

DRUSTVENE IN DRUGE SLOVENSKE VESTI

Veliko plesno veselico priredi
angelsko poslujoče društvo št.
106 JSKJ v Clevelandu, O., na
15. februarja v avditoriju
N. Doma na St. Clair Ave.

Maskaradno veselico priredi
društvo št. 36 JSKJ v Con-
necticutu, Pa., na večer 22. fe-
bruarja.

Baseball klub društva št. 106
JSKJ v Davisu, W. Va., priredi
veliko veselico 15. februarja veliko
veselico v mestni dvo-
rani.

V Gowandi, N. Y., se bo v so-
botu 22. februarja vršila pust-
na maskaradna angloslovenska
veselica št. 222 JSKJ.

Veza slovenskih društev v
Madisonu, Ill., kateri pripada
društvo št. 92 JSKJ, prire-
di maskaradno veselico na ve-
čer 22. februarja. Veselica se
vršila v Fikulski dvorani.

Baseltnico ustanovitve bo
23. februarja proslavilo
društvo št. 166 JSKJ v Indiana-
napoli, Ind. Pri tisti priliki bo
priredila igranje "Trije vaški
muškarci".

Euclidu, O., je dne 3. fe-
bruarja za pljučnico umrl John
Star, star okrog 60 let, član
društva št. 132 JSKJ. Pokoj-
ni bil rojen v vasi Pešče-
pri Vršini gori v Sloveniji,
zapuščal dve sestri. V tej
pripravi je zapuščal soprogo, 4 si-
nove in 5 hčera, ki so vsi člani
društva.

Veza mladinska šola S.
Doma na St. Clair Ave.,
Clevelandu, O., je pravkar za-
kazala prvi termin šolskega le-
ganja za naznanjen staršem, da
se naznanijo nove učence. V so-
botu 15. februarja je prilika za
tudi za bivše učence, da
se spominjajo. Pouk je prost vsako
sobo.

Korist S. N. Doma v nase-
ljuju, Ill., bo v nedeljo
16. februarja vprizorjena igra
"Vprizoritev za
10. uri dopoldne.
Igrale pa ob dveh popoldne.

Veza slovenskih društev v
Denverju, Colo., priredi maska-
radno veselico v soboto 22. fe-
bruarja.

Veza prireditve za bodoče
naznanjajo sledeča dru-
štva: Desletnico ustanovitve
društva št. 173 JSKJ v Clevelandu, O.,
25. aprila. Veselica
vršila v S. N. Domu.
Društvo št. 170 JSKJ
v Chicagoju, Ill., bo proslavilo de-
setletnico ustanovitve s slav-
nim banketom 9. maja.
Društvo št. 116 JSKJ v Del-
lawareju, Pa., bo priredilo piknik
na prostoru piknika bo
naznanjen.
Društvo št. 44 JSKJ v Bar-
clayju, O., bo priredilo svoj let-
ni piknik na dan 4. julija. Pik-
nik bo vršil v Hopocan Gar-
denu.

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Centru, Pa., za ne-
deljo 16. februarja ob dveh po-
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RAZNO IZ AMERIKE IN INOZEMSTVA

PREDSEDNIK Ameriške de-
lavske federacije je nedavno iz-
javil, da je bilo zaposlenje v
decembru 1935 le za štiri od-
stotke višje kakor leto prej,
kljub temu, da se je splošna in-
dustrijska aktivnost v istem
času dvignila za 21 procentov.
Nekateri eksperti trdijo, da če-
tudi bi se splošna industrijska
in trgovinska aktivnost dvig-
nila na višino kot je bila leta
1929, bi še vedno ostalo pet mi-
lijonov delavcev brezposelnih.

KONVENCIJA United Mine
Workers unije, ki se je nedav-
no vršila, je odglašovala, da se
letna plača predsednika J. L.
Lewisa zviša od \$12,000 na
\$25,000 letno. Predsednik Lew-
is pa je vsako zvišanje plače
odklonil. Predsedniki in di-
rektori raznih korporacij, ki
prejemajo po \$100,000 in več
letne plače, se pa nikoli ne bra-
nijo zvišanja.

ZANIMANJE za pridobitev
ameriškega državljanstva je
med inozemci vedno večje. Sko-
ro vse države v naši Uniji, ki
so vpeljale starostno penzijo,
so jo imele na državljane, in
nobenega dvoma ni, da bodo
nadaljne države pri sprejemu
postav o starostni penziji do-
ločile slične omejitve. To po-
meni, da nedržavljan ne bodo
deležni starostne penzije. Tu-
di Townsendy penzijski načrt,
od katerega nekateri optimisti
mnogo upajo, omejuje penzijo
na državljane. V kongresu so
se že pojavili zakonski načrti
za deportacijo vseh nedržav-
ljanov, vendar doslej še nobena
taka predloga ni bila sprejeta
in je verjetno, da sploh nikoli
ne bo. Vpričo vsega tega pa
je razumljivo, da se nedržav-
ljani vedno bolj brigajo za pri-
dobitev državljanstva.

Ob času ljudskega štetja le-
ta 1930 so v Zedinjenih drža-
vah našli 4,518,341 nedržav-
ljanov. Danes je to število ne-
dvomno znatno nižje, ker je od
leta 1930 naprej mnogo tuda-
njih nedržavljanov dobilo ame-
riško državljanstvo, priseljen-
cev pa se je v istem času pripu-
stilo v deželo zelo malo. Tako
se bližajo času, ko se o ne-
državljanih v tej deželi skoro
ne bo izplačalo več govoriti.

OSTRA ZIMA zadnjih par
tednov je v raznih krajih te de-
žele dosegla edinstveni rekord.
V Clevelandu, O., je bil usta-
novljen vremenski urad leta
1872, toda tekom vsega svojega
obstanka ni zabeležil take niz-
ke temperature med 22. janu-
arjem in 5. februarjem kakor
letos. Mi bomo pa morda lah-
ko še našli vnupek pripove-
dovale kako rekordno mrzlo je
bilo v sedmem letu depresije.

PREDSEDNIK Seagrims di-
stillerije je pisal predsedniku
Rooseveltu pismo, v katerem
se opraviča, ker je bila v oglaš-
nih Seagrims žganja slika moža,
ki je bila nekoliko podobna
Rooseveltu. Dotični oglaš
so bili v raznih listih priobčeni sa-
mo enkrat in so bili takoj ustavi-
ljeni, ko se je omenjena po-
dobnost odkrila. Predsednik di-
stillerije poudarja, da je do ti-
ste podobnosti prišlo čisto slu-
čajno.

SREČO V NESREČI je imel
pretekli teden v Clevelandu, O.,
(Dolge na 4. strani)

O SOCIALNI VARNOSTI

Leto 1936 ostane pomembno
v ameriški zgodovini kot leto
prvega prizadevanja v Zedinje-
nih državah, da se uvede na vse-
narodni podlagi vsaj neka mera
gospodarske sigurnosti in slu-
žaju nezaposlenosti za one, ki so
normalno zaposleni, in to ne
v obliki dobrodelne pomoči. Ista-
časno bo letošnje leto ostalo
pomembno kot prvo leto, odkar
se začneja pot, ki naj dovede do
vsenarodnega sistema starost-
nih pokojnin — ne podpore —
za one ljudi, ki so delali vse svo-
je življenje in hočejo počivati.
Kot nadaljni korak napram so-
cijalni sigurnosti bo letos fede-
ralna vlada — čim kongres do-
voli potrebna sredstva — dala
znatne podpore državam, da po-
magajo sirotam, potrebnim sta-
rim ljudem, slepem, in za soci-
jalno oskrbo sploh. To je troje
poglavitnih svrh zakona o soci-
jalni varnosti (Social Security
Act).

Kaj ta zakon določa o neza-
poslenostnih odškodninah, se da
prav zlahka razložiti. Vsi delo-
dalci ki imajo osem ali več za-
poselencev, bodo morali letos pla-
čati davek na plače (payroll),
in sicer 1. 1936 1 odstotek od ce-
letnih plač, 1. 1937 2 odstotka in
1. 1938 in potem 3 odstotke. Ne
plačuje se nikak davek za polje-
delsko in hišno delo, za nekate-
re pomorske posle, za federal-
ne, državne in občinske službe
niti za nastavljenec verskih, do-
brodelnih, znanstvenih in pro-
svetnih organizacij. Delodajal-
cu se odpusti del danka (do 90
odstotkov), ako mora že prispe-
vati k državnemu skladu za ne-
zaposlenostne odškodnine, pod
pogojem, da dotični državni za-
kon odgovarja nekim zahtevam
federalnega zakona.

To pomenja z drugimi besed-
mi, da vsaka država, ki uvede
kak sistem nezaposlenostnih od-
škodnin, bo v stanu prihraniti
si devet desetink tega danka na
plače v korist svojim lastnim
nezaposlencem, kajti v tem slu-
čaju bo država sama kolektirala,
mesto da pusti federalni vlad-
i nabiranje danka. Ako drža-
va sprejme tak zakon, ne bo isti-
stal državo prav nič, kajti fede-
ralna vlada je pripravljena da-
jati državi zadosti sredstev za
poravnane vseh upravnih stroš-
kov. Niti ne bo država, ki za-
vlačuje uvedene zavarovalnega
sistema za nezaposlenost, imela
tako konkurenčno korist napram
drugim državam, kajti deloda-
jalci bodo itak morali plačati
tako federalni davek.

Razlika torej med državami,
ki uvedejo to zavarovanje, in o-
nimi, ki ga nečajo, je enostavno
ta, da država, ki kaj stori, se o-
koristi od danka na plače, do-
ki država, ki neče nič storiti,
se ne okoristi. Davek pa se mo-
ra plačati istotako.

Devetorica držav, katerih de-
lodajalci pokrivajo več kot tret-
jino vseh plač v Zedinjenih dr-
žavah, ima že zakone o nezapo-
slenostnih odškodninah. V mno-
gih drugih državah se bo stvar
odločila, čim se snide legistatu-
ra. Uspeh federalnega zakona
o socijalni varnosti, da se zmanj-
ša socijalno zlo nezaposlenosti
držav. Dokler dotična država
nima zakona o nezaposlenostnih
odškodninah, njeni delavci ni-
majo nikake koristi od tega.

Skratka torej storjen je bil
le začetek. Federalni zakon je
tako napravljen, da takorekoč
(Dolge na 4. strani)

ROJSTNA DNEVA DVEH PRESEDNIKOV

Sedanjí predsednik Franklin
D. Roosevelt, je 32. predsednik
Zedinjenih držav. V vsej tej vr-
sti predsednikov pa sta le dva,
katerih rojstna dneva se praznu-
jeta kot narodna praznika; to
sta prvi predsednik George
Washington in 16. predsednik
Abraham Lincoln. Rojstna dne-
va obeh praznujemo v februarju.

George Washington je bil ro-
jen 22. februarja 1732 v Brid-
ges Creeku, Virginia, Abraham
Lincoln pa 12. februarja 1809
blizu mesteca Hodgenville, Ken-
tucky. Washingtonov rojstni
dan praznujemo torej vsako leto
22. februarja, Lincolnov pa 12.
februarja.

Spomin obeh omejenih pred-
sednikov bo ostal zapisan na
častnem mestu Zedinjenih dr-
žav, dokler bo ta republika ob-
stala. Velika moža sta bila vzgo-
jena v različnih razmerah in
sta se udeleževala na različne
načine, toda obema se imamo
zahvaliti za obstoj naše republi-
ke.

George Washington je bil sin
bogatega plantažnika, ki je imel
za tiste čase dobre šole in je
postal zemljemerec; uril pa se
je tudi v vojaških vedah. Ko so
se ameriški kolonisti uprli izko-
riščanju po angleških vladah, je
George Washington postal vr-
hovni poveljnik uporniških čet.
Revolucionarna vojna je traja-
la nad šest let, končno pa so bi-
li Angleži tepeni in mlada de-
žela je dosegla svojo neodvisnost.
Nekateri častniki revolucionar-
ne armade so hoteli Washing-
tona proglasiti za kralja, kar pa
je ta odločno odklonil. Trinajst
prvotnih kolonij se je tako zdru-
žilo v republiko, ki si je za pr-
vega predsednika izbrala
Georga Washingtona. To mesto
je zavzemal dva termina, v tret-
je pa ni hotel nominacije več
sprejeti. Zgodovina pripisuje
Washingtonu največ zaslug, da
se je ta dežela osvobodila an-
gleške nadvlade in da se ni po
osvobojevanju razdrobila na ma-
le, brezposelne države.

Abraham Lincoln se je rodil
kot sin revnega farmerja in je
do svojega 19. leta delal na far-
mi. Osnovne izobrazbe je imel
le malo, toda učil se je sam,
kadarkoli je imel kaj prilike in
je končno postal odvetnik. Bil
je izvoljen v legistaturo države
Illinois, potem v zvezni kongres,
leta 1860 pa je bil izvoljen za
predsednika Zedinjenih držav
na programu stranke, ki je za-
htevala odpravo suženstva. Južne
države so se temu uprle in so se
hotele odcepiti od republike. Sie-
dila je krvava državljanska voj-
na, ki se je končala z zmago se-
vera in tako je bila ohranjena
republika kot celota in odprav-
ljeno suženstvo. Abraham Lin-
coln je bil velik svobodoljub,
človekoljub in zagovornik zati-
ranih. Podlegel je rani, katero
mu je zadala krogla atentator-
ja 14. aprila 1865.

NENAVADNA REŠITEV

Neki Julij Barton je nedav-
no padel v vodo enega številnih
zalivov v Louisiani in je bil v
nevarnosti, da utone, ker ni znal
plavati. To je opazil njegov
prijatelj John Dixon, stoječ na
bregu, in ker mu ni mogel nu-
diti druge pomoči, si je hitro
odvezal svojo leseno nogo in mu
je vrzel v vodo. S pomočjo te
lesene noge se je mož toliko ča-
sa zdržal na površju, da je pri-
šla pomoč.

KAJ VSE SE PRIPETI

Znana revija "American
Weekly" je nedavno priobčila
zbirko nenavadnih dogodivščin
preteklega leta. Nekatere teh
dogodivščin so tragične, neka-
tere smešne, a vse so zanimive.
Vsled tega naj bodo nekatere
v prostem prevodu podane našim
čitateljem.

S prav posebno odločnostjo
je nesreča zasledovala črnce
Jamesa Beasoma v Summitu,
Tenn. Nekega dne je med njim
in njegovo prijateljico prišlo do
takega ostrega argumenta, da
mu je ljubezniva črna krasotica
posušala kri z nožem. Nekdo
je hitro poklical ambulanco, ki
je ranjenega Jamesa odpeljala
proti bolnišnici. Ambulančni
avtomobil je na poti trčil v drug
avtomobil in obe vozili sta bili
razbiti. Na pomoč je hitel dru-
gi ambulančni avtomobil, ki pa
je prišel gori, predno je dospel
na mesto kolizije. Šele tretji am-
bulančni avtomobil je ranjenega
črnca pripeljal v bolnišnico,
kjer so mu zdravniki rano za-
šili in obvezali. Rana ni bila
nevarna in mož je iz bolnišnice
peš odšel proti domu. Na poti
pa ga je zadel avtomobil in ga
na mestu ubil.

V juniju preteklega leta je
vstopila v voz cestne železnice
v Los Angelesu zajetna dama.
Pri tem je bila tako neprevidna
ali nerodna, da je stopila na
kurje oko sprevodnika, ki je od
bolečine zavpil in poskočil, kar
je omenjeno damo spravilo to-
liko iz ravnotežja, da je padla z
voza in se nekaj pobila. Sledi-
la je tožba in cestno-železniška
družba je morala dami plačati
\$2,500 odškodnine. Sprevodni-
ko kurje oko se je torej za
cestno-železniško družbo izkaza-
lo precej drago.

V Glasgowu na Škotskem se
je neki mož zgrudil mrtve na
cesti. V bližini stoječa deklica
je spoznala mrtvega moža za
svojega strica in policija je ta-
koj pozvala njegovo ženo, da pri-
de in pogleda, če je mrtvec res
njen bivši mož. Tudi žena je
v mrtvecu spoznala svojega moža,
nakar je ohitela domov, da
pripravi otroke na žalostno no-
vico. Ko pa je odprla vrata v
spalnico, je opazila svojega moža
spečega v postelji. Misleča,
da je njegov duh, je zavpila in
zbežala proti sosedovi hiši. Njen
krik je zbudil spečega moža, ki
je stekel za ženo. Sosea, ki je
videla kričečo ženo in za njo dr-
večega moža v spalni obleki, je
mislila, da sta oba znorela, za-
to jima je pred nosovi zalopu-
tila vrata in poklicala policijo.
Mož in žena sta v tem na pragu
sosedove hiše omedlela. Ko je
prijhela policijska patrulja, se
je začelo izpraševanje in kon-
čno se je dokazalo, da je bil na
cesti umrl sicer pa dotični mož
popoln tujec, sicer pa zelo po-
doben mož, ki ga je prestraše-
na žena smatrala za spečega du-
ha.

Preteklo poletje ob priliki ne-
kega požarnega alarma v mestu
Peoria, Ill., je gasilec Joe Tur-
ner brzo zdrknil po drogu v ga-
ražo gasilske postaje. Vsled
drgnjenja se mu je v žepu straj-
ce užgala škaflija užigale in
užgala škaflija. Vsled opeklin je
mož izpustil drog, padel na tla
in si zlomil obe nogi.

Nekaj sličnega se je zgodilo
učencu osnovne šole v Brook-
lynu, N. Y. Fantček se je tako
nemirno premikal na svojem se-
dežu, da so se mu užgale užigali-
ce v hlačenem žepu in nato seve-
da tudi hlače. Prišebna učite-
(Dolge na 4. strani)

ODMEVI IZ RODNIH KRAJEV

Ljubljana ima 130 trafik, s
prostrano okolico, kjer biva 150
tisoč prebivalcev, pa skupno
230 trafik. Lani se je v Ljub-
ljani popuščilo za več ko 33 mi-
lijonov dinarjev raznih vrst to-
baka, skupno nad 12,000,000 ki-
logramov. Cigaret se je poka-
nilo 117,000,000, cigar 2,720-
000, drugo pa odpade na tobak
za pipe. Tobaka za nosljanje
je šlo lani v Ljubljani in okoli-
ci 832,600 kilogramov, "klobas"
za čkarnje pa 1,367,000 kilogra-
mov. Na vsakega prebivalca
Ljubljanine in okolice je lani zna-
šala precejšnja za tobak 222 di-
narjev.

