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Na temelju točke VI čl. Ustave in pravil ter soglasno Ameriske bratske zveze se s tem 17. aprila 1944, ob 9:30 do poldne v Rock Springs, država Wyoming. (Dvorana, v kateri bo konvencija vršila, bo naznanjena pozneje.)

PRAVICA DO ZASTOPSTVA

Točka 33. Vsako društvo, ki šteje od 75 do 150 članov v odršlem oddelku, ima pravico poslati na konvencijo enega delegata. Društva, ki štejejo 151 ali več članov v odršlem oddelku, imajo pravico poslati dva delegata, nobeno društvo pa ni pravljeno do več kot dveh delegatov. Društva, ki imajo manj kot 75 članov, volijo delegata zaenoma z drugimi sličnimi društvi. Vrednote v satelitskih društvenih skupinah, ki so si najbljžja, vrednote v takozvanem nemškem Blitztempatu.

Točka 34. Delegate se voli na podlagi števila dobrostoječih članov z dnem 1. aprila v letu konvencije.

Točka 36. Volitve delegatov za redno konvencijo se vršijo maja in junija v letu konvencije. Ako se vrši volitve delegatov pri redni seji meseca maja, tedaj ni treba članov o tem obvezati, aki pa društvo pri redni seji meseca maja da se bo vršila volitve delegatov prihodnjem mesecu, tedaj volitve društveni tajnik ta sklep priobčiti v uradnem glasilu, ali pisemno. Za delegate zamorejo kandidirati samo tisti člani, ki je bil nujno pozvan k bolniku.

Točka 37. Ako je društvo sklenilo voliti delegate pri izredni seji, tedaj mora društveni tajnik povabiti k izredni seji maja in junija v uradnem glasilu.

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PRIPRAVE NEMCEV ZA PRIMER PORAZA

Zdaj, ko se je pokazala rdeča armada na rumunskih tleh, in je vsled tega poraz Nemčije postal le še vprašanje časa, so začeli nacisti izvajati gigantične operacije na gospodarskem polju, katerih smoter je, da si ohranijo po porazu čim več napljenjega imetja.

Najbolj znamenite in prebrisane nemške glave so se lotile tega posla, pri katerem velja pred vsem likvidirati čim prej in pod najugodnejšimi pogoji vse nemške vrednote v satelitskih deželah. Vse to se tudi vrši v takozvanem nemškem Blitztempatu.

Kako so si nemški zavojevalci prisvojili ta imetja je vseeno. Del so jih zasegili, del pa pokušali z denarjem zasedenih dežel, ki so morale potem te zneske plačati zopet nazaj kot "stroške okupacije." Za vsakega teh slučajev Nemci dobrovedo, da bodo kmalu zgubili vso vrednost, v vseh ne-nemških deželah kar na kratko, brez odloge, čim propadejo.

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AMERIKANIZEM V PRAKSI

Vsi, ki smo se priseliš v to deželo iz inozemstva in smo postali njeni državljanji, smo postali to prostovoljno in na našo lastno željo. Nihče nam ni silil ameriškega državljanstva; zaprosili smo zanj sami. In veseli smo bili, da smo postali enakopravni državljanji najmočnejše in najsvobodnejše dežele na svetu, ter imamo še vedno tisoč razlogov, da smo tega veseli.

Ko je bila naša republika napadena po zahrbtnih Japoncih in ko sta nam istočasno napovedali vojno Nemčija in Italija, smo se čutili prav tako prizadete kot takozvani stari Američani. Nikakega dvoma ni bilo na naši strani, nikakega oklevanja od naše strani. Amerika je bila napadena in mi smo bili pripravljeni, da od naše strani storimo vse, kar je v naših močeh in prilikah, za potrebe naših sovražnikov. Sovražniki Zedinjenih držav so raz njenih sovražnikov. Sovražniki Amerike, so naši prijatelji, brez ozira kdo so. Tisti, ki se bore proti sovražnikom Amerike, so naši prijatelji, brez ozira kdo so. Tako razumemo mi prisego zvestobe naši republiki.

Ni treba, da bi se hvalili, koliko naših tu rojenih slovenskih fantov in dejki se je prostovoljno vpisalo v vojne sile Zedinjenih držav. Ni treba poudarjati, koliko resico naših mladih ljudi je danes v vojaški službi naše republike in koliko izmed njih je doprineslo že najvišjo žrtev za našo adoptirano domovino, koliko naših ljudi dela v važnih vojnih industrijskih, koliko so naši ljudje investirali v vojne bunde, koliko so prispevali za razne odpomožne organizacije, ki so v zvezi z vojnimi napori, kako lojalno so naši ljudje sprejeli vse vojne omejitve in regulacije. Poudarjati to bi bilo odveč, kajti mi se zavedamo, da smo storili samo svojo dolžnost kot ameriški državljanji.

Ne bo pa odveč, če našo javnost opozorimo na zakrinkano in plačano Hitlerjevo propagando, ki se skuša iz gotovih virov prihujenje splaziti tudi med naše ljudi. Kaj si moremo misliti o ljudeh, ki zagovarjajo sodelovanje s Hitlerjem in njegovimi kvizlingi, in pridigajo sončno vratstvo do tistih, ki se ob strani Američanov, Angležev in Rusov borijo proti Hitlerju in njegovemu peklenškemu redu?

V tej vojni je mogoče samo dvoje. Ali zmagajo Amerika, Anglija in Rusija, ali pa zmagata Nemčija in Japonska. V prvem primeru si bomo v Ameriki ohranili našo svobodo in bomo priborili svobodo zasluženim ljudstvom, med njimi tudi Slovencem in Jugoslovanom; v drugem primeru pa bo tema nacifašizma objela vse svet. Ako bi se to slednje zgodilo, bi pomenilo konec naše svobode in bi pomenilo brezpogojno smrt za vse male evropske narode, prav posebno pa za Slovence. Kdo so tisti, ki so v tej vojni na naši strani? Brez vsakega oklevanja lahko trdim, da tisti, ki se borijo ob strani Amerike, Anglije in Rusije, tisti, ki se borijo proti Hitlerju ter njegovim kvizlingom ter javnim ali prikritim pomagačem. Ali si moremo predstavljati, da so naši prijatelji, da so prijatelji Amerike tisti, ki imenujejo zavezništvo Amerike, Rusije in Anglije zvezo "komunistov in anglosaških plutokratov"? Kdor se s Hitlerjevimi kvizlingi druži in jim dela stafazo, ni vreden zagovora, niti s človeškega, niti z ameriškega, niti s slovenskega in slovenskega stališča.

Ponekod so značaji, ki se upajo upreti Hitlerjevinem zahtevam tudi v okupiranih deželah. Dne 1. aprila smo čitali v listu New York Times poročilo Poljske telegrafne agencije, da so katoliški škofje treh velikih poljskih okrožij: Kielci, Czestochowski in Sandomierski, odklonili Hitlerjevo zahtevo, da s pastirskimi listi napadejo Ruse. Žal, da ni povsed v Evropi take korake.

