

Jubilejna kampanja 40-letnice SNPJ se prične 1. aprila

PRIPRAVE ZA EVA-KUACIJO NEMŠKIH ČET IZ ODESE

Ogromne nemške izgube v bitkah z Rusi

AMERIČANI ODBILI JAPONSKI NAPAD

London, 14. marca.—Vsi razpoložljivi parniki so odrinili iz rumunskih luk ob Čnem morju proti Odesi, pravi poročilo iz Istanbulu, Turčija. Zdi se, da se bo nemška vojna črta v južni Rusiji kmalu zrušila pod udarci rdeče armade. Poročilo dostavlja, da so v teku priprave za evakuacijo nemških čet iz Odese.

London, 14. marca.—Ruska armada, kateri poveljuje general Rodion Malinovski in katera je zdrobila nemško vojaško posadko v Hersonu, pristanischem mestu, kjer se reka Dniper izliva v Čno morje, je v ofenzivi zasedla čez 350 naselbin. Moskva poroča, da je bilo 75,000 nemških vojakov ubitih in ujetih v bitkah z Rusi v zadnjih desetih dneh.

Herson je bil v nemških rokah od avgusta 1. 1941. Premier Stalin je odredil topniške salve v znak proslave nove ruske zmage. Naznanih pravi, da so samo čete armade generala Malinovskega ubile 20,000 in ujele 2500 sovražnikov v dobi od 6. do 12. marca. Število ne uključuje sovražnikov, ki so bili ubiti v bitkah za posest Hersona.

Cupacija Hersona je odprla pot prodiranju russkih kolon v smeri Nikolajeva in Odese, lukama ob Čnem morju. Nikolajev leži 35 milij severozapadno od Hersona, Odesa pa 90 milij zapadno od Hersona.

Druga russka armada pod povojstvom maršala Gregorija Žukova je začela novo ofenzivo v zapadni Ukrajini in zasedla distriktni center Skalat, 105 milij severozapadno od stare čehoslovaške meje in 58 milij severozapadno od železnice Lvov-Cernuti.

Nesepel, Italija, 14. marca.—Zavezniško topniško bombardiranje nemških pozicij je prekinilo začasni odmor v operaciji na rimski fronti. Izgleda, da se obe strani pripravljata za obnovno bitko.

Pri Cassinu na drugem koncu italijanske fronte so francoske čete odbile nemški naskok na svoje pozicije. Zavezniški letali so izvršili nove napade na nemške komunikacijske zvezze na severni strani Rima.

Guadalcanal, Solomon, 14. marca.—Petsto japonskih vojakov so pokosile kroglo iz strojnega, ki so skušali udreti skozi zeleno ograjo in napasti pozicije ameriških čet na otoku Bougainville, poroča glavni stan generala Douglas MacArthurja. Ameriške izgube so bile neznatne.

New Delhi, Indija, 14. marca.—Britske čete so okupirale Butihdaung, glavno točko japonske bojne črte v zapadni Burmi, 35 milij južno od Akjaba, pristanischem mesta, se glasno komunicirajo.

V severni Burmi so v akciji ameriške in kitajske čete pod povojstvom generala Josepha W. Stilwella. Te prodrijo proti prelazu Jambu Bu, kjer se odpira pot v dolino Hukwang. Komunike pravi, da je bilo v bitkah z kitajskimi in ameriškimi četami v hribih pri Maju in Arakanu čez osem tisoč Japonev ubitih v zadnjih štirih tednih.

Posebne nagrade za vse, ki pridobije 10 ali več članov

Izredni dobitek \$125. Geslo: Utrdimo skupnost in sigurnost, namen in načela SNPJ.—Vsakemu društvu je določena primerna kvota.—Kampanja se konča 30. novembra.

Cloveštvo se uči iz dogodkov in izkušenj; in mi smo se naučili iz opazovanja drugih ter lastnih aktivnosti, da nobena organizacija ne more prospevati, ako ne pridobi na članstvu ter se tako ispoljuje v utrujajo svoje moči in sile. Ako ni potrebnega dotoka z novimi člani, nastane zastoj, čemur sledi počasno nazadovanje ter prej ali sicer konec organizacije. To je neizogibno in velja za SNPJ prav tako kot za vsako drugo organizacijo.

Iz naših aktivnosti v preteklosti pa smo se tudi naučili, da ni bolj učinkovitega sredstva za pridobivanje novih članov in porast organizacije kot je dobro zamisljeni in pametno začrtana živahnja kampanja. Poleg novih članov, ki jih društva vpišejo za časa kampanje, se tedaj običajno tudi bolj resno poglobimo v poslovnanje in blagovornost ter celotni ustroj jednote in prepricani, da ni boljše organizacije nikjer ter še zdaleka tako dobre ne, se je poskušamo še bolj trdnopopraviti. Posledica je, da v dobi kampanje ponovno utrdimo svoje lojalnost in zaobljubo ter izemeljne principe jednote, z ugotovitvijo velikih koristi, ki jih nudi naše bratstvo svojim članom, pa opozorimo široko javnost na važnost naših socialnih, kulturnih in prosvetnih naporov in udobnosti kot našo posebnost in katerih se vsak član lahko posluži.

Naš starci običajno, da ob prilikih vaših obletnic posvetimo takl znamenitosti posebno pažijo in jo izrabimo kolikor mogoče v korist jednote. Kot znano, je to leto posebno znamenit rojstni dan—STRIDESETLETNICA SLOVENSKE NARODNE PODPORNE JEDNOTE. Prav zaradi tako važne obletnice je glavni odbor na svoji zadnji letni seji odobril, da se razpiše in posebna kampanja za nove člane, ki naj traja osem mesecov in se prične 1. aprila, z mesecem, v katerem se je porodila jednota, ter konča 30. novembra.

VELIKA JUBILEJNA KAMPANJA PRED NAMI.—Velika Jubilejna kampanja za nove člane je torej tiki pred nami in kakor ob prilikih sličnih aktivnosti v preteklosti, bo tudi tudi te kampanje odvisen način od dobre volje in kooperacije naših društev in njih vodil. Zavedajoč se tega prav dobro, zremo poteku te kampanje v obraz v trdnem upanju, da ne bo splošno članstvo v tem velikodušno podprtje ter do te prevažni stvari prisrčno in vso mogočno kooperacijo. Prepricani smo, da se splošno članstvo resno sanima za dobrobit organizacije, to je svojega društva in jednote, ter da bo vsak pravi pristaš SNPJ storil svoje najboljše za uspeh te kampanje in porast svoje dobre jednote, kljub temnim vojnim oblastkom, ki se še vedno rasprostirajo nad nami. Z velikim upanjem, gledamo v bodočnost in prepricanju, da bo ta kampanja poteknila poživila naše aktivnosti ter da bomo še na delo za večjo ter še bolj napredno SNPJ neustrašeno ter še z večjo energijo kot še kdaj v zgodovini jednote.

UTRDIMO SKUPNOST IN SIGURNOST TER NAMEN IN NAČELA SNPJ—je prav primerno in lepo zamisljeno geslo te kampanje. Globok pomen teh besed je prirastek k arcem naših pionirjev in ostalih članov in to je tvorilo glavno podlago naši organizaciji vsa štiri desetletja. Baš to je bilo načrta golinila sila v agitaciji in delu za jednoto vse od začetka, kar nam je prineslo ogromno hvaljenega napredka, in tako mora ostati tudi v bodočosti. Naša organizacija mora stalno rasti in beležiti mnogo zdravega napredka tudi v bodočnosti. Zato pojdimo na agitacijo za uspeh te kampanje v trdnih zvestih, da pomnožite članska pomeni uključivši in zdravitev večjih števil dobrih ljudi pod zastavo SNPJ. To pa zoper večjo trdnost in lepo bodočnost jednote, vse to pa večje podporo in dejavnost ter sploh mnoge več koristi za vse člane in njih družine. Pridobitev novih članov pomeni zaeno, da si je naše bratstvo utrijeval v domove novih društin in našlo večje polje za razsvetljevanje pravega pomena in potrebe socialne, ekonomiske in politične demokracije, ki so predpogoji za resnično svobodo in socialno pravčnost.

Prav z gotovostjo in brez vsake bojazni pred nasprotovanjem lahko trdimo, da je bratstvo, kakršnega predstavlja SNPJ, podlaga in blinost prave demokracije. Tu ni mesto, da bi razglabljali, kdo ali kaj je povzročil sedanje svetovno volno, vendar pa je na mestu, ako se na kratko ugotovi, da je veliko pripomoglo k temu razlika v svetovnih gospodarsko-političnih nazorih. Na eni strani so negativni elementi, ki sovražijo demokracijo in si prizadevajo, da jo uničijo, na drugi pa pozitivni, ki smatrajo demokracijo kot neobhodno potrebno za pravčno človeško društvo ter jo skrbajo ohraniti. Radi teh ideologij se bije za straten boj. SNPJ je bil velik zagovornik in boritelj za pravo demokracijo vse od svojega začetka in tako je danes. Na mestu je tudi, da se tu omeni, da je jednota že dala kakih 5000 članov, ki se večinoma pripravljajo ali pa že pozbore za demokracijo na vojni fronti. Precej jih je že doprineslo svoje življenske žrtve za to idejo in mnogo drugih dobro težke poškodbe.

Prav spodobi se jorej, da medtem ko trajajo vojna in naši doprinsajojo toliko žrtve, tudi mi, ki smo doma, storimo za svar vsej to kar moremo—da ohramimo ameriški način življenja, kar uključuje tudi SNPJ. In največ bomo storili v tem osnu, da se ohrani pri sedanjih moči, temveč ji dodamo še lepo število novih članov in to tako očimmo.

Kot znano, sestoji naša krajevna društva in večje ali manjše skupine poščinčnih članov, jednota pa iz krajevnih društev. In kot je znano nadalje, da se prospeh društva meri največ po tem, koliko članov šteje, ki so resnično aktivni in delajo neprestano za raznih organizacije, tako je prospeh in zdrav naprekod jednote odvisen največ od tega, koliko društva ima, ki so še aktivna in delajo za koristi organizacije po deli.

Ker je torej blaginja jednote v boljki meri odvisna od pridobi-

(Dalej na 3. strani)

Domače vesti

Clevelandske vesti

Cleveland, O.—Umrla je Johanna Gašpari, starca 80 let in doma z Vrhniko na Notranjskem, od koder je prišla v Ameriko pred 50 leti. S pokojnim možem Frankom sta živelia najprej v Moon Runu, Pa., kjer zauča brata in svaka. Po prihodu v Cleveland sta kupila hišo. Njen mož je umrl 1. 1919 in v dvora je v času depresije izgubila hišo. Zadnjih pet let je bivala pri neki tujici družini.—Dalej je umrl John Kalinšek, star 65 let in doma iz Kranja na Gorenjskem, od koder je prišel v Ameriko pred 33 leti. Tu zauča ženo, dva sinova (eden pri vojakih) in hčer, v starem kraju pa enega sina, eno hčer in pet sester.—Kandidaturo za državnega poslance je prijavil Anthony J. Tomse na listi demokratske Stranke.

Član SNPJ umrl v bolnišnici Imperial, Pa.—V bolnišnici Mercy v Pittsburghu je umrl John Godisha, star 21 let, rojen v Ameriki in član društva 106 SNPJ ter društva 29 ABZ. Zauča starše, brata in sestro.

Nov grob v Ohiu

Steubenville, O.—Po dolgi in mučni bolezni je umrl v bolnišnici Ohio Valley John Stanisla, član in dolgoletni predsednik društva 543 SNPJ, doma iz Velike Brusnice pri Novem mestu na Dolenjskem. Zauča soprogog in pet otrok.

In Caglierville, Ill.

Carlinville, Ill.—Dne 11. marca je umrla Johanna Novak, starca 68 let, članica društva 561 SNPJ, doma iz vasi Lopata pri Hriniyah na Dolenjskem. Tu zauča moža, sina in več sorodnikov, v Chicagu pa brata Simona Sinkovicha.

Partizani napadli otok Brač

Zaveznički bombardirajo nemške pozicije

London, 14. marca.—Glavni stan maršala Tita, poveljnika jugoslovanske osvobodilne armade, poroča, da so partizanske enote pod vodstvom ameriškega častnika izvršile uspešen napad na nemško vojaško posadko pri Pučinu, otok Brač, in zaplenile velike količine orožja, streliva in drugega vojnega materiala. Brač leži 12 milij južnozapadno od Splita, dalmatinske luke.

Partizani so napadli tudi nemško posadko na otoku Hvar. Mnenje prevladuje, da je bil napad izvršen pod vodstvom ameriških častnikov. Titov glavni stan je nedavno poročal, da partizanski enotom na Hvaru poveljujejo ameriški častniki.

Britska rušica Bicester in Ledbury sta obstrelijevala nemške ladje in parnike v ozemlju pri Neretvi. Eden parniki je bil potopljen in več sovražnikov utjet.

Zavezničke operacije, katerih cilj je zdobjitev nemških vojaških posadk na jugoslovanskem obrežju, so zavzele velik obseg. Zaveznički letala in bojni ladje skrbajo poštiti blokado nemških zalagalnih linij na Jadranškem morju.

