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## Lepšim časom naproti

Po koledarju je v deželi pomlad. Zaželjena je bila bolj kot kdaj prej, ker zima je bila v večini dežele nenavadno dolga in ostra. Seveda, pomlad je še šibka in morda nas še mnogo dni ne bo mogla postreči z zaželjeno gorkoto, sončnim sijem in pestrim cvetjem. Uveljavljala se bo počasi, tako rekoč z naporji. Vendar, pomlad je tu, in nas zagotavlja, da gremo lepšim časom naproti.

Odročni znaki pomlad se kažejo tudi na raznih vojnih frontah. Ameriske in zavezniške vojne sile počasi, pa gotovo, drobjajo stropeno zimo nemškega nacizma in japonskega militarizma in na obzorju vstajajo pomladne zarje zmage. Predno zasije pomlad zmage v vsej svoji lepoti, bo še mnogo temnih in težkih dni, toda pomlad zmaguje prišla; o tem ne more biti nobenega dvoma več.

Pomladne zarje vzhajajo tudi našim slovenskim in slovanskim bratom in sestram v Evropi. Pomlad svobode jih še ni objela, toda zanesljivo prihaja, in vsi znaki kažejo, da ko pride, bo najsijsnejša v slovenski zgodbini.

Vojna še ni končana in zmaga Amerike in njenih zaveznikov je še za gorami; kako bližu ali kako daleč, ne vedemo. Zato je največje važnosti, da niti za las ne popustimo pri naših naporih, ki so potrebni za nadaljevanje vojne in končno zmago. Upoštevajmo vsa tozadevna pripravočila, ki jih dobivamo od naše vlade, udejstvujmo se lojalno pri poslilih in na mestih, kamor nas je postavila usoda, in podpiramo ustane, katere nudijo pomoč tistim, ki so je najbolj potrebitni.

Ena teh ustavov je Ameriški rdeči križ, ki zbira ta mesec fond 200 milijonov dolarjev za nadaljevanje svojega humanitarnega dela. Ne pozabimo, da je Rdeči križ ustanova, ki je najbližja našim vojakom, pa naj bodo v taboričnih domačih dežele, na raznih obrambnih točkah ali na aktivnih frontah širok sveta. Pomenimo, da je Rdeči križ ne samo v neposrednih zaledjih front, ampak da dosegajo s svojo pomočjo tudi naše in zavezniške vojake v ujetniških taboričnih v sovražnikovi deželi. Pomočna roka nobene druge ustane ne seže tako daleč. Prispevajmo torej ta mesec za Rdeči križ, kolikor nam razmere dopuščajo, in bodimo prepričani, da smo prispevali v najplemenitejši namen.

Naše dolžnosti napram splošnosti so različne. Nekateri se nanašajo na splošne zahteve svetovne vojne, nekateri se tičejo naše dežele in spet druge nas klicajo iz kroga ožjih skupin, katerim pripadamo. Ena teh ožjih skupin je naša Ameriška bratska zveza, katero moramo in hočemo, kot dobri člani in članice, ohraniti močno tudi v vojnih časih, kajti potrebujemo jo zdaj in potrebovali jo bomo po vojni. Njeni rast in moč v znatni meri prihaja iz mladinskega oddelka, zato je potrebno, da število članov tega oddelka pomnožujemo vsak mesec. Ne pozabimo torej kampanje, ki je sedaj v teku, in ki se bo zaključevala vsak mesec posebej in potem konci leta skupino. Vsako društvo naj bi stopilo v tekmo, ne samo za čast in nagrade, ampak tudi iz bratske lojalnosti Ameriški bratski zvezzi. Naj gre to pomlad in to leto tudi naša organizacija vedno lepšim časom naproti.

### VSAK PO SVOJE

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

je na ukradenem čeku, in dobijo je nenadna nevihta obsula s to potrdilo da darovano kri. Tako čo neko ameriško letališče v Severni Afriki. Tam nastanjeni vojaki, ki že davno niso videli ledu potrdilo potem rabijo kot legitimacijo za izmenjavo čeka.

V pritličju nekega poslopja v Philadelphia je stanovala sitna ženska, kateri bi se bil lastnik hiše rad iznebil, toda trmasta dama si ni dala nič dopovedati.

Končno se je gospodarju posvetila ideja: v prvo nadstropje, nad ženskino stanovanje, je dal prineseti prazno krsto. To je pomagalo; sitna najemnica se je takoj izselila.

Dostikrat čitamo o iznajdljivosti ameriških vojakov, ki znašo vsakou situacijo praktično izrabiti. Tu je ena nadaljnja takaj zgodbica. Vročega poletnega dne površno ponemčena in da morda

res ne bo tako zelo napačno in kriči, če po porazu Nemčije preide ta zemlja v last potomcem tistih Slovanov, katerim so jo Nemci ukradli.

Med mesti, ki so jih ameriške armade zavzeme v Porenju, opazimo tudi mesto Schweinheim. V slovenščini to pomeni "Svinjski dom" ali "Dom prašičev." Škoda, da ima tako ime samo eno nemško mesto. Zadnja leta smo bolj in bolj prihajali do prepranja, da bi tako ime pristojalo vsej Nemčiji.

Anglija neprimerno hujše občuti grozote in neprilike vojne kot mi v Ameriki, zato še bolj nestrpo pričakuje dneva zmage nad Nemčijo. Razume se, da tu dim mnogi ljudje ugibajo, kako bodo proslavili to zmagu. Humorist Nat Gubbins, ki piše za londonski list Sunday Express, si to proslavo zamišlja sledče:

"Mnogi ljudje se bodo počutili zelo bolne, in po prvih proslavah bo visela velika depresija nad Anglijo, posebno nad tistimi, ki se bodo prebudili v policijskih zaporih. Ko se bo narod opomogel od sunka, bodo mnogi škofi delali natančno iste govore, kot so jih škofi delali po zadnji vojni. Mnogi misleči ljudje bodo vsled tega ugibali, če so škofje vredni denarja, ki ga dobivajo.

"Proti koncu prvega tedna miru bodo tisti, ki organizirajo procesije, spravili v obrat svoje dolgo izgotovljene načrte, in London in druga velika mesta bodo polni kričče godbe. Tisoči bodo marširali po cestah in oviali promet več dni. Patriotični ljudje bodo prepevali patriotske pesmi, in tisti, ki so storili najmanj za dosegom zmage, bodo peli najglasnejše. Tisti, ki bodo najmanj prepevali in najmanj mahali z zastavami, bodo vojaki, mornarji in letalci. Tisti, ki bodo najbolj prepevali in ki bodo popolnoma oviti v narodne zastave, bodo operatorji črnih borz.

"Po procesijah se bodo razvile razprave, posebno o vprašanju: kdo je zmagal v tej vojni? To bo predmet ne samo v mednarodnih, ampak tudi v domačih pregovorjanjih. Vsa kača politična stranka bo trdila, da je dobila zmago. Edini ljudje, ki ne bodo tege trdili, bodo vojaki, mornarji, in letalci. Končno, (če ga hitro ne obesimo), bo še Hitler trdil, da je zmagal."

V satiri angleškega humorista Gubbinsa utegne biti precej resnice tudi z ozirom na Ameriko.

Ameriške reformatorje, ki bi hoteli vse reformirati in regulirati natančno po lastnih kopitih, že zdaj skrbi, kako se bodo ljudje obnašali, ko bo prišla zaželjena vest, da je vojna v Evropi končana. Zato bi radi že v naprej predpisali, kako se naj proslavi dan zmage nad Nemčijo, da bo prav za ljudi in dopadljivo bogovom. Ti reformatorji bi hoteli igrati male Hitlerje, ko bo pravi Hitler poražen.

