cent of the accident deaths in this group.

Could Be

Teacher (lecturing on perseverance): "He drove straight to his goal. He looked neither to the right nor to the left, but pressed forward, moved by a definite purpose. Neither friend nor foe could delay him, nor turn him from his course. All who crossed his path did so at their own peril. What would you call such a man?"

Graduate (quickly): "A truck driver!"

Off the President's Bat

By J. F. Fifolt, Lodge 566

CLEVELAND, O.—Comrades elected the following members as officers for 1942: J. Fifolt, President; Joe Koren, Vice President; Marie Stefancic, Secretary-Treasurer; Pauline Spik, Frances Spik, Rose Skok, Auditing Committee. Representatives of various committees: Marie Stefancic, Club Društvo; Cultural Group, Mary Zak; Cleveland Federation, Mary Krizmanic and John Alden will be requested to take these posts; Stockholders, Johnny Vehar; Yugoslav Relief, Mary Krizmanic and Marie Stefancic; Farm Board, Marie Stefancic; Cleveland Athletic League, Jean Beljan, Joe Koren.

The salaries, assessment, meeting date, place, physicians, to remain as is.

Bro. C. Zarnick, District Vice President attended. He drew out Mary Svetec's name for the \$5 award. This is the third time the Svetec family would have collected had they been present. Ann Golob copped the \$1 drawing.

Heading the country's call in these days of turbulence, the lodge instructed unanimously the Secretary to purchase \$300 worth of Defense Bonds in January. It is also our idea to purchase these bonds as the treasury builds up. No doubt many other SNPJ lodges are doing the same thing.

Tickets forwarded us by the Commodore lodge for their 7th Anniversary dance to be held at the SNH Sunday, Feb. 8, with music by L. Trebar, were purchased. They were then given to individuals whose numbers were drawn. The Slovene School tickets for the play and dance last Sunday were also purchased and likewise disposed of.

On January 30 the Slovenes of

Cleveland will again stage a President's Ball, in honor of our country's President. Several popular orchestras have been secured. Last year the event was the most successful affair ever staged at the Home, and this year it should be even more so. Secretary Stefancic has tickets for sale. Everyone should be there.

The sum of \$10 was donated to the Yugoslav Relief Committee. Membership in the Slovene Library was renewed for 1942.

On January 9 the Cleveland Athletic League will hold their meeting. Main topic of discussion will be the dance to be held at Holmes Ave. on January 10 with music by Johnny Pecon. Representatives from all English Speaking lodges are requested to be present. Officers will be elected for next year. The Utopian lodge will also report on progress being made in preparation for their Invitational Bowling tournament to be held week-end of March 14. The writer has written to Ray Travnik relative to Young Americans releasing Johnny Pecon but has not heard from him as yet.

A total of \$25 was spent this Christmas in remembering the five (5) Comrade boys away from home in the country's service. We hope this will bring them some consolation and know we do think of them all the time.

Congratulations are in order to Ann Muhic, Wilma Kovic and Bro. Buchar on recent additions to the family.

We welcome Bro. Joe Koren to the official family of the Comrade lodge in the capacity of Vice President. Pauline Spik who has done a wonderful job the past few years relinquished the post, declining repeated nominations for the job for 1942.

Albina Vehar prepared the refreshments after the meeting. Incidentally, in view of the good job she has been doing, she was re-elected as Cook and Chief Bottle Washer for 1942.

The writer had hoped a change would have been made in the President's job, either a younger member or a worthy individual of the type of our retiring Vice President, stepping in. Other duties are making it more difficult to satisfactorily fulfill the responsibility of this position.

In retrospect 1941 has been very successful financially for the lodge. Our biggest trouble and a problem confronting clubs, lodges in our organization, as well as in other fraternal and civic groups has been the laxity on the part of members to actively participate in affairs and attendance at meetings. We're at a loss to arrive at the proper solution. While the worldly prospects are dreary for 1942 we have our fingers crossed.

The writer wishes at this time to extend his appreciation to Pauline Spik, Marie Stefancic, Fran Spik, Albina Vehar, Skok sisters, Jean Beljan, Joe and Mollie Koren and others whose help in the main was responsible for a successful 1941.

Juvenile Circles

How Nice the Juveniles Can Carry On a Program

TRINIDAD, COLO.—On Sunday, December 14, mother, brother and myself motored to Delagua, Colorado, to see the program the Juveniles were giving. I didn't expect to see so much talent and acting. Keep up the good work all you Juveniles.