Kongresnik Hoffmann udaril uniju CIO

Washington, D. C., 14. marca.—Kongresnik Hoffmann, republikanec iz Michigana, je ponovno udaril po uniji Kongresnih industrijskih organizacij. Dejal je, da so pod kontrolo komunistov, ki hočejo strmoglaviti ameriško vlado s silo.

Ker je torej blaginja jednote v boljki meri odvisna od pridobi-

Solventnost jednote in

kampanja ob 40-letnici

Kakor se je člansvo brez dvoma že seznanilo iz zapisnika seje glavnega odbora, je naša jednota v preteklem letu zoper dosegla lep napredok v člansvu, kakor tudi na imovini. Po zaslugu vseh aktivenih in delavnih članov, se je člansvo v zadnjem letu pomnilo za število 2293 in imovina je porastla za \$419,272.29.

Klub izrednim razmeram, v katerih se nahajamo, se umrljivost člansva ni posebno zvišala. Danes jednota plača polno zavarovalno sorodnikom v vojni padlih članov—katerih smo do sedaj izgubili 29—je solventnost poskočila za 2.63% in je ob zaključku leta znašala 126.91%.

Gornje številke so dobro poročilo glede varnosti, kakor tudi stabilnosti jednote, vseledi česar jih agitatorji lahko rabijo v kampanji, katera je v tem letu posvečena 40-letnici organizacije.

Brajte in sestri! Zoper prihajamo pred vas s prično za vaše sodelovanje v tej kampanji, katera se prične 1. aprila ter konča 30. novembra 1944. Prepricani smo, da, da se boste zavzeli za to kampanjo v takem zamahu in s tako odločnostjo, kakor se se v zadnjem letu. Je uspeh še sedaj zagotovjen. Glavni odbor je na svoji letni seji določil naslednje posebne nagrade v tej kampanji:

ZA VSAKEGA ČLANA MLADINSKEGA ODDEL-	
KA, ZAVAROVAN V NAČRTU 1 ALI 2.....	\$1.00
ZA VSAKEGA ČLANA MLADINSKEGA ODDEL-	
KA, ZAVAROVAN V NAČRTU 3.....	\$2.00
ZA VSAKEGA ČLANA ODDELKA ODRASLIM. KI	
SE ZAVARUJE DO VSOTE \$500.....	\$1.00
ZA VSAKEGA ČLANA ODDELKA ODRASLIM. KI	
SE ZAVARUJE ZA \$1000 ALI VEĆ.....	\$4.00

Poleg omenjenih nagrad

Slovenska Narodna Podpora Jednota

Chicago 23, Illinois



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VINCENT CAINKAR, gl. predsednik
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LAWRENCE GRADISHEK, tajnik bol. odd.
MICHAEL VRHOVNIK, direktor mlad. oddel.
PHILIP GODINA, upravitelj glasila

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RAYMOND TRAVNIK, tretje okrožje
JOHN SPILLER, četrto okrožje
URSULA AMBROZICHI, peto okrožje
EDWARD TOMSIC, šesto okrožje

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JOHN OLIP
FRED MALGAI

DR. JOHN J. ZAVERTNIK

Seja 2. februar, 1944

Seja se začne ob eni uri popoldne. Navzoči so bratje Cainkar, Vider, Kuhel, Gradišek, Vrhovnik, Godina in Molek.

Predsednik predloži prošnjo organizacije za pobiranje otočne paralize za denarno podporo. Dovoljeno je \$25.

Gl. tajnik poroča, da je dobil novo pomoč za urad v osebi Elvire Skavich, ki lahko začne 7. februarja ter priporoča, da jo gl. izvršni odbor potrdi. Odobreno.

Nato prečita pismo organizacije Illinois Fraternal Congress o nameščani letni seji 22. februarja, zapisovanju, da jednota pošlje svoje zastopnike. Sklenjeno je, da se udeležita gl. predsednik in gl. tajnik.

Direktor mladine predloži prošnjo društva št. 262, v katerem poroča, da bodo 14. maja obhajali 5-letnico mladinskega krožka št. 21 in že, da bi se udeležil mladinski direktor kot govornik za jednoto. Odobreno.

Gl. tajnik predloži pismo društva št. 51, ki poroča, da bo 7. maja obhajalo 40-letnico svojega obstanka in da že, da bi on nastopil kot govornik. Še ugodi.

Nadalje predloži poročilo društva št. 51, s katerim dokazujejo, da je pokojni br. John Kužnik, ki je dal smernito zapisati na jednoto, že, da se iz smrtne plače za njegov nagrobeni kamen, nakar je sklenjeno, da se nakaže vsota \$75 v ta namen.

Federacija društev v južnem Kanadu prosi, da se ponovi narodna na Prosveto na jednotne stroške za onemogočenega člana Jos. Dvorška, ki se nahaja v okrajnem zavetništvu. Odobreno.

Slična prošnja od društva št. 2 je doobrejena za br. J. Liveka, ki je tu in v okrajnem zavetništvu.

Direktor mladine predloži prošnjo angleško poslujoče federacije društva v zap. Penni za denarno podporo za izvedbo keglejskega turnirja te sezone. Dovoljeno je \$50.

Br. Molek poroča, da je kot urednik prenehal s pribičevanjem spornih dopisov, ki se nanašajo na nastalo situacijo pri Prosveti ter zeli, da odsek njegovo postopanje odobri. Zaenemo želi, da se mu prina pravico do dvotedenskih počitnic. Sledi razprava, med katero se br. Molek opozarja, da gl. odbor ni zaključil, da se morajo vse sporni dopisi enostavno zatrepi, ter da je njegovo zadovoljstvo pojasnilo članom v Prosvetu napačno. Ker ima gl. predsednik nalog, da pazi, da se bodo sklepili gl. odbora točno upoštevali, spadajo sporni dopisi, ki jih je prej omenil, njemu v pregled in odločanje. Sklenjeno, da ima br. Molek pravico do dvotedenskih počitnic s plačo.

Zaključek seje ob 3:30.

Seja 25. februar, 1944

Seja se začne ob 9:45 popoldne. Navzoči so Cainkar, Vider, Trojar, Kuhel, Gradišek, Vrhovnik in Godina.

Predsednik pojasni, da je sklical sejo v glavnem iz razloga, ker br. Molek s koncem tega mesece preneha s službo kot odgovorni urednik ter je radi tega potreben, da se začasno oblasti koga drugega, da prevzame vodstvo in odgovornost v uredništvu, dokler ni za neiztečeno dobo izvoljen nov urednik, kakor določajo naši pravila.

Prvo je sklenjeno, da br. predsednik v prihodnji izdaji sredine Prosvete uradno naznani, da je mestno uredniško jednotno publikacijo izpraznjeno ter do kdaj naj se prijavijo kandidati, nakar se bodo vysile volitve.

Sledi daljša razprava in soglasno mnenje, da je priporočljivo dati enako priložnost vsem trem pomožnim urednikom, namreč, da prevzame vodstvo vsekodenje drugi in tako vrstijo do konca. Ker pa so se izrazili, da raje vidijo, ako eden njih prevzame ter da bi se najbolj spodbodilo tistemu, ki je najdelj v tej službi, je sklenjeno, da se poveri vodstvo uredništvu br. L. Benigerju.

Nadalje je sklenjeno, da za čas dokler trajajo te razmere, naj pomožni uredniki delajo toliko nadzora, da nadomestijo eno osebo.

Nato so predložene še razne prošnje članom ter odohrone za vsole kaj sledi:

PROŠNJE ZA POSOJILNO ASSESSMENTA Applications for Loan for Assessment

Dr. St. 85—Valent-Katich za tri mesece.

176—Mary Jurich za tri mesece.

220—Paul in Tekla Durklevic za tri mesece.
225—Peter Jenko za tri mesece.
265—Gregor Zelezki za 1 let.
287—Bertha Spontek za tri mesece.
467—George Milkovich za tri mesece.

PROŠNJE ZA IZREDNO PODPORO Applications for Special Benefit

Dr. St. Lodge No.
3—Mitzi in Dorothy Dereta \$40.00.
5—Frank E. Rayer \$20.00.
13—John Likovich assessment za tri mesece.

24—Frank Videlic, Frank Skrabnja, Frank Kerčnik, vsak po \$20.00; William Stucin \$15.
34—Josephine Mivec \$15.00.
42—Joseph Pozelen \$20.00.

58—Frank Zagoda \$25.00.
90—John Malnerich assessment za šest mesecev.
92—Edward Alesh assessment za tri mesece.

102—Frances Kertčnik \$25.00.
135—John Horovic \$25.00.
138—John Udrovich \$25.00.
145—Frank Stražnik \$9.60.
232—Agnes Defalco \$20.00.
386—Mike Alich \$25.00.

434—Frank Sotoček assessment za šest mesecev.
447—Michael Ferlin assessment za tri mesece.

Zaključek seje ob 12:10 opoldne. V. Cainkar, gl. predsednik, F. A. Vider, gl. tajnik.

SPREMENBE PRI DRUŠTVIU meseca januarja 1944

MEMBERSHIP CHANGES January, 1944

Dr. St. Lodge No.

3—Crtan: William Pleškovich, c. 50407.
4—Crtan: Frank Wieszcinski, c. 49603.

6—Crtan: Malcolm Shannon, c. 103930, Marion Maleski, c. 105197, Harold E. Douglas, c. 104094.

9—Umrl: Joseph Knas, c. 110527.

14—Umrl: Joseph Shustar, c. 46332.

16—Umrl: John Lenko, c. 33034 & 11399.

19—Crtan: Joe Oberzan, c. 99613.

20—Umrla: Johanna Glinsek, c. 10997.

26—Crtan: Valentin Petach, c. 11583, Rudolph F. Bratina, c. 11532, Umrl: Joe Vogrich, c. 11653.

27—Umrla: Julia Juvan, c. 11279.

28—Umrl: Joseph Misas, c. 110639.

33—Umrla: Jennie Posega, c. 13163 in c. 112224.

36—Umrl: Michael Gaburi, c. 43676.

39—Umrla: Kristina Renar, c. 24769.

52—Umrla: Veronika Sinkovec, c. 78018, Konstantin Smoljanski, c. 56911.

54—Crtan: Mary Gregurich, c. 104128.

56—Crtan: Ardis J. Sherwood, c. 103596.

59—Umrl: Rudolph Slatner, c. 110187.

61—Umrl: Anton Brodnik, c. 6560, Mike Zlokas, c. 8280.

64—Umrl: John Kotar, c. 50094 in 112081.

69—Umrl: Andrew Kastelic, c. 95476.

75—Umrl: John Majnarich, c. 18293 in 113160.

82—Crtan: Joseph Selich, c. 23234.

86—Crtan: Anna Babnic, c. 95974 in Mary Wicherica, c. 81288.

88—Umrl: Blaz Kovacic, c. 40842.

90—Crtan: Mildred Tisol, c. 115669.

118—Crtan: Matilda Frank, c. 114243; Rose Fucek, c. 117278.

121—Umrl: Anton Zakravsek, c. 6271.

124—Umrl: Anton Drasler, c. 15637.

125—Umrl: Andro Paskvan, c. 17547.

129—Umrla: Frances Marolt, c. 50166.

134—Umrl: Jacob Zaitz, c. 2923.

148—Crtan: Molly M. Stevens, c. 110358.

158—Umrl: Frank Kantz, c. 82555.

167—Umrla: Julia Baid, c. 24762.

173—Umrl: Edward Prijatel, c. 88774.

179—Crtan: Dorothy Nelson, c. 115463; Oswald Nelson, c. 115464.

204—Crtan: Nicholas Radnovich, c. 88965.

212—Umrl: Louis Asich, c. 29404.

236—Crtan: John Mladenoff, c. 106038.

240—Crtan: Math Sustaric, c. 71784.

241—Crtan: zopet sprejet: John Ptak, c. 104034. Crtan: John Dubich, c. 104359.

250—Crtan: Rose Marie Bukovac, c. 105281, John Bukovac, c. 105101.

251—Crtan zopet sprejet: Martin Skala, c. 112458.

258—Crtana: Mary M. Sketel, c. 106158.

259—Umrla: Rose Marie Santel, c. 113802.

264—Umrl: Peter Kren, c. 11045.

267—Crtana: Dorothy Chadez, c. 98046.

268—Umrl: Albin V. Rozman, c. 98012.

275—Crtan: Olga Paff, c. 26292, Mary Ethel Paff, c. 90359.

278—Umrla: Mary Damjanovich, c. 50749.

286—Crtan zopet sprejet: John Kos, c. 92949.

311—Crtan: John Kotar, c. 60979.

317—Crtana: zopet sprejet: Mary Kadup, c. 90206. Crtana: Reinaldo Argenta, c. 94267.

321—Umrl: Simon Runic, c. 36502.

322—Umrl: Fanny Nucic, c. 67524.

326—Umrla: Margaret Jartz, c. 56467.

341—Umrl: John Molko, c. 114978.

344—Crtan zopet sprejet: Joseph Demsar, c. 7213.

403—Crtana: Sylvia Bubnich, c. 105708.

411—Umrl: Martin Južnik, c. 3856.

434—Umrla: Antonia Bany, c. 104088. Crtana: Annie M. Ozek, c. 104089.