Po našem najboljšem prepranju razpoloženja, ki bo takrat zavladalo med ameriškim ljudstvom, ne bo mogoče kontroliратi z nobeno postavo ali omejitvijo, in nihče ne more v naprej vedeti, kako se bo to razpoloženje izražalo. Ako prav premislimo, mi niti sami zase ne vemo, kako bomo zaželjeno novo sprejeli in kako bomo dali duška našemu veselju. Kako bi vedeli za druge?

Skoro gotovo bodo nekateri jokali od veselja, nekateri bodo molili, nekateri bodo peli in vriskali, nekateri se bodo napisili, nekateri pa se bodo brez besede zastrmeli v kako nedoločeno točko in upali, da veselle vesti niso lepe sanje, ampak živa resnica.

Nam se zdi, da bo tisti dan sličil gorkemu pomladnemu dnevu, ki se izraža v kalnih vodah in hudošnikih, v razposajenih vetrih, v brnenju čebel in plesu metuljčkov, v vrišku otrok, v

razigranem petju ptičev in v tih opojnosti cvetličnih čaš, ki napivajo zla temu soncu. Vse skupaj vzeto pa bo ena sama velika pomlad. Naj bi kmalu prisla!

A. J. T.

### SLOVENESKE VESTI

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

Počastitev širiletnice "cvetne nedelje" leta 1941, ko so sovražni okupatorji navalili na Slovenijo in Jugoslavijo, se bo vršila v nedeljo 25. marca v Slovenskem domu, na 253 Irving Avenue v Brooklynu, N. Y. Začetek pestrega programa je določen za 5. uro zvečer.

Na velikonočno nedeljo, to je 1. aprila, se bo v Slovenskem narodnem domu v Waukeganu, Ill., vršila prireditev, katere čisti dobiček je namenjen v pomoč našim rojakom v starem kraju. Del programa bo tvorila zanimiva igra "Norec," ki jo vprizorijo igralci iz Chicaga.

Društvo št. 225 ABZ v Milwaukee, Wis., je izgubilo svojega prvega člena v tej vojni. Na bojišču v Nemčiji je namreč padel dne 9. decembra 1944 Pfc. Paul Peterlin, star 22 let. Zapušča v Milwaukee starše in sestro, v vojni službi Zedinjenih držav pa dva brata.

V Struthersu, O., je dne 6. marca umrla Theresa Leko, člana društva št. 229 ABZ. Zapušča soprogata, tri sinove, ki so vsi v ameriški vojni službi, in hčerko.

### POBEGLI LAŠKI JUNAK ROATTA

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

Med žrtvami je bilo tudi nekaj obtožencev, katere je bilo prej vojno sedišče v Ljubljani oprostilo kot nekrive. Dalje je bilo nad 35,000 Jugoslovanov odvedenih, koncentracijska taborišča v Italijo in 800 jugoslovenskih vasi je bilo popolnoma uničenih. Na dalmatinskem otoku Rabu, katerega so bili okupirali Italijani, je v internaciji vsled gladu, pomrlo nad 4,500 Jugoslovanov. Edini ljudje, ki ne bodo tege trdili, bodo vojaki, mornarji, in letalci. Končno, (če ga hitro ne obesimo), bo še Hitler trdil, da je zmagal.

V popolnem nasprotju z dobročinkami mednarodne konvencije v Hague, so Italijani ranjence in v ojne ujetnike Jugoslovenske in rodne osvobodilne armade enostavno postrelili. Bili so celo primeri hladnokrvnega streljanja ranjenih jugoslovenskih vojakov, ki so jih Italijani našli v bojniščih.

Ko je Italija podpisala premirje, se je general Roatta pripravil stranki italijanskega kralja in v novembру 1943 je bil ponovno imenovan za načelnika italijanskega generalnega štaba.

Na pritisk jugoslovenskih oblasti je bil končno general Roatta postavljen pred posebno sodiščem v Rimu, kjer naj bi se zagovarjal za kriminalne čine, ki so bili pod njegovim poveljstvom izvršeni v Italiji. Tam je fingiral obolelost in je bil poslan v bolniški oddelki kazničnice, odkoder pa je pobegnil.

Po poročilu korespondenta za New York Times je bil general Roatta od rimskega sodišča obsojen na dosmrtno ječo. Obsojen je bil dne 12. marca v odsotnosti, ker ga še niso našli.

### NAJVAŽNEJŠE V MIRNEM IN VOJNEM ČASU

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

Amerika je v tem oziru zelo srečna dežela. Njena razsežnost daje vse prilike za poljedelstvo, sadjarstvo in živinorejo. Moderni stroji omogočajo, da primera malo število delavcev producira ogromne količine živil. Ako k temu prištejemo še izboljšane

zumeli, kako more ta dežela preživljati svoje civilno prebivalstvo, svoje vojaštvvo na raznih frontah in pomagati z živili še našim zaveznikom.

Ameriški farmerji so v preteklem letu producirali več živil kot kdaj prej v zgodovini te dežele, in nobenega dvoma ni, da se bodo tako dobro ali še bolje izkazali v tekočem letu. Neugodno vreme more sicer farmski produkciji dosti škodovati, toda, ker je dežela velika ter ima različno podnebje, niso vsi deli dežele prizadeti.

Kljud temu pa nas iz Washingtona opozarjajo, da je tudi za letošnjo sezono priporočljivo obdelovanje domačih vrtov. To velja posebno z ozirom na pridelovanje zelenjave, ki je potrebna za zdravje prehrano in ki se vsled preobloženih transportnih sredstev ne more vselej v zadostnih količinah dovajati prebivalcem velikih mest. Vse, kar se na takih domačih vrtečih pridelava za domačo porabo, pomaga k splošni prehrani dežele. Zato je ne samo patriotično, ampak tudi iz gospodarskih ozirov pametno, da nihče ne pesti v pušči domačega vrtača, če ga ima. Ako ne pridelava drugega kot nekaj solate, korenja, peteržilja, repe ali paradižnikov, bo pomagal nekoliko k izboljšavi domače kuhične in posredno k boljšemu preživljaju prebivalstva dežele v splošnem.

### DEVETLETNICA OB RENI

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

čini, tako bo bodoča svetovna organizacija miroljubnih narodov kaznovala mednarodne zločince in agresivnim državam preprečila zanetenje novih vojnih požarov. Tako so vsaj sedaj vsmernjeni načrti za zasiguranje trajnega miru. Upajmo, da se urešnicijo.

### POZIVI STRICA SAMA

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

tovarne ne bodo pričele izdelovati novih avtomobilov za civilno porabo, in vojni še ni videti konca. Priporočilo, da vsak lastnik avtomobila pazi na svoje vozilo, je torej povsem na mestu.

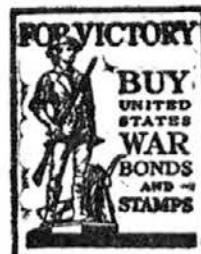
### REŠENI UJETNIKI

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

je zdravniške oskrbe, so na meščeni v sanatorijih.

Ujeti-ameriški vojaki so bili v nemških ujetniških taboričnih zelo slabo hrani, in nekateri so izgubili več kot četrtino svoje teže. Neki ameriški častniki je povedal, da so v nemških ujetništvu dobili za zajtrk čašo vroče vode, za kosilo pol funta črnega kruha in skodelico vodenje juhe, za večerjo pa dva ali tri neolupljene krompirje, ki so bili največkrat od mraza poškodovani. Ce ne bi bili od časa do časa dobili paketov Rdečega križa, bi jih bilo malo ostalo pri življenu.

