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Make Hay While the Sun is Shining!

I VOTED for Roosevelt. I didn't know then that he would have won quite handsomely even without my vote...

With the election only three weeks old, it seems that what happened was as inevitable as the rising of the sun tomorrow morning...

I am not sorry that I feel sorry for the vanquished. It shows that I am human and that I want to remain, always.

I am not forgetting that if Landon had won I would today feel entirely different than I do, in fact, I know I would feel distinctly uncomfortable.

I am not forgetting that had Roosevelt been defeated every bigot and demagogue, every political shyster and every preacher of "rugged individualism," big or small...

As to the radical minority parties that lost more votes than ever on account of the peculiar situation that developed this year, there is no need to feel sorry for them...

The outcome of the election seems salutary, also, from the immediate and practical standpoint. The steel industry is announcing a "voluntary" increase of the workers' wages...

This turn of events, among other things, should help the SSPZ in recruiting new members. We should utilize the improving conditions by going out and button-holing every young man or young woman of our acquaintance...

Little Red Schoolhouse

A teacher was reading to her class when she came across the word "unaware." She asked if anyone knew the meaning...

Progressors November Dance

BRIDGEVILLE, Pa. — Upon observing my memorandum, closely scanning page after page in search of an exciting social gathering, I eagerly note the Progressors' Dance this coming Saturday, November 21 at Bridgeville.

Realizing that each social function sponsored by various lodges has a just and effective cause in its backing, we recognized as being faithful members of our Society should willingly give our loyal support.

I-L Basketball Games Inter-Lodge League basketball games are played every Wednesday evening at St. Clair Bath House.

Spartans No. 198, SSPZ are members of this league. All Spartan members should give their whole-hearted support to their team, whether in victory or defeat.

Schedule for Wednesday, Nov. 25th Thanksgiving Eve is:

Spartans vs Socas Pioneers vs Serbians Buckeyes vs George Washingtons Clairwoods, St. Joes, bye.

Attend these games Thanksgiving Eve and then each and every loyal Inter-Lodge booster over to St. Clair National Home for a nice full of dancing, entertainment and good, clean fun.

Attend the Inter-Lodge Free Dance. Patron ticket with a 10c I. L. booster tag is the price of admission.

"Chuck" Koman A Progressor

VICTORIAN NEWS

CHICAGO, Ill. — Here's a bit of news. Our popular member, sister Anne Torta, is now the proud mother of a fine daughter.

Tuesday is really getting to be a bowling night. Every week finds interested members out in the 52nd hundred block on West 22nd St.

Hope you all have a nice Thanksgiving! Joan

PAY YOUR LODGE DUES ON TIME

Back Dues Should Be Paid By End of Year Members of SSPZ you know it's hardest for your lodge secretary to keep his or her records straight, if you do not pay your lodge dues regularly.

There are many, many, cases where a member does not pay his or her dues for a number of months and finally decides to drop out of the lodge and organization.

This is a very unfair way of doing things. You as a member should and it is your duty to pay up your lodge dues.

Pay your lodge dues on time and if any of you owe back dues, pay before the end of the year, so the old secretaries or new ones will have record books clear and this will save you and all plenty of work and unnecessary trouble.

A Secretary

Two Challengers Meet

It has been quite some time that Brother Anthony Sirca has been convalescing at Mercy hospital, Pittsburgh, Pa., but Bro. Sirca hasn't been lonesome, because his many friends have visited him.

A month ago I jokingly told Bro. Sirca to move and make room for me, little realizing at that time that my request would be granted.

My generalization, unbiased as it is, is that hospital is fun if you are in perfect health and just on a visit there. If I were to take Bro. Sirca's advice it would run something like General Sherman maxim, "war is hell!"

United Lodges SSPZ

CLEVELAND, O. — The members are requested to attend the meeting of United Lodges Sat. eve., November 21, 1938 at Slovene Workmen's Home, Waterloo road.

The meeting will be called to order at 8 p. m. sharp. The United Lodges will also sponsor a get-together meeting and party for the two local Vrtec lodges Friday, Dec. 4 at Slovene Workmen's Home.

Vrtec No. 11 orchestra will furnish the music for the event.

John J. Kikol, Sec'y

EDITOR'S NOTE

E. L. Burgettstown, Pa. — Your letter, as the post stamp shows, was mailed on November 10, in the morning, and arrived at the office of "Napredek" the following morning, Wednesday, November 11, when the paper was already on press.

Will Roosevelt Go Left?

Mr. Roosevelt's smashing triumph has left the country dazed and happy. A Roosevelt victory had been expected by most of the political observers, but an electoral vote of more than 500 and a popular majority of about nine million are more than a victory.

Whose is the triumph? First of all, President Roosevelt's. In the face of one of the most rancorous campaigns in our history, the election is a tribute at once to his statesmanship and his showmanship.