447—Umrl: John Hojak, c. 38

Od časa do časa

poroča in komentira
Milan Medvešek

Cas je, da se zopet oglašim. V Clevelandu je zadnje čase precej živahnosti na društvenem polju, zlasti pa vladu veliko zanimanje za Slovenski ameriški narodni svet. Podružnica št. 39 SANS še vedno prvači v pri-svetkih in pošlje vsak mesec \$500 na urad.

V nedeljo popoldne, 2. apr., pa predri podružnica št. 2 JPO igro "Roki" v Narodnem domu na St. Clair Ave. Ta igra je bila pred nekaj delitvijo igra za Progresivne Slovenke v Collinwoodu s takim uspehom, da so se voditelji podružnice št. 2 JPO odločili ponoviti jo v Narodnem domu na St. Clair Ave.

Cisti dobiček od te igre je namenjen za naše trpeče brate in sestre v staro domovini, zato je dolžnost vsakega zavednega Slovenca in Slovenke, da posesti na dan 2. aprila Slovenski narodni dom na St. Calir Ave. Ako se voditelji pri JPO in igralci takoli potrudijo, da igro podajo, mislim, da se lahko vsakdo potrdi in poseti igro. Torej, ne pozabite omenjenega datuma — ne pozabite svojih bratov in sester v nesrečni domovini!

Društvo Naprej št. 5 SNPJ obhaja letos svojo 40-letnico. V ta namen se bo 7. maja vršila velika proslava v Narodnem domu na St. Clair Ave. Program pa pester. Govornik Fred Viener, gl. tajnik SNPJ. O podrobnosti proslave in programu bom pravočasno poročal.

V nedeljo, 21. maja, imamo tudi važno prireditve v Clevelandu. Na ta dan priredi mladinsko pevski zbor SNPJ svoj prvi koncert. Koncert se vrši v Narodnem domu na St. Clair Ave.

Našemu članstvu SNPJ je znano, da smo pred nekaj meseci ustanovili mladinski pevski zbor SNPJ, ki dobro napreduje pod vodstvom mladega in zmožnega pevskoga učitelja Vladimira Mačekarja. Seveda bodočnost boja pa bo le tedaj zagotovljena, če se bo naše članstvo zanimalo za našo mladino in slovensko pesem.

Članstvo SNPJ v Clevelandu okoliči naj si zapomni datum 21. maja in gotovo poseti prvi koncert mladih pevcev in pevk SNPJ. O programu bo še poročano.

Dandanes človeka povsod priznajo o državljanstvu, le težaj ne, ko plača svoje davke. In niso majhni v teh kritičnih casih.

Joe Fifolt, tajnik društva 566 SNPJ, vrši upeno patriotsko delo. Na njegovo vzpodbudo je društvo prodalo za \$14,000 vojnih bondov, zdaj pa društvo vodi kampanjo za ameriški Rdeči križ.

Rusi. Rusi, naši slovanski braje, prodrijo in kosijo nemške srste v vsakim dnevom bolj. Kdo bi si misil pred nekaj leti, da bodo Slovani najmočnejše jugstvo na svetu? In Jugoslavija ne zaostajajo za Rusi!

Ljudje se vse več radi "po-edajo" zaradi malenkostnih stvari in velikih in resnih stvari pa niso opazijo.

"Nacela, načelal" se nekateri venujeri dajejo, a ko pride do načelnih vprašanj, se pridružijo prezačeni strani.

Pred našimi očmi se danes vrši velika revolucija, stari pojmi stari temelji se rušijo v prahu, a moje "revolucionarji" vzdružuju se vprašujejo, kdaj pride revolucija.

Med nami čestokrat slišimo, da kaj bi počeli, če bi ta ali tisti nadnik pri tej ali oni drugi, ki jih bisi nadomestili itd. Točno se ni bilo težko najti, da bi točno služba priljubila, da ana. Težko pa je načelni uradnik tam, kjer ni načelni.

Moralno, ki ima odgovorno avtoritet, zgleda učen in ne sem se vse kaj, toda ko

enkrat nima več avtorite, ne ostane od njega nič več. Večkrat sem že opazoval kakšnega predstavnika ali bosa v tovarni. Dokler je bil bos, se ga je vse balo in mislili smo, da je bog zna kaj, a kar hitro je bil ob delu, je postal v naših in svojih očeh precej manjši in manj učen. Laže je biti bos kot delavec, učitelj kot učenec.

Poznani milijonar Marshall Field, ki izdaja chicaski liberalni dnevnik Sun, je pred kratkim govoril v Clevelandu. Med drugim je dejal tudi to: "Mali človek, delavec, hoče tako demokracijo, ki bi mu dala dovolj grocerije." Ali z drugimi besedami: Delavcu ni dovolj takša demokracija, ki mu daje pravico, da lahko pove, da je lačen, temveč hoče tako, ki bi mu dala tudi kos kruha, kadar je lačen.

Čestokrat očitamo kakšnemu revnemu delavcu in idealistu, da je oportunist, a kakšnemu debolemu oportunistu pa pravimo, da je idealist.

Glasovi iz naselbin

Clevelandke novice

Cleveland. — Komaj je minilo dva tedna, odkar sem se ustavil na 15811 Huntmore ave. pri Lovrencu Torkarju, ker je bila njegova žena Frances bolna, da pozivem o njenem stanju, kakor je bilo poročano na društveni seji. Danes, 11. marca smo jo pa položili v hladni grob. Res čudimo se naša pota življenja, dokler nas ne odpeljejo v večna lovišča.

Pokojna Frances Torkar je prišla v Ameriko pred 32 leti iz Horjula pri Vrhniku. Tam začuša tri brate — Valentina, Karla in Petra — in tri sestre — Mici, Margareto in Angelo. Tukaj pa zapušča moža Lovrenca, ki je doma iz Korinta, pri Bledu in tri sinove, vsi tri pri vojakih. Lawrence in Steva sta "first class privates". Adolph pa je podporočnik. Zapusča tudi polbora Rozmana in vnuka Richarda.

Bila je članica društva V bojni SNPJ, kakor tudi W. C. in SZZ. In tako je bilo sklenjeno, da bodo nosilke pri pogrebnu članice — šest žena, od vsakega društva dve. Naše društvo 53 SNPJ je poslalo članici Rose Paulin in Jennie Sosic. Ženske so storile svojo dolžnost, kakor zahteva bratska zavednost in položile njen truplo v hladni grob na pokopališču Calvary.

Pogreb je imel v oskrbi zavod Joseph Zele in sinovi. Jože je zopet storil uslugo društva V boji, ker je peljal naši nosilki in predsednika na pokopališče in nazaj. V imenu društva lepa hvala, brat Zele! Pokojni sestri pa blag spomin in naše sožalje ljubecim, ki jih je zapustila.

Zivimo v resnem času svetovne furje in težak je tudi polojaz fraternalizma. Če se še tako zanimaš, če je toliko storil kot društveni brat, boš vedno kritiziran, in sicer največ od onih, ki ne store niti drugega kot legovore, kakšen bi moral biti ti, kaj bi moral ti storiti, da imaš napake po vsem telesu, da ne storil ničesar prav in da moreno škoduješ, kamor kolik se obrneš. Kdor tega ne veruje, naj vpraša dva in dvajset društvenih bratov in izvedel bo vse o svojih napakah!

In moje napake? Well, včeraj sem prosil, ako lahko sprememim moj "run" št. 58 z "runom" št. 118C: "Kam pa zopet gre?" me vpraša boss. "Na pogreb, ker sem predsednik društva." — "Že zoper? Saj je komaj dva tedna, kar si bil." — "Da, ali to je moja dolžnost, ker sem kot pridigar." — "Že zoper? Saj je komaj dva tedna, kar si bil." — "Da, ali to je moja dolžnost, ker sem kot pridigar."

"Aha, ti si kot McCloud? (McCloud je konduktor v povrhu res pridigar neke protestantske skete.) "Ne! On gre v cerkev, jaz pa ne," se odrežem.

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Kampanja SNPJ se prične dne 1. aprila

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

vana novih članov, je jasno kot beli dan, da s tem, ako se resno podamo v kampanjske aktivnosti ter skušamo storiti za ne uspeh, kakor največ moremo, delamo tudi zase in načelni koristimo samim sebi. Čim večje število članov bo sodelovalo in prevzelo odgovornost, tem večje bodo močnosti za doseg dovršene kvote in končni uspeh kampanje.

NAČRT ZA JUBILEJNO KAMPAÑO OB 40-LETNICI SNPJ

GESLO: Utrdimo skupnost in sigurnost ter namen in načela SNPJ!

OBSEG: Ta kampanja se nanaša na članski in mladinski oddelki, ter se prične 1. aprila in konča 30. novembra 1944.

UDELEŽITEV: Vsak član in članica se lahko udeleži te kampanje. Potrebno pa je, da društveni iznik navедe ime in certifikatno številko udeležence ter druge potrebne podatke, kadar podlje prošnjo kandidata za pristop v glavni urad.

KVOTA: Vsakemu društvu je odmerjena kvota ali določeno število, ki se pričakuje, da ga bo napolnilo z novimi člani tokom te kampanje. Kvota je odmerjena na podlagi izjavila odraslih članov, ki jih je društvo imelo 31. decembra 1943 in sicer, na vsakih deset starih enega novega člana do maksimalne vsoje 40 članov.

NAPLAČILO: Radi privlačnosti in da se pospeši aktivnost v tej kampanji ter za doseg večjega uspeha, so določene redne in izredne nagrade.

REDNE NAGRADO: Redne nagrade so določene za vse novopriskljene člane, ki so plačali assessment za najmanj šest mesecov, na podlagi tu navedene lestvice, ki je:

Za vsakega mladinskega člana—Načrt 1 ali 2 \$1.00

Za vsakega mladinskega člana—Načrt 3 2.00

Za vsakega odraslega člana zavarovanega za \$250 in \$500 ali več... 1.00

Za vsakega odraslega člana zavarovanega za \$1000 ali več... 4.00

IZREDNE NAGRADO: Poleg rednih nagrad so določene še posebne nagrade za udeležence, ki pridobi deset (10) ali več novih članov. Sisti glavnih nagrad so: \$125 za načelje število, \$100 za drugo načelje število, \$75 za tretje načelje število in \$50 za četrto načelje število, ki jih je vpisanih v kredit posameznemu članu. Ostalo pa se bo razdelilo proporcionalno med udeležence, ki dosežejo ali nadkljivo cilj desetih članov.

SKLAD POSEBNIH NAGRAD: Vse izredne nagrade se bodo izplačale iz sklada, ki se ga zbere na sledeni način: Za vsakega novopriskljene člana v mladinskega člana gre 50c v ta namen, uklavčivi člani, ki prestopijo iz mladinskega v članski oddelek ter se zavarujejo za \$1000 ali več.

ZDRAVNIŠKA PREISKAVA: Za te kampanje pridobljene nove člane plača jednota siroške zdravniške preiskave do vsoje \$2 za vsakega odraslega člana. Za mladinski oddelek se običajno ne zahteva zdravniške preiskave, razen v primerih, kjer je zdravstveno stanje otroka in s tem zavarovanje dvomljivo. V slednjem primeru plača jednota zdravniško preiskavo do vsoje 50c.

RAZNOTEROSTI:

a) Udeleženc v tej kampanji dobri kredit za vsakega otroka pri vsakem društvu. Toda kredit se ne more prenesti, še potem ko je nov član prijavljen v vknjižen v glavnem uradu.

b) Bivših članov odraslega in mladinskega oddelka, ki imajo v smislu pravil morda še pravico, da se jih nazaj sprejme, se ne šteje v kredit te kampanje.

c) Prošnje za nove člane je treba poslati v glavni urad ne kasneje kot do petega (5.) dne po uradno določenem datumu za zaključek te kampanje, pri čem je datum poštne pošte merjenje.

d) Slavosino kampanjo za nove člane ob 40-letnici Jednote vodita Michael Vrhovnik, kot direktor kampanje, in Vincent Cainkar, kot načelnik kampanje.

Kakor razvidno, predvideta predlogi načrt mnogo lepih ugodnosti za nove člane in agitatorje ter je vsakost privlačen. Na podlagi teh pogodb in dobrimi izkušnjami, ki smo si jih stekli v prejšnjih kampanjah, nam je uspeh zagotovljen. **UTRDIMO TOREJ SKUPNOST IN SIGURNOST TER NAMEN IN NAČELA JEDNOTE Z MARLJIVIM PRIDOBIVANJEM NOVIH ČLANOV! TO NAJ BO NAŠE OBČE GESLO TEKOM TE SLAVNOSTNE KAMPANJE! NAPREJ ZA VEČJO IN JAČJO SNPJ POVOD PO AMERIKI!**

V. CAINKAR. načelnik kampanje.

MICHAEL VRHOVNIK. direktor kampanje.

pač kot dober človek odpuščam

vsem, pravim pa še enkrat: Bog se nas usmili tudi pred diktaturom delavcev!

Frank Barbic. 53.

POROČILO O NAKAZANI BOLNIŠKI PODPORI

Nekaj nas dne 2. marca 1944

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20 John Hinch \$11.05.
48 Anna Stebly \$15.
55 Josephine Pavilia \$2.
59 Valentine Lukanc \$28. Valentine Lukanc \$28.

