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BOMBNI NAPAD NA GLAVNO JAPONSKO LUKO

**Šesta ameriška divizija
se izkrcala na obali
Okinawe**

NOVA ZMAGA KI- TAJSKIH ČET

Guam, 5. jun.—Kobe, glavna
japonska luka in šesto največje
mesto, je bil tarča bombardira-
nja iz zraka. Čez 400 ameriških
letečih trdnjav je vrglo tri tisoč
žaljalnih in razstreljivih bomb
na industrijske predele. To je
bil že tretji ameriški bombni na-
pad na to mesto. Prvi je bil iz-
vršen 4. februarja, drugi pa 17.
marca.

Japonska časiška agentura
Domei trdi, da je bilo 30 leteli-
h trdnjav sestreljenih, 65 pa po-
škodovanih. Naznanilec je de-
jal, da požari, katere so zanele
bombe, se divjajo, a bodo kmalu
pogaseni.

Kobe leži ob obronku hribov
na obali Osaškega zaliva, 250
milj južnozapadno od Tokija.
Osaka, tretje največje japonsko
mesto, leži 15 milj severno.

Ameriške bombe so padale na
železniške delavnice, glavno že-
lezniško postajo, pomolske pre-
dele in sektor, kjer so jeklarne
tovarne. Osaka je bila prej bom-
bardirana iz zraka. Fotografije,
katere so bile vzete po napadu,
kažejo, da so bombe razdeležale
industrijske predele in obsegu
enajstih kvadratnih milj.

Admiral Chester W. Nimitz
poroča, da se je šesta divizija
pomorske pehote izkrcala na za-
padni obali Okinawe in zasedla
polovico japonskega letališča pri
Nahaji. Vzhodno obrežje Okina-
we je pod kontrolo sedme pe-
hotne divizije.

Poveljnik šeste divizije pomor-
ske pehote je general Lemuel C.
Shepard. Naznanilo pravi, da je
ta takoj po izkrcanju ustanovila
mostišča na zapadni obali.
Ameriške sile so preprečile re-
organiziranje japonske obrambe
na Okinawi. Radio Tokio je pri-
znal kritično situacijo in nagla-
sil, da bo v nekaj dneh padla
odločitev glede usode otoka.

Nimitz je naznanil izgubo
dveh ameriških rušilcev v ope-
racijah pri Okinawi. To sta bila
Morrison in Luce. Japonski le-
tali so ju napadli in potopili.

Manila, Filipini, 5. jun.—Ameri-
ške čete so zavojevale v ljutih
bitkah z Japonci v severnem
delu Luzona, največjega otoka
Filipinske grupe, kakor tudi na
ozemlju ob cesti, ki vodi v do-
lino Cagayan. Ta je edina japo-
nska trdnjava na Filipinih.

Enote ameriške divizije so iz-
vojevale nove uspehe v ope-
racijah proti japonskim silam na
otoku Mindanaoju. Pognale so
sovražnika z utrjenih pozicij ob
reki Pulangi.

Radio Melbourne poroča, da
so avstralske čete zasedle stra-
tegični hrib Margy na otoku Ta-
rakau. Samo južnozapadna ko-
nica tega otoka je še pod japo-
nsko kontrolo.

Cungking, Kitajsko, 5. jun.—
Kitajske čete so prodrle 70 milj
daleč in okupirale Siapu, prista-
nišče mesto. Uradni komunikacije
pravi, da se druge kitajske sile
blizajo Luichowu in Peakingu,
kjer sta bili ameriški letalski
bazi.

Siapu leži ob severovzhodni
obali province Fukien. Kitajci
so v ofenzivi, ki se je pričela zad-
nji teden, okupirali osem mest.

Politični nepokoji v Italiji

Rim, 5. jun.—Politični nepo-
koji se širijo v Italiji. Voditelji
socialistične stranke zahtevajo u-
mikanje zavezniških čet iz dežele.
Priskrbe se, da bo sedanja vla-
da, katere predsednik je Ivanoe
Bonomi, padla ta teden.

Stalin za rešitev poljskega problema

**Formiranje nove
poljske vlade**

London, 5. jun.—Iz zanesljivih
virov je prišlo poročilo, da je
Harry L. Hopkins, poslanec
predsednika Trumana, dosegel
uspehe na konferencah s Stali-
nom, zunanjim komisarjem Mo-
lotovom in drugimi ruskimi vo-
ditelji v Moskvi. Razgovori so
se nanašali na rešitev poljskega
problema.

Doznava se, da se je Stalin iz-
rekel za sestanek poljskih vo-
diteljev, ki so v Londonu, Varšavi
in Lublinu. Na tem naj bi raz-
pravljali o formiranju nove polj-
ske vlade v smislu zaključka, ki
je bil sprejet na konferenci "ve-
like trojice" v Jalti na Krimu.

Med londonskimi Poljaki, ki
naj bi postali člani nove vlade,
sta Stanislaw Mikolajczyk, bivši
premier, in Stanislaw Grabski,
bivši prosvetni minister. Stalin
je dal razumeti, da ne bo ugo-
varjal, ako postane Mikolaj-
czyk in Grabski člana nove polj-
ske vlade.

Zadeva šestnajstih Poljakov,
ki so bili aretirani v Rusiji, še
ni rešena. Hopkins je baje sve-
toval Stalinu osvoboditev neke-
terih Poljakov kot znak volje za
dosego sporazuma. Kaznovani
naj bi bili le oni, ki so izvršili
prestopke proti ruskim silam v
ozadju fronte.

De Gaulle konfe- ral s poslaniki

**Arabska liga nasto-
pila proti Franciji**

Pariz, 5. jun.—General Charles
de Gaulle, predsednik francoske
začasne vlade, je imel važne raz-
govore s poslaniki Amerike, Ve-
like Britanije in Rusije. Nana-
šali so se na konflikt, ki je nastal
v Siriji in Lebanonu.

Francoski krogi so obdolžili
Veliko Britanijo provokacije. Iz-
javili so, da je ona podžgala upor
proti francoskim avtoritetam v
Siriji in Lebanonu in da dopu-
šča represalije proti življenju
Francozov in uničevanje franco-
skega premoženja.

V Kairu, Egipt, je Zveza ara-
bskih ljudstev odprla konferenco.
Njeni reprezentanti so zahtevali
od Francije takojšen odpoklic
vojaških čet iz Sirije in Leba-
nona.

Francoski zunanji urad je ob-
dolžil Arabce v Damasku, glav-
nem mestu Sirije, da plenijo sta-
novanja francoskih državljanzov,
napadajo francoske čete in pobi-
jajo civiliste. Dejal je, da brit-
ske čete, ki so vkorakale v mesto
in prevzele kontrolo, nočejo šči-
titi življenj in imetja francoskih
državljanov.

Konferenca v Kairu je bila od-
prta s čitanjem poslanice egip-
tskega kralja Farouka. Poslani-
ca vsebuje priporočilo voditel-
jem Lige arabskih ljudstev, naj
vtrajajo v kampanji za neod-
visnost Sirije in Lebanona in za-
ščito ter varnost obeh dežel.

Zahtevo, da mora Francija po-
tegniti svoje čete iz Sirije in Le-
banona, je podprl Mohamed Ali
Jinnah, vodja Vseindijske muslim-
limanske lige. On je tudi izja-
vil, da morajo priti De Gaulle
in njegovi pristaši pred sodišče
kot vojni zločinci, da jim naloži
kazen.

Evakuacija nemških čet iz norveških krajev

Oslo, Norveška, 5. jun.—Eva-
kuacija nemških čet iz norveških
krajev je v teku. Na Norve-
škem se nahaja okrog 400.000
nemških vojakov. Tja bo jutri
prišel ameriški regiment iz An-
gije in pomagal britskim četam
pri evakuaciji nemških vojakov.

JUGOSLOVANSKE IN AMERIŠKE ČETE V GORICI

**Američani drže strate-
gične točke**

BORBA ZA POSEST KOROŠKE

Gorica, 5. jun.—Jugoslovanske
in ameriške čete so zbrane v tem
mestu in okolici. Jugoslovanska
sila šteje okrog 20.000 vojakov.
Američani drže strateške hribe
in cestna križišča.

Odnosaji med jugoslovanskimi
in ameriškimi četami so prijat-
eljski. Doslej ni prišlo še do
nobenega incidenta. Stališče je
politika pozornega čakanja v
tem momentu, ko diplomati re-
šujejo probleme.

V Gorici je regiment ameriške
pehotne divizije, ki se je pred
nim letom boril proti Nemcem
v Italiji. Poveljnik tega je pol-
kovnik R. W. Broedlow iz Med-
forda, Ore. Ta regiment je utr-
pel velike izgube v bitkah na
italijanski fronti. Njegova seda-
nja naloga je zaščita zavezniških
interesov.

Polkovnik Broedlow je dejal,
da je njegov regiment, ki je
prevzel gorški sektor, katerega
so prej držale čete osme britske
armade, imel več parad v mestu.
Prebivalci Gorice so z zaniman-
jem opazovali parade.

Ameriški in jugoslovanski vo-
jaki se bratijo med seboj. Broed-
low je dejal, da so Jugoslovani
porazili Američane v nogometni
tekmi.

V bližini Gorice in na ozemlju
ob reki Soči so se vršile ljute
bitke med Avstriji in Italijani
v prvi svetovni vojni. Italijani
so doživeli strahovit poraz v bit-
ki pri Kobaridu, 20 milj severno
od Gorice. Avstriji so pognali
Italijane nazaj do reke Piave,
kjer so ostali do zaključnja
vojne.

London, 5. jun.—Radio Bel-
grad poroča, da je maršal Tito,
poveljnik jugoslovanske arma-
de, ponovno naglasil, "da Koro-
ška spada Jugoslaviji in mi se
bomo borili zanjo."

Javno lastništvo prometnega sistema

**Čikaški volilci
odobrili program**

Chicago, 5. jun.—Volilci so se
z ogromno večino izrekli za jav-
no lastništvo prometnega siste-
ma, ki vključuje cestno in nad-
ulnično železnico in avtobuse. Pri
včerašnjih volitvah je bilo od-
danih za javno lastništvo 267.055
glasov, proti pa 45.191.

Volitev se je udeležilo samo
dvaletni odstotek registriranih
volilcev. Program, ki določa iz-
boljšanje javnih naprav in usta-
novitev, je bil tudi odobren. Ta do-
loča potrošnjo \$50.000.000 za ta
dela.

Program predvideva podira-
nje "slumskih" predelov, gradnjo
igrišč, letališč, policijskih in
gasilnih postaj, odvodnih kana-
lov, mestnih garaž in izboljšanje
parkov.

Volilci so glasovali tudi za
kandidate za mestne in okraj-
ne sodnike. Na listi so bili samo
kandidati koalicije, katero so
formirali voditelji demokratske
in republikanske stranke. Volil-
ci v bistvu niso mogli dosti izbi-
rati, temveč glasovati le za kan-
didate, kateri so bili na listi.

Program: javnega lastništva
prometnega sistema sta sestavi-
la governor Green in župan Kel-
ly. Prvi je republikanec, drugi
pa demokrat. Oba sta izrazila
zadovoljstvo z izidom volitev.

• Domače vesti

**Posdravi Slovenk iz nemškega
ujetništva**

Chicago. — William Arbanas,
član Pionirjev št. 559 SNPJ, je
pisal iz Nemčije, da je v nekem
koncentracijskem taborišču v
Sudetih našel 40 Slovenk, stare
od 11 do 45 let. Pravi, da je bilo
to njegovo največje preseneče-
nje kot ameriškega vojaka v
Nemčiji, kjer je srečal že veliko
Jugoslovanzov, toda "ne žensk."
O teh Slovenkah sta mu pove-
dala dva jugoslovanska vojaka
in ga peljala v taborišče. Na-
šel jih je v baraki v skupni sobi,
ki se je odlikovala po snagi.
Jednine ali ujetnice so "bile ve-
sele kot otroci na počitnicah,"
čeprav so pretrpele neizmerne
gorja. Med njimi je bila tu-
di Marta Klopčič, žena Mileta
Klopčiča, partizana in bivšega
sotrudnika Prosvete in Mladin-
skega Lista.

Br. Arbanasu so izročile maj-
hen listič in ga prosile, naj ga
pošlje Prosveti. Na tem lističu
pošilja "lepe pozdrave Ivanu
Molku, Franku Zaltzu, Katki
Zupančičevi in vsem drugim so-
delavcem 40 Slovenk, katere so
rešili Ameriški osvoboditelji iz-
pod nemškega tiranstva." Pod-
pisane so: Marta Klopčič, Zden-
ka Eargon, Marija Kegu, Ange-
la Makuc, Roza Sorel, Albina
Černiver, Kristjana Dobnik,
Ivanka Kosanc, Ljerkja Kodre
Kačar, Fanika Štefka Vizjakova,
Lina Šega, Pani Jakomin,
Ivica Bergant, Anka Tramek,
Rozi Travnikar, Magdalena
Škrofič, Milka Grad, Breda Ko-
bal, Pika Pihlar, Zdenka Mar-
gon, Gina Kerne, Anja Boruta,
Minka Ihan, Vesenska Perko, Li-
ja Vesel, Milka Brodnik, Van-
da Blaganc, Poldka Subert,
Carla Kogej, Marica Klinc, Mira
Zapečnik, Tatjana Teržan.

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žajo vojake, so hitrejši kot to-
varni parniki. Naznanjeno je že
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vzete nepoškodovane, kar pa je
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VEČJI DOTOK VOJ- NEGA MATERIALA NA PACIFIK

**Posledica zaključenja
konflikta v Evropi**

LUKE NA ZAPADU ZAPOSLENE

Washington, D. C., 5. jun.—
Po zmagi v Evropi so se očeli
Američanov obrnile proti Paci-
fiku. Dovož orožja v Evropo je
bil ustavljen po brezpozojni ka-
pitalaciji Nemčije in tok se je
obrnil v drugo smer.

Sistem transportacije se ne
more spremeniti čez noč. Voja-
ški večaki trdijo, da bo vzelo
najmanj šest mesecev za preure-
ditev zalagalnega sistema. Pro-
metne linije med Ameriko in
bojišči na Pacifiku so dolge in
se bodo podaljšale zaeno s pro-
diranjem ameriških sil v smeri
japonske celine. Pojavili se bo-
do novi problemi, katere bo tre-
ba rešiti.

General Somervell je že pred
zaključitvijo vojne v Evropi na-
znanil, da gre 50 odstotkov oro-
žja, streliva in drugega vojnega
materiala, ki ga producirajo
ameriške industrije, na Pacifik.
On je tudi naglasil, da Amerika
razpolaga z največjo transport-
no mornarico na svetu.

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Zmaga konservativ- cev v Kanadi

**Dobili so večino
sedežev v zbornici**

Toronto, Ont., Kanada, 5. jun.—
Pri volitvah, ki so se vršile v
provinci Ontario, je zmaga
konservativna stranka, katere
vodja je premier George Drew.
Ta bo imela 66 izmed 90 sedežev
v provinci zbornici.

Kandidati socialistične stran-
ke, ki je znana pod imenom Co-
operative Commonwealth Fede-
ration, so bili poraženi. V zbor-
nici, ki je bila razpuščena pred
nekaj meseci, so imeli socialisti
34 sedežev, v novi pa jih bodo
imeli morda devet.

Kandidati liberalne stranke so
bili tudi poraženi. V novi zbor-
nici bodo imeli 16 sedežev. Iz-
gubili so 18 sedežev pri volitvah.
Bivši premier Mitchell Hepburn,
ki je kandidiral za poslanca na
listi liberalne stranke, je bil po-
ražen. Volitev se je udeležilo
čez 1.800.000 volilcev.

Britski zunanji minister bolan

London, 5. jun.—Zunanji mi-
nister Anthony Eden je zbolel
in zdravniki so mu svetovali po-
čitnice. Funkcije zunanjega u-
rada je prevzel premier Church-
ill.

Churchill oplazil delavsko stranko

**Premier odprl
volilno kampanjo**

London, 5. jun.—Premier
Churchill je imel prvi govor, s
katerim je odprl volilno kampa-
njo kot vodja konservativne
stranke. On je srdito udrihal po
delavski stranki in naglasil, da
bi socializem, ki ga ta stranka
propagira, pognal Veliko Brita-
nijo v totalitarizem in uničil
svobodišne ljudstva. Stranka, če
bi zmagała pri volitvah, bi uve-
ljavila metode gestapovcev in
vladala z dekreti.

Splošne volitve, prve v Veliki
Britaniji po desetih letih, se bo-
do vršile 5. julija. Churchill je
udrihal po laboritih in liberal-
cih, ki so izstopili iz koalicijske
vlade pred porazom Japonske.
Očital jim je, da postavljajo svo-
je politične interese nad intere-
se britskega ljudstva.

Churchill je v svojem govoru
po radiu dejal med drugim, da
bi zmaga delavske stranke pome-
nila oboževanje države. Vsi sloji
bi se morali pokoriti državi, ki
bi postala totalitarna. Država bi
bila edina uposlevalka, adminis-
tracija in vladarica, ki bi kot ta-
ka diktirala ljudstvu, kaj sme
storiti in kaj ne.

Herbert Morrison, vodja de-
lavske stranke in bivši notranji
minister v koalicijski vladi, je
tako odgovoril Churchill. De-
jal je, da je bil njegov govor
največja bedastoča in bo kot tak
tudi zabeležen v zgodovini.

Gotovo je, da bodo tudi drugi
laboriti odgovorili Churchill in
pobijali njegove argumente. Ne-
kateri so že izjavili, da se je raz-
galil kot demagog.

Nova komunistična linija osvojena

**Foster prihaja
v ospredje**

New York, 5. jun.—Komuni-
stična politična zveza je zavrgla
"linijo" kooperacije s kapitaliz-
mom in naznanila, da se bo dr-
žala marksistične, ki naglaš-
a razredno borbo. Zadevna reso-
lucija je bila sprejeta na seji
eksekutivnega odbora. Proti re-
soluciji je glasoval samo Earl
Browder.

William Z. Foster, večkratni
kandidat komunistične stranke,
ki je znan kot nasprotnik Brow-
derjeve politike, bo, kakor vse
kaže, prišel v ospredje kot vo-
dja stranke. Browder je pri-
znan, da je nadaljnji preokret
mogoč.

"Po zaključitvi vojne v Ev-
ropi s porazom Nemčije," pravi
resolucija, "so se važne grupe
ameriškega kapitala, ki so vodi-
le opozicijo proti nemški domi-
nanci sveta, združile z nazad-
njakimi in fašističnimi elemen-
ti. Du Pontova fašistom naklo-
njeno kliko in vodstvom Zveze
ameriških tovarnarjev."

Člani odbora so priznali, da
je imel Jacques Duclos, vodja
francoskih komunistov, prav, ko
je kritiziral Browderja in nje-
govo koketiranje s kapitalisti.
Resolucija oboja tudi ameriški
državni department in večino
delegatov na konferenci Združe-
nih narodov v San Franciscu,
ker so se podali reakciji in za-
vrgli smernice ter načela Roose-
veltove administracije.

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SLOVENCI MED NEMŠKIMI UJETNIKI V AMERIKI

Večkrat je bilo že poročano, da se med nemškimi vojnimi ujetniki v Ameriki nahajajo tudi slovenski fantje iz Stajerske in Gorenjske, katere so Nemci—po priklopljivosti teh dveh delov slovenske zemlje v tretji rajh—mobilizirali v nemško vojsko. Položaj teh ujetnikov se razlikuje od položaja Slovencev med italijanskimi ujetniki v tem, da so ti "nemški" ujetniki uradno še vedno jugoslovanski državljani, kajti zavezniški svet ne priznava Hitlerjevega "Anschlusa."

Naš urad je pred par dnevi prejel anonimno pismo iz nekega takega taborišča v Ameriki in tukaj ga v celoti priobčamo.

POW Camp
28. maja 1945.

Spoštovani gospod tajnik!
Z velikim zanimanjem in zadovoljstvom zasleduje 27 slovenskih vojnih ujetnikov v tukajšnjem POW Campu, ki so po priklopljivosti Spodnje Stajerske in Gorenjske k "tisočletnem Reichu" leta 1941 bili prisiljeni v nemško vojsko in se potem pri prvi priliki brez boja predali zaveznikom. Vaše in SANS-ovo poštvovalno delo za slovenski narod, ki so ga hitlerjanske tolpe hotele spraviti s površine zemlje.

Medtem, ko so Nemci po zloumu Jugoslavije aprila 1941 začeli z Nemcem priznane "preciznostjo" streljati naše slovensko izobraženstvo; začeli z isto "preciznostjo" preseljevati na tisoče družin samo zaradi tega, ker je bilo pri nas toliko in toliko Slovencev preveč za njihov "Lebensraum" (življenjski prostor), in ko so pričeli okrutnim zatiranjem slovenskega jezika, so po neuspehih na ruskem bojišču pričeli leta 1942 iz skrbni za "Kanonenfütter" s silo in terorjem vtikati nas 17—20-letne slovenske fante v toliko osvojenem nemško vojaško suknjo.

Dočim je ljubljana z Dolenjsko pod Italijani bila vsaj za spoznanje na boljsem, so mariborski, ptujski in celjski okraji bili izrečeni na milost in nemilost zloglasni nemški organizaciji poklenih morilcev, znani vsemu svetu pod imenom "Gestapo". Brez najmanjšega olepšanja so nam namignili, da bodo naše družine, v slučaju da se mi ne pokorimo, takoj z naslednjim transportom deportirane na Poljsko, odkoder so potem navadno prihajala kratka poročila, kot na primer: "Her... ist infolge einer plötzlichen Erkrankung hier gestorben. Falls Sie die Asche des verstorbenen wünschens wendens Sie sich an...!" (Gospod... je zaradi nenadne bolezni tukaj umrl. Če želite dobiti pokojnikov pepel, se obrnite na...)

Kljub vsem poizkusom nadutih in osornih pruskih oficirjev, ki so nas sprva zlepa, nato zgrda skušali pridobiti za njihov opevani "tisočletni Reich", nam niso mogli nikoli iztrgati naše narodne zavednosti iz naših src. Vsakdo izmed nas je kljub mladosti in neizkušenosti dobro vedel, kdo so naciji in kaj je naša dolžnost.

Cim smo bili poslani na italijansko bojišča leta 1943 (na rusko fronto) nas radi slabih skušenj niso upali več dati, smo se pri prvi dani priliki prebili do zavezniških bojnih linij. Tukaj smo povedali, kdo smo in kako smo prišli pod nemško knuto.

Zavezniški oficirji na italijanskem bojišču so nas in naše poljske tovariše, ki jih je tepla ista usoda, znali ceniti, ker smo po naših najboljših močeh pomagali marsikateri ameriški in angleški materi ohraniti življenje njihovih sinov. Bilo nam je tudi takoj obljubljeno, da nam bo omogočeno priti v stik z drugimi Jugoslavlani in nadaljevati boj proti kletemu sovragu. Toda čim smo prišli dalje od fronte proti zaledju, so nas iz nam neznanega in nerazumljivega vzroka zopet vtaknili v ujetniška taborišča—skupaj z istimi Nemci, ki so nas že prej gnjavili in psovali z že staro psovko: "Windische Hunde" (slovenski psi).

Kljub našim protestom so nas skupaj z Nemci odpeljali v Združene države, čel, da bo naša zadeva v kratkem rešena. Tako čakamo na to že od jeseni 1943!

Da nas Nemci v teh taboriščih zaradi njihove slabe vesti iz dna duše sovražijo in da je radi tega že bilo nekaj smrtnih slučajev, si lahko vsakdo sam misli!

Res je, da so medtem že pričeli ločiti Poljake in Čeha od nacistov, toda le za nas Jugoslovane se očitno nihče ne pobrija. Naš položaj je tem težji, ker se z nami dosti strožje postopa kot pa z italijanskimi ujetniki, med katerimi so naši primorski Slovenci. Nam so prepovedane vse poštno zveze z zunanjim svetom. Pisati moremo le naj ožjim sorodnikom, ki jih pa večina izmed nas nima!

Razumljivo je, da ameriška vlada smatra primorske Slovence za "podanike Italije" in da bo njihovo vprašanje razrešeno šele tedaj, ko bo rešeno vprašanje jugoslovansko-italijanske meje. Toda od mojih 27 sotrpinov smo vsi iz mariborskega, ptujskega in celjskega okraja, torej iz krajev, ki so bili od leta 1918 naprej uradno priznani kot sestavni del Jugoslavije, priznani tudi od ameriške vlade!

Kolikor nam je znano, od sedaj zapadne velesile niso in najbrže tudi ne bodo tako krpalu priznale novih mej, kakor sta si jih izmislila in začrtala proslula morilca Hitler in Mussolini!

Ali nam torej Vi morete dati odgovor na ta za nas vitalna vprašanja? Ali nam more SANS v tej zadevi pomagati? Že eno leto naletijo naše prošnje za vstop v jugoslovansko armado na gluha ušesa. Ali se vam ne zdi, da mi sedaj že leto dni zapravljamo našo mladost in naše živce za bodečo žico med 100% naciji v U. S. A., medtem ko bi gotovo lahko veliko pripomogli k rekonstrukciji naše trpeče domovine Jugoslavije?

V upanju na skorajšen odgovor se vam že v naprej zahvaljujem za Vašo prijaznost. Vaši hvaležni

SLOVENCI-UJETNIKI.

P. S. Prosim, ne pišite direktno na naš naslov, ker bi to imelo za nas zopet neprijetnosti! Ali nam morete potrditi prejem teh vrstic s kratko notico v tukajšnjih časopisih kot: Prosveta, Amerikanski Slovenec, Enakopravnost, Glas Naroda, itd.?

Slovenski fantje niso edini, ki so jih Nemci prisiljeni spravili v vojaško suknjo. Tako se je zgodilo s Poljaki, Rusi, Čehi, Danci, Holanci, Belgijci, Francozi, Avstrijci in drugimi podjarmljenimi narodi. Ločiti vse take "Nemce" od nacijev—in kdo hoče danes biti naci?—je težaven problem, s katerim se imajo baviti zavezniki. Mi smo že opozorili vojaške oblasti o čudni situaciji teh Slovencev in opozorili jih bomo ponovno. Vsekakor pa je dolžnost jugoslovanskega poslanstva v Washingtonu, da se pože za hitro rešitev tega mučnega položaja slovenskih ujetnikov.

Naša rolinja akcija
V maju smo prejeli za pomožno akcijo WFASSD od naših podružnic in nekaterih društev ter posameznikov znesek \$2.203,00, kar je zvišalo po SANSu nabrano vsoto na \$85.988,38. V tej vsoti niso vključeni prispevki nekaterih podružnic in društev, ki so bili poslani naravnost v urad WFASSD v New York, in ki znašajo že nad \$15.000. Na primer samo v New Yorku in Brooklynu je lokalni slovenski odbor nabral in izročil \$4.977,60 od 2. oktobra 1944 pa to konca aprila.

Glavni prispevatelji v maju so bili naslednji:
Podružnica št. 11, Ambridge, Pa., \$52,50 in sicer od kartne zabave \$50, drugi prispevki pa so znašali \$2,50. Pri podružnici št. 12 v West Alliquippi, Pa., je daroval Frank Dornik iz Ellwood Cityja \$6, dve drugi stranki pa \$3, ali skupaj \$9,00. Pri podružnici št. 40, Kemmerer, Wyo., je nabral brat John Kržišnik vsoto \$51,50; Pavel Sabec je daroval \$20, Frances Borštnar, John Kržišnik, John Starovašnik in Andrew Klun po \$5 vsak, dva sta darovala po \$2, sedem po \$1 in ena rojakinja 50 centov. Podružnica št. 13, Bridgeport, Ohio, je prispevala za pomožno akcijo \$206,00, za politično pa \$50. Na shodu 28. aprila se je napravilo čistega dobička \$278,74, poleg tega pa je še društvo št. 13

SNPJ darovalo \$5, neka druga stranka pa \$1,00.

Pri podružnici št. 24, Virden, Illinois, je daroval Frank Ileršić \$5, neki drugi rojak pa \$1,00, skupaj \$6,00. V Chicagu sta Steve in Rosie Vidmayer iz Clarendon Hillsa darovala skozi podružnico št. 25 \$20,00 za pomožno akcijo. Denar je izročil Louis Zorko. Pri št. 54 v So. Chicagu je daroval naš rojak iz Pullmana, Frank Andolšek, \$5,00.

Prireditve v korist pomožne akcije, ki se je vršila v Strabannu, Pa., 29. aprila pod pokroviteljstvom podružnice št. 55, je prinesla čistega \$217,50, katere vsoto je poslala tajnica Mary Tomšić.

Od podružnice št. 56 v Milwaukee smo prejeli v maju \$520,80, in sicer za politično akcijo in revije Liberation \$224,80, za pomožno akcijo pa \$296,00. Na domači zabavi dne 29. aprila se je napravilo \$270,69 čistega pribitka. Glavni darovalci so bili: Frank Ermenc in soproga \$15, Joe Kocjan, Ferdinand Rakof, Antonija Trkaj, Rozi Wene, Max Kodl, društvo Badgers št. 584 SNPJ, Frank Matkovich, Milwaukee County Bank, Joseph Bodenberger, J. Vande Loo, Gino Oleroe, Frank Zajec, Frank Bizjak, vsak po \$5,00. Sestra Trkaj je darovala tudi za politično akcijo \$5,00. Po \$10 so darovali iz Cudahija Matt Radelj, Frank Borstnar in Frank Berčič. Metka Jelenc iz Racine je prispevala \$25, po \$5 pa Mary Umek, Franc Šebenik, Frances Zore, Frank Škrabole. Več posameznikov je darovalo po \$3 ali manj. Charles Chuk je daroval SANSu \$5,00. Prispevke so izročili: Mary Rodich \$10, Lovrene Zaverl \$22, Mike Ruppe \$5, Joe Radelj \$134.

Tajnik podružnice št. 73, Hermine, Pa., Anton Zornik je izročil \$20,50. Tom Milharčić, Pleasant Valley, je daroval \$10, drugo vsoto pa pet prispevatelj. Andrew Sprogar, podružnica št. 97, Newark, N. J., je izročil za pomožno akcijo \$47,50. Darovali so: Leo Bizjak \$10 (nabral tudi drugih \$12 med člani društva 756 SNPJ), Andrew Sprogar pa \$5. Po \$3 ali manj je darovalo 20 oseb.

Od podružnice št. 99, Luzerne, Pa., smo prejeli za relief \$8,50; \$5 sta darovala Frank Vratarič in soproga Stefaniya, druga pa Frank Zore in Frank Baloh, ki je tajnik.

Za društvo št. 321 SNPJ, Warren, Ohio, je poslal tajnik Joseph Jež vsoto \$110. Društvo je prispevalo iz blagajne \$50, ostalih \$60 pa je bilo nabranih med člani. Denar je namenjen polovica za pomožno akcijo, polovico za SANS.

Tajnik društva št. 141 SNPJ, Universal, Pa., brat Peter Bregant, nam je poslal ček za \$200, nabrano v okolici za pomožno akcijo. Darovali so: po \$25 Slovenski klub in Henry Previc, \$10 Anton Oblak (Kike), po \$5 Peter Boronik, Anton Mohorič, Frank Sifrar (Jezerc), Michael R. Kumer, Anton Payer, Anton Novosel, John Kumer, Martin Kumer, Frank Habjan, Paul Kokalj, Peter Bregant, Mary Milnar, Amalija Chelik, društvo št. 210 KSKJ in Theodor Bosnich. Več drugih rojakov in članov je darovalo tudi manjše vsote. V tej naselbini se je nabralo tudi nekaj oblike za staro domovino in vse je bilo odposlano v skladišče v New York.

Od podružnice št. 86, Elizabeth, New Jersey, nam je poslal J. Pasarič \$10. Ta znesek je bil prihranjen na poštnini, ko so ondodni rojaki nabrali in odposlali 600 funtov oblike.

Poleg označenih prispevkov smo prejeli še nekatere manjše vsote od raznih podružnic, kakor tudi članarino in denar od prodanih revij. Natančen seznam vseh dohodkov za pomožno in politično akcijo bo razviden iz mesečnega računa.

Vsem darovalcem in nabrateljem naj bo izrečena naša iskrena zahvala za poštvovalnost in darežljivost.

SANS je imel zadnje tri mesece zelo velike stroške in bančna bilanca se je precej znižala. Od oktobra meseca do danes smo posvetili veliko našega časa kampanji za pomožno akcijo in plačali vse stroške v zvezi s tem delom iz SANSove blagajne. Obenem smo nabavili članke, izdali veliko tiskovin v angleščini in slovenščini, podpirali Združeni odbor v znesku \$750 mesečno, obdržali letno

MEAT POINTS



sejo gl. odbora in seje izvrševalnega odbora, pošiljali govornike na shode in prireditve ter naše odbornike na razne seje. Vsi dohodki in stroški so razvidni iz objavljenih računov. Danes zavzema pozorišče zopet politično delo in to je v zvezi s stroški. Pravilno je torej, da naše podružnice zopet finančno podprejo naše politično delo in zbirajo prispevke, članarine in druge dohodke za našo upravo.

Ob pisanju teh vrstic smo prejeli pismo od brata Jožeta Mentona iz Detroita, soproga naše aktivne tajnice Lije Menton, da jo je na ulici nevarno poškodoval mestni bus in se nahaja z zdrbljeno kostjo v ledjih v bolnišnici (Grace Hospital, soba 183). Sestra Menton je bila ena izmed najpridnejših in aktivnejših naših delavk v Detroitu in po njeni zaslugi je bila ustanovljena podružnica št. 1 SANS-a. Upamo, da poškodba ni prenevarna ter da se Lija zopet kmalu povrne k zapostavljenemu soprogu. Članom pa priporočamo, da nesrečno rojakinjo obiščejo in ji vsaj na ta način izrazijo svoje priznanje za njeno veliko poštvovalnost v korist SANSa in stare domovine.

Mirko G. Kužel, tajnik:

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Anna Hočevan

(rojena TURK)

Rojena je bila 26. julija 1888 v vasi Vinji vrh pri Beli cerkvi na Dolenjskem. V Ameriko je prišla leta 1913. Pokopana je bila na Park Lawn pokopališču po civilnem obredu. Bila je aktivna na društvenem in prosvetnem polju, ter naprednega mišljenja. Ob smrti je bila članica društva št. 107 SNPJ, Samostoj. društ. Etnost. pev. društ. Slovan. SANSa in podružnice Rdečega križa "Slovenec." Na tem mestu se zahvalimo vsem društvom za darovane cvetice ter za udeležbo pri pogrebu. Hvala vsem, ki so jo obiskali ob mrtvaškem odru in vsem, ki so jo spremlili k mirnemu počitku na mirovno. Tukaj sapuška moša in hčer, v Detroitu sestri in v starem kraju pa brata in mater, ako sta še živa. Draga soproga in mati naša, počivaj mirno v hladni ameriški zemlji.—Žalujoci ostali: Joseph Hočevan, soproga: Frances Helen, hči in Russell Hoen, zet v St. Louis, Mo.

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deželi večinoma ni bilo čutiti v drugih delih sveta. Toda danes so ljudje, ki žive na najoddaljenjših koncih sveta, v bistvu čisto bližnji sosedje. Kjerkoli je skupina ljudi predmet zatiranja—kjerkoli na svetu—se ogroženost te skupine prenaša na vse druge dele sveta.

Nacisti so nas naučili tega. Pod geslom svoje "rasne superiornosti" so najprej napadali Žide v Nemčiji. Za njimi pa so se navajali na vse izobražene, na delavske prvake, na svečnike in na politične nasprotnike vseh veroizpovedi. Ko je bil strup ideje "rase gospodarjev" prodrl

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Igra v Trstu je "fantastična budalost"

Trst, 26. maja.—ONA—Toliko je bilo samohvale o tem, kako dobro so se obnašale jugoslovanske in zavezniške sile, toliko je bilo optimističnega klepetanja o skorajšnjem mirnem zaključku tega spora, da je zares že nevarno, da po zabavo, da je ravnanje v zadevi Trsta polno nesposobnosti in silno zapleteno.

V sedanjem trenutku se nahajajo Anglo-Američani v neprijetnem položaju, da navidezno prete svojem malemu balkanskemu zavezniku, da se bodo z njimi borili — in sicer glede ozemlja, o katerem mnogo ljudi misli, da jim bo prepuščeno o priliki končne mirovne konference. Zahteva maršala Alexandera, naperjena proti Titu, češ "pojdi ven," je bila podčrtana in poudarjena z velikimi paradami sile orožja—tankov, topov in vseh drugih strahot orožja, katere smo kazali jugoslovanskim vojakom. Navidezno je bil naš namen, da "izboljšamo" svoje pozicije na višinskih pozicijah severno in vzhodno od Trsta.

Povedati je treba tudi, da so naše zračne sile istočasno žele urile svoje mišice—čisto javno—in se sprehajale v velikih paradah nad vsem spornim ozemljem.

Jugoslovani so opazovali vse to mirno in brez razburjenja, in so tudi poslali v to ozemlje neznano koliko novih sil svojih v gerilskih borbah utrjenih vojakov—proti zahodu v takozvano naše ozemlje.

Od časa do časa se sprehajajo tudi oni in pokažejo 20 ali 30 tankov za vežbo, katere so jim bili dali Rusi že pred nekaj meseci. S temi tanki potem delajo svoje parade po cestah.

Se več sile pa so pokazali pred par dnevi, ko so z raketa mi "tracer" krogljani začeli proslavo rojstnega dne maršala Tita. Stvar je mistificirala britske častnike, dokler niso končno zvedeli, da gre za miroljubno proslavo.

Ne glede na to, kaj delajo diplomati v pogledu tega spora v vseh različnih prestolnicah sveta—jasno je, da je tu na terenu v teku velikanska igra—bluff, v kateri pa so Jugoslovani pokazali, da jo znajo igrati ravno tako dobro kot mi sami.

"Pošteno so nas osramotili," mi je dejal včeraj mlad ameriški poročnik. Ako naj bom odkritosrčen, moram reči, da to naziranje precej splošno prevladuje.

Res je, da je bilo v početku dogovorjeno, da bodo zavezniški upravljali Trst in okolico, toda podlaga tega sporazuma je bila, da bodo Anglo-Američani prišli tja prvi in ustanovili svojo vojaško vlado še predno bodo mogli dospeti tja Jugoslovani in zasedeti ozemlje sami. Poleg tega pa je treba tudi povedati, da je bil Tito dovolj previden, da se ni nikdar vezal s podpisom, tako da si obe strani na različni način razlagata obstoječe ustmene dogovore.

Ako si ogledamo stvari kot jih je videti na površju, posebno pa ako pomislimo na ton in izraze zavezniških not, se bo moral maršal Tito umakniti—ali pa bo "Bog-nas-varuj". Toda do zdaj še nikakor ni pokazal nobene pripravljenosti, da se umakne. Nikdo tu ne pričakuje, da ga bomo poskusili prisiliti na umik s svojo premočjo. To pa najbrže pomeni, da so v teku napori, da se najde možnost sporazuma, ki ne bo nikogar preveč bolela.

Vsak kompromis pa seveda pomeni, da se bodo morali Anglo-Američani umakniti.

Končno, ako naj svetovna javnost ve, kaj se godi, bi bilo treba, da se nekaj spremeni v politiki, ki narekuje korespondenčno, kje si smejo preskrbeti svoje vesti in kaj sme skozi cenzuro. Sedanja poskusi zadušiti posamezna poročila, predlogi, kako obrniti vest, cenzuriranje dejstev, ki se nahajajo v brzojavkah, vse to je končnoveljavno potrdilo, kakšna fantastična budalost je vsa ta tržaška zadeva.

Knjige pregleda enkrat na leto, in sicer koncem leta. Asesment ostane po starem. Nato se preide na volitve uradnikov za l. 1945. Izvoljeni so sledeči: Blaž Odar, predsednik, Frank Markovič, podpredsednik, Anton Yavich, tajnik-blagajnik, Steve Komugovich, zapisnikar. Nadzorni odbor: Alois Ocek, predsednik, Albin Osredkar in Jakob Matozel.

Zastopniki društev so sledeči: št. 48—Alois Ocek, Anton Yavich in Jakob Matozel, št. 73—Frank Markovič in Jennie Markun, št. 170—Matt Klarich in Fr. Zakely, 178—Albin Osredkar, 315—Blaž Odar in Fr. Guma, 456—Matt Pekalj, 484—preveč oddaljeno, 516—Steve Komugovich in Rade Katich, 535—Frank Anderluh in Joe Jerman in 626.

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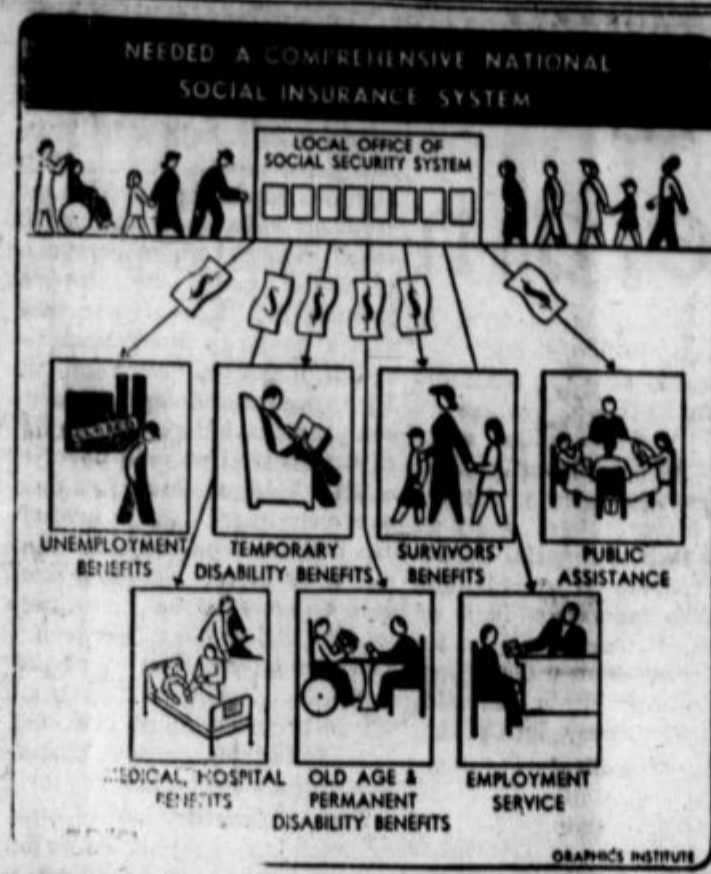
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Amerika potrebuje dober sistem socialne zaščite—približno tak kot je zaščit na Aliki. Če se pogledate vanjo, boste gotovo temu pritrdili. Dober načrt za izboljšanje socialne zaščite je sadnji predložil senator Wagner, nižji zborci pa kongresnik Dingell.

Prva narodna vlada federalne Slovenije

(Iz "Politike" 9. maja 1945)

Takoj po osvoboditvi Ajdovščine pri Vipavi v slovenskem Primorju se je vršila seja Slovenskega narodno-osvobodilnega sveta. Temu svečanemu sestanku članov predsedništva in narodnih poslancev so prisostvovali dr. Ivan Ribar, predsednik AVNOJ-a, podpredsednik zvezne vlade in minister za konstantno Edvard Kardelj, predsednik srbske narodne skupščine dr. Siniša Stanković, načelnik generalnega štaba jugoslovanske vojske general-lajtnant Arso Jovanović, minister za informacije Sava Kosanović, minister pošte dr. Drago Marušić, minister za Slovenijo (v zvezi vladi) Edvard Kocbek, minister hrvaške narodne vlade Vicko Krstulović, delegacije vojaških misij zavezniških narodov in predstavniki javnega življenja Slovenije.

Sejo je odprl predsednik dr. Josip Vidmar, ki je pozdravil dr. Ribarja, člane zvezne vlade in predstavnike zavezniških vojaških misij. Nato je naznanil dnevni red in poudaril, da je na podlagi tozadavnega zakona o oblikovanju narodne vlade Slovenije potrebno sestaviti prvo vlado svobodne in federalne Slovenije. Poslanci so to izjavo pozdravili spontano z dolgim aplavzom.

Zatem je zbornico pozdravil dr. Ivan Ribar, general-lajtnant Arso Jovanović, minister Vicko Krstulović, dr. Siniša Stanković in France Bevk v imenu oblastnega narodno-osvobodilnega odbora slovenskega primorja. Nazadnje je govoril podpredsednik zvezne vlade Edvard Kardelj, ki je razložil aktualno politično situacijo in značaj osvoboditve vse zemlje.

Po uradnem redu seje je Boris Kidrič, član predsedništva SNOS-a, predložil poročilo o položaju notranje politike. V svojem izčrpnem referatu je posebej naglašal, da bodo v svobodni in demokratični Jugoslaviji in s tem tudi v federalni Sloveniji zagotovljene pravice italijanskim manjšinam, tako da bo tej manjšini v novi očetjavi popolnoma omogočen nekajen političen, kulturni in socialen napredek.

Potem je bila odprta razprava, katere se je udeležilo več govornikov. Nastopil je predstavnik italijanske manjšine iz slovenskega primorja in izjavil, da italijanska manjšina v slovenskem primorju izraža svoje veselje, ker hoče v novi, Titovi Jugoslaviji s svojim delom in življenjem doprinesiti kar največ napredka državi zvezi, v katero oni radi, z dobro voljo in s ponosom pristopajo.

Ker je nato sprejet zakon o oblikovanju narodne vlade Slovenije, poveri predsednik Slovenskega narodno-osvobodilnega sveta mandat Borisu Kidriču, članu predsedništva, da sestavi vlado. Kidrič se je nato posvetoval z vodstvom in ravno tako s člani enotnega narodnega osvobodilnega odbora Slovenije, da izvede poverjeno mu nalogo. Po odmoru je predsednik SNOS-a dr. Josip Vidmar naznanil, da je mandat Kidriču predložil listo vlade. Z odlokom predsedništva Slovenskega narodnega osvobodilnega sveta so imenovani v narodno vlado Slovenije sledeči:

Predsednik vlade Boris Kidrič, podpredsednik dr. Marjan Brečelj, minister za notranje zadeve Zoran Polić, finančni minister Aleš Babler, minister pravosodja Jože Pokorn, minister industrije in rudarstva France

ne in tudi ostale rojake oziroma Jugoslovane, ako ima kateri še namen v denarju kaj darovati ali prispevati za pomoč za naše rodne brate in sestre v stari domovini, lahko to stori takoj po društveni seji 17. junija. Denar se lahko izroči tajniku, ali pa kakemu drugemu odborniku podružnice št. 15 SANS. Kdor pa ima kaj obleke za oddati oziroma darovati, je pa vsak naprošen, da naj isto prinese v spodnjo dvorano SDD.

John Gorsek, tajnik.

Oakmont, Pa.—Pozivam članstvo društva št. 472 SNPJ, da se gotovo udeleži izredne seje, ki se bo vršila v nedeljo, 10. junija; začetek ob pol šestih popoldne v Acmetonia klubu, kjer je sedež društva št. 713, s katerim smo se združili in svrhu izvolitve skupnega delegata.

Prosimo, da se seje udeležite v kolikor mogoče velikem številu. Ne pozabite na redno sejo, ki pa se bo vršila 9. junija v običajnem prostoru.

Amalia Sorch, tajnica.

Sheboygan, Wis.—Članstvo društva št. 344 SNPJ opozarjam, da bo na prihodnji seji dne 17. t. m. volitev delegata za 13. redno konvencijo SNPJ. Dolžnost slehernega člana in članice je, da se udeleži seje in volitev.

L. Milostnik, tajnik.

DePue, Ill.—Pozivam članstvo društva Zaveznost št. 59 SNPJ, da se udeleži redne mesečne seje, ki se bo vršila (kakor po navadi) tretjo nedeljo, 17. junija; začetek ob desetih popoldne v Slovenskem domu.

Na dnevnem redu bo med drugimi točkami tudi volitev delegata in namestnika za 13. redno konvencijo SNPJ. Naše društvo šteje 134 članov in članic v odraslem oddelku, na sejo pa nas pride samo deset, dostikrat pa komaj kvorum. Bratje in sestre, udeležite se vsaj vsake tretje seje, da bomo lahko rekli, da se še vedno zanimamo za društvo in jednoto in izvolili bomo delegata, ki bo vsem po volji.

John Zuglich, tajnik.

Društvene priredbe

VABILO NA FEDERACIJSKI PIKNIK

Milwaukee, Wis.—Federacija SNPJ bo priredila 29. julija piknik v parku Kozmut, 92 in Be- loit rd.

Ker večina članstva plačuje asesment na tajnikovih domovih, vprašajte za vstopnico, ako bi jo tajnik pozabil ponuditi. Vstopnica je samo 15c, dve 25c, cela knjižica pa \$1. Oddane bodo štiri nagrade, ki so označene na listkih.

Kooperirajte s federacijo in udeležite se piknika in tako pomagajte spraviti skupaj nekaj denarja, kajti federacija želi kupiti svoj izletniški prostor ali kaj podobnega, tako da bi imeli svatje ognjišče, čeprav majhno. Tu nas je lepo stevilo in če gremo skupno na delo, bomo dosegli svoj cilj. Tajniki so založili po listki, zato pridno posežite po njih!

Frank Primovich, tajnik federacije.

35-LETNICA DRUŠTVA ŠT. 138 SNPJ

Strabano, Pa.—Dne 4. julija se bo vršila proslava 35-letnega jubileja društva Postojnske jame 138 SNPJ.

Praznovanje 35-letnice posameznega društva ni nič novega ali izrednega med nami, ker smo društvenih proslav že precej navajeni, toda v tem primeru bo slavilo 35-letnico pionirsko društvo, ki je izvršilo ogromnega dela na polju fraternalizma in drugega napredka. Društvo št. 138 SNPJ je vseskozi sodelovalo z vsemi našimi naprednimi in kulturnimi organizacijami in pomagalo pri ustanovitvah tukajšnjih kulturnih, gospodarskih in strokovnih organizacij.

Kako hitro je potekala ta doba! Oziram sem v preteklost in pred očmi mi vstajajo spomini na dogodke in doživljanje iz zadnjih 35 let. Kar nas je živih ustanoviteljev, smo bili pred 35 leti mladeniči, polni mladostnega navdušenja in idealizma. Pisoc te vrstice mi stopajo pred oči mnogi obrazi nepozabnih bratov in sester, s katerimi sem se seznanil ob času neutrudljive agitacije in dela za društvo Postojnska jama. Četrtega julija 1. 1910 je bil zame in ostale ustanovitelje zelo važen dan, kajti

na tem mestu najljubšeje vabimo na to redko slavnost. Naše članstvo v splošnem se rado odzove na apele drugih društev, zato upamo, da se bodo tudi naša sosedna društva odzvala našemu apelu.

V skupnosti je uspeh in napredek, zato na veselo svidenje dne 4. julija v Strabano, Pa.

Za društvo št. 138 SNPJ: John Koklich, predsednik.

PIKNIK DRUŠTVA ŠT. 581 SNPJ

St. Marys, Pa.—Na zadnji seji društva št. 581 SNPJ je bilo zaključeno, da priredimo piknik v nedeljo, 17. junija, na Zwacko- vemu prostoru.

Vabimo vse člane, članice in druge rojake, da se tega prvega piknika udeležite v velikem številu. Odrasli posetniki morate imeti vstopnico, ker drugače ne boste mogli na pikniški prostor. Vstopnice lahko dobite pri član- nih in tajniku. Stanejo dolar za osebo. V tej ceni je vključeno tudi pivo in vstop na plesišče popoldne in zvečer.

Piknik se bo vršil v vsakem vremenu, naj bo sonce ali dež. Omeniti moram, da se bo vršila naša prihodnja redna seja 15. junija; pričetek ob sedmih zvečer.

Gabriel J. Uljon, tajnik.

Veje so važna stvar ...

Napisal William Winter

Stvar, ki bi se zdel nepotrebna na konferenci v San Franciscu, je to, da je podpredsednik odgovoren za vejice. Vsaka najmanjša vejica, podpiše in vsak izraz je skrbno pregledan z vseh strani—tehta jo ga na vse strani, ko da se nahajamo v lekarni.

"Vsaka vejica," pravi dr. Camillo Ponce, "vsaka beseda utegne biti usodopolna in odločati o usodi države, ali pa o miru na svetu."

Zato se odbori in podobni bore venomer proti besedilom dokumentov, ki bodo predloženi v podpis 49 neodvisnim državam. Može, katerim je poverjena skrb, da gledajo na varnost sveta s perspektivo in črnim, so posvetili svoje sile definicijam besed kot agresija, raziskovanju, kaj more pomeniti besedica 'the', kaj je kultura in kaj vzgoja, in kaj razlika med samostojno in samostojnostjo, ali neodvisnostjo.

Slavne besede 'In The First Instance', ki so bile vključene v sporazum v Jalti glede Poljske, so predmet spora in nesporazumljenja, ki še danes ni rešeno. Mala vejica bi bila utegnila preprečiti vsako dvomnost.

Nedavno je šlo za angleški stavek: "To obtain reports from the members of the organization ..." Nekdo je povzel, da povzroča besedica "the" nejasnost—moglo bi se razumeti, da gre za vse člane kolektivno, je trdil, ter da to ni bilo v mislih onega, ki je sestavljal do- tični predlog. Ruski delegat je pa povedal, da je treba razlikovati—da gre ali za vse člane sku- paj, ali pa za vsakega posamez- nega, ter da je treba to oprede- liti, kajti v ruščino besedico 'the' ni mogoče prevesti. Ali velja besedico izbrisati? Tudi v tem slučaju nastane dvomnost in nejasnost.

Služaj je bil rešen na ta način, da je besedilo ostalo spremenje- no, a dodana je bila posebna raz- laga.

Druga velika debata se suče okrog pojma kultura. General Romulo si je izmislil definicijo in predložil: "Znanost nabrana v teku stoletij in precejena v dobro človeštvo." Časnikarjem se je zdel ta definicija takrat čudovito lepa, toda uradno in stvarno pojmo še vedno ni opisan. Dean Gildersleeve je de- jala, da je vedno mislila, da je be- sedna vzgoja nekaj levega in za- željenega, dokler je na tej kon- ferenci delegati niso začeli vpra- ševati, kje se konča vzgoja in kje se začneja propaganda. In kdo naj vzgaja, koga in kje?

Ali naj Zedinjeni narodi priznavajo le "representativno" vlado? Ali so vse vlade res "re- presentativne", tako da morejo veljati kot predstavnice svojih narodov? Dr. Ponce pravi, da je proti vmešavanju v notranje zadeve. Nekateri latinske drža- ve imajo diktatorje "svoji slogi na ljubo." Simon Bolivar, veliki osvoboditelj, pa se je čisto po- sadil samega sebe na mesto dik- tatorja "v smotru, da uvede de- mokratico".

Ena najbolj zamešanih in za- pletenih zadev pa je tolmačenje

Federacije SNPJ

SEJA FEDERACIJE CENTRALNEGA ILLINOISA

St. Louis, Mo.—Seja federacije društev SNPJ v centralnem Illinoisu se bo vršila v nedeljo, 10. junija; začetek ob desetih popoldne pri bratu Johnu Ruglu, 900 No. Clinton st., Gillespie, Ill. Seja bo važna, zato naj se je udeleže zastopniki vseh društev.

Ciril Medved, predsednik.

POZIV NA FEDE- RACIJSKO SEJO

Virden, Ill.—Vsem članom društev in zastopnikom federacije centralnega Illinoisa in St. Louis, Mo., dajem na znanje, da se bo seja vršila 10. junija v Gillespieju, Ill. Pričetek ob desetih popoldne v običajnem prostoru.

Apeliram na članstvo SNPJ in zastopnike, da se seje udeleže v velikem številu, kajti na dnevnem redu bomo imeli več važnih zadev, med njimi tudi načrt za bolj obširno delo naše federacije, ki je bila zato ustanovljena pred 14 leti. Tiste čase smo imeli več smisla za skupne koristi na društvenem polju.

Torej, ne pozabite te važne seje. Na svidenje!

Frank Hirsch, tajnik.

ZAPISNIK BARBERTON- SKE FEDERACIJE

Magadore, O.—Federacijska seja se je vršila 25. marca v Kennmuru, O. Od uradnikov ni navzoč zapisnikar Matt Pekalj, zato je na njegovo mesto izvoljen tajnik federacije.

Na seji so zastopana sledeča društva: št. 48, 73, 170, 178, 315, 516 in 535. Brat tajnik prečita pismo od Prosvetne matice. Sprejet je predlog, da federacija še nadalje ostane članica Prosvetne matice in pošlje \$12 kot članarino za l. 1945.

Nove člane so dobila sledeča društva: št. 48 dva v mladinski oddelki in enega v odrasli; št. 170 štiri v mladinski in št. 315 štiri v mladinski in enega v odrasli oddelki.

Nadalje je sklenjeno, da se vse federacijske seje vsake tri mesece. Prihodnja seja pa se bo vršila 24. junija v Barbertonu, O. Sklenjeno je tudi, da se

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Ali naj zmanjšamo konvencije?

Skoro pred vsako konvencijo, sigurno pa po vsaki konvenciji je v Prosveti razprava s strani aktivnih članov o potrebi zmanjšanja delegacije. Razlogi so znani: 1) da se zmanjšajo stroški, 2) da se skrajšajo in kvalitativno izboljšajo konvencije in 3), da se "moderniziramo," kar pokriva marsikaj.

O tem vprašanju je bilo posebno dosti razprave po zadnjih par konvencijah, ki so štele okrog 300 ali čez 300 članov. Ker s strani katerega društva ni prišlo do iniciativnega predloga, je bila stvar pozabljena do lani. Lani se je zopet obudila, ko smo doznali, da bi konvenčni sklad ne kril stroškov prihodnje konvencije. Društvo Orel iz Puebla je prišlo na dan s iniciativnim predlogom za zmanjšanje delegacije, toda ni dobil dovolj podpore, da bi šel na splošno glasovanje. Razlogi, zakaj je ni dobil, so znani.

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Zadnji teden je v oblatinirani Prosveti objavil br. Kobi iz Dulutha precej dobro zamišljen načrt za nov sistem volitve delegatov po okrožjih, in sicer enega delegata in namestnika na vsakih 500 članov. Kot on navaja, naj bi upravni odsek v svrhu teh volitev razdelil društva v volilna okrožja, ki naj bi štela kolikor mogoče blizu 500, 1000, 1500, 2000 članov etc. Velika društva, ki štejejo po 500 ali več članov, bi v svrhu volitev lahko tvorila svoje okrožje.

V zvezi s vsakim takim sistemom je važen način volitve delegatov. Br. Kobi se je poglubil tudi v to vprašanje in priporočal sledeče: Sedem mesecev pred konvencijo naj bi društva nominirala kandidate za delegate in njih imena poslala gl. tajniku. On bi potem izdelal glasovnice za vsako okrožje in jih poslal društvom. Pet mesecev pred konvencijo bi bile prve volitve delegatov, tri mesece pred konvencijo pa ožje ali končne volitve. Na ožje volitve bi šli v vsakem volilnem okrožju oni trije, šest, devet kandidatov (to število bi bilo odvisno od velikosti okrožja), ki prejmejo največ glasov. Oni, ki bi dobili (ali dobili) največ glasov, bi postal delegat, njegov namestnik pa oni, ki za njim dobi največ glasov.

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To je v jedru Kobjevo priporočilo. Nam, ki smo se s tem vprašanjem bavili že pred leti in tudi lani (urednik govori le v svojem imenu), se dopade. Sem pa tam je treba zamašiti še nekatere vrzeli. Ena teh je možnost, da bi dva kandidata izmed treh dobila enako število glasov. Tukaj bi bilo treba dati postavko za ožje volitve med njima, ali pa določbo, da delegat sam določi izmed obeh, kdo bo njegov namestnik. Pri nekaterih organizacijah se to prakticira. Za nas bi bile mogoče bolj priporočljive volitve v takih primerih, ako bi slučajno prišlo do njih, kar pa bi bila velika redkost. Vsekakor pa bi bile potrebne v primeru, da bi pri prvih ožjih volitvah ne bil nihče izvoljen za delegata radi enakosti glasov.

Naše mnenje je, ako je članstvo za znižanje delegacije, bi bil ta način: volitve po okrožjih, še najbolj. Ako bi na primer ohranili sedanji sistem in zvišali bazo s 100 na 150 članov, kakor je to na primer določal iniciativni predlog društva Orel, bi s tem še bolj zvišali število onih društev, ki se morajo združiti v svrhu izvolitve delegata. In ta društva so že danes v večini. Vsi pa vemo, da je ta sistem za prizadeta društva zelo neokreten in težaven.

Deloma vsled tega in deloma vsled negotovosti, če se bo letos vršila konvencija ali ne, tudi dosti društev ni podvezlo nobenih korakov za združenje v svrhu izvolitve delegata. Zato bo prihodnja konvencija, ako se vrši letos, precej manjša kot bi bila v normalnih razmerah. To pomeni, da dosti društev ne bo zastopanih.

Za organizacijo to ni dobro, kajti med prizadetimi društvi to le ustvarja malodušje ali brezbriznost. In kjer je malodušje, tam tudi ne more biti dosti zanimanja za organizacijo in društvo le živi. V interesu organizacije je, da se bori proti taki bolezni. Toda tega ni mogoče vršiti s kako sintetično ali puhlo propagando. Organizacijo je treba izboljšati tako, da se bo vsako društvo počutilo kot važen del celote. Žal, da sedanji sistem volitve delegatov ne vodi v to smer, ker se morajo manjša društva boriti z zaprekami.

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Sistem, kot ga priporoča br. Kobi, bi te zapreke odpravil. Po tem sistemu bi bila vsa društva enakopravna: enaki pogoji za vse. Vsako društvo bi lahko nominiralo kandidata in se aktivno udeleževalo volitev v svojem okrožju od začetka do konca. To pravico ima sedaj le, če ima samo zadostno število članov ali če se združi z drugim društvom ali društv.

Večja društva, na primer z več kot 200 člani, bi lahko imela pravico, da nominirajo dva kandidata. Razlog za to bi bil, ker je pri večjih društvih tudi več aktivnih članov, ki se živo zanimajo za organizacijo. S tem bi dalj priliko do kandidaturo večjemu številu teh članov. Ampak to vprašanje ni kardinalne važnosti.

Če bi uvedli ta sistem in Kobjevo priporočilo, bi to pomenilo na podlagi sedanjega števila članstva okrog 80 do 90 delegatov poleg glavnih odbornikov. Ker imamo precej veliki glavni odbor, bi bilo to število delegatov najbrže preizkušeno. Nam se vidi, da bi bilo za organizacijo bolj priporočljivo, ako bi določili enega delegata na primer na vsakih 300 članov. To bi bila nekakšna srednja pot, ki je navadno najboljša.

To vprašanje je vsekakor pred članstvom in diskuzijo o njem odprta, kakor tudi o vseh drugih vprašanjih, katera bodo prišla pred konvencijo ali katera članstvo želi prinesiti pred njo. Dobro in potrebno je, da se mnenja o njih že pred konvencijo skristalizirajo, kar bo omogočilo boljše zaključke. Člani, na dan z dobrimi idejami!

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West Allis, Wis.—Kakor je bilo že poročano, se bo vršil v nedeljo, 10. junija, v Pleasant Valleyju parku Slovenski dan, katerega prireja Slovenski ameriški narodni svet v milwauskem okraju. Vstopnina je samo 25c.

Ta park je daleč okoli poznan, zato ni treba podrobnih navodil, kako pridete tja. Vzemite Burnham poulično do konca, potem pa vzemite bus do parka. Pripravljalni odbor se nadeja velike udeležbe. Posebnost piknika pa bo—na raznju pečena jagneta in mladi pujski, če jih bodo dobili. Nastopili bodo dobri govorniki, po programu bo pa ples. Slovenci pridno kupujejo vstopnice, le tako naprej! Čisti dobiček je namenjen za staro domovino, zato naj nikdo ne ostane doma 10. junija!

Ker že poročam o pikniku, naj še omenim, da se bo vršil izlet društva Jolly Allis 24. junija in ne 22. junija, kot je bilo zadnjič pomotoma poročano. Izlet se bo vršil v Greenfield parku.

Slišal sem, da je federacija dovolila gotovo vsoto za okrepčila mladini, zato priporočam staršem, da pripeljejo s seboj svoje otroke. Udeležite se izleta Jolly Allis. V parku je lepo igrišče, kopališče in druge stvari, ki jih ljubi mladina. Imeli bodo tudi mehko pijačo in sladoled. Izlet je namenjen samo za razvedrilo in ne za dobiček, zato se ga udeležite in naužite malo svežega zraka. Bus vozi od West Allis banke po Greenfield cesti do parka. Torej na svideenje 24. junija.

Joseph Radeli.

JOHN BERLISG—ČLOVEK
RAZUMA IN SRCA

Arma, Kansas.—Neprijetno me je dirnila kratka notica v Prosveti, da je nenadoma preminul John Berlisg, v Detroitu, Mich. Izgubo takega kulturnega delavca čutimo tudi drugi po deželi, četudi zdajnja leta nismo bili v direktnem stiku z njim. Dasi je Berlisg živel zadnjih 20 let v Detroitu, kamor je došel iz Kansasa, je tudi nam tukaj še vedno v dobrem spominu. Saj je bil on v resnici eden prvih in najboljših kulturni delavec v slovenskih naselbinah v Kansasu.

Prvo je vodil tamburaški zbor v nekdanji rudarski naselbini Stone City. Pozneje je prešel v tedaj novo naselbino Ringo, kjer je spet imel svoj godbeni krožek. Tista leta je bila daljša 30 milj že velika zaradi slabih transportnih sredstev, pa nismo toliko poznali drug drugega in nismo dobro poznali aktivnosti ene ali druge naselbine.

Nekoč sem ga obiskal v Ringo. John je naredil na vsakega najboljše vtis. Inteligent in obenem skrajno skromen, kot pišeta Potocnik in Česen. Bolje sem ga spoznal leta pozneje, ko je vodil pevski zbor v Grossu in pomagal pri dramskem krožku. So bili tudi drugi kulturni delavci med nami v tistih časih, ko so bile naše rudarske naselbine na višku, tako po številu kot po aktivnostih, toda nihče ni pustil toliko praznote za seboj kot Berlisg, ko je odšel iz Kansasa. Z njegovim odhodom je bilo konec organiziranim pevskim in godbenim krožkom po naših naselbinah.

Pred nekaj leti sem opisal v reviji Majski Glas "pozabljenega človeka," oziroma naše rojake, ki se nahajajo na stara leta v okrajni ubožnici v Girardu, Kansas, v zavodu, ki nosi uradno ime "County Home" ali "County Farm." V spisu sem omenil, da ti rojaki zelo žele slovensko čtivo, posebno priljubljen jim je list Prosveta, ki roma iz rok v roke, ki pa ga neredno prejemajo, ker ga nimajo s čim plačati. Nekateri da bi tudi rabili očela pri čitanju, za katere seveda tudi ni denarja. Kmalu potem sem pa prejel pismo od Berlisga iz Detroita in v pismu denarno nakaznico za \$6. V pismu med drugim pravi: "Naroči dnevnik Prosveto našim starim rojakom, ki se nahajajo v Okrajnem domu v Girardu, Kansas. In nikar nikjer ne omeni, da sem jaz to poslal. Običajni spet ob priliki in poizvedbi, ko-

liko bi stala očala za tiste, ki jih potrebujejo in piši mi."

Ali zamore biti bolj kristalno čista duša, ki čuti za svojega delavca? Saj ni toliko vsota sama kot pa čut, ki se kaže iz tega njegovega dejanja. Ampak tajnosti nisem mogel držati za sebe. Znesek sem poslal upravništvu Prosvete in omenil, kdo je ponovil naročnino lista za tiste rezeve; obenem sem pa tudi sporočil rojakom v Okrajnem domu, komu se imajo zahvaliti, da imajo spet za eno leto plačan list. Da, John je odšel mnogo prezgodaj.

Tudi letos smo imeli običajno prvomajniško proslavo jednotnih društev v Kansasu. Priredba, če upoštevamo sedanje izredne razmere, je prav dobro izpadla. Udeležba je bila velika, veliko večja kot smo pa pričakovali. Glavna atrakcija so pač bile jednote slike iz starega kraja. Le škoda, da se je v sredi predvajanja poškodoval stroj, da nismo mogli pokazati vseh slik. Žal nam je bilo postaranih rojakov, ki so še enkrat prišli pogledat rojstni kraj, če tudi samo na sliki.

A. Shular.

KONVENČNA PRIPOROČILA
MINNESOTSKIH DRUŠTEV

Chisholm, Minn.—Kakor je bilo že omenjeno zadnji mesec v Prosveti, so zastopniki federacije društev SNPJ izvolili odbor sedmih članov v svrhu razmiselnja in izboljšanja pravil SNPJ. Ta odbor je imel sejo 27. maja v Evelethu, Minn. Tajnik tega odbora je predložil seji vsa priporočila, katera je prejel od društev in posameznih članov SNPJ v Minnesoti. Priporočila smo pazljivo pregledali in prebrali in potem napravili najboljše sklepe v korist članstva in jednote vobče.

Priporočila so sledeča: prvič, način volitev delegacije naj bo v bodočnosti isti kot je bil v preteklosti, če pa se vidi delegaciji prihodnje konvencije umestno, znižati delegacije, potem priporočamo, da se izvolijo enega delegata na vsakih 150 ali 200 članov. Nadalje smo sklenili, da v bodočnosti naj vsakemu majhna društva v svrhu izvolitve delegata glavni predsednik SNPJ, ker s tem bi bile združive bolj pravilno izvršene.

Drugič, odškodnine za operacije naj ostanejo iste kot jih imamo sedaj, za kilo pa naj bi ponovno plačali, ako mora član iti ponovno na operacijo v prvem letu.

Tretjič, člani, ki so zavarovani za \$2 bolniške podpore, naj bi prejeli celotno bolniško podporo za dobo šestih mesecev, ako so zavarovani več kot 20 let v tem razredu. Odbor je soglasno prišlo do zaključka, da bi s tem pomagali članom, ki so izvršili že veliko dela za SNPJ in so še vedno dobri delavci za jednoto. Četrtič, odbor priporoča zvišanje plač glavnemu izvršnemu odboru, kajti naši eksekutivni uradniki so manj plačani kot uradniki drugih organizacij.

Petič, naš odbor priporoča, da se pohabljenim članom—vojakom, ki so bili zavarovani za bolniško podporo, a sedaj ne bi mogli pristopiti nazaj v bolniški razred, povrne asesment, ki so ga vplačali v bolniški razred pred vstopom k vojakom, seveda, ako niso poprej prejeli nobene bolniške podpore.

Naš odbor se najlepše zahvaljuje vsem društvom in posameznikom za lepo sodelovanje in priporočila. Upoštevali smo vsa možna priporočila in odbor vam jamči, da so jedra vaših priporočil vključena v naših sklepih.

Sedaj pa nekaj besed od moje strani glede 13. redne konvencije. V Prosveti smo čitali naznailo glavnega predsednika, da je illinojska zakonodaja sprejela predlog, ki določa, da se lahko preloži konvencije bratskih podpornih organizacij v izrednih razmerah. Ta predlog je zelo koristen za našo jednoto in gre vse priznanje našemu izvršnemu odboru in glavnemu odboru, ki je deloval za ta amandament.

Moje priporočilo je, da konvencijo preložimo na poznejši čas, kajti sedaj ni ugoden čas za

konvencijo. Vožnja bo še precej časa omejena, poleg tega pa moramo tudi upoštevati prehrano delegacije, kajti sedaj je veliko pomanjkanje mesa in se ga ne more kupiti, v prihodnjih mesecih pa kaže, da bo položaj še slabši, črnega trga pa gotovo ne bi hoteli podpirati. Posebno jednota ne! Razumljivo, delegacija ne more živeti samo ob kruhu, makaronih in krompirju. Torej prehrana delegacije je resen problem, katerega v teh kritičnih časih ni mogoče povoljno rešiti. Glede stanovanj za delegate vem, da jih imajo evelethska društva lepo urejena. Ampak to še ni vse. Ko se je končala vojna v Evropi, smo imeli upanje, da se bodo razmere v Zedinjenih državah temeljito zboljšale, končno pa smo prišli vsi do prepričanja, da bodo kritične tolike časa, dokler bo trajala vojna z Japonsko.

Torej, kakor sem zgoraj omenil, smo lahko srečni, da je bil sprejet predlog, da lahko odgodiemo konvencijo, kajti je vse polno vzrokov za odgoditev konvencije, kateri so članom, ki se zanimajo za te zadeve, dobro znani.

Omenim naj še tukajšnje vreme. Te vrstice pišem 1. junija zvečer, a je zelo mrzlo. Drevje je bilo druga leta ob tem času že vse zeleno, letos pa je skoro vse brez zelenih listov. Še 20 dni in sonce se bo zopet zaobrnilo proti južni strani, tukaj pa bo pričelo šele rasti, ako bo sploh kaj zrastle letošnje leto.

Frank Klune,
tajnik odbora.

BARBIČEVA PRIPOROČILA

Cleveland, O.—Preden grem k počitku se moram oglasiti in oglašati našo društveno sejo, ki se bo vršila v nedeljo, 10. junija; začetek ob pol desetih dopoldne v Slovenskem delavskem domu. Torej člani društva št. 53 SNPJ, ne pozabite priti na sejo. Ne bom vabil vseh, kajti društvena dvorana je premajhna za vse 628 članov, če pa vas pride deset na vsakih sto, potem pa bo ravno prav prostora za 63 oseb. Vam se že vnaprej zahvaljujem za veliko udeležbo in po-set ob pravem času.

Torej ste čitali vabilo za konvencijo, ki ga je dal priobčiti naš glavni tajnik. On pravi, da se naj pripravimo. Torej naša delegata, Joseph Durn in Anton Brenčič, povejta svoji Mici in Ani, da vama pripravita potico, kajti klobas se sedaj ne dobi. Če pa poznata kakšnega farmarja v Madisonu ali Genevi, ki bi vama dal šunko, kar po njo. Če pijeta ohlajeno vino, potem je tudi priporočljivo, da ga vzameta s seboj. Dobro bi bilo, da bi vzela s seboj tudi avtomobil, kajti iz Dulutha do Evelethu, Minn., je 60 milj. Ako bi pa slučajno mene videla, da bi jo mahal s cekarjem po cesti, me poberita.

Potem pa pride na dan glavni predsednik in pravi, da so končno sprejeli dodatek v illinojski legislaturi, da se konvencija lahko odloži. Glavni tajnik in glavni predsednik pišeta vsak po svoje, kajti menda posnemata Antona Terbovca. Torej v Chicago imajo še vedno upanje, da se jih usmili ODT v Washingtonu in dovolijo tovorni vlak v Minnesoto. Stvar ne bo šla od rok tako lahko.

Na zadnji seji glavnega odbora je zmagal predlog, da se ima pričeti konvencija 13. avgusta. Ta številka je nesrečna za nadarjene ljudi. Za nas, ki smo bolj zabite pameti, bo nemara ta številka srečna, vzlic temu pa smo predlagali, da bi se konvencija pričela 10. septembra, ker bi bilo več prilike, da bi se ODT premislil. No, pa nismo zmagali.

ODT ni dovolil obdržati konvencij niti vernim kristjanom, ki se nazivajo "Disciples of Christ." Njihova konvencija se je imela vršiti na univerzi v Hiramu, O., pa je bila kljub temu prepovedana, dasi naši veliki časopisi in tudi rabinec Rudolph M. Rosenthal protestirajo. Mi pa nismo poslali niti enega protesta v urad obrambne transportacije. Zakaj ga ne pošljemo, če se nam res tako mudi v Minnesoto, dokler je še toplo?

Potem pa pride John Kobi iz Dulutha in priporoča volitev delegacije po distriktih, da bi s tem prihranili denar. Ali ni to čudno, da hočejo vsi hraniti denar v konvenčnem skladu prav takrat, kadar je konvencija? Saj denar vendar hranimo s tem, da se vrše konvencije komaj na vsa-

ka štiri leta, dočim so se nekoč vršile bolj pogosto, na vsaki dve leti ali tri, zraven pa smo imeli še izredne. Torej že tukaj hranimo. Nekaj časa smo plačevali tri cente v konvenčni sklad, pa je bilo preveč in smo znižali asesment. Enkrat pa smo iz konvenčnega sklada transferirali nekaj tisočakov v drug sklad, sedaj pa lahko iz tistega sklada vzamemo denar in ga vrnemo v konvenčni, da bomo imeli več v bisagi.

Oni, ki želite, da bi bila konvencija kratka, storite to: Po-vejte vašemu delegatu, da priporoča 10-urno zborovanje. Ne pošiljajte pozdravov na konvencijo, da ne bo treba trati časa s čitanjem. Ne pošiljajte nikakih sprememb k pravilom. Ne zahtevajte znižanje asesmenta in povišanje bolniške podpore in pokojnino povrh in kadar član plačuje 20 let, da je dovolj. Da boste res prihranili denarja jednoti, vam pa sugestiram sledeče: Prenehajte biti bolni, ne podvržite se operacijam in tudi umirajte prenehajte, da ne bo treba plačevati posmrtnine. Upoštevajte ta moja priporočila, ki niso vsiljiva, in imeli bomo strašno veliko denarja v jednotni blagajni!

Dobro bi bilo, da bi poizkusili še enkrat v zakonodaji, da bi ukinila konvencije bratskih organizacij, da bi s tem prihranili denar. Uradnike pa bi lahko volili po sledečem sistemu: Za predsednika izvolimo tistega, ki ima največ članov pri jednoti; podpredsednika pa tistega, ki ima vsaj pet sinov pri vojaki, tajnika pa moža, ki ima vse računske stroje kar doma, a otrok ne sme imeti več ko ducat. Blagajnik naj bi bil pa brez otrok, da ne bo treba v družini kupovati preveč parov čevljev, kajti pointov se ne dobi lahko. Časopisa tudi ne potrebujemo. Na ta način bomo prihranili veliko denarja.

Morebiti bo kdo rekel, da sem neumen. Če sem, sem zato, ker neprestano čitam zabavljanje čez velike konvenčne stroške, medtem pa članstvo zavlačuje konvencije z navodili delegacije.

Frank Barbič.

DOMAČA ZABAVA IN
DELNIČARSKA SEJA

Detroit, Mich.—Gospodinjstvi odsek Slovenskega delavskega doma bo priredil v nedeljo popoldne, 10. junija, domačo zabavo s balinarsko tekmo na 437 So. Livernisi.

Isti dan se tudi vrši delničarska seja SDD; začetek ob dveh popoldne. Seja bo važna, zato ste vabljeni vsi delničarji, da se jo gotovo udeležite. Na svideenje v Slovenskem delavskem domu!

Mary Tehovnik.

VABILO NA
DRUŠTVENO SEJO

Milwaukee, Wis.—Ker je bila zadnja seja društva št. 747 SNPJ precej pičlo obiskana in ker imamo na dnevnem redu več starih in novih zadev, mislim, da je umestno, da na tem mestu pozovemo vse članstvo na prihodnjo mesečno sejo, ki se bo vršila prihodnjo nedeljo popoldne, 10. junija, na domu društvene tajnice.

Vedite, da imamo pri društvu vedno več bolnikov, ki se zdravijo doma in v bolnišnicah, zato je potrebno, da v takih primerih izpolnujemo jednotina pravila in upoštevamo slogi in bratstvo. Druga važna zadeva je naša desetletnica in piknik, ki je v zvezi z našim društvenim poslovanjem, odkar poslujemo pod zastavo naše dične SNPJ. Piknik se bo vršil v nedeljo, 19. avgusta, v Kozmutovem parku na So. 92. cesti in W. Beloit rd. v West Allisu.

V ta namen imamo v zalogi vstopnice, ki jih razpečavamo po deset centov. Oddane bodo tri lepe nagrade, in sicer vojni bond za \$25, dalje \$10 in \$5 v gotovini.

Ob tej priliki bo društvo izdalo tudi plakate z oglasi, zato je potrebno, da gremo vsi na delo in trkamo na vrata naših trgovcev in obrtnikov ter si zapomnimo kdo je z nami ob priliki naše desetletnice. Cena oglasov je od \$3 naprej in morajo biti v tajniškem uradu do 16. julija.

Naša bratska sosedna društva z nami kooperirajo in nam zagotavljajo svojo vsestransko pomoč v tem oziru. Zatorej je potrebno, da se vse naše članstvo zaveda težkega dela in dolž-

nosti in po svoji najboljši zmognosti priporoče do lepšega uspeha v finančnem in moralnem oziru.

Več podrobnih pojasnil o tej zadevi boste dobili na seji. Storitve svojo dolžnost in pridite vsi na sejo ob dveh popoldne to nedeljo.

L. Ambrosich.

PLESNA VESELICA
DRUŠTVA ŠT. 18 SNPJ

Chicago, Ill.—Ker vlada jo izredno razburkane razmere po vsem svetu, pri nas v Chicago pa izredno mrzlo in pusto vreme, je društvo Rožnik št. 18 SNPJ sklenilo, da priredi plesno veselico v soboto, dne 16. junija. Vršila se bo v Bergerjevi dvorani na 2653 S. Lawndale ave. Vstopnina je prosta.

Pripravljalni odbor je obljubil, da preskrbi Možinov Trio, ki bo igral poskočne komade za plesalce; ta odbor bo tudi preskrbel dobro pijačo in pa dobro jedajo. Pridite in pozabavajte se v krogu svojih prijateljev in znancev!

Naslednjega dne (17. junija) se bo nudila prilika vsem, ki se bodo preveč segreli na veselici našega društva, da se bodo lahko ohladili na pikniku pri Keglu v Willow Springsu, katerega priredi Proletarec. Na veselo svideenje na obeh prireditvah!

Paul Berger, blagajnik.

POPRAVEK IN DODATEK

Duluth, Minn.—Moje priporočilo za nov sistem volitev delegatov, ki je bilo priobčeno v uradni Prosveti z dne 29. maja, je pomanjkljivo. Odstavek, ki navaja končne volitve, se bi moral glasiti takole:

Tri mesece pred konvencijo se vršijo končne volitve. Tisti kandidati, ki prejmejo po vrsti največ glasov, so smatrani za izvoljene delegate. In enako število nedeljnih kandidatov, ki prejmejo za prvimi po vrsti največ glasov, se jih pa smatra za izvoljene za namestnike.

Kar je podčrtanega je popravek in stavek ki je tu napisan, je pravilen.

Dodati moram še to: Rezultat vsakih volitev mora gl. tajnik priobčiti najmanj dvakrat v uradni Prosveti med volitvami. Prosim, da vzamete zgornje v poštev in se številno odzovete k razpravi tega predmeta, ki je bil že tolikokrat rešetan v naši javnosti. Če pogledamo na zastopstvo ljudstva v kongresu, bomo videli, da bomo na naših konvencijah še vedno zastopani v večjem številu kot smo v kongresu, pa čeprav sprejememo ta načrt!

John Kobi.

VESELICA V
BURGETTSTOWNU

Burgettstown, Pa.—Pred časom smo v tej naselbini ustanovili takozvan "Service Club." Dne 9. junija pa priredi ta klub veselico v Slovenskem domu, na katero vabimo naše rojake ob blizu in daleč. Ves čisti dobiček je namenjen za naše vojake.

Napolnimo Slovenski dom dne 9. junija do zadnjega kotička. Na svideenje!

Za odbor:

Frank Laurich, predsednik.

JUGOSLOVANOM. POSEBNO
SLOVENCEM V CLEVELANDU NA ZNANJE

Cleveland, O.—Na pobudo Progresivnih Slovencev je bil v Clevelandu izvoljen združeni odbor, ki zastopa vse jugoslovanske narode. Ta odbor bo sklical velik shod 17. junija v Slovenskem narodnem domu na St. Clair ave.

Vzrok za sklicanje tega shoda so meje svobodne Jugoslavije, katere sedaj rišejo. Vsi Jugoslovani, posebno Slovenci, Primorci in Korošci, naj gotovo pridejo na shod.

Podrobnosti o shodu bodo sledile. Zapomnite se dan shoda—17. junija!

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1. Anton Novak \$20.
2. Anna Wutcher \$40.
3. Marion Dolinar \$27.
4. Mary Pugi \$22, Mary Pugi \$22.
5. Louis Jordan \$40.
6. Joseph Pouch \$15.50, Jacob Martinich \$32, Jacob Martinich \$32.
7. Martin Bambic \$15.
8. Della Albertson \$41, Anton Potocan \$17.50.
9. Frank Paulic \$26.
10. Charles Sheza \$33.
11. Mary Malovich \$35, Carl Glaser \$24.
12. Joseph Molk \$24, Joseph Ambrosch \$20, Louis Mirt \$41.
13. Joseph Andretic \$60, Milka Jarnevec \$20.
14. John Koren \$14, Charles Neumann \$30, Joseph Zilnik \$40.
15. Theresa Anzlov \$10, Frank Pevic \$36, Lawrence Cestnik \$30.
16. Anton Tomazic \$61, Luka Repovs \$36, Frank Kiraz \$30, Frank Sattler \$30.
17. Steve Lath \$56, Angela Strutz \$44.
18. Louis Kascak \$21.50.
19. Mary Luznar \$20.
20. Antonia Bizjak \$28, Filip Sternic \$96, Frank Grzurich \$14, Frank Grzurich \$14.
21. Caroline Novak \$15, Anne Kerzan \$17.50, Peter Banich \$75, Peter Banich \$75.
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23. Frank Zele \$12, Mary Cher \$18.
24. Frank Zupancic \$28.
25. Nick Pouch \$55, Anton Volkovic \$17.50, Anton Adams \$40.
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29. Frank Jabec \$20, George Schmizet \$35.
30. Frances Kravanja \$24, Martin Golub \$52.50, Peter Prezel \$15, Mary Popelar \$36, Joseph Karo \$90.
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32. Antonia Beric \$14, Mary Jurman \$7.
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34. Frank Komidar \$28, Joseph Prevetz \$31, Frank Jenko \$30, Lukas Bicanic \$21, Rudolph Camps \$70, John Grzanich \$20, Angelo Krainik \$32.
35. Emma Marentich \$20, Victor Zadnik \$17.50, Elizabeth Russ \$14, Frank Sternic \$7, \$35.
36. John Piese \$78.
37. Andrew Semrov \$20, Joseph Fabec \$20.
38. Joseph Cralic \$15, Anton Tomsic \$31, Frank Sikeri \$32.50, Anton Pogacar \$10, Louis Virant \$21, James Podboj \$10, Joseph Novak \$35, Joseph Florjancic \$78, Frank Dobro \$58, Anton Jelenic \$58.
39. Josephine Koprivic \$25.
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41. Peter Jeler \$35, Dorothy Miklich \$7.
42. Mary Kole \$31.50.
43. Frank Gnjatovich \$26, Frank Potocan \$17.50, Frank Kiri \$6, Rudolph Renko \$40, Joseph Sajn \$10, Joseph Krulic \$14, John Senkinc \$20.
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47. Mary Piccoli \$26.
48. Mary Logan \$20.
49. Jennie Treilar \$18.
50. Rosa Carpenter \$50.
51. Emma Prohart \$44.
52. Victor Vauk \$21.
53. Frances Kauric \$20, Vide Lesjak \$12, Joe Ukar \$7.
54. Joseph Berlec \$20, Mary Zupancic \$16, Frances Lunder \$16.
55. Frank Perse \$20, John Novak \$14.
56. Paul Brozovich \$18.
57. Michael Rajer \$36, Michael Rajer \$36, John Koevar \$26.
58. Joseph Slapar \$17.50, Joseph Slapar \$35, Nick Guancie \$35, Susan Spanich \$42.
59. John Borich \$35, Anna Novak \$17.
60. Joseph Anceal \$44, Ferdinand Ozavik \$28, John Breagar \$36, Steve Vukelich \$42.
61. Valentine Blatinik \$17, Alice Porento \$20.
62. Zvonimir Kruljac \$27, Mary Sustaric \$17.
63. Steve Denic \$34.
64. Mike Verbič \$20, Anton Kranker \$30, Louis Prosek \$20, Anna Bruno \$74, Milich Vuclich \$20.
65. Frank Plavec \$63, Paul Lanko \$20.
66. Anton Jankel \$52.50, Mary Sheeman \$17, Louise Frustek \$30.
67. Mary Gergurich \$45, Joseph Krstulich \$23, Mike Rozman \$36.
68. Frank Jurak \$23, Joseph Iyecz \$45.
69. Joseph Phine \$19.
70. Frank Maras \$31, Anton Mauer \$15.
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77. Mary Kristan \$17.50.
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79. Krist Cermelj \$22.
80. Frances Koevar \$22, Joseph Supancic \$26.
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82. Dorothy Skerly \$40, Steve Scheffer \$27.
83. Anne Micklitz \$20, Helen Baraga \$14, Olga Richter \$18.50, Mary Gradisar \$21, Pauline Baylitz \$38, Anna Basarich \$14.50.
84. Margaret Gerovac \$20, Sylvia Serch \$20, Rado Maricich \$43, Joseph Vukelich \$30, Katherine Serich \$36, Thomas Serich \$35, Mande Gerovac \$35, Joseph Pavlovich \$14.
85. John Ritic \$29.
86. Paul Sobol \$14, Fajljan Koplar \$15, Gabriel Vlahinja \$39, Zofija Vlahinja \$70.
87. Angelina Birtic \$12, Joseph Prymak \$8, Anna Vukovich \$40.
88. Martin Krenkar \$19, Mato Spohar \$64, Jacob Pompe \$15, Jacob Pompe \$30, Louis Mikelic \$12.
89. Joseph Pouch \$6.
90. Marko Kof \$33.
91. Mary Sternad \$54, Valentin Marinkic \$104, Frank Cvetenik \$55, Angela Repovz \$7, John Kalcich \$14.
92. Frank Pouchkovich \$12, Nikola Pisko \$9.
93. Theresa Kendra \$20.
94. Emma Bell \$24, Joseph Kraus \$31.50.
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96. Jack Cetin \$26, John Kuretic \$28.
97. Matilde Balton \$20.
98. John Bernovich \$40, Andrew Vidus \$14.
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Društvene vesti

Bellaire, O. — Članstvo društva št. 258 SNPJ pozivam, da se udeležijo redne mesečne seje, ki se bo vršila v nedeljo 10. junija, v Česki dvorani; pričetek ob desetih dopoldne.

Seja je važna, ker bomo volili delegata in namestnika za 13. redno konvencijo SNPJ. Bratje in sestre, udeležite se seje vsaj vsakega četrta leta!

George Vucelič, tajnik.

Cleveland, O. — Članstvo društva Lunder-Adamič št. 28 SNPJ je vabljeno, da se gotovo udeležijo seje, ki se bo vršila v nedeljo, 10. junija; pričetek točno ob devetih dopoldne v običajnem prostoru. Seja je zelo važna, ker bomo volili delegata in namestnika za 13. redno konvencijo SNPJ, ki se ima vršiti v mesecu avgustu. Vaša nazočnost je potrebna!

K. Stokel, predsednik.

Cleveland, O. — Članstvo društva Nanos št. 264 SNPJ je vabljeno, da se udeležijo prihodnje seje dne 10. junija v polnem številu. Seja je važna, ker bomo volili delegata za 13. redno konvencijo SNPJ. Ako hočete izvoliti delegata, kakor tudi namestnika, potem se gotovo udeležite seje. Pričetek točno ob dveh dopoldne.

Charles Zakaly, tajnik.

Virginia, Minn. — Članstvo društva št. 215 SNPJ je vabljeno, da se udeležijo redne mesečne seje, ki se bo vršila v nedeljo, 10. junija; pričetek ob pol dveh popoldne v Mestni dvorani, v sobi Chambers of Commerce. Seja bo važna, ker bomo volili delegata za prihodnjo konvencijo SNPJ. Kakor vam je znano, smo se združili z društvom št. 338 v svrhu izvolitve skupnega delegata.

Joseph Vranicar, predsednik.

Gary, Ind. — Pozivam članstvo društva št. 271 SNPJ, da se udeležijo seje, ki se bo vršila 10. junija v običajnem prostoru. Na dnevnem redu bo volitev delegata in namestnika za 13. redno konvencijo SNPJ.

Na seji bomo razpravljali tudi o drugih važnih zadevah, za to prosim članstvo, da se udeležijo v velikem številu.

Mary Balaban, tajnica.

Rockingham, Pa. — Pozivam članstvo društva št. 389 SNPJ, da se v velikem številu udeležijo prihodnje seje, ki se bo vršila 17. junija v običajnem prostoru; pričetek ob eni popoldne.

Naše društvo se je združilo z društvom št. 247 v svrhu izvolitve skupnega delegata za 13. redno konvencijo SNPJ. Dolžnost slehernega člana in članice je, da pride na sejo in voli za tistega, ki se mu vidi; da je najboljši. Pridite točno ob eni, kajti ob dveh bomo bili v Central City in skupno volili delegata.

Joseph Cebren, tajnik.

Chisholm, Minn. — Vljudo vabim članice društva št. 322 SNPJ, da se polnoštevilno udeležijo prihodnje mesečne seje, ki se bo vršila v sredo, 13. junija, v običajnem prostoru; začetek ob osmih zvečer.

Na dnevnem redu bo tudi volitev delegatinj za prihodnjo konvencijo. Dolžnost vseh članic je, da se seje gotovo udeležijo; izjema naj bodo samo bolnice.

Jennie Petrich, tajnica.

Milwaukee, Wis. — Pozivam članstvo društva št. 234 SNPJ, da se številno udeležijo prihodnje seje, ki se bo vršila 10. junija. Na seji bomo ponovno volili delegata in namestnika, ker na zadnji seji niso bile volitve pravilne. Zakaj ne, boste zvedeli na seji. Na sejo se posebej opozorjam tiste, ki so bili kandidati. Opozorite na to naznanilo tudi druge članice, ki slučajno ne bi čitale tega naznanila.

Na zadnji seji je bila lepa udeležba, na prihodnji pa naj bo še večja.

Joseph Fritz, tajnik.

Los Angeles, Cal. — Pozivam članstvo društva št. 615 SNPJ, da se gotovo udeležijo prihodnje društvene seje, ki se bo vršila 17. junija (tretjo nedeljo) v običajnem prostoru, 4064 Whittier Blvd. in Herbert. Dolžnost slehernega člana in članice je, da se udeležijo seje, kajti volili bomo delegata za prihodnjo kon-

venčijo, katera se bo pričela 13. avgusta v Evelethu, Minn.

Na tej seji moramo tudi izvoliti drugega tajnika, kajti dosedanja finančna tajnica sestra Marie Kotchnik je resignirala. Torej udeležite se te važne seje!

Jacob Stonich, predsednik.

West Newton, Pa. — Pozivam članstvo društva št. 64 SNPJ, da se v velikem številu udeležijo redne mesečne seje, ki se bo vršila 10. junija; začetek ob desetih dopoldne. Na tej seji bomo volili delegata in namestnika za 13. redno konvencijo SNPJ.

Opozorjam tudi članstvo, da je bilo meseca marca sklenjeno na seji, da mora vsak član in članica plačati v društveno blagajno 25c, ako se ne udeležijo pogreba v slučaju smrti člana ali članice društva št. 64 SNPJ. Točko v pojasnilo članstvu, ker je bila na zadnji seji tako majhna udeležba.

John Kobe, tajnik.

Bessemer, Pa. — Vljudo vabim članstvo društva št. 97 SNPJ, da se gotovo udeležijo prihodnje redne mesečne seje, ki se bo vršila dne 17. junija. Na dnevnem redu bomo imeli več važnih društvenih zadev in zato bomo tudi volili delegata in namestnika za 13. redno konvencijo, ki se ima vršiti to leto. Torej udeležite se seje številno, da bomo lahko izvolili dobrega delegata.

Rudolf Marotti, tajnik.

Pittsburgh, Pa. — Na zadnji seji je bilo sklenjeno, da pozovemo članstvo društva št. 118 SNPJ, naj se udeležijo prihodnje seje, ki se bo vršila 10. junija; začetek ob desetih dopoldne. Seja bo važna, ker bomo volili delegata za 13. redno konvencijo SNPJ. Prosim, da se je udeležite v velikem številu.

Joseph Hrvatin, tajnik.

Lorain, O. — Vabim vse članstvo društva Bled št. 17 SNPJ, da se udeležijo prihodnje seje, ki se bo vršila 10. junija v Slovenskem narodnem domu; pričetek ob 9:15 dopoldne. Na seji bomo izvolili delegata za 13. redno konvencijo SNPJ, ki se ima vršiti meseca avgusta. Vaša dolžnost je, da se seje udeležite vsaj takrat, ko volimo delegata za našo redno konvencijo.

John Bruce, tajnik.

Chicago, Ill. — Članstvo društva Francisco Ferrer št. 131 SNPJ naznanjam, da se bodo vršile volitve delegata za 13. redno konvencijo naše jednote, in sicer na prihodnji seji dne 14. junija. Seja se prične ob 8. uri zvečer v spodnji dvorani SNPJ. Upam, da se članstvo udeležijo seje v polnem številu in izbere delegata po svoji volji v interesu jednote.

Ursula K. Gradisek, tajnica.

Sacramento, Cal. — Pozivam članstvo društva 549 SNPJ, da se gotovo udeležijo prihodnje seje, ki se bo vršila v nedeljo, 17. junija, v dvorani Dante Club, 1511 P st.; začetek točno ob dveh popoldne.

Članstvo našega društva se je odločilo, da bo poslalo delegata na 13. redno konvencijo, katera se ima vršiti v mesecu avgustu v Evelethu, Minn. Članstvo naj to naznanilo upošteva in se seje udeležijo v velikem številu, da

Predsednikova kolona

Za nas posebnosti Čas res hiti—nahajamo se že v juniju, kar je za nas kot članov SNPJ letos posebne važnosti. To pomeni, da smo že blizu konvencije, za katero se pripravljamo, da jo bomo imeli tam v sredi avgusta, ako medtem vlada prekliche svoj odlok ali pa nam izda za to posebno uradno dovoljenje. Zaeno nas to opominja, da je potrebno, da se požurimo in medtem izvršimo vse potrebne konvenčne predpriprave.

Ena najbolj važnih konvenčnih predpriprav so volitve delegatov. Kot dobri in zavedni člani jednote naravno hočemo in upravičeno pričakujemo, da bo naša konvencija pametno zborovala ter delala samo dobro premišljene in koristne zaključke. Ampak pri tem ne smemo pozabiti, da je to največ odvisno od nas, to je, kakšne zastopnike pošljemo na konvencijo. Ako hočemo, da bo naša konvencija konstruktivna in delala kolikor mogoče dobre zaključke, moramo tudi gledati, da izberemo iz svoje srede najbolj vestne in zaslužne ter sploh sposobne člane, ki nas bodo tam zastopali.

In ne pozabimo, da doba za volitve delegatov gre h koncu, ter da jih moramo izvesti še ta mesec, ako jih nismo že prej!

Razni vzroki Med vprašanji v zvezi s konvencijo je tudi vprašanje, zakaj ni v Prosveti take razprave o pravih, kakršne smo imeli včasih dolge mesece pred konvencijami? Odgovorov na to je lahko več.

Kolone Prosvete so seveda tudi sedaj na razpolago za take razprave. Eden vzrokov, da posamezni člani to pot ne razpravljajo o tem predmetu toliko kot so včasih, bo najbrž velika zaposlenost in utrujenost. Živimo v časih, ko je menda vsakdo izmed naših posilno zaposlen, ako ne pri izdelovanju orožja in raznih vojnih potrebščin, pa s čim drugim. Marsikdo bi še rad pisal in razpravjal, pa nima časa ali pa vsled utrujenosti ne more.

Delni vzrok, da sedaj ni tako veliko razprav o pravih kot smo jih imeli leta nazaj, je gotovo tudi v tem, ker je jednota tedaj bila mlada in ne toliko izkušena, in ker smo tekom njenega razvoja vedno poskušali nje sistem izboljšati in izpopolniti kakor največ mogoče. Ni dvoma, da so baš tiste razprave ter dalekovidnost in vestno sodelovanje gl. uradnikov največ doprinesle do tolike dovršenosti jednotinega organizma, da si je sedaj že težko domisliti kaj boljšega ali bolj popolnega in kar bi v smislu državnih zakonov bilo tudi izvedljivo. Pozabiti ne smemo, da imamo sedaj stroge zakone, ki regulirajo podporne organizacije in kateri postajajo v vsakim letom bolj strogi, dočim se ob ustanovitvi jednote in še dolgo potem države niso veliko, nekatere pa skoraj nič brigale za take organizacije. Tedaj smo lahko spreminjali pravila po svoji volji ter dodajali in uvažali v naš sistem tako rekoč kar koli smo sami hoteli, dočim je sedaj treba vsako spremembo predložiti državnemu zavarovalnemu oddelku in od tam izposlovati odobrenje. To je velikanska razlika! Menda ni treba posebno poudarjati, da načelniki teh oddelkov, ki so prišli do svojih stolčkov največ po sinekurah starih političnih strank, nam ne delajo posebno prijaznih poklonov v takih ozirih.

Spremembe pripravljene S tem pa seveda še ni rečeno, da so naša pravila povsem popolna in da nam ni treba nobenih sprememb več. Čas in nove razmere povzročajo nove in drugačne zahteve tudi v našem sistemu. Mi pa medtem seveda tudi nismo spali, temveč smo motrili in zasledovali vse pojave in upoštevali nove zahteve. Kot je članstvo že lahko razvidelo iz naših zapisnikov, je gl. izvršni odbor že davno pripravil potrebne popravke in priporočal izboljšave, ki jih je potem gl. odbor odobrila in ki so bile nato predložene še načelnstvu državnega zavarovalnega oddelka. Ta stvar je torej v redu, gl. urad je pripravil vse potrebno tudi brez razprav o pravih od strani članstva v Prosveti, konvencija pa bo končno odločila.

Da se ne pozabi In tudi ni rečeno, da je s tem že vse rešeno, ter da je vsaka nadaljna razprava odveč. Lahko se še razpravlja o različnih problemih in potrebah jednote vse do konvencije. Eno teh bi lahko bilo vprašanje naših principov. Kot znano, je SNPJ ustanovljena na svobodomiselnem temelju, z demokratično upravo in napredno delavsko ideologijo. To so res dobri principi in v okviru tega se da mnogo koristnega storiti za človeštvo. Naša preteklost nam je najboljša priča za to. SNPJ si je baš radi svojih lepih idej in velikih principov stekla največji sloves ter hitro rasla in se razvila v tako mogočno organizacijo. Tega se moramo zavedati vsi in o tem dobro poučiti zlasti našo mlajšo generacijo, na prihodnji konvenciji pa vse te lepe ideale še bolj utrditi. To bo najbolj sigurno jamstvo za stalno rast in sigurnen napredek jednote tudi v bodoče!

V. CAINKAR, gl. predsednik.

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Walsenburg, Colo. — Članstvo društva št. 299 SNPJ je vabljeno, da se gotovo udeležijo prihodnje seje, ki se bo vršila dne 17. junija; pričetek ob pol desetih dopoldne v običajnem prostoru. Na dnevnem redu bo volitev delegata in namestnika za 13. redno konvencijo in razprava o pravih in drugih zadevah.

Louise Zupancic, tajnica.

Aurora, Minn. — Naznanjam članicam društva Zvezda št. 111 SNPJ, da se bo naša seja vršila v nedeljo, 10. junija, v Slovenski delavski društveni dvorani. Začetek ob eni popoldne, kajti ob dveh pa bomo imele skupno sejo s članstvom društva št. 43 v svrhu izvolitve skupnega delegata za 13. redno konvencijo SNPJ. Članice, naša dolžnost je, da se seje številno udeležimo in izvolimo dobrega delegata ali delegatinjo.

Julia Modetz, tajnica.

Gilbert, Minn. — Članstvo društva št. 61 SNPJ naznanjam, da se bo prihodnja društvena seja vršila 24. junija, to je četrto nedeljo v mesecu namisto tretje. Sejo smo premostili radi volitev delegata za prihodnjo konvencijo.

Naše društvo se je združilo s št. 161 SNPJ, ki ima sedež v Kitzvillu. To društvo bo imelo istotako sejo na isti dan in ob istem času, to je točno ob eni popoldne. Na dnevnem redu bomo imeli tudi druge važne zadeve, zato se seje udeležite, če vam je le mogoče.

Andrew Zagar, tajnik.

Eveleth, Minn. — Članicam društva št. 130 SNPJ naznanjam, da se bo vršila društvena seja 11. junija; začetek ob pol osmih zvečer v naši dvorani. Na tej seji bomo izvolili delegatinjo za prihodnjo konvencijo. Opozorjam tudi tiste članice, ki ste pozne z assesmentom, da ne čakate do 2. v mesecu, temveč plačajte do zadnjega v mesecu. Jaz se tudi moram ravnati po pravih in pravočasno poslati assesment v glavni urad.

Josephine Frantar, tajnica.

Prosveta

Ali ste naročili na dnevnik "Prosveto"? Podpirajte svoj list!

The Wagner-Dingell Proposals

THE NEW SOCIAL security and health insurance plan now before Congress, if adopted, would serve as a bulwark against insecurity. The far-reaching measure, introduced by Senator Wagner and Representative Dingell, calls for increasing costs to both employers and employees.

The plan includes these principal proposals:

Contributions of employers and employees are to be increased from 1 to 4 per cent each. Every citizen would be eligible to health insurance similar to the present voluntary hospital insurance plans now in effect, but none of the present plans would be affected.

Moreover, the plan provides that the government would embark on a 10-year plan, with an appropriation of \$950,000,000 to help states build and improve hospitals and health centers, especially in rural areas. An additional \$5,000,000 would be provided to help the states make the necessary surveys.

Also, the U.S. Employment Service would be established permanently, and social security would be extended to an additional 15,000,000 persons, including farm workers, domestics, etc.

In addition, the plan provides increases for unemployment compensation and old-age benefits; jobless insurance would be nationalized, rather than operated on a state by state basis as now in practice.

There is no doubt that the nation needs such a plan, and it is up to the workers to support it.

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IT IS KNOWN that organized labor unanimously supports the Wagner-Dingell bill. While the measure is not radical in its concept, it is nevertheless a long step forward in social legislation.

For instance, the health insurance plan would allow the individual to choose his own physician and hospital, and it would permit the physician and hospital to pick their own patients. Thus we see that the plan is not "socialized medicine," as it should be, but a mild reform of the present inadequacy.

The medical care insurance would provide for hospital service up to 60 days a year, with the insured person's family included in the benefits. For illness or disability, a person would get the same payments as if unemployed, and these would be revised. Wagner said that the program would pay "enormous dividends" in public health. The aid to states and the health insurance plan, he said, would provide medical care for the low-income family and "strike at an important cause of the shockingly high rate of rejections" experienced by draft boards.

"Health insurance does not involve regimentation of doctors or patients," Wagner declared. "It is simply a method of assuring a person ready access to the medical care that he or she needs by eliminating the financial barrier between the patient and the doctor or hospital."

Wagner correctly said that the legislation isn't the "final solution" of social problems, but simply "a desirable step that can be put into operation now."

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IN REGARD TO unemployment, Wagner said that duration of benefits would be extended from the present maximum of 26 weeks to a full year if available funds permitted. He also said that full employment, if it is achieved after the war, "still does not solve the economic problems of widows and orphans, the aged, the sick and disabled."

The weekly scale of unemployment benefits would be from \$5 to \$20 for single persons, with a maximum of \$30 based on the number of dependents. Most existing state laws have a maximum between \$15 and \$20.

Woman workers would be allowed 12 weeks maternity leave, with the same scale of benefits. Changes in the old-age assistance phase would provide monthly cash benefits where the worker is totally disabled for six months or more before reaching retirement age. The minimum monthly sum is increased from \$10 to \$20 for a single person, and \$30 for a worker with a dependent wife aged 60 or over. The maximum would be \$120 a month. The bill also lowers from 65 to 60 the retirement age for women and for receiving widow's benefits. Those in the armed forces would be granted a wage credit for \$160 a month, thus having this social security credit during their period of service without deductions from Army or Navy pay.

As was to be expected, the reactionary American Medical Association is opposed to the Wagner-Dingell bill by stating that "compulsory sickness insurance with federal control is both socialized medicine and state medicine." In reality it is only a mild form of that, a step in the right direction intended to help the common people.

Badgerland News

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—Although attendance was not up to par, the May meeting was well taken in with the different committees reporting on their activities. The problem of the Juvenile Circle took up considerable time. Many ideas were brought up. So a committee was appointed to sort of get the ball rolling and some definite action should be ready for our June meeting.

The Badger representatives at the SNPJ convention will be Frank Ob-luck and Tony Verbeck; alternates, Frances Debelak and Joe Glavan. Two welcome visitors were Matt Graf and Lou Lonckner. Both boys are home on short furloughs from the Army.

Members in Service

Again I ask those of you who have someone in the service to check with our sec'y to see if the address is correct or missing. We still are lacking a few addresses to make the file complete. Don't forget to write that letter today, and keep on writing.

The addresses for this week are: Pvt. Victor Alper, 3699316, Co. A, 126 B.N., 80th Regt. I.R.T.C., Camp

Joe Robinson, Ark.—Change of addresses: Pfc. Matt Graf, 36226315, Co. (B) 1687 Eng. C Bn., Camp Polk, La.—Sgt. Frank Bozich, 16155739, 246th B.U., Gypsy Task Force, A. P. O. 845, c/o P.M. Miami, Florida.

Reminding you to get into the habit of attending our regular monthly meetings and paying your dues on time. SALTY, 584.

Cuddy Lodge No. 319 Dance This Sunday

CUDDY, PA.—Just a reminder of the dance sponsored by SNPJ lodge 319 on Sunday, June 10. As previously announced, music by Jack Guzel and his Melody Mixers. This is your invitation, so please have your smiling face join us.

MOLLY, Lodge 319.

Notice to Lodges Nos. 713 and 472

HARMARVILLE, PA.—Calling your attention to a joint meeting to be held for the final election of a delegate and alternate to represent our merged lodges 713 and 472. The date is Sunday, June 10, at 5:30

N. Y. All Americans

BROOKLYN, N. Y.—The lodge meeting for the month of May was very poorly visited. This was a disappointment as we have had better attended meetings so far this year. Starting with the month of June through September the meetings shall be held the third Friday of each month at the American Slovene Auditorium, 253 Irving Ave., Brooklyn. Therefore, all members are asked to cooperate by attending for as always many important matters remain to be taken care of. The next meeting of the New York All Americans is scheduled to take place on Friday, June 15, at 8 p. m.

The annual outdoor picnic of lodge 580 shall take place on Sunday, June 24, at Karl's De Old Homestead, Freshpond Road and Metropolitan Avenue, Ridgewood. The committee is making all the necessary preparations and all that is necessary now is more interest and cooperation by our members and friends. The occasion shall be an enjoyable one, I am sure. Now with the lights on in New York and the lifting of the curfew there is no reason why this cannot be the picnic of real "good old time" for all.

We are glad to hear that Sister Angela Morris' husband has returned home from overseas. Sister Evelyn Noller remains on the sick list and members are urged to visit her at 210 Dodd St., Weehawken, N. J. We were happy to have with us for one week Sisters Frances and Helen Dermotta, members of the J. Z. Jr. Bright Spots of Liberty, Pa. Hope they enjoyed their stay as much as we enjoyed having them. Letter from Sgt. Frank Ambrosic of the same lodge tells us he is in Austria now. He has visited a concentration camp, met and talked with a number of Slovenes who were imprisoned. He really has some first-hand information as to how badly they were treated by the Germans.

A most interesting letter from Pfc. Edward Debevec describes all the places he has been since leaving England. He is presently stationed at Berleburg, Germany, which is about 65 miles east of Cologne. His job now is checking passes of everyone who passes their guard posts. Since he is situated near a displaced persons camp he has met a number of Yugoslavs while on duty. Just as soon as he has the opportunity he shall try to talk to them. Ed is a member of the Comrade Lodge of Cleveland and also says their mail is no longer censored.

The Junior All Americans, Circle 50, have been relaxing since their circus performance. Their meeting on May 13 was well attended and we are sure that the next meeting scheduled for Sunday, June 10, shall also be well visited. The celebration of birthdays of the Circle members each month is being continued and after each meeting the children really have the opportunity of becoming acquainted and discuss their problems and compare their accomplishments. The Circle meetings shall be discontinued for the months of July and August as most of the members leave the city while school is out.

Sunday, June 10, Slovene male chorus "Slovan" shall sponsor their annual picnic at Karl's "Dee Old Homestead." Since this picnic is always the first of the season we know it shall be well attended.

Sunday, June 17, a public rally shall be held at the Manhattan Center, 34th Street, New York City, in protest to the stand taken by the British and American governments on the Trieste problem. At this assemblage a number of outstanding speakers and delegates to the San Francisco conference are expected. We are especially interested in the Yugoslav delegation. It is of the utmost importance, therefore, that a good number of Yugoslavs be present to make this action a most successful showing.

The Yugoslav nationality group's 7th war bond rally held at Times Square in New York on Saturday, May 26, was most successful to the extent of being credited with selling \$40,000.00 worth of bonds from 6:15 p. m. to 12 midnight.

The Slovene school of Brooklyn presented a program on Sunday, May 27, at the Slovene hall. The net proceeds of this affair were for Yugoslav relief.

Once again we are called upon to purchase an extra war bond! Just as in the past I know this time it won't be necessary to urge any good Slovene to buy an extra war bond during the 7th War Loan Drive. If you haven't purchased one yet, today isn't too late!

JENNIE PADAR, 580.

p. m. at the Acmetonia Club. We urge all Ramblers and members of Lodge 472 to be on hand promptly, so that this matter shall be conclusively decided at this meeting. JOHN SKARJA, Sec'y.

COMRADES' NOTE BOOK

By J. J. Filott

CLEVELAND.—Vic Wallencheck, bronzed and handsome as ever, home on furlough, stopped by to let me know he is back from Texas and soon will be on the way to California for more training.

Frank Elersich somewhat strange in civies. He is one of the first members discharged because of sufficient points. Welcome back, Frank. Incidentally, he promised to be at our next meeting. We might get him to relate some of his experiences.

Frank Klemene is back in the States, hospitalized. He is recovering from wounds received in action.

Sue Pakis' brother informed me that Sue expects to be home soon, another case of enough points. Little by little we might get them all back.

Vera Mang inquiring about the good health of many of the members she had not seen for some time. Pauline Ross dropped in, wondering what to do with herself, being the first Friday vacant since the bowling season ended.

It's a baby boy, 7 lbs., so I am told by John Alden's mother. Congratulations, John and Kay.

Comrade lodge extends its sincere sympathy to Helen Bonac on the loss of her mother. They were mighty good pals. Those of us that knew Mrs. Bonac will also miss her.

News from SNPJ

Lodge No. 540

ELIZABETH, N. J.—Hello to all from Lodge 540. The last meetings were held April 8 and May 13. Both were fairly attended.

Discussions were held on a number of subjects, among them SANC and Yugoslav Relief. All clothing for this relief has been sent to N. Y. by express. Thanks go to all members who donated and to all others, especially Sister Agnes Pasarih who did a lot of mending on these clothes, so they were sent in good condition to their destination.

This lodge has merged with Newark 756 in order to get enough votes to elect a delegate to the SNPJ convention which starts Aug. 13. Anthony Pezdirc and alternate Joseph Cipoth have been nominated from Lodge 540. If this lodge would like to be represented at the convention, every adult member of Lodge 540 must attend the next meeting Sunday, June 10, at 2 p. m. and cast his or her vote. Come on members of Lodge 540, let's go and vote and send a delegate from Elizabeth to the convention. Show your interest and attend the June meeting.

Personal—Wedding bells have rung for Antoinette Cipoth and Ted Strychniewicz on April 19, and Gertrude Bratnik and T/Sgt. Adam Czarnatowicz on May 5. Congratulations and best wishes to all.

Service News—Theodore Cipoth and Frank Pasarih of the Navy were recently home on leave. Theodore is awaiting new assignment in the Pacific at Seattle, Wash. Frank is on his way to the Pacific area. John Pasarih is in the Philippine Islands, Joseph Pasarih in Marianas Islands, Louis Bettys, European area, also George Cerne. John Bratnik with the 7th Army and Frank Skarl with the 9th Army in Europe.

The Air Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster has been awarded to Sgt. Anthony Skarl, missing in action, and presented to his wife Eleanor Skarl on April 6. Tony, 25 years old, has been missing in action since Sept. 12, 1944, when he was on a flight over northern Italy. He was a tail gunner on a B-24 Liberator, attached to the 15th Air Force and stationed in Italy.

All these boys write regularly to their families and now that V-E Day has arrived, we hope to see some of them home on furlough. Best of luck to all always.

The members of the lodge were deeply shocked to hear the death of President Roosevelt. He was taken too soon and all of us should work harder for an ever-lasting peace in tribute to him for all he has done.

All 59 adult members of Lodge 540 are urged to be sure to attend the very important meeting Sunday, June 10, at 2 p. m. It is your duty as a good standing member to attend and let us have 100% attendance at this election for candidate to SNPJ convention.

Please pay your dues on time every month.

MARY PEZDIRC, 540.

Daffynitions

Briefcase—What you get at the butcher's these days.

Chargeant—A three-striped despot of the army.

Madshipman—A sailor who doesn't get shore leave.

Universal Comets

Dates to Remember

UNIVERSAL, PA.—June 24—Meeting of "Welcome Home" to Veterans' Committee of W. Pa. at the SNPJ Hall, Sygan, Sunday, June 24, at 3 p. m. Lodges in both the E.S. and Slovene federations are asked to send delegates to discuss an undertaking for the returning soldiers.

July 4—Picnic by Lodge 138 at Strabane. Bro. Frank Zaitz, chairman of SNPJ supervising committee and editor of Proletarec, will address the audience.

News and Views

Four Comets made a trip to Johnstown to visit friends on Sunday, May 20. It was great fun visiting with the Vidrichs, Culikars, Anne Bricey, Betty and Johnny Ross, and countless other people. Rose Bartovic and Fran (Mickey) Gish Remezo join us in thanking them for a good time and a special thanks to Anne Bricey for a delicious meal. MICHAEL R. KUMER.

Avella News

AVELLA, PA.—First and perhaps the most important news, is to notify all members of Lodge 292 that we will elect delegates at our meeting on June 10. We urge all members to attend and perform their duty of electing whomever they consider best qualified to represent our lodge. Let us have a big turnout. Remember, 10 a. m. on June 10.

There are several other projects in the making also. Such as our new parking lot, and participation in the 7th War Loan Drive. With a few more active members, we could make our lodge a real "live wire".

Bro. Robert Cokel, who has just transferred to the adult class, has joined the Navy. Our wishes for good luck and good health go with him. Robert is the fourth member of his family to enter the service. His brother, S. 1/c Frank Cokel, is at present in Norfolk, Va. Two members of their family have made the supreme sacrifice for our country. Lt. John Derivinskis, their brother-in-law, gave his life in Belgium. His stepbrother, Radioman 3/c Rudolph Ograysenick, was killed Oct. 9, 1943, in the Mediterranean theater of war. It will indeed be a great day when Victory is complete. I am still receiving letters from our boys all over the world, thanking us for the Easter boxes we sent. You can get their addresses from me or from the bulletin board at our Slovene Home, so please drop them a line or two.

Our congratulations to Sis. Marge Resnik and her husband-to-be, Patsy De Filippis. June 17 is the "big day." Bro. Joe Resnik will also enter the newly-wedded couple, probably in July. We want Ethel in our lodge, Joe. How about it?

That \$5 consolation award our team got out of the telegraphic tournament came in handy. We've taken a lot of razzing on our scores and that prize gives us a comeback. At least we finished in the upper half; eh, girls? Better luck next year, we hope.

Members! Remember our next meeting June 10.

HELEN RIBARICH, Sec'y.

Sharon Keystoneers

SHARON, PA.—This coming Sunday, June 10, at 8:30 p. m., the Keystoneers will celebrate their 7th anniversary. Music will be furnished by Maestro Jack Persin and his Jolly Jesters of Warren, Ohio. So to this gala affair, come one, come all. The Keystoneers will be there to greet you, and make sure that you will be having a wonderful time. Be seeing you all Sunday.

FRANCES NOVAK, 755.

Attention, Members SNPJ Lodge No. 64!

WEST NEWTON, PA.—All members of SNPJ lodge 64 are urged to attend the regular meeting Sunday, June 10, at 10 a. m. At this meeting we will elect a delegate and alternate for the 13th convention. I also wish to call the attention of each male and female member, who fails to attend the funeral of a deceased member, that he or she must pay 25c into the lodge treasury. I mention this here because very few attend our monthly meetings.

JOHN KOBE, Sec'y.

SNPJ Lodge No. 615 Meeting on June 17

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.—SNPJ lodge 615 will hold its monthly meeting on Sunday, June 17, at 2 p. m. at Knights of Pythias Hall, corner of Whittier blvd. and Herbert st. All members are urged to come as we are to elect a delegate and alternate to the forthcoming convention. It is very important that all members attend. See you all June 17 at 2 p. m.

MARY KOTCHNIK, Sec'y.

NOTATIONS

By Frances L. Rak

CHICAGO, ILL.—Perfect Circle members are reminded that their next meeting will be held this Saturday morning, June 9, at 10:30 at the lower SNPJ hall. Your Circle manager had requested that you have an answer ready whether the individual members should buy their own photos of the "When Ma and Pa Were Young" program or take the money out of the treasury. Also, plans will be discussed for the coming picnic—and perhaps there will be a complete financial report on the last affair. It should be an interesting meeting and we hope to see a large attendance again.

Pioneer Picnic—Pioneer picnic committee held an enthusiastic meeting last Friday evening at the Center. The following attended: John Alic, Anne Beniger, Sylvia Bozicnik, Mayme Cerkoney, Steve Cerkoney, Carolyn Dutchuk, Donald J. Lotrich, Ruth Medic, Frances L. Rak, John Rak Jr., Ida Simon, Julia Skocir, Frances Stark, Fred Svoboda, and Louis Zorko. Juveniles present were Stephen Cerkoney Jr., Mitzie Dutchuk and Joanne Rak. The chairman and co-chairman of the committee are D. J. Lotrich and John Rak, with Mayme Cerkoney as recording secretary. We expect to add more to committee as time passes. The next meeting will be held June 22 at Center at 8:15 p. m. There will be refreshments, too.

Pilsen park will be the scene of this year's Pioneer Picnic. Date is Saturday afternoon and evening of Aug. 4th. Ray Rodman's orchestra will be featured for dancing in the evening. As a special inducement there will be a grand prize given away (details next week). Among the many concessions will be one especially for our Servicemen's Benefit. Perfect Circle members have consented to make an appropriate booth, with the names of all our service men and women printed on it. There will be extra fun for the children as games and races will be one of the many afternoon features. We're asking our members and local lodges in and around Chicago to reserve this date and come out in full numbers. The grove is ideally located, 26th & Albany. Gas shortage you say? The streetcar makes a stop in front of the grove quite frequently.

Proletarec Picnic.—As has been announced before, we like to remind again and again that there will be a picnic held by Branch No. 1 JSF for the benefit of Proletarec

All-A-Round.—The Al Raks of Gary, Ind., spent last weekend in Chicago visiting with the George Videgars and John Raks.—Luke and Jedert Groszer have a month's vacation away from the Center, and we hope it's a pleasant month wherever they'll go. Frances Vrechek is the new custodian at the Center. We wish her luck!—The Pioneer bowlers had a nice attendance at their meeting last Friday evening.—Anne Beniger reports a very interesting conference at Milwaukee on May 27.—We were ever so grateful to John Simon for driving us home after the meeting last Friday evening. Reason: as we were ready to leave a terrible downpour of rain and it surely did come down! Thanks again, John, from all of us!

light of the meeting. The election was delayed until June 10 session. No other form of publicity will be offered to advertise the election. We are now in the 100 bracket and thus we need not merge, as in previous years. Attend this meeting and help elect a delegate.

Off the Record.—Pvt. Albert Klucik's address: 555 Repl. Co., 112 Bn. 3rd P. G., A.P.O. 761 R, c/o P.M. N. Y., N. Y.

Detroit's Beachy Bruce was still in Belgium as of May 2. Sends his regards to all his friends.

The very popular Joe Umcek was home on leave. For more than two years Joe's fingers were strangers to the keys of an accordion, but nobody could notice the difference. The "good old times" came in for a great share of discussion.

Sgt. Frank Zitnik received a fifteen day extension on his furlough and you can imagine that wife, Mamie, is still very happy. Frank is well liked and is really enjoying himself.

Our Circle policy committee and Circle members are seeking various items for prizes for July 7. When they call at your home, please do what you can for them. The Circle is attempting to raise funds for free educational and recreational trips, when peace is again with us.

FRANK REZEK, 643.

Eagles' Doings
Twelve members attended this meeting. Another letter was received from Capt. Anthony Barkovich who is still at Grand Island, Neb. Tony Sra, secretary of the local bowling tournament, made a report. He announced that one of the Circles was declared champion of its division and that a trophy, war stamps awards and bowling balls would be awarded to various individuals.

On the sick list we had Lud Milavec and Ed Prevec.

A discussion on the election of convention delegate was the spot-

The time and place of the picnic is set for August 4, at Pilsen Park, 26th and Albany. There will be a special servicemen's fund booth, with many attractions, and another feature, a grand prize to the lucky person.

We could use more ideas and suggestions. Therefore, I'm taking the liberty to invite as many as can attend the next meeting at 8:15 p. m. Friday, June 22, at the Center.

MAYME CERKONEY.

Our Front

By Louis Beniger

The Trieste crisis has somewhat subsided, at least for the time being. But there is already a much more serious one in Syria.

The provisional government of France bluntly accuses the British of fomenting trouble in Syria by inciting the natives against the French. The incident assumed serious proportions, and pronto: the British stepped in by ordering French troops to withdraw. Not only French troops but also French civilians are being evacuated from Syria by the British. All this because France today is weak and unable to resist. Thus the British are taking over in the name of "peace," while the chief reason behind it all is—the rich oil fields.

In reality, the "incident" is a fight between two colonial powers for the right to exploit natural resources in the Middle East, and because of this the natives must be kept in bondage.

Last week Pope Pius XII again took occasion to speak on international problems.

In an implied slap at communist influence in Europe, the Pope said that the small nations have a right to reject a government imposed upon them against their will. He said this in a worldwide broadcast, adding that they are entitled to refuse the "imposition on their national life of a new political and cultural system" opposed by a majority of their people.

Thus speaks the Pope today, after the defeat of Fascism and Nazism, and where was the Pope when the Nazi-Fascists were ravaging Europe? Did he utter a word against Italian Fascists who oppressed the Slovene nation under Italy?

No, neither the present Pope nor his predecessor, has ever spoken a word in defense of the defenseless. On the contrary, he was the arch collaborator of Mussolini.

Now the Pope speaks of the "satellite shadow of National Socialism," but does not mention Fascism. He deplores the killing of priests and mass executions of civilians without trial now, but was silent on mass murders committed by Fascists in Slovenia and Croatia.

The Pope also has the temerity to speak of "very sad" reports received from Slovenia and Croatia, now—but the same "holy father" kept silent when the Italian Fascists were murdering our people in Slovenia.

This is plain hypocrisy! And it is much more when it comes from the Pope himself. But, after all, did the Popes ever care to be consistent? Did they ever care for anything else but power—world power? The Pope should stick to his religion and not meddle in politics by hypocritical utterances. He should remember that it is he who needs the support of the people and not vice versa!

Struggler Views

CLEVELAND.—Just a reminder. On Sunday, June 10, we will hold a social after the business session of the meeting. At this time we will elect our delegate and alternate for the coming convention.

It's Sunday afternoon and I'm quite confident of a large turnout, so you won't disappoint me, will you? Florence Zaman and her staff have promised us something good in the line of refreshments, while Jo Tomsic and Frank Ipavec will see to it that no one leaves the bar thirsty. Admission is by invitation, so our sister lodges are cordially invited and to the others, why not contact a Struggler member so the invitation may include you also?

Music will be furnished by Phil Sirc and a good time is promised by the entire entertainment committee. Come on, members, let's see if it can't be like old times again, and please don't disappoint us. We'll be seeing you on June 10 at the Slovene Workmen's Home, the time 2 p. m.

ANNE S. ZEJE,
Rec. Sec'y Lodge 614.

United Slovenes

ST. MARYS, PA.—At our May meeting we made plans for our annual Lodge 581 picnic to be held on Sunday, June 17, at Zwack's Grove, on the Million Dollar Highway, just outside of the city limits.

Tickets are now on sale and can be obtained from the members or Lodge Sec'y. The price is \$1 and is good for beer and dancing; only children accompanied by their parents will be admitted without tickets.

Picnic will be held regardless of weather and there will be plenty of eats and cold drinks to last the entire day. We ask that all members cooperate with the picnic committee and make this picnic a success.

Sa. Mary Rollick (S. Michael st.) and Sa. Mary Rollick (Atlantic st.) are in charge of the tickets, so anyone wishing more tickets look them up. All unsold tickets or money must be turned in to them before picnic date or persons having them will be charged for same.

Our June meeting will be held on June 15 at 7 p. m. instead of Sunday, June 17. Please attend.

GABRIEL ULJON, Sec'y.

Juvenile Circles

Circle 28 Suspends Meetings During Summer

ROUNDUP, MONT.—The May 13 meeting was called to order in regular form, with Frank Lekse acting as president, Richard Lekse as vice president and Frank Bedey as secretary.

We plan to let the members play baseball as much as possible during the summer months. The members voted unanimously for no meetings during the summer. Jean Bilant, Richard Lekse and Bobby Bedey were appointed to contribute to The Voice of Youth. Mrs. Bedey read an article about Andy-Oursi and asked the members to write to him and be his pen pals.

The meeting was adjourned in regular form.

FRANK BEDEY, Sec'y.

Pioneer Juniors Circle No. 27 Banquet-Program

STRABANE, PA.—As a tribute to their mothers, members of the Pioneer Juniors, Circle 27 held a banquet May 17 at the SNPJ Hall. Preceding the dinner, a short program was presented by members of the Circle as follows:

America, Circle 27; welcome address, Woods Etherington; Speaking a Piece, Paul Gasper; Too Slow, Jacqueline Picquard; accordion solo, Jerry Grosso; Playing Lady, Janet Feonda; My Ma, Doris Skovranko; America the Beautiful, Circle 27; No Clothes to Wear, Marjorie Tomsic; Three Little Mothers, June Curtis; Anna Houston, Audrey Nacoul; piano solo, Virginia Boles; Rock A Bye Baby, Beverly Houston; Albert Florgan, Mary Frances Chesnic; Joan Rosman, Alice Stanizewski; Yvonne Picquard, Joyce Tomsic; accordion solo, Jerry Yarkosky; Jimmy's Desires, Frank Rosman; The Little Housekeeper, Mary Ann Ravelock; Suspenders, Herman Helay.

At the close of the program, Frank Tomsic, president of the Strabane Pioneers and member of the Athletic Board, presented a trophy to the Circle's bowling team for placing first in the junior class of the national bowling tournament. Individual prizes were also awarded the boys and in addition James Podboy was awarded a gold bowling ball for having the highest score. Members of the winning team are Cpt. Chester Kaminski, Guy Houston, Lees Houston, Bob Kesnowski, Jimmy Podboy.

Our Mother's Day banquet is an annual event and this year marked the third successful banquet. The event was arranged by the Circle advisers, Mary P. Chesnic and Alben Yarkosky, ably assisted by Dorothy and Frances Podboy, Joan Day, Olga Feonda and Mrs. August Podboy. Honor guests present besides the mothers of the Circle members were the officers of the Pioneers 589, President Frank Tomsic, Vice-President Frank Miller, Secretary Frances Podboy and Treasurer Frances Florgan.

MARY P. CHESNIC, Mgr.

Juvenile Circle No. 24 Enjoyed Trip to Chicago

WAUKEGAN, ILL.—Our Juvenile Circle took a trip to Chicago to put on a Mother's Day program with the Perfect Circle.

We all met at SNH at 9 a. m., caught the bus to Edison Court where we all piled into the chartered train we had waiting for us. That started us on our jolly way. When we came to Chicago, Mr. John Rak and Mr. Robert Sannemann were there waiting for us with a few boys of the Perfect Circle. From there we took the Douglas Park Elevated, got off at Lawndale and walked about six blocks to the SNPJ Hall. There we had a delicious meal, and talked for a while with the Circle members. Then it was time for rehearsal.

The program went over just swell. The Perfect Circle put on a splendid program which was enjoyed by

everyone. After the program we took a little walk. Later in the evening there was dancing. The day went altogether too quickly. We left the hall at 8 p. m. Except for a little trouble with streetcars we all arrived at the station safely. We were home at about 10:30. Everyone had a wonderful time, but it was good to get back home again.

I'd like to thank Mrs. Sannemann and the Perfect Circle members for the good time they showed us and thank the women who prepared the fine meal. It was nice seeing you all again, and we hope the time will soon be here when we will be together again.

LOUISE DOLENCE.

Jolly Juveniles, Circle No. 24, Thank Circle 26

WAUKEGAN, ILL.—On May 13, the Circle from Waukegan went to Chicago to help Perfect Circle celebrate their fifth anniversary. We wish to thank each and everyone who helped us have a good time. We also thank the mothers who worked in the kitchen and prepared the very excellent meal. We also enjoyed Perfect Circle's very good program. On the way home we had fun singing and chatting, but ran into a little trouble with the streetcars making connections with the return train.

On May 16 our Circle had pictures taken of the younger and older groups. The advisers also had their pictures taken. In case anyone wishes to see or buy them, they are in the barroom of the SNH and are \$1 apiece. You can leave the orders there. Anyone wanting to reorder or put in an order for the bowling pictures can have them by seeing Frank Petkovsek, as they are still available.

On May 24 we had a get-together at which we played games and sang songs. Our assistant adviser, Edith Dobnikar, who also was secretary for the SNPJ bowling tournament, gave out the prizes for bowling. The girls that were on Chir's Five came in second place and won \$5 in war stamps. Another girls' team that was sponsored by Sloga lodge got \$2.50 in stamps. Congratulations are in order for Ronald Latz for winning a golden bowling pin for a high series of 501. Good luck, Ronny, keep it up.

In signing off I again wish to thank all members of the Perfect Circle and the parents for giving us such a nice time.

MILLIE GREGORIN.

Perfect Circle No. 26 Will Meet Saturday, June 9

CHICAGO.—Circle 26 will hold its regular meeting Saturday, June 9, at 10:30 a. m. at the SNPJ hall. At this time, two important questions will be brought up for discussion and to be voted upon.

First of all, the picture which was taken of the Gay Nineties will soon be ready, and it must be decided whether each member would pay for his or her picture or if the money should be taken from the treasury. Where and when the Circle's picnic is to be held will also be discussed.

Think about these things and talk them over with your parents. Come to our next meeting prepared to present your ideas on the subjects.

SYLVIA TROJAR, Sec'y.

Midland Lodge 464 Meeting June 13

MIDLAND, PA.—All officers and members of SNPJ lodge 464 are hereby urgently requested to attend the regular meeting to be held Wednesday night, June 13, at 7 o'clock at the Yugoslav Club. This meeting is very important and an election must be held to pick a delegate for the coming convention. Please come. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

MILDRED BOMESTAR, Sec'y.

Killed in Action



F/O Stanley I. Rossa

The Loyalites, SNPJ lodge 590, Cleveland, Ohio, recently added the first gold star to their Honor Roll. Flight Officer Stanley I. Rossa, 24, was killed in action on March 15, 1945, according to word received by his wife, Mar (Bratovich), who lives at 1284 E. 168th st.

Stan had just celebrated his 24th birthday and his seven-months wedding anniversary. He was a B-25 pilot. He and his crew were on a combat mission along the South China coast. While attacking enemy shipping in Namsa Bay, his plane was hit by anti-aircraft fire, caught fire, and crashed into the sea only a few yards from the enemy ship which was reported sunk. It was assumed that none of the plane's crew survived. The Purple Heart was awarded Stan posthumously.

Stan entered the service in June 1943, was commissioned a flight officer and received his pilot wings in August 1944 at La Junta, Colo. He went overseas in February 1945 and was stationed in the Philippines.

Stanley was a member of Vipavski Raj Lodge juvenile department and later transferred to the Loyalites. He will be remembered by the members as one of their top-notch baseball players who helped them win many games. Stanley graduated from Collinwood High School in 1939 and later worked at the Cleveland Pneumatic Tool Co.

In addition to his wife, Stan is survived by his mother, Mrs. Angela Rossa (nee Baje of St. Vid near Vipava, Slovenia), 814 E. 168th st.; two brothers, Coxswain Marvin stationed at Rhode Island, and Edward; and a sister, Angie, all of whom are members of Vipavski Raj. The members of the Loyalites extend their sincere sympathy to his wife, mother, brothers and sister. Stan has joined the ranks of other honored heroes who have given their lives for our country but he will live on in the hearts of his Loyalite brothers and sisters.

LODGE LOYALITES 590 SNPJ.

CAPTAIN JOHNNY

DETROIT.—I have sat down several times to write about Johnny Krainz, but each time I threw away what I had written. Words seem so futile when you're writing of a friend like Johnny. The Army had promoted him to captain, but he died in battle before he learned of his promotion.

He died gallantly, thinking not of himself, but of his men. We who knew him were not surprised at his courage in action, because we knew Johnny was a man in every sense of the word. He was very keen mentally and handsome physically. Added to this, he was very human, being equally at home with infants and aged persons. Both men and women liked Johnny.

I don't think any of us will ever forget the warmth of his smile or his friendly, joking manner. Printed words cannot possibly convey what we feel in our hearts at the loss of such a fine fellow as Johnny.

ADOLPH KOSS, 564.

Veronians' June Activities

VERONA, PA.—Sunday, June 17, Veronians' Lodge meeting at 2:30 p. m. Also on Sunday, June 17, the Veronians are having a dance, featuring Jackie Martincic, this affair being at 9 p. m. Then on Sunday, June 24, a gala celebration, beginning at 9 a. m. until 9 p. m., the Veronians are invited to dine and dance (free of charge) to Jackie Persin and his orchestra. At 9 p. m. on this same day (June 24), Jackie will play for a regular dance when admission will be charged. Feature attraction for that day will be the burning of the Veronian mortgage.

Veronian congratulations to the Stinae family in Oakmont. Daddy says, "Marilyn, the baby born at the Magee Hospital weighing 8 lbs., is in good health, as is her mother."

They are alive and coming home these three Veronian members, Russell Dougherty, Rudie Stanik, and Jane Mokosek. These boys were previously reported missing in action.

Another Veronian inducted into the services recently was Frankie Jakovac. Boys home on furlough in past two weeks were Tommy Solomon, Will Kaus, Frankie Ruskevich, Charles and George Latin, and Victor Jakovac.

John Lesar and Larry Cernoi have been voted in to represent the Veronians at the SNPJ convention.

To members having anniversaries—there should be plenty this month—congratulations.

MICHAEL LIPESKY, 680

FLASHES

By DONALD J. LOTRICH

CHICAGO.—A fine meeting of the Pioneer picnic committee was held last Friday evening at the Center. The initial phase of the work was gone over and some important decisions made. The music was selected and the tickets were ordered. We also decided to award a grand prize worth \$150. A special service-men's booth will be set up and the entire proceeds from the booth will be placed in the Pioneer service-men's fund. John Rak and Donald J. Lotrich will be co-chairmen. Mayme Cerkoney will record the minutes. The next meeting of the committee will take place Friday, June 22, at the Center. Though the attendance was good, we would still like more members for the committee.

The Pioneer bowlers got together last Friday night, also. They talked about the merits of the bowling league and went into detail about many bowling problems. A committee consisting of John Alic, Fred Svoboda, and Frank Lotrich was set up to secure alleys for the new season and to draft rules for adoption at one of the coming bowling meetings. The coming season promises to be a good one.—Another Pioneer left for the service. This time it was George Florian and that makes it 132 for the Pioneers.—Vera Levec sends greetings from Fontana, Calif. She is staying with the John Rodmans and tells us that the sights out there are beautiful.—Erma Peknik postcards from Atlantic City where she is taking in the sunshine of this famous seashore resort. She is visiting her husband who is stationed at a nearby naval base.—A scenic folder from Tucson, Arizona, tells us that John and Antonia Rihel arrived there. They are well even though it is very warm.—Mary Kranker tells us that her husband is back home on the farm and that their crops are already seeded. Her daughter Naomi is working in Chicago during vacation time. Mary played ball with the Pioneers years ago.—Phoenix, Arizona, is where Frank and Julia Horzen have settled. They write to tell us that they are well and they intend to stay there.

Our mailman returned the Xmas parcel sent to Maurice Komochar last October. Maurice, you will remember, was reported missing in action about a month ago.—This week's contribution for the Pioneer collection came in from Stanley Bernik who sent us a German civilian gas mask thru his dad, Peter Bernik, who is employed at the SNPJ office.—Leo Vider postcards from Columbia, S. C., and from the looks of things they don't allow him much leave-time. His ship went back to Europe for another load. He expects to hit the French port where Oscar Godina is located.—And, Oscar Godina writes that Brig. Gen. William Hoge inspected his camp while he was in England. The countryside is beautiful, Oscar tells us. He'll be looking out for Leo Vider because of the article in the April Bulletin.—Another letter came in from Andy Sosko who writes about all the nice things in the Philippines including the girls out there. Fresh vegetables are plentiful and they get to eat them regularly.

An extremely interesting message came in from William Arbanas from Sudetenland, Czechoslovakia, dated May 15 and he tells us about his meeting up with some Slovene prisoners. Bill got the surprise of his life when he was brought before a group of 40 Slovene women in a German concentration camp. These women were released by the American soldiers and because Bill knew how to speak Croatian, they got into a very friendly conversation. It was nice to know that the husband of one of these women was a regular contributor to our Slovene publications in America particularly to Prosveta and Proletarec. Bill secured a note from Mrs. Mile Klopčić who sends greetings to us and explains that they have gone thru the horrors of the concentration camp and that the Americans rescued them. All of the women signed this little note. We have asked the editor of Prosveta to publish it in the Slovene section. Bill adds that all of the women lived in one room at the camp and that it was spotless and that they showed signs of recovering from the hell they had gone thru, thanks to the Yanks who provided them with their own rations. Being able to speak the language was profitable for Bill.

Albert Luzar has been in the service for over three years and has now received his good conduct ribbon. He is now stationed at South Manitou Island near Empire, Michigan.—Although he has been very close to the spots where Ernie Dressar and Frank Groszer were located, Tony Strukelj just hasn't had the good fortune of meeting up with them; he is in good health.—Stanley Zbenik must have been thinking so much about his home that he addressed our V-mail letter there, but the mailman knows us, so he redirected it to us. Stanley writes that they are now getting 1/2 case of beer in cans every couple of weeks, that everything is going along fine except the weather. He hopes the Japs will soon give up.—A short note from Frank Pirman tells us that he has been transferred to a new outfit and they expect to have a new assignment. He is in good health.—And from Arley Bozicnik, we learned that he is between Schwerin and Hagenow, Germany. He is glad that the Germans are licked and hopes that the Japs will soon be trimmed. Arley had a chance to meet some of the Russian soldiers and adds that they are fine fellows. What little German he learned at school is coming in handy now but he'd rather be back home at the Center helping out with the steins.

A short while back the Chicago truck drivers were on strike and that included two active Pioneers, Steve Cerkoney and Frank Lotrich. They each belong to different unions but the men were so determined to secure an increase in pay and better conditions that the boys of the latter union went out on strike in sympathy, against the wishes of the union officials. It's surprising how the officials of this latter group are now capitalizing on the fact that the government made the teamsters go back to work and that the teamsters gained nothing from this strike. This is only one of the old-time follies of union division. It shows the power of the government in wartime and shows how easily unions can be weakened by strikes when waged at the wrong time.

Memorial services were held at the SNPJ section of the Woodlawn Memorial cemetery last Wednesday. These were under auspices of the Chicago District Federation of SNPJ. The section is better fitted each year to enthrone and inspire the ever larger number of our people to participate in these annual services. These grounds have been ours for 13 years. In another few years we'll really have something there. Anton Trojar took care of the program. Vincent Cankar, president of the SNPJ, was the speaker. It does one's heart good to see how many really are thoughtful of their departed brethren.

Do You Attend Your Lodge Meetings?

CLEVELAND, OHIO.—The success or failure of our English speaking lodges depends entirely on each and every one of our members. We cannot get any more out of it than we help to put into it one way or another.

Some of us are destined to be officers, or a part of a committee, and some to be just members. Nevertheless we are all in the same boat, we're SNPJ's.

Just stop and think and how much harder your officers and committees would work if members would show more interest in their lodge affairs. How much greater and better known we would also be. Criticism and suggestions, whether good or bad, can be corrected or amended if you attend your lodge's regular monthly business meetings.

Financially and fraternally we can stack up with the best. We are not satisfied with present conditions. We have hopes and aspirations to be even greater in our social and fraternal and sports activities. We are proud to be Americans, let us be proud SNPJ's, too.

Early Reminder: Only fifteen (15) more days until the Utopians' first outing at Stiffler's Grove. Remember the date, Sunday, June 17. This is an all-out call for Cleveland's SNPJ members.

GEORGE J. JELINEK,
Pres. Utopians No. 604.

Lodge No. 18 Gives Dance on June 16

CHICAGO.—Lodge Rožnik, SNPJ No. 18, is sponsoring a dance on Saturday, June 16, at Berger's Hall, 2653 S. Lawndale ave., featuring the Mozzina Trio. Admission to the dance is free. A cordial invitation is extended to all lodges and friends to attend. Good eats and drinks will be served. And the following day, June 17, we can all cool off ourselves at the Proletarec picnic at Kegl's Grove, Willow Springs. See you all at both affairs.

A MEMBER, Lodge 18.

Slav Day Picnic Sunday, June 10

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—An All Slav Day and picnic sponsored by the American Slav Council of Milwaukee County will be held on Sunday, June 10, at Pleasant Valley Park, 8. 98th and W. Dakota sts. Special foods of the different Slav nationalities will be served, and there will be a program of dancing and singing. Prominent Slav speakers have been invited. Admission charge for adults is 25c. There will be no charge for children.

Mrs. J. V. KLABOUCH, Sec'y.

This and That

By Peter Elias

The Alcoa Monopoly

Some of the activities of Big Business in this war period are now coming to light.

On March 12 of this year, the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals officially declared that the Aluminum Company of America (Alcoa) was a participant in a monopolistic conspiracy to violate the Sherman Anti-Trust Act.

Previous to this, it has been common knowledge that the Aluminum Company of America was a cartelized concern, the cartel including German, French, British and Canadian interests. For years, it stifled all competition, and it maintained the price of aluminum at around 35 cents per pound. Today, the price is around 74 cents per pound, thanks to government intervention.

Although the government has intervened to increase aluminum production, and to reduce its cost per unit, it has not done anything to break the Alcoa monopoly, but on the contrary, there is ample evidence that it has helped this Mellon concern.

Arthur H. Bunker, Chairman of TID, the light metal committee of the War Production Board, as far back as 1941, has been cited by the then Truman Committee as being favorable to Alcoa.

Another member of this committee is Arthur P. Hall, an old paid lobbyist for Alcoa.

It Ain't Hay

With this set-up being as it is, it is not strange that the little story that I am going to relate, happened.

Our government through the Defense Plant Corporation built an aluminum smelting plant at Maspeh, Queens, N. Y. This plant cost a "mere" \$33,700,000 which ain't hay in anybody's language. The plant manufactured aluminum for sixteen months, and it was closed by the WPB because the WPB said there was an overabundance of aluminum metal. So far, so good.

But there is the whole picture. In 1941, the United States government loaned, mind you, loaned to the Aluminum Ltd. (the Canadian branch of Alcoa) \$68,500,000 of yours, mine and the other fellow's money, as a down payment for the aluminum smelting plant at Arivada, Quebec. And 68 millions and a half, ain't hay either (and this without any interest).

How was the Aluminum Company to pay back this huge sum? Oh, that is easy; they were to give us 1,370,000,000 pounds of aluminum. They have given us over 1 billion pounds of it at an average of 18.56 cents per lb. That is about 4 cents more than most of the domestic plants cost average. We take it on the chin for the four extra cents per pound. When their quota is reached, not only will they have paid back the 68 odd millions, but they will make a neat profit as well, and here is the pay-off—they will then own the plant, lock, stocks and barrel.

Some Funny Business

Nice business, isn't it? We advance the money for the construction of the plant, we pay a high price for the aluminum, and then we give OUR plant to the Alcoa cartel. On top of that the plant is on foreign soil where its owners don't have to worry about Uncle Sam.

That is not all. This Canadian plant called the Shipshaw plant last month got an ADDITIONAL order through the Metal Reserve Corporation, the MRC, on request of the WPB. This order calls for an additional 250,000,000 pounds of aluminum. According to PM, the New York paper, the Canadian plant debt will soon be paid, and this new sale is a clear profit for the company.

Meanwhile American plants that can manufacture aluminum as cheap or cheaper are being shut down on the pretense that there is an overabundance of light metals. These American plants are owned by the DPC, and Alcoa in most instances doesn't have an option on them. Perhaps, there is the rub.

It has been disclosed that Jesse Jones, former Chairman of the DPC, was instrumental in making the original contracts with Alcoa. He is the same Jesse who declared Secretary of Commerce Henry A. Wallace didn't have the ability to handle these huge government agencies. Apparently, not Jesse's kind of ability.

No wonder, Mr. Nick Zonarek, former president of the Aluminum Workers of America-CIO, charged that curtailments of domestic aluminum production were ordered because Alcoa was preparing to control the light metal market after war.

Congress should investigate this "funny" business of Big Business and government agencies, and all of the ramifications of war contracts should be exposed. And the Sherman Anti-Trust Act should be enforced.

Mail to Prisoners of War To Be Returned

The War Department announces that no mail addressed to prisoners of war in Europe shall be accepted for mailing. Any mail addressed to prisoners of War in Europe shall be returned to the senders. This pertains also to parcels. No charges shall be collected from the senders on return of undeliverable prisoner-of-war mail.

ANY BONDS TODAY? By Fibber McGee and Molly



Trieste Control Analyzed

Action After Last War Recalled in Connection With Seaport Cities

(From New York Times, May 28, 1948)

We have all heard a great deal about Tito's Army taking control of Trieste and Fiume. However, to see his actions in the proper perspective, a few facts about some happenings at the close of the last war should be recalled.

Immediately after the armistice of World War I, the writer was ordered to Fiume and the surrounding country to investigate political and social conditions and report the findings back to the Peace Conference. He was to gather evidence which would throw light on whether Fiume and Trieste should belong to Italy or Yugoslavia.

The writer was the first American officer to enter Fiume and the neighboring country, and on his arrival there he found that the Italians had taken possession of the city and were suppressing, by every means known to dictatorship, Croatian or Yugoslav activities and political groups. His investigation showed that the people of Fiume and environs four or five to one wanted that city to belong to Yugoslavia, and that, economically, beyond question both Fiume and Trieste would be more prosperous and politically free if they did not belong to Italy. All of this was reported back to the Peace Conference, and that conference decided Fiume should belong to Yugoslavia, and that Trieste, while under Italian sovereignty, should be an open city. (See note below.)

Through machinations of various kinds, the Italians never left Fiume and never paid any attention to the decisions of the Peace Conference in regard to either city, so that Yugoslavia, by waiting for the decision of the Peace Conference, lost what this time she does not wish to lose.

Reason for Distrust

When the writer revisited Fiume and Trieste in 1926 he found that they were literally dead cities. Trieste, which under Austria was a thriving seaport, under the Italians lost nearly all of its commerce and industry. The wharves were empty, and blocks of the city buildings and stores were deserted. Many streetcar lines were abandoned, and the population diminished substantially. The reasons were obvious. As a seaport, neither Fiume nor Trieste had any value to Italy. The tariffs and economic controls were such that Yugoslavia and Austria were deprived of the use of these cities, and, geographically, Venice, Ancona, Brindisi, Genoa, etc., were far better located for Italy's needs. In fact, neither Fiume nor Trieste was of any commercial use to Italy whatsoever.

It is little wonder, therefore, that this time (especially since she has Russia's sympathy) Yugoslavia should desire to pursue an entirely different course and not trust the decisions of the Peace Conference. It should be remembered that in the last war the Croats and Yugoslavs helped materially in bringing about the peace by their revolt against Germany. This time, Italy was on the other side of the conflict and has caused a tremendous loss of life to the Allies, while Tito and his forces have sacrificed enormously for the Allied cause. It is not surprising, therefore, if Yugoslavia should be very much aggrieved if she does not this time get possession of these cities.

These seaports are absolutely vital to the commercial life of Yugoslavia and would also be valuable to Russia, if Yugoslavia should be under the sphere of influence of Russia. For centuries Russia has desired a warm-water seaport, and for those same centuries England has maneuvered to keep this away from her or from any country under the sphere of her influence.



In this, as in other matters where British and Russian interests conflict, the position of the United States should be neither pro-Russian nor anti-Russian, but we should be guided by the justice of the claims presented and their influence on future peace.

FRANK E. KARELSEN JR.
New York City, May 23, 1945.

Note: Unknown to the United States, Great Britain agreed, under the so-called London Pact of 1915, to award this territory to Italy, 4 years before the Peace Conference.

Slovene Prisoner of War Writes

(The following letter in English, addressed to Louis Adamic, was received for publication in Prosveda.)

Like me, hundreds of Slovenians are still among the Italian prisoners of war. I know what they think and what they thought when we were forced into the Italian army.

So, in the name of all of them I'm writing to you, Slovene-Americans, and I beg you to continue in every way possible the fight against false propaganda, particularly that of ex-fascist Italo-American newspapers like the "Progresso Italo-Americano", which, with its shameful everyday campaign is spreading the hate of the people of Yugoslavia.

We beg you to continue the fight in the defense of our rights, in order to get the flag of Yugoslavia stay high in the skies of Trieste, Reka, Pulj and Gorica, and raise your voices louder than ever, so that Washington will hear the echo.

Eagerly awaiting the day of our return homeward, we pray and hope that finally the justice of the right can triumph over the imperialistic dreams of Italy, and after so long and glorious struggle, the people of Yugoslavia can be united with the brothers of the Julian March.

I write this in the name of the brothers Slovenes that I know in this camp of Italian prisoners of war.

F. UMECK,
Born in Trieste,
C. de Rittmeyer, No. 4.

No Papers, Magazines To Yanks Without Written Request

At the request of the Navy Department, effective July 1, 1945, in order to conserve shipping space and to prevent nonessential mailings, the following arrangements between that Department and the Post Office Department shall govern the acceptance in the mails of newspapers and other periodicals addressed to personnel of the Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard overseas.

1. Individual copies of newspapers and magazines offered for mailing by publishers, addressed via the fleet post offices at New York, N. Y., or San Francisco, Calif., to Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard personnel on duty overseas, shall be accepted only when they are being sent in fulfillment of written requests initiated by the addressees for subscriptions or renewals of subscriptions.

2. Postmasters at the offices of mailing shall require publishers to present for their examination the requests from the addressees for subscriptions or renewals of subscriptions.

3. Relatives and friends may pay for the subscriptions or renewals of subscriptions provided the addressees have initiated requests therefor.

4. Complimentary copies sent by publishers, copies paid for by advertisers, and copies sent under any kind of an arrangement whereby the requests of the addressees are solicited shall not be accepted.

5. Copies mailed in fulfillment of subscriptions which are unexpired on the effective date of this order shall be accepted until the subscriptions expire.

Service to War Veterans

QUESTION: Into what type of insurance policies may I convert my government insurance?

ANSWER: Any time after one year and before five years from the date the policy expires, you may convert your insurance into Ordinary Life, 20-Payment Life, or 30-Payment Life.

QUESTION: If I draw a pension or retirement pay, may I have my insurance premium payments deducted from my pension or retirement checks?

ANSWER: Yes. Fill out Insurance Form No. 887, obtainable from the Veterans Administration, and mail it to the Veterans Administration office from which your checks are received. You should, however, be sure that your premiums are being paid by the Veterans Administration before you cease sending in your premium payments. A letter from the Veterans Administration or deductions from your pension checks will prove that the payments are being made.

QUESTION: If a veteran is eligible for retirement pay and for a pension, which should he choose?

ANSWER: He may make the application for both and choose the greater amount. The retirement pay is usually greater than the disability pension. There are certain restrictions on government employment in connection with retirement pay that do not apply to pensions.

QUESTION: If a veteran is retired and given retirement pay, should he also file a claim for disability with the Veterans Administration?

ANSWER: Yes, especially if he is interested in educational benefits. The per cent of disability allowed on a claim may entitle the veteran under Public Law No. 16 to vocational rehabilitation benefits.

QUESTION: Under what conditions may a veteran request a review of his discharge?

ANSWER: A veteran may at any time within fifteen years request and receive a review of his discharge, unless he was discharged or dismissed by general court-martial sentence. Veterans of the U. S. Army should apply to The Adjutant General of the Army, Washington, D. C.; veterans of the Navy, Coast Guard or Marine Corps to The Bureau of Naval Personnel, Washington, D. C.

Power Trust Hires Agents to Kill MVA, Farm Union Charges

DENVER, COLO.—The Power companies in the United States have employed, thru a large Philadelphia advertising agency, \$1000-a-month men to battle the Missouri Valley Authority in each of the states in the basin," charges the NATIONAL UNION FARMER, published here.

"Their pay, plus a liberal expense allowance, is to be raised thru kick-backs from concerns which sell supplies to the power companies, the St. Louis Post-Dispatch said in an article published May 12. In other words, suppliers will add the cost of the propagandists to their bids on supplies, so the cost of the anti-MVA propaganda campaign will not show up in the power company accounts," the paper continues.

"Revelation of the nature of the campaign against MVA has spurred plans for a people's organization to boost the proposal," the paper claims, reporting on a meeting of backers of MVA, at which the N.U.F. Farmers' Union, state REA associations, the League of Women Voters, the Iowa Co-op Council, Mont. MVA Ass'n, Colo. MVA Ass'n, Mo. Farmers' Ass'n, CCA, three labor union organizations, the St. Louis and Mo. MVA associations were represented.

Urges Backing
NFU pleads for wide popular backing of the Senator Murray MVA bill (\$5550, on which the Senate Irrigation and Reclamation Committee will hold hearings after June 15). It urges all cooperators and other backers of public power to write their Senators and Congressmen urging its adoption.

A Weasel Is Born



IN INDIANAPOLIS—Money clutched tightly in their fists, children of Parkview School No. 51, line up to make their weekly War Bond and stamp purchases. These students hope to buy enough War Bonds before the close of school to sponsor a "Weasel"—an amphibious "jeep" with caterpillar tracks—which costs \$4,515. They have already sponsored several "jeeps" and "pucks". The school has won the right to fly the "Schools at War" flag, signifying regular stamp buying by 25% or more of the children and faculty, every week during this school year.

S-Sgt. Langerholc Meets Slovenes In France En Route to Germany

(The following excerpts are taken from three letters written by S/Sgt. Larry Langerholc en route through France and Germany. They were sent to his sister, Frances L. Rak, of Chicago, Ill., who submitted them for publication in Prosveda. Larry is a member of SNPJ lodge 712, Johnstown, Pa., and landed in Europe on the eve of V-E Day.)

France, May 11.
Arrived here a few days ago and am feeling fine, and not working too hard yet. Today we get our rifles and then we start training all over again. You never stop training in the infantry.

I visited Le Havre and it sure is a bombed out port. The French people have suffered a lot, and are the poorest looking people I ever saw. The Germans took everything from them. I visited a few small villages around this replacement center, and they didn't even have a drink of wine to sell, let alone something to eat.

Money doesn't mean anything here 'cause there's nothing to buy with it. Cigarettes, soap, candy, etc.—you can get anything the French have for these articles. They will do your laundry for a cake of soap. After we are thru eating the French women and children line up for the leftovers. They are glad to even get the garbage, and I'm not exaggerating one bit. Americans don't know how lucky they are.

I was in Amiens the day and hour that peace was declared. What a happy bunch of people they were. Seems as tho all the young people are gone. The Germans took them to their work camps. Talked to the Polish and Russian soldiers who were prisoners of the Germans, and they really have some awful stories to tell. I can understand Polish and Russian just enough to make it out. Have a buddy here who speaks French and that way can find out a lot.

Sure is pretty country here, but every town that has a railroad station is bombed all to hell. The Maginot Line we can see from here. We all expect to go thru it as part of our training program. We sleep in 8-man tents and on bunks, something new here, since just lately, since V-E Day we can get passes to go into town. It's cold at night, and hot in the day. It's not bad here at all. Send me "Notations" only, but wait to mail Prosveda after I get my permanent address, Love—Larry.

France, May 18.
Haven't received any mail for almost two weeks now, as the mail has been sent ahead to our final destination. This is only a temporary stop; have been here for ten days already. Transportation problems, you know. We leave today, so I'm hoping I'll soon be reading lots of letters.

I'm having it nice so far. The weather is beautiful. Haven't had any training to speak of, just small hikes, physical training, lectures, etc.

Met some Slovene people here by the name of Gorisek. They live in a small town here by the camp. (This could be news for your "Notations," you know.) If anyone knows them, let me know, huh? Gorisek said he knows a lot of people in the U.S. They are from Kostanjevica na Krki—wherever that is. They have a son, Anton, 8 years old, and two girls, Annie, 6, and Francka, about 3 years old. I thought of you and Ann when I saw them; they are really cute.

I visited them about five times. The lady washed my clothes for me and gave me six fresh eggs one night. My five buddies and I ate them (a guy can't hide a damn thing around here).

Well, the man (Gorisek) works in an ore mine in the town of Cruesnes, and gets 30c an hour for eight hours a day. He blew his top when I told him I used to work in the coal mines and made from \$7 to \$10 a day.

About these Slovene people here. They are poor, and when I brought the kids each a candy bar and a pack of gum, the man cigarettes and the lady soap—why, they thought I was a millionaire. I met these people at the garbage cans, by the mess

hall, looking for something to eat. The people even fight for the garbage—honest! I also met another couple that came to visit the Goriseks one nite and they were from Zuzemberk, Slovenia. I forgot their name. But they knew where Skofja Loka was, where our Mother and Dad were born.

Don't forget to let me know if anyone knows these people. They are all fine, but awfully poor, and hungry sometimes, I guess, altho they're not starving. Their rations are cut down awfully low. Gotta close now, and don't worry about me. Love—Larry.

Germany, May 22.
I'm in Nurnburg waiting for trucks to take us further into Germany. The R.R.'s are all bombed out, and they only have the line repaired to here. What a mess! There isn't an important military building or R.R. station or bridge standing. It has sure been all that these people deserved. One can't explain the ruin, and believe me, I've seen plenty. It took us three days to come here from Metz. That is where I was stationed close by, in France.

People seem friendly enough, but I imagine they would cut your throat if they had a chance. Saw thousands of French refugees returning to France, all wearing flags and cheering. Women and children—and even babies being born on the box cars. What a life!

Am anxious to get the mail. Love—Larry.

P. S.: Larry has been in service since April 1942—and left the shores of Atlantic late in April of this year. He's a member of Flood City SNPJ Lodge 712, Johnstown, Pa.

SPORTSLANTS

CLEVELAND, OHIO.—In a return challenge match between the gals and guys down Waterloo way, the Utopian fellows absorbed a thorough lacing at the hands of the Yankovics' cafe quintet. Yep, the boys took it on the chin much to the delight of the fair sex who rubbed it in, but good. The series now stands at one apiece with a third match in the making for the start of the 1945-46 season.

"Whitey" Primosch, the newly acquired ringer (well, we've got to alibi, girls), starred for the winners with a 559 series which was tops for both squads. The blond bombshell's 227 sizzler in the last game provided the punch that knocked the bottom out for the lads who had a lead of seven pins after the first two cantos. Jean Russ also picked up the fever and blasted out a four babber for a swell 192 game. "Hank" Zorman was high for the men with a 536 series.

Athletic Board Meets
Saturday, June 16, the National SNPJ Athletic Board will hold its annual meeting at the Slovene Workman's Home on Waterloo Rd. In the evening the Cleveland Athletic League will be hosts at a social in the same establishment. All SNPJ members and friends are invited to attend this affair. Here's your chance to personally meet the athletic board officers.

JOHN J. SPILAR,
Ath. Rep. Dist. No. 3.

Limits of Overseas Package Described

Christmas packages to be sent to service men overseas may not be more than 15 inches in length nor more than 36 inches in length and eirth combined, according to the War and Post Office Departments. The parcels may be mailed between Sept. 15 and Oct. 15 without requests from service men.

WORLD EVENTS

By Scott Hearing

The departure of Franklin D. Roosevelt from the political stage throws into bold relief the extent to which personal government has established itself in the world of 1945. Such a development was almost inconceivable half a century ago. Absolute monarchies were disappearing. Popularly elected legislatures were deciding public policy. The era of the tribal or national chieftain was yielding place to government in terms of measures, rather than men. Yet the mid-twentieth century finds personal governments operating, not only in the "war-mongering" Axis countries, but in the "peace-loving" United Nations.

Here is something for those to ponder: who have at heart the future of humanity. Do social forces govern? Or is 1945 history "the lengthened shadows of a few great men?"

Prime Minister Churchill raised the issue pointedly in his memorial speech of April 17. Before 1939, he said, he had met Mr. Roosevelt "only for a few minutes." Mr. Churchill continued: "As soon as I went to the Admiralty in September 1939, he telegraphed, inviting me to correspond with him direct on naval or other matters if at any time I felt inclined. Having obtained the permission of the Prime Minister, I did so . . .

"When I became Prime Minister . . . I was already in a position to telegraph to the President on terms of association which had become most intimate, and to me most agreeable. This continued through all the years of the world struggle until Thursday last. . .

"This correspondence, which greatly increased after the United States' entry into the war, comprises, to and fro between us, over 1700 messages."

Before he became Prime Minister and after his elevation to that post, Churchill was sending and receiving code messages involving the policies and perhaps the fate of the British and American empires. These messages went to the head of a neighbor government. The lives and fortunes of multitudes of human beings were involved in this secret, personal correspondence.

What was the nature of the correspondence? A young American named Tyler Kent, employed in the code room of the U. S. Embassy in London, felt outraged because an official of a foreign government was using the United States diplomatic code. He was convinced that the purport of the correspondence was disadvantageous to the best interests of the United States. So he took copies of a number of the messages and showed them to Captain Archibald Ramsay, member of the House of Commons. When the transaction was discovered Captain Ramsay was placed under detention.

Tyler Kent, an American citizen, employed in the American Embassy and subject therefore to American jurisdiction, was dismissed by Ambassador Joseph P. Kennedy, turned over to the British authorities, secretly tried, convicted of larceny of government documents and sentenced to a seven-year term in a British prison. The Washington Times-Herald of Nov. 12, 1941, published the story in one early morning edition. In later editions it was suppressed.

Kent charged that the messages which he decoded in 1939 and 1940 were aimed at two objectives: (1) To have Churchill replace Chamberlain as Prime Minister and (2) to bring the United States into the war on the side of Great Britain. Mr. Churchill said on April 17: "There was never a moment's doubt in this war upon which side his sympathy lay. He never lost faith in Britain."

In Franklin Roosevelt there died the greatest American friend we have ever known. Kent's prison term will soon end. The Churchill statement of April 17 concedes some of the points made by him (for example: "At about that same time we devised the extraordinary measure of assistance called lend-lease") and is obviously designed to prepare the way for revelations that are sure to come. (Tyler Kent's mother, Mrs. William P. Kent, 2112 Wyoming Ave., N. W., Washington 8, D. C., presented these and other relevant facts in a petition to Congress dated Jan. 3, 1945.)

We hold pathetically to personalities in an age that has become grotesquely depersonalized. In the great human ant-heaps of the west, city dwellers have ceased to be names. They live and work under numbers. Participants in the present war drop high explosives by the ton on enemy ant-heaps, burning dwellings, work places, schools and hospitals and snuffing out lives, quite as impersonally as Mark Twain's "Mysterious Stranger" crushed the breath out of the little robots he had made. We do these things, not because our emotions are aroused or because we have convictions or principles that have been violated, but because "everybody's doing it" or because "we've been told to do it."

By the way of compensation for living on a level of de-personalization far below that occupied by the higher mammals and many of the

birds, we personalize characters in fiction, religious teachers, radio announcers, movie stars, athletes, journalists and political leaders. We cannot be personal in our own lives because a mechanized, disintegrating social system makes that impossible. So we live personally by proxy.

Mr. Churchill used a telling phrase in his April 17 address: "When Hitler set himself to rub out the cities of our country." Technology enables the rubbing out of entire cities almost as easily as a child rubs inkspot out of a copybook. He, for example, is the story of Hildesheim, a curious medieval town, built to a considerable degree of wood, in which each story of a building projected over the story below, until the upper floors almost met across the narrow streets. The oldest structure in Hildesheim was built about nine hundred years ago.

With its 68,000 inhabitants, Hildesheim was a road and railroad centre and one of the strategic objectives of the Allied armies. On March 22 it was bombed from the air for 18 minutes. The explosions and the fires which the bombs set going destroyed 95 percent of the city.

Guernica, Rotterdam, Coventry, Warsaw, Stalingrad, Budapest, Cologne, Hildesheim—rubbed-out ant-heaps of the west. Cities that took centuries to build, with their arts, crafts, beauty, magnificence, destroyed by twenty-year-old boys, acting under order which they do not question and may not even understand.

Co-Op Alliance Wants Voice In World Security

SAN FRANCISCO. (CLNS)—The appeal of the International Cooperative Alliance for association with the new world organization being shaped here, has been presented to the Secretary General of the United Nations Conference and to the heads of each of the major delegations. It was presented on behalf of the ICA by Howard C. Cowden, chairman of the Committee on International Cooperative Reconstruction, and Wallace J. Campbell, assistant secretary of The Cooperative League of the USA.

"The aims of the ICA are economic, social and humanitarian in the fullest sense, and the whole of its activity during the past fifty years constitutes a campaign for economic and political peace," the memorandum of the ICA pointed out. "With its affiliated national federations in 35 countries, in which approximately 75 million cooperators are organized (the majority of all the cooperatives in the world) the ICA is by far the most powerful voluntary organization and the only international representative of the organized consumers in the world."

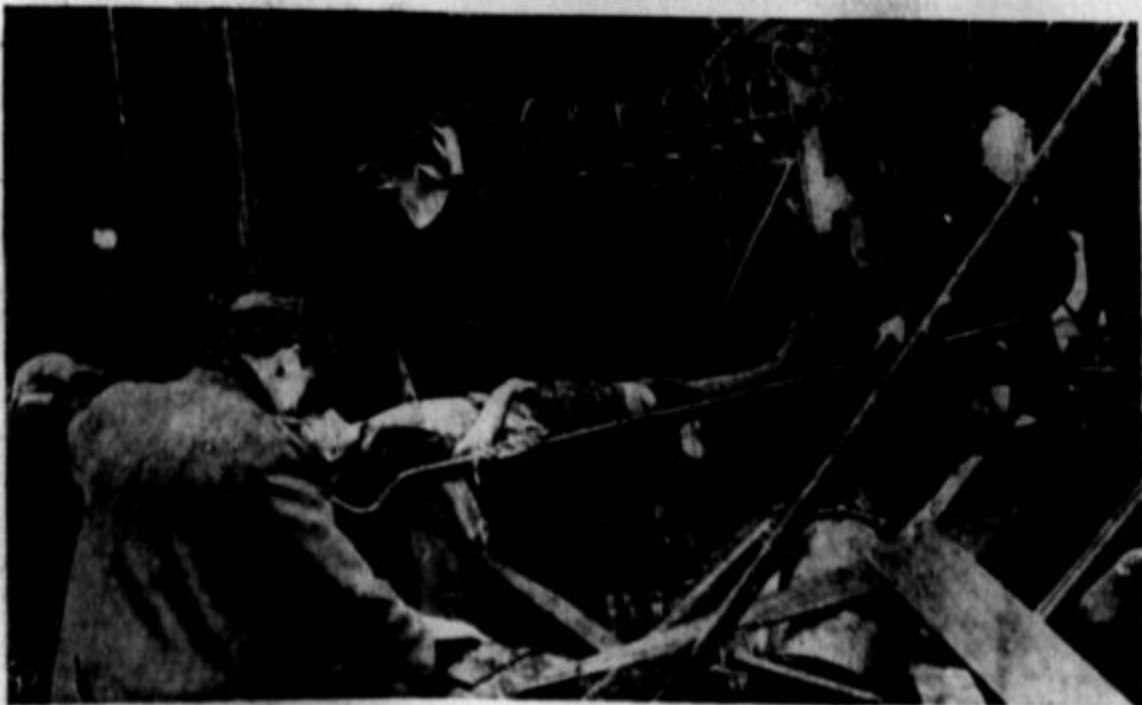
The document, signed by R. A. Palmer, Acting President and G. F. Polley, Administrative Secretary of the Alliance, outlines the role of the ICA as a consultant on economic affairs of the League of Nations and its participation in the International Conference in 1927 and the participation of cooperatives in the work of the I. L. O., United Nations Conference on Food and Agriculture and UNRRA.

"The International Cooperative Alliance is, therefore, confident that the Governments of all the nations represented at the San Francisco Conference will recognize that the World Cooperative Movement has an outstanding contribution to bring to the solution of all international economic, social and humanitarian problems; and that, as the representative of the World Cooperative Movement, the ICA will be brought into effective relationship with the new World Organization through participation in the deliberations of the Economic and Social Council and/or in any other way which the constitution of the Organization may permit."

Waukegan Relief Group Seeks Contributions

WAUKEGAN, ILL.—The Waukegan-North Chicago Yugoslav War Relief Committee is continuing with its collection of clothing and supplies for war victims in Yugoslavia. Dr. Andrew Furlan, president of the local relief group, states that the Slovene and Croatian ladies will collect, repair and prepare for shipment all clothing which will be turned in to the center at the Slovene National Home, 10th & McAlister. Mrs. Mary Celarec is in charge of the ladies' group handling this war relief work. All clothing contributions are to be brought to Room 3 in the Slovene National Home. Phone Majestic 3668. Supplies collected are shipped to the New York Central depot from where it is shipped to Yugoslavia. The need of non-participants in the war is exceedingly great and the local committee requests further donations of clothing in good condition for use by the people of Yugoslavia. JOSEPH ZORC.

WHILE NAZI V-BOMBS STILL FELL ON ENGLAND



RELEASED NOW with the statistics of V-2 bombings of England, this picture shows a woman casualty being carried from the wreckage left by a rocket bomb explosion in London. Prime Minister Churchill revealed that from the first attack, September 8, 1944, to the last, March 27, 1945, 2,734 people were killed and 6,523 were injured by 1,650 Nazi vengeance weapons that fell on England.