Do konca lanskega leta je bi-
lo v dravski banovini izdanih
vsega skupaj 114,000 kolesar-
skih številk, kar pomeni, da pri-
bližno toliko moških in ženskih
kolesarjev zasebni promet na
cestah Slovenije. V Ljub-
ljani in okolici je bilo ob koncu
lanskega leta v prometu 820 av-
tomobilov in motociklov. Ko-
čij je bilo lansko leto v Ljublja-
ni samo še 167.

V Ljubljani je v starosti 48
let umrl višji kontrolor direk-
cije državnih železnice Dore Dro-
venik. Kot železniški uradnik
je služboval v raznih krajih, le-
ta 1913 pa je bil premeščen v
Ljubljano, kjer je opravljal tež-
ko prometno službo vso vojno
doba. V prevarnih dneh si je
pridobil velike zasluge s tem,
da je zadržal v Ljubljani četo
iz vojnega ujetništva se vrača-
jočih srbskih vojakov, ki so z
nekaterimi slovenskimi in češ-
kim prostovoljci pod povelj-
stvom polkovnika Švabiča pre-
prečili Italijanom, ki so bili že
na Vrhniki, da niso zasedli
Ljubljane.

V poslednjem času se klati-
jo po Dolenjski številni cigani.
Nekateri se pečajo s kotlar-
stvom in kovaštvom, večina pa
jih berači in obenem spretno iz-
korišča praznovornost in lahko-
vornost naših ljudi.

Nedavno je prišel neki cigan
v prijazno vas ob Zasavju ter
obiskal imovitega obrtnika, ki
njaj bi mu napravil neko delo.
Cigan je potem zaradi nareče-
nega dela prišel še večkrat k o-
brtniku in mu pripovedoval o
svojem ogromnem premoženju,
češ, da ima v šotoru 100,000 Din,
ki pa so last vse ciganske druž-
ne. "Zakle sem se Bogu in po-
glavarju, da se tega denarja ne
bom nikoli dotaknil," je rekel
cigan in ponudil obrtniku 100
tisočakov za 4000 Din, da bi
vendar le imel kaj od denarja,
ne da bi zakletev prelomil.

Cigan je znal govoriti tako
pripravevalno, da mu je obrtnik
slepo verjel. Napravila sta na-
črt o izročitvi denarja. Ker ni
imel doma potrebnih tisočakov,
si jih je obrtnik izposodil pri
bližnjem sosedu in jih je dal ci-
ganu obenem o ponošeno suknjo.
Ponoči ob 23. uri sta se napoti-
la v bližnji gozd, kjer so imeli
cigani šotor. Cigan mu je po-
kazal kotliček, poln srebrnikov.
Obrtnik jih je še potožkal, bili
so res sami srebrniki. V hipu pa
je se je zbudil ciganov sin ter
začel nekaj govoriti očetu. Ci-
gan je tedaj porinil preplašene-
ga obrtnika iz šotora in mu de-
jal, naj gre domov in da ga bo
še poklical, ko bo sin vnoč za-
spal.

Lahkoverni obrtnik se je vr-
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VSAK PO SVOJE

Zima, ki nas opleta s svojim
ledenim bičem že zadnjih par
tednov, si s temi burkami ni pri-
dobila prijateljev. Vsaj pri ve-
čini ne. Nekateri pa so z njo
zadovoljni. Na primer premo-
garji, katerim je naklonila več
dela in zasluzka. Pa tudi vrhov-
no sodišče Zedinjenih držav mo-
ra biti zadovoljno z zimo, ker
je še ni proglasilo za neustav-
no.

Sicer pa, kakor se je tolažil
tisti rojak, ki je ležal pod pre-
kucenim avtomobilom, izpod
katerega si ni mogel pomagati:
"Vedno že ne bo tako! Enkrat
bo že boljše!"

Saj pust je že blizu, za njim
pride velika noč, nato zeleni Ju-
nij in potem pikniki. Iz Bar-
bertona, Ohio, in iz Bele doline
v Pennsylvaniji jih že oglašajo.

V starokrajskih listih sem čit-
tal, da morajo v Jugoslaviji bi-
ti oblastim prijavljena in licen-
cirana vsa vozila, tudi bicikli.
Edino izjemo menda tvorijo o-
troški vozički, samokolnice in
cize.

Bivši princ waleški, ki je po
smrti svojega očeta postal an-
gleški kralj, je še vedno samec,
dasi ga že 20 let nagovarjajo,
da bi se oženil. Priletni fant se
ni branil prevzeti vlade nad 400
milijoni podanikov vseh barv,
toda ženitve se brani kar na-
prej. Najbrž misli, da je lažje
registrati 400 milijonov podani-
kov kot eno samo kraljico. Malo
je kraljev, princev in tudi na-
vadnih plebejcev, ki bi bili ta-
ko pametni.

Znanstveniki pravijo, da ribe
in druge vodne živali ne pijejo
vode. Jo pač preveč poznajo.

Eden izmed častnih naslovov
etiopskega cesarja je "lev Jude-
je" in menda je prav ta naslov
vzrok, da so ga vzeli Italijani na
piko. V prvih časih krščanstva
so v Rimu metali kristjane rjo-
večim levom, da so jih mrevarili
in žrli, zdaj bi pa rimski vojak,
ki so seveda kristjani, radi raz-
mrevarili leva Judeje in nje-
govo deželo.

Reveži nas vedno nadleguje-
jo in prosijo, da bi jim kaj dali.
Bogatinji pa nič ne prosijo, am-
pak si enostavno sami vzamejo.
Zato so bogatini.

V Južni Afriki je dežela Ba-
sutoland, ki je pod protektora-
tom Velike Britanije. Britiška
vlada terja od vseh domačinov
moškega spola majhen, enako-
meren letni davek, v ostalem pa
pušča prebivalstvu svobodo, na-
rodne običaje, češčenje malikov
in celo množično čestje. Toda vsak
mož, ki ima dve ali tri žene,
mora plačati vladni dvakratni ali
trikratni davek. O, Angleži že
vedo, kako vladati. Nimajo za-
stojni četrtine zemskega prebi-
valstva pod oblastjo.

Glasom neke statistike je v
Zedinjenih državah 3,400,000
belih oseb, ki imajo rdeče lase,
7,000,000 belolascev, 44,000,000
črnolascev in 54,000,000 oseb,
ki imajo srednje temne lase. V
kakšno kategorijo spadajo pleš-
ci pa statistika ne pove.

Čisti prirastek članstva J. S.
K. J., je v preteklem letu znašal
1428. Potrudimo se, da bo v
letu 1936 znašal 1936.

(Dolge na 4. strani)

MLADINSKI ODDELEK -- JUVENILE DEPARTMENT

Gustav Strniša:

VESELI KURENT

Kurent je doma v deveti deželi. Ko je bil še majhen deček, je služil v kraljevskem gradu za pastirja. Bil je živahen in vesel fantiček, da so ga vsi ljubili.

Na paši je vedno vil piščalke in na nje piskal, da je radostna pesem donela daleč na okoli.

Prigodilo se je, da je Kurenta slišala lepa kraljična, edina kraljeva hčerka. Poklicala je dečka k sebi in moral ji je zaigrati lepo pesem.

Kraljična ga je poslušala in deček ji je vedno bolj ugajal. Zdal je moral večkrat v grad. Vedno je zasiral kodo drugo pesem in vsak dan je bil kraljični bolj všeč, tako, da si ga je nazadnje zaželela za moža.

Pastir in kraljična se pa navadno poročita samo v lepih pravičih, v resnici pa nikoli ne! Zato je deklica zasluhila, da bo tudi ona težko kdaj uslišana.

In res je kmalu zvedel stari kralj, kakšnega ženina si je izbrala, in takoj je bil slabe volje:

"Pastirja že ne maram! Naj raje poroči našega kuharja, ki je lepo debel in dostojen mož!"

Kralj pa ni hotel pokazati hčerki svoje nejevolje in jo žaliti, ker jo je imel preveč rad. Raje je skrivaj poklical kuharja in mu zaupal:

"V naši deželi je vedno manj dostojnih in modrih mož. Pomisli, kaj mi naredi moj hči! Zateleba se v pastirja in ga hoče za moža. Jaz sem si vedno mislil, da bi bil ti moj najboljši naslednik, lepo rejen si, pameten in dostojen človek. Pa tudi kuhari znaš in lahko boš dobro postregel vsem sosednjim vladarjem, ki ljubijo slastno jedjo. Tako si boš lahko zagotovil povsod prijateljstvo in mir ter boš srečno vladal."

"O, Veličanstvo, če ste se za mene odločili, bom že temu bosopetniku pokazal, kaj znam!" se je napihnil kuhar in odhitel v kuhinjo, da bi se mu ne zasmodila svinjska pečenka.

In ko je dobil kuhar prvi prosti dan, se je lepo oblekel in šel obiskat svojega brata, ki je bil slaven čarovnik. Povedal mu je, kako in kaj, in ga prosil pomoči.

Čarovnik mu je takoj obljubil, da bo pastirja osramotil pred kraljično in še kralja tako ujezil, da bo Kurenta zapodil iz dežele.

Kuhar je pomirjen odšel domov, a čarovnik je odkrival v gmajno, kjer je Kurent pasel svoje ovce.

Ko je čarovnik dospel do košate vrbe, od katere si je pastir vedno rezal veje za piščalke, je z ostrim nožem porazljal vse veje in jih pometal v bližnji potok. Na najdebelejši vrbov izrastek je pa pritiskal svojo čarovniško palico in zamrmral:

"Zrasti dolga pet pedi, da piščalko naredi Kurent, Kurent, ti pastir, ki je zasejal nemir!"

Naslednji hip je že zrastle nove veje, lepa in gladka kakor iz stekla. Čarovnik je po nji udaril in nadaljeval:

"Ko postala boš piščal, glas tvoj vse bo razigral, vsak bo plesal in norel, ko zasliši te vesel!"

In že je odšel.

Se tisti dan je prišel Kurent pod večer po novo palico, da bi si naredil piščal. Ko je opazil, da so vse veje porazljal, se je ozalostil. Toda edina veja, ki je ostala, ga je kmalu potolažila, saj je bila lepša kakor vse, kar jih je doslej odrezal.

Brž si je naredil piščalko in zapiskal. Piščal se je oglašila, pa je dajala tako veselo glasove, da je pastir kar sam zaplesal.

Priplesal je do svojih ovčic. Ko so zaslišale glas piščalke, so začele noreti in skakati ter se vrteti kakor obsedene. Plesoč se je Kurent vrnil s plesočimi ovčami nazaj v kraljevski grad.

Kralj je sedel prav tedaj pri kosilu. Ko je začel piskanje, je skočil kvišku in zaplesal s krožnikom v roki, da se mu je poredila juha po dragoceni žametni obleki. Tudi hčerka je zaplesala, se zasmejala in požugala pastirca.

V kraljevski kuhinji je pa plesal kuhar in vsa služinčad s posodami vred. Kralj je same jeze prebledel in divje zarohnel.

Sele zdaj se je Kurent spomnil, da mora nhati, a bilo je prepozno.

Kralj je ukazal, da morajo Kurenta za kaznen izgnati.

Tedaj ga je pa preprosila hčerka, da je dovolil, da se sme vsako leto vrniti, toda samo za en dan.

Kraljična mu je še vedno zvesta in kralj je izgubil že vsako nado, da bi poročila kuharja, ki je že postal ves brežeten in star in tudi kuhari že več ne zna. Danes ali jutri se bo kralj pač odločil za Kurenta in ga vzel za svojega naslednika.

Kurent prihaja na svoji poti vsako leto za en dan tudi k nam. Tedaj je vse veselo, vse pleše, nore in vriska.

Ko pa postane ženina kraljeve hčere, ga ne bo več nazaj in tedaj ga bomo izgubili za vedno. Škoda zares, vsi ga bomo pogrešali! Mar ne?

Kako je vojak kahal

(Ruska)

Vojak pride iz vojske v neko vas in se oglasi pri stari ženi.

"Dobro dan, mamica, ali imaš kaj za pod zobe?"

Zenica zamrmra:

"Eh, spravi se mi s poti!"

Vojak se naredi, kot da ni slišal, in zakriči:

"Ali si gluha, da nič ne odgovoriš?"

"Ali ti nisem rekla, da se mi spraviš s poti?"

"Ho, ti stara čarovnica, te bom že pozdravil, da boš slišala," zakliče vojak in udari po mizi:

"Brž prinesi!"

"Saj nič nimam, moj ljubček!"

"Skuhaj mi ričet!"

"Nimam prav ničesar pri roki, moj dragi!"

"Daj mi sekuro, bom pa iz sekire skuhal ričet," pravi vojak.

Zenica si misli:

"Čudno, to pa moram videti, kako bo vojak iz sekire ričet kuhal!"

In mu prinese sekuro. Vojak jo vzame, jo dene v lonec, zalije z vodo in pristavi lonec k ognju. Pusti jo kuhati in vreti, potem pokusi kröp in reče:

"Ričet bo skoraj gotov, le malo je špenja in pest fižola bi moral dati zraven."

Zenica mu prinese oboje, in vojak pusti zopet kuhati in vreti, potem pokusi in reče:

"Tako, ričet je kuhan, le malo za bele bi še rad."

Zenica mu prinese, kar je želela, in vojak zabeli svoj ričet ter pravi:

"Tako, mamica, sedaj pa prinesi kruha in soli na mizo, bova jedla."

Ko je bil lonec prazen, reče ženica:

"Povej, moj dragi, kdaj bova pa sekuro pojedla?"

Vojak odgovori:

"Vidiš, da še ni mehka! Jo bom že kje spotoma skuhal za večerjo."

Reče, vtakne sekuro v torbo, se poslovilo od žene in odkoraka v drugo vas.

Ina Siskanova:

ZIMA SIROT

Zapihal je sever, zapadel je sneg, s snami in smučmi hitite veselo v breg, vseh dobrih stvari siti,

v tople plaščke zaviti — in ves dan odmeva po belih poljanah vaš smeh.

Mi pa molčimo in z grozo na bele poljane strmimo. Oh, saj se tako bojimo bojimo mraza in snega.

Pri nas doma ne prasketa veselo ogenj v pečeh in obložena miza nas nikoli ne čaka; mi nimamo toplih plaščkov, ne smučk in ne sank,

da bi veselo pozdravili sneg — že davno, davno je zamrl smeh na naših tleh.

In ko vi na sankah in smučeh po belih poljanah drsite, ko razigrani gradite snežne može, — hodimo mi po blatnih cestah od hiše do hiše,

prezebljeni in lačni, in prosimo dobre ljudi za skorjico suhega kruha.

PUSSY WILLOWS

Put the pussies into water. Though you may not hear them purr. In a week or two you'll notice an improvement in their fur.

Keep them thus throughout the winter. Plant them in the ground in May; Doubtless by or after Christmas Cats you'll have to give away.

Ground Hog Day



The story of the Ground Hog seeing his shadow on February 2nd comes to us from a very old superstition. It is believed the Scandinavians first gave thought to it on their church holiday Candlemas, when the hedge hog was supposed to wake up from his long winter's nap. He would crawl out of his hiding place and look around. If the sun cast his shadow on the ground he would get scared and run back to his hole and sleep on for six more weeks, but if he did not see his shadow he would smile right then and there on the world and give the signal for

spring to begin.

Hundreds of years ago the people actually believed in this and other superstitions equally foolish, but we know better. When the second of February comes we say, if the sun should be shining, "the Ground Hog will see his shadow today, so prepare for six more weeks of winter weather," and then we laugh at our foolishness and forget all about the hog and the weather. But in olden times the farmer would put his confidence in the little animal and plant his seed according to his staying or hiding.

AIDING A SICK MAN IN A ROUNDUP

Well, Uncle Tom, I'm glad you've decided to let me go on the round-up. It was Jim Black who was speaking to his uncle, Tom Daniels, ranchman. The scene was a ranchhouse on a lonely prairie of a Western State. It was a crisp morning, Jim's face was red from the nipping air and his ears tingled. But he was strong and tall for his sixteen years, and liked the hard weather. He lived in the East and had come to pay a visit to his uncle a few months before.

The next morning the start began. Jim rode off between Pete Madden and Bill Simpson, the two main men of the ranch. But Bill was not his usual lively self. He was pale and had eaten no breakfast. He was really ill, but would not confess the fact.

"Say, Bill, you'd better staid to hum," observed Pete, eyeing his sick comrade. "You look like a dying calf."

Bill grinned, but made no reply. At noon he did not open his provision bag, but rode along in silence as Jim and

"Shall I fix a fire?" asked Jim, feeling a bit uneasy as he looked at his companion, for Bill's pallor had deepened, and dark circles were about his gaunt eyes. His hand trembled as he fixed the candle upon the table with some of the melted tallow.

"Yep, Tenderfoot, fix a fire, and make a cup of strong coffee for me as quick as you would skin a rabbit—I'm 'most in."

Then Bill threw a blanket on the pile of straw in the corner and himself upon it. "Say, Tenderfoot, let me have your coat, I'm shakin' out of my hide."

Jim took off his coat and put it over his sick comrade. As he did so, his heart sank, for he realized that he was away out on the lonely prairie with a very sick man.

"How far are we from the ranch, Bill?" he asked.

"Fifteen miles," replied Bill. "An' listen, Tender, there's a blizzard comin'. I can feel it in my backbone."

"It'll ketch us before midnight."

a fresh fire and boiled a pot of coffee.