There are quite a few talented youngsters in the Delagua Juvenile Circle. They came out, little or big, to speak their pieces without hesitation or stage fright. I am not leaving out Walsenburg or Aguilar, known as Circles No. 1 and 20, respectively. They were very good also. They didn't seem to have as many members acting.

It seems like the youngsters of SNPJ lodge 66 of Trinidad, Colorado, would try to compete in an affair as was held in Delagua, Colorado, December 14. With a little work and practice it can be done very nicely.

December fourteenth was the first program of this kind I attended but I don't believe I'll miss any of the others if I possibly can.

Once again I'll say how much I enjoyed the afternoon at Delagua, Colorado, attending the program given by the three Juvenile Circle of SNPJ. And I better not forget the best part. The refreshments were simply delicious and very nicely served.

Mrs. JOS. D. CAHELL JR., 66.

Walsenburg Circle No. 1 Have Theater Party on Jan. 4th

WALSBERG, COLO.—At the December meeting it was decided that Juvenile Circle No. 1 would in a group attend the Lax theater on Jan. 4, Sunday. All members are requested to be in front of the theater at 1:45 p. m. This treat to be given the Circle by their manager, Ed Tomsic.

New officers for the coming year are: William Tomsic, President; Verna Duzenak, Vice President; Edward Tomsic Jr., Secretary; Ann Urban, Treasurer. Edward Tomsic is manager of the Circle.

MARY TOMSIC, Asst. Mgr.

BACK TO FARM TREND

The back to the farm trend that is talked about so much includes automobile accidents.

More than three of every five traffic fatalities during 1940 resulted from accidents that occurred in rural areas, according to the new edition of Accident Facts, the National Safety Council's annual statistical volume of accident data.

There were 34,500 traffic deaths last year—21,000 resulting from accidents outside the cities. The rural area toll was seven per cent higher than in 1939.

Traffic deaths in rural areas have increased one and one half times from 1924 to 1940, and rose 25 per cent in just the last 10 years.

Since 1924, city traffic accident deaths have increased only five per cent and show a significant 26 per cent drop in the last 10 years.

Medical Advice

"I feel funny, Doctor. What shall I do?"

"Go on the stage."

Golden Eagles

GIRARD, OHIO.—This will complete the accounts—balance the books, as it were—of the life, the recreations, the experiences, the troubles, the joys of our Golden Eagles for the past year. As this is the beginning of a new year, the Eagles shall avoid all possible reference to the past and shall concentrate all of its abilities—if any—on the unpredictable future.

Some new but familiar faces will appear on our Executive Board in '42. Frank Verbie is President; Stan Hribar, Vice-President; Mary Selak, Sec'y (re-elected); Marko Matkovich, Treasurer (re-elected); and Rose Ann Umcek, Recording Sec'y. Charles Jacobs, Lud. Slavice and Ed Godec will act as auditors of our books. The Social Committee is composed of: Stan Hribar, Mary Macek, Mamie Racick, Frances Milavec and Ed Preves. Frank Verbie and Frank Rezek will represent the Eagles at the local Federation. Hribar, Godec and Rezek will take care of the publicity while Dr. Williams will continue as lodge physician.

Further, the Eagles passed a motion approving an assessment of one dollar a year. Let it be understood, though, that this dollar will entitle each member to tickets for our two official dances a year—conditions will warrant the usual dances. We know that it is not possible to determine what succeeding months may bring but whatever it is, the lodge must be in such a financial condition as to function independently and successfully. It has for the past thirteen years. Steps have been taken to punish those who fail to pay their assessment. Altogether, they shall have sixty (60) days in which to decide about the payment after which the case shall be disposed of according to the by-laws. Payments are due in April and October—the months of our regularly scheduled dances. The Secretary is powerless to handle any individual case so it would be useless to argue with her. BRING YOUR COMPLAINTS TO THE MEETINGS—IF ANY.

And again, the Eagles will be connected with the Federation and the Educational Bureau. Insurance Drawings will continue but only those in good standing are eligible. Prospective drafters, too, should assure themselves that they are up to date with their assessments as carelessness in this matter will eliminate them from a free gift from the lodge. Sincere application devoted to lodge interest shall always be rewarded. Up to this minute, we cannot give you the place of our future meetings. So far as we know, this information will be withheld until the second Thursday of January when the Board of Trustees meet at the Slovene Hall. The Trustees we speak of are associated with the Slovene Hall. We might say that everything hinges on the allowances made by the Trustees to our SNPJ Juvenile Circle.