156 Emil Možina \$25, Agnes Kautz \$6. Vide Grm \$32, Frank Ošaček \$80.

157 Anton Drasler \$42. Vide Grm \$32, Frank Ošaček \$80.

158 John Bar \$15, Sam Pasalic \$25. Victor Kraus \$20, Mary Kosmeri \$16.

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Datum v oklepaju na primer (March 31, 1944), poleg vašega imena na naslovu pomeni, da vam je s tem datumom potekla naročnina. Ponoči jo pravočasno, da se vam lost ne ustavi.

Rekordni napredok SNPJ

Uradna statistika o stanju SNPJ, ki je bila priobčena v zapisniku letne seje gl. odbora zadnjo sredo, izkazuje, da je naša jednota v minulem letu dosegla rekordni napredok v članstvu in na premoženju.

Iz poročil gl. izvršnih odbornikov je namreč razvidno, da je naša jednota v minulem letu napredovala za 2293 članov v obeh oddelkih, dočim je na premoženju napredovala za \$433,103.40, tako da znaša skupno premoženje SNPJ sedaj, ob njenem štiridesetem jubileju, nad enajst milijon dolarjev.

Naša jednota ni imela tako lepega napredka zlasti v članstvu že več let. K temu rekordnemu napredku sta seveda mnogo pripomogli dve članski kampanji, namreč kampanja znage, ki se je zaključila ob koncu marca in trimesecna kampanja mladinskega oddelka ob 30-letnici tega oddelka, ki se je zaključila ob koncu novembra. Z gotovostjo smemo pričakovati, da bo tudi letošnja jubilejna kampanja v proslavo 40-letnice SNPJ, ki se prične 1. aprila in traja do 30. novembra, prinesla naši jednoti rekordno število novih članov, kar bo pa najlepše dario, ki ga more članci stvo pokloniti k njemu slavju.

Rekordni porastek članstva naše jednote v zadnjih dveh letih se zrcali v sledenih uradnih števkah: ob koncu leta 1942 je SNPJ imela 61,841 članov v obeh oddelkih, dočim je ob koncu leta 1943 dosegla skupno število 64,144 članov—47,294 članov v oddelku odraslih in 16,850 v mladinskem oddelku.

Ta lep napredok je značilen zlasti zato, da kribuj vojnim razmeram, je naša jednota s svojim rekordnim številom članstva prvič po dolgih letih ne le dosegla, temveč prekorila najvišje število svojih članov, ki ga je imela v dobi pred veliko depresijo.

Naša jednota stopa v svojo 40-letnico večja in močnejša kot je bila kdaj prej. K temu skupnemu napredku so veliko pripomogli tisti agilični člani in članice, ki so bili aktivni v pridobivanju novih članov v zadnjih dveh kampanjah, zatuk jimi gre lepo priznanje, tako tudi predsedniku in direktorju, ki sta kampanjo vodila.

Poskrbimo, da bo letošnja jubilejna kampanja SNPJ posekala rekord prejšnjih kampanj!

SNPJ pred možnimi problemi

Iz poročil gl. odbornikov SNPJ, ki so bila priobčena v zapisniku letne seje gl. odbora zadnjo sredo, je razvidno, da je bila umrljivost našega članstva v minulem letu višja nego v prejšnjem letu. Lani je namreč umrlo 498 članov v obeh oddelkih, kar je 37 več kot v letu 1942.

Brez dvoma je sedanja vojna zaposlenost pripomogla k višji umrljivosti. To se jasno vidi v tem, da je v minulem letu bilo ubitih 50 članov pri delu v raznih industrijskih, dočim je jednota od začetka vojne do konca 1943 izgubila 29 članov-vojakov, ki so padli na raznih bojiščih za obrambo domovine. Do neke mere to razmerje potrjuje dejstvo, da je domača in industrijska vojna bolj smrtonosna, kakor je vojna, ampak to ne predstavlja celotne slike.

V tem momentu se namreč pripravlja velika invazija evropske celine, ki bo po svojem obsegu in udaru presegala vse doseganje invazije v dolgi zgodovini vojn. Da bodo v teh gigantskih vojnih operacijah velike žrtve, se lahko pričakuje, kajti nacijska Nemčija se bo po vseh dokazih borila do končnega poraza. Pri tem bo neposredno prizadeta tudi naša jednota, ki ima danes v oboroženi sili Združenih držav več tisoč svojih mladih članov in mnogi te bodo sodelezeni pri napovedani invaziji Evrope. Poleg tega pa je pred nam še velika bitka na drugi strani zemeljske obale, na Pacifiku, kjer se pride do srditih bojev.

Točasno ima SNPJ v armadi Združenih držav okrog 5,000 članov-vojakov in je ponosna, da je s tako velikim številom svojih članov zastopana v silah strica Sama, ki se bori za pravice vseh narodov. Trdno smo prepričani vsi, ki verujemo v ameriško demokracijo, da številne žrtve, ki bodo padle v tej vojni, ne bodo padle znamen, temveč da bodo zlasti vsi mali narodi končno dosegli svoje pravice; trdno upamo, da naša povojska pravreditev razmer v naši starosti domovini ne bo znova razočarala, kakor nas je po prvi svetovni vojni.

Pri tem pa nastane neizbežno vprašanje, ako se bodo žrtve naših mladih članov povisale, kar se lahko pričakuje, kakšne korake naj podvzame jednota, da ohrani svojo finančno stabilnost z ozirom na izplačevanje smrtnin in drugih obveznosti. Četudi ni ta problem v ospredju sedaj—dočas je jednota izgubila prilično nizko število članov-vojakov—je dalo, da pričenemo o tej važni fazi vojnih posledic razmisliti se z rdečim znamenom, da se pravočasno pripravimo za vse eventuelnosti, ki jih morda sedanja vojna furija prinese.

Tretno pripravljanje in previdovanje sta vedno na mestu. Vsi vemo, kaj se zgodi, če človek ni pripravljen za slučaj nesreče ali bolezni. Dobro vemo tudi to, kaj se je zgodilo z zapadnimi državami, ko jih je napadel Hitler, ker niso bile pripravljene. Kar velja za posameznika in za državo, to velja za organizacije: stalna čujočnost in pripravljenost sta neobhodno potrebni, ker prinašata končne dividende.

Zgodovina SNPJ jasno izpričuje, da je njeno članstvo vedno stale na strani za njene in svoje interese, kar v tem je bistvo naša jednota, ker se je njeno članstvo vselej zavedalo svojih pravic in dolžnosti.

Dolžnost vsega članstva SNPJ je, da se briga za njene bodoče probleme, ki jih mogoče prinesajo bližnje razmere. Zato je potrebno, da usmerjamo svoja razmisljanja s tega stališča. Le na ta način bomo pripomogli naši jednoti do še večjega napredka.

Glasovi iz naselbin

Slovencem v Chicagu in okolici

Chicago.—Združeni odbor jugoslovanskih Amerikanov za Chicago in okolico sklicuje velik javen shod vseh Jugoslovjanov. Vrši se v nedeljo, 19. marca v dvorani American-Bohemian na 1440 West 18th St. ob 2. uri popoldne.

Kot glavni govornik je na programu ne samo nam Slovenec, ampak tudi Amerikanec dobro poznani pisatelj Louis Adamic iz New Yorka. Poleg njega nastopajo tudi Kosanovič, Balakovč, Bunčič in rev. Maletič.

Gledje glasbenega programa mi ob času, ko to pišem, še ni znan,

ampak gotov sem, da bo pravovrsten, tudi slovenske točke bomo imeli. Vstopnina je popolnoma prostta.

Slovenci in Slovenke! To bo prvi shod, ko bodo združeni ne samo Slovenci, Hrvati in Srbi, ampak vse Jugoslovani, tudi Bokari. Zatorej pokažimo, da smo tudi mi z njimi in smo za svobodno, združeno in demokratično Jugoslavijo. Udeležimo se tega shoda vse, komur le dopušča čas.—Za ZOJSU—

John Gottlieb, pomožni tajnik.

Vest iz Bridgeporta

Bridgeport, O.—V nedeljo, 5. marca je bila seja tukajšnjih postojank JPO-SS in SANSA, na kateri je bilo odobreno poročilo in priporočilo odbora, ki je imel sej par tednov prej, da priredimo plesno zabavo v prid dveh akcijama. Vršila se bo s shodom v soboto zvečer, 15. aprila. Za tado bomo skušali dobiti Etibina Kristanova kot govornika.

Prirediba se je zavlačevala že osem mesecov radi tega, ker ni bilo mogoče dobiti stvari, ki prinesajo prebitek na zabavah. Glavno je seveda pivo. Razmere se sicer niso nič izboljšale glede tega, toda imamo od neke strani zagotovilo, da bomo lahko dobili. Po prvem aprili bo tudi zvišan federalni davek na vstopnino, ki bo znašal 20% namesto deset.

Torej rojaki, ne obotavljajte se in kupite vstopnice, ko bodo prišli z njimi na nakrog. Zraven ste tudi vabljeni od blizu in dalje, da se gotovo udeležite te priredbe, ker prebitek gre po povločico za SANSA in polovico za JPO-SS. Prva organizacija deluje na političnem polju za osvoboditev našega naroda izpod diktature in da dobi demokracijo, druga pa jim bo pomagala materialno, kakor hitro bo to mogoče. In pomešajmo, da je zavaroval upravnega odbora SNPJ, ker se lahko sam. Ali v tem slučaju ga moram, ker je to moja dolžnost.

Upravni odbor si ni sam zvišal plače, marveč mu jo je glavni odbor, in sicer samo enkrat za 15%, ne pa dvakrat in sicer za 25%, kakor nekateri govorijo. Saj je bil tisti sklep objavljen v uradnem glasilu v zapisniku seje glavnega odbora SNPJ. To naj bo v pojasnilo vsem onim, ki radi verjamejo takim govorom. Ob 10. zjutraj odsopira vlak iz Pittsburgha in ob 1:15 popoldne sva že v Clevelandu.

Pred par dnehvi sem se mudil v Pueblo in ker sem imel precej časa, sem obiskal brata Radovicha, moža Rose Radovich, tajnice društva Orel 21 SNPJ, ki je že precej časa bolan. Pravi, da se mu zdravje počasi izboljša.

Meseca februarja smo pri društvu 13 SNPJ imeli dva smrtna slučaja. Prvi je umrlo brat John Selak radi raka na črevesih. On je bil vedno zdrav, priden delavec in dober oče svojih družini. Zupuča ženo, štiri sinove in hčerko. Od sinov sta dva pri vojakih, od katerih je eden poročnik, drugi pa pri moraricu, od ostalih dveh pa je eden ojenjen. Zadnje leto je bil pokojni društeni predsednik. Doma je bil iz vasi Šaje pri Bučki na Dolenjskem.

Nagle smrti pa je preminil brat Andrew Orechowsky, rodom Poljak in star 73 let. Zapuča šest sinov in dve hčeri. Umrl je radi srčne kapi. Obama družina naše sožalje.

Tako se redijoča naše vrste doma kot pri društvu. Pri društvu jih je treba nadomestiti. Zato je potrebna kooperacija s strani članstva in uradnikov. Jaz skušam po svoji moći to vršiti. Po novem letu sem pridobil tri člane v mladinski in dva v odrasli oddelki, da se malo zamaši luknja pri društvu. Ampak sam ne morem vsega, čeprav se na glavo postavim, kajti gledati moram tudi za kruh, ker od same ljubezni ne morem živeti—sem že prestar—in od samega zraka bi želodec preveč krutil. Če bi še več nas na delo, bi bilo lažje.

V nedeljo, 19. marca bo seja kluba Naprej št. 11 JSZ. Članstvo je vabljeno, da se te seje udeleži v polnem številu, da bomo tudi pri klubu kaj storili za priredbo SANSA in JPO-SS. Potem izide Majski Glas, ki bo poštev 15-letnici smrti pokojne-

panja se prične s prvim aprilom in razpisane so lepe nagrade za agitatorje. Pomislimo, ako se vsakih deset članov organizira v skupino in pridobi samo enega novega člana, bi to bilo že lepo število. In to bi lahko dosegli z majhnim delom. Samo dogovoriti in organizirati se je treba in bo šlo.

Torej na delo takoj, da vsaj na ta način proslavimo jednotni jubilej.

Ed Tomasic, 299.

O vremenu in dražtvu

Chisholm, Minn.—Zopet se moram oglašati v Prosveti, katero rad berem vsak dan, samo k pisanju se bolj težko pripravim. Zimo smo letos imeli tako lepo v gorki in brez snega, da take ne pomnim, odkar sem v Minnesota.

Ali danes, ko to pišem, pa je marec prinesel svoje vreme. Zunaj brije burja in nosi sneg, da je vse zameteno.

Moram omeniti, da naše društvo 110 SNPJ se precej dobro napreduje v obeh članskih oddelkih. Samo zadnja sezona je bila nekaj slab obiskana. Prosim člane, da se bolje udeležujejo sej. Saj je sezona samo enkrat na mesec in par ur si lahko vsakodobno v sestram, naj ne pozabijo skrbeti za mamo, ko njege ne bo. On je slutil, kaj ga čaka. Zupuča žalujoča mater, brata in tri sestre, vse poročeni, in veliko sorodnikov.

Naj se se malo povrnem nazaj v Cleveland. Ko hodimo po St. Clairju, mi pride na misel, da bi obiskale urednika Nove Dobe Toneta Terbovca, ki ga nisem videl že 16 let. Moja svakinja mi pravi, da je samo en blok od tu.