And so the day wore on. Bill coming to himself late in the afternoon and looking at Jim with great hollow eyes as he said:

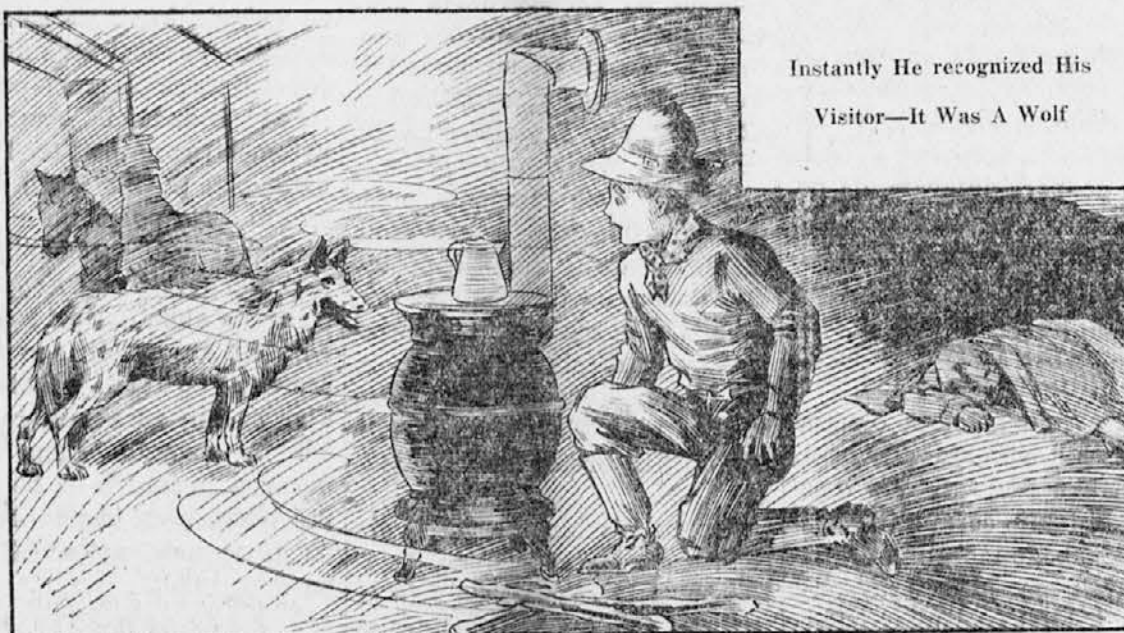
"Gee, Tenderfoot, I've been traveling in strange lands—sometimes wading through water of fire and again through snowdrifts. And lordy! how this coco of mine aches—like it would bust."

"That's all right, Bill, old chap," soothed Jim. "Now keep quiet. There's a blizzard on. But we'll weather it."

Then Bill sank into a sort of stupor, and muttered wild things. Again he became cold, and Jim covered him warmly. And all the time the two little broncos stamped in their corner and viewed the strange scene. And their warm bodies helped to keep the place from the freezing point.

About midnight Bill dropped into a troubled sleep, crouching on the floor beside the dying fire in the little stove. The ordeal he had passed through had

Instantly He recognized His Visitor—It Was A Wolf



Pete ate bread and cold bacon, and drank cold coffee from tin canteens. "A little squeemish here," he vouchsafed, when Pete tried to coax him to "jest have a bite of this bacon, Pal. It's as tender as young chicken."

The cattle were widely scattered, and several times the three horsemen were miles apart. But Pete rode up to Jim after one of those separations and said in a warning tone: "Say, Tenderfoot, won't you keep close to Bill. He's not up to the mark today—and might keel over. I'll go after the far-aways. You ride after the bunches that are close."

After that, Jim remained with Bill, but there was little conversation to break the long hours. The two sent the cattle into bunches and drove them towards the center of the range.

Towards nightfall, Bill observed that "there's a shack near the creek beyond that long hill yander. We'll go there en' make a little hot coffee to warm up our innards. The cattle can stay as they are for the night."

They soon reached the shack which had been well-named. The walls were built of sod, cut into bricks and laid up like stone. The roof was of rough boards slightly slanting, and covered with dirt which had become hard packed and which shed the occasional rain very well. Inside Jim found a bare earth floor, a rude wooden table built against the wall and some straw in a corner to serve as a bed. In an opposite corner was piled some cottonwood. A small rusty stove was near the door.

Bill found an old candle—half burnt out—and made a light. Then he hung one of his blankets over the door to keep out some of the cold wind which whipped around the corner of the shanty.

Save that candle. An' be savin' of the wood. Only the good Lord knows how long we'll be here. Git the grub in from the saddles—an' fetch the saddles in too. Tie the horses on the lee-side of the shack. That's all."

Towards midnight the weather became furious, howling like wild beasts about the little mud shack. The temperature had fallen rapidly, and was now at the freezing point. Jim shivered and felt the need not only of his coat, but of his blanket. But he took neither from his sick charge.

As the storm increased outside, the sick man's condition grew serious. He became delirious, shouting to the cattle and again telling some rollicking story. Then he would subside into quiet and moan pitifully. His chill passed away and a fever took its place. He threw off the blankets and coat and Jim felt of his hands and head to find them consumed as if by fire. Jim filled an old tin pan from the water bucket and dipped his handkerchief into it and bathed Bill's burning forehead. He placed his hot hands inside the pan of soothing water. At the first refreshing touch, Bill smiled, and soon he had dropped into a calm sleep.

Hours passed by, and still Jim bathed the burning hands and brow, and the sleeper slept on. At last as the dawn appeared, the fever abated and the man's pulse became stronger and more even. Jim observed all this with hope. Perhaps Bill would be himself as soon as the morning should break.

But when Bill opened his eyes there was no intelligence in them. He asked where he was, and called Jim Pete. In vain did Jim try to make the sick man understand. His mind seemed a blank.

And all that long day, with a blizzard howling outside, did Jim care for the sick cowboy. He forced some water, and bits of bread dipped in coffee, between his lips. He covered him closely and built a fire when the chill again took possession of him. Then followed the water treatment for the fever when it came to chase away the chill.

As the blizzard grew worse, Jim feared the horses would freeze, so he went out and untied them and led them into the shack. They had little room to stand—between the stove and the door. But the poor beasts were glad of shelter. He gave them some of the straw from the bed for their breakfast.

"They'll have to have water," said Jim to himself. "I'll lead them to the creek, which was near by. And at the same time, I'll get a bucket of water."

Before going out, Jim had not estimated the fury of the storm. It nearly carried him off his feet at times, and only by holding to the horses' bridles did he manage to get to the creek. He put his foot through the thin crust of ice and broke it so that the animals might drink. Then Jim managed to fill his bucket from the stream and leading the horses with one hand, carrying the bucket with the other, he got back to the shanty more dead than alive. He feared he, too, was going to suffer from a chill, for he shivered and shook like an aspen leaf. His teeth chattered, and as soon he got safely inside the shack he made

told on him, and he was on the verge of physical collapse. How long he had lain there, he could not tell but something—one of the broncos' stamping and snorting—waked him suddenly. And on half leaping up he beheld two glittering eyes in his face. Instantly he recognized his visitor—it was a wolf!

There was not a moment to spare. Jim grasped a heavy stick of wood and with a strong arm gave the beast a stunning blow between the eyes. The creature dropped dead where it stood. Jim made a light and looked cautiously at the starved thing that had come to find its prey inside the shack.

"Brave creature," said Jim. Then he dragged it to the door and hurled it into a snow drift which was looming in front of the shack.

Hardly had Jim got rid of his dangerous enemy, when sounds of voices came on the wind. In a few minutes Mr. Daniels and a half-breed Indian, one who worked on the ranch, entered the shack door. Jim could not speak for a minute, fearing the frost had got into his blood and that he was seeing visions. But very soon he realized that he was in his right mind, and that his uncle and the half-breed had been for hours trying to get to the shack. Pete had reached home, and not finding his companions there, had advised that the half-breed go in search of them. "H'll doubtless find 'em at the fifteen-mile shack," Pete had said. "They were near that when I parted company with 'em. The blizzard blew me away from them."

And so Mr. Daniels and the Indian had come on horseback all that fifteen miles, and were warm in their furs and blankets.

"We've got grub, too," said Mr. Daniels. "And we've got a few candles and matches besides."

Then Mr. Daniels examined Bill and declared him a very sick man. "It's fever, sure," he said. "And if it hadn't been for you, Jim, the poor fellow would have died."

"Well, if he hadn't died of his own accord, a hungry wolf would have helped him over to the other side." Then Jim told of his uncanny visitor, the dead body of which could be seen in the snowdrift.

"Well, the blizzard will break by morning," said Mr. Daniels. "And Halfy, here will return to the ranch for the wagon and some bedding and we'll take poor Bill back in comfort, at least. Then we'll have the doctor out from town. But, by ginger, you've saved the poor fellow's life."

"That's what I got out of the round-up, uncle," smiled Jim.

Oton Zupančič:

RIMSKA CESTA

Pikapolonica, pikapolona zlezla iz sončnega zatona; sinja črnkasta, zlato je pikasta; širom zemljice ne najde družice, pogleda v vodo, zagleda sestro.

Vik Plevelj:

Zgodba o kovaču

Bilo mi je šest let, ko sem zajezdil očeta in ga pognal proti Kosezam, kjer je živel grozni kovač, ki je pulil zobe iz živega mesa. V Šiški kovači takrat niso več smeli dreti zob, zdravnik je bil pa predrag.

Ogromna pisana mamina ruta mi je zakrivala drobni obrazek in se na "vr-tincu" zgubljala v gromozansko pentljo. Ta je pri vsakem očetovem koraku pokimavala na obe strani, kakor da pozdravlja globoko pod mano lazeče zemljane.

Strašansko sem bil ponosen in taki zaviljivi višini in nistem si mogel kaj, da bi ne bil paglavcu, ki je slučajno prišel mimo, pljunil na glavo.

To sva z očetom drago plačala, kajti je fantič iz varne razdalje pognal v jezdeca čeden kamen, a je pogodil "kono-ja" tako spretno v koleno, da je kar klecnil in me stresel v njivo kraj ceste.

"To ni dobro," je dejal oče in me spet zadel na vrat, ker ga oni smrknol in hotel počakati, da bi mu bil ušesa nategnili.

Ko sem bil spet v stratosferi, se mi je svet zadel tako lep, da sem čisto pozabil, da me strašansko boli zob.

"Kaj si mu pa naredil, da je vrgel kamen?" je pobral oče.

"Jaz nič, ata; najbrž ste mu vi stopili na nogo?" sem poučil očeta nad njegovo glavo.

"Prav mu je, nerodi! Kaj pa mi hodi pod noge, saj je dovolj široka cesta!"

Ko sva prijezdila na odprto polje, sem pognal konja v dir. Za vajeti so mi služila njegova ušesa. Oče je vse rad potrpeč, da sem le pozabil na zob in na strašnega kovača z velikanskimi rjavimi kleščami. Seveda sem do kraja izrazil to očetovo žrtvovanje in sem komaj pričakal kakšnega ovinka, da sem lahko krepkeje nategnil desno ali levo "zubo". Pred kovačnico sem "kono-ja" zgrabil za nos in mu potegnil glavo kvišku, kar je pomenilo "stoj!", pa se zategnil sem: "Eeeeee-ha fuksi!"

Kovaču je to očividno zelo ugajalo, kajti se je kar za trebuch grabil in solze brisal od ginjenosti. Meni je pa bilo žel, da sem mu privrabil takšno zabavo, ker sem ga sovražil, kajti mi je populil že polovico zob.

Tedaj me je oče stovoril in me posadil na klop, potem pa sta se s kovačem nekaj tihopogovarjala.

"O, saj je koražen tale fant, pa povrh še nič ne boli ne," je zagodel kovač tako nizko in volto, kakor bi bil govoril iz praznega vodnjaka.

Streslo me je pri tem nečloveškem glasu in neusmiljeno me je pričelo klati po vseh zobeh. Spustil sem se v neutolajljivi jok, pri čemer se je ogromni kovač vprašujoče obrnil v očeta, a je takoj zopet prasnjal v gromovit smeh, ki so ga gledali njegova škrlatasta ušesa, ki so mi služila za uzo.

Meni je zastala sapa in pošel jok ob kovačevem smehu in sem samo še čakal, kdaj bo iz tega groma treščilo in se bo vili ploha.

Pa se ni zgodilo ne eno ne drugo, le kovač se je počasi umiril in me pričel prilizljivo spraševati, če kaj hudo zob boli. Pa mu je kar oče povedal, da že tri noči nisem spal in radi mojega bevskanja tudi ostala družina ne. Zdal pa da je tega zadosti in da me bo pustil kar pri njem za vajenca, če si ne pustim izdreti zoba.

Čutil sem se, da je oče, ki je bil malo prej še tako prijazen "konj", namah postal tako neusmiljen z menoj, da bi me bil kar prodal tujemu črnemu kovaču, ki se mu je usnjeni predpasnik svetil kakor mojega suknjaka konci rokov, ki so bili vendar tako pripravljeni za brisanje svež izpod noska! —

Le pokaži gospodu, kateri zob te boli, potem pa malo zamaji, pa bo zunanji, me je pregovarjal oče in stiskal v pesti škričelj sladkorja.

Pa ni vse skupaj nič pomagalo, zakaj že dolgo nisem tako trdno ust skupaj tiščal kakor tistikar v kovačnici.

"O saj vem, kateri ga boli," je bobnal kovač: "tistega bi mu bil moral že zdaj izdreti, pa se je branil. Samo usta naj odpre, pa bo po njem!"

Pa tudi kovač ni dosegel, kar je želel, dokler se ni oče ujezil in me pograbil za nos, kakor sem malo poprej jaz njega, ko je bil še "konj." Ker se nisem maral zadušiti, sem odprl usta, a le, da sem lahko sapo vlekel skozi zobe. Pa je bilo vendar dovolj, da si je kovač ogledal oni zob, ki je štrajkal.

Seveda je bilo to komaj četrto uspeha, ker za klešče je treba pošteno ziniti, da jih porineš med zobe!

Pa so ta uspehi dosegli mati kovačeva, ki so prinesli strašansko velik kos rumene maslene potice, ki je ostala od nedelje, in mi ga pomolili naravnost pod nos!

Kovač je bil tiste čase tudi župan in so dobro živeli. Skoro vsake nedelje so mati županja spekli kolač, pri nas pa smo take dobrote jedli samo dvakrat v letu: za božič in za veliko noč. Od enega pa do druge je pa tako daleč, da žledece čisto pozabi, kakšna je prav za prav potica.

In ko so srečne oči zagledale tisti va-beč kos prežaltnega kolača, se je srce raznežilo in so se usta začudena široko razprla.

Tisti hip je spretno izkoristil nemarni kovač, da mi je zarinil klešče

Marija Grošljeva:

BOBI NESPODOBI

PREDPUST

Oj, prepust, ti prešmentani čas! V kuhinjah vzhaja sladko, rumeno testo, ki bo skoro zavrčelo razbeljeni masti in se napelo v belo opasane pustne krofente.

Oj, prepust, ti prešmentani čas! Otrci se veselo in nore, hani čas! Otrci se veselo in nore, oblačijo v pustne šeme, zbirajo šale, plašijo in strašijo velike in male.

Šestletne žabice se oblečejo v tabice, fantički so hudički z norčki in zamorčki ter pajaci z marmeladnimi kralji.

MLADINSKI DOPISI

Contributions From Our Junior Members

JOLIET, ILL.
 Urednik: — To je moj dopis y Novo Dobo. Letos, ko meseca januarja smo imeli na shodu iz Chicaga in smo se tam od sedaj naprej, se bom veckrat oglaševal.

LAFAYETTE, COLO.
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ing continued at the door.

The woman was scared so she decided to call the police that someone was trying to come into the house. Soon the policemen came and they looked all over but nothing else could be found but a chicken tied on the door knob which the woman ordered that morning from the store. The groceryman came kind of late so he just left it on the door knob because the door was locked.

Every time the wind blew, it would sway the chicken back and forth so that it made the noise. This was a big joke to the policemen. For one chicken four policemen had to untie it from the door knob. This woman never called the police again but opened the door first.

I wish all the supreme officers and members of our South Slavonic Catholic Union a Prosperous New Year.

Caroline Mary Kern (age 11),
No. 54, SSCU

EXPORT, PA.

DEAR EDITOR:
 This is my first letter to the Nova Doba. I am a member of a SSCU lodge. I enjoy reading the letters in the Nova Doba. I have read many stories in the paper and now I am sending in a poem.

FAIRY LAND

When at home alone I sit,
And am very tired of it,
I have just to shut my eyes,
To go sailing thro' the skies.

In the forest to an fro,
I can wander, I can go,
See the spider and the fly,
And the ants go marching by.

I am closing my letter with the best regards to you and the members of our SSCU.

Olga Wasko (age 11).

EVELETH, MINN.

DEAR EDITOR:
 I am sorry I didn't write sooner but I was so busy that I didn't have time. Thank you so much for the dollar for my story. I assure you I spent it for many useful things. It was the most I had at one time. Thank you again.

Br-r-r it is ever cold in Eveleth. It's beginning to warm up. Here is a poem I wrote about the paper.

NEW ERA

New Era is the name of a paper,
The Editor is its maker,
The children love to read,
The stories are the lead.

We find a story, poem, and a letter,
What could we find that is any better.
We read all that there is to read,
And that is all that we need.

The boys will even look
For some good mystery story,
They find it, oh honky dory!
But not in a book

In the New Era.

Frances Fister (age 13).

INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

DEAR EDITOR:
 This is my second letter to the Nova Doba. I am sorry I did not write for such a long time. It is about a year. I am in the fourth grade and I like school very much.

Josephine Lambert (age 9),
No. 45, SSCU

EXPORT, PA.

DEAR EDITOR AND READERS:
 Since it has been a long time that I have written to the Nova Doba, I thought that I would tell you how our Christmas party turned out.