Nemci so pred umikom, če le mogoče, premestili vojne in druge ujetnike bolj v sredino dežele, teda v vsaših so jih ruske armade prehitile, in so moralni ujetniki pustiti v taboričih, kjer so jih Rusi osvobodili in poslali v zadrževalno vojno pripadala Madžarski, po zadnjem svetovnem vojnem nazadnji. Večina prebivalstva v Transilvaniji je rumunskih. Pokrajina je pred zadnjim svetovnim vojnim pripadala Madžarski, po zadnjem svetovnem vojnem pa je bila prideljena Rumunski. Hitler je bil spet dal Madžarski, pa ni dolgo držalo. Rusi so, kot znano, pregnali Nemce ne samo iz Transilvanije, ampak tudi iz večine prave Madžarske, ter imajo zdaj vojaško kontrolo tako v Rumuniji kot v vzhodnem delu Madžarske. Po konferenci "velike trojice" na Krim



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## THOUGHTS IN SPRING

Spring is here! With it we face the remainder of the year with renewed vigor and determination to do all we can to help bring the war to a victorious end and to make this peace a lasting one.

We are planning those victory gardens which mean so much during war time. Yes, spring is the time of year when all of us become more ambitious after the first days of so-called "spring fever."

We, the members of the American Fraternal Union, should also get ambitious in regard to our present General Membership Campaign. Now is the time to sign up those new juvenile members and strive for those generous awards which are presented to the four lodges enrolling the highest number of members every month. These awards will be paid every month. During the final month, December, three generous awards will be paid to the lodges who have enrolled the highest number of members during the entire campaign.

At this time I would like to especially call the attention of the English-speaking lodges to this campaign. In other membership campaigns it seems that some of them did not do quite as well as the older lodges. Let's remedy that this time. Let's strive to see that the younger members will also be out on top this time. Although the majority of our young men are in the service of their country, there are still enough of us at home to make a good showing in this membership campaign.

Juvenile members mean more adult members. A lodge with a long list of juvenile members means a better future for that lodge. It can be done if each one of us exerts a little effort in enrolling new members.

Remember, four awards given every month of the campaign; three final awards at the end of the campaign and the regular award paid to every member enrolling a new member. With such rewards for our efforts it shouldn't be too hard to get out and do our share.

Let's go, everyone, and do our best to make this the most successful campaign ever held by our Union!

## Thought For The Day

So many gods, so many creeds—  
So many ways that wind and wind  
While just the art of being kind  
Is all the sad world needs.

—Ella W. Wilcox

### WARTIME ROMANCE

What some people won't do to get tires these days! An advertisement in a Carlsbad, N. M. newspaper says: "Wanted—Owner of 1940 Buick would like to correspond with widow who has two good tires. Object matrimony. Address 'Old Bachelor,' and please enclose picture of the tires."

Drunk in a telephone booth: "Number, nuts, I'm waiting to get my peanuts."

can't avoid a hazard if you can't see it. "Victory Over Accidents" means a quicker "Victory Over the outside of the glass. You on the Axis."

## News of Lodge 75

Meadowlands, Pa.—First I want to inform the members of Lodge 75, AFU that at our last meeting we asked the committee for Jugoslav Relief to again become active and collect money, clothes or anything you may have that is useful. This committee is the same as before. They are Tony Tomazin, Frank Ferlich, Joe Marsh and Joe Murn. If you have any thing to contribute get in touch with one of the committee members and they will make arrangements to pick it up.

I would like to let you know who the winners of the Bond awards were. First award: Mrs. Agnes Premro; second award: Frank Skopek; third award: Martin Baje; all of Meadowlands.

Word was recently received that one of our soldier-members, Pfc. Joe Pelan, was wounded in Luzon. He has seen a lot of action in the South Pacific, having been there for 34 months. He also has a sister in the WAC, Mary is stationed at Deshon Hospital at Butler, Pa.

Word was also received that Lieut. Colonel Frank Martincheck of the U. S. M. C. was killed in action in Iwo Jima on Feb. 20th. That makes a total of three Slovene boys from Meadowlands to give their lives. Sgt. Andrew Marsh and Sgt. Leon Frank being the other two.

We want every one to keep May 19th reserved for us. That is the date of our next big dance to be held in Strabane. You'll be hearing more about this dance later.

Joseph Murn, Sec'y,  
Lodge No. 75, AFU,  
Meadowlands, Pa.

## St. Louis, Mo. Singing Societies to Present Concert

St. Louis, Mo.—All Slavs living in St. Louis are hereby invited to attend the beautiful concert to be presented on Sunday, April 15th by the Jugoslav Singing Society "Slovan" in the Czech Hall, 1703 Allen Ave. The concert will be presented in commemoration of the fifth anniversary of the Jugoslav educational club "Jedinstvo" and the net proceeds of this affair are to be used for educational purposes. Ten per cent will go to the radio fund which is for the benefit of all the Slav people. The program will be very good with national as well as modern songs.

The singing societies "Vila," "Vlasta" and "Hlahol" will also participate. There will be plenty of rich entertainment for all.

The program will begin at 3 p. m. sharp! Date: Sunday, April 15th! We'll be seeing you!

Justo Kacic, Sec'y,  
Jugoslav Singing Society  
"Slovan."

**Bedroom Danger** — Did you know that the bedroom is one of the most dangerous rooms in the house for falls, asks the Greater Cleveland Safety Council? Many persons get out of bed in the darkness and slip on loose rugs, fall over open bureau drawers, trip on objects left on the floor. The Council suggests that we have a handy light switch within easy reach of our bed.

## American Fraternal Union Members Serving Our Country



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## Lodge 225 Loses First Soldier-Member

Milwaukee, Wis.—The first member of our Lodge No. 225, AFU to give his life for our country in this war is Pfc. Paul Peternell. He lost his life on Dec. 9, 1944 on the front somewhere in Germany. The deceased was born on June 9, 1922. The entire Peternell family are members of our lodge. He is survived by his parents, Peter and Josephine Peternell; a sister, Mary, and two brothers, Edward and Stanley Peternell who are also serving in the United States armed forces.



Pfc. Paul Peternell

Our lodge has to date, 19 members serving in the armed forces, and as I mentioned before, Pfc. Paul Peternell is the first member to lose his life in this war. We all hope he shall also be the last.

We shall ever remember Brother Paul Peternell, and to his parents, sister and brothers, we extend our deepest sympathy in the name of the lodge.

Pauline Vogrich,  
Lodge No. 225, AFU,  
Milwaukee, Wis.

## Lodge No. 229 AFU Loses Loyal Member

Struthers, Ohio.—On March 6, 1945 we lost a member of our Lodge Cardinals No. 229, AFU. She is Mrs. Theresa Leko. She leaves her husband, one daughter and three sons. The three sons are all serving in the armed forces of the United States. The funeral services were held from the church here on March 10th.

The deceased was at all times a good member of our lodge. May our deceased sister rest in peace in the American soil. To her family we express our sincere sympathy upon their great loss.

## News of AFU Yanks



From somewhere in France we hear from T/Sgt. Edward J. Sajovic. He writes:

"Just a few lines expressing my gratitude for your loyalty in sending me the Nova Doba. Although I have traveled a great many miles your paper has always managed to reach me. I am truly grateful for all the interesting news in the paper and the tid-bits concerning my fellow Slovences in the armed forces and in the states.

"Due to military secrecy I can not state anything about my activities but I can assure you that I have not been idle. We can all look forward to an early victory and lasting peace. May all our brothers and sisters return home safe and sound."

Thank you Sgt. Sajovic. We are glad to hear from you and hope you'll write often.

## Albert Susterich Writes from the Marshall Islands

Kwajalein Atoll—Again your Ely, Minn., correspondent, via the Pacific Ocean, is writing to thank you again and more for the wonderful service done in bringing the Nova Doba to me. It really isn't only the paper that arrives, but with it, when yours truly opens the paper—a rush of memories come back of how, when the paper came at home, I sat in the living room and sprawled out in the easy chair to read. It seems I was almost brought up on the paper and in those days actually hoped that some day I could write and make others feel as happy as some of the moments that I shared in reading it.