Rečeno, storjeno.

Mr. Terbovca dobimo pri njegovih pisalni mizi. V pogovoru je bil z Jankom Rogljem, glavnim predsednikom ABZ. Če smo jih zmotili v pogovoru, ne vem, toda pravijo, kar ne veš, ne škodi. Torej oprostila. Ko se predstavimo, vprašam Toneta, če je že odpadal Novo Dobo v Verono; ako ne, jo lahko jaz odnesem in prihram nekaj na poštnini. On se mi začne smejati, ker je menda misil: "Ja, kaj si zato prišla v Cleveland, da boš oslepila vlado v teh časih, ko toliko onim, ki se niso udeležili, kajti bila je vesela družba. Drugi dan pa na vse zgodaj zjutraj na sej, kar ni šala, vendar pa sem bil zadovoljen, kajti priredba je dobro izpadla. Na seji sem zopet videl večinoma vse one, ki so bili prejšnji večer dobre volje in veselo razpoloženi. To so vse tisti, ki so vedno med prvimi za podvig društva in jednoto. Želeli bi, da bi se tudi drugi malo bolj zanimali in zainteresirali.

Želim se zahvaliti vsem, ki ste pripomogli do veselih družb na moralnega in finančnega uspeha, tako da je naša blagajna zdaj zopet za nekaj stotakov na boljšem. Najlepša hvala našim tukajem in kuvaricem—mrs. Klementič in njeni pomočnic, sploh vsem delavcem. Bili so vsi ves čas na svojih mestih. Najlepša hvala tudi mrs. Terbičan, ki je storila društvo lepo uslužbo.

Ime veliče naših sorodnikov in prijeteljev, ali čas je vse prehitro tekeli in treba se je bilo posloviti. Hvala za postrežbo, katere smo bili deležni pri družini Tone Kirn, pri Pirnatovih in Žibertovih. Posebno pa hvala mojemu bratu in njegovemu ženi Angeli za postrežbo in prenočitev ter vožnjo po Clevelandu in v Colindwoodu in za spremstvo na postajo.

Tukaj je bil na vojaškem dopustu John Morel, član našega društva 215 SNPJ. Res veselo svinjenje, toda slovo je žalostno. Toda, kaj si moremo pomagati? Vzredile smo sinove, ali zdaj so drugi gospodarji nad njimi.

Tudi ja imam dva sinova v vojni. Eden je nekje v Angliji in že par mesecev v bolnišnici, drugi pa nekje v Italiji—vsaj da tam smo dobili njegovo zadnje pismo. Pismo dobivamo še precej redno od obeh, ali naš mlajši sin, ki je v Italiji, jih dobiva zdaj bolj porekoma od nas, da si mu pišemo skoraj vsak dan. On je šel preko morja prve dni oktobra 1943, toda pošta ga je dosegla še par dni pred božičem, ko je dobil 37 pism skupaj. Pravil, da se tako hitro sejijo iz kraja v kraj, da ni časa, da bi jim pošlo dostavili.

Ker se je ta moj dopust že preveč zavlek, moram končati. Pozdrav vsem članom SNPJ in uredbi.

Frank Jenko, tajnik.

Več žalosti kot veselja

Verona, Pa.—Dne 26. februarja po poklicu po telefonu iz Clevelandu moj brat John Novak, da je umrl njegov last Frank Ziberna. Dne 28. februarja se odpravim z mojim hčerkom Josephino na pogreb. Bodimo pravčini in poštne.

Minutes of Meeting of Supreme Board of Slovene National Benefit Society

Held Feb. 10, 11, 12, 1944, at Headquarters, 2657 S. Lawndale Ave., Chicago, Ill.

OPENING SESSION, FEBRUARY 10

President Cainkar calls meeting to order at 9 a.m. with all officers present except vice-president Kumer, Zarnick and Travnik, who are excused.

Order of business accepted:

1. Call to order.
2. Roll call.
3. Time of meeting.
4. Special motions.
5. Reports of supreme officers.
6. Discussion of reports.
7. Unfinished business.
8. General business.
9. Miscellaneous.
10. Adjournment.

President appoints Culkar and Spiller to assist him as vice-presidents of the meeting.

Sessions shall be from 9 to 12 and 1 to 5 daily, with 10 minutes intermissions.

REPORTS OF SUPREME OFFICERS

Report of Supreme President

We have met again in our annual session to review the affairs of our organization, and to discuss and decide what is necessary for the future.

The Supreme Office

Due to the death of Bro. Rus last August, there was a vacancy in office of assistant secretary. As decided at our last supreme board meeting, an election was held according to the by-laws. There were five candidates for the office, and their names were placed on the ballots which were sent to all supreme board members. The result was that no candidate received a sufficient majority on the first ballot, and it was necessary to vote again on the two candidates who had received the most votes. Bro. Anton Trojar was elected, and while he is known to all of you, permit me to officially present him to you at this time as our new supreme board member, and to welcome him to our midst.

The election of Trojar caused a vacancy in his former post of building custodian. But as it was impossible to allow this position to be unfilled particularly during the winter, we were forced to keep Trojar on duty until such time as another custodian could be found. As it happened, this took much longer than we expected, because there are so few people available for this work, particularly in these times. The whole matter of election and employment was so much delayed that Trojar was unable to take office as assistant secretary until the beginning of this year.

As is known to all of you, our supreme secretary Bro. Vider sustained an accident and was in a hospital during our last supreme board meeting and for a considerable period after, and was unable to do his regular work for a long time. We can say that we were deprived of two executive officers and important workers at the same time, and soon after the head bookkeeper was called to the army, as was also another essential employee. You can see from this that the situation was very difficult during most of the second half of last year, and the fact that there are no people available in these times who might be hired, only made things worse. However, it all came out all right. The difficulties were surmounted with patience and good will and by working overtime it was possible to carry out the regular work.

The ever increasing living costs and shortage of workers has resulted in generally increased wages, and we have had to follow this practice also if we want to retain efficient workers. As you have been informed in the minutes of executive committee meetings, our low salaried employees received two raises last year and another at the beginning of this year.

Membership Campaigns

The enrollment of new members is a very important consideration for every fraternal benefit organization. It is a known fact that the best results are obtained by means of membership campaigns, which not only increase the membership and strengthen the resources, but also stir up activity generally and create new interest and add new, young blood to the Society. We gain thereby on all counts, and it is a good thing to repeat campaigns from time to time, and especially to utilize more outstanding occasions of Society and lodge anniversaries and other events in this way. It was in order, then, that we had a campaign last year for the juvenile anniversary. It was very successful as reports published in Prosleta have informed you. Credit and thanks goes to all who participated in the contest or who helped in some other way towards the success of the campaign.

Other Activities

Among other important activities of our Society are the various celebrations and similar events. Last year we observed the 30th anniversary of our juvenile department and the 5th anniversary of juvenile circles, both institutions of great significance to the future of our organization. As already stated, the observance was marked by a special juvenile campaign and by anniversary programs wherever conditions permitted.

We also held the traditional SNPJ Day celebration on Labor Day last year. It was held in Chicago with satisfactory success. It is necessary that we continue with this observance this year also, even if conditions are not the best, so that we can uphold the morale and continue without let-up and so much more successfully after the war.

The war has stopped most of the sports activity among our young people, which has had an effect also on agitation for new members and other activities.

Our 40th Anniversary

This Spring it will be forty years since our Society was founded. This is an important anniversary and should be fittingly observed even under present conditions. It is the duty of the supreme board to consider the matter at this meeting, and make all the necessary decisions to promote a successful observance.

Without a doubt, we would make the best showing by securing a large number of new members in the anniversary year. That is why there should be another membership campaign which will be attractive to campaigners and prospective members.

We should also encourage anniversary celebrations in the various communities and wherever possible. It would also be desirable to issue an

anniversary book which would contain a review of the Society's history. Our young people particularly have often asked for such a book.

The executive committee has already decided that Prosleta shall be issued as a special anniversary number in the week of the 40th birthday, and I feel that you will agree with this decision.

State of the Society

The reports of the secretary, treasurer and other officials will give you details of our business and financial standing, as well as figures on membership, etc. For this reason, I shall mention only that we made good progress last year in assets and in membership, and that the Society is in good standing.

I must call attention again, however, to the unfavorable conditions which are developing in our organization due to the tactics in Prosleta, which tactics is wrong, in my opinion. Caustic articles and personal polemics cause great dissatisfaction among our members, and this certainly does not bring new members nor contributes to the Society's prestige or advantage, but rather just the opposite. It is the supreme board's duty to study this matter seriously and determine whether the tactics or procedure of the editor is correct and advantageous to the Society, or whether it is the contrary. If it is found to be harmful to the Society's interests, then it is our duty to stop it immediately.

Our Support of JPO and SANS

In conclusion, I must say a few words about our cooperation with JPO and SANS, organizations for the relief and liberation of our people in Europe. Both organizations have important missions and are necessary at this time. Our membership is deeply interested in them, which is evident from the various activities and financial support. Most contributions are from our lodges or from organizations and affairs in which our members are the leaders. It is correctly considered that the membership of the SNPJ is the moral and material backbone of this movement. I recommend that we give every possible moral support to both organizations in the future also.

VINCENT CAINKAR.

Report accepted.

Report of Supreme Vice President

It is with deep regret that I again report to you without my physical presence at the sessions for which you are now assembled.

Since the previous meetings, I have been removed farther from you. However, I am kept informed on the conditions of the Society, and my interest in them remains unchanged. During this time, my relations with the Supreme Office have been praiseworthy, and I am grateful for the cooperation shown me. It is pleasing to report that the regular reports and official organ are now reaching me, and these have provided me with encouraging information, but not unmixed with some uneasiness.

The disagreement on interpretation of our editorial policy has now reached serious proportions. I do not choose to discuss this matter for I would succeed in only intensifying a already confused situation. But I do wish to suggest that if we are to avoid disaster that something definite be done now to correct this confusion. It has existed too long, and all of you are sufficiently mature and qualified to arrive at a satisfactory agreement. I urge you to act with courage and conviction at this meeting.

I was pleased to read of the tremendous success of our recent 30th anniversary SNPJ Juvenile campaign. We can be inspired at the spirit and interest demonstrated by our members. I hope that plans will now be made for giving further expression to that enthusiasm by making available to our lodges and circles programs of activities. Only by providing the source of vigorous action can we hope to retain and extend interest in our Society.

Our various campaigns have proved a worthy source of action; a new source must be provided to continue the enthusiasm of the old members, and to ignite the enthusiasm of the new members.

Before the next meeting of this Board, we will have reached the 40th anniversary of our Society. This is a great achievement, and this meeting will presumably make plans for its proper celebration. It deserves the highest recognition, and I hope our various branches will prepare suitable programs for its celebration. You can do much by outlining plans and programs and making them available to our lodges.

Because of our generous contributions to the American Red Cross, you are probably interested in a report about it. My observations have resulted in the highest praise for the scope and quality of work of this organization. It is doing an excellent job for the entertainment and welfare of our armed forces, and we can feel grateful for having provided it with substantial sums. It is my opinion that its activities are far more obvious overseas than in the States.

Although the ballots for election of assistant secretary reached me too late for voting, I am pleased to note that the office is now filled. I hope that with this completed, and with the return to duty of our secretary, that the Society is rendering the customary good service. In the same spirit, I wish the new Athletic Committee every good fortune, and hope that this year will provide it with greater opportunities.

I give you my best wishes in your deliberations and wish I were with you. I hope that will be soon. And my best wishes to all members of our Society.

MICHAEL R. KUMER.

Report accepted.

Report of 2nd Supreme Vice President

In presenting my report for the past six months, I am happy to say that our organization has progressed and prospered in spite of present conditions.

The SNPJ activities in Cleveland have proved to be a huge success, particularly in the enthusiasm that was shown by our members in getting new members during our juvenile campaign, which was also a national success.

The juvenile singing chorus, which I also helped to organize, has turned out to be one of the most

promising attractions and also a booster to keep young boys and girls SNPJ minded. The money that has been spent so far for the upkeep and training of these young people will prove, in due time, that it was not spent in vain. I know some day we will be proud of them.

In the near future this singing group will present its first singing concert and I'm almost positive that its presentation will go down in SNPJ history as another success. I also feel it will inspire and secure many followers through other branches of our organization.

This time I recommend, in absence of athletic activities, that even more attention be turned to our juveniles in the form of dramatics and other amusements which will build good SNPJ members and future leaders of our organization. They are our boys and girls of today and our men and women of tomorrow. I know that there will be other good suggestions from Supreme Board members that will benefit juveniles. The juvenile delinquency in these war times is so great that our country is alarmed, therefore if we keep our young people interested in our activities and their minds properly occupied, we won't have to worry about any of them.

In the past six months the political views of our official organ have not shown any improvement and I recommend this question be thoroughly discussed. The great majority of our members is dissatisfied and it is important that a definite understanding be reached at this meeting. To keep up the good spirit and principles of our organization is necessary for its future.

My long hours, like those of everyone else, have kept me busy but I have and will find time to take care of my duties as I am glad to perform them.

I hope this meeting will accomplish its purposes successfully and with good will.

CAMILUS E. ZARNICK.

Report accepted.