On Christmas night the juveniles of lodge No. 116, SSCU had a party. The program started with a play, "Ciganek" (Little Gypsy). The characters were played by the following boys and girls. Mat, was played by Dorothy Skirly; Micka, by Dorothy Korche; Jozek, by Ralph Jenko; Jernejek, by Stanley Previc; Maticek by Henry Skirly; Johanka by Hilda Homce. I played the party of Francka and Tinček was played by William Jenko. Giganeka by Tillie Jenko and the little Ciganek by my brother John. Jennie Polk and Helen Kostelic also took part in the singing. The play went through successfully.

The program continued with Vincent Postich and George Hanac playing on their violins. While Madeline Skerly sang, Santa Clause is Coming to Town. Santa came in with his big pack. Guess who was following Santa. Nobody else but the Devil. He sure frightened the smaller children.

Santa distributed the gifts to everybody and there even were some gifts for out-of-town friends. A strange thing happened. Santa got a gift too. We all wonder what it was and I hope he will tell us this next Christmas. Mrs. Skerly and Mrs. Jenko must have gotten something good too.

The party continued with dancing to the music by John Fatur and John Perme on their accordions. The sad part came when the party came to an end. Everybody that went outside sure came back in a hurry for they were afraid of the big snow blizzard.

We were very sorry to hear that Albert Postich, 13, who was a juvenile member of our lodge for just a short time, had passed away so very suddenly.

The juveniles of our lodge No. 116 had their first meeting of the year 1936 on Jan. 19. At this meeting nothing else was done but the election of officers who are: Dorothy Skirly, pres.; Helen Previc, vice pres.; Thresa

Kostelic, sec'y.; Dorothy Korche, rec. sec'y.; Elmer Ramic, treas. We wish them a lot of success in their offices for 1936.

Why didn't we have a better attendance at our meeting? I hope the boys and girls were not afraid of the cold and the snow. The meeting was adjourned by the president but after the meeting came the big surprise from Mr. Terbovec and Mr. Kolar who sent the juveniles a big box of candy. The candy was enjoyed by everyone at the meeting. We wish to extend our greetings and thanks to Mr. Terbovec and Mr. Kolar.

Helen Previc,
No. 116, SSCU.

ELY, MINN.

DEAR EDITOR:
 Here is a letter for the second issue of the juvenile department for the year 1936. I would like to tell some news from this corner of Minnesota.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Kaupi were the lucky parents of the first baby to arrive in Ely in 1936. They are lucky because the business merchants of Ely had co-operated to present Ely's New Year baby with over 35 gifts worth more than a hundred dollars.

Who do you suppose started this? None other than Little Stan. Yes, he did all the advertising and work. I mean for the gifts, in his Shopper. So don't anyone think he is a lazy chap. He has a small name but his thoughts are big.

Last time I wrote that the ice on the lakes was strong enough to hold up cars and trucks. It is, but in some places there are some very dangerous spots and the ice is very thin sometimes in the middle of the lake. People who travel a lot on the lakes know just where these dangerous places are and are careful. On Dec. 20, 1935 Ernest Anderson, age 38 and Cecil Michaels age 23, both married men went with their car on Basswood lake. They didn't see the dangerous spot and their car broke through the ice and went down about thirty feet. Two days later their car was located and pulled out. They found the two drowned men in the back seat and dog that was with them in the front.

Billy Bunny, age 19, lost his eye accidentally. It was a rainy day and the roads were very slippery and dangerous. While passing another truck the back part of his truck slid over and bumped the other truck which was loaded with wood. The mirror was broken and some glass cut Billy's eye. An eye specialist from out of town was called and he immediately took out the injured eye.

I wish Christmas was oftener than once a year because Santa Claus was very good to me. We children were glad we had the two weeks vacation. We certainly had lots of fun outdoors as the weather was not too cold as it usually is at this time of year. Before Christmas we were busy preparing for it and decorating the tree for Santa who came everywhere.

First he was at the school and he had a bag of candy and nuts for every child. Then he was at the different lodge parties. At St. Barbara lodge party Santa was good and gave each juvenile a present. The adults of the same lodge had a big party on Silverter Ave. and they all say what a good time they had.

Now we are in school again thinking and talking about Christmas. I wish school time would go as fast as the vacation time did. I wish everybody a Happy and Healthy New Year and also to our SSCU a large number of new members.

I now have to change the number of my age because on Jan. 1, I was thirteen years old.

Justine Korent (age 13),
No. 200, SSCU.

LORAIN, O.

DEAR EDITOR:
 I have not written to the Nova Doba for such a long time that I thought it was about time that I picked up my pen and wrote. Although I did not write, I had not forgotten to read the letters and stories in the Nova Doba.

We have had sub-zero weather for almost a month. It is so cold that when I wake up in the morning the windows are all covered with some design made by Jack Frost. Although it is cold I have had lots of fun. I am enclosing the following story:

A SUDDEN FRIGHT

Bob and Joan were left at home alone, for mother and dad had gone to a party, and would not come home till late. When they had gone Joan began to read, while Bob studied. Time flew so fast that by the time they could realize the clock in the hall rang the twelfth hour. All of a sudden Joan heard a noise on the porch as if someone was walking. Very frightened she whispered to Bob, "What was that?" Bob said it must be some prowler. Cautiously they crept near to a window to look out. In the moonlight they could see two figures searching for the keyhole. Frightfully they crept nearer to the door, when suddenly the door opened and to their astonishing surprise it was only mother and dad coming home from the party.

MARY F. BARAGA (age 13),
No. 6, SSCU.

GOWANDA, N. Y.

DEAR EDITOR:
 Here it is February, and I think it is about time that the Pathfinders have something in the juvenile section.

Pathfinders are about to hold another dance on Feb. 22, which is Wash-

ington's Birthday. Oklahoma Hanks will furnish the music. They are on the air every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday over Station WGR. If any of you never saw real cowboys in Cleveland, you better come to the Pathfinders' dance. They tell you many stories of the real great West. Admission is free for the children, so have your fathers and mothers bring you. Remember the date—Feb. 22.

There is a new roller-skating rink at Highland Park. Every Saturday morning from 10 to 12 o'clock there is special time for just the children. They also have races. They had it there now for two weeks, and the first week there were many races for boys and girls. Then came the time for boys my size to race. The race was eight laps around, and I was in the lead from the beginning to seven and one-half laps; then another boy, Buddy DeJohn, crept upon the side of the me, and won. Whew, was I tired! I said to myself, "Better luck next time," and it was true, for today I raced again, for ten laps this time, and I won, with Buddy DeJohn second and Clay Cherry third. My prize was a ticket for next Saturday.

Well, I think I'll see Cleveland this summer again, for my brother Ernie bought a new car. It's streamlined with a rumble seat. Do you know why he has a rumble seat? I think you know why. Ahem, ahem!

In closing my letter, I give thanks to you, dear editor, for the one-dollar reward I received last time.

ROBERT PALCIC (age 11),
No. 222, SSCU.

MADISON, PA.

DEAR EDITOR:
 It has been quite a long time since an article of mine appeared in the Nova Doba. This is my second one and I hope to write often. As I am including a story, I shall not write such a long letter. Best regards to you, Editor, and juvenile members.

A PEASANT MAID

Joan was a beautiful young girl of 18 who lived in the far off land of Yugoslavia. Her home was a small, thatched cottage near a lake that surrounded their town.

Joan had two brothers, John and Frank, whom she loved dearly. They were jolly boys who brightened the faces around them. From early dawn to late in the evening they went cheerfully about their work.

Monday evenings Joan, with her mother's help, would make the family's wash ready to take to the lake every Tuesday morning. Monday evening they would rub soap thoroughly into the clothes upon a table instead of using a washboard, and soak them in warm water until the morning. In the morning they would again soap them and take them to the lake where they would rinse them.

It was on a cold wintry washday that a frightening event took place.

Tuesday morning Joan had the family's wash at the lake with the other women. The ice was frozen a few feet deep so the men of that town were at the lake very early in the morning cutting holes in the ice for the women to do their washing.

In this lake were many fish of all kinds that needed fresh air. While the women were washing the men were cutting holes so that the fish could come up and get some fresh air. The holes were so crowded with fish that the people could take them out by pot-falls, but the law would not allow them.

The men had a few horse teams on the lake. They would fill up the wagons with ice and haul it away to the big cities.

As accidents will happen, Joan's brother slipped into one of these holes, but Joan's eyes were sharp and she ran to his aid.

As she settled down to her washing she again was startled by a screaming crowd that had gathered about one of the holes. Joan was about to join the crowd when she noticed something a place she had been. She saw a small boy as she approached nearer, who had fallen in the hole where the crowd had gathered and had come up at the washing place along the bank. Joan pulled him out and soon had the water out of him. Joan was praised for her brave deeds of that washday. The small boy whom she saved from death went through life speechless and deaf.

MARY BOBNAR (age 14),
No. 183, SSCU

HOOVERSVILLE, PA.

DEAR EDITOR:
 Hello, everybody! How are you? I hope everyone likes school, where there are a lot of children. I like school very much. I have three teachers and my home-room teacher is Miss Shaffer, and my other teachers are Miss Crissey and Mr. Doyle, who teaches me geography. Miss Crissey teaches music and history. My own teacher teaches me arithmetic, reading, spelling and writing. Sometimes she reads to us or we play games. Well, how do you like the weather?

FRANCES MALNAR (age 11),
No. 36, SSCU.

ADAIR, PA.

DEAR EDITOR:
 I wish to thank you very much for the dollar check which I received for an article in the December issue of the Nova Doba. It certainly came in handy and I made good use of it. I should have written last month, but somehow it seems that I neglected to do so.

We are having a good bit of cold weather now. We missed about a week

of school on account of the cold and the deep snow.

Our mid-year exams are over now and I'm very glad because I passed them all.

I'm sending my best wishes to all juvenile members and to you, Mr. Editor.

CAROLINE LOVRICH (age 12),
No. 13, SSCU.

DENVER, COLO.

DEAR EDITOR:
 I want to thank you many times for the check you sent me. I was glad to get it. I was making a cream pie when I received it and I put salt instead of sugar in the mixture and it didn't taste so good.

I want to say a few lines about Cole, our school. Our semester ended Jan. 24, 1936, which was not so very long ago. I was a 7-B, but I passed to the 7-A. My mother seemed to be proud because I passed and also received a dollar. Mother said, "It is a good start and if it ends that good it sure will be fine." Many more pupils are attending Cole, which leads all of Denver's high schools. The number of pupils attending totals 1,933.

We are having snow again. This is the most we have had so far. If you go out only for a few minutes in the snow you don't feel so pleasant. I want to thank you again, Editor, for the dollar check.

ANNA BELL CHADEZ (age 12),
No. 21, SSCU.

CONEMAUGH, PA.

DEAR EDITOR:
 The snow is so deep here that many families were marooned in their homes for the past few days. Schools were closed because of the cold wave. It seems as though we are going to have snow with us a long time; it is snowing while I'm writing this letter. Our paper boy's ears were frozen when he delivered papers after school. In spite of the extremely cold weather, he delivered every paper.

Now that the mid-year exams have been passed I am breathing more easily. I was afraid that I would not pass in some subjects, but I came through all right. Our report cards are due sometime this month. In the eighth grade this year everyone is preparing for the county test. Although it is some months off, we are worried whether or not we will pass. Every child graduating from grammar school must take the county exams before entering high school. I expect to attend the Conemaugh public high school.

I find the children's page and letters very interesting. But that is not the only page that holds my interest; the editorial and Little Stan's column find me eagerly awaiting the Nova Doba each week.

It is a pleasure to write to the Nova Doba every month, but as in this case there isn't much news, so the best wishes to you, Editor, and all the juveniles.

DOROTHY BREZOVEC (age 13),
No. 36, SSCU.

BRADDOCK, PA.

DEAR EDITOR:
 It seems so long since I have written to the Nova Doba that I just thought I would settle down and write.

In the first place, how are all my delegate friends getting along? I sure would like to see them again. I am sorry to say that I did not get any new members, but I will keep on trying. I wonder how my beautiful little girl "Marie" is getting along. She's the talk of the town. The days are passing quickly and it soon will be time for the convention at Cleveland, O.

I still remember those precious words of F. Vranichar. Save your pennies, delegates, and come to the convention at Cleveland, O. I am glad to say that I am still saving my pennies and I hope the others are doing the same.

The weather here is sure very cold. The mercury in our thermometer dropped to 18 below zero and some places 25 degrees below. I wonder how cold it is in Ely, Minn. I would like to be there now because I know that I would have a good time skiing and ice-skating. How about it, Little Stan?

If I were in Ely now I bet Little Stan would give me a ride on his sleigh drawn by those beautiful Eskimo dogs of his (if he has any). How about that, pal?

The picture on the calendar of the delegates and the members of the Supreme Board and also the members of the Supreme Judiciary Committee turned out well. Thanks should be given the one who thought of this idea because it gives all the members of this Union a chance to see who really are the supreme officers of our organization.

Our Union is a very good organization to belong to because it helps you when you are sick, and when you are well you can attend meetings and dances sponsored by the lodges, and perhaps be elected a delegate to the convention. I think our Union, the SSCU, is the best known organization in the country.

EDWARD HUDALE,
No. 31, SSCU.

ELY, MINN.

DEAR EDITOR:
 The worst part of writing an article for me is that it is so hard to start, and then I don't know when and how to end it. This time I'll start off with the weather.

It is so cold here that there isn't anything else to do but stay inside and

read and write. It's too cold to go out and play. The weather is terrible and it keeps the mercury down to 30 degrees or more below. For a few days it was 40 degrees below.

We certainly pitied the members of the Supreme Board who were here at their semi-annual meeting. It is now the coldest time of the year. Those poor gentlemen who come from warmer climate were freezing here. For us, Elyites, it is different because we are used to the cold. We have cold winters, but we all look forward to the lovely summer that we have also. The lakes and forests make such beautiful scenery that they draw tourists from all over the country to Ely.

Last summer a 9-year-old girl came to America with her mother from Europe. She came to live with her father who already was settled here. Now this girl is already in the third grade. She speaks English well, and can converse in Slovene. I like to listen to her because she tells us many things that took place in Europe. She used to live on a farm with her grandmother, and she tells us that they had many chickens and two pigs. They had to work hard to make a living. In the front room they had a stove with benches all around.

Since they didn't have any school busses, some children were forced to walk several miles. Angela is the name of the girl, and she tells us she likes the United States better than Yugoslavia. I'm trying to get her enrolled in our lodge, although she tells me she can't afford it presently because her father is sick.

I was certainly proud of the honor of shaking hands with the gentlemen of the Supreme Board: Mr. Bartel, our supreme president, who said I had grown much since he saw me last; Mr. Kumse, chairman of the Board of Trustees, who conveyed a message from his daughter Victoria; Mr. Rogelli, whose name I just couldn't remember correctly until Mr. Vranichar helped me out.

I met Mr. Terbovec, who is always ready to help. Do you know that he said I am a grand girl (Ahem—I was so proud that I hardly heard what was said afterward) because I write articles.

Mr. Agnich, our first supreme president, had a grand funeral. Many supreme officers who were in Ely at the time attended.

We had a slight epidemic of typhoid fever which broke out in one of the CCC camps near Ely. The source was discovered in drinking water obtained from a well. Several were treated for typhoid at the Detention Hospital. At the outset a few of the boys died from this dreaded disease; however, it is now under control.

We have over 20,000 members in our Union. Now, if each of us could secure at least one new member we would have that number doubled to over 40,000 members. Let's all try.

JUSTINE KORENT (age 13),
No. 200, SSCU.

DENVER, COLO.

DEAR EDITOR:
 This is my second letter to the Nova Doba. My last letter to the New Era was about a year ago. I notice that members from Denver

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Predkonvenčna kampanja

Za letos glavni odbor J. S. K. Jednote ni razpisal nikake posebne kampanje za pridobivanje novih članov. Tozadevna iniciativa je prepuščena krajevnim društvom. Vsako društvo naj bi si šlo v ponos in dolžnost pokazati v konvenčnem letu vsaj nekaj napredka. Organizacija, ki preneha rasti, začne nazadovati. Sile, nad katerimi nimamo kontrole, neprestano redčijo naše vrste, zato je dolžnost nas vseh, da po zmožnostih in prilikah skrbimo za prirastek.

Ob koncu leta 1935 je J. S. K. Jednota štela nad 20,000 članov v obeh oddelkih. Čisti prirastek članstva v preteklem letu je bil prav povoljen. Ako bo v letu 1936 tolikšen, bomo lahko zadovoljni. Morda bo napredek večji, morda bo manjši; vse je odvisno od aktivnosti članstva. Vsekar smo smemo upati, da v prvi polovici leta 1936 pridobimo vsaj toliko novih članov, da bo njihovo število pokrilo neizogibne izgube in pustilo nekaj čistega prirastka. Bilo bi žalostno, če bi v mesecih pred 15. konvencijo število članstva padlo, četudi le za malenkost. Tega ne smemo dovoliti, kajti gre se za čast nas vseh. In če vsaki izmed nas tozadevno vsaj nekaj malega prispeva, se bo v skupnosti mnogo poznalo.

Agitirati za našo nestrankarsko J. S. K. Jednoto, ki je samo bratska podpornica organizacija, ni težko. V njej je prostor za vsakega, brez ozira na njegovo politično ali versko prepričanje. Organizacija je nad 106% solventna, ima potrebno rezervo v vseh skladih in izhaja skoro brez naklada. V javnosti uživa dober ugled vsled svoje točnosti, poštenosti in nepristranosti. Njeni odnosi napram drugim sličnim organizacijam so kakor odnosi dobrih sester, ki se medsebojno spoštujejo in pošteno upoštevajo. Njene finance rastejo, istotako zadnje čase tudi neprestano raste število njenega članstva. Nobena slična organizacija ne nudi boljših in cenejših zavarovalnin.