April 11 (subject to changes) is announced now as the date for our 14th anniversary dance. Harold Pitts and two juveniles—Lisa Ross, daughter of a Sec'y of years ago, and Ronald Predlika were proposed as new members.

Circle Party

Seventy-five youngsters and a sprinkling of adults gathered at Nagoda's Hall to enjoy the most successful Christmas Party yet presented for our Circle. Most of the young people received gifts as a result of the gift exchange but everybody did take home a good sized bag full of nuts, candy, popcorn, oranges, etc. Food and refreshments were also served. While nothing was planned for a program, many of our members contributed enjoyable messages of laughter and good cheer. Betty Macet played for dancing.

OFF THE RECORD—Almost without notice, Stan Hribar's brother, enlisted in the Air Corps—but there was time for a farewell party at Bessemer, Pa. The town will lose many of its most active youth because of voluntary enlistment into the various services. At Bill Beil's camp—Battery C, 15th Bat. Fort Eustis, Va.—soldiers are called "dog face" and with an appropriate reason, it seems. He writes, "we wear 'dog' tags, sleep in pup tents and are always 'growling'."

The Eagles were invited to attend a meeting of the local Civilian Defense Board and Hribar, Jacobs and Verbie were sent on our behalf. Little Ronnie Predlika is the son of the once much traveled Barnstormer, Jack. We remember many fine times with the old boy but he couldn't help it if Ann was a part of his destiny, could he? Our soldier boys always are eligible for the Insurance Award. And the following is in tune with the modern trend—The Eagles will purchase two-one hundred dollar Defense Bonds. All of our SNPJ lodges that are able to do so, should make a similar investment.

According to present plans, our Circle will play its first basketball game on Jan. 6. The game is practically new to most of the youngsters so our people should not expect a successful season, as far as games won go. As is the case in many communities, the kids hung themselves a hoop on a post of sufficient height and used a tin can or a rubber ball to pass around. Now they are entering a new ad-

Universal Comets

By Michael R. Kumer, 715

Dates to Remember

UNIVERSAL, PA.—Jan. 1—Ninth Annual National SNPJ Duckpin Tournament and Dance on New Year's Day. Tournament will be held at the Stanley Parlor, Carrick (Pittsburgh), and dance will be held at the Slovene Hall, Library.

Jan. 18—Regular meeting of E. S. Federation of SNPJ Lodges of Western Pennsylvania, at Narodni Dom, Arch St., Verona, Pa., beginning at 8:00 p. m.

Jan. 24—Dance by Lodge Veronians' 680, at Oakmont Lyceum, featuring Taffy's Domovina Orchestra.

Feb. 1—Tenth Anniversary Celebration of E. S. Federation of SNPJ Lodges of Western Pennsylvania, at the SNPJ Hall, Sygan, featuring banquet with program of entertainment and speaking, followed by dancing.

Comet's News

The important news for members of the Universal Comets' Lodge 715 is the announcement of the regular lodge meeting scheduled for this Sunday, January 4, at the Slovene Hall, Universal, beginning at 7 p. m. All newly elected officers and committee members are especially requested to be present so that formal installation proceedings will be completed. All other Comet members are requested to be present to observe the installation and participate in the first meeting of the new year. Let's have a full attendance.

Our Annual Juvenile Christmas Party held on Sunday, December 21, was the success that we anticipated. Almost one hundred of our total membership of 135 juveniles were present to witness the performance so ably put on by the juveniles of Midway, under the direction of Mary Janacek. Santa Claus was present and treated the children royally. Thanks to everyone for coming, and particular appreciation to the Midway Juvenile Circle for their splendid cooperation in presenting a good program. We hope that we can do them a similar favor some time soon.

News and Views

We attended the 25th Anniversary Celebration of SNPE Lodge 142 of White Valley on Sunday evening, December 21, where there was indeed a nice attendance and a swell affair. Brother Kastelic was in charge of the program; Supreme Medical Examiner-elect Dr. F. J. Arch and the writer addressed the audience and those receiving twenty-five years service pins were Mr. and Mrs. George Previc, Mrs. John Kern, Brother Rupnik, and a few others whose names unfortunately have been forgotten. A good time of dancin' singing, and laughter followed the program.

For the benefit of those readers who receive their organ on Thursdays, and who may require a last minute reminder, we have again announced the Annual National Duckpin Tournament and Dance. Come on out and see us.