Iz izjav našega državnega tajnika Hullia in britiškega ministrskega predsednika Churchilla vemo, da je Jugoslovanska ljudska osvobodilna armada v veliko pomoč zaveznikom, ker zadržuje in izkravljiva 14 nemških divizij. Državnik, ki sta Hull in Churchill pač ne govorita kar t v en dan. Splošno znano in priznano je tudi dejstvo, da imajo Amerika, Rusija in Anglija svoje vojaške misije pri vodstvu Jugoslovanske ljudske osvobodilne armade, da se napadalni oddelki ameriških in britiških vojakov borijo skupno z jugoslovanskimi partizani za posest in kontrolo raznih otokov v Jadranškem morju ter da ameriški in britiški letalci pomagajo partizanom v bojih z Nemci v Jugoslaviji. Na kratko rečeno, jugoslovanski partizani in zaveznički so prijatelji in sobojevniki in se skupno borijo proti skupnemu sovražniku Nemcu. Ako smo svobodo ljubeči ljudje, ako smo Američani in ako smo Slovenci, moramo logično biti na tisti strani,

kjer so Američani ter njihovi zaveznički in prijatelji. Kdor pa hoče nositi pečat kvizlinga, naj zagovarja Hitlerjeve priveske.

Amerika se bori za poraz nacifašizma, za našo svobodo in za osvoboditev zasluženih narodov. V vojnih silah naše republike je tudi tisoče slovenskih fantov in mladih mož. Čim prej bo sovražnik porazen, tem več teh mladih fantov in mož se bo vrnilo zdravih in nepoškodovanih na svoje domove. Vsako sodelovanje s Hitlerjem in njegovimi kvizlingi, naj se vrši kjer koli, pomeni več žrtev za ameriško vojno silo in logično tudi za Slovence, ki služijo v ameriških edinicah. Vsak Nemec, ki ga ubije krogla ruskega vojaka, grškega gerilca ali jugoslovanskega partizana, pomeni enega Nemca manj v boju proti Američanom. To so dejstva, ki jih ne more prikriti vsa hinavsko našemljena Hitlerjeva propaganda.

POZIV NA 17. REDNO KONVENCIJO A. B. Z. IN VOLITEV DELEGATOV IN NAMESTNIKOV

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

Jel največ glasov za izvoljenim delegatom. Ako društvo, združeno z drugim društvom ali z drugimi društvami v svrhu volitve skupnega delegata, ne prijavi glavnemu uradu kandidata do 5. junija, se smatra, da nima kandidata, in ako do 5. julija ne sporoči glavnemu uradu rezultat volitve za delegata, se smatra, da se ni udeležilo volitve.

Točka 45. Rezultat glasovanja za delegata od društev, ki so bila v to svrhu združena, se mora nemudoma sporočiti glavnemu tajniku, da istega objavi v uradnem glasilu.

Točka 46. Poverilnice delegatov, ki so bili izvoljeni, da zastopajo dve ali več društev, izstavi glavni tajnik, in pošlje iste v podpisu potrdilo onemu društvu, katerega član je izvoljeni delegat.

Točka 50. V slučaju, da bi bilo kakemu delegatu radi važnih vzrokov nemogoče iti na konvencijo, ga zastopa njegov namestnik.

Seznam društev, ki so bila združena v svrhu volitve skupnega delegata, bo priobčen v prihodnji izdaji Nove Dobe.

Registracija delegatov in delegatinj se bo pričela v konvenčni dvorani ob 8. uri pred otvoritvijo konvencije.

Društveni uradniki, posebno predsedniki in predsednice, se naprošeni, da predstopevno navodilo natančno in večkrat prečitajo in da se po njem ravnajo.

Ely, Minnesota, 6. aprila 1944.

ANTON ZBASNIK,

JANKO N. ROGELJ,

glavni predsednik.

VSAK PO SVOJE

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

terih vojna prosperiteta ni obližnila. Eksemplarjev, ki se današ še dobijo po pet ali šest centov, bi nekoč ne bili kadilni niti pogrebec na Kurentovem pogrebu.

Postave so čudovita komodita. Včasih se strinjam z nimi stoprocentno, včasih samo deloma, včasih pa prav nič. Isto velja glede pravil. Ampak postave in pravila so tam in se niti malo ne zmenijo za naša srčna čutila.

Z nastopom gorkega vremena bodo ženske spet začele nositi kožuhovino, za odganjanje vročine, seveda. Kožuhovaste vratnice in kožuh bodo nominelno pripadali najrazličnejšim zverinam. V resnicu pa bodo izdelani iz zajčjih, ovčjih in kozjih kož. Iz zajčjih kož izdelujejo krzinarski umetniki 86 različnih vrst krzna, med njimi tudi francosko soboljevino. Ovčje kože dajo 58 vrst krzna, med njimi tudi islandsko lisico. Kozje kože pa dajo krzno kitajskega medveda in še ducat drugih vrst krzna. Ej, ko bi ženski kožuh znali goroviti!

Bolezni in poskusna zdravljenja istih preiskušajo znanstveniki na podganah in morskih prašičkih. Davke pa preiskušajo naši postavodajalci kar na ljudeh.

V južni Californiji so bile nedavno velike poplave. Pa je farmer John privesl s čolnom pogledat kaj počne njegov sosed Bill. Dobil ga je sedežega na hišni strehi. Pa mu pravi: "Bill, vso perutnino ti je odnesla poplava." "Da," odvrne nagovorjeni, "toda race znajo plavati." "Oranžna drevesa so tudi uničena," nadaljuje sosed. "Vem," odvrne Bill, "pa saj je itak vsak preroval, da bo letos slab pridelek." Sosed se natomalo popelje okoli, nakar zakliče Billu, sedečemu na strehi: "Voda sega že preko sobnih oken." "To je all right," odvrne Bill, "tista okna je bilo že itak treba umiti." — Blažena Californija, kjer žive taki optimisti.

Zenski velikonočni klobuki so slike šestih sinov Ivana Zupana, urednika glasila, kot lastavice, ki naznajajo po-

ki služijo v vojnih silah Zedenjih držav.

Stiridesetletnico ustanovite je tudi pretekli teden proslavila Slovenska narodna podpora jednotna, s sedežem v Chicagu, ki je bila ustanovljena v aprilu 1940. Njeno glasilo "Prospective" je dne 5. aprila izšla s prilogom štirih strani na boljšem papirju, s slikami ter statističnimi in zgodovinskimi podatki organizacije.

Uredniški štab Nove Dobe, glasila Ameriske bratske zveze, čestita gori omenjenima bratskim organizacijama k 50-letnemu, odnosno 40-letnemu jubileju bratskega udejstvovanja med ameriškimi Slovenci ter jima želi: še mnogo uspešnih let in desetletij.

PRIPRAVE NEMCEV ZA PRIMER PORAZA

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

Isto se vrši tudi že na Madžarskem; tam pokažejo uradne nemške številke, da je šlo za ogromne vsote, ki dosegajo približno 230,000,000 pengov. Približno 200 teh milijonov je kritih z obligacijami, katere mora nemška publika oddati. Vs. Nemci, ki imajo madžarske vrednostne papirje v svoji posesti, jih morajo naznani. Nemški privatniki, ki so imeli več zavpanja v madžarske vrednote, kot v nemške papirje, morajo zdaj prijaviti svojo posest Reichsbanki, in dobre kot protivrednost v zameno nemške marke. Reichsbanka je tudi predala vse te in druge madžarske vrednote nemški vladni, ki z njimi nakupuje vrednote na Madžarskem in jih pošilja v Nemčijo.