Report of Vice President First District

Six months ago I had hoped that when we convene again, this country would again be on peace-time standards, but as it looks, more valuable time must be spent, more lives are to be lost, and many more homes are to be disrupted, before the so much-hoped-for peace can be attained.

In the meantime, all activities are more or less at a standstill in all branches. I'm sure that all we can ask or expect of our membership is being done. Our past campaigns have been successful, and any in the future, I'm sure, can be expected just as successful, considering the possibilities of the present conditions.

I hope all the Juvenile Circles are progressing as well as the one I am acquainted with in my locality. They are active in many ways, they serve the Red Cross, make scrap books for the men in our armed forces, aid in all the scrap drives, and still find time for a night a week for recreation to their liking such as games, dancing, skating parties, etc. They have set aside one night a week for what they call "Correspondence Night", at this time, they write articles for the Mladinski List and letters to their pen pals. The program they are following is educational and patriotic, and a good course for any Circle to follow.

Athletics are discontinued in most branches of the SNPJ in my district, until the boys come back, and then we intend to commence right where we left off. It is necessary to continue to keep our Athletic Board functioning so that when the time of activity comes back, there will be no delays.

Until we meet again 'in' August many things can happen, so I won't commit myself by predicting peace but continue to hope that so it shall be.

JOSEPH L. CULKAR.

Report accepted.

Report of Vice President Second District

At the request and in behalf of the ES federation of SNPJ lodges of Western Pennsylvania, also the Senior Federation of SNPJ lodges of Western Pennsylvania, I extend to you our most cordial fraternal greetings and trust that the work and decisions of the board at this meeting will be such to be credit to us and the membership as well.

In the period of July 1 to Dec. 31, 1943, I have the following events or affairs to report. The 8th annual Penna SNPJ Day postponed in June was held in Sygan, Pa., on Oct. 17, 1943. In spite of many obstacles the tradition of an annual Penna SNPJ Day was accomplished. The affair was a complete success. Plans are now under way for the 9th Penna SNPJ Day.

I was pleased to read of the tremendous success of our recent 30th anniversary SNPJ Juvenile campaign. We can be inspired at the spirit and interest demonstrated by our members. I hope that plans will now be made for giving further expression to that enthusiasm by making available to our lodges and circles programs of activities. Only by providing the source of vigorous action can we hope to retain and extend interest in our Society.

Because of our generous contributions to the American Red Cross, you are probably interested in a report about it. My observations have resulted in the highest praise for the scope and quality of work of this organization. It is doing an excellent job for the entertainment and welfare of our armed forces, and we can feel grateful for having provided it with substantial sums. It is my opinion that its activities are far more obvious overseas than in the States.

Although the ballots for election of assistant secretary reached me too late for voting, I am pleased to note that the office is now filled. I hope that with this completed, and with the return to duty of our secretary, that the Society is rendering the customary good service. In the same spirit, I wish the new Athletic Committee every good fortune, and hope that this year will provide it with greater opportunities.

I give you my best wishes in your deliberations and wish I were with you. I hope that will be soon. And my best wishes to all members of our Society.

MICHAEL R. KUMER.

Report accepted.

Report of Vice President Fourth District

During the past year I tried to serve the SNPJ, its executive committee and the lodges of the Fourth District to the best of my capacity, under the present circumstances.

In 1943 the war has swung into a greater fury and momentum, which has increased the number of our members entering the armed forces; with the more rigid restrictions on transportation and increased demands for larger volume of production, this war has placed burden on the SNPJ, as well as on the entire nation.

Despite this fact the 30th anniversary juvenile

campaign was not only a mere success for the year that has gone down into the annals of SNPJ history, but has proved the solidarity of the SNPJ in such trying times. This plus the splendid manner in which our Juvenile Director, Bro. Vrhovnik, conducted the campaign, is the chief reason for such a successful 30th anniversary juvenile campaign.

During the progress of the campaign I visited various lodges in my vicinity, giving the members suggestions and assisting them in procuring new members, which they as the results show, responded with good cooperation.

The idea of short-term campaign should be given serious thought, for I firmly believe that such campaigns in the future will prove more successful than those continuing from 6 months to a year. Campaigns having a short duration, give the members ample time to relax from one campaign period to another, thus eliminating the monotony that usually is the case of a long campaign.

In the month of October I attended a two-day session of the Missouri Fraternal Congress in St. Louis, Mo. This session was very interesting and well attended. Since there were no matters that require immediate action, the congress devoted its time mainly to the discussions on fraternal problems and their future.

The delegates and guest speakers spoke of the detrimental methods practiced by some societies, which have in the recent years encouraged insurance companies to constantly haunt our fraternal system with the proposal of laws which would be endangering our fraternal organizations.

I have submitted a detailed report on the proceedings of the Missouri Fraternal Congress to Supreme Pres. Cainkar.

The postwar problem is an issue that we cannot escape, as it enters our every-day lives, regardless whether you are a farmer, coal miner or business man. Surely, the institution of human understanding, the Slovene National Benefit Society, can not by any means escape the thought of postwar planning, therefore, I urge the members of the Supreme Board to avoid futile debates, in order that we may have ample time to discuss as thoroughly as possible the preliminary postwar planning, which will be jointly submitted by Bro. Vrhovnik and the District Vice Presidents, before the conclusion of this session.

JOHN SPILLER.

Report accepted.

Report of Vice President Fifth District

During the past six months I have worked for the interest of our SNPJ to the best of my ability.

I attended all Minnesota SNPJ Federation meetings, reported on decisions on our last Supreme Board meeting, and spoke in behalf of our Society urging the members to increase the juvenile membership in their respective towns.

I regret to report that I have not been as successful in securing as many new applicants during our last juvenile membership campaign as have been in the past, due largely to the fact that our city has a much smaller population and we have over 200 juvenile members already. I tried to organize more Juvenile Circles in my district, but the reply of most SNPJ lodge officers was to wait for a more favorable time when our youth is more settled and more leaders are available.

Speaking for our Juvenile Circle 48 of Eveleth, Minnesota, they are a very active group and are progressing well in their activities. They celebrated the Society's anniversary by staging a play and a program, where they gave a war bond to the one who sold the most tickets and also had other prizes. They had a nice Christmas party which they financed themselves and now are going to sponsor a dance. They also have a nice sum in their treasury.

I also worked for the promotion of SANC and JPO-SS.

URSULA AMBROZICH.

SNPJ 40th Anniversary Campaign Begins April 1st

**SPECIAL PRIZES TO ALL WHO ENROLL
10 OR MORE MEMBERS; TOP AWARD \$125**

**Slogan: Strengthen Unity, Security and
Purpose of the SNPJ; Each Lodge Given
a Quota; Campaign Closes November 30**

Experiences of the past years teach us that no organization of men can survive without constantly adding to its membership. If no new members are added to the organization ranks, stagnation and decline soon set in and death becomes inevitable. This conclusion applies to the SNPJ just as it does to any other organization.

We have learned that one of the best ways to insure growth in membership is through intensive, well-planned campaigns in which special inducements are offered to encourage enrollment of prospective candidates into the local lodges. Such campaigns also provide ample reasons to review and reaffirm the basic principles of the Society, to renew pledges of loyalty, emphasize the protection benefits, and point out and recommend the numerous social, cultural and educational features available to members who have desire to make use of them. Campaigns, as a general rule, are always good times for all around reconstruction and rejuvenation of both the body and spirit of the Society.

It has long been the custom to set aside special periods to commemorate the outstanding anniversaries of the SNPJ and to reap the many advantages important occasions of this kind present. This year we have a very special birthday to honor—the 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SLOVENE NATIONAL BENEFIT SOCIETY. It is because of this significant birthday that the Supreme Board of the SNPJ gave unanimous approval to the third wartime membership campaign, and designated a period of eight months for the drive, beginning April 1 and ending November 30, 1944.

We face the coming campaign, as we faced the campaigns of the past, realizing that the measure of its success depends upon the degree of cooperation given by the various lodges and leaders. We expect and hope for a full measure of cooperation. We believe that every true SNPJer, despite the war clouds that overhang our homes, is still interested in promoting and contributing to the best welfare and growth of his lodge and the Society as a whole. We confidently look forward to a new era of SNPJism, bigger, stronger, more progressive and courageous than ever in its history. The results of the 40th Anniversary Campaign will be a stepping-stone toward that goal.

STRENGTHEN UNITY, SECURITY AND PURPOSE OF THE SNPJ—that is the fitting slogan chosen for the campaign. The meaning of the three words, UNITY, SECURITY and PURPOSE, have formed a goodly part of the foundation of SNPJism through all its two score years of progress. A greater growth in our membership will lead to the unity of more members under the fraternal banner of the SNPJ; it will mean more security for the Society, the members insured and their respective families; and it will enable the SNPJ to reach into a greater number of homes, there to enlighten our people in the need of social, economic and political democracy—and in free thought, truth, justice and freedom.

It can be stated without fear of contradiction that fraternity is the essence of real democracy. The SNPJ is one of thousands of fraternal organizations in America. We know that to a certain extent the present global war is being waged on one side to eliminate democracy, and on the other to preserve it. The records of the Society show that nearly 5,000 of our members have entered the armed forces of the nation to fight for the preservation of democracy, a number of whom have made the supreme sacrifice and many more have been wounded. The least we can do is to preserve and build up what they are offering their lives for—the American way of life, which includes the SNPJ.

The best way we (SNPJ) can do our part to keep the present way of life intact is to preserve the Society by holding on to the present membership and adding as many new members as we can. We have the plans and the experience. The rules for the new campaign and certain additional instructions and explanations appear elsewhere on this page. All we now need to assure success is your wholehearted cooperation and support.

Every local lodge is made up of so many individual members. The success of each is measured by the number of members who become active workers and boosters. The whole of SNPJ, on the other hand, is made up of all the subordinate lodges, and the extent of its success and progress is measured by the number of active and working lodges in various sections of the country.

Since the life and activity of the SNPJ is largely dependent on addition of new members, it is plain to see and understand that it is to the best interests of all of us, as members and owners of the Society, to increase the membership in each lodge as much as possible, whenever the opportunity presents itself. The greater the number of members sharing this work and responsibility, the brighter are the possibilities of attaining the lodge quotas and the ultimate success of the campaign.

STRENGTHEN THE UNITY, SECURITY AND PURPOSE OF THE SNPJ BY ENROLLING NEW MEMBERS! LET THAT BE OUR COMMON GOAL FOR THE DURATION OF THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN! ONWARD TO A GREATER SNPJ EVERYWHERE IN AMERICA!

VINCENT CAINKAR, Campaign Chairman.
MICHAEL VRHOVNIK, Campaign Director.

Integrity

By Julius Abram

CHICAGO.—There are just a few days left to send in your entries for the Pioneer Lodge Invitational Tournament to be held on Sunday, March 26, at Bennett's Bowl, 2645 W. Cermak Road.

We already have one five man team composed of Joe Testin, Martin Bergles, Fred Imperl, Martin and Julius Abram. The following ladies have requested to bowl, in the order named, Jewel Bergles, Jennie Abram, Agnes Heidenreich, Helen Young, Helen Reifler, Edith Podlesnik, Rose Roycht, and Joan Votapik. My reason for naming them in the above order is that, should we fail to have two full teams, the bowlers who submitted their entries first will have the preference of bowling. Believe this to be fair to all concerned as announcements about this tournament have appeared in two previous issues of the Prosleta. We still need two more gals to complete two teams, so hurry, and give me a buzz at Humboldt 8829. Also please send your entry fee of \$1.40 to me at 2438 Diversey Ave., by the end of this week as same has to be in the hands of the Pioneer Committee not later than March 20.

What's happened to our male section of the Lodge? Surely we can enter more than one team in this tournament. In the past we usually had two or more teams participating in these tournaments, so come on, me buckos, let's hear from you. Watch the Prosleta for time and schedules as no doubt the Pioneers will print one.

Pfc. Al Reifler enjoyed a brief furlough with his wife and husky young son. Al has just been released from 3 months of hospital confinement and although he still looks a bit peaked and pale around the gills he is gradually beginning to look like his former self, and states he is now ready to munch on some of those radishes, particularly, it seems, that kind that grow in Pennsylvania. Trailors report that son Ray is recuperating nicely from his recent incision and believes he will be in tip-top shape for our anniversary. Hurry up, Raymond.

Usually the old proverb "Haste makes waste" applies to everything in general, but in this instance (INTEGRITY ANNIV.) that's not true, so HASTEN just as fast as you can and get those reservations in to M. Fleischhacker—your efforts will not go to waste. Incidentally, deadline for accepting reservations, April 10.

Understand that Marine Corporal Andy Susman, now stationed at Cherry Point, N. C., has been dickered with his commanding officer to arrange for a furlough on or about April 22. What a coincidence, that's exactly the day Integrity is celebrating its 16th Anniversary preceded by a banquet. We wish you every success, Andy, with your C.O. and will be glad to have you at our affair. Yes, we'll provide female companionship for you, too, since there's such a scarcity of them in N. C.

OFFICE HELP WANTED

Notice is given hereby that there is a vacancy in the SNPJ supreme secretary's office. Any person, preferably a girl, who is a typist, and is good at figures may apply for the position. A knowledge of shorthand would also be an asset. In other words, a person with a general business course and willingness for office work is desired. Applicants who are SNPJ members will receive first consideration. Starting salary upon agreement.