Our SNPJ members and friends can now begin making arrangements for the Tenth Anniversary Celebration of E. S. Federation scheduled for Feb. 1st at the SNPJ Hall, Sygan, Pa. The Sygan folks

SNPJ United Lodges' Bowlers

COLLINWOOD, OHIO.—Engaging the Lunder-Adamic five in the first knockdown series of the current season, the Utopian Cubs took two games and now stand one game behind the League leaders. Urh paced the Cubs with a 546 series, followed by Jelinek with a 525 series and Prancel a 504 series. Prime was high for the Lunders' with a 523 series and a 215 game.

Spartan II team took two games from the Zdruzeni Bratje, thus tying them for third place. For the former Bolka had a 534 series, Streeter and J. Zorman both with 503 series. Joe Leskovec with a 499 series was high for the latter.

The Utopian Falcons engaged the Utopian Bombers and when the blasting had ceased, the Falcons came out flying with three victories. For the winners Spehar had a 549 series and a 210 game, Jerse a 538 series and Spilar a 506 series. Manillo with a 509 series was tops for the losers.

The Spartan I team, after being trenched in last place for nine weeks, swept all three games from the Concordians. Thus the Concordians who led the League the early part of the season, now have slid to the bottom rung in the standings. Debelak led the Spartans with a 509 series and Duva with a 466 series was high for the Concordians.

JOHN J. SPILAR, Utopians 604.

venture and liking it. They will receive basketball jerseys with plenty of SNPJ advertising attached thereon. Friday evenings, from four to five, have been set aside at the City Gymnasium for their regular practice sessions. Visitors welcome at any time.

And a happy New Year from all of the Eagles to all of you.

FRANK REZEK, 643.

are preparing for a delicious chicken dinner at 2 p. m. for the small sum of \$1.25 per person, which will include the meal, program, etc. dancing. Get your tickets from some person in your lodge.

Dunne's Insurance Report which "Flashes" reported on in last week's issue is a heartening analysis. It demonstrates beyond any doubt the soundness of our organization; it demonstrates the vigilance and keenness of judgment of our SNPJ members; it demonstrates the efficiency and alertness of our Supreme Board members, our Executive Committee members, and our personnel; it demonstrates greater stability of an organization based on free-thought with a nobler purpose than profit as against those whose only purpose for existence is the profit motive. The report shows that we pass the "a-d test," so important to the solvency of any organization, with great ease.

While the report is encouraging, indeed, it does not demonstrate that we cannot make further improvements; nor does it suggest that we can begin coasting along. It should serve as a real inspiration to our entire membership to continue our efforts for bigger and greater results.

Our 1942 advertising budget should allow for this report to get into the hands of every adult member in our organization. It can serve a very useful purpose in securing new members. Frankly, it is something to boast about, and we ought to make the best of it.

MICHAEL R. KUMER, 715.

Flashes

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much as if you wish to enter.—We hope the National Duckpin Tournament on New Year's Day will be a complete success and that the entries will exceed those of the previous years. People who understand the work involved in the conduct of a good tournament will give it their full support.

In greeting the National Convention of the U. S. Savings and Loan League, President Roosevelt said in part, as follows: "For more than one hundred years, savings and loan associations and other thrift institutions have been turning savings into homes. Each home has given an American family a stake in its own country and the broad home ownership which extends throughout this land today is one of the basic guarantees of its democratic system. You have the satisfaction of knowing that your work has helped to make your country incomparably stronger in the face of threats from without and subversive movements from within. Fifth columns simply don't penetrate the ranks of ordinary men and women who own their own homes."

"Savings and loan associations have done a remarkable job to make Americans home-conscious and to enable PEOPLE WHO WORK FOR A LIVING to acquire their own homes. The tribute paid such institutions by the President of the United States is deserving, therefore. Every time you invest or place your savings in an insured savings and loan association, you are helping to build a stronger America."

According to a chart just prepared by the Northwestern National Life Insurance Co., farm sales are up throughout the nation and people are buying farm land. However, very few farmers who own their farms are adding additional acreage and from this we would conclude that America will have a lot of new farmers and that American farm products will be plentiful in the new year.

Last week we told you about the special report prepared by Dunne and the position our Society occupies among the twenty-five leading insurance companies. In compiling this chart, Dunne's Reports have compared the SNPJ with these outstanding companies on nine vital factors which accurately reflect the growth, and the success, which these companies are having. This chart shows at a glance what success has been achieved. Hence, it is a helpful piece of work. More important still, is the fact that all of these companies are appraised as being far better than the average life insurance companies. We urge the Executive Committee to make good use of this pamphlet and to make a wide distribution of it.