Pravila J. S. K. Jednote so v splošnem dobra in zadovoljiva, kljub temu pa seveda niso popolna, kakor niso v vseh ozirih popolna pravila nobene druge organizacije. Upati pa smemo, da bo prihodnja konvencija odstranila iz pravil vse ali vsaj večino pomanjklivosti. Saj smemo istotako upati, da bodo prihodnja konvencija tvorili najinteligentnejši člani posameznih društev, obenem člani, katerim bo blagor organizacije najbolj pri srcu.

Ker že govorimo o konvenciji, je morda na mestu mala opozoritev nekaterim društvom. Kakor znano, predpisuje naša pravila, da mora društvo, ki hoče poslati lastnega delegata na konvencijo, imeti vsaj 75 dobrostojećih članov v odraslem oddelku. Društva z manjšim številom članov se združijo, da dosežejo predpisano število članov in pošljejo skupnega delegata. Imamo društva, katerim morda manjka komaj 5, 10, 20 ali 25 članov, da bi bila upravičena do lastnega delegata. Kaj če bi ta društva šla brez odlašanja na agitacijo za nove člane in bi jih pridobila potrebnega števila do 1. maja! Na podlagi števila članov 1. maja se bo namreč odločevalo, če je društvo upravičeno do lastnega delegata ali ne. Tudi društva, ki štejejo manj kot 151 članov, katero število bi jih upravičevalo do dveh delegatov, bi morda lahko s primerno agitacijo dosegla predpisano kvoto.

Ako bodo prizadeta društva gori navedeno sugestijo upoštevala, bo to pač pomenilo nekaj več delegatov na konvenciji in s tem nekaj več izdatkov za jednotin stroškovni sklad, toda to se bo mnogokrat izplačalo s prirastkom novih članov. Drugih posebnih kampanj v tem času nimamo, zakaj bi ne bila to naša predkonvenčna kampanja! Mnogim društvom lahko prinese zadoščenje v obliki pravice do lastnih delegatov. Jednoti kot celoti pa znaten prirastek članstva in s tem najbrž tudi zvišanje njene solventnosti. Včasih je umestno kakšno propozicijo pokazati brez vseh sentimentalnosti in fraz, čisto od praktične strani, posebno če ta praktična stran obeta vsestranske koristi.

Končno ne pozabimo, da so nagrade v gotovini za pridobivanje novih članov v oba oddelka še vedno v veljavi. Podrobnosti glede nagrad so objavljene v vsaki izdaji Nove Dobe.

NA NASLOV DOPISNIKOV

Različna srečanja ali "raflanja" spadajo v vrsto loterij, ki so v Zedinjenih državah prepovedane, torej se ne smejo oglašati v listu, kateri se razpošilja po pošti. Naznanilo vsakega srečanja je torej iz dopisov črtano, ker urednik Nove Dobe ne mara izpostavljati lista nevarnosti izgube "permita," sebe pa sitnostim. Ako posamezna krajevna društva "vlečejo" imena članov, da tako zreb odloči, kateri bo dobil kakšen dobiček za udeležitev seje, je to njihova zadeva, v listu pa se tega ne sme razglašati, ker tudi to smatra poštna oblast za neke vrste loterijo. Dopisniki naj izvolijo to upoštevati.

VSAK PO SVOJE

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

Kadilci, ki pridejo včasih v večji ženski družbi v neprijeten položaj, ker si ne upajo kaditi, morda lahko s pridom in uspehom upoštevajo sledečo dogodbico:

Slavni ruski glasbenik Rubinstein je bil nekoč povabljen v neko žensko družbo. Prav prijetni je bilo v njej, samo da ni smel nihče kaditi. Po obedu je umetnik pozabil na to in si je prižgal smotko. Gostiteljica ga je zavoljo tega prijala. "Ah, milostiva, kjer so angeli, morajo biti tudi oblaki," je dejal Rubinstein in kadil mirno dalje.

Uslužbenci v uradih, kjer izdajajo poročne licence, pravijo, da se število porok ni prav nič pomnožilo zaradi prestopnega leta, ki daje ženskam pravico, da vprašajo za roke in srca svojih izvoljencev. Morda se punce bojijo, da vrhovno sodišče vsak čas proglasi tudi prestopno leto za neustavno.

Diktator Mussolini je nedavno rekel nekemu ameriškem časniškemu poročevalcu, da bi takoj odšel na etiopsko bojišče, če bi si mogel v to svrhu izposoditi telo navadnega vojaka. Še marsikdo bi bil tak patriot in junak, da bi se vojskoval v telesu in koži koga drugega. Če bi ga etiopske krogle grdo razmrcarile, bi enostavno rekel pravemu lastniku: "very sorry," nakar bi skočil nazaj v svojo lastno kožo in diktatoril v dobro zastraženih palačah sončne Italije ever after.

Predzadnjo nedeljo sem se na sokolski prireditvi slučajno srečal z Miss Edith Palcie, iz Gowande, N. Y. Dasi je imela svojo izbrano družbo, si je vendar vzela toliko časa, da mi je sporočila nekaj pozdravov in povedala nekatere novice iz Gowande. Vse je bilo lepo in zadovoljivo, samo novice, ki sem jih zvedel o moji nedolžni beli bingomaci, katero sem preteklo poletje pustil v Gowandi, so bile take, da so mi febarske zime vajena ušesa zardela. Saj pravim, nobeni matici ni za upati, če ima še tako lepe oči in še tako nedolžno belo dlačico! Sploh nimam sreče v Ameriki niti pri pennsylvanski kozah niti pri newyorških mačicah.

Kitajci so zelo moralni ljudje. Nedavno so v mestu Chaoyang na Kitajskem zaradi razširjenja ceste podrli tempelj boga Tsao Shih in, da revež ni ostal brez jerperga na cesti, so ga prenesli v tempelj boginje Wang Ku. Kitajci so praktični ljudje in so prepričani, da so njihovi bogovi in boginje prav tako podvrženi raznim slabostim kakor ljudje, zato so boga s slovesno poročno ceremonijo priženili k boginji, da ne bo pohujšanja. Zdaj sta bog Tsao Shih in boginja Wang Ku, mož in žena in skupno bogujeta kakor vesta in znata.

A. J. T.

FRANCOSKA GASTRONOMIJA

Francozi se med vsemi narodi menda najbolj zavedajo, kakšen pomen ima dobra kuhinja za srečo na zemlji. Pariškemu vseučilišču sta se priključila poseben zavod za higieno prehrane in takozvana "šola sreče." V tej šoli so imeli lani predavanja z naslednjimi naslovi: "Higienski obed," "Stedljivi obed," "Umetniški obed," "Poslovilni obed," "Ljubezenski obed," "Intimni zakonski obed," "Sreča prihaja z jedjo." In vse to s praktičnimi predavanji.

O SOCIALNI VARNOSTI

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

sili posamezne države, da uvedejo sistem nezaposlenostnih odškodnin. Ali do socialne sigurnosti imamo še dolgo pot.

Prvič, tekot tega leta se postavi podlaga za nabiranje rezervnega sklada, iz katerega bo posamezna država, začeni od 1. januarja 1938 dajala odškodnine nezaposlencem v razmerju k temu, kar so poprej zaslužili.

Drugič, delodajalci bodo imeli letos čas, da se pripravljajo na plačanje davka na plače in na večje davke v naslednjih letih.

Tretjič, razne federalne in državne ustanove bodo letos razvile in zboljšale ustroje za upravljanje zakonov o socialni varnosti.

Četrtič, letos bomo bržkone doživeli nadaljni razvoj sistema javnih posredovalnic dela, kajti potom njih se bodo izplačevale odškodnine nezaposlencem in bo njihova dolžnost, da se potrudijo, da se nezaposlenec povrne čim prej k delu.

— FLIS.

KAJ VSE SE PRIPETI

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

ljica je preprečila večjo nesrečo s tem da je hitela fantiča točki po zadnji plati in tako zadušila ogenj.

Mornar James Costa iz Bostona, Mass., je imel lanskega januarja pravo srečo v nesreči. Tekom močnega viharja na morju ga je zalotil val nepripravljenega na krovu in ga odnesel v morje. Takoj nato pa ga je zgrabil nov val in ga vrge nazaj na krov.

Triletni Hugh Scully v New Yorku, N. Y., se je nekega poletnega dne zabaval s tem, da je skakal po posteljni blazini blizu odprtega odkna. Vzmeti pod blazino pa so mu naenkrat dale tak sunek, da je fantiček zletel skozi okno. Zavrtel pa se je v zraku tako čudovito, da ni padel na cesto, ampak skozi odprto okno v sobo dve nadstropji nižje. Dečko se je pri tem čudnem poletu nekoliko poškodoval, vendar ne smrtno.

Izredno smolo je imel neki tat v državi Arkansas. Neopažen se je bil splazil v neko hišo, odkoder je odnesel malo vsoto denarja in nekaj zlatnine. Ker se mu je zdel plen premajhen, je za dobro mero pobasal v žep še malo uro-budiko. Slučaj pa je nanesel, da je budilka začela glasno zvoniti ravno v hipu, ko je tat srečal policaja na občestnem pločniku. Varuhu postavse se je to zvonjenje v žepu zdelo sumljivo in je moža aretiral. S tem je bila tatvina odkrita in nepredvidni tat je moral za par mesecev za omrežje.

RAZNO IZ AMERIGE IN INOZEMSTVA

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

Ray S. Ansley, podpredsednik Don's Motor kompanije, ki je s svojim Fordom zavezil naravnost na z ledom pokrito Cuyahoga reko. Led se je udrl in avtomobil s možem vred se je pogreznil v 14 čevljev globoko vodo. Možu se je posrečilo odvreči plašč, odpreti vrata zaprtega avtomobila in splavati na površje. Dva v bližini se nahajajoča moža sta mu pomagala priti na suho. Rešenca so brzo odpeljali v bolnišnico, vendar mu ledeno mrzla kopel ni dosti škodovala.

FINANČNI MAGNAT J. P. Morgan se je nedavno izrazil, da je v Zedinjenih državah okrog 30 milijonov družin, ki si lahko privoščijo dekle ali služabnike. Časopisi se zdaj norčujejo iz njega, češ da je slab statistik, ker je v vsej tej deželi komaj malo nad 27 milijonov družin, in od teh jih je 20 milijonov, katerih letni dohodki znašajo manj kot \$2,500. Še z dohodki \$2,500 si družina

težko privoščijo dekle, pri nižjih dohodkih pa na kaj takega sploh ni za misliti.

V RAZNIH KRAJIH srednjega zapada se radi izredno hude zime resno občuti pomanjkanje mleka, ker je zaradi velikih snežnih zametov dovoz s farm v mesta ali na železniške postaje oviran ali onemogočen. Zaradi snežnih zametov imajo tudi vlaki velike zamude. Mnogo šol je bilo treba zaradi snežnih zametov ali zaradi pomanjkanja kuriva začasno zapreti. Izredno hud mraz, ki drži v svojih kleščah večji del Zedinjenih držav že skoro tri tedne, je povzročil okrog 250 smrtnih nesreč. Nekaj ljudi je zmrazilo, nekaj jih je pomrlo vsled opeklin pri požarih, ki so nastali vsled pokvarjenih kurišnih naprav, mnogo se jih je pobilo v avtomobilskih nesrečah na poledenelih cestah itd. Zvezni vremenski urad sodi, da je v mnogih desetletjih to najdaljši mrzli val, ki je objel Zedinjene države.

NEKATERE DRŽAVE so že sprejele postave, katere avtomobilistom prepovedujejo sprejemati pešce, ki čakajoči ob cestah, prosijo za vožnjo. Večkrat se je že pripetilo, da so taki zastojkarji, ki jih imenujejo v tej deželi "hitch-hikers," za zahvalo oropali avtomobiliste. Zgodi se tudi, da taki zastojkarji tožijo avtomobiliste za odškodnino, če slučaj nanesse, da dobe tekom vožnje kako poškodbo.

FILMSKO PODJETJE "20th Century - Fox" v Hollywoodu ima za izdelavo svojih filmov med drugimi pripravami tudi veliko ladjo, ki na pogled popolnoma sliči modernim prekomorskim parnikom in je stala \$35,000. Kljub veliki ceni se ladja dobro izplačuje, ker si jo za razne filme izposojujejo tudi druga filmska podjetja. Od posojene ladje je treba plačati namreč \$1,500 najemnine na dan.

LJUDJE BODOCNOSTI se bodo znatno razločevali od ljudi kakršni živijo zdaj. Višji bodo in lepši, imeli bodo manj las in manj zob in mezinice na nogi bodo najbrž izgubili, njihovi možgani pa bodo boljši. Tako vsaj sodi dr. Alex Hrdlička, kurator antropologije v Smithsonian institutu v Washingtonu. Omenjeni znanstvenik se že desetletja bavi z raziskovanjem razvoja človeške rase.

V ITALIJI je na javnih prostorih nevarno govoriti o Mussoliniju, ker detektivov povsod mrgoli. Ameriški turisti vsled tega rabijo zanj označbo Al Smith, Mr. Jones ali Mr. White, kadar se med seboj pogovarjajo o diktatorju. Italijanski špijoni pa so to zvijačo kmalu spregledali in zdaj tudi o Smithu, Whiteju ali Jonesu ni varno govoriti.

NA CESTAH Italije je videti vedno več konj in oslov in vedno manj avtomobilov. To ni čudno, kajti galona gasolina stane v Italiji \$1.15, računano na ameriški dolar.

POROCILA z etiopskega bojišča so redka in kratka. S severne fronte se poroča, da so Etiopci napadli utrjene italijanske pozicije zapadno od mesta Makale, toda so bili odbiti. Iz kratkega poročila bi se dalo sklepati, da so Italijani v defenzivi. Iz Addis Ababe se poroča, da so preteklo nedeljo italijanski vojaški letalci vrgli na mesto Dessye 100 bomb; pri tem je bila ena oseba ubita in pet ranjenih. Dessye je glavni vojni stan etiopskega cesarja.

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Vse stvari, tikače se uradnih zdev, naj se pošiljajo na glavnega tajnika denarne pošiljke pa na glavnega blagajnika. Vse pritožbe in prijava naj se slavi na predsednika porotnega odbora. Požnje za sprejem novih članov, naj se zvršuje zavarovalnice in bolnišnice spravevala naj se pošiljajo na vrhovnega zdravnika.

Dopisi, društvena naznanila, oglaš, naročila članov in izposojenih slovovalnic v Zedinjenih državah in plačje najilberalnije podpore vsilite članu Jednote je zastopnik skoro v vsaki večji slovenski naselbini v Ameriki in hoče postati njen član, naj se zgasi pri tajniku lokalnega društva ali pri pisarju na glavni urad. Novo društvo se lahko ustanovi z 8 člani, ležajočimi neoziraje na njih vero, politično pripadnost ali narodnost. Jednota sprejme tudi otroke v starosti od dveh letov do 16 let, in stanejo lahko v vsaki sken sedelcu do 15 let. Pristopnina za oba oddelka je prosta.

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DRUŠTVENE IN DRUGE SLOVENSKE VESTI

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

Operaciji za kilo se je pred dobrim tednom moral podvreči Mr. Ivan Zupan, urednik "Glasila KSKJ." Zdravi se povojno in v par dneh upa biti iz bolnišnice spet doma.

Od skupne prireditve kluba "Ljubljana" in kluba "Prijetelj narave" Clevelandu, O., ki se je vršila 5. januarja, je prejela Slovenska Narodna Citalnica v S. N. Domu na St. Clair Ave. del dobička v znesku \$17.87. Društvo Napredni Slovenci, št. 5 SDZ je prispevalo za omenjeno čitalnico \$3.00.

Filmske slike iz Jugoslavije in srednje Evrope se bo kazalo na večer 26. marca v avditoriju S. N. Doma na St. Clair Ave. v Clevelandu, O., pod pokroviteljstvom S. N. Citalnice in Prosvetnega kluba S. N. Doma. Slike bo kazal Mr. Theodore Andrica, reporter lista "The Cleveland Press," ki se je preteklo poletje mudil v Evropi in filmal zanimive prizore tamkajšnjih krajev.

V dopisu "Iz Colorada," ki je priobčen v današnji izdaji, je ponatisnjena vsebina pisma, katero je Franku Slavcu pisal neki njegov prijatelj iz Juljske Krajine. Pismo je zanimivo, ker nekoliko osvetljuje razmere, v katerih živijo naši ljudje pod fašističnim jarmom.

Direktorij S. N. Doma v Lorainu, O., je za leto 1936 sestavljen sledeče: John Piškur, predsednik; Frank Ravnikar, podpredsednik; John Bruce, tajnik; John Kumše, blagajnik; John Ivančič, zapisnikar; Matija Ostanek, Joe Skopin in Louis Balaž, nadzorniki; Frank Jevce, John Suštaršič in Anton Derjava, stavlinski odborniki;

Frances Breščak, John Strukel in Anna Veselični odborniki.

V Clevelandu, O., je februarja nagloma umrl en slovenski odvetnik Louis Žek. Pokojnik je bil slovenski lečen v rojen v Velikih Kladovcih na Dolenjskem. Gimnazijalci leta 1913 prišel v Ameriko, tu nadaljeval študije. V Clevelandu zapušča vdovo, enega hčerk in sestro, enega brata v Kanadi in enega brata v starosti, v starem kraju pa še enega brata in eno sestro.

ODMEVI IZ ROMANJE KRAJEV

Odadljevanje s 1. strani
nil in do 3. ure zjutraj ni cigana. To se mu je zgodilo. Se je nazaj v gozd, da o ciganih in tisočakih ne duha ne sluha. Vse to je prijavil orožnikom, ki zasledujejo sleparskega četa.

Požar in krvav dogodek Prelogu. Na posestvu nekoga kmeta Lesingerja v Prelogu je izbruhnil ogenj, ki je hlev in skedenj. Zaradi nesreče povzročili dečki, ki so na skedenju cigarete. Gasilci so se vnelo lotili gašenja, da pa se je nezgoda, da je glavina od glave do peti, vodo nekega Blažeka, ki je nično oblečen hotel naložiti, da bi bil priča pri požaru, ki je bil menda njegov, ni mogel razumeti, kaj se je zgodilo po nesreči, senjen je pograbil kol in hudo poškodoval gasilce.