Because this help is urgently needed, we ask those members who feel qualified, and who would be interested in working for their own organization to apply immediately. Your application, which should state your age, education and previous business experience, if any, should be addressed to the supreme secretary.

F. A. LIDNER, Supreme Sec'y,
2657 S. LINDALE, Supreme Sec'y,
Chicago, Illinois.

EACH LODGE HAS A CAMPAIGN QUOTA

Your lodge and every other lodge in the SNPJ, regardless of size, has a quota of new members to enroll in the 40th Anniversary Campaign. This quota is based on the adult membership as of December 31, 1943. For every 10 adult members up to 400, each lodge will be expected to secure one new member. The LOWEST quota is ONE and the HIGHEST is FORTY.

For example, if on December 31, a lodge had an adult membership of 10 or less, its quota for the entire eight months is only ONE new member; if the membership was 43, the quota is 5; if the membership was 98, the quota is 10, etc. Add one new member for each additional ten adults, or fraction thereof. The maximum quota of 40 new members applies only to lodges with an adult membership of 391 or more.

Check the table below to find the quota of your lodge and then resolve that this goal will be reached before the campaign closes on next November 30, 1944. Start prospecting early. Get the jump on your fellow competitors, especially competitors of other organizations.

TABLE OF QUOTAS

Adult Membership	Quota of New Members	Adult Membership	Quota of New Members
10 to 50	1 to 5	201 to 250	21 to 25
51 to 100	6 to 10	251 to 300	26 to 30
101 to 150	11 to 15	301 to 350	31 to 35
151 to 200	16 to 20	351 to 400 or over	36 to 40

Simply because the Society has designated a quota for your lodge does not mean that it is limited to that number. Consider the quota as the minimum limit for the eight months campaign period. Remember, also, that juvenile transfers insured for less than \$1,000 cannot be credited against the quota.

We are not forgetting that many lodges and members obtained wonderful results in the Victory and Juvenile campaigns of 1942 and 1943. We can understand that it will be increasingly difficult for them to attain their quota of new members. Some, no doubt, will fail to impress. To these and all other lodges and members, we say—DO YOUR BEST; NO MORE THAN THAT IS EXPECTED! GOOD LUCK TO ALL!

SNPJ Protection Best for Average Family

The SNPJ offers six plans or certificates of life and endowment protection to prospective candidates for membership, three in the Adult Department and the same number in the Juvenile, each highly recommended and suitable for members of the average workingman's family. These are as follows:

ADULT DEPARTMENT

ORDINARY (WHOLE) LIFE . . . This certificate requires the smallest monthly payments during the lifetime of the member. The face amount of insurance is payable at death. This plan of protection is recommended especially for individuals and families with low incomes.

TWENTY PAYMENT LIFE . . . This certificate becomes fully paid-up for its face amount at the end of 20 years and is payable upon the death of the member. This plan is recommended for persons who desire to complete their payments during their best income producing years.

TWENTY YEAR ENDOWMENT . . . This form of certificate is recommended for persons who desire to combine protection with savings by means of systematic monthly payments. The face amount is payable at the end of 20 years or at the prior death of the member.

NON-FORFEITURE VALUES . . . Any one of the three adult certificates, after being in force for a period of three years, has a certain value, which increases with the continuance of assessment payments. This value is known as RESERVE, and is available to members under the following options: A member may acquire loans for payment of assessments, or withdraw the reserve as a CASH SURRENDER VALUE, or use it to purchase a PAID-UP LIFE certificate for a set amount of insurance, payable to the beneficiaries upon the death of the member, or may be used to buy PAID-UP TERM EXTENDED INSURANCE for the face amount, under which the member is insured for a stated number of years and days before the certificate becomes void.

OTHER INSURANCE BENEFITS . . . In addition to Life and Endowment Insurance Protection, SICK, DISABILITY, OPERATION and SPECIAL BENEFITS are available to members insured in the Adult Department of the Society. Rates on all plans and classes of insurance are fair and reasonable.

JUVENILE DEPARTMENT

TERM TO AGE 18 (PLAN 1) . . . This is the cheapest protection for juveniles. It insures up to \$500, reaching the ultimate or full value at age 18. The cost is only 18¢ per month for children admitted at age 10 years or less, 22¢ per those in the ages of 11 to 14, inclusive, and 25¢ for ages 15 and 16. If you want term protection for your child, there is no cheaper or better plan than this.

ENDOWMENT AT AGE 18 (PLAN 2) . . . This plan insures up to \$1,000, reaching the ultimate value at age 18, and provides for a maximum endowment of \$280. The Endowment Certificate is particularly attractive because it provides a fund, both, for the protection and education of Juvenile members. Only children under the age of 18 years and 6 months are admitted into this plan.

TWENTY PAYMENT LIFE (PLAN 3) . . . This certificate insures one up to \$1,000, reaching the ultimate value at age 18, and becomes fully paid-up at the end of twenty years. It is payable at the death of the member. Its permanent form of protection with Cash, Loan, Paid-Up and Extended Term Insurance Values, makes it extremely desirable for all Juvenile prospects. If one wants lifetime protection for his child, including full non-forfeiture values, that will be paid-up for \$1,000 after twenty years, this certificate is the one to choose.

Rules of the "SNPJ 40th Anniversary Campaign"

NAME

The name of the campaign is: SNPJ 40TH ANNIVERSARY MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN.

SLOGAN

The slogan of the campaign is: STRENGTHEN UNITY, SECURITY AND PURPOSE OF THE SNPJ!

LIMITATION

The campaign will be conducted in both Departments of the Society, beginning April 1 and ending November 30, 1944.

PARTICIPATION

Any member of the Society may participate in this campaign. The name and certificate number of participants shall accompany the membership applications, along with any other necessary information, when forwarded to the main office by the local lodge secretary.

QUOTA

Each lodge shall be assigned a quota of new members, this graded proportionately according to the adult membership on December 31, 1943, using the ratio of one new member for every ten until a maximum of forty is reached.

COMPENSATION

Regular and Special prizes shall be awarded as inducements to stimulate activity and attain greater success in the campaign.

REGULAR PRIZES

Regular prizes shall be paid for all new members according to the scale below, provided at least six monthly assessments have been paid.

For each juvenile member—Plan 1 or 2	\$1.00
For each juvenile member—Plan 3	2.00
For each adult insured for \$250	1.00
For each adult insured for \$500	2.00
For each adult insured for \$1000 or more	4.00

SPECIAL PRIZES

In addition to the regular prizes, there shall be special prizes for all campaign participants who enroll TEN (10) or more new members. The four top special prizes shall be as follows: \$125 for first place, \$100 for second, \$75 for third and \$50 for fourth place. All other special prizes shall be arranged proportionately, and distributed among those participants who attain or exceed the goal of ten new members.

SPECIAL PRIZE FUND

All special prizes shall be paid from a fund created in the following manner: The sum of 50 cents shall be set aside for this purpose for every new adult and juvenile member, including transfers from the Juvenile Department who insure themselves for \$1,000 or more.

MEDICAL EXAMINATION FEES

Medical examination fees up to \$2.00 shall be paid by the Society for new adult members. No examination is required for juveniles unless insurability is doubtful or questioned. In such cases, the Society shall pay up to 50 cents for each juvenile examined.

MISCELLANEOUS

a) Each campaign participant shall receive credit for new members enrolled in any lodge of the Society. Credit for new members is not transferable once received and filed at the main office.

b) Any adult or juvenile, who is eligible for reinstatement under the By-laws of the Society, cannot be credited as a new member in this campaign.

c) All applications for new members shall be mailed to the main office not later than the 5th day after the official closing date of the campaign. The postmark shall determine the date.

d) The SNPJ 40th Anniversary Membership Campaign shall be conducted under the direction of MICHAEL VRHOVNIK, as the Campaign Director, and VINCENT CAINKAR as the Chairman.

BIRTHDAY GIFT TO SNPJ . . . You can best honor the 40th Anniversary of the Society by helping your lodge to attain its quota of new members. Any one of the above six plans of protection can safely be recommended to your family or friends. Do that today!

Young Americans

DETROIT, MICH.—Attention, members of SNPJ lodge 564, who are mailing their dues by check to the Secretary each month. Please make sure you are mailing in the right amount, so that in the future there will be no hard feeling when your Secretary approaches you and says, "John, Joe or Mary, whatever it might be, you still owe me money toward your dues for the last two months."

Our Front

By Louis Beniger

On March 7, at the fifth of the 1933-'44 series of Book and Author luncheons at the Astor hotel in New York, Louis Adamic, author of "My Native Land" and president of the United Committee of South Slavic Americans, delivered an address in which he pleaded for recognition of Marshal Tito and his Partisans as the political representatives of 90 per cent of the people of Yugoslavia. Adamic said that the Partisan movement in Yugoslavia was the culmination of political and spiritual motivations in the people which are democratic and in line with the American revolution. He said the movement began on March 27, 1941, when the Yugoslavs overthrew their pro-Hitler dictatorship in Belgrade, which had shamefully aimed to keep them out of war by signing a pact with Hitler.

The speaker added that peasants pouring into the capital gave courage to a small group of army officers, some of them British agents, who on March 27, 1941, staged a coup and ousted the pro-Hitler regime.

"In the absence of a definite program, there came into office a new government with a newly proclaimed leader, the 17-year old Peter," Adamic said. "But this government did not represent the spiritually splendid movement created by the people; rather it brought to a focus and climax the confusion of the recent past."

Adamic further explained that the movement went unrecognized in the American and British press until September because the Yugoslav government-in-exile in London controlled the news pertaining to Yugoslavia and was permitted by British censors to attribute the Partisan operations and victories to Draza Mihailovich, who is the king's man in Yugoslavia.

Asking for an increase in the aid given to Marshal Tito, Adamic said he was convinced that Tito could raise an army up to a million men and women and would be in a position not only to liberate the Balkans but come down the Italian boot in time and meet us, if not in Rome, then certainly on the River Po.

Adamic is not worried about the eventual success of Marshal Tito, but is worried about America.

"Are we interested only in the present, only in defeating the enemy now?" Adamic asked. "Can we not drop mere expediency? Can we not stop playing with European reaction?" he went on. "I hope we can—for our own internal sake and for the sake of our position in the world. If we don't, that is apt to become a factor in the development of our domestic reaction and fascism, and we are going to lose out in influence abroad." Adamic also emphasized that the people's resistance movement in Yugoslavia is not only resistance but also revolution.

John Hersey, author of "A Bell for Adano," a novel dealing with the problems confronting an American major representing the Allied Military Government in a small Italian town, who also spoke at the luncheon, said he believed the United States "had failed politically in Italy due to the fact we had no policy."

Juvenile Circles**Herminie Circle****Will Meet Sunday**

HERMINIE, PA.—Notice to all parents of SNPJ lodges 87 and 613 and juvenile members of the newly organized Circle No. 52 of Herminie:

The next meeting of the Circle will take place in our Slovene Hall this Sunday, March 19, at 2 p.m.

At this meeting you will probably be ready to decide what name or motto you will pick. Probably by that time we will know who the Circle Manager is going to be.

Therefore, we wish to have a full representation at this meeting. All who will attend this meeting will have a chance to get their names on the charter. The latter is held by the Juvenile Director for that purpose.

So don't forget the date, March 19, at 2 p.m. I hope you will bring some new prospects for new members. We have made a good start, let's keep up our work!

ANTON ZORNIK, Ass't Mgr.

Perfect Circle No. 26 Will Meet Saturday, March 18

CHICAGO.—A short business meeting was held by Perfect Circle No. 26 on Saturday, March 11, at 8 p.m. Members were sorry to hear that our faithful Secretary Sylvia Trojcar is ill, and send her our best wishes for a speedy recovery. Myra Beniger was appointed secretary, pro tem, and carried on very well. Winners in the Mladinski List "Our School for Victory" contest in the first quarter of the year were Edward Udovich, Sylvia Trojcar and Grace Ann Gerdance, and they were presented with their awards.

After the meeting our drawing for the comforter was held, and Norman Sodnik was the lucky winner. A social hour followed, in which members played games until tired, and ice-cream, cookies and soda were then served, after which everyone was ready for dancing.

Members of the Circle and myself, wish to express our thanks to Mesdames Mary Bizjak, Frances Rak, Anne Beniger, Mary Reven and Mildred Kaiser for assisting at our drawing, and for doing such an efficient job serving refreshments. Thank you, ladies, we appreciate it very much.

The next session of Perfect Circle will take place on Saturday, March 18, at 10:30 a.m. A handcraft hour will take place, and all members are urged to attend whether they have anything to work on or not, as some materials are available, and instructions will be given.

ANN SANNEMANN, Mgr.

Dawn of Youth Juvenile Circle Visits Art Gallery

GIRARD, O.—On March 5, eleven members of the Circle boarded the bus and headed for the Butler Art Gallery in Youngstown. It was a pleasant surprise to most of the boys and girls because many of them had never seen an art gallery before.

We had the daughter-in-law of the man who built the edifice, Mrs. Butler, to act as our guide. She told us that Mr. Butler, Sr., had been a collector of pictures and had lost many valuable ones as a result of a fire which destroyed his home. He then decided, much to the benefit of Youngstown, to build a gallery wherein he might place his paintings so that people might visit them.