Oktobra 30 milijonov pengov je bilo določenih takozvani repatriacijski industrijski opreme. Tu ne more biti nobenega dvoma o tem, zakaj je šlo; vse mešane nemško-madžarske družbe so bile razpušcene v nemški del in metja je bil poslan v Nemčijo. Tudi to je šlo pod pokroviteljstvom nemške vlade, toda izvedeno je bilo od zasebnikov Nemški industrijski so se po služevali svojih velikih bank, kose skrbele za to, da se bil nemški del industrijskega imetja prenešen v Nemčijo.

Na Slovaškem je Nemčija načlenen način "razbremenila" imetja za približno 350 milijonov krov. Tudi tu so Nemci z vso svojo znano natančnostjo skrbeli za to, da čehoslovaški državi ne bo prišlo v roke nemško imetje, katero bi mogla zapleniti.

Celo iz Bolgarske prihaja poročila o sličnem postopanju. Kar pa se tiče Zahodne Evrope je tudi že postal jasno, da se Nemci tudi tam že pripravljajo na likvidacijo svojega imetja in investicij v industriji.

Združeni narodi so slovensko izjavili, da ne bodo pripoznali nobenih sprememb imetja, ki so bile izvedene na evropskih tleh pod nemškim pritiskom. Svarilo pred nakupom nemškega imetja, ker Nemci nimajo pravice do te lastnine in je radi tega tudi ne morejo pravomočno prodati.

Toda stvar, ki se vrši pred našimi očmi zdaj, je mnogo bolj zapletena. Povsem očividno likvidirajo Nemci prostovoljno vse svoje inozemske investicije. Dozideni narodi so slovensko izjavili, da ne bodo pripoznali nobenih sprememb imetja, ki so bile izvedene na evropskih tleh pod nemškim pritiskom. Svarilo pred nakupom nemškega imetja, ker Nemci nimajo pravice do te lastnine in je radi tega tudi ne morejo pravomočno prodati.

Potrebno bi bilo, da izdajo Združeni narodi novo deklaracijo, in sicer tako preurejeno, da bo bolje odgovarjala sedanjim zahtevam položaja, in izboljšani nemški tekniki. Jasno je, da je v interesu vseh, da se Nemcem ne izognetajo te begunce iz njihovih naselj ter jih s trku in transportnimi vlakji odpremljajo v druga nemška naselja. Dolge kolone avtomobilov jih vozijo do zbiralnih kampov, po slabih potih, polnih blata in snegu. Toda nihče, ki ima nemško krije v svojih žilah, ne mara ostati med partizani. Ti parti-

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Call for the 17th Regular Convention of AFU and Election of Delegates and Alternates Thereto

Pursuant to the provisions of Article VI of the Articles of Incorporation of the American Fraternal Union and in accordance with Section 8, 12 and 36 of its Constitution and By-laws, notice is hereby given by the undersigned Supreme President and Supreme Secretary, that the 17th Regular Convention of the American Fraternal Union will meet in the City of Rock Springs, State of Wyoming, on the 17th day of August, 1944, at 9:30 A. M., local time, at a place to be designated and announced later.

RIGHTS OF REPRESENTATION

Section 33. Each Subordinate Lodge having from seventy-five to one hundred and fifty members in the adult department shall be entitled to one delegate. Lodges having a membership of one hundred and fifty-one or more members in the adult department shall be entitled to two delegates and no lodge shall be entitled to more than two delegates. Lodges having less than seventy-five members shall merge with other lodges for the purpose of electing a delegate. The Executive Committee of this Union shall determine which lodges shall be merged for that purpose. In connection therewith the lodges closest to each other shall be united.

Section 34. The number of members in good standing as of the 1st day of April of the Convention year shall be indicative of the number of delegates such lodge may send.

Section 36. The election of delegates for a regular Convention shall be held in the months of May and June of the Convention year. In case the election of delegates is held at the regular meeting, held in the month of May, no notice thereof is required to be given to the members. If, however, the lodge, at its regular monthly meeting in May decides to hold the election of delegates the following month, then the Secretary of such lodge shall publish such decision in the official organ, or notify each member by mail. Only such members may be candidates for delegate as are personally present at the meeting; exceptions may be made only for members who are physicians and who were urgently called to attend a patient.

Sec. 37. In case the lodge decides to elect delegates at a special meeting the Secretary of the lodge shall mail such announcement to all the members thereof and in addition thereto shall publish the same in the official organ.

Section 38. Delegates shall be elected by public nomination and secret ballot. Each delegate shall be voted upon separately and the absolute majority of the votes cast is necessary to elect. In case there are three or more candidates and none of them receives on the first ballot a majority of the votes cast, then the two receiving the highest number of votes on the first ballot shall again be voted upon. The candidate who on such ballot receives a majority of the votes cast shall be re-elected. When at such repeated ballot the two candidates receive an equal number of votes then, the balloting shall be continued until one candidate receives the required majority of the votes cast. The substitutes to the delegates shall be elected in like manner.

Section 39. Each member of the adult department and in good standing, including the candidates and President of the lodge, shall have the right to vote for delegates.

Section 40. The Recording Secretary of the lodge shall record in the minutes of the meeting the number of members present at the meeting, the names of the properly nominated candidates for delegates and their substitutes as well as the results of the election.

Section 41. At the same meeting at which the delegate was properly elected he shall be issued credentials bearing the official seal and signed by the President, Secretary and Treasurer of the lodge. A copy of such credentials executed in like manner shall be forthwith mailed to the Supreme Office.

Section 42. All complaints concerning the election of delegates and their substitutes shall be adjudicated by the Supreme Judiciary Committee and all such complaints must be mailed to the President of the Supreme Judiciary Committee not later than fourteen days after the elections. From the decision of the Supreme Judiciary Committee an appeal may be made to the Convention. However, in case the Convention approves the action of the Supreme Judiciary Committee the complaint shall bear all transportation costs to and from the Convention.

Section 43. To qualify for the office of delegate to a regular or special convention, a candidate must be a member in good standing, insured in the death benefit fund, sickness and indemnity fund and the welfare fund, who is a citizen of the United States, is at least 21 years old, able to read and write, who has been a member of the Union at least one year and a member of a subordinate lodge at least six months and who has attended six meetings of the lodge immediately preceding the election of the delegate, except if he shall have been prevented to attend such meeting or meetings by reason of work or sickness in his family. A member who, within five years prior to the election, was convicted of a felony by the supreme judiciary committee, a state court or a federal court cannot qualify for the office of delegate.

Section 44. All such lodges as shall have been merged for the purpose of electing a joint delegate, must first choose their delegates. Candidates shall be elected at the meeting in the month of May. The member receiving a majority of the votes shall be considered elected as candidate. In the event that there are two candidates only, and that both have received the same number of votes, the balloting shall continue until one of them shall have received a majority of the votes cast. In case there are three or more candidates, and that on the first ballot

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News of Lodge No. 170, AFU

Chicago, Ill. — Winter is saying its farewell although very begrudgingly. However, the winter out our way wasn't too cold but we are all awaiting its departure and the arrival of spring. Among the first signs of spring are dandelions. Although they are still very little, the people are already starting to gather them. A good thing about this is that when you go out for dandelions you don't have to carry a ration book along. Nature knows nothing about ration points. In this way we have, without points, the sun, air, rain, water and now dandelions.

Our American Fraternal Union also started to use points. This shows that we have become very Americanized. The supreme officers and certain prospective delegates are already diligently at work for points which will assure them of an honor badge at the convention. I hope that the delegates will attend the convention well-armed with points.

The members of Lodge No. 170, AFU are hereby reminded that they too should look around for new members. The adult and the juvenile departments could use some new members and prospective delegates of our lodge will need these points. Above all everyone needs insurance protection. Therefore, brothers and sisters, let's go after those new members!

Our next meeting will be held Wednesday, April 19th at the home of Mary Golenko, 2246 Blue Island Ave. at 8 p. m. promptly. This year is AFU convention year and it is necessary that members attend in large numbers all the meetings preceding the convention so we can discuss any improvements needed in our by-laws. By doing so we will decrease the convention expenses. When our members in the service will return from the battle fronts, perhaps one or another will request some special help from our Union. We who are at home must see to it that there will be some money on hand when it will be needed.

In conclusion I again wish to remind our members that they should attend our next meeting on April 19th in as large a number as possible. The more members attending the meeting, the greater majority that will be satisfied with our work. Regards to all.

Agnes Jurecic, Sec'y Lodge No. 170, AFU Chicago, Ill.

Briefs

The Slovene National Benefit Society (SNPJ) this month celebrates its 40th year in the fraternal field. Another well-known Slovene fraternal benefit organization, the Grand Carniolian Slovenian Catholic Union (KSKJ), celebrates its golden jubilee, 50th birthday, also this month. The Nova Doba congratulates these organizations upon their long years of activity on the fraternal front.

Bill: Darling, I'm not rich like Vanderbilt, I haven't got a car and fine house and servants, but I love you.

Jill: And I love you too honey, but where is this Van-

dertbilt?

American Fraternal Union Members Serving Our Country



AFU Member, Pvt. Robert Starc Killed In Action



Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Starc, 1096 Norwood Rd., Cleveland, O., received word that their son, Pvt. Robert J. Starc, 20, was killed in action in Italy on Jan. 29, 1944. He was born in Elcor, Minn. Pvt. Starc entered the service on Mar. 17, 1943 and was sent overseas in August, 1943. He attended St. Vitus School, East Tech and John Hay high schools. Besides his parents he is survived by a brother, Pvt. Joseph, who is now on his way overseas.

Pvt. Starc was a member of Lodge No. 37, AFU. His mother, Mrs. Mary Starc, is the daughter of the well-known Karish family of Biwabik, Minn.

"Although no sculptured marble should rise to their memory, nor engraved stone bear record of their deeds, yet will their remembrance be as lasting as the land they honored!"

Lodge No. 112, AFU Changes Time of Lodge Meetings

Kitzville, Minn. — All members of Lodge No. 112, AFU are urged to attend the next meeting on April 16, 1944 at 7 p. m. and not at 10 a. m. in the morning as usual. Our meeting for the summer months will be held in the evening. We would like all members to be present at this meeting because there are many important matters to be discussed.

To all our brothers and sisters in the Army and Navy we say: May God bless them wherever they may be and may they be back with us as soon as possible. Fraternal regards to all.

Frank Tichar, Sec'y Lodge No. 112, AFU Kitzville, Minn.

Napredok Notes

Hello Folks: Sunday, April 2nd was a great day for the United Lodges of the Slovenian Society Home in Euclid, Ohio of which our Lodge No. 132, AFU is a member.

The occasion was an important one, considering that it was the official dedication and unveiling of the Servicemen's Honor Roll of the S. S. Home. The singing of the National Anthem by everyone present started off the program. Mr. Matt F. Intihar, who was Master of Ceremonies, spoke in Slovenian honoring our servicemen and women and their parents. Incidentally, Mr. Intihar is a candidate for the nomination to the office of State Representative for this district.

To go on with the subject at hand, the Slovan Singing Society sang two Slovenian songs, "Oj Doberdob" and "Slovan nadan." They sang under the able directorship of Vladimir Malečkar. Following the singing the honor roll was unveiled and as this was going on, one could just feel the silent reverence reverberating throughout the audience as they gazed with respect at the lasting tribute to their honored loved ones. It is truly a work of art and all credit for the beautiful work must go to Mr. Anton Pluth of Euclid, O.

Mayor Kenneth Sims of Euclid, Ohio was presented and he spoke on the principles of Americanism, the ideals for which our boys are fighting. Mr. Frank Podboršek then spoke and made the official dedication of the honor roll. The next speaker was Mr. James Rotter, secretary of the board of directors of the hall. His address was very touching and there wasn't one mother who didn't have tears of pride in her eyes.

Following Mr. Rotter, the curtain was raised again and on the stage stood eight ladies, four on each side. Behind each one hung a flag, one for each Slav nationality represented in the tableau. The ladies came forward individually and gave a short treatise on the people they represented. The speakers and the nationality they spoke for were: Marion Bashel, Czech; Frances Kosten, Slovak; Mollie Golic, Polish; Frances Klein, Slovenian; Mary Furlan, Croatian; Mary Gregory, Serbian; Gustie Zupancic, Russian, and Angie Zabsak-Kern, American.

Richard Lauretich sang one of his good old Slovenian numbers.

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Meeting Notice of Lodge No. 186, AFU

Cleveland, O. — The meetings of the Betsy Ross Lodge No. 186, AFU are held every second Sunday of the month. Due to the fact that Easter fell on the second Sunday of the month, it was decided that the meeting will be held the following Sunday.

Members are urged to attend the meeting this Sunday, April 16, 1944 at 2:00 p. m. at the Slovenian Workmen's Home on Waterloo Rd.

It would be a great help to the secretary-treasurer if the members would be on time in paying their dues. So please be on time with your monthly dues and come to the meeting.

Dorothy Zele, Rec. Sec'y Lodge No. 186, AFU Cleveland, Ohio

CAMPAIGN BULLETIN

Reported by Anton Zbasnik, Supreme Secretary

In today's bulletin we must give first and foremost recognition to the president and secretary of Lodge No. 170, AFU of Chicago, Ill., who sent TEN adult applications and four juvenile applications making a total of 24 points. The president, Mary Golenko acquired 16 points and the secretary, Agnes Jurecic, 8 points. But this does not mean that the campaign is over for them, writes Sister Jurecic, for she and Sister Golenko decided to add more points before the campaign is concluded. Many thanks to both of these diligent officers for such a nice Easter present.

Among the Supreme Officers this week, our Sixth Supreme Vice-President, and secretary of Lodge No. 190, of Butte, Montana, Mary Predovich, qualified for the convention honor badge having ten points to her credit. She is therefore, the second of the Supreme Officers to attain this honor.

Among lodge secretaries and members, Brother Joseph Prah, agile secretary of Lodge No. 55, Uniontown, Pa., qualified for the convention honor badge. He has also been among the first in all previous campaigns. Thank you, Joseph, I hope your membership will reward you by sending you to the coming convention.

To date there are 11 Supreme Officers and 56 subordinate lodges actively participating in the present campaign.

Lodge 72 Loses Faithful Member

Renton, Wash. — We seldom report in the paper from our community and today I haven't very cheerful news to impart.

Our Lodge No. 72, AFU lost a good and faithful member, Filipina Dragin (wife of our lodge president, Matt Dragin). The deceased was a long time member of our lodge and Union. She passed away March 22nd in the hospital at Seattle, Wash. where she was taken on March 19th.

She had been ill for some time due to a weak heart and high blood pressure. During the latter part of February she contacted the flu and then pneumonia. When I visited her she said she felt better and that she already suffered much but never before as now. A few days later she grew better and was able to get out of bed to the great joy of her family and friends. This joy didn't last very long for on March 18th she suffered a stroke on her right side. She passed away on March 22nd and was laid to rest at Mt. Olivet cemetery with civil rites, as was her wish.

At our last meeting we discussed our by-laws and my recommendation was that members should carefully read the by-laws and remember those sections which they think need to be improved. Then they should bring these recommendations up at our next meeting so the members could discuss them. The lodge representative could then present such suggestions at the next meeting of the AFU Federation of Lodges for Illinois, Wisconsin and Indiana, which will meet sometime before our convention. According to my opinion, certain sections of our by-laws are insufficient in some respects and at our next convention this should be remedied. Members should also write to our official organ and recommend these changes which they think are necessary to be changed for the benefit of our organization. If there would not be enough space in our paper we could perhaps make more room by listing our roster of Supreme Officers only on the English

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Our lodge attended the funeral services and bade her a last farewell with a floral wreath. May she rest in peace! Her memory and good works will long remain among us. She will be missed by all who knew her and especially by her husband and children. In the name of the lodge and my family, I offer her family our sincere sympathy.

The funeral director, Mr. Sokes, said he had not had such a large funeral since the war began. This shows that the deceased was respected and loved by all who knew her. She was born in 1897 in Jugoslavia; her maiden name was Blazina. She is survived by her husband, Matt; a son, Walter, now in the U. S. Navy; and three daughters, Mrs. Jack Farrington, Wilma and Shirley Joan. A brother of the deceased, Tony Blazina, lives in British Columbia.

At this time I would like to thank all the lodge members who attended the funeral. Special thanks to the pall bearers. Thanks also to Brother Sam Mikulich who saw to it that everyone who wanted to attend the funeral was able to get there.

In conclusion I wish to appeal to our members to attend in large numbers our regular monthly meetings and pay their assessments on time. Fraternal regards to all.

Mary Gorup, Sec'y Lodge No. 72, AFU Renton, Wash.

AMERICAN FRATERNAL UNION

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CALL FOR THE 17th REGULAR CONVENTION OF AFU AND ELECTION OF DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES THERETO

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none of them have received a majority of the votes cast, the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall submit to a run-off election. The candidate receiving a majority of the votes cast at the run-off election shall be considered elected as a candidate for delegate. As soon as the candidate is elected, the secretary of the lodge shall forward his name and address to the supreme secretary who shall advise of such election the remaining lodges with whom the lodge is required to elect a joint delegate. Elections of a joint delegate shall be held at regular or special meetings in the month of June, and there shall be placed on the ballot the names of all candidates whom the merged lodges have selected at the May meetings. In the event that no candidate receives a majority of the votes cast by the merged lodges at the meetings in the month of June, two two candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall submit to a run-off election. The run-off election shall be held at the regular or special meeting in the month of July and the candidate receiving a majority of the votes cast shall be considered elected to the office of delegate. If at the run-off election the candidates receive the same number of votes, the supreme secretary shall certify as being elected the candidate belonging to the lodge having the highest number of members in the adult department. The alternate delegate shall be the candidate who, next to the duly elected delegate, received the highest number of votes cast. Any lodge, merged with another lodge or lodges for the purpose of electing a joint delegate, that fails to report to the Supreme office the name of its candidate by June 5th, shall be considered as being minus a candidate, and if by July 5th no report as to the result of the balloting on the office of delegate is forwarded to the Supreme office, it shall be considered that the lodge did not participate in the election.

Section 45. The result of elections of a delegate by lodges united for that purpose shall be forthwith reported to the Supreme Secretary in order that he may publish the same in the official organ.

Section 46. The credentials of the delegates elected to represent two or more lodges shall be prepared by the Supreme Secretary and mailed, for the purpose of attestation, to the lodge of which he is a member.

Section 50. In the event a delegate for some vital reason is unable to attend the Convention he shall be represented by his substitute.

A list of lodges, having been grouped for the purpose of electing a joint or common delegate, will be published in the "Nova Doba" next week.

Registration of delegates will begin in the convention hall at 8:00 A. M. prior to the opening of the convention.

Subordinate lodge officers, especially the presidents, are requested to carefully note the foregoing rules pertaining to the election of delegates and to abide by the same.

Ely, Minnesota, April 6, 1944.

ANTON ZBASNIK,
Supreme Secretary

JOHN ROGEL,
Supreme President

Cash Awards

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

The awards are as follows for the Adult Department:

For Plan "D" insured for \$ 250 death benefit, \$ 1.50 award;
For Plan "D" insured for \$ 500 death benefit, \$ 2.50 award;
For Plan "D" insured for \$1,000 death benefit, \$ 5.00 award;
For Plan "D" insured for \$1,500 death benefit, \$ 7.00 award;
For Plan "D" insured for \$2,000 death benefit, \$ 9.00 award;
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 "JC" 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.

Pathfinders

Gowanda, N. Y. — The Pathfinder's Lodge No. 222, AFU will sponsor an Amateur Show on the evening of April 22, 1943. It will be held at the Slovenian Hall. A dance will follow the program. A male chorus will be introduced as the Minstrel Men. Donald Dobbins and Louis Klancer assisted by John Batchen and William Mentley will have charge of this part of the show. The Minstrels will be the feature of the evening's program.

Other acts include a group of juvenile amateurs, soloists, a Girls' Chorus and possibly a Slovenian Mix Chorus.

Mrs. Charles Sternisha, Jr. is chairman of the committee in charge of the show. Rose Matkovich is vice-chairman and assistants are Ruby Majcen, Mrs. Peter Batchen, Louis Andolsek, Frances Strauss, Irene Huch and John Matekovich Jr. who is the stage manager.

The proceeds from the show will be divided equally between the Pathfinders and the Victory Fund for men in the Armed Forces.

Pathfinders members and their friends are cordially invited to attend. We hope this show will bring many new faces and it is a good opportunity for old and new friends to meet. Its purpose is a worthy cause and you shall receive your money's worth in pleasant and enjoyable entertainment. So let's go! Come one, come all!

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LET'S GRIN AND BEAR IT

The coffee is flat
Our tires are too.
The sugar is gone—
The coupon is not due.
We can't eat pie,
Because we've "save the fat" to make
The stuff to shake the Axis.

When we try to buy some butter
Oh me, Oh my!
We're all a-flutter.
Our stocking has sprung a great big
run,
It's enough to make us "holier!"
'Cause to tell the truth
With this and that
We haven't got a dollar.

But when the moon is high and clear,
And the stars are bright,
We can have a lamp lit,
And in our window to light the night.
We are not afraid of bombs or "hangmen."

There'll be no "raids."
We've sent our boys
"Out there" to fight
To make the whole world free.

Now it's up to "us folks" over here,
It's up to you and me.
We can work and save
And do without.

We can take it on the chin.
We can keep our tongues within our
mouths
And use our lips to grin!

Evelyn Sternisha, Chairman.

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bers and then Mr. Rotter thanked everyone in the audience for attending. A short two-act play, "Dom in svoboda" was presented. Following the play the musical talent of Al Struckel and his orchestra was donated for the dancers' benefit.

The great success of the affair is due to the efforts of Mr. Rotter who wrote and planned the program, Mr. Intihar who served as M. C., Mr. Frank Zaggar for his help in organizing all the volunteer help and his help in planning. Others who worked hard to make this a success were Mr. John Celicic, Mrs. Rupert, Mrs. Medved, Mrs. Hrvatin, Mrs. Gorjanc, Mrs. Vesel and the S. W. U. No. 14 Drill Team. The ladies in the kitchen and the bartenders also did a very good job. All of the proceeds will go for the benefit of our servicemen members.

On Friday, May 12th at 8:30 p. m. the Napredrek Lodge will sponsor a card party at the S. S. Home on Recher Ave. Some lucky person will be presented with a War Bond. Attend and bring your friends with you.

I understand that our servicemen write on the average of ten letters to every one they receive. That shows how badly they want a letter; they

DOWN SOUTH AMERICA WAY!

By Pvt. Joseph Drenik

Many copies of the Nova Doba have been rolled off the press since I wrote my last article. This is my first article in a couple of long months since I was on the beautiful Isthmus of Panama where I was stationed a full year. I really made by stay in Panama an enjoyable one and liked it a great deal. Just the other day

I received a letter from the English Editor and it really surprised me. The editors thought that perhaps I had forgotten them but I really could not write for I was too busy getting settled again. Even my folks and friends write the same thing, "Why don't you write?" I really was busy the last few months, always on the move. I am no longer in Panama. I left their some time ago. Panama was a soldier's paradise for those who wanted to make it so. The people there treated us swell. They love North American soldiers.

The army sent me to the jungles, out there among wild animals and deadly snakes that are found only in tropical countries. Mosquitos weren't bad at all if you took care of yourself. I came out of the jungles a better man than when I went into them. Everything is all right with me. I'm enjoying good health and not a bit lonely. Panama city and its towns offered us the best of everything. With its shows and night clubs it made us soldiers feel at home. The cities of the Republic of Panama were very beautiful to us with their palm and coconut trees growing along their sidewalks everywhere.

Later I was transferred to an island in the Pacific of which I am not allowed to say anything. It also was very beautiful. I did a lot of swimming and fishing there for sport. Now I am down here somewhere in Ecuador, South America and am enjoying this tropical country. South America is a place of beauty. Most of the people here speak Spanish and we soldiers here have to learn it to get along with them. It's not hard for those who really want to learn it.

Ecuador lies in the heart of the Andes Mountains with many of its peaks higher than any North American mountains. Where I am stationed you can see the mountains in the far off distance. It's not so hot here as in Panama. On my pass days I visit the towns of Ancon and Salones. I am planning to visit the capital sometime. However, I have to earn my pass first. I am looking forward to it. Whiskey here is plentiful and beer is very cheap. Here at the post we have movies twice a night and go to them about four times a week. We also have a service club where we go at night. Most of the people here of Spanish descent. We soldiers here get paid in Ecuador money—in sures and centaves and you really get a bundle of it. It seems hard to get accustomed to their money but now it's easy when you know how much each article costs. It's just like our nickels and dimes. A sucre is worth seven and a half cents in U. S. money. Every soldier here has a nice tan from this tropical sun.

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take a 10 to 1 chance on getting a reply. So, in closing may I add, "write soon and write often." Fraternally yours,

Frank J. Chukayne
Lodge No. 132, AFU
Euclid, Ohio

Lodge 225 Members Invited to Attend Next Meeting

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Section and not in both as is now being done. (Editor's note: Members who wish to discuss about the by-laws are assured that we will find space enough in our official organ. Whenever six pages of paper are not enough, we publish the paper on eight pages.)

Therefore, brothers and sisters, come to the next meeting on April 19th and bring your suggestions with you. Now, before our convention such suggestions are especially necessary.

Our lodge never falls behind other lodges, whether it is in various membership campaigns or any other general national activities. Our national and humane obligations are that we support, to our fullest capacity, organizations such as the Slovenian American National Council and the Slovene Section of the Jugoslav Relief Committee. We cannot help our suffering countrymen in the old country directly, as we would like to, but we can contribute to the above-mentioned organizations. The purpose of one is to help old country Slovenians get together in a united Slovenia which would be a part of a great and democratic Jugoslavia. This is necessary for our fellowmen in the old country if they hope to remain alive as a nation. The other organization collects contributions so that after the war we will be able to send some material help to needy Slovenia. Both organizations are worthy of our support. Our members have already individually contributed to both and so has our lodge treasury. Of course we shall not forget to continue to support them in the future.

Today is April 1st, (April Fool's Day) and it is a beautiful day. I am in the best of health down here somewhere in Ecuador. Before closing I want to thank the editorial staff of the Nova Doba for writing, and with best wishes to all of the AFU members. My new address is listed below.

Pvt. Joseph G. Drenik,
33255112
Btry. E. 4th C. A.
A.P.O. 661 c/o Postmaster
New Orleans, La.

News of AFU Yanks



Victor Slavec, S 1/c sends a letter to all AFU members. He writes: Hello all you guys and gals: First of all, let me wish all of you a happy and joyous Easter. That reminds me; I sure would like to see some of the new model hats that you gals are sporting this spring.

I received quite a few copies of the Nova Doba lately and sure enjoy reading it. I especially like the columns written by Mary Balint and Florence Startz. Of course Mr. Terbovec's "Vsak po svoje" column is still my old favorite.

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Provost Marshal: "And what did you do when you heard this man using such language?"
M. P.: "I told him he wasn't fit to be among decent people and then I brought him here."
from the St. Clair Ave. section of Cleveland, Ohio."
Jake's newest military address is:
Jake Obreza AC 3/c
1st Beach Batt. Co. B-4
c/o Fleet Postmaster
New York, N. Y.



Better Records:

All music lovers who collect phonograph records—will get more out of their future purchases, now the WPB has announced that record manufacturers can be allowed to use one-fourth of their 1941 quantities of shellac. This will start in April and then it will take some time for the new records to get into stores, but when they do, they'll be a better product.

Rough Rice:

OPA has set about controlling the

Janko N. Rogelj: Zavedna Slovenka

Leta 1896 je prišla k svojemu očetu Johnu Lebarju v Forest City mlada, 13-letna hčerka, katere rojstni kraj je bila vas Škocjan v župniji Dob pri Domžalah na Gorenjskem. Kot otrok je užila v svojem rojstnem kraju dosti slabega in hudega. Na domači mizi ni bilo dosti kruha. Pekli so ga doma morda enkrat na mesec. Bila je večkrat lačna kot sita kruha; in kako z veseljem je použila košček kruha, aka ga je dobila pri sosedih.

Trinajst let je živila v svojem rojstnem kraju, kjer njeni rodnini gruda ni imela za njo dovolj kruha in udobnosti kot se spodobi poštencemu človeku, kaj še le mlademu otroku. Toda ta življenska doba ne bo za njo nikoli pozabljena. Pustila je v njenem spominu mejnik, ob katerem se vedno zave, da so lačni in ubogi, trpeči in nesrečni potrebni pomoči. Njeni srce je polno usmiljenja in dobre do svojega bližnjega, posebno od svojih bratov in sester okraju morja.

Okoli 48 let je minulo, odkar je prišla ta mlada Slovenka v Ameriko. Toda vsa ta dolga leta v tujini ji niso ubila misel in dobro voljo na rodno zemljo. Ona je danes narodno zavedna slovenska žena v ameriški Sloveniji, ki ljubi Ameriko, toda ne pozabljiva vse one, ki so ostali v domovini.

Ko je bila stara 17 let, preseila se je v državo Montano. Od leta 1900 biva v tej gorati deželi, v mestu Klein, kjer sta si s svojim možem ustanovila svoj dom.

In kdo je tam slovenska žena? Prav rad vam povem. Ona je Mrs. Katherine Penica, dolgoletna tajnica društva št. 88 ABZ v Roundupu, Montana.

okoli dobrošrčnih ljudi. Kje je še kaka druga slovenska žena v Ameriki, ki bi pod istimi pogojmi nabrala tako veliko vsto za uboge revče v domovini. Vsa hvala ji v imenu trpečih v domovini.

Ni dolgo od tega, ko ste čitali njen dopis, v katerem je opisala, kako sta z njeno prijateljico šli od hiše do hiše ter nabirali denarne prispevke za Slovenski ameriški narodni svet in pomočno akcijo. Ne bom ponavljala njenih besed, ki jih je zapisala v tistem poročilu, ampak povem vam, da sem dobil od nje poštne nakaznice v znesku \$250.00, polovic za obrambno in polovic za pomočno akcijo. Vsega skupaj mi je poslala \$476.76, skoraj \$500.00.

Sestra Katherine Penica bi mogla imeti v vsaki slovenski naselbini posnemalko, ne eno, ampak več. Če bi naša ameriška Slovenija imela nekaj več tako narodno zavedenih žen, kakor jona, potem bi ne bilo težko nabirati denarne prispevke za uboge trpine v domovini. Toda temu ni tako, zato smo tako zaspani in neorganizirani, zato imamo med seboj še ljudi, ki se norujejo iz ljudi, ki prosijo v imenu usmiljenja.

Sestra Penica ima sočutno in narodno zavedno posnemalko v državi New Jersey, ki je kot Neimenova dovala pomočno akcijo \$500.00. Obe sta prispevali okoli tisoč dolarjev za pomočno akcijo, ena je nabirala, druga je dala kar iz svojega žepa.

Vsa čast in zahvala obema! Kadar bo naša Slovenija rešena vsega dolgoletnega zla in trpljenja, takrat bodo tudi žene v domovini popraševale, kaj so za nje napravile ameriške Slovenke. Takrat bomo lahko poročali ženam v domovini, kaj je za nje napravila sestra v daljni Ameriki.

Soyko. Soyka je bila Dunajčanka in krasotica, ki je s špijonajo pripravljala Hitlerju pot v Avstrijo. Ko so Hitlerjevi okupirali Avstrijo, je bila po nacijami poslana na špijonsko delo v Pariz. Dobra zožljena z denarjem se je mešala v visoko družbo in med nemške in avstrijske begunce. Ko so Nemci okupirali Pariz, so bili Soykini "prijatelji" aretirani, njo pa so naciji nagradili z najboljšo kavarno v Parizu. Tam so jo našli osvetniki in so jej preskrbeli zaslzeno plačilo.

POLJSKI ANTISEMITI

V poslanski zbornici v Londonu se je neodvisni poslanec Tom Driberg pritožil napram protižidovskemu postopanju v poljskih vojaških edinicah, ki so nastanjene v Egiptu in Afriki. Večje število židovskih vojakov je ušlo iz poljskih edinic in zaprosilo za sprejem v angleško armado. Zunanji minister Anthony Eden je odgovoril, da bo glede tega govoril s poljsko zamejno vlado.

NEVTRALNA IRSKA

Irska je še vedno nevtralna in poslaniško osobje Nemčije in Japonske je še vedno v Dubljinu. Anglija je nedavno ukinila vse potovanja med Anglijo in Irsko, pretekli teden pa je bila ukinjena tudi telefonska zveza med obema državama. Iz Anglije je nameravana invazija evropske celine, zato je važno, da Nemci ne dobijo važnih informacij glede iste preko Irske. Svoječasni poziv Amerike in Anglije, da naj Irska odslovi nemške in japonske poslaniške uradnike, ni nič zaledej.

IZ JUGOSLAVIJE

(Nadaljevanje s 1. strani)

nikov, ki so se udejstvovali nad jugoslovanskim ozemljem, je maršal Tito odlikoval s tem, da jih je imenoval za častne člane jugoslovanske letalske sile.

Londonsko poročilo Association of Press, datirano 5. aprila, javlja, da so partizani razbili štiri vlake med Trstom in Zidanim mostom ter ustavili promet na tej važni progi za več ur. Na bivši jugoslovansko-italijanski meji se vrše ostri boji med partizani in Nemci. Poročilo, datirano 7. aprila, javlja, da so Nemci poslali močna ojačanja v zapadno Bosno, kjer so se zapletli v izredno hude boje z jugoslovanskimi partizani. Partizani so porazili neko nemško kolono v okrožju Jajca v Bosni. Izgube so bile znatne na obeh straneh, toda poroča se, da so partizani vzdržali svoje pozicije.

DOPISI
(Nadaljevanje s 5. strani)

mir. Trajen mir pa je, kar si želimo po tej vojni vsi, mi tukaj in oni v starri domovini, ki toliko trpe pod uničevalno vojno sadizma in masnega ubijanja ljudstva. Slovani po vsem svetu se morajo združiti za trajen mir, za lepo bodočnost slovanskih ljudstev, za večje blagostanje delavstva in pravičnejše urejeni socialni red po vsem svetu.

Vsekaj vojni požar, ki ga zanjetijo zle sile pohlepa po moči in tuji zemlji, zajame končno še našo novo domovino in tako umirajo na raznih bojiščih tudi ameriški sinovi in mi nosimo vojno breme, ki bo težilo še boljše generacije. Vse to na nagala dolžnosti slednji v Ameriki živeči skupini in vsaka teh skupin je dolžna doprinesti svoj del v grajenju boljše bodočnosti naše nove domovine in vsega sveta. Slovani smo se pričeli s svoje dolžnosti zavestati in smo si organizirali svoj Ameriško-slovenski kongres, katerega moramo po svojih najboljših močeh podpreti moralno in gmočno. Ameriško-slovenski kongres deluje za zmago.

Amerike in zavezničkov sploh ter za poraz temnih sil nacifizma in skrite reakecije in pa za boljšo bodočnost naših sirov in héera, ki se bodo vrnili domov po tej vojni.

Jugosloveni v New Yorku se zavedamo važnosti Ameriško-slovenskega kongresa in zato smo se zedinili vsi, Slovenci, Hrvati in Srbi, da priredimo velik skupen Festival v korist teh organizacij, v katerih smo vključeni tudi sami. Pridite na Festival v velikem številu, ker to bo lep jugoslovenski praznik v New Yorku, ki ga ne bo dete tako kmalu pozabili!

Za odbor:

A. P. Krasna,

Joliet, III. — Redna mesečna seja društva sv. Petra in Pavla, št. 66 ABZ, ki se je vršila 19. marca 1944. — Predsednik John L. Jevitz odpre sejo ob eni uri trideset minut popoldne v dvorani Ferdinand.

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Pismo iz glavnega urada A. B. Z. prečitano; tiče se 17. redne konvencije, da bi bila gotova v 4 dneh. John Jevitz st. predlaga, da se naše društvo izrazi, da je to, ako je le mogoče to tudi tak, da se bi delalo polnih osem ur. Primerja pa se, da se 15-minutni odmori zjutraj in popoldne raztegnejo na pol ure in še dalje. V preteklosti so se konvencije lažje zavlekle. Letos tega ne bomo smeli dopustiti vsled našega dela v tovarnah in rudnikih ali kjerkoli smo zapošleni in kjer tako zelo primankuje delavnih moči.

Vidim tudi, da je gl. odbor sklenil imeti svoja priporočila tiskana v posebni brošuri in da bodo tam vključena tudi priporočila gl. odbornikov (ice). Pred zadnjim konvencijo je gl. odbor tozadnevo pozabil ali ignoriral gl. porotni odbor, vsled česar sem malo pogordnil na konvenciji in mogoče je to kaj sedaj pomagalo. Jaz pripogojam, da bi šli s tiskanjem priporočila še dalje in v taka priporočila vključili tudi priporočila delegatov oziroma društva. Tako bi vsak na konvencijo došli imel priliko videti priporočila gl. odbora, gl. porotnega odbora, in kar je ravno tako važno, tudi priporočila splošnega članstva, katera pošljemo na konvencijo potom svojih delegatov in katera jim naročijo na sejih. Vključiti v priporočila tudi ona delegatov ki sicer povzročilo nekaj več stroškov, ali isti bi bili v zelo veliki meri manjši od onih, kateri povzroči čas, ko poročajo delegat(e) na konvenciji.

Poročilo tajnika za mesec februar, 1944:

januarja 31. — 1944 v blagajni: \$1349.56; februarja dohodki: \$478.41; februarja stroški: \$490.98; februarja več stroškov \$12.57. Februarja 29. 1944 v blagajni: \$1,336.99.

John Jevitz st. predlaga, da se poročilo tajnika sprejme kot je predloženo. Frank Nemanich podpira; sprejet.

Predsednik čita bolniške liste za John Evertz, 22.00; Anton Poppek, 27.00; tajnik poroča, da je Albin Juricic bolan, pa ni postal bolniškega lista.

Precita se tudi dobrdelna podpora: John Mandel 9.00, John Jerman 9.00, John Petric 9.00. Frank Nemanich predlaga, da se vsem nakaze podpora. John Jevitz st. podpira; sprejet.

Predsednik poroča, da bo prihodnja seja tako važna, ker bo več važnih reči na dnevnem redu.

Slišali bomo tri-mesečno finančno poročilo naših društvenih nadzornikov; dalje bomo slišali od posebne odborove seje. Zato predsednik vabi vse na prihodnjo sejo.

Torej, na svidenje!

Ker je bil s tem dnevnim red izčrpan, predsednik zaključi sejo ob 2:30 popoldne.

John L. Jevitz, predsednik;

Louis Martincich, zapisnikar.

Barberton, O. — Glavni odbor ABZ je na svojem letnem zborovanju razmotril tudi glede naše 17. redne konvencije, katera se bo vršila letos meseca avgusta. Glavni odbor je mnenja, da se bi lahko vse konvenčno delo izvršilo v štirih dneh, kar bi, ako se doba zborovanja že vnaprej določi, olajšalo prekrbitve vožnje delegatov domov.

Da, konvečno delo se bi lahko izvršilo v štirih dneh, ali to le tedaj, ako bi bil narejen dober dnevni red in ako se bi isti strogo upošteval. Pa, ali se upošteva? Po navadi je tako, da je začetek zborovanja naznanjen ob deveti uri, začne pa se ob desetih ali še pozneje. Tudi sem prepričan, da ako se bi na naših konvencijah štelо ure, v katerih konvencija v resnici vrši svoje delo, bi iste skupno ne znašale več kot štiri dni. Kar jaz nikakor ne morem razumeti, je tudi to, da zakaj se naj bi pričelo dnevno zborovati šele ob deveti uri, namesto že ob sedmih ali najkasneje ob pol osemih zjutraj. Ali smo v resnici taki zaspanci? Nikakor ne. V našem vsakdanjem življenju vstajamo mnogi že ob petih zjutraj ali najkasneje ob šestih, da moremo točno na delo. Ako smo doma primorani upoštevati zlati rek, da "Early to bed, early to rise, make a man healthy, wealthy and wise," zakaj ne na konvenciji, ko vendar bolj kot kdaj potrebujemo bistre glave (wisdom)? Dnevnih red na konvenciji naj bi tudi bil tak, da se bi delalo polnih osem ur. Primerja pa se, da se 15-minutni odmori zjutraj in popoldne raztegnejo na pol ure in še dalje. V preteklosti so se konvencije lažje zavlekle. Letos tega ne bomo smeli dopustiti vsled našega dela v tovarnah in rudnikih ali kjerkoli smo zapošleni in kjer tako zelo primankuje delavnih moči.

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Poročilo predsednika: Predsednik se vsem zahvali za sodelovanje, da bi bila pripravljena tudi vodilna odbor in bolniški podpori in smrtninskem skladu. Posebno so vabljeni na sejo tisti člani, ki imajo svoje sinove v ameriški armadi. Več se pogovorimo na seji. Bratski pozdrav! — Za društvo št. 37 ABZ:

John Zalar,
preds. nadz. odbora.

Barberton, O. — Iz urada podružnice št. 51 SANS. — Vsem tistim, katerim so bile razdeljene po zastopnikih in članom društva št. 25 ABZ, želim tem potom zahvaliti za sodelovanje ob priliki prireditve našega veselice 5. marca, ki je tako dobro uspela. Zahvaljujemo vse vam, ki so prodajali tikete na sej, tudi tistim, ki so jih kupovali, dalje trgovcem, ki so se prispevali lepa darila, ter vsem, ki so se prireditve udeležili ter pomagali k večjemu uspehu iste. Hvala še posebno onim, ki so prišli iz Gilberta in drugih okoliških naselbin.

Bratje in sestre, bliža se konvencija in v tenu je predkrivena kampanja za pridobivanje novih članov. Lepo bi bilo, če bi se te kampanje udeležili vse člani in da bi vsak vzel enega novega člana vpisal v društvo v Montanah.

Pred par tedni sem čital v tisku lokalnem listu Eveleth News, da bo naše društvo volilo deležne ter trajne svobode. Samo od strani gledati in samo zgrajati se, ko čitamo v listih neznosnem trpljenju in zatiranju našega naroda v starem kraju, ne pomaga nikomur. Najmanj, kar moremo storiti, je, da se udejstvujemo v organizacijah, ki so si nadele naloge pomagati našemu narodu po vseh prilikah, ki so na razpolago. Tako delo skuša po najboljih možnostih vršiti Slovenski ameriški narodni svet. V to svrno pa potrebuje financ, ker vsak več stroškov, ali isti bi bili v zelo veliki meri manjši od onih, kateri povzroči čas, ko poročajo delegat(e) na konvenciji.

Precej časa se bi prihranilo na konvenciji že takoj ob začetku iste, ako bi ne bilo treba voliti poverilni odbor in volilni odbor za rezolucije. Vse to in tako delo bi lahko opravljali eni izmed gl. odbornikov in gl. porotnikov. Tako nekako smo že delali na XIII. redni konvenciji na Elyu, Minnesota, potem ko je bila tozadnevo rezolucija predložena po delegatih društva št. 44 in sprejet. Kdor hoče vedeti podrobnosti dotedne rezolucije naj pogleda zapisnik od prej omenjene konvencije.

Zdi se mi, da je nekaj takega imel v mislih brat Kayton Ernzen, predsednik društva št. 58, ko je poslal svoje priporočilo na letno zborovanje gl. odbora, katera njegova priporočila pa gl. odbor ni mogel sprejeti, če da bi bila ista v nasprotju s tozadnimi določbami v pravilih. Vključu tem in ne glede, da pravila tega ne dovoljujejo, in zahtevajo volitev raznih odborov, pa se enako prav lahko upošteva, in vse, kar je treba, da konvencija takoj ob