The 1942 wall calendars are now available, having reached the Secretary since the last time we wrote the Flashes. Ask for your copy when paying dues.

New Year's Eve we ask our many friends to come and make merry with us at the Lawndale Masonic Temple, 23rd Street and Millard Avenue. Good music will be available and the best of refreshments will be served. Usher in the new year in the company of your friends.

Marcelus—Yo' done said yo' could lick me! Jasper—Umhum. Ah sho' did, big boy. Want to see me demonstrate? Marcelus—No, indeedy; Ah's jest gatherin' statistics.



A BOND OF UNITY.—The handclasp of sincerity and partnership is used by artist John C. Atherton, of Bridgefield, Conn., to depict the close cooperation of the American people and their Government in financing the Defense Program through the sale of Defense Savings Bonds and Stamps. This poster was awarded first prize at the Museum of Modern Art's exhibit in New York out of a large number of submitted drawings, and is being used on posters by business firms in advertising, and in numerous other forms to promote the sale of Defense Bonds and Stamps.

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Official Proceedings

SNPJ EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Meeting of Nov. 5

Meeting was called to order at 1 p. m. In attendance were officers Vincent Cankar, F. A. Vider, Lawrence Gradisek, and Ivan Molek. Because of illness, manager and treasurer were absent.

Minutes of the October 29 meeting were approved.

President Cankar submits letter from Committee on War Relief Agency in reference to their drive for funds. Brother President was instructed to reply in this matter in accordance with the present campaign conducted by our Relief Committee.

Secretary Vider reports that request was made by Lodge 189 of former SSPZ for Mike Vrhovnik as speaker December 6. In accordance with the previous decision, speakers are to be sent only for the occasions where important lodge or Society anniversaries were celebrated; their request cannot be granted.

Lodge 142 of former SSPZ would like to have speakers at their 25th anniversary celebration, Kumer and Kvarlich, president of SSPZ. Since this lodge is in the vicinity of the communities where these two members reside, their request is granted.

Letter was read from Franc Snaj, Yugoslav minister, in reference to war-stricken people in Yugoslavia, asking for help from Slovenes residing in this country. Letter is approved and filed.

Motion was unanimously adopted that our Society should immediately take the initiative to invite all Slovene fraternal benefit societies and political organizations to meet in Chicago Nov. 15. The purpose of this gathering shall be to organize political action on behalf of the oppressed people in Yugoslavia, primarily of Slovenia. Each organization responding shall have no more than two representatives at this meeting. Cankar and Molek were selected to represent our Society and Vider is alternate. Pres. Cankar is instructed to invite all the foregoing organizations to send their representatives to that meeting if they agree to cooperate, at which meeting a joint committee to head such political activities shall be formed.

Secretary Vider reports that the progress of the work in transferring former SSPZ members' cards into our card system was very slow, and since this work must be done not later than at the end of this month, he was compelled to have the employees work overtime. To hire inexperienced help for such important work was hardly possible. Action approved.

He further reports that he and the president came to the conclusion that a joint meeting should be held with the former officers of the SSPZ in order to come to some understanding when they would be ready to move to the SNPJ headquarters. Vrhovnik already works in our offices and former SSPZ secretary Rus stated that they had come to the same conclusion, and about the middle of this month would wind up all important matters and move to the Society's headquarters.

Brother Kuehl's letter in reference to several real estate properties now owned by the Society was read. It was decided that these must be examined and appraised before being offered for sale.

Secretary Vider reports that the representative for the employees' union asked for negotiations on various questions pertaining to the union contract with the Society, in which several clauses were asked to be revised, the most important of which are: increase of minimum wage, additional week's vacation to those employed 10 years or more, credit on illness if the employee does not exhaust his full term each year, and immediate increase of 15% for wages. Decided that since the question of wages was submitted to the convention by the employees themselves, and the convention refused to increase any wages, they may submit their requests to the Supreme Board, the meeting of which shall be held some time in February.

Meeting adjourned at 3:45 p. m.

Meeting of Nov. 12

Meeting was called to order at 1 p. m. Responding to the roll call were Vincent Cankar, F. A. Vider, Lawrence Gradisek, and Ivan Molek. Minutes of the Nov. 5th meeting were approved.

President Cankar reports that he had personally examined the repairs made on the property at 3554 N. Hermitage Avenue, on which loan was granted by the former SSPZ. The repairs were satisfactory; payment of the bill approved. Reads letter from Juvenile Circle 22 which sent appreciation for the financial donation given them.