On the top floor of the gallery, we enjoyed the pictures which grade school children had drawn or painted. Some of them looked as if they might have been the work of an advanced student of art. The Polish exhibit consisted of old Polish religious paintings which had their origin centuries ago. There were many exquisite designs and patterns, which were cut from colored paper. There was also an exhibit of stones which were carved to represent the cookies that an ancient queen of Poland ordered her cooks to prepare whenever she entertained.

One of the most interesting exhibits was that of Milton Caniff's "Gerry and the Pirates." Mr. Caniff takes his characters from real people, then paints them and photographs the prints for the newspaper columns.

Two of the rooms were devoted exclusively to art appreciation and contained cabinets in which flowers or statues were arranged, and by turning different buttons on and off one could get the idea of what light, shadow, and other artistic devices add to the beauty of a painting or portrait. The whole group of paintings was fascinating and perhaps some of the drawings may give some of our younger members

the ever-popular tacky dances. This will be on May 6 at the Wintergarden in Concordia Turner Hall, our old hangout, yet the best in town. How about getting Bud Heitz and his Cron Creek boys? The Leopolds have signed up their baby with an endowment for our Juvenile Dept. Duties have signed up their 20-year paid-up policy. That's good judgment on the part of both families. Where else could we do so good for an insurance?

The Spirits are having another of the ever-popular tacky dances. This will be on May 6 at the Wintergarden in Concordia Turner Hall, our old hangout, yet the best in town. How about getting Bud Heitz and his Cron Creek boys?

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The good that Bro. John Rhodus writes from overseas. Write more and more that's what we look forward to. Thanks to members for writing their letters to meetings just everybody was at the meeting. It's a lot of fun, isn't it? Spring is here. Send your bunting and stamps or just anything.

Our Board and Stamps committee is just fine. Keep up the members. A donation

went to the Red Cross. The vote went over 100%.

Planiński Raj Lodge is having its

35th anniversary on April 30 at Swiss Hall, Ames and Iowa. They

will also crown Miss Planiński Raj

on the same date. The Spirits will

be there 100%.

Remember the all-important date

April 26. Keil Auditorium.

Comrades' Official Proceedings**Of Our Community****SNPJ EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE****Meeting of Feb. 2**

Meeting was called to order at 1 p.m. All members of the executive committee were present with the exception of assistant secretary who was out on business.

President Cainkar submitted a request from the local Foundation for Infantile Paralysis for a contribution; \$25 was approved.

Secretary Vider reported that he succeeded in getting a new help for his office and recommended Elvira Skavich who will begin to work on March 1.

Meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Meeting of Feb. 25

A special meeting of the executive committee was called to order at 9:45 a.m. by President Cainkar.

All active members of the committee were delegated to attend.

Juvenile Director Vrhovnik suggested that additional copies of the Mladinski List be printed each month, so that a bound copy of M.L. can be sent to each active Juvenile Circle. The request was approved and Manager Godina instructed to have additional copies printed and set aside for this special purpose.

Vjuvenile Director further read a letter from Mike Kumer extending congratulations on the success of the last campaign. Letter was filed.

Manager of Publications Godina reported he was recently informed that there will be 8% less printing paper available this year than last, therefore, we shall be compelled to economize on paper, in order to be able to print our publications without any serious consequence. He also added that the restriction on paper would be more severe this year. He further reported that the Printers' Union granted an additional increase in wages to pressmen retroactive as of last July. Report accepted.

The following operation benefits were approved for payment upon recommendation of the Supreme Medical Examiner: lodge 215, Joseph Vranciar, \$50; lodge 61 Angela Kern, \$25; lodge 98, Frank Brudar, \$25; lodge 114, Amelia Polich, \$25; lodge 138, Freda Martincic, \$10; lodge 169, Josephine Sokol, \$25; lodge 226, Regina Pompe, \$25; lodge 559, Anthony Sirces, \$25.

A complaint from Frank Petrich, member of lodge 743, who asserts that the editor has suppressed 4 of his articles. President read 3 of his letters in which he requested that two articles be published. After considerable discussion the committee did not approve the action of the editor. It was unanimously decided that the two articles be published.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Meeting of Feb. 16

Meeting was called to order at 1 p.m. All members of the committee were present. Minutes of the last two meetings were approved as read.

President Cainkar stated that minutes of the supreme board meeting will be read at a meeting on Friday evening, Feb. 18, and he urged all members of the executive committee to be present. In connection with publication of the minutes, it was decided that a supplement of 4 pages shall be added to the official organ as soon as the minutes are ready for publication. Since the supplement will not add sufficient space for the entire minutes, part of the official organ itself shall be used in order that the entire minutes shall be published in one issue.

He further read a letter from Judge 631 which will celebrate its 16th anniversary on April 22. They requested an ad for their program booklet and asked for president and juvenile director for speakers. Approved.

Secretary Vider submitted a letter from judge 5 which will celebrate its 40th anniversary on May 7 and desires him as speaker. Request approved.

He also submitted a letter from judge 262 stating that they shall sponsor a program on May 14 which will commemorate the 5th anniversary of Circle 21, and they ask for Juvenile Director to be present as speaker. Approved.

He further submitted a report from judge 117 in reference to the late John Kuznik. The affidavits presented show that it was his desire that some of his insurance money be utilized for a tombstone. The sum of \$75 was approved.

The Kansas Federation of SNPJ lodges requests the renewal of subscription to the Prosveska for one year (one copy) which is read by several members who are in the County Home at Girard, Kansas. Request was granted.

A similar request was received from judge 2 for renewal of subscription for John Livel. One year's subscription was approved.

Juvenile Director Vrhovnik submitted a request from the English Speaking Federation of Western Pa. for a contribution of \$50 toward their bowling tournament held in January. Request was approved.

Editor reported that he has discontinued publication of all articles which were controversial in regard to the present situation, and he asked the committee to sustain his action.

Attention was called to the editor that he must have interpreted the resolution adopted by the supreme board wrongly, since he stated in

the official organ of Feb. 16 that all articles of controversial nature between himself and members shall be suppressed.

The opinion in this instance was that these articles should be handed over to the president for his final decision. Further, the editor inquired if he is entitled to vacation before he leaves. Since the time is limited, the executive committee decided that he is entitled to two weeks vacation pay after the termination of his services on March 1.

Meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Meeting of Feb. 25

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All active members of the committee were delegated to attend.

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Minutes of Meeting of Supreme Board

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Transfer of certificate reserve from Juv. Dept.	31.50
Death claims	150,239.88
Transfer of SSPZ Death Claims to SNPJ Minor Fund	12,047.16
Cash withdrawal claims	971.35
Transfer to Expense Fund	12,294.27
Credit on SSPZ certificates	2,211.81
Unpaid death claims of December 31, 1943	83,634.82
Canceled death claims	690.09
Balance of December 31, 1943	9,066,712.31
	\$ 9,328,801.49
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Disability Fund

Balance as of July 1, 1943	\$ 182,342.67
Assessment	41,947.99
Interest	2,103.99
Disabilities and Operations	38,290.00
Balance, Dec. 31, 1943	188,104.65
	\$ 226,394.65
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Sick Benefit Fund

\$ 1 Class	
Balance as of July 1, 1943	\$ 371,469.11
Assessment—regular	124,555.55
Assessment—special	423.00
Interest	4,286.73
Sick Benefit	98,763.20
Balance, Dec. 31, 1943	401,971.19
	\$ 500,734.39
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82 Class

Balance as of July 1, 1943	\$ 76,422.38
Assessment—regular	72,568.60
Assessment—special	524.00
Interest	877.62
Sick Benefit	64,602.50
Balance, Dec. 31, 1943	86,791.10
	\$ 151,393.60
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83 Class

Balance as of July 1, 1943	\$ 11,701.56
Assessment—regular	9,825.96
Assessment—special	18.00
Interest	135.02
Sick Benefit	8,559.53
Balance, Dec. 31, 1943	13,121.01
	\$ 21,680.54
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Special Benefit Fund

Balance July 1, 1943	\$ 125,978.14
Assessment	21,000.00
Loan repaid	524.28
Legacies	190.80
Interest	1,451.42
Special Benefit	8,309.77
Balance Dec. 31, 1943	141,804.89
	\$ 150,114.66
	\$ 150,114.66

Building Fund

Balance July 1, 1943	\$ 62,262.15
Rentals, offices and halls	3,928.85
Interest	720.08
Janitor's Wages	1,512.00
Fuel and Light	800.60
Repairs and misc.	1,296.98
Fees and water tax	19.95
Depreciation of building	1,351.02
Balance Dec. 31, 1943	61,940.53
	\$ 66,921.08
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Convention Fund

Balance July 1, 1943	\$ 95.83
Assessment	5,773.52
Balance Dec. 31, 1943	5,869.35
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Expense Fund

Balance July 1, 1943	\$ 62,949.90
Assessment	39,618.65
Transfer from mortuary fund	12,294.27
Transfer from Juv. Dept.	9,878.11
Interest	708.81
Sale of lodge supplies	173.65
Executive Officers' salaries	8,728.50
Finance Committee salaries & various expense	1,191.96
Salaries & various exp. of Jud. Comm.	481.75
Salaries & various exp. of Super. Comm.	672.30
	\$ 66,921.08
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For a six course dinner and for the dance the admission will be \$2.

This is the first important affair to be held in San Francisco for the Partisan aid, to which everyone around the Bay area is cordially invited; every one can expect to have a good time; and by having a very good time each one will contribute much toward the aid of our heroic Partisans and the Liberation Army to carry on its fight against Hitler not only for themselves, but for us in America as well.

It is the duty, yes, it is the obligation of every South Slav in the Bay area to turn out to the Sokol Hall, on Saturday evening, March 25, to demonstrate our desire to aid our brothers and sisters in Yugoslavia.

Remember! Upon your presence at the banquet and the dance depends the success of this affair for the aid to the Partisans!

For the Publicity Committee,

PETER OBAD.

Doubles Tournament On April 15 and 16

CLEVELAND.—The Cleveland Athletic League is sponsoring a doubles handicap tournament, to be held at the Slovene Workman's Home on Waterloo Road.

The tournament will run for two days, April 15 and 16. Brother John Spilar, Athletic Director of District 3, will conduct the tournament. Sister Marie Stefanic will be in charge of the social activities.

The tournament will be conducted on a handicap basis: 70% of the differences of your averages from 400, which will be scratch. Any entries who have no established averages, will have to come in at 200 average per man. Any women entries with no established average will have to accept an average of 150.

All who want to participate in this tournament must be members of the SNPJ.

Entry blanks for this tournament

will be printed in the next issues of this paper.

We welcome all members of SNPJ of Cleveland and any out-of-town entries who care to participate.

Entries will be \$4 per team. There will be prizes galore. So get your entry in early and look forward to a grand time with us on that date.

JOSEPH MATTHEWS,
Pres. of Cleveland Ath. League.

The "Doubles Tournament" is in very capable hands. Get your partners and be ready to send in your entries before the April 10 deadline. Everyone will have a chance for the prize money. All SNPJ members, young and old, are eligible.

A good old-fashioned social will be held at the Slovene Workingmen's Home on Saturday and Sunday, April 15-16, during the tournament. More about this in subsequent issues.

Make sure your lodge is represented at the league meeting. Tournament details will be discussed.

Cleveland Athletic League to Meet Sunday

CLEVELAND, O.—The Cleveland Athletic League has its meeting every third Sunday in the month. This month's meeting is March 19, at 3 p. m. sharp, at the Slovene Nat'l Home, 65th and St. Clair, in the old bldg. All SNPJ lodges are invited to send representatives.

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Workers will be assigned for duties to make the tournament a success.

Anyone wishing to help the league with liquid refreshments can get in touch with me at my home or by calling me at IV. 5524.

Don't forget the meeting Sunday, March 19, 3 p. m. sharp.

MARIE J. STEFANIC, Sec'y.

March 20-25, Wisconsin Cooperative Week

MADISON, WIS. (CLNS)—Governor Walter S. Goodland of Wisconsin has set aside the week of March 20 to 25 inclusive as "Wisconsin Cooperative Week" and in a message paying tribute to the Rockdale Pioneers urged Wisconsin citizens to take advantage of the opportunities provided during that period to acquaint themselves with the spirit and principles as well as the history and hopes of cooperation.

The Governor's proclamation declared in part: "One hundred years ago, in the winter of 1844-45 there was founded"

group of weavers in Rockdale, England, founded a cooperative upon various principles that have since been widely adopted in their entirety or in modified form by cooperative organizations in America and other democratic nations.

"During the present historic period, the principles of Cooperation are being demonstrated to a greater extent than ever before in all fields of endeavor. We are working concerted to win the war, whether it be thru the neighborly exchange of labor to harvest crops, volunteer help at canning factories, the general production effort of war industries or other defense activities. We are able to make the most of cooperative effort because we have had the value of cooperation woven into our pattern of life since this nation was founded."

To know how to grow old, and one of the master-work of wisdom, and one of the most difficult chapters in the great art of living. —Somerville.

Exchange fees	23.00
Expense with FHA mortgages	14.57
Default bonds written off	10,913.75
Balance December 31, 1943	682,043.07
	\$ 714,431.50
	\$ 714,431.50

STATUS OF ASSETS	
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