









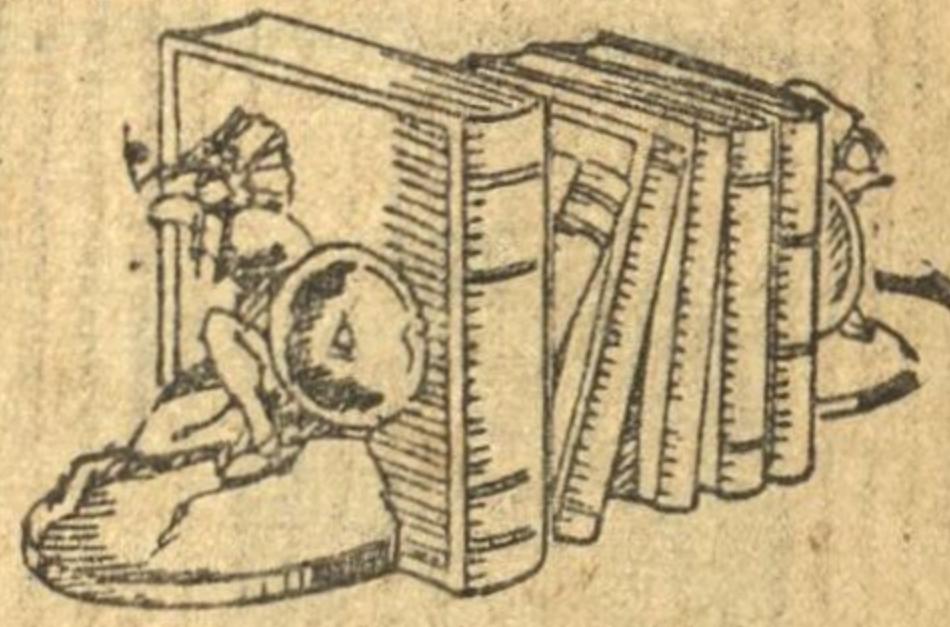
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# PROGRESS

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## Fraternality in Action

The SSPZ paid to its members \$4,000,000 in benefits since organization.



## Indianapolis Scene of SSPZ Softball and Balina Championship Games, September 2, 3, & 4

### HUNDREDS OF PLAYERS AND ROOTERS READY FOR INVASION

By Michael Vrhovnik

War to a finish has been declared and this time the news has been confirmed!... It has been reported with no degree of uncertainty that two divisions of tried veterans and a number of inexperienced volunteers of the SSPZ, divided against themselves as though it were a civil war and armed to the teeth with the finest of weapons, are going to battle it out for the Softball championships in the fair and beautiful city of Indianapolis this coming week-end, Sept. 2, 3, 4... On a nearby battlefield (court), another group, a mixture of sex and ages, will meet and try to humble each other with rolls and tosses of balina balls. What battles they promise to be, with all participants in excellent trim, fresh from victories with neighborhood rivals, bedecked with ornaments received for achievements in previous combats. On to battle is their cry! Indianapolis, here we come! Open the gates or we'll break them asunder! What a spirit seems to pervade the air! — Never have I seen it to be such since the days of 1933, when our first Olympic Meet was decided in Cicero and Berwyn, in the shadows of Chicago's skyline.

Yes, folks, this time the war is going to be real... For days you've been reading and hearing nothing but news of impending war in Europe:— "There will be a war... There won't be one... There will... There won't!"... "Chamberlain has his umbrella along, again... He's under it — He's out — He's under it — He's out!"... "Man! Make up your mind! It's Munich once more, or else..." — Sincerely, your writer doesn't profess to know much about the European situation. Like millions of others, I'm guessing and, maybe, like millions of others, I've guessed wrong, again... But of this other war I started to report about, I'm sure, just as sure as I'm sitting here typing away on these keys. The only interference might come from elements which man has little power.

The dark clouds of battle, sprayed with fraternal sunshine, are slowly gathering over the peaceful and quiet fortress of the "Hoosier Pals" and "Jugoslavs"... This time there is no doubt about the intentions of several organized groups, from the states of Pennsylvania, Ohio, Illinois and, perhaps, another state or two, to provide necessary fireworks to make the pages of the "Napredok" sparkle with dazzling and interesting news accounts of nip and tuck battles on a common front.