Secretary Vider submits letter from secretary of lodge 5 which decided to ask the executive committee to pay Brother Somrak two per diems for attending the 12th regular convention as alternate, and whose participation was overruled by the convention. Since the executive com. cannot agree upon this question, it was decided that it should be submitted to the Supreme board for final decision.

Request for contribution from the People's Lobby was submitted and approved; \$25 granted.

Brother Schweiner, our real estate representative in Milwaukee, reported that he had secured a purchaser

for the property at 915 National Avenue, former Sunnar property, and inquired as to the price. It was decided that the property be sold and the price was set.

Applications for loans and donations were approved. (Details in Slovene minutes.)

Meeting adjourned at 4 p. m.

Meeting of Nov. 19

Meeting was called to order at 1 p. m. All members were present with the exception of manager and treasurer.

Minutes of the Nov. 12 meeting were approved.

President Cankar reports that he received a letter from Brother Zalar, secretary of the Yugoslav Relief Committee and Brother Rogelj on the question of the decision of our committee with reference to our decision not to immediately turn over the money collected for relief purposes as well as the amount decided by the convention for that purpose. There was considerable discussion on this question, and since no favorable decision could be reached, president is instructed to reply to this effect.

Secretary Vider reads letter from lodge 29 asking for financial donation for their Juvenile Circle, which has over 70 members, in order that they would be able to prepare a Christmas party for them. Approved. A similar request is received from the Kansas Federation for help towards their Juvenile Circle. Approved.

Secretary Vider further reports that the former officers of the SSPZ began to work in our office November 18, and that the most urgently needed documents, books, applications, etc., were transferred to this office. Practically all our files for applications and mortuary documents are filled, and there is already lack of space for future business. He called attention that it would be necessary in the near future to rent some kind of facilities for filing old documents and other matters which must be saved.

Assistant Secretary reported that Frank Kemper, member of lodge 201, who was injured in 1937, had received all the benefits for his injury according to the by-laws. He has again reported sick for the same injury and the doctor's reports do not indicate proper medical attention, which would justify the payments of sick-benefit. Assistant secretary is instructed to ask for additional medical examination before any payment of benefits can be made.

The following operation and disability claims were approved: John Stefan of lodge 203, \$25; Mary Vidmar of lodge 338, \$300; John Gerner of lodge 613, \$25; Helen B. Mandel of lodge 641, \$25; Albert Glavich of lodge 656, \$35; Julija Kmet of lodge 36-SSPZ, \$20; Virginia M. McGinn of lodge 39-SSPZ, \$75.

Meeting adjourned at 3:15 p. m.

Meeting of Nov. 28

Meeting was called to order at 1 p. m. In attendance were officers Vincent Cankar, F. A. Vider, Lawrence Gradisek, and Ivan Molek.

Minutes of the Nov. 19 meeting were approved.

As the first order of business, it was announced that Mr. Goodman, representative from the Employees' Union, was waiting outside. Mr. Goodman was invited to this meeting and he explained the requests from the employees on several questions. It was decided to take these matters under consideration and advise him of their decision in the near future.

President Cankar reported that he examined the property of former Konda as request was made by the City Safety Council that certain repairs should be made. He took action to get someone to make the necessary repairs, which was approved. He also asked various firms to dispose of the property of the former Wanschek and made an agreement with a certain real estate firm setting the price. Approved. On this matter he read a letter from Brother Petrovich, chairman of the Finance Committee, relative to the property in Cleveland, Ohio, who submitted a proposition in connection with the said transaction. Proposition approved.

Secretary Vider submits letter from the Secretary of the Milwaukee and West Allis SNPJ Federation informing that their Juvenile Circle is planning to have a Christmas party and ask for donation; \$25 approved.

Frank Matko of lodge 175 SSPZ, who died October 16 and was insured at the former SSPZ for \$1000, designated beneficiaries in his benefit certificate which did not correspond with the by-laws, but since his son and daughter are residing in Yugoslavia, decided that the funeral expenses should be paid from the proceeds and the attorney's advice should be requested in this matter.

Secretary further reports that Jacob Leban, member of lodge 183, former SSPZ, already has exhausted his entire reserve for assessment on the mortuary certificate, and he is only 52 years of age. He now asks the Society to pay his assessment from the special fund. Decided that three months' assessment should be paid from the special fund with instructions how to govern himself in the future.

Former member of SSPZ lodge 20, Ludwig Zupancic, is 63 years of age.