The Juvenile Page is back—wonderful—and by all means never let it disappear again. Even we grown-ups get a kick out of the articles and stories in that page set aside for our "younger" ones. Although there are a few bashful ones among the writers, there are a few who have the talent to become great writers.

Along with the good must also come the bad, by that I mean the notices of our departed friends, neighbors and countrymen. Your treatment on this subject does it justice, even though it brings some pain to the ones more directly concerned. When we will again meet with our dearly departed, it will be a much happier and brighter world than this one.

Although late, I would like to extend best wishes to all for this year and the years to come and the continued success of a great organization, our own American Fraternal Union. Respectfully yours,

Albert John Susterich.  
U. S. Navy

And ne'er shall the sons of Columbia be slaves while the earth bears a plant or the sea rolls its waves.

—Robert Treat Paine.

## "THE DAWN IS AHEAD"

By Konstantin Simonov

suddenly looked at her unhappily and said:

"Too bad... too bad."

But he offered no objection. He only looked at her again and said:

"I also asked to be sent, but they refused. They said it was more important that I stay on here to do this." He nodded toward the set in the corner—a building with a sign over the entrance in a foreign language. The studio was making a picture about the resistance movement in one of the occupied countries of Europe.

In her present frame of mind, this picture struck Dusya as being particularly unnecessary.

"Western Europe, indeed!" she thought. "The Germans have taken Kharkov."

With a last reluctant look at the director, Dusya extended a hand that was long and narrow like a board and said goodbye.

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It was a dark and silent night in Belgrade. That very morning the last of the Germans had been shot out of the attics where they had entrenched themselves. The fighting had already moved beyond the Danube and the Sava and now under silence reigned in the city deafened by seven days of battle.

The general in charge of the Rifle Division which had taken the southern section of the city had a passion for music. He loved music to an extent that seemed strange in one of his age and position. As a boy he had been a member of a church choir for several years, and perhaps this accounted for his love of music. It was a difficult time. One alarming report after another came from the front. The electricity was turned on for only a few hours during the night—and not even every night, for all current was needed for the evacuated war plants.

No full-length pictures were made; only shorts with war themes. As yet, no one really knew how to film the war. But it was a war everyone wanted to film, and every picture was full of shooting and running around and getting killed.

In this town there was nothing with which to make such pictures. There were no tanks... they had all left for the front. There were no airplanes, for the same reason. There were no German helmets, uniforms, or weapons, because we had as yet taken very few German prisoners. And finally, there was no fuel, to heat the studio, and in off moments the actors huddled around Dusya's "baby spot" to thaw out their frozen fingers. Almost all the electricians had left for the front.

Early in the morning, Dusya would return to the barracks which had become the studio's bunking headquarters and throw herself on her cot without taking off her boots or the quilted jacket and trousers she wore for work. Closing her eyes, she would think her unhappy thoughts.

More and more frequently, especially as the news from the front more disturbing, Dusya thought that everything she and those around her were doing, was futile and unnecessary; that the only real business was out there at the front where most of her comrades had gone. One day in the spring of 1942 she went to the Red Army Headquarters and signed up.

Many Yugoslav officers and guerrillas came. Members of the War Council of the Army came, and some members from the political department of the front, and two generals from the tank corps, and a couple of correspondents.

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"THAT REMINDS ME - YOU OUGHT TO SHARE YOUR CAR, SMITH!"

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## Central European News Chicago Bowling League News

### U. S. General Pays High Tribute To Jugoslavs

Washington.—It is estimated that the combined efforts of Marshal Tito's army, Russian troops and the Allied airforce have resulted in the retention, in Jugoslavia, of some 200,000 Germans who are urgently needed for the defense of the Reich. These forces hold mainly the northwestern part of the country, where they may conceivably try to maintain a front, BBC said in a Spanish-language broadcast recorded for OWI.

"In the rest of the country the German detachments withdrawing from Greece are still constantly harassed by guerrillas," the broadcast added.

Concerning the activity of Allied airmen over Jugoslavia and the helpfulness of the people, Maj. Gen. Nathan F. Twinning, commander of the 15th American Airforce, recently sent the Jugoslav people the following tribute:

"Fourteen months ago the 15th American Airforce began its operations over Jugoslavia, and since then many American airmen were forced to land on your territory.

"Today instead of being German prisoners they are free fighters, thanks mostly to the friendship and courage of the men and women of Jugoslavia.

"Staking your lives and the security of your families you saved the lives of hundreds of our fliers, giving them food, medical aid and shelter. You crossed kilometer upon kilometer of dangerous terrain, traversed streams and ascended mountains through rain and mud, but you always led our airmen to safety."

"As commander of the 15th American Airforce, and speaking on behalf of the fathers and mothers of my fliers, I express the gratitude of America for these courageous feats. And to you also who buried our dead and sent me their personal belongings, is expressed our deepest gratitude."

General Twinning, according to a TANJUG agency dispatch recorded for OWI by FCC monitors, concluded his tribute to the people of Jugoslavia: "The courage of you patriots who worked under difficult conditions not in the least anxious for your own security, has resulted in our airmen having learned to love you

## "THE DAWN IS AHEAD"

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The night was very dark and very quiet, making the bustle around the entrance to the theater particularly noticeable. Jeeps and other machines drew up at the entrance one after another. The drivers called to each other and noisily slammed the doors of their cars. Tommy-guns walked up and down the sidewalk, dotting the pavement with white circles of light from their flashlight.

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Dusya Zhelyabova, along with the other members of the ensemble, walked about the stage behind the closed curtain, deciding who would stand where, how to place the accordion players and how to move the piano back so as to allow more space for dancing.

Everyone was excited. They were unusually tense tonight because during the fighting of the preceding nights they had not slept, because this was a strange city—and particularly because their best dancer, Sergeant Larikov, had been wounded the day before, and Olya Solomina, the girl who usually sang their lyrics, had been killed.

Dusya had joined the ensemble only three months before, and quite by chance. One evening she had been singing to members of the battalion in which she was a Red Cross instructor. She was singing songs of her native Samara. At that moment the general had driven up and listened to her. He asked her to sing for him. Two days later he ordered that Dusya be included in the ensemble.

Usually she sang her native folksongs, or Volga songs, to the accompaniment of an accordion. But tonight, now that Olya had been killed, she would have to sing for both of them. She was unhappy at the thought of Olya, and nervous as to how she would sing. Hearing the noise of the people gathering in the theater, she went to the curtain and peeked through.

There were many familiar faces out there, but more unfamiliar ones. Three-quarters of the auditorium was filled with the greenish uniforms of the Jugoslav guerrillas. In the front row sat several Jugoslav priests in black cassocks with large crosses on their breasts.

The Red Army men were silent. Their faces showed the exhaustion of the seven-day battle, but they sat patiently awaiting the concert—not speaking, doing nothing to break the silence.

At last the curtains parted. First, two accordionists played "The Moon Is Shining" and a Liszt prelude. Then there was a dance in which almost the entire ensemble took part. At the end of the first half, Dusya was to sing her folksongs, and then the songs that Olya usually sang.

Dusya noticed that the audience was receiving her comrades

with generous applause . . . as though not to hurt anyone's feelings, they kept each performer on the stage as long as possible.

When her turn came, Dusya was perfectly calm. She knew that everything would be all right. She sang a Saratov folksong, then the ditty, "If the Volga Overflows—the Volga, Mother River." She sang gaily, and from the corner of her eye she could see that even the Jugoslav priests sitting in the front row smiled after each number and loudly applauded.