PORABA OLJA

V Zedinjenih državah ne izrpa iz zemlje olja, milijonov sodov čla. Konec, saj bodo oljne rezerve, tako izkoriščanje, nikoli

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AMPLIFYING THE VOICE OF THE ENGLISH SPEAKING MEMBERS



CURRENT THOUGHT

Tradition

What holds a group of people together, interested in a common endeavor? Not only for a month, a year, but for generations?

It is tradition—doing something which strikes a harmonious and common chord. That something need not be a profound learning; it needs only to evoke a response from the human fibers, bring back pleasant memories and a desire to do likewise.

Take a group of American-born Slovenes. In the group may be included doctors of medicine, dentists, attorneys-at-law, factory workers, white collar men, who, during an evening of social gathering, may be segregated in groups each discussing their own favorite topics.

Someone begins to sing a native song in Slovene. Soon the whole crowd joins in, and although exact words are lacking, the familiar "daj di dum" echoes through the room in an improvised chorus. There may be a superfluity of harmonies and tenors, and in the case of the ladies, sopranos, while the basses are distinctly in the minority; nevertheless, the urge to sing like their fathers and mothers did is evident. Traditionally, the Slovenes are known in many states for their melodious songs. The radio more than any other medium is responsible for the increasing popularity of our Slovene songs among the younger set especially. Small wonder then, if other nationalities become impressed with our music, that the American-born Slovenes cling tenaciously to their songs.

Integrity is a trait that cannot be valued in dollars and cents. Among the Slovenes it is considered a traitorous act to dodge one's responsibilities in the payment of a debt. There are exceptions, of course, but the great majority prefer to sacrifice some of life's essentials in order to meet the bill on time. And as to luxuries, it is just commonly accepted that not only they may be dispensed but must be.

Perhaps the Slovenes may lack the proper connections in the world of business in order to make life easier for their offspring, who are confronted with the necessity of facing the world alone when looking for jobs. There is no uncle whom they can use as reference; that uncle may be engaged in ordinary factory work.

But they point with pride on the high percentage of Slovenes who own their homes, who can hold their heads high for honesty, who set up excellent examples of living simply and contentedly in spite of adversity.

Fifteen years ago a person expressed a dejected hope that the American-born Slovenes would lose their identities in the maelstrom of American life. He based his prediction on the fact that emigration from Yugoslavia was greatly curtailed, and that not enough Slovenes were settled in the large areas occupied by the forty-eight States to retain their characteristics.

Happily that prediction failed to materialize. Today we find the Slovene language spoken by more Americans than ever before, thanks to the various communities who through education have made Slovene a living language and through whose efforts it shall never be listed among the dead languages.

Our Slovene fraternal through their branch lodges have played an important part in keeping the language alive, not to mention other traditions which are sadly missed when one is segregated from his hometown group, and compelled to mix in with other nationalities.

Did you ever attend a so-called American club or lodge gathering? If you have, you will appreciate the lost feeling of experiences when a group of American-born Irish, German, Italian, Swedish, start a conversation. Of course, they will converse in English, but the subject invariably reverts to some incident which their Irish or German father, maybe an aunt or an uncle, is the leading personality. You can laugh with others, but what a long and lonesome evening awaits any listener who has very little to say.

It is refreshing to return again and mingle with your own group, where generations of culture and tradition so familiar to you are alive and full of enthusiasm. This explains the reason why the prediction made fifteen years ago is not a reality today, and why fifteen years from today the Slovene language will have many more enthusiasts.

A word about the branch lodges or our SSCU. Perhaps the individual members, particularly the English-speaking, are not conscious of the stellar part played by their mother tongue in their many activities. It is so easy to take matters for granted that sometimes we fail to realize the underlying structure responsible for the existence of our individual lodges. Not only do we owe a sense of duty to the senior members who organized our English-conducted lodges, but also to the many traditions which we inherited.

We adopt our procedure of business at the lodge meeting after the commonly accepted pattern set forth by the Roberts Rules of Order. Yet, are not many of our arguments fashioned after the more illustrious minds of our Slovenes?

And why? Because they have experienced the many day problems long before we knew what it was all about. They have given the matter several years thought. And we will do well to profit by their experience.

Take the accordion, which is an indispensable instrument in many of our social activities. Now, the accordion is just an instrument, yet when you hear it, doesn't it bring back intimate memories?

Michaels to Hold Card Party and Dance

Claridge, Pa.—At a recent meeting called together by the sport supervisor of Lodge No. 40, SSCU, it was decided to follow softball for at least another year. The reason for this decision is that softball is the least expensive game, and hardball was tabled for the present. The 12-inch ball may be used instead of the 14-inch, which was the case last year.

The question of financing the game was settled in fine style. To start with we plan on a card party which will include euchre, 500 and bingo, which is scheduled for the Slovene Home on Friday, Feb. 28. Tickets will sell at 25 cents each, and three prizes will be offered: A 34-piece dinner set, for the first prize; water set for the second prize, and a mixing set for the third prize. All prizes will be on display at Gruur's store.

A big dance will be held the following day, that is, Feb. 29. Music will be furnished by a first-class orchestra. All the proceeds will be split on a fifty-fifty basis, which means that 50 per cent goes to the local sport fund and 50 per cent to the local lodge treasury. We hope to see the senior members as well as the young members at both doings.

Let us all make it a point to be on hand and help put this over with a bang. A good time awaits us all, which will more than repay you a dozen times for the evening spent with us. I hope to see you all on hand on Feb. 28 and 29.

John Regina,
Atl. Supvr., No. 40, SSCU.

Prize Masquerade Dance

Rockdale, Ill.—For the past year or so the United Slovene Societies of Rockdale has consisted of branches of the four large Slovene organizations. Last summer they held their first annual picnic at Oak Grove drawing one of the largest crowds in Will County. Last fall the highly successful vineyard dance also drew a capacity crowd.

And now, the third and largest venture, The Prize Masquerade Dance, is going to be held at Tikulski hall on Saturday evening, Feb. 22, 1936. Admission price is 25 cents and dancing starts promptly at 8:30 p. m. A well known Joliet orchestra will play.

We expect to see a large variety of costumes, both beautiful and comical. Our excellent crew of liquor dispensers will be at work all evening to quench the thirsts of all. Our kitchen crew will also be on hand as efficient as ever, supplying hot beef sandwiches, coffee and cake. Or perhaps your taste runs to "hot purps," which will also be supplied.

Valuable prizes will be available at this dance. The United Slovene Societies extend an invitation to all Slovenes of Joliet and surrounding territory to attend this dance.

Mary Smajd.

Judge: You say you have known this man all your life. Now, do you think he would be guilty of stealing this money? Witness: How much was it?

BRIEFS

Joseph Mantel Jr. and John A. Smrekar, both of Ely, Minn., were chosen as head officials for the winter sports carnival and frolic to take place on Feb. 22 and 23. The former is secretary-treasurer of the general committee and the latter is general chairman of arrangements. Others on the committee are Frank V. Strudel, dance and queen group; John Poshak, chairman of the ice activities, and Helmer Olson, ski chairman.

Betsy Ross Lodge, No. 186, SSCU, of Cleveland, O., will hold a Valentine social Thursday, Feb. 13, at the Slovene Workmen's Home, 15335 Waterloo Rd. Social will follow the meeting which is scheduled to start at 7:30 p. m. Members and friends are invited to attend the social.

Several Yugoslavs scintillated for their Ely, Minn., high school swimming squad when the mermen emerged victorious, over the Chisholm high team recently. The following starred for the Ely team: Joe Grahek, Edward Klun, Leonard Levar, Joe Zaic, Pechak and Pucel. For the Chisholm the bright lights were: Shepich, Klanchnik, Sutich, Loushine, Kostelic and Prusak.

Triumvirate of Cleveland SSCU lodges will hold a meeting Wednesday, Feb. 19, at the home of Charles Kikel, 6526 Schaefer Ave. Representatives of the three English-conducted SSCU lodges are urged to attend and be on hand at 8 p. m. when the meeting is scheduled to begin. John P. Lunka is chairman of the Triumvirate.

Ivan Zupan, editor of Glasilo, official organ of the KSKJ, is convalescing from his recent operation and expects to return home from the hospital in a few days.

Mrs. Anna Zupancic returned to her hometown, Cleveland, this week after spending some time in Timmins, Ont. Mrs. Zupancic was formerly secretary of George Washington Lodge, No. 180, SSCU.

Michael Preseren of Yukon, Pa., suffered extensive injuries to the head and body last week when roof coal fell upon him in a mine of the Westmoreland Coal Co. At present he is in Westmoreland Hospital, where it was reported he suffered a fractured left collarbone, contusions of the head, both arms and neck, and a possible fractured right ankle.

Members of Lodge No. 40, SSCU, Claridge, Pa., are extending a message of congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. F. Bratkovich, who were married on Jan. 25. The bridegroom is a stellar performer on the lodge's softball team, and played in the Ohio-Pennsylvania SSCU softball championship series which took place last September in Cleveland.

Mountaineers Baseball Club of Lodge No. 106, SSCU, Davis, W. Va., will hold a dance Saturday, Feb. 15, in the City Hall.

With the Pathfinders

Gowanda, N. Y.—On Saturday evening, Feb. 22, follow the crowd to the Pathfinders dance at the Slovene Hall. This will be a rather novel venture for the Pathfinders as square dancing will be an added feature to the usual round dancing.

Oklahoma Hank and his Western Entertainers will be on hand with their novelty numbers. This orchestra has not been in this section in over a year, and everyone is anxious to see them at this time. They are featured three times a week as a presentation of the Buffalo Broadcasting Corp. Listen to them make an announcement of our dance on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday over WGR and WKBW of Buffalo. The ever popular Bill Butcher has been engaged as caller for the square dancing.

For those of you who like to dance polkas, or who just like to listen to some swell accordion playing, Looch Klancer will be on hand in the lower hall. James Golear and Louis Andolsek have charge of the distribution of tickets, and to make this dance a success each member should buy at least one ticket. Also, do your share in selling them. Let your friends take advantage of buying tickets in advance for 25 cents as the price at the door will be 35 cents. Success of this dance depends on you. Watch for next week's Nova Doba for final arrangements on the affair, but make up your mind now to do your bit. Don't wait to be asked. Just pitch in and make this your dance. A large number of tickets already have been sold, and so a capacity crowd is anticipated. To the fellow and girl selling the most tickets a prize of one dollar will be given to each.

We understand that the Cleveland George Washington lodge basketball team would like to make arrangements to play a game with a Pathfinder team. However, it is not probable that this will materialize inasmuch as three Pathfinders are members of Gowanda high school team, which last Friday won the class A championship in the Western Division Cattaraugus County League. These three would be ineligible for outside competition until after the Western New York high school playoffs are completed.

At our January meeting it was decided to stage a membership campaign, and we hereby issue a challenge to all English-conducted lodges in a race for new members until July 1st. It is our hope to out-distance all other lodges, if possible. Come on, you other lodges, do you accept our challenge? We have been rather inactive in securing new members for the last three months or so, but now we hope to turn over a new leaf. In order to give the Pathfinders a greater incentive, the lodge has decided to donate one dollar for each adult member when five or more are secured by anyone. This gives everyone an opportunity to receive substantial awards. In order to be able to accept this special lodge award,

Frank Zivoder of Cleveland was awarded a free set of 1936 license plates for careful driving by the Cleveland Press. This daily, in conjunction with the Cleveland police department, has awarded several license plates to careful drivers.

G. W.'s Hold Valentine Dance

Feb. 15 in Slovene Auditorium

Cleveland, O.—Dances sponsored by the George Washington Lodge, No. 180, SSCU, are very far and few between. But what is lacked in numbers is more than made up by the variety of program that make up each dance.

Next Saturday, Feb. 15, the G. W.'s will hold their annual Valentine dance in the spacious Slovene Auditorium. In order to accommodate all guests the doors of the barroom annex will also be opened and the impressive bar made available.

Ed Guenther and his 11-piece orchestra will provide the music. This orchestra is well known throughout the city for its syncopation, well balanced instruments which make an evening of dancing truly a pleasure. A microphone system will be used which will amplify the music from the stage to all corners of the auditorium.

Price of admission is only 30 cents a person. A record crowd is anticipated. Members of the SSCU in Cleveland and neighboring vicinity are cordially invited to attend.

Erjavec Makes Impressive Showing in Chicago White Hope Tournament

Johnny Erjavec, a Slovene, may be the answer to the nation-wide hunt for an opponent to beat Joe Louis.

In the White Hope Tournament now conducted in the Chicago Stadium, Johnny has already eliminated five aspirants, three by the KO route and two by decisions.

Although his weight ranges between 177 and 180 pounds, he has scored eight knockouts out of the last eleven professional matches, and fifteen out of the total of twenty-five professional fights were over the same route. On several occasions he was forced to concede his opponents an advantage in weight ranging from 20 to 40 pounds.

all new members must remain in the lodge at least three months. In addition to this, the Union also gives awards for new members. Pathfinders, be sure to make good your challenge.

Pathfinders wish to express their sincere sympathy to Jennie Anderson and family for the untimely death of her brother Felix Pollen. He was well liked by everyone and will always be remembered as a good fellow.

Frank Victor, one of the pitchers on the Pathfinders baseball team last year, has joined the New York Giants training camp at Pensacola, Fla. Although the competition is of high caliber, we wish him success. Anyone wishing to write to him address as follows: c/o Dr. J. M. Delaney, 39 E. Chase St., Pensacola, Fla. What are the lodge baseball plans for this year? Come on, fellows, it is up to you.

We are depending upon the co-operation and attendance of St. Joseph's lodge, No. 89, SSCU and hope that they do not disappoint us at our Feb. 22d dance.

Be on the lookout for new ideas for our Anniversary dance which is only about two months away. Let's make it the biggest ever.

Ernest C. Paleic,
No. 222, SSCU.

The committee in charge has spared no detail in its preparation for the Valentine dance, and all indications point to the grandest affair ever held by the George Washington Lodge.

Our lodge basketball team, going under the name of GW, SSCU-Bukovnik's Studio, earned a well deserved victory Wednesday, Feb. 5, when they took over the KSKJ St. Joes by a score of 12 to 11.

For three quarters the two teams were deadlocked. Score was 3-all in the first quarter; 5-all at the half, and 9-all at the end of the third quarter. Close guarding featured the contest, and stars of both teams were kept in check.

However, Frankie Cimprman of the G. W.'s annexed two field goals and one free toss for a total of five points, while Louis Skoda and Tony Zakrajsek came through with one basket apiece. Al Flaisman's two foul goals and Tony Zakrajsek's one completed the Cherry Tree Choppers' scoring.

J. Kardell Jr., Pres.

Johnny was born in Biwabik, Minn., in June, 1913. His boxing career started at the age of 14 participating in 75 amateur bouts. In 1934 he turned professional and since had 25 fights. Out of a total of over 100 fights Johnny has won all but three; one as an amateur and two as a professional.

According to boxing authorities, Erjavec has a pleasing style of boxing and patterns his style after Billy Petrolle. He is a very good drawing card and is well liked by the American public.

His folks were born in what is now Yugoslavia; his mother in Cernomelj and his father in Ljubljana. Johnny Erjavec's home is in Biwabik, Minn.

Slovenes throughout the States will follow closely the progress made by Johnny Erjavec in the hope that he may be matched with Joe Louis at some future time.

C. and M. Rangers

Ely, Minn.—A meeting of C. and M. Rangers of Lodge No. 1, SSCU, will be held at the National Home Wednesday, Feb. 19, starting at 8 p. m.

A plea is made to have all members present and participate in all activities of the club. There are some business matters that cannot be acted upon unless the majority of members are present. Success of the club depends wholly upon your full co-operation, and I do hope to see all members present at our meeting on Feb. 19. I want to call your attention to this notice as no cards will be mailed out to the members at this time.

Joseph L. Mantel, Pres.

New Arrival

The stork visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. V. Karlinger of Cleveland, O. on Feb. 1, 1935 and presented them with a baby girl, Carol Anne. Congratulations.

Mr. Karlinger is a member of the George Washington lodge.

Foreigners Are News in Cleveland

The Story of an Interesting Journalistic Experiment

By LOUIS ADAMIC

(Continued from last issue)

"We began to publish many articles about the characteristics of each nationality's folk dances, and also many pictures," Andrica told me. "It was the first time that a metropolitan paper of our size had given column after column to the details of folk dances and other features characteristic of these nationalities, and I believe we accomplished a two-fold purpose. We made the nationalities feel that they have something worthwhile to give, and gave opportunity to non-foreign-born readers to know something about the qualities and accomplishments of the foreign-born."

On the night of Nov. 12, 1927, over eight hundred Swedish, Slovak, Greek, Czech, Ukrainian, Lithuanian, Serbian, Italian, Polish, Irish, Jewish, Hungarian, Slovenian, American Negro, Croatian, "old-fashioned" American, Scotch, Tyrolian, and Roumanian dancers, male and female, performed in the vast Public Hall. All but three of the groups had orchestras of their own to play for them. "I expected a crowd," Andrica told me, "but even I was surprised when we packed in 14,000 people and turned away 2,000 others for lack of space. The performers, all amateur, did their best and succeeded in showing to the large audience that each country's dances were beautiful and interesting and worthy of being perpetuated in America. Purely on the financial plane, the affair paid for itself."

Encouraged by the success of this venture, the Press, in co-operation with the City Recreation Commission, repeated the Dance upon a still larger scale on Labor Day the following year. More than a thousand dancers, again in their picturesque costumes, performed before a crowd estimated at 100,000 in the natural amphitheater in Brookside Park.