Whose is the defeat? Not primarily Mr. Landon's. He was a little man caught in one of the blind alleys of history, forced to defend a losing cause with the rusty weapons of well-worn shibboleths like "Americanism" and "liberty."

We would like to take Mr. Roosevelt at his word. We should like to believe that this fight of his—against the vested interests, against the holding-companies and the market riggers,

the Liberty Leaguers, the big battalions of Wall Street, and their wives, who, organized in various "legions," bestirred themselves against Mr. Roosevelt with a concentrated hatred hitherto unknown.

The American people have, in short, given Mr. Roosevelt a mandate. When they elected him by a landslide in 1932 their vote was mainly a protest against Mr. Hoover and his policies.

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against labor spies and company unions and slums—is really only in its initial stage and that the best is yet to come. But we must beware of being over-sanguine. Mr. Roosevelt has had four years of the Presidency, and after four years the will to reform slackens unless it is deeply rooted and massively fortified.

Will Mr. Roosevelt move left? The past years have taught us that questions like this are answered by three set of factors. One is the nature of the economic situation and the necessities that flow from it.

An Object Lesson

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Vrtec Administrators and Secretaries Take Notice



According to the decision of the Supreme Executive Committee at its last regular quarterly session, all assessment, remitted by the Vrtec Administrator(trix) or secretary for the month of November, less assessment paid for re-instated members for months previous to November, will be returned in the following month...

ATTRACTIVE CASH PRIZES FOR NEW INSURANCE STILL EFFECTIVE

The following is the table of awards approved by the Supreme Board in regular session. After six consecutive monthly assessments have been paid, the Society will pay—

Adult Class \$1.00 for each \$250.00 certificate. \$2.00 for each \$500.00 certificate. \$4.00 for each \$1000.00 certificate. \$6.00 for each \$1500.00 certificate. \$8.00 for each \$2000.00 certificate.

Juvenile Class \$5.00 will be paid to the proposing members for each new certificate written-up!

Free medical examination to every applicant! A Junior SSPZ emblem will be given to each new member. The above awards became effective as of August 1, 1938, and will remain in effect until recalled by the Supreme Board.

Thoughts on Yesterday's Election

It's all over now; the counting, shouting, lamenting, rejoicing, etc. . . .

Before the election, the Wall Street Honey Hounds and the Literary Digest, collaborating as partners this time, had many people believing (especially, those who swayed towards Landon) that the election would be almost as close as that in 1916.

Of course, they knew better; but here was a ROSY chance to reap some easy dough and, at the same time, keep the stock market from sagging . . .

They accomplished their purpose beautifully, snagging many a poor sucker for his roll . . .

But that wasn't all—Their biggest triumph was breaking the minority parties and setting them so far back they never will return to favor . . .

No man can say (except those on the inside) who Wall Street favored— It has always been my opinion that Landon had a slight edge over Roosevelt, but the margin was so small that it really didn't make any difference . . .

The sad feature about the whole election and its campaigning was that many of our own leaders (our own Slovene people) knew the truth, but still had the audacity to come out strongly for one or the other of these two candidates . . .

They took up the cry and passed it along, "A vote for Thomas is a vote for Landon," when a vote vote for Thomas would have been a vote for themselves and not one for the perpetuation of the capitalistic system under which we shall continue to struggle for economic security the same as our fathers and mothers did in the past . . .

Roosevelt won by 10,000,000 votes . . . All the Slav voters in the country could have voted against him and he still would have won by a comfortable margin— Yes, a vote for Norman Thomas would have been a vote for Landon, alright . . . I notice bringing out the argument that Roosevelt really only won by half that many votes, because, if Landon got half of them and one over, he might have been elected . . . But, that still doesn't prove that a vote for Thomas or 2, 3, 4 or 5 million of them would have elected Landon . . .

Jugoslav Culture

These three were then succeeded by a worthy younger generation. Among the Serbs, mention should be made of Radičević, Jovanović, Jakšić, Ilić; and among the Croats of Pre-radović, Kranjčević; and among the Slovenes, Jenko, Askerc. These men have enriched our literature by many works of great artistic beauty of form, poetic depth, and vigor, and although they betray the influence of Western literature, they have by no means lost their peculiar national charm.

Under the influence of the great French and Russian realists the novel, and more especially the short story, has attained a level almost equally high. The most gifted of the modern Jugoslav novelists are Ljubiša, Ignjatović, Lazarević, Sremac, Senoa, Kozarac, Jurčić, Stritar, Kernik, and especially the men of the younger generation—Gjalski, Leskovic, Carikat, Corović, Stanković, Košić, and others.

Weak on Particles He showed every promise at school, except that he always muddled his past particles. After saying, "I have wrote," the teacher explained to him how wrong it was, and told him to write, "I have written" 100 times.