Invasion of the "Hoosier" Capital has been planned for months. Already, the *Proresors*, *Sygan Juniors* (1938 Champs) and *Challengers* have made arrangements for transportation from the Pennsylvania hills and mountains to the plains surrounding Indianapolis. The Burgettstown "Pirates" and Ambridge "Comets" are anxious to anticipate, too, but rumor has it that certain financial maniacs may leave them neutral this year. (We hope this isn't true, for we do want a nice big war)... From the shores of Lake Erie comes the cry of the *Utopians* (defending Senior Champions), the thundering *Spartans* (might be two teams), the *Outlookers* or *Spartan Jrs.* (Spartan Juniors eliminated the *Outlookers*), and the balina corps of several Lodges, including *Lunder-Adamic* and *Složne Sestre*, Lodges No. 20 and 120,

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### Hoosierland News from the Hoosier Pals

The zero hour approaches! Everybody and everything is in a tense and expectant mood. You ask what zero hour and why? Well here it is in a nutshell.

There remains only a short number of hours before your host city, Indianapolis, Indiana, will be swarming with eager and confident entrants in the Seventh Annual SSPZ Athletic Meet. Also there will be many curious visitors, who might turn into would be members, coming here to see how we have an enjoyable get-together. We welcome you all, members and any well wishing enthusiast to the Athletic Meet.

But now the main question is how to get all of the out-of-state visitors to Indianapolis without getting lost. Here are some routes which will bring your party right to the doorstep of our headquarters at the Holy Trinity Auditorium at Holmes Ave., and St. Clair Street.

From the East, such as Ohio and Pennsylvania:

Follow U. S. Road 40 all the way in to Indianapolis across the main part of the city to Holmes Ave., where markers will be placed directing you to the headquarters.

a gurgle-gurgle or a swallow (whatever the style) or more of something that foams creamy, or of something that sparkles and gleams, or of something that has that smooth, rich flow that warms with a glow, giving new courage to the timid and bashful, lasting the evening and night long. That is what awaits you and more at Indianapolis over this coming Labor Day week-end. The banquet will be the final treat on the three day program... Here toasts, speeches and presentation of trophies to the 1939 Champions will take place... Here many farewells will be bid. Preceding this final get-together will be the annual YOUTH CONFERENCE when our young people will have opportunity to debate and discuss many important problems and if they wish, to play the heads that have caused, what to them seemed, unnecessary errors of judgment and to suggest corrective measures to alleviate certain undesirable obstacles. So many fine things are waiting your arrival at the hands of our SSPZ members in Indianapolis! By all means, attend our 7th National Athletic Meet, this our reunion day, our SSPZ DAY!

From the North such as Chicago and Wisconsin:

Follow State Road 41 thru Kentland to State Road 52. Follow State Road 52 to Lafayette. From Lafayette take State road 43 to Crawfordsville. Then take State Road 34 to Holmes Ave., where there will be placed

markers directing to the headquarters.

Due to the fact that entries are slow in coming in, we are unable to have a schedule arranged so it can be printed in the Napredok. It will be posted in convenient place at the headquarters.

On Saturday morning the registration desks will be opened at six o'clock in the Holy Trinity Auditorium. Coffee and lunches will be served at the Auditorium throughout the meet.

Softball games will commence at Riverside and Coleman Parks at 1:00 o'clock Saturday and continue until 5:00 o'clock. At 8:00 p. m. to 12:00 a. m. o'clock Saturday night there will be a Get Acquainted Dance held at the Holy Trinity Auditorium, Holmes Ave. and St. Clair Street. Walter Bradford and his Imperial Aces will swing and sway.

On Sunday morning 9:00 o'clock will be the starting hour for the softball tournament to continue at Coleman and Riverside Parks until 12:00 o'clock noon. Then we all go out to Otey's Park where the softball tournament will continue until 5:00 o'clock. There will also be a picnic held here.

On Monday morning the Youth Conference will be held at the Holy Trinity Auditorium at 9:00 o'clock. At 9:30 o'clock Monday there will be the Vrtec Finals and at 10:30 o'clock there will be the Senior Finals at Coleman Park. This will give everybody plenty of time to prepare for the Victory Banquet at 1:30 o'clock at the Holy Trinity Auditorium. There will be dancing after the Banquet until Farewell do us part.