In 1929 the All Nations Council was formed with Recreation Commissioner John H. Gurley as chairman and Andrica as secretary for the purpose of staging an All Nations Exposition the following year. The Council consisted of three representatives from each participating group and each group was given complete freedom to work out its individual plans. Commissioner Gurley and Andrica were there merely to co-ordinate things, give information and advice. The exhibition occurred in mid-March in the Public Hall, lasted a week, and consisted of 29 full-size reproductions of old-country homes. Nothing was left undone to make the picture as realistic as possible. Most nationalities chose replicas of garden-enclosed peasant houses in their native countries as models for the exhibition, and into these buildings were placed over 50,000 hand-made articles—tapestries, rugs, pottery, goblets, embroideries, lace, scarfs, wood carvings, paintings, etc.; some imported from Europe for this purpose, but most of them loaned by nationals living in Cleveland. In the huge hall were over twenty kitchens in which one could buy typical foreign foods prepared on the spot according to ancient recipes brought over from the old countries by the housewives of the various language groups. Evening there were folk-dancing and singing programs. During the week more than 100,000 persons visited the exhibition, paying a small

admission fee. The fee was charged to cover the expenses of \$24,000, advanced by the Press, but at the end there was a surplus of \$7,300, which was distributed among the participating groups. Several afternoons, schools were closed to enable teachers and children to see the exposition.

Other Papers Take Up Idea

The exposition was not marred by a single incident of old-country animosity, and it proved to the Press (which not only got back its investment in the affair, but saw its circulation figure go higher and higher) and the city as a whole that the so-called foreign groups in Cleveland really had more things to contribute to the general culture of the community than even the enthusiastic Andrica had imagined.

The whole idea of giving the immigrant a break was so successful that the Plain Dealer and the News took it up. The Plain Dealer sponsored the so-called Theater of the Nations project, which included 22 productions by the various foreign-language dramatic and singing clubs. The performances were of the same type regularly given in neighborhood and lodge halls in the foreign sections, and the purpose was to show the Anglo-Saxon element that immigrants and their children had much to contribute to the city's life.

All three newspapers have continued to give space to the affairs of the foreign-born. When I was in Cleveland last February, one of the papers had in a single issue stories with pictures under the following heads: "Slovaks Stage Mock Wedding—900 Crowd Hall to Witness Reproduction of Old Country Rites"; "Scandinavian Triad Plans Dinner-Dance in Cleveland Club"; and "Association of Polish Women Grows to Membership of 9,000 Here in 22 Years."

Three years ago Andrica had another idea in this connection. He knew that most immigrants idolized their native villages in Europe, but few have been able to visit them for many years. Why not "go home" for them collectively, photograph what is new in their villages, talk with their relatives and former neighbors, and write about it in the Press? "The idea was a sure-fire one," Andrica told me. "In the summer of 1932 I was sent to Europe, east and south of Vienna, because that is where most of our Cleveland immigrants came from. I went to the villages and made the stories personal. I met John S., whose uncle lives at 5598 E. 5th St. in Cleveland, and he said... etc. I took pictures of the main street, the church, the new priest and mayor, and the stories were a success in Cleveland. In the summer of 1933 and 1934 we repeated it. Now I'm known as 'the man from the Press who goes to our villages.' Hundreds of persons come to the office or stop me on the street and say, 'Say, next time you go to Poland (or Hungary or Yugoslavia), go to my home town, will you?'"

The Press and its two rivals, of course, are doing all this because it is good for circulation, but there are, I think some excellent by-products of it all. The immigrants and their children in Cleveland appear to me to feel much better about themselves than do foreigners and second-generation people in most other towns where I have been, and this fact, I believe, is due largely to the recognition

Napredok, No. 132

Euclid, O.—Our Lodge Napredok, No. 132, SSCU lost a well known member in the person of Bro. John Gorse who passed away on Feb. 3. On Jan. 29th Bro. Gorse reported himself ill, but no one surmised the extent of his illness. The deceased was buried in St. Paul's cemetery on Feb. 6.

Bro. Gorse joined our Union in 1907 and until death overtook him was counted upon as a loyal member. He leaves behind a bereaved wife, four sons and five daughters all members of our lodge. In behalf of our Napredok lodge I extend the deepest sympathy to the bereaved.

I also take this occasion to urge all members of our lodge to attend the coming meeting which will be held Feb. 14, at 7 p. m. Our coming dance for April 18th shall be discussed.

John Tanko, Sec'y.

Lodge No. 120

Ely, Minn.—All members of Lodge No. 120, SSCU, are cordially invited to attend our regular meeting to be held Feb. 16 at 1:30 p. m. It is the duty of all members to attend regularly, especially during convention year, to study the by-laws and to make suggestions here and there, where any changes are needed. After the meeting a prize of \$1 will be awarded to the fortunate member in attendance. After this the members will be served an appetizing lunch donated by the ladies of our lodge.

Rose Svetich,
Sec'y, No. 120, SSCU.

Lodge No. 42

Pueblo, Colo.—All members of Lodge No. 42, SSCU, are hereby notified that at our last meeting it was decided to inform all members, through the official organ, to be sure and attend our next meeting, which will be held Sunday, Feb. 16, starting at 9 a. m. A number of important items must be taken care of at this meeting, hence it is essential that all attend. Let no one think that matters can be taken care of without his presence, for if each of us were of the same belief, no one would be present at the meeting.

Frank Rupar, Sec'y.

Caller: Is Mrs. Rowhybush at home?
Girl: If you are one of the ladies that's going to play bridge with her she's at home. If you ain't she ain't.

Mother: What did you learn in your cooking class today?
Daughter: Nothing. Teacher stayed home because she had indigestion.

they are receiving from the big English language papers in that city. They have a much stronger feeling than foreigners and their offspring elsewhere that they belong and are part of the place. The older stock Americans in Cleveland are inclined to accept their fellow citizens of foreign birth or foreign parentage with fewer misgivings. There is less stupid anti-immigrant prejudice in Cleveland than elsewhere. In consequence, there is less unhealthy inversion in the foreign groups than in other sections and, it seems to me, a stronger tendency to the kind of Americanization or assimilation which does not involve suppression of a great many good qualities and potentialities inherent in recent immigrant strains.

(The End)

American Boosters to Hold

Social and Dance

Walsenburg, Colo.—I want to tell you all about the fine time we enjoyed in Denver. Nine members of the Young American Boosters Lodge, No. 216, SSCU, motored to Denver to attend the seventh anniversary celebration given by Colorado Sunshine on Feb. 1 and 2. We looked forward to seeing the Mt. Shavano group, and their absence was felt. They sure missed a good time.

In behalf of the Boosters I wish to thank all Colorado Sunshine members who showed us such a wonderful time. Especially Albin J. Petelin, who showed us around; Mr. and Mrs. Smole, for their refreshing meals and hospitality. We want the Colorado Sunshine group to know that we appreciated the accommodations, and we hope to do as much for them some day, as we certainly enjoyed ourselves.

Young American Boosters will sponsor a social on Feb. 16 at Kopusin's Hall. The social will follow immediately after our meeting. Members may invite their friends. Tony Just will furnish the music.

On Saturday, Feb. 22, the Boosters' ship will dock in port, which means a good time for everyone. Hence, drop your anchors at the Walsenburg Pavilion and meet all your shipmates on deck. You can dance to the snappy polkas, gay fox-trots and soothing waltzes, as played by the very popular orchestra featuring Tony Just and his accordion.

This is one celebration none of us want to miss. We are issuing a special invitation to all neighboring lodges and their friends.

So, set sail and be among the first to arrive in our port at Walsenburg Pavilion, where Tony Just and his orchestra together with midshipmen Young American Boosters will welcome you all.

Mary R. Dolenc, Sec'y.

Yeh, Who?

Teacher: Now if I subtract 29 from 87, what's the difference?
Pupil: That's what I say! Who cares?

Tourist (in Yellowstone Park): Those Indians have a blood-curdling yell.

Guide: Yes, ma'am; every one of 'em is a college graduate!

Tougher Is Right

Customer: It's tough to pay fifty cents a pound for meat.
Butcher: Yes, but it's tougher when you pay twenty-five.

Special Meeting

Center, Pa.—A special meeting of the Slovene Home of Center, Pa. will be held on Sunday, February 16, 1936. All male members of SSCU Lodge No. 33, SSCU Lodge No. 221 Center Ramblers, and SSPZ Lodge No. 102 are hereby requested to attend this meeting. As there are many matters of great importance to be discussed at this meeting, it is necessary that all male members of the above lodges be present. The meeting will be held at the Center Hall, and will begin at 2:00 p. m.

Anton Erzen.

Editor's Note

Three contributing articles were received on Tuesday, Feb. 11, which is one day past the deadline for this issue. They shall appear in next week's edition.

Sunday's SSCU Bowling

Cleveland, O.—A few thoughts on the Cleveland SSCU Bowling League.

In the league's standing published in last week's issue we notice Hapy-Go-Lucky team on top. It seems that this team knows how to knock over the wood; that is, just enough to win games and not to be handicapped too much the following week.

Old reliable pops, our dependable foul man, starts the ball rolling with the bell. You should hear the boys give their colleagues encouragement with such phrase as: "Bend it; off the nose; cross to the Brooklyn; put a light on the head pin; double pinnoche; double up; that's a break, etc."

All you bowling enthusiasts, drop around on Sunday afternoon and spend an enjoyable two hours at Dan's Alleys, E. 118th and Superior.

I must come to a close, for when this is written our sleigh ride (scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 8) is about to begin.

John Laurich.

Hawkeye Airwaves

Ely, Minn.—Regular monthly meeting scheduled for Feb. 21 was shifted to Thursday, Feb. 20, because of the annual Minnesota State Kay-Jay basketball tournament which will be held in Ely at that time. All members are urged to be present at the meeting as many business matters shall be taken up. After the meeting refreshments will be served, and then a dance which will round up the evening. Chairman Mary Dragosh of the entertainment committee reports that a fine program has been arranged for this occasion. The initiation of new members will also take place sometime during the evening. Therefore, if you wish to enjoy the fun, be present.

Although the basketball team has had only fair success on the court this season, they have given their opponents a hard struggle in every encounter thus far. The team has definitely been improved since last season. In SSCU competition the boys received an even break, losing to the Gophers in an overtime game and defeating the Rangers quite decisively. The boys vow to seek revenge on the Gophers in a return engagement in the near future. Manager Simonich predicts his warriors will capture the SSCU state's crown this year. Best of luck, boys.

Introducing Miss Rose Golob, another member of the Hawkeye personnel. Sister Golob is one of our most enthusiastic members. A student of the local high school she is one of the most vigorous rooters at the Hawkeye basketball games. She has a pleasing personality and a helpful spirit. She is very active in lodge activities and tries to help everyone enjoy themselves. A good looking Miss (attention, boys) and single, Sister Golob is a member of our very capable entertainment committee; she reports that she will do all within her power to make our meetings a success.

Remember, Hawkeyes, our next meeting is scheduled for February 20, at 8 p. m. at the Slovene National Home.

Dorothy Merhar,
Rec. Sec'y., No. 200, SSCU.

Rah! Rah! Whoo!

"I suppose you will miss your boy while he is at college?"

"Yep," replied Farmer Corn-tassel, "I dunno what I'll do without him. He got the live stock so they won't move unless he gives 'em the college yell, an' I can't remember it."

No. 66 Installs and Elects New Officers

Joliet, Ill.—SS. Peter and Paul Lodge, No. 66, local branch of the South Slavonic Catholic Union of America, installed its new officers for the

current year at its meeting Sunday, Jan. 19, in the Slovenia Hall. Installation took place as follows:

John Jevitz Sr., president; Joseph Wolf, vice president; Peter Music, financial secretary; Louis Martincich, recording secretary; John Adamich, treasurer; Frank E. Vranichar, Frank Ramuta, Frank Nem-nich, trustees; Dr. Joseph Zalar, lodge physician.

Frank E. Vranichar is a member of the National Board of Auditors and has attended the annual audit being conducted at the home office in Ely, Minn.

Elaborate plans are under consideration by the local branch which will observe its 30th anniversary in July. The present membership in Joliet is 500, which includes both adults and juveniles.

Auxiliary Elects Officers

Ladies of the SSCU met Friday evening, Jan. 24, in the home of Miss Elizabeth Jevitz, 1403 N. Center St.

At this meeting election of officers took place, which resulted as follows:

Frances Vranichar, president; Dorothy Witt, vice president; Julia Adamich, financial secretary; Anne I. Jevitz, recording secretary; Lucille Jevitz and Lucille Kosick, correspondents.

After the business session the hours were spent socially which consisted of several games. Prizes were awarded to Miss Dorothy Witt and Miss Anne Jevitz.

Later refreshments were served at a long table covered with a huge filet table cover. The centerpiece was a combination of silver and black.

Miss Elizabeth Jevitz was assisted by Miss Sophie Swider-ski. The next meeting will be held on Feb. 13 in the home of Miss Frances Kosick. At this meeting plans for a public card party, to be held March 12 in the Slovenia Hall, will be completed.

Lucille J. Jevitz.

Vesna Club

Lorain, O.—On Thursday, Feb. 13, Vesna Club will sponsor a Valentine dance to be held at the Slovene Auditorium. Music will be furnished by Ken Peters' Band. Admission is only 25 cents.

A lecture is scheduled to take place on March 15 at the Slovene Hall. Subject matter will be given in both English and Slovene. Admission will be 25 cents. Refreshments will be served at the close of the lecture.

Martha Kume.

NAGRADE

Za dopise, priobene na mladostni strani Nove Dobe z dne 8. januara 1936, so bile nakazane nagrade po vrednosti (\$1.00) vsakemu sledecim mladostniku:

Frank Kotnik, društvo št. 25, Ely, Minn.; Anna Bell Chadez, društvo št. 21, Denver, Colo.; Dorothy Koprivec, društvo št. 36, Canamouth, Pa.; Dorothy Skerly, društvo št. 116, Mont. Pa.; Mary A. Mootz, društvo št. 49, Kansas City, Kans.; Mootz, društvo št. 49, Kansas City, Kans.

Častno priznanje (honorable mention) zasluži William G. Supan, društvo št. 40.

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Vrhniški enajstošolci

Kadar čitam spise najodličnejšega slovenskega pisatelja in mojega očjega rojaka Ivana Cankarja, ki je tako krasno opisal moj rojstni kraj, dolino Sentflorjansko, idilčni park Sv. Trojice, hladni in skrivnostni Močilnik, izvirek Ljubljaniče, Alešovo domačijo v Razoru in slavno "enajsto šolo" pod mostom, se vselej domislim njegovega krilatkega izreka: "O domovina, ti si kakor zdravje!" Kadar se spomnim na moja mlada leta, ko smo se otroci igrali pri Cankarjevi "nevesti" Sv. Trojici in v sosedni Tičnici, kjer je naš pisatelj črpal snov za svoje knjige, ko sta s "Ilano" v zgodnji pomladi trgala trobentice, se vselej domislim tudi naše slavne enajste šole.

Zato ne bo odveč, če napišem nekaj o naših veleznanih enajstošolcih, katerih kljub tocvita v "Ameriški Vrhniški" to je v naselbini Waukegan-North Chicago, Ill. V tej dualni naselbini živi lepo število mojih nekdanjih sošolcev, ki smo skupno trkali hlače po klopih stare šole pri farni cerkvi sv. Pavla, ter skoro vsi oni, v katerih družbi sem lovil "kapelje" pod vrhniškimi mostovi, ki ga je naš rojak pisatelj Ivan Cankar krstil za "enajsto šolo."

V to primitivno enajsto šolo smo pohajali le pristni Vrhničani ter smo si po nepisani postavi jemali vse pravice do lova na kapelje. To tudi tatkadar, kadar je naš učitelj Stojec vlival modrost in učenost v glavice učencem iz sosednih vasi, kot iz Stare Vrhniče, Male in Velike Ligojne, Sinje gorice, Blatne Brezovice, Verda, Bistvo itd. Dotični učenci so obiskovali šolo le po dvakrat na teden, deloma zaradi oddaljenosti, deloma, ker so jih starši potrebovali za delo doma.

Kadar nas je pri takih prilikah dobil v roke naš nadučitelj Levstik in nas izročil v varstvo strogega učitelja Stojca, bilo je gorje. Ko sem v poznějšíh letih čital o španski inkviziciji, sem si jo predstavljal le kot nekako zabavo v primeri s kaznimi, katere smo morali drugi dan pretrpeti v naši pravi šoli. Vsak posebej jih je neusmiljeno dobil s šibo po tiste čase najbolj občutljivi plati. Pa to še ni bilo vse. Višek kazni je bil v tem, da je bosopeti grešnik moral viseti privezan na stolno table tako, da so se prsti na nogah samo malo dotikali tal.

Ko je ta procedura minila, smo dobili obvestilo, da bomo ostali čez poldanski odmor v šoli, istotako po popoldanskem puku vse do pete ure, da se nam v mlade glavice ubije učenost, katero smo zamudili, ko smo se po svoje izražali v enajsti šoli pod mostom. Za dobro mero smo dobili še kilometrske naloge, katere smo morali izvršiti doma, da nam je tem manj časa ostalo za študiranje pod mostom. Razume se, da so nam del kazni odmerili tudi starši, po katerih seveda tudi ni bila sankcionirana nam tako priljubljena enajsta šola. Vendar ta kazen doma se je že prestala, posebno, ker so nam jo naše dobre, mamice ublažile s kosi kruha.

Ko so ob torkih pridrveli bosopeti naši sošolci iz sosednih vasi, da se v pičlo odmerjenem času naberejo šolskih modrosti za bodočo življenje, so najprej pohiteli k bližnjemu potoku, kjer so si s peskom oribali umazane noge. Uradno umivanje nog se je vršilo le ob torkih in, ker si jih nihče ni umival neuradno, to je ob drugih dneh, tista reč ni bila nič kaj prijetna. Mnoge bridke vzdihne je pri tem slišal prijazni potok. Glede umivanja nog smo bili mi enajstošolci na boljšem socialnem stališču, kajti naše noge so se pri prijetnem lovu za kapeljni kar avtomatično

umile in nismo potrebovali uradnega umivanja. Na to našo prednost smo bili seveda primerno ponosni, posebno, ker smo bili zaradi naših čisto umitih nog postavljeni za dber vzgled učencem iz sosednih vasi.