He designated the Society as beneficiary and is insured for \$500; \$15.80 was already paid for his assessment. He now asks for help to buy eye-glasses, to be put on the old age pension, and that Society should continue with payment of his assessment. Decided that \$20 should be given him from the special fund with instructions that in the future only assessment for mortuary insurance will be paid for him, and that no member, according to the by-laws, should be put on the old age pension plan as it is not provided for in the by-laws.

The Tuberculosis Institute of Chicago and Cook County sent their usual amount of Christmas Seals; purchase of same was authorized.

Applications for loans and special benefit were approved. (Details in Slovene minutes.)

Meeting adjourned at 4 p. m. Vincent Cankar, Supreme President F. A. Vider, Supreme Secretary

Singing Club Svoboda

DETROIT MICH.—Without overlooking the gravity of present world conditions, we should not devote our thoughts solely to the ghastly world conflict. Eventually, decency and justice will triumph. We must look forward to the day when an eager populace will hear that peace sign once more. We should continue with our cultural and social activities to uphold civilian morale.

Svoboda Singing Society here in Detroit, is celebrating its twenty-fifth anniversary in 1942. It is progressing, but under handicaps. Seven-day defense industries and also the army have depleted the ranks of our tenors and basses. Those to whom singing appeals, both men and women, boys and girls, should visit us at our weekly practice sessions from four until six p. m. on Sundays at 17153 John K. Street.

Do not be held back by the old false notion that you don't have a voice. How do you talk? With your feet? I don't believe that very many with us have studied voice culture. Come, sing with us and you will develop your voice through practice.

You say that you don't understand Slovene well enough? Neither do the rest of us younger folks, but through constant repetition we master the pronunciation. Slovene is much simpler to an American than English is to a Slovene.

The most important asset which one can possess, is a willingness to learn. We will do the rest. The going may be rough for two or three weeks, but suddenly the sun will break through and you will appreciate more fully the beauty of song.

Nobody is embarrassed because we sing together. It is a joy to hear and to be a part of the blending of so many voices in a pleasing harmony.

Come out and listen to us this next Sunday. I don't think you'll regret it.

ADOLPH KOSS.

YOUR DOLLAR

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late has unfortunately declined; the incidence of endemic goitre is on the increase. Conclusive evidence confirms that harm does not attend the use of iodized salt by persons otherwise receiving an adequate supply of iodine.

This recommendation was made to physicians in the hope of getting them to take more interest in a public health program.

But, as *CJ Reports* for May 1941 pointed out, it's not safe for people with goiters to take iodine preparations except under the supervision of doctors. For normal people in regions which aren't near the sea-coast, iodized salt is essential, up to the age of 40, and during pregnancy and lactation.

Use only the recommended proportions—one part potassium iodide to 10,000 salt, or .01%. Look on the label of the salt you buy to make sure it conforms to this standard.

Photograph Records

Lovers of recorded music—whether it be classical or jazz—can't afford to be complacent.

Shellac—imported from India and the most important of the resins which make up the finished discs—has already risen sharply in price; a serious shortage is a real possibility.

With respect to metals, the supply of copper—for the dies from which the records are stamped—is the most serious problem, even though the shortage does not seem immediate. Copper is, of course, extremely scarce for civilian uses.

Higher prices certainly seem to be in the offing. Columbia, according to current reports, "is bolstering

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

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Philip Godina, Manager.

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So that happy era for music lovers, ushered in a year ago by Columbia and RCA's drastic price cuts to meet competition, may soon be over. Jazz fans, whose forte is the newest in popular records, can do little about it. Those of you who collect classical records can be almost sure of saving by buying now—if your budget permits.

Canned Shrimp

Add shrimp to the list of canned fish which is in short supply and on which retail prices will certainly rise.

In the last six months, the wholesale price of shrimp has risen about 18%, and the new pack is exceedingly small. According to reports in the trade, "fishermen sent their boats out only to see them return virtually empty."

Expresses Thanks

CHICAGO.—To the Nada members of SNPJ lodge 102:

We wish to express our thanks to each and every one of the members who have been so kind and generous to my mother, Mrs. Frances Kerzianik, and for their activeness in selling the subscription books, which made the contribution to her possible; also, to the Society that had sent her \$25 from the special fund.

I cannot find words enough to express my thanks to all of you for your kindness. And to top it all, mother received a beautiful Christmas gift from the lodge members. She was overwhelmed with joy. Thanks to all of you who helped to make it possible for her to remain in the St. Anthony's Hospital under the proper care and guidance of Dr. Zaveritnik and able nurses.

She is gradually gaining strength in spite of her years and she hopes that she can some day repay all of you for the kindness you have given her.