The Balina tournament will be held at Marcella's Balina yard at 723 North Warman (Continued on page 3)

### OFFICIAL PROGRAM

All Time on this Program is Central Standard Time

**Saturday, September 2, 1939**

- 7 A. M. to 12 o'clock noon — Registration at Holy Trinity Auditorium
- 12 o'clock noon to 1 P. M. — Lunch
- 1 P. M. — Balina at Marchellos Place
- 1 P. M. — The start of Vrtec games at Coleman Park
- 1 P. M. — The start of Senior games at Riverside Park
- GAMES WILL BE PLAYED CONTINUOUSLY UNTIL 6 P. M.
- 6 P. M. to 8 P. M. — Dinner
- 8 P. M. to 12 Midnight — GET ACQUAINTED DANCE AT HOLY TRINITY AUDITORIUM



**Sunday, September 3, 1939**

- 9 A. M. to 12 noon — Vrtec games at Coleman Park
- 9 A. M. to 12 noon — Senior games at Riverside Park
- 9 A. M. to 12 noon — Balina at Marchellos Place
- 12 noon to 1 P. M. — Lunch hour
- 1:30 P. M. — Senior games at the picnic grounds
- PICNIC UNTIL ????

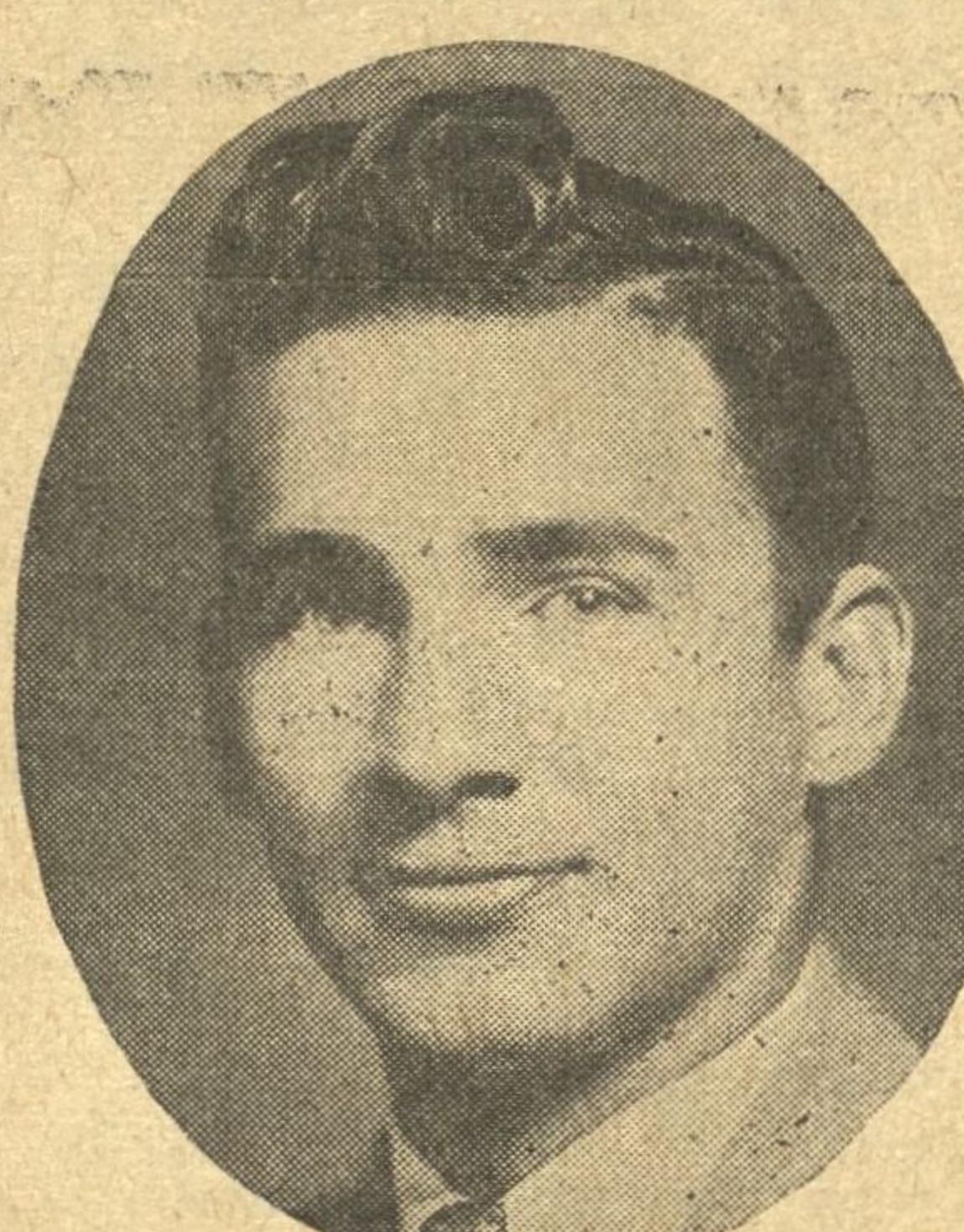


**Monday, September 4, 1939**

- 9 A. M. to 12 noon — Youth Conference
- 9 A. M. — Vrtec championship game at Coleman Park
- 10 A. M. to 12 noon — Championship game of Balina at Marchellos Place
- 10:30 A. M. — Senior championship game at Coleman Park
- 1:30 P. M. — Victory Banquet at Holy Trinity

All Soft-Ball Games are to be Umpired by Official Umpire of Indianapolis Umpire Association of Soft-Ball