Tako so minevali torki in petki, v ostalih šolskih dneh pa smo pristni enajstošolci ponovno in ponovno prenašali že prejemljene "muke" zaradi naše zaljubljenosti v enajsto šolo. Kljub vsemu temu ali pa zaradi tega smo se dobro učili, tako da so bila naša spričevala pri vseh predmetih označena najmanj z "dobro." Sošolci iz sosednih vasi so nas občevali zaradi naše učenosti in kako pridemo do nje. Oni so se učili šole iz prvega berila in znali komaj nekoliko katekizma na pamet, mi pa smo že sklanjali nemške besede. To ni bila mala razlika.

Ko so prišli hladni jesenski dnevi in za njimi mrzla zima, smo na našo veliko žalost morali dati slovo naši enajsti šoli pod mostom. Saj je bilo vendar tako čudovito krasno tam nekdanje poletje. Na zimo si je bilo treba izmisliti kaj drugega. Bilo je pač treba dati nekako priznanje učitelju Stojcu za trudopolno njegovo delo, katero je lastnoročno vršil nad nami tekom poletnih šolskih dni.

Pa smo prišli na idejo, da vzporedimo vojsko. Za sovražnike nismo bili v zadrugi. Nekoliko napeti diplomatski stiki so bili že več časa med "vasčani" in "brežani" oziroma med nami in Starovrhničani (Povzariji) in Blatničani, toda do resnih bitk do takrat še ni bilo prišlo. Takrat pa je prišlo do prave vojne napovedi. Fronta je bila doležena na prijaznem griču Sv. Trojice. Vojna je bila napovedana na praznik pastirjev, to je na dan sv. Martina. Priprave za ofenzivo na naši strani, to je med "brežani" so se vršile v glavnem stanu v naši hiši. Se danes se mi zdi, da vidim mojega očeta, kako se je mugal in nekako ponosno ogledoval naše orožje in municijo. Posebno ponosen pa je bil na generala te silne vojske. Končno to ni bilo čudno, kajti moj oče je bil v svojih mladih letih pravi vojak in celo četovodja in se je udeležil prave vojne z Lahti leta 1866. Mati pa se je nekaj jezila, menda zaradi polen ki smo jih rabili za naše puške in bridke sablje in ker je bil ozadavni arzenal v skladovnici drv pred našo hišo. Pa tudi materina jeza je bila bolj navidezna.

Na Martinov dan popoldne je torej naša silna vojska junško odkorakala iz glavnega stana na hrib Sv. Trojice. Vojskovodja je bil Janez Mihevc s sabljico pripasano, puško nenabasano in s papirnato čako na glavi. Takoj za njim je jездil "štuporamo" general. Ta dični general sem bil jaz, za "konja" pa sem imel nekoliko prismojenega "Tonija", ki je bil znan po vsem vrhniškem okraju. Vojskovodja in generalu je sledila hrabra četa, broječa kakšnih 50 "mož." Seveda smo bili vsi pod vplivom visoke izobrazbe, ki smo se je tekom leta nabrali v enajsti šoli. Naša vojska je bila zelo podobna vojski današnje Etiopije. Vsi bojovníki smo bili bos, oboroženi z lesenimi puškami in sabljami in za kak nepričakovan naskok od strani smo imeli nekaj kamenite municije.

Na griču pri cerkvi za kapeleco so se sončili trije naši največji filozofi tedanjega časa: Točev Peter, Gošpurjev Tomaž in Zganjarjev oče.

Naša vojska se je takoj strategično razpostavila in naskočila sovražne "vasčane" v Sklosovi dolini. Od prej omenjenih treh filozofov smo dobili potrebno izpodbudo in navodila kako se moramo boriti, da bomo odšli z bojišča kot pravi zmagovalci za pravično stvar in staro pravdo.

Bika je bila vroča in kamele nje je držalo vse križem. Moj "konj" Toni pa se je takoj v začetku bitke začel plašiti in se mi je spuntal. Rekel mi je da nikakor ne gre in ne gre naprej, to pa zato, ker se boji Sinkovca, generala nasprotne armade, kateremu je že dalje časa dolžan groš.

Finančne neprilike so bile torej krive, da sva s Tonijem ostala bolj v ozadju. Bika je posla vedno bolj vroča in končno sta se spoprijela vojskovodji obeh vojsk. Pocedila se je mlada kri in vojska je zagnala tak krič kakor Izraelci, ko so podirali Jericho. Vojskovodji obeh armad sta se pokazala, da sta imela več korajže, kakor jo imajo vojskovodje današnjih modernih armad. Ti pustijo navadne vojake, da se tepejo, sami pa ostajajo v ozadju.

Na silen krič so prihiteli ljudje iz bližnjih lazov in staj, med njimi tudi Benkova mati. Benkova mati je bila priznana kot zelo dobra in miroljubna žena, ki ni nikoli nikomur nič zalega prizajala. Njen nastop je zelo pomirjevalno vplival na vsi vojsko, posebno pa na generalni štab. Škoda, da dobre žene ni več med živimi. Mogoče bi bila deležna Noblove nagrade za veliko humanitarno delo, ki ga je izvršila tisti nesrečni dan.

Premirja pa nismo podpisali d kraja toliko časa, dokler ni prihitel izpod svojega kozloca Toncev oče. Takrat pa smo se razpršili na vse strani kot piščanci pred krakuljem. Vojna se je končala brez velikih izgub. Le vojskovodji obeh armad sta izgubila nekoliko mlade krvi. . . .

Drugi dan je bila seveda v šoli spet inkvizicija na vrsti, ki je bila skoro hujša kot vojska sama. Pretekli so meseci in spet se je odprla enajsta šola pod mostom in spet je bilo nadvse prijetno. Kakor radi smo imeli enajsto šolo, se vendar nikdar nismo zmotili, da bi jo bili obiskali pozni.

Ko smo odrasli, smo se razpršili širom sveta. Čudna usoda je nanesla, da se nas je največ iz tistih krajev in tistih let našlo v naši ameriški Vrhniški, v naselbini Waukegan in North Chicago, Ill. Nekaj m'jih ožjih rojakov in sošolcev je raztresenih tudi po drugih krajih naše nove domovine, nekaj jih je pomrlo, nekaj pa jih je v domačem kraju.

Eden ali drugi izmed teh bo morda z zanimanjem prečital to preprosto pa resnično zgodbo o enajstošolcih in si bo obudil spomine na zlata otroška leta, na hudega učitelja Stojca ter na dobro in blago dušo nadučitelja Levstika. Kakor jaz sam so nedvomno tudi vsi moji sošolci obema hvaležni za dobro nauke, katerih smo bili od obeh deležni v naših nepozabnih otroških letih.

Drugi čitatelji pa se po prečitanju te črtice ne bodo čudili, zakaj smo v Waukeganu in North Chicago ustanovili "Klub vrhniških enajstošolcev" in zakaj zavzemam v tem klubu mesto častnega podpredsednika. Kot nekdanjemu študentu enajste šole pod mostom in bivšemu generalu silne vojske se tako odlikovanje menda nekako sproti dobi!

Poverjenci "Narodnega adresarja" se odzivajo

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Cilj "Narodnega Adresarja" je, da se v eni knjigi obelodani popis vseh naših organizacij in

ustanov, kakor tudi imenik in adresar naših trgovcev, obrtnikov in profesionalcev v Severni Ameriki in v poedinah naših naselbinah.

To hvalevredno, potrebno in podpre vredno podjetje so odobrile in priporočajo vse naše gl. centralne organizacije in veliko število naših časopisov. Splošno je prepričanje, da je vendarle potrebno, da znamo, kje imamo kaj in da to zabeležimo v eni priročnem vezku.

Priporoča se onim, ki še niso odgovorili na pisma, naj to storijo čim prej, tako da se more pristopiti k delu brez nadaljne zamude. Na ta način bodo vse naše kolonije zastopane potom lokalnih poverjencev kot sodelovalci v tem važnem podjetju.

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ZIMSKO CVETJE

Sopek svežega cvetja v sobi ni nikoli bolj prijazen kot v zimskem času, ko se zdi vsa narava mrtva. Ako v tem času narežemo nekaj vejice zlatega dežja in jih vtaknemo v vazo, napolnjeno z vodo, bodo vejice v nekaj dneh pognale obilico rumenega cvetja. Zlati dež ali nagnoj je grm, ki se v najzgodnejši pomladi pokrije z zlatorumenim cvetjem. Botanično ime za zlati dež je forsythia, v angleščini pa se imenuje yellow bells.

V sobi, v vodo potaknjene, hitro poženejo bele mačice vejice live ali mačkoveca (pussy willow). Tudi iz narezanih vejic japonskih kutin (eidenia japonsica), hrusek in črešnje je mogoče na gori opisan način izvabiti cvetje v zimskem času, pod pogojem, da imajo dotične vejice nastavljeno cvetno pepelj. Najlažje pa je vsekakor pripraviti do cvetja vejice zlatega dežja.

Dobremu članu JSKJ je vsak dan najboljši dan za pridobivanje novih članov.

DOPISI

(Nadaljevanje iz 7. strani)

Pri tej priliki pozivam člane in članice našega društva, da se gotovo udeležijo prihodnje seje, ki se bo vršila 14. februarja in se bo pričela ob 7. uri zvečer. Na omenjeni seji bo treba ukrepati o naši veselici, ki se bo vršila 18. aprila. Zato je priporočljivo, da se seje udeležijo vsi člani in članice, da bomo ukrepani vse najboljše za društvo in v zadovoljstvo članstva. Brat-ski pozdravi! — Za društvo "Napredek," št. 132 JSKJ: John Tanko, tajnik.

Center, Pa.

Izredna seja Slovenskega društva na Centru, Pa., se bo vršila v nedeljo 16. februarja. Vsi moški člani društva št. 33 JSKJ, št. 221 JSKJ in št. 102 SSPZ so vlnudno vabljeni, da se te seje gotovo udeležijo. Imamo nekaj zelo važnih zadev, katere morajo biti na omenjeni seji rešene. Začetek seje ob 2. uri popoldne.

Anton Eržen.

Iz urada gl. tajnika JSKJ

(Nadaljevanje)

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Društvo št. 207: Fred S. Ziegmond 31363, Mary Ziegmond 35124.

Društvo št. 218: Anna Chiaralum 35823.

Društvo št. 225: Josephine Gradisher 37332.

Premembe v zavarovalnini

Changes in Insurance

Društvo št. 2: Iz \$500 na \$250, Pauline Galin 37416.

Društvo št. 35: Iz \$2,000 na \$1,000, Lucy Yunc 37750.

Društvo št. 66: Iz \$1,000 na \$500, Dorothy Witt 36914.

Društvo št. 76: Iz \$250 na \$500, Danica F. Sekne 38025.

Društvo št. 120: Iz \$500 na \$250, Annie Simonick 33188.

Društvo št. 137: Iz \$1,000 na \$1,500, Frances Lundr 34300.

Prestopili — Transferred

Od št. 36 k št. 16: Mary Samec 15007.

Od št. 12 k št. 37: John Copich 15007.

Od št. 163 k št. 44: Jacob Skerjanc 29523, Anna Skerjanc 35411.

Od št. 143 k št. 116: Mary Medvesek 23912.

Od št. 2 k št. 120: Annie Stukel 24993.

Od št. 84 k št. 140: Mary Bozich 37650.

Od št. 213 k št. 172: Josephine Beve: 23377, Louis Beve: 36350.

Od št. 1 k št. 200: Frank Mavee 16074.

Od št. 2 k št. 200: Anton Murgel 27248, Joseph Mave: 16201, Frances Mave: 17977, Robert Merhar 35963, Dorothy Merhar 35985, Matt Stukel 36196, Edward Dragosh 35716, Jer Dragosh 35431.

Odstopili — Withdrawals

Društvo št. 6: Mary Baraga 18010.

Društvo št. 111: Mary R. Steblay 32163.

Društvo št. 202: Thelma Kumer B-589.

Društvo št. 216: Johanna A. Fink 37400.

Umrl — Died

Društvo št. 5: Barbara Plantan 18900.

Društvo št. 15: Louis Lakner 33612.

Društvo št. 30: Edmundo Senfineri 32198.

Društvo št. 37: Andrej Urbas 35101, Marija Potocnik 33279.

Društvo št. 40: Anton Jerina 2397, Phillip Galley 26690.

Društvo št. 47: Marko Zlogar 4737.

Društvo št. 63: Mary Segar 23220.

Društvo št. 94: Anton Pustavrh 22434.

Društvo št. 111: Frank Treck 18627.

Društvo št. 128: John Urbanec 34343.

Društvo št. 136: Anna Hribar 36922.

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CHANGES IN MEMBERSHIP FOR DECEMBER, 1935

Mladinski Oddelček — Juvenile Department.

Novi člani — New Members

Društvo št. 28: Mary A. Ferentchak, John Ferentchak, Dolores E. Glasovich.

Društvo št. 31: Daniel A. Slabe.

Društvo št. 43: Peggy J. Prebil.

Društvo št. 45: Dolores M. Sebanc, Frances M. Sebanc.

Društvo št. 66: Peter Grubisich.

Društvo št. 71: Marquerite E. Miller.

Društvo št. 76: Stanley Stalick.

Društvo št. 88: Victoria Taylor, Mary Sarich, Angeline Sarich, Olga Sarich.

Društvo št. 111: Helen M. Bradach.

Društvo št. 148: Lorraine School, Paula Pernisek, Anita Pernisek, Harold Pernisek, Thomas School.

Društvo št. 163: Mary Udovich, Frances Udovich.

Društvo št. 165: Mary Ann Golob.

Društvo št. 173: Betty J. Plevnik.

Društvo št. 190: Raymond Zadnik, Henry A. Zadnik.

Društvo št. 199: Sam Smallo, Carmin Smallo.

Društvo št. 216: Janet Fink.

Društvo št. 225: Frank Zemlan.

Zepet sprejeti — Reinstated.

Društvo št. 20: Carolina E. Lapp 7600.

Društvo št. 66: Anthony Blaszk 14968.

Društvo št. 76: Hilda Fortuna 5398, Ludvig L. Fortuna 3445.

Društvo št. 138: Anna Bozich 6279, Frank Bozich 7706, Martin Bozic 9377, Rose Bozic 11365, John A. Bozic 9306, Henry Zelinski 14546.

Društvo št. 145: Andrej Skiro 12827, Margaret Skiro 12828, Stefan Skero, 13081, Anna Skiro 10914, Paulina Skiro 10912, John Skiro 10913, Helena Skiro 10911, Mike Skiro 10910, Amelia Skiro 15266.

Društvo št. 168: John Nucich 3193.

Društvo št. 224: George Argys 13039, Theo. C. Argys 13040.

Suspendirani — Suspended

Društvo št. 1: Louis Tomshich 3785.

Društvo št. 16: Frank Becaj 3508.

Društvo št. 21: Emily R. Anzicek 11663.

Društvo št. 26: John Frenk 5032, John Krsul 4230, Rose A. Krotce 5886, Frances Sodechik 3146.

Društvo št. 29: Charles Medved 5983, Deserice Medved 6983, Margaret Medved 9516, Walter Medved 10808, Louis E. Medved 14919, Dorothy J. Medved 14918.

Društvo št. 30: Rose Globokar 11279.

Društvo št. 44: Frank Verhotz 9087.

Društvo št. 57: Katherine Bele 14960, Jewell M. Bele 14961.

Društvo št. 66: Rose Terlep 13507.

Društvo št. 68: Louis Jakich 4512.

Društvo št. 70: Agnes Petek 9213.

Društvo št. 71: John Knif'e 13779.

Društvo št. 73: Frances Samida 3921.

Društvo št. 78: Nick Margos 11361, George Margos 14362, Frank Margos 11363.

Društvo št. 81: Robert J. Raccocih 3187.

Društvo št. 92: Elizabeth Spricar 12309.

Društvo št. 91: George Polich 9386, William Polich 9385.

Društvo št. 116: Eleanor Petroski 15198, Ester Petroski 15213, Eugene Petroski 15499, William Petroski 15212, George Wustlick 15507.

Društvo št. 119: Dorothy Undesser 12528, Richard A. Undesser 12529, Theodore V. Undesser 12530.

Društvo št. 123: Joseph Jovanovich 6157.

Društvo št. 123: Joseph Bakoric 15239, Barbara Bakoric 15236, Victorja Bakoric 15237, Michel Bakoric 15238, Chas. E. Pavlich 3504.

Društvo št. 154: Frank Gaber 14659, William Gaber 14658, Edward Gaber 14657.

Društvo št. 155: Mary M. Kasky 12866, Dorothy Kaska 12900.

Društvo št. 160: Joseph Simic 7099.

Društvo št. 166: Agnes Vivoda 13919, Mary Vivoda 13918, Jerry Vivoda 13917, Steve Mazar 14176, Julia Mazar 14177, Paul Mazar 14178, Frank J. Stefanko 13921.

Društvo št. 172: Anton Clemencic 10758, Dorothy Clemencic 10754.

Društvo št. 197: Paul Lutar 4151.

Društvo št. 198: Adolfin Rizzo 15861, Nancy Rizzo 15860, Samuel Rizzo 15859, Angelo Rizzo 15858, Lena Rizzo 15857, Frances Rizzo 15856, Verna Rizzo 15855.

Društvo št. 200: Iennie Telic 9057.

Društvo št. 207: Elizabeth M. Ziegmond 13764, Eleanora J. Ziegmond 14261.

Prestopili — Transferred

Od št. 2 k št. 120: Theresa Stukel 8856.

Od št. 84 k št. 140: Albina Bozich 10510, John Bozich 10509.

Od št. 213 k št. 172: Christina Beuz 3512.

Od št. 2 k št. 200: Alice Merhar 4078, Tony Stukel 8857.

Odstopili — Withdrawals

Društvo št. 42: Mary Paucak 8018.

Društvo št. 76: Stanley Stalick 15860.

Društvo št. 94: Edward Zeleznik 10002.

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