MARIE BATES, Daughter.

Pontoon Bridges

Taking produce to market in Illinois a century ago was a strenuous job, reports the Illinois WPA Writers' Project. Lacking railroads, established roads and bridges, the ingenuity of the pioneers was taxed to the utmost. Frequently to cross sloughs, it was necessary to make a pontoon bridge of wagons. Sacks of grain were unloaded. Wagons were driven into the slough and placed end to end; with the tail boards' out. Then the sacks of grain were carried over the improvised bridge, the wagons drawn out on the far side, the grain reloaded, and the journey resumed. Historians of a century ago reported that the trip from Lee county to Chicago and return usually took at least seven weeks.

POSTAL REGULATIONS

A SUGGESTION: Postal regulations prohibit publishing or mentioning in any way items covering raffles or games of chance, in newspapers. Papers containing this information are refused admittance to the mails. Our members will, therefore, kindly eliminate such subjects from their articles.

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323	244.21	4.92	189.50	367	194.48	4.08	118.00	60	104.36	3.88	34.00	60	104.36	3.88	34.00				
324	135.39	2.58		368	119.68	1.04	70.00	61	57.88	.80	28.00	61	57.88	.80	28.00				
325	126.36	4.54	38.00	369	158.74	12.10	20.00	62	53.16	.26		62	53.16	.26					
326	71.13	4.26		370	536.16	26.18	143.50	63	39.29	1.82		63	39.29	1.82					
327	71.77	1.24		371	39.29	1.82		64	196.68	7.84	830.00	64	196.68	7.84	830.00				
328	141.82	4.22	49.00	372	256.96	12.70	125.00	65	104.36	3.88		65	104.36	3.88					
329	25.50	.38	50.00	373	275.00	15.66		66	45.18	.18		66	45.18	.18					
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333	76.40	1.80	1,314.50	377	39.12	.26		70	39.12	.26		70	39.12	.26					
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347	227.53	12.48	14.00	385	90.25	2.44		77	39.12	.26		77	39.12	.26					
349	18.77	.36		386	31.50	2.32		78	39.12	.26		78	39.12	.26					
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356	168.53	2.50	48.00	393	244.78	7.30	108.00	84	39.12	.26		84	39.12	.26					
357	69.86	1.58		394	461.97	7.14	111.00	85	39.12	.26		85	39.12	.26					
360	30.08	.38		395	153.69	7.20		86	39.12	.26		86	39.12	.26					
361	181.87	6.56		396	15.45	.30	72.00	87	39.12	.26		87	39.12	.26					
362	97.25	.54		397	110.08	8.80	30.00	88	39.12	.26		88	39.12	.26					
363	85.47	3.19	46.00	398	41.18	.70		89	39.12	.26		89	39.12	.26					
365	46.29	.38		399	26.71		90.00	90	39.12	.26		90	39.12	.26					
366	246.81	12.10	452.00	400	51.82	.30	14.00	91	39.12	.26		91	39.12	.26					
368	91.85	2.70		402	31.27	.18		92	39.12	.26		92	39.12	.26					
369	14.56	2.74		403	121.51	2.42	32.00	93	39.12	.26		93	39.12	.26					
371	96.80	.86	67.50	404	57.23	.38		94	39.12	.26		94	39.12	.26					
372	238.88	1.58	30.50	405	73.54	1.38		95	39.12	.26		95	39.12	.26					
373	106.27	.30	104.00	406	302.86	12.58		96	39.12	.26		96	39.12	.26					
375	70.93	2.15	31.00	407	112.80	5.80		97	39.12	.26		97	39.12	.26					
377	195.12	2.98	181.50	408	259.26	25.79		98	39.12	.26		98	39.12	.26					
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386	362.41	9.84	94.00	415	87.86	.88	9.00	105	39.12	.26		105	39.12	.26					
387	240.48	8.81	84.00	416	108.26	5.64	3.00	106	39.12	.26		106	39.12	.26					
388	202.28	7.08	95.00	417	75.11	6.00	9.00	107	39.12	.26		107	39.12	.26					
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402	14.33	.18		428	318.62	40.48	120.00	118	39.12	.26		118	39.12	.26					
403	298.67	4.44	15.00	429	22.21	.32		119	39.12	.26		119	39.12	.26					
405	85.28	2.78	84.00	430	88.26	2.24	46.50	120	39.12	.26		120	39.12	.26					
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409	34.00	.32		434	73.84	6.41	19.00	124	39.12	.26	</								