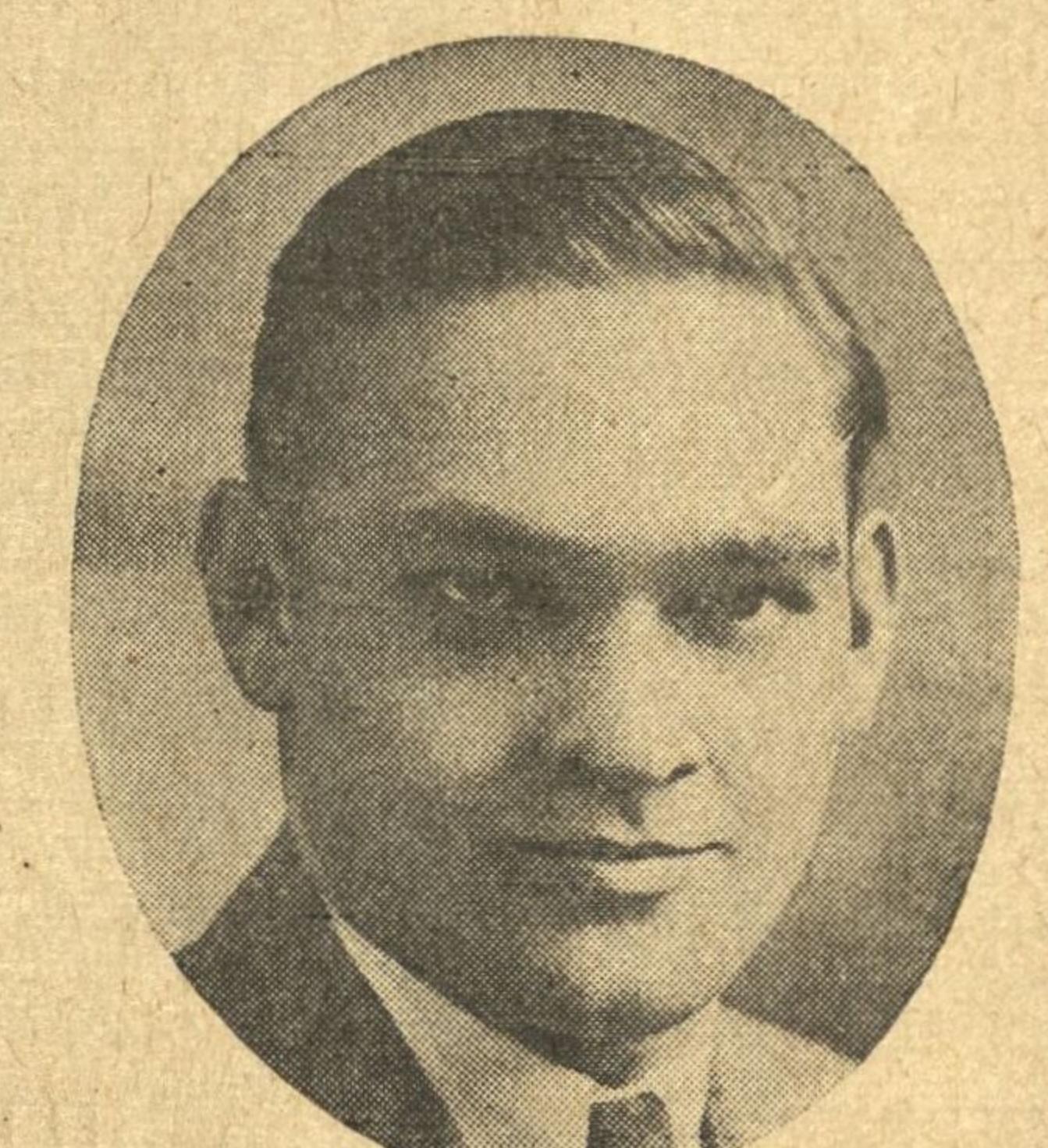
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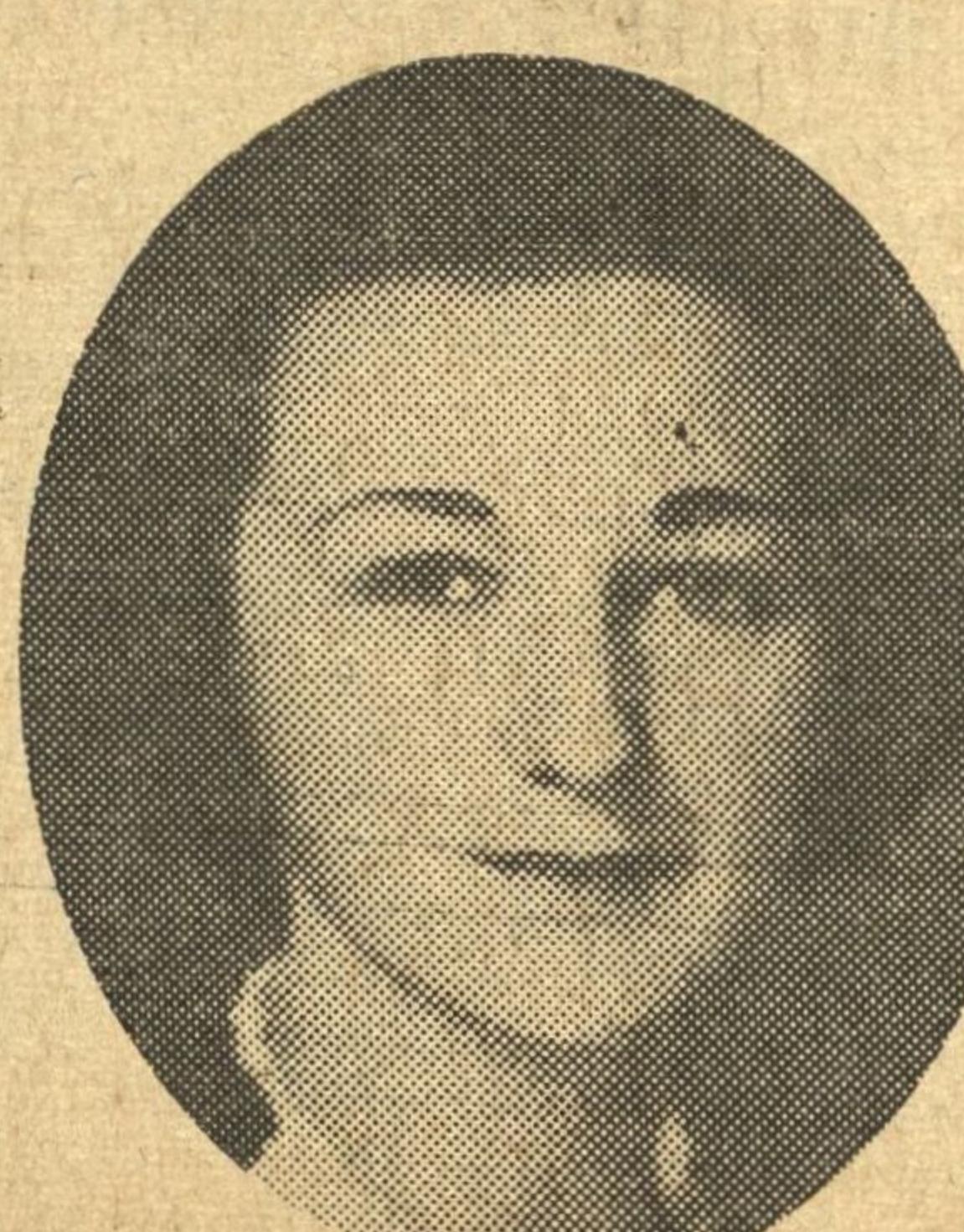
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