But as the time approached for her to sing Olya Solomina's songs, she became more and more disturbed. The moment came soon enough. The first song began:

*What are you longing for, sailor boy, sailor boy?  
Why is your accordion sighing and sobbing?*

Olya had always sung this song with particular feeling, and suddenly Dusya felt that she could not sing it. In a panic she looked into the audience, and in that moment she realized fully, for the first time, that this was a foreign country, that this was Belgrade, that in this hall three-fourths of the audience were Yugoslavs . . . people who spoke a language which, while resembling hers, was still a foreign tongue.

It was probably that sudden realization which sent her thoughts back to the studio in Central Asia and the face of the director when he said, "It is more important that I stay on here and do this." She remembered the sets of the building, with the foreign sign over the entrance, and the words of the song from that picture—a song that everyone in the studio was singing at the time.

And as unexpectedly for herself as for her friends and everyone in the audience, Dusya took a step forward and, closing her eyes, softly began to sing that song.

*The night over Belgrade is silent  
Its silence replaces the day.  
Remember the nights that were violent,  
The skies in their battle array.*

*Remember the charging, the fleeing,  
The horror that lasted so long,  
Now listen with all of your being,  
For the night is singing its song.*

*Flames of hate our steps have led.  
The hour has come, vengeance is rife.  
Blood for blood and life for life!  
To battle, Slavs! The dawn is ahead!*

She sang the first and second verses, standing there with closed eyes, not looking at the

audience. She sang . . . oblivious of the words, not noticing them.

The American Fraternal Union pays awards for newly-enrolled members in both departments. They are as follows:

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For Plan "D" insured for \$3,000 death benefit, \$12.00 award;  
For Plan "E" and "F" insured for \$ 250 death benefit, \$ 2.00 award;  
For Plan "E" and "F" insured for \$ 500 death benefit, \$ 3.00 award;  
For Plan "E" and "F" insured for \$1,000 death benefit, \$ 6.00 award;  
For Plan "E" and "F" insured for \$1,500 death benefit, \$10.00 award;  
For Plan "E" and "F" insured for \$2,000 death benefit, \$12.00 award;  
For Plan "E" and "F" insured for \$3,000 death benefit, \$18.00 award.

Awards for enrolling new juvenile members:

For Plan "JA" \$1.00 award; for Plan "JB" \$3.00 award; for Plan "JC" for \$500 insurance, \$3.00 award; for Plan "JD" for \$1,000 insurance, \$5.00 award;

For Plan "JD" for \$250 insurance, \$1.50 award; for Plan "JD" for \$500 insurance, \$3.00 award; for Plan "JD" for \$1,000 insurance, \$5.00 award.

All members who enroll new members in the adult or juvenile departments of the American Fraternal Union are entitled to these awards. The awards will be paid when the new members have paid six months dues.

## Cash Awards

The American Fraternal Union pays awards for newly-enrolled members



Gas for Victory Gardens:

Extra gasoline rations for travel necessary to get to victory gardens will be available again this year, OPA announced. Applications are due by March 26th.

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Ceilings Set on Steel Ice Boxes:

The first steel ice boxes made since the start of the war will sell at retail price ceilings ranging from \$37.50 to \$67.50. The OPA announced that ceilings were put on 19 types of non-mechanical refrigerators for which the War Production Board allocated materials.

Production of 75,000 such boxes in the first three months of this year has been authorized, but only a portion of the number will be made of steel. An OPA spokesman said the ceilings are "somewhat higher" than those of pre-war ice boxes but that they are of superior quality.

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OPA May Cut Price on Imported Liquors:

The OPA is considering cutting ceiling prices for some alcoholic beverages to be imported from liberated countries. Putting importers "on notice" to this effect, the agency said a study is being made in anticipation of trade being resumed with these countries as soon as conditions permit. Maximum prices will be set for wines, spirits and fermented malt beverages.

This Week Your Government Asks You:

To answer the urgent call for 10,000 workers in 153 radar plants, now behind schedule. Ninety per cent of the jobs can be handled by women. Apply at your nearest United States Employment Office.

Cancel all plans for pleasure travel. Demands for Pullman cars for movement of military casualties are five times greater than six months ago and mounting rapidly.

Donate magazines, books and games to your local chapter of the Red Cross. They are greatly appreciated by men in veteran's hospitals.

Take advantage of mild days to conserve fuel. Future allotments may be lower.

Donate now to your Red Cross which is "always at his side."

F. J. E.

BACKING YOUR CAR SAFELY

Motorist, here's a safe driving tip from the Greater Cleveland Safety Council that may save someone's life. Always make sure there is no one behind you before you back your car. Watch out for children playing on the sidewalk when you back from driveways. Keep an eye open for pedestrians when backing from alleys. And be doubly careful when leaving a parking space. In backing up, you may catch someone walking between your car and the car behind.

Elias Howe of Spencer, Mass., was the first to get the idea of inventing a machine for sewing cloth. He produced one but he failed to make it sell. Isaac M. Singer, another inventor, made improvements on the first model and was successful in making it sell.



Gunner's Mate Oliver Huntingzinger, 21, comes from Anderson, Indiana. He was aboard a Nazi torpedo escort in the Mediterranean when a Nazi torpedo struck his ship, throwing him a distance of 35 feet. First he was taken to a British field hospital and is now in the Navy Hospital at St. Albans, N.Y. He is buying War Bonds. Are You?



Wounded at Bizerte, S1/c R. D. Stalter, Spring Valley, N.Y., can still smile although one leg is shorter than the other because of a big piece of Nazi shrapnel. Your War Bond purchases make possible the best medical care in the world for our injured heroes.



Gerald Haile is 22 and a S1/c from Los Angeles, California. His ship took a Nazi torpedo in the Atlantic but remained afloat long enough for another to come alongside and take off the wounded like Haile. A carrier in the same convoy was sunk. Now he is recovering from his wounds at the Navy Hospital at St. Albans, L.I. Like most service men he is buying War Bonds.

## OFFICIAL NOTICES

## Uradna naznanila

Suspensions—Suspendacije  
Adult Dept—Odrasli odd.

The following members have been suspended in the Adult Department as of February 1, 1945, and unless reinstated within the period allowed by the By-laws will be expelled without further notice:

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2 Anne M. Royal 46986  
3 Anna Spelich 23051  
9 Mary Maynarich 34468  
21 Pauline V. Okoren 44358  
Frank P. Skrbina, Jr. 35872  
26 Mary E. Hrvatin 47181  
Lillian Lubich 46817  
42 Jake J. Plute 43366  
47 Tony Caparella 46799  
66 Raychel Horwath 46965  
70 Emil Bruckmann 46083  
Rose Helen Dybeck 45938  
Mary Jakubowski 44909  
Helen A. Mikrut 43457  
John Rektor 47354  
Charles Tumpej 37754  
88 Helen Livingston 44747  
Ann Rosalie Beanchi 44394  
109 Rosalind Grahek 47650  
112 Andrew Divyak 36871  
114 Lorraine L. Jackson 43505  
120 Mary Kurke 44241  
122 Mary Lisac 46550  
138 Ermina Bagozzi 45855  
149 Helen Midofar 47318  
192 Albin Bombich 31871  
196 Steven J. Hudak 44531  
Reinstated—Vpostavljeni  
Adult Dept—Orasli odd.

28 Robert E. Bledsoe 45235  
71 Antonija Kness 32329  
Alexander Raines 45932  
Rose Rossa 43753  
108 Frank Kikel 2031  
Rose S. Kikel 47400  
138 Alex Kashurba 41573  
170 John Jurcic 43623  
184 Wesley J. Harju 47309  
190 John A. Chelini 47576  
Died—Umrli  
Adult Dept—Odrasli odd.  
6 Anton Jakopin 34736  
January 8, 1945.  
11 Anna Stanesich 8394  
January 23, 1945.  
15 Marjeta Lustik 13664  
January 7, 1945.  
20 Matt Zadnik 35667  
January 8, 1945.  
20 William Redek 40056  
December 20, 1944.  
36 Anton Kusar 33475  
37 Frank Gabrenja 1204  
January 12, 1945.  
Amalia Golob 36665  
January 12, 1945.  
40 Anna Zurman 9567  
January 13, 1945.  
45 Frank Zeleznik 38250  
January 28, 1945.  
57 George L. Stipetic 46179  
86 Mihail Sajatovich 3051  
January 19, 1945.  
101 Frank Tomisch 24046  
January 8, 1945.  
106 Ivan Lahajnar 6624  
January 25, 1945.  
117 Gertrude Zupan 22324  
January 31, 1945.  
123 Frank Rantascha 34871  
January 6, 1945.  
126 Joe Blatnik 36745  
December 26, 1945.  
132 Edward Cecelic 27966  
December 21, 1944.  
137 Mary Grdina 9374  
January 11, 1945.  
142 Milija Pasich 28299  
January 1, 1945.  
144 Jacob Kauchek 18188  
January 10, 1945.  
149 Anton Cimperman 22539  
December 17, 1943.  
162 George Tost 36766  
December 26, 1944.  
192 Ludwick William Zganjar 36385  
225 Anna Puhek 8316  
January 20, 1945.  
Suspensions—Suspendacije  
Juvenile Branch—Ml. oddelok

The following members have been suspended in the Juvenile Branch as of February 1, 1945, and unless reinstated within the period allowed by the By-laws will be expelled without further notice:

Lodge No. Cert. No.

2 Donald Robertson 20521  
Ernest Robertson 20522  
Russell Robertson 20524  
Frank Robertson 20523  
21 Carl Bauer 19682  
Earl Thomas Canley 23196  
Dolores M. Clark 20537  
George M. Clark 20538  
Patricia Ann Clark 20530  
Geraldine Miklich 27075  
Anna Louise Skrbina 21879  
Agnes Joan Skrbina 24319  
Eileen M. Skrbina 16647  
Frank J. Skrbina 16648  
George Daniel Skrbina 16649  
Philip G. Skrbina 16650  
Rudolph P. Skrbina 16651  
Norma Jean Kress 25524  
Donna Lee Kress 25525  
26 Mildred Atchison 23010  
Robert Atchison 23099  
Thomas E. Atchison 16252  
Arthur Ford 24858  
Stephen Ford 24859  
35 George Torchik 26938  
Catherine Loneske 24643  
James Dunsworth 24233

70 Arthur R. Dybeck	24868	144		1.177.00	196	68.73	170	18.85
Marlene Rose Dybeck	24871	145		37.00	197	57.96	171	3.00
Robert V. Dybeck	24869	147	93.37	116.00	198	77.43	172	3.90
Dorothy Jakubowski	23943	149		76.00	199	82.20	173	14.55
Joseph Jakubowski	23944	150		146.69	200	614.45	175	3.75
Raymond Jakubowski	23945	151	35.47	35.47	203	203.40	176	12.00
77 Lydia Brantner	13782	152		36.00	204	* 50.33	182	12.30
78 Harriet Elizabeth Fitzpatrick	18025	154		9.00	205	66.47	183	4.49
84 Edward P. von Buddenbrock	25667	155		23.00	207	112.84	184	29.11
Albertine J. Cook	25449	156		19.50	209	61.98	186	7.45
Steven Charles Cook	28903	162	188.15	500.00	218	94.62	187	4.65
Shirley J. Colby	25448	164		27.00	221	217.41	188	2.97
John R. Meek	22818	168		91.50	222	144.73	190	72.22
Robert E. Meek	20286	169		15.42	225	267.73	192	2.10
88 Dorothy Mae Johnig	27421	170	153.34	226	42.35	194	4.35	
Sylvia Joyce Johnig	27420	173		54.00	227	73.59	196	20.80
Lawrence A. Lees	23968	174	89.16	229	104.86	197	.45	
114 Kimball John Patterson	23323	179		32.50	230	230.64	198	3.75
Michael L. Patterson	23324	183		6.00	232	54.77	199	9.40
116 Clara May Yereb	26439	184		48.00	233	39.11	200	17.20
Mary Yereb	23972	185	76.39	27.00	237	24.64	203	14.65
118 William A. Perusek	24563	187		9.00			204	1.50
DeWitt Harris	24562	190		144.00		\$33,552.42	205	8.15
129 Bernard Arthur Carlson	22997	192		25.00			207	6.15
Charles D. Carlson	21985	194	63.60				209	1.35
Jerry A. Carlson	21988	196		30.00			218	8.10
Joan E. Miller	22008	197		9.00			221	21.44
Susan L. Miller	22009	198		35.00			222	7.63
132 Andrew E. Bacnik	23555	200		163.00			225	33.35
Vinko Globokar	14735	202	192.94				226	1.95
Dorothy Nedine Lever	21239	203		550.50			227	6.42
133 Louis Hitl	21907	207		14.00			229	11.04
142 Milan Gilmore	12979	209	39.42	46.50			230	20.31
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168 Frances Zupancic	13246	218		30.00			233	7.30
185 Alice Barr	23041	221		41			237	5.10
190 Lois Rolando	22767	225		139.00				
Margaret Scamell	22925	227		184.00				
Harry T. Butori	22221	229		68				
Charles D. Burchell	19821	230		37.00				
196 Grace Cecilia Boberg	25004			71				
Nancy Jean Boberg	22381			101				
Ruth Ann Boberg	27245	1		1,024.59				
Beverly Juanita Bray	23765	3		132.33				
William W. Bray	23765	4		95.56				
Thomas L. Mulvihill	24763	5		132.84				
Gerald R. Bartolomucci	20809	6		580.57				
Geraldine U. Bartolomucci	24727	9		367.46				
Karenne Anna Korach	21439	11		223.59				
Jean Pinazza	24638	13		128.84				
Patricia Pinazza	20301	15		294.08				
225 Jo Ann Baker	25948	16		262.73				
Robert Patrick Baker	25949	18		392.48				
Carroll Forbes	22873	20		350.71				
Ellen Mae Forbes	21767	21		610.48				
Kenneth Gorske	25804	22		132.80				
Robert Gorske	25802	25		594.31				
		26		644.22				
		28		223.35				
Receipts and Disbursements				384.80				
Dohodki in izdatki				792.16				
JANUARY, 1945				1				
Adult Dept—Odrasli oddelok				214.15				
Lodge No.				355.00				
Receipts ments				4				
Disbursements				5				
				3.95				
				17.75				
				16.35				
				9.91				
				30.40				
				8.70				
				16.15				
				53.94				
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				15.32				
				15.35				
				15.72				
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				19.50				
				32				

## Za takojšno pomoč

Člani Glasbene matice v Clevelandu podajo pod pokroviteljstvom SANSove podružnice št. 39 svoj lepo zamišljeni koncert v nedeljo 25. marca v Slovenskem narodnem domu na St. Clair Ave. Pričetek koncerta točno ob 7. uri zvečer, toda vrata dvorane bodo odprta že ob pol šesti uri zvečer, da si občinstvo lahko ogleda lepo število slik iz partizanskega življenja v Sloveniji.

Prihodnja nedelja je—cvetna nedelja; štiri leta, odkar so roparske in pobijajoče čete neu-smiljenega okupatorja oskrumile našo lepo slovensko zemljo on-kraj morja.

To obletnico hočemo Slovenci v Clevelandu zaznamovati v naših čutečih srch s spominom na vse one, ki so dali svoje življenje za svobodo svete slovenske zemlje. Ob tej obletnici se hočemo tudi spomniti vseh onih, ki so ostali pri življenu in ki danes potrebujejo takojšno pomoč.

Člani in članice Glasbene matice nam zapojejo čutečo in lepo slovensko pesem. Spored za ta koncert je mojstersko in sodobno odbran. Kdo izmed nas rad ne sliši v teh težkih in trpečih časih hrepenečo pesem: "Bodi zdrava, domovina," ko bo poslušalem še prisluškova na ušeša odmve večno lepe pesmi: "Gorčez jezero." In potem pesem: "Doberdob," ki joče za mladostnim življenjem naših fantov, a danes ima naša Slovenija skoro za vsako vasjo svoj Doberdob.

Pesnik Cvetko Golar je napisal globoko zamišljeno, v srce segajočo pesem: "Pelin—roža," ki se glasi:

Fantič,  
pelin roža—cvetje grena,  
jojne,  
to na vojski bo veselo!  
Ljubico dobiš okroglo, tenko,  
gromko njen grlo bo grmejo.

Fantič,  
sto zvezd zlatih ti zasije,  
jojne,  
cvetje iz sreca ti vzkljije—  
pesem te razstavlja v mile sanje,  
kjer utihne jok in zdihovanje.

Tudi to pesem bomo slišali na tem koncertu. Nikoli ne pozabite njene melodije.

In še več drugih pesmi je na programu.

Kmalu pridite v dvorano. Tam bodo razstavljene slike iz domovine. Življenje partizanov in osvobodilne fronte. Cez 120 slik. Ranjena slovenska gruda. Slike—žive priče, ki ne lažejo, ampak govorijo o žalostni resnicu, katero hočejo nekateri zakriti.

To bo cvetna nedelja v Slovenskem narodnem domu. Polna spominov. Za njo pride velika noč. Zato bo primoč, da slišimo na to nedeljo preroško pesem našega goriškega slavčka, pesnika Gregorčiča: "Velikonočna." Helen Hrvatin jo bo deklamirala. Kako časovna in sodobna je ta pesem!

Po koncertu bo večerja in protsta zabava.

Vstopnina samo en dolar. Dali ga boste za bogati duševni užitek in za takojšno pomoč trpečim v domovini.

Vsi, ki čutite in ljubite domovo v teh težkih časih, pridite in pripeljite svoje prijatelje v Slovenski narodni dom v nedeljo.

Za publicistski odbor:

Janko N. Rogelj.

## Na Cvetno nedeljo

Dne 25. marca, na Cvetno nedeljo bo štiri leta, odkar je vdrl nasilni in barbarski sovražnik od severa in juga v Jugoslavijo ter pričel obdesedno izvajati svoj načrt iztrebljevanja in usnjevanja ljudstva...

## DOPISI

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okupatorja, gledal, kako mu odvajajo najboljše sinove in najnovejše hčere, ter nadobudno deco... videl je, kako se napaja zemlja slovenska s krvjo mučenikov in mučenic... kako požira ogenj slovenske vasi in trge... domačije pridnih slovenskih kmetičev... kako postaja vsa domovina, od enega konca do drugega, ena sama velika bolečina, en sam krik po osveti, klic po borbi—borbi proti kletemu barbaru, kateremu so se prodali celo ničvredni in strahopetni ter oportunistični domači izdajalci... in kakor biser iz školjke, se je porodila iz narodove velike bolečine borba skozi kakršno slovenski človek še ni šel tekom vse svoje zgodbine... Narodič proglašen za mrtvega, izginolega, docela v tla potepstanega, je naenkrat dvignil svojo golo in okrvavljeni desnicu in je zamahi proti sovražniku s silo in odločnostjo, ki je stokrat močnejšemu in krutemu sovragu zaprla sapo...

"Banditi!" je vpila krvozeljna tolpa od juga in od severa... "Banditi!" so vpili domači garjevi in domačih mejah in v komodnem begunstvu... Ves svet so hoteli prepričati, da je njih sveta dolžnost pobiti "banditi"... te ed mrtvih vstale horce, ki so jih udarili v obraz z golo pestjo... ki so jim trgali orožje iz rok in šli v borbo proti njim, da rešijo domovino, da preprečijo resničen pogin naroča...

"Banditi" ... precej časa je težak zastor zastiral pravo sliko... oni, ki so poslušali in čitali propagando proti "banditom," so ali verjeli in nasedali tej propagandi, ali pa oklevali, počepali neodločno na plotu in čakali kaj gotovega... preden bi se izrekli za borce, ki jih je fašistična svojata, domača in tuja, krstila za bandite, razbojnike, itd...

In res je prišel dan, ko se je zastor pretrgal na dvoje in se je izkazalo, da so imeli od vsega začetka prav vsi oni, ki niso hoteli verjeti vladni gospodki, ki je v begstvu imenito živel od jugoslovanskih žuljev... izkazalo se je, da je bilo "banditstvo" od vsega začetka narodna borba za osvobojenje... borba, katero so kot tako končno priznali tudi veliki zavezniki... mali slovenski narod se je boril na strani zaveznikov, medtem, ko so sovražniki in njihovi izdajalski podrepniki tlačili in zakrivali to borbo, skušajoč jo prikazati v nepravi luči...

To in še marsikaj drugega nam prihaja na misel vpričo bližajoče se Cvetne nedelje. Narod doma se še vedno bori proti temnim silam mračnjaštva na strani mogočnih zaveznikov. Njegove Cvetne nedelje in velikega tedna ne bo konec, dokler ne bo vsa Slovenija osvobojena. Tega se bodo ameriški Slovenci marsikaj spominjali na Cvetno nedeljo.

V Brooklynu, N. Y., na primer, se bo v tamkajšnjem Slovenskem domu na 253 Irving Ave. vršila prireditve z lepim programom. Pričetek je naznjanjen za okrog pete ure popoldne. Vstopnina ne bo nikake.

Končno vabim cenjeno občinstvo na obilno udeležbo te veselice ter za pristop društav v našo centralno Združenega odbora južnih Slovanov!

Joseph Oblak.

Milwaukee, Wis. — Prvi član našega društva Združeni Slovani, št. 225 ABZ, ki je dal življeno, to je 25. marca. Začetek je določen za 7. uro zvečer, toda vrata bodo odprta že ob pol šestih, da si bodo gostje lahko ogledali zelo zanimive fotografije iz osvobodilnih bojev v Sloveniji in Jugoslaviji. Ves čističnički prireditve je namenjen za takojšno pomoč rojakom v starem kraju, ki delajo čast slovenskemu in slovenskemu imenu po vsem svetu...

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ga odbora južnih Slovanov v Chicagu in okolici sklenila, da povabi vsa društva in klube v sodelovanje za pomoč ljudem v starem kraju. Vstopnina je samo tri dollarje na leto za vsako društvo ali klub, bodisi katerega koli porekla v okvirju južnih Slovanov, od Carigrada do Tri-glava, ki se nahajajo izven sedaj nesrečne stare domovine.

Vsako društvo ali klub, ki plača to vstopnino, postane član te centralne organizacije in ima pravico izvoliti dva zastopnika, ki bosta imela enake pravice na seji centralne organizacije, na kateri bo izvoljen nov odbor izmed vseh zastopnikov društev in klubov. V to svrhu so razposlana pisma na vsa društva in klube iz urada centrale, katera naj bla-govolijo tajniki prečitati na me-sičnih sejih. Jaz tem potom še osebno toplo priporočam, da odbori društev in klubov poskrbe, da bo članstvo pojasnjeno, za kaj se v resnici gre. Sedaj je res prav čas, da pomagamo svojem v starci domovini, ne le gmotno, pač pa tudi v političnem oziru, da bodo dobili resnično svobodo po strahotah te vojne.

Prva seja teh zastopnikov se bo vršila dne 12. aprila 1945, v Sokolskem domu, 1903 S. Racine Ave. Ob pol osmih uri zvečer. Vabljeni sta vsi zastopniki in zastopnice, da se te seje točno udeležite.

Naša podružnica št. 60 SANS zadnje čase ni bila posebno aktívna z nabiranjem oblike za starci domovini, ne le zanemiriva akcija v sodelovanju z nabiranjem oblike za starci domovini, tem, da so priredile "tambulito," katera je prinesla \$238. Poleg tega se je že nabralo toliko, da je skupno okrog \$500. Za to uspehe zaslужijo naša članice javno pohvalo.

Podružnica št. 8 JPO, SS, s sodelovanjem petih podružnic SANSA, bo priredila dne 29. aprila 1945 veliko zabavo v American Bohemian dvorani na 1438 W. 18th St. Prične se ob treh popoldne. Predstavljena bo igra "Mati," katera je spisal starokraski slovenski pesnik Mile Klopčič. Nadalje bodo nastopili pevski zbori in predvajane bodo godbene ter "vodvilske" točke. Poleg tega bo tudi par govornikov, eden izmed teh iz starega kraja, ki je videl tamkajšnje razmere na lastne oči. Nadalje je odbor določil dva dobitka, ki bosta oddana na veselici. Prvi je namizni prti, vreden \$75, drugi vojni bond za \$25. Vstopnina z vojnim davkom vred bo 60 centov.

Po programu bo ples pod vodstvom najboljše godbe v Chicago. Za dobro postrežbo jamči odgovorni.

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Meadowlands, Pa. — Člane društva št. 75 ABZ obveščam, da smo na zadnji seji naprosili naš odbor za jugoslovanski relief, da spet prične s kolektanjem denarnih prispevkov, oblike in drugih p o r a b n i h predmetov.

Člani tega odbora so isti kot so bili prej, namreč: Tony Tomazin, Frank Ferlich, Joe Marsh in Joe Murn. Kdor ima kaj za prispevati, naj stopi v stik z enim članom omenjenega odbora, pa bo poskrbljeno za prevzem.

Pri nedavni tekmi za bonde so

štva izraženo globoko sožalje! — Za društvo št. 225 ABZ:

Pauline Vogrich, tajnica.

Waukegan-North Chicago, Ill. — Lokalni organizaciji JPO, SS in SANS v naši dualni naselbini sta naprosili dramski odbrek klubu št. 1 JSZ v Chicagu, da pride gostovat k nam in da vprizori na odru našega Doma drama "Norrec." Dotična drama je bila s prav dobrim uspehom vprizorjena v Chicagu mesec decembra lanskoga leta in v Milwaukee v februarju letos. Pisalo se je o igri dosti, zato je na tem mestu ne bomo ponovno opisovali. Vsi oni, ki so igro videli, pravijo, da je jako zanimiva.

Poročano je, da je bil eden naš članov-vojakov ranjen na filipinskem otoku Luzonu. On je v službi že 34 mesecov in je še skozi mnoge boje na Južnem Pacifiku. Njegova sestra Mary je pri WAC in je nameščena v bolnišnici Deshen v Butlerju, Pa.

Izvedeli smo dalje, da je bil ubit v akciji na otoku Iwo Jima

dne 20. februarja podpolkovnik Frank Martincheck. To je že tretji slovenski fant iz Meadowlandsa.

bile nagrade razdeljene sledče: sem dne 15. marca opazoval izpred Ville Schoolastic, ki stoje kake tri in pol milje oddaljeno od Dulutha, ob jezeru Superior. Zdi se, da se posledi oglaša vojnih zločinov. Navzočih je bilo samo sedem obtožencev, ostali so v severni Italiji ali drugod na varnem in so bili obsojeni v odstotnosti. Eden teh je bil general Mario Roatta, kateri je nedavno pobegnil iz kaznilniške bolnišnice; obsojen je bil na dobrotno ječ. Fulvio Suvich, bivši italijanski poslanec z Zedinjenimi državami, ki je bil navzoč, je bil obsojen na 24 let ječ. Drugim je bilo prisojeno od 12 do 24 let ječ. Na smrt obsojen je bil samo Filippo Anfuso, bivši Mussolinijev poslanec v Berlinu, ki pa je za enkrat še na varnem v severni Italiji.

Matija Pogorelc.

St. Louis, Mo. — Tem potom so vabljeni vsi v St. Louisu bivajoči Slovani na poset bogatega koncerta, ki ga priredi v nedeljo 15. aprila jugoslovanski pevski zbor "Slovan" v Češkem narodnem domu, 1703 Allen Ave.

Koncert bo prirejen v proslavo petletnice jugoslovanskega pravnega kluba "Jedinstvo" in čističnički prireditve je naznenjen v prosvetne svrhe. Deset odstotkov gre v fond za radio, ki nepristransko služi koristim slovenskega ljudstva. Program bo zaseden kot modernih pesmi. Go-stovali bodo tudi pevski zbori "Vila," "Vlasta" in "Hlahol." Duševnega užitka bo za vse. Začetek točno ob 3. uri popoldne. Datum: nedelja 15. aprila! Na svidenje! Za Jugoslovanski pevski zbor "Slovan":

Joseph Murn, tajnik.

Struthers, O. — Dne 6. marca 1945 je tukaj umrla rojakinja Terezija Leko, članica društva Cardinals, št. 229 ABZ. Pokojnica zapušča žalujočega soprogoga, eno hčer in tri sine, ki so vsi v vojni službi Zedinjenih držav. Pokojnica je bila ves čas dobra članica našega društva. Pogreb se je vršil 10. marca po cerkevni obredih. Naj bo pokojni sestri lahka ameriška zemlja, žalujočim ostalim pa naj bo izraženo iskreno sožalje! — Za društvo št. 225 ABZ:

Jennie Millosin, tajnica.

Duluth, Minn. — Pred nekaj tedni je sobrat urednik pohvalil snežno belino našega minnesotskega snega. Ako bi bil zdaj tu, bi lahko videl že zeleneč travice ter slišal prve ptice pevke, pa tudi optimistično kavkanje vran, ki se veselijo pomlad. Vse to

## OBSODBA ZLOČINCEV

Pred posebnim sodiščem v Rijmu je bilo 12. marca obsojenih na razne kazni 15 fašističnih vojnih zločinov. Navzočih je bilo samo sedem obtožencev, ostali so v severni Italiji ali drugod na varnem in so bili obsojeni v odstotnosti. Eden teh je bil general Mario Roatta, kateri je nedavno pobegnil iz kaznilniške bolnišnice; obsojen je bil na dobrotno ječ. Fulvio Suvich, bivši italijanski poslanec z Zedinjenimi državami, ki je bil navzoč, je bil obsojen na 24 let ječ. Drugim je bilo prisojeno od 12 do 24 let ječ. Na smrt obsojen je bil samo Filippo Anfuso, bivši Mussolinijev poslanec v Berlinu, ki pa je za enkrat še na varnem v severni Italiji.

## BOJ DO CONKA

Po novejših poročilih iz Nemčije se Hitler spet osebno pojavi na raznih frontah in vzpodbuja svoje vojaštvo k boju do zadnjega moža. Istočasno poziva civilno prebivalstvo k vztrajjanju. Hitler je bil v začetku skoraj vse z odteklega julija, ko se je atentat nanj posredrečil. Glede zopetnega Hitlerjevega pojava na pozornici se marsikaj ugiba. Nekateri ugebajo, da je moral nemškega vojaštva in civilnega prebivalstva tako nizko padla, da jo upajo nacisti dvigniti s a m o z osebnimi apeli Hitlerja. Drugi pa sodijo, da so vodilni nacisti prišli do prepričanja, da Nemčije ne more rešiti nihče več, to da hočejo, da se proti neizogibnemu porazu izpostavljajo s a m Hitler in s tem prevzame v so odgovornost zanj.

## VESTI iz bojnega polja in o splošnih dogodkih širom sveta, lahko dnevno